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New partnership brings $150M rare earth investment to Greenbrier County

By Zachery Miller

Following a press conference Wednesday, Secretary of State Kris Warner outlined plans for a $150 million private investment in West Virginia's future through a new partnership involving Greenbrier Smokeless Coal Company of Rupert, Flash Metals USA of Houston, Texas, and AmForge Corporation of Washington, DC. The partnership will employ a patented process to extract rare earth minerals from millions of tons of coal tailing in Greenbrier County.

Rare earth minerals are essential to the production of everyday technologies such as cell phones and computers, but they are also critical to advanced technologies, modern energy infrastructure, and national security systems.

"While there has been a lot of talk about developing this technology, these companies have figured out how to do this, do it at scale, and turn a profit," Warner said.

Once fully operational, the Greenbrier County facility is expected to employ nearly 250 people. Additional commitments for infrastructure and mineral development investments are expected to support project expansion and job growth throughout the state.

"Today we had county commissioners from Fayette, Nicholas, Summers, and Greenbrier counties here, knowing that we are going to have to call upon surrounding counties for the workers that are going to be needed to staff this facility," Warner said.

While the group plans to initially source material from permitted mine sites across West Virginia, mineral offtake agreements are already in place with suppliers in Greenland, Canada, and Cameroon. These agreements will allow the Greenbrier County facility to process additional critical minerals from international sources.

"The big thing is, there is a national defense implication to this, so we're not depending on foreign countries. We are reshoring this here to America, and frankly right here in Greenbrier County," Warner said. "It's a hub-and-spoke model, so the hub will be Greenbrier County. It's all starting here. They have nearly 10 million tons of tailings at the Greenbrier Smokeless facility alone."

Despite its controversial history in West Virginia, coal slurry may prove to be one of the state's most unexpected and valuable resources. Rare earth minerals will be extracted directly from coal tailings through a process that involves rapidly heating the material to approximately 1,800 degrees and then rapidly cooling it before the rare earth minerals are separated.

"West Virginia will take a national lead on extracting rare earth minerals from coal tailings, starting here in Greenbrier County, and then expanding across the state," Warner said.

Warner also applauded Drew Horn, chief strategy officer and co-founder of AmForge, for his expertise in rare earth minerals, and his role in developing the project in West Virginia.

Medical care in the 13 colonies before the American Revolution

Two hundred fifty years ago, events were unfolding that would change the course of history. The Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, marking the colonies' separation from England and the eventual birth of the United States.

The early history of the country was marked by a break with existing authority and a wave of innovation that became a defining characteristic of the new nation. The practice of medicine in the colonies reflected this process. Just as the 13 colonies would be transformed by revolution into the United States, traditional medical practice would gradually evolve into scientific medicine.

Medical practice in the colonies began by imitating European models brought by colonists. People could consult a variety of healers. Physicians held the highest status, diagnosing diseases and prescribing medications.

Those medicines were then mixed and compounded by apothecaries. Barbers, also called barber-surgeons, treated wounds, pulled teeth and performed other surface treatments, including shaving and cutting hair.

The iconic barber pole originated in this era. Its red spiral symbolized a blood-soaked bandage wrapped around a pole, advertising the services available inside the shop. Midwives assisted with childbirth and other aspects of women's health.

In some ways, this arrangement resembles the modern medical system, with a variety of professionals performing distinct roles. However, the reality was very different.

Medicine in the colonial period was still based on the humoral theory of health and disease, which dated back to ancient Greece and remained largely unchanged since medieval times. The theory of four humors is attributed to Hippocrates of Cos, the "father of Western medicine," and was later expanded by the Greek physician Galen, who practiced in the Roman Empire.

According to the theory, the body contains four fluids that must remain in balance: blood, black bile, yellow bile and phlegm. Physicians attempted to restore balance through diet, massage, sweating, purging, administering enemas and bleeding patients.

These ideas remained dominant for nearly 1,500 years. They were first seriously questioned in the 16th century and were gradually displaced in the 18th and 19th centuries as anatomy, pathology, pharmacology and microbiology began to develop.

There were two medical schools in the colonies: the Teaching College of Philadelphia, now the University of Pennsylvania, and King's College in New York, now Columbia University.

Affluent colonists could travel to Europe, particularly to Edinburgh, Scotland, for medical training. However, few could afford the cost of travel and years of study abroad.

Formal medical education of the time was not especially innovative. It relied heavily on lectures and textbook reading, often delivered verbatim to students.

Anatomical dissection was limited. A few bodies per year were available in cities such as London and Edinburgh. These were typically executed criminals, whose bodies were used for study as part of their punishment. Because the bodies were not embalmed and dissection techniques were limited, demonstrations were often unclear and still guided by outdated ideas from Galen.

Most practitioners, roughly 90%, did not receive formal schooling. Instead, they trained as apprentices under experienced physicians. While this increased the number of practitioners, it also meant there was no standardization or quality control. Anyone could claim to be a physician and begin practice, even without training.

Even well-intentioned practitioners faced significant challenges due to limited knowledge. About 25% of infants died in their first year, and nearly one in eight women died during childbirth, in part because women had more pregnancies at younger ages.

Diseases such as smallpox, typhus, malaria and dysentery were widespread, and physicians had few effective treatments. Isolating sick patients was one of the most effective measures, but overcrowding and inconsistent compliance made this difficult.

Available remedies were often ineffective. Alcohol and opiates could reduce pain but not eliminate it. Some treatments were harmful, including the use of mercury for syphilis.



Peter J. Ward is a professor of neuroscience

Access to reliable medical care was uncertain, especially as the colonies moved toward revolution. At the same time, advances in science were beginning to reshape medicine.

Before those changes fully took hold, colonists would endure the hardships of war.

Battlefield surgery and the Continental Army during the American Revolution

The Revolutionary War began on April 19, 1775, with the battles of Lexington and Concord. Combat relied on firearms, but because single-shot muskets required time to reload, soldiers often fought at close range with swords and bayonets.

This resulted in a wide range of injuries. Army surgeons treated wounded soldiers while also managing disease and poor sanitation in military camps.

If a bullet passed cleanly through a limb, surgeons could cauterize the wound. Even in such cases, the risk of death remained high because there was no understanding of infection and no antiseptic treatment.

If a bullet remained lodged in the body, surgeons attempted to remove it using probes. Patients endured the pain without effective anesthesia.

More severe injuries occurred when bullets shattered bones. These fractures were difficult to treat, and controlling blood loss was critical. Field amputations were performed when necessary, though less frequently than during the Civil War.

Surgeons used a tourniquet to restrict blood flow, cut through tissue with a large knife and sawed through bone. The remaining tissue was then repositioned and sutured over the stump. Major blood vessels were tied off to reduce bleeding.

This procedure carried a high risk of death. About half of patients died from infection or shock following amputation.

Earlier treatments were even more harmful. Some surgeons believed gunpowder toxins caused injury and

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Robert C. Byrd Clinic becomes WVSOM Health on July 1

The Robert C. Byrd Clinic, located on the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSOM) campus, will become WVSOM Health on July 1.

Discussions about a comprehensive rebranding initiative to more clearly align the clinic with WVSOM's academic mission and to solidify the clinic's central role as the institution's primary clinical training site took place in January. The WVSOM Board of Governors approved the implementation plan to restructure the Robert C. Byrd Clinic at its Mar. 27 meeting.

"The transition of the Robert C. Byrd Clinic to WVSOM Health is a milestone in the histories of both institutions," said WVSOM President James W. Nemitz, Ph.D. "The restructuring and rebranding of the clinic will better align the missions of both organizations to enhance patient care and education of WVSOM medical students. I look forward to a new era of health care in the Greenbrier Valley."

NRPOs to promote safety, sober boating with Operation Dry Water checks during July 4 weekend

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (WVDNR) announced today that Natural Resources Police officers will participate in Operation Dry Water, a national awareness and enforcement campaign to prevent alcohol- and drug-related incidents, injuries and fatalities during the Fourth of July weekend.

The campaign, which runs July 4-6, is coordinated nationally by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and is produced under a grant from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund administered by the U.S. Coast Guard. During the weekend, WVDNR Police officers will patrol West Virginia's lakes, rivers and reservoirs looking for boaters whose blood alcohol concentration (BAC) meets or exceeds the legal limit of 0.08.

"We want everyone to have a great time on the water, but safety has to come first," said WVDNR Police Capt. Warren Goodson. "Boating under the influence puts everyone at risk. If you plan to drink, plan ahead and designate a sober operator."

Alcohol use remains the leading known contributing factor in fatal boating incidents, according to the U.S. Coast Guard. Impairment on the water is often intensified by sun, wind, vibration and wave motion, which can quickly affect judgment, vision and balance.

Operating a boat with a BAC of 0.08 or higher is illegal under both state and federal law. BUI penalties in West Virginia may include fines, jail time, boat impoundment and the loss of boating or driving privileges.

Since the launch of Operation Dry Water in 2009, law enforcement officers have interacted with more than 3 million boaters and removed more than 7,400 impaired operators from U.S. waterways. In 2024 alone, officers from 485 agencies made 584 BUI arrests and more than 43,000 citations or warnings.

The WVDNR is also reminding boaters to:

• Check safety equipment before launching, including navigation lights and horns.

• Wear a life jacket. In 2023, 87% of drowning victims in recreational boating accidents were not wearing one.

• Avoid swimming near docks or boats connected to shore power to reduce the risk of electric shock drowning.

Boaters born after Dec. 31, 1986, must complete a NASBLA-approved boating safety education course before operating a motorboat or personal watercraft on West Virginia waters. To learn more, visit WVdnr.gov/boater-education. For more information about Operation Dry Water, visit operationdrywater.org.

Family Refuge Center to host annual Poker Run

Fundraiser for Survivors of Domestic Violence

The Family Refuge Center (FRC) invites the community to rev up their engines and rally behind survivors at its 5th annual Poker Run Fundraiser on Saturday, July 25. Riders will kick off at the main office, travel the scenic backroads into beautiful Monroe County, continue through historic Hinton, and finish the loop back where they started.

It's a ride filled with mountain views, good company, and support for survivors in our region. Motorcycle riders and car enthusiasts alike are welcome to join a day filled with camaraderie, purpose, and powerful impact. Participants will ride to multiple stops, collecting playing cards along the route to build their best poker hand. Prizes will be awarded for both the best and the worst hands and the first 50 participants will receive an event T-shirt.

Event Details:

• Date: July 25th, 2026

• Registration: Begins at 9am

• Location: FRC Main Office - 213 Coleman Drive, Suite B4 Lewisburg, WV 24901

• Kickstands Up: 11:00am

• Entry Fee: $25.00 per rider - $10 second rider - $10 per extra hand

"This event brings together our community in a unique, energetic way," said Stephanie Moore at the Family Refuge Center. "Every mile ridden and every hand played helps us provide life-saving services to those experiencing domestic violence." Together, let's ride for safety, hope, and healing.

Thank you to our incredible 2026 Poker Run spon-

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poured boiling oil into wounds to neutralize them.

A 16th-century French surgeon, Ambroise Paré, developed a better method after running short of supplies. He applied a mixture of egg whites, honey and turpentine to wounds. Patients treated this way recovered more often than those treated with boiling oil.

Paré also reintroduced the practice of tying off blood vessels rather than cauterizing entire wounds. Although battlefield medicine remained limited during the Revolutionary War, it benefited from these earlier advances.

Head and neck wounds were often fatal. In some cases, surgeons treated skull fractures by removing bone fragments pressing on the brain. They also performed trepanation, cutting an opening in the skull to relieve pressure or remove accumulated blood.

Although these injuries were severe, disease and poor sanitation caused even more deaths. About 6,800 soldiers died from combat wounds, while disease accounted for between 17,000 and 20,000 deaths.

Infectious disease during and after the American Revolution

Poor camp hygiene resulted from overcrowding, difficulty disposing of waste, food spoilage and exposure to parasites such as lice, fleas and mosquitoes. Common diseases included smallpox, typhus, malaria, dysentery, venereal disease and pneumonia.

Smallpox was highly contagious and killed about one in four infected individuals. The disease was introduced to the Americas by Europeans and devastated Native American populations who had no prior exposure.

An early form of prevention, inoculation, involved introducing material from a smallpox sore into a healthy person to trigger a mild infection and immunity. Because the material contained a live virus, the procedure sometimes caused severe illness or death.

Even so, the mortality rate was about 2%, or one in 50, far lower than natural infection.

Inoculation was introduced in Boston by Cotton Mather, who learned of the practice from an enslaved man named Onesimus, who had seen it used in Africa.

During the war, George Washington and the Continental Congress ordered widespread inoculation of troops. This helped reduce the impact of smallpox on the Continental Army, which suffered fewer losses than British and Hessian forces.

At the same time, advances in anatomy led to more frequent post-mortem examinations. Physicians observed direct physical damage to organs, including brain hemorrhages, tumors and lung infections. These findings challenged the humoral theory and contributed to the development of the study of pathology.

However, these advances came too late for Washington. After developing a severe throat infection, he was treated with repeated bloodletting. Physicians removed about 2.5 quarts of blood in 12 hours, which contributed to his death.

It was not until the 19th century that the true causes of infectious disease were identified. Scientists discovered bacteria and viruses and began to understand how infections spread, particularly through the work of Louis Pasteur.

Colonial American medicine lagged behind Europe's, particularly in France, Germany and Scotland. However, it was improving. The emphasis on observation, experimentation and inquiry aligned with the period's Enlightenment ideals, characterized by reason, empirical evidence and the scientific method, setting the stage for rapid advancement.

Peter J. Ward is a professor of neuroscience at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSOM) in Lewisburg, WV.

WVSOM students achieve 100% residency placement rate

For the fourth consecutive year, graduating students at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSOM) achieved a 100% residency placement rate, with all 181 members of the Class of 2026 receiving placements as resident physicians following their completion of medical school.

James W. Nemitz, Ph.D., WVSOM's president, commended students for successfully overcoming the challenges of a rigorous medical education.

"Achieving a 100% residency placement rate is a testament to the dedication and resilience of the members of the Class of 2026. Our students have met the demands of medical school with professionalism and determination, and their success reflects the hard work they have invested during the past four years. I am confident they will make valuable contributions to the communities they serve as physicians," Nemitz said.

A total of 82 students in the class entered primary care residency programs, encompassing the fields of family medicine, internal medicine and pediatrics.

Other popular specialties included emergency medicine, with 27 students; psychiatry, with 17 students; and general surgery and OB-GYN, with nine students each.

A total of 34 students matched to residencies in West Virginia, including placements at hospitals in Bridgeport, Charleston, Huntington, Martinsburg, Morgantown, Ronceverte and Wheeling.

Abigail Frank, D.O., WVSOM's associate dean of graduate medical education, praised students for their commitment to careers in osteopathic medicine.

"We celebrate your years of dedication, late nights and perseverance in becoming a physician," Frank said. "WVSOM is honored to have been part of your path. We are incredibly proud of you."

Mobile mammography unit offers convenient care throughout July

Vandalia Health's Medicine in Motion initiative includes a sophisticated fleet of mobile medical units designed to break down the barriers of geography and transportation - bringing essential care directly to people who need it.

Screening mammograms are one of the best tools for detecting breast cancer in its earliest stages. The Mobile Mammo Unit will offer convenient, walk-in mammogram screenings to the public. All times are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.:

July 6 - CAMC Greenbrier Valley Medical Center 202 Maplewood Ave. Ronceverte

July 7 - Robert C Byrd Clinic, 1464 Jefferson St., N. Lewisburg

July 8 - CAMC Greenbrier Valley Medical Center 202 Maplewood Ave. Ronceverte

July 15 - CAMC Greenbrier Valley Medical Center 202 Maplewood Ave. Ronceverte

July 16 - CAMC Greenbrier Valley Medical Center 202 Maplewood Ave. Ronceverte

July 21 - Monroe Health Center - Union, 200 Health Center Dr.

Vandalia Health's Mobile Mammography Unit provides a fast, easy and confidential way for individuals to receive a screening, which is an important step in early breast cancer detection. This community-focused event is open to the public. No appointment is necessary.

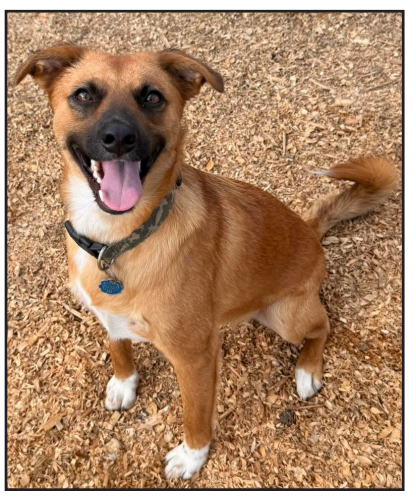
You may be eligible for a mammogram if you are a woman age 40 and older, have not had a mammogram in the last 365 days, are not pregnant or breastfeeding and are not experiencing breast issues such as lumps, discharge or pain, you are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity for early detection of breast cancer.

The Vandalia Health Mobile Medical Fleet is staffed by experts and equipped with the same state-of-the-art digital imaging technology as you would get at a CAMC imaging facility for quick, convenient and accurate screenings.

To schedule a mammogram, call 304-388-0015. Pre-registration may be required by insurance.



PICK OF THE LITTER



BUCK
Buck is a 14 month-old male Terrier.



DELPHE
Delphe is a 3 year-old Pyrenees, great/coon-hound mix.

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

Veterans Upward Bound Program

The Veterans Upward Bound Program is holding an Intermediate Computer class on the New River Community and Technical College campus here in Lewisburg. This class will start on July 7, 2026, and finish on Aug. 4, 2026, the time is from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays. THE CLASS IS FREE. Call me, Curtis Pauley, for more information and to register. My phone number is (304) 646-0684.

U.S. Postal Service will be closed in observance of Independence Day, July 4

Self-service options are available in many retail lobbies when Post Offices are closed

West Virginia State Police Holiday Traffic enforcement

The West Virginia State Police will conduct statewide traffic enforcement throughout the July 4th week in an effort to keep motorists safe during holiday travel. Motorists are urged to be patient as higher traffic volumes are expected. Motorists should also use hands-free devices while driving, observe posted speed limits, use seatbelts and avoid alcoholic beverages when driving.

Motorists are also urged to pay attention when traveling through construction/work zones as well as to move over when approaching traffic stops or the presence of emergency vehicles.

Suits

New Cases from 6/24/26 to 7/1/26

New Civil Cases
Joseph Murdock v. FCA US LLC
John Ratliff v. General Motors LLC
Casket Sales v. McCraw Funeral Home

New Divorces
Elias Lopez-Mendez and Renee Lopez-Mendez
Robert Dale Hart II and Melissa Waid

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 4th 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.

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions

Morgan I. George, Meadow Bridge, failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance, fine $200, NCP
Brian Brackenridge, Alderson, driving while license suspended or revoked, fine $100, GP
Ethan R. Elliott, Lancaster, OH, speeding, fine $44, GP
Carlee R. Hamrick, Lewisburg, underage consumption, fine $25, NCP
Ryan S. Kiser, Kingsport, TN, driving while license suspended or revoked, fine $100, NCP
Debra Lynn Gallaher, White Sulphur Springs, speeding, fine $50, GP
Bryan Standard, White Sulphur Springs, possession of a controlled substance without valid prescription, fine $100, NCP
Melissa Elmira Bryant, Charmco, removal of dog tag, collar or other identifying material, fine $50, NCP
Alexis Yvonne Johnson, Frankford, DUI, fine $100, jail 90 days - suspended, GP

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sors. Agency of Choice, Almost Heaven Saunas, Ascential Investments, CAM Construction, Caring Acres Farms, Hersman's Safety Products, Park Center Sporting Goods, Masters Used Cars, McCoy Fencing and Construction Co., Moore Than Clean by Stephanie, Tri-County Wholesale Produce and W&M Lawn Care, LLC. Your generosity fuels this event and strengthens our mission, helping us support survivors and families across our community. We're grateful for your partnership and commitment to making a meaningful difference.

To register or learn more, visit please contact Tyranda Martin at 304-645-6324.

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For the Record

Deeds

Hunter Frank Johnson III et al; Trevor R. Burcroff et al; Gloria S. Burcroff et al; Navin Sharma et al; Ranvinder K. Sharma et al; Nancy Speilman et al; Kristin Ann Allen et al; Ann Virginia Dashiell Gieseke, by executrix, et al; Lake Sworder et al; Akash R. Ranabothu et al; Katherine B. Arvay, aka Katherine Beth King, et al; Kerry L. Carmona, aka Kerry Lynn King-Carmona, et al; Russell F. King II et al; and Marcia King, by executor, et al, Corrective deed, Ivy Terrace Phase One, Lewisburg Corp. District, Map 16, multiple parcels

Ida Harris to Nicholas Martin Chuchvara, 1.15 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 0069, Parcel 0085

Melissa P. Piercy to Melissa P. Piercy et vir and Curtis Piercy et ux, 1.69 acres and 0.28 acre, Blue Sulphur District, Map 10/10, Parcels 100/121

Rodger Boggs, aka Milton Roger Boogs, et al and Shirley J. Boggs et al to Dennis Wayne Boggs et al and Nathaniel Boggs et al, 3.011 acres, Frankford District, Map 14, Parcel 47

Edwin L. Childers et al and Elizabeth A. Childers et al to Cassandra Childers et al and Edwina Childers et al, 7.275 acres, more or less, Blue Sulphur District, Map 28, Parcel 0005

Anna R. Ziegler, substitute trustee to The Glenalfred Bennett Family Irrevocable Living Trust, 1.625 acres, White Sulphur District, Map 17, Parcel 0034-0001-0000

Deborah Ruth Day, executrix of Lois M. Speiden to Thomas Lee Brooks Jr., Lot 9, Block 4, Huddleston Hills, White Sulphur Corp. Dist., Map 08, Parcel 216

Trevor R. Burcroff et ux and Gloria S. Burcroff et vir to Trevor R. Burcroff Family Irrevocable Trust, Unit 224 of Ivy Terrace Town House Homes Subdivision, Lewisburg Corporation District, Map 16, Parcel 115

Justin Doss et al., Daniel Doss et al., and Luke Doss et al. to Timothy Friedel, 3.385 acres, Blue Sulphur District, Map 20, Parcel 17.1

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to Christine Asmann et al. and Thomas France et al., 338.361-acre mineral deed, Irish Corner District, Map 9999, Parcel 0025 3014

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, 1.656 acres, Blue Sulphur District, Map 27, Parcel 0001 0002

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, 100.00 acres, Blue Sulphur District, Map 28, Parcel 0001

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, 50.00 acres, Frankford District, Map 15, Parcel 0041

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, 16.45 acres, Lewisburg District, Map 6, Parcel 0028

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, 1.42 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 57, Parcel 0034

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, 2.50 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 57, Parcel 0006

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, 56.44 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 79, Parcel 0009

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to WVTB LLC, Lots 3 and 4, Rainelle Corporation District, Map 1, Parcel 0089 (Deed dated: June 11, 2026)

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to Billy Joe Boggs Jr., Lot 15, Ronceverte Corporation District, Map 10, Parcel 0189 (Deed dated: June 11, 2026)

Mark A. Hunt, State Auditor by Appointee to Darla Kingery et al. and Greg Kingery et al., 232.88-acre mineral deed, Irish Corner District, Map 9999, Parcel 0022 3014 (Deed dated: June 11, 2026)

Carl Turner to Tammy Lynn Feamster et al., Elizabeth Rae Stidom et al., and Jodie Sue Oxendine et al., .23 acre, .320 acre, .23 acre, .45 acre, and .330 acre, Meadow Bluff District, Map 40, Parcels 38.2, 38.4, 38.6, and 38.7 (Deed dated: June 11, 2026)

Daniel John Bower to Corey Randall Howard, 1 acre, Ronceverte Corporation District, Map 13, Parcel 32 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

David W. Terry to My Ruby Slippers LLC, 5.89 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 22, Parcel 48 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Toni Lynn Thomas to Lucas McDowell Preston et al., Emory V. Hoke III et al., and Michael Funderburk et al., 25 acres, Falling Spring District, Map 68, Parcel 9.1 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Peggy Williams to Elam L. Stoltzfus et al. and Emma S. Stoltzfus et al., Four tracts, Williamsburg District, Map 33, Parcels 41, 43, 85, and 85 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Hubert F. Blevins et al. and Carla K. Blevins et al. to Matthew Marks et al. and Julia B. Marks et al., 30.052 acres/Lot 6B, Lewisburg District, Map 14, Parcel 0014-0007-0000 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Seneca Trustees Inc. to Pennymac Loan Services LLC, Lot 42, White Sulphur Corporation District, Map 8, Parcel 0196 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Willie Keaton Goodson Jr. et al. and Sandra J. Goodson et al. to Willie Keaton Goodson III, 3.831 acres, Irish Corner District, Map 1, Parcel 7 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

David Fraser to Charles Deem, 0.50 acre on Nicholas Road and one-half interest in water well, Williamsburg District, Map 33, Parcel 0013-0001 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Erika D. Henson, D.V.M. to Dennis L. Henson et ux and Marlene K. Henson et vir, 2.54 acres, more or less, Blue Sulphur District, Map 3, Parcel 55/1 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Patricia A. Vaughan et vir and Marvin J. Vaughan et vir to EAC LLC, 52x69x52x66, 16×67, and 24.5×67 parcels, Rainelle Corporation District, Map 5, Parcels 0206, 0207, and 0208 (Deed dated: June 12, 2026)

Bradley Family 2014 Trust to Dede Talbolt, Lot 23, Snead Phase II, White Sulphur District, Map 36L, Parcel 24 (Deed dated: June 15, 2026)

John P. Fink Jr, James HGughes, Randolph McClure, and Deborah Chag to Matthew L. Williams and Adrienne E. Williams: 8,000 square feet, Fort Spring District, Map 12R Parcel 37.

Melvin A. Stein to Samuel I. McMillion, Theresa L. McMillion, and John W. McMillion: 3.37 acres, Anthony Creek District, Map 16 Parcel 16.

Elam L. Stoltzfus and Emma S. Stoltzfus to Daniel Stoltzfus and Lydia Stoltzfus: 123.5 acres, Williamsburg District, Map 34 Parcel 21.

Kenneth B. Starcher to Laurie D. Starcher: 0.971 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 31 Parcel 47

My Ruby Slippers LLC to Tonya M. Lucas: Meadow Bluff District, Map 3J Parcel 40/41.

Patrick B. Bailey to Curtis D. Bender and Tiffany L. Wells: 3.86 acres, Anthony Creek District, Map 35E Parcel 31.

Meadow River Hardwood Company LLC (AKA Meadow River Hardwood Company) to Arc of Appalachia: 262.55 acres, Blue Sulphur District, Map 16 Parcel 12.

Jack S. Roark to Tanja R. Hemric and Christina R. Koon: 1.994 acres, Lewisburg District, Map 9 Parcel 42.

Robert E. Richardson and Susan V. Richardson to Richard G. Proctor and Victoria A. Proctor: 5.58 acres, Lewisburg District, Map 26 Parcel 16.

Thomas A. Vance to Cynthia L. Vance: 0.298 acres, Fort Spring District, Map 9H Parcel 193.

Meadow Investments LLC to Douglas A. Brinley: 0.23 acres, Fort Spring District, Map 9 Parcel 91.

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Obituaries

John Wesley Stewart

John Wesley Stewart, of Lewisburg, WV, passed away in the comfort and companionship of his family.

Services will be intimate and a Celebration of Life will be planned at a later date.

Please respect the family's wishes for privacy at this time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his name may be made to Hospice Care, 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

Jo Ann Shortridge



Jo Ann Shortridge, 87, went to her heavenly home on the morning of June 26, 2026.

Born on Aug. 6, 1938, in Baltimore, MD, Jo Ann was the beloved daughter of the late Louis P. and Margaret Lenz. She grew up in Baltimore, graduated from Western High School, and spent most of her life in Maryland. While working at Sealtest Dairy, she met the love of her life, James "Jimmie" Shortridge. They were married in 1966 and shared a devoted marriage until his passing. In 1991, they retired to the mountains of West Virginia, where they built a life filled with faith, family, and cherished friendships.

Jo Ann was a woman of unwavering faith and a member of the Frankford United Methodist Church. She faithfully read and studied the Bible with Jimmie and found great joy in serving her church. She especially enjoyed the monthly fellowship dinners and helping make Easter eggs each spring. She also lovingly created dedication boxes for children in the community, quietly touching many lives with her kindness and generosity.

She found happiness in life's simple pleasures. Ocean City, Maryland, held a special place in her heart, where she loved spending time at the beach and enjoying soft shell crabs. She was an avid reader with a special fondness for Harlequin romance novels. She loved planting a garden each spring and took pride in canning tomatoes and green beans from her harvest.

Family was always at the center of Jo Ann's life. Her homemade potato salad, prepared from a treasured recipe handed down through her German heritage, and her sweet iced tea became favorites at family gatherings. Those simple acts of love, shared around her table, created memories that her family will forever treasure. She also had a special love for dogs and deeply missed her beloved Bonnie, who passed away in 2023.

Jo Ann was preceded in death by her parents, Louis P. and Margaret Lenz, her beloved husband, James "Jimmie" Shortridge, and her brother, George Lenz.

She leaves to cherish her memory her son, Daniel Shortridge and wife Amy, of Baltimore, MD, her daughter, Kathy Shortridge Hunter and husband, David, of Cornstalk, her grandchildren, Emma and Henry Shortridge of Baltimore, MD, Charles Burke and fiancée, Lyndsey Presley of NC, Amanda and Tom Cannon of Cornstalk, and LaTasha and Brandon Owens of Renick, her great-grandchildren Cameron Hunter Cannon, Dana Cannon, Bryson Owens, Abraham Owens and Charleigh Owens and her great-great grandson, Jameson Hunter Cannon; sisters-in-law Loretta Anders and husband Bobby, of Silver Spring, MD, and Dorothy Owens of Baltimore, MD; along with many cherished nieces, nephews, extended family members, and dear friends.

Jo Ann will be remembered for her gentle heart, steadfast faith, and unconditional love for her family, She found joy not in grand things, but in the everyday blessings of life - a garden in bloom, a good book, a meal shared with loved ones, and the opportunity to serve others. Her quiet kindness, warm smile, and loving spirit will continue to live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

Though her family grieves her passing, they rejoice in knowing she is reunited with her beloved Jimmie and is forever at peace in the presence of her Lord and Savior.

Services celebrating the life of Jo Ann will be held on Saturday, July 11, at 2 p.m. at the Wallace & Wallace Mausoleum in Clintonville. Visitation with the family will be from 1 to 2 p.m., immediately preceding the service.

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

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Marcia (Marti) N. Marshall



Marcia (Marti) N. Marshall, 79, of Lykens, formerly of Renick, WV, passed away Friday, June 19, 2026 at the Tremont Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Marcia was born in Allegheny County on Saturday, Aug. 3, 1946, the only daughter of the late Marion and Wanda Byrd Newton.

Marcia was employed as an assistant news editor with the Mountain Messenger, a local newspaper in Lewisburg, WV. She also served as a Director of Flood Outreach and Recovery in Greenbrier County after the flood in 1985.

Marcia will be remembered as a creative spirit and fabulous artist. She had a talent for sculpting, painting, and jewelry making.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, George Thomas Marshall.

Surviving are her two daughters, Rebecca M. Heilman and her husband Jeff Heilman, Lykens, PA and Mary M. Lee and her husband Steven A. Lee, Moscow, ID; seven grandchildren, Brandon Powell, Elizabeth Kirby and her husband Adam, Gabriella Knight, Thomas Adams, Ian Lee, Duncan Lee and Jasper Lee; and four great-grandchildren, Kimber Lilly, Kendall Lilly, John David Lilly and Kennedy Kirby.

A Celebration of Marcia's Life will be held at the convenience of the family.

The Dimon Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc., Tower City, is honored to serve the Marshall family. To send condolences, visit www.dimonfuneralhome.com

In lieu of flowers, donations of sympathy can be made to The Nature Conservancy.

James Lee Griffey
July 26, 1955 – June 28, 2026

James Lee "Jimmy" Griffey, born on July 26, 1955, in Akron, Ohio, passed away peacefully at the age of 70 on June 28, 2026 at the Seneca Trail Healthcare Center in Lewisburg, WV.

His mother, Ruby Louise Griffey, survives him. He was a beloved brother to his sisters: Rita Antinoro, Debbie Griffey, and Mary Emrick.

Jimmy is preceded in death by his father, James Robert Griffey. Also remembered is Ken Antinoro, his brother-in-law.

It was Jimmy's wish to be cremated. The family will hold a private graveside service at their convenience. Online guestbook can be signed at www.morganfh.net.

Arrangements entrusted to Morgan Funeral Home, Lewisburg, WV.

Betty Jean (Ellard) Bennett



Betty Jean (Ellard) Bennett, 91, of Alderson peacefully passed away on June 29, 2026, in Ronceverte after a long illness. She was born on May 24, 1935, in Alderson to the late Arthur Raymond Ellard and Stella Lee (Stuart) Ellard. Betty lived a life marked by faith, devotion, and quiet strength. She was a Christian woman whose loving and selfless nature touched everyone who knew her, and she will be remembered with deep affection by her family and friends.

Betty was a 1953 graduate of Alderson High School, and she carried the values of her upbringing with her throughout her life. She was proud to have served 35 years at the Federal Prison Camp in Alderson, where she retired after a long and dedicated career. Her work ethic, loyalty, and steady presence earned the respect of those who worked alongside her, and she took great pride in the years she spent serving her community through her employment.

Betty enjoyed a full and active life, and she found happiness in many simple and meaningful pleasures. She loved hunting and horseback riding, and she especially enjoyed cooking for those around her. She also treasured traveling to the beach and Amish Country, where she made memories that she held close to her heart. Betty was faithful in attending church, and she found comfort and strength in her Christian faith. Above all, she loved spending time with friends and family, and her presence made every gathering warmer and more special.

Betty Jean Bennett was one of a kind. She was strong-willed, fearless, and never let anyone push her around. If you knew Betty, you knew exactly where you stood. She didn't take any nonsense from anyone and wasn't afraid to stand her ground when she believed she was right. Her fiery spirit, quick wit, and determination made her unforgettable.

Behind that tough exterior was someone who loved deeply, protected the people she cared about, and lived life on her own terms. She faced challenges head-on and taught those around her the importance of being strong, honest, and true to yourself.

Betty leaves behind a legacy of resilience, laughter, and stories that will be shared for generations. Her bold personality and unwavering spirit will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

Family was at the center of Betty's life, and she cherished every moment spent with those she loved. She is survived by Lonnie "Rick" Shires III and his wife Linda of Ronceverte; Artie Lee Shires and his wife Carmela of Alderson; her daughter, Barbarba Jean Bowles of Alderson; and her grandchildren, Chrissy Leigh Bowles and her husband C.B. of Sam Black Church, Keri Crane and her husband Denny of Alderson, Chad Sams and his wife Christine of Lewisburg, Bryan Richard Shires and his wife Tara of Magnolia, TX, Brittany Bradley and her husband Jason of Caldwell, Stacy Yates and her husband Bird of Alderson, and Haylee Wilfong and her husband Briar of Buckhannon. She also leaves behind her beloved great-grandchildren, Ryker Bradley, Sydni Bradley, Willa Crane, Wells Crane, Nadia Shires, Scarlett King, and Drake Yates, all of whom brought her great joy.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her loving husband of 35 years Cecil Bennett, and her brothers Raymond and Richard Ellard.

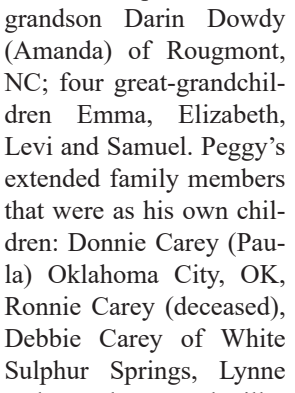
Those who knew Betty will remember her as a woman of grace, kindness, and unwavering love. Her life was a testament to devotion to family, commitment to work, and faith in God. Though she will be deeply missed, her memory will live on in the hearts of all who were blessed to know her.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 3, at 2 p.m. at the Lobban Funeral Home Chapel in Alderson, WV, with Pastor Randy Burdette officiating. Burial will follow in the Alderson Cemetery at Alderson WV. Friends may call on Friday, July 3, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Lobban Funeral Home in Alderson, WV.

Family and friends will serve as Pallbearers.

Condolences and memories my be shared with the Bennett family at www.lobbanfh.com

Peggy Louise Wickline Bland



Peggy Louise Wickline Bland, 87, of White Sulphur Springs, WV went to be with the Lord on Monday, June 29, 2026.

Peggy was born on Apr. 4, 1939 to Russell (Whitie) Wickline and Nellie C. Wickline Patton.

Other than her parents she was preceded in death by her husband Jack Lewis Bland and two sons, Jeffery Lee Bland and Douglas Wayne Bland and sister Marion Wickline Staton.

She is survived by her son Stephen Bland (Diane) of Sinks Grove, WV, and daughter Lynne Bland of Virginia Beach, VA; sister Carol Wickline Baker (Perry) of Martinsburg, WV, two granddaughters, Sandi McCune (Kra) of Florence, SC, Autumn Bland of Gap Mills, WV; daughter-in-law Collette Bland of Gap Mills, WV, grandson Darin Dowdy (Amanda) of Rougmont, NC; four great-grandchildren Emma, Elizabeth, Levi and Samuel. Peggy's extended family members that were as his own children: Donnie Carey (Paula) Oklahoma City, OK, Ronnie Carey (deceased), Debbie Carey of White Sulphur Springs, Lynne and Matthew Tuckwiller and their two sons John and Jamie. Special friends who are close as family, and loved and supported us faithfully Lewis and Sue Hanna Kirby and their two children Lucas and Hanna Kirby, Cindy and Franklin Boggs and Carolyn Ware (Christopher), Merri Bryant and Rachel Wykle, Freddie Trevail, and Pastor Greg Scott who visited every week with a Sunday meal.

Peggy graduated from Gap Mills High School and Bluefield College.

She was the Business Agent for Local 863, serving the employees of The Greenbrier Hotel for more than 20 years. She served the citizens of White Sulphur springs as a city council member serving as Recorder for many years. Peggy was also the President of the Garden Club.

Peggy never met a stranger. She cherished every relationship with everyone she met. She welcomed everyone into her home and made them feel as family.

The family would like to thank everyone who stopped by to visit and spend time with her and all the prayers that were sent to our family.

Services will be held on July 3, 2026 at Mt. Carmel Methodist Church in Gap Mills, WV, conducted by Pastor Greg Scott in White Sulphur Springs. The family will receive family and friends from 11 a.m. until time of services at 12 noon. Interment will be in Carmel Cemetery in Gap Mills, WV.

Serving as pallbearers for Peggy will be Shane Bittinger, Wayne Wickline, Peter Bostic, Jeff Campbell, Danny Campbell, Lewis Kirby, Lucas Kirby and Bill Fanus.

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

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Katrina Faye Ray



Katrina Faye Ray, 45, of Rainelle passed away early Tuesday morning, June 30, 2026 with her family by her side at Charleston Area Medical Center, Charleston.

She was born on Jan. 13, 1981 in Ronceverte, the daughter of the late Melvin Elwood McGuire and Pamela Faye Gipson.

She loved going to the lake and spending time with Ralph, her children and grandchildren. She never met a stranger and she will be missed by all who knew her.

Those left to cherish her memory are her husband, Ralph Ray; one daughter, Alexandria Lemaster; two sons, Andrew Lemaster and Aaron Lemaster; sister, Rebecca Bailey; three grandchildren, Isabella, Everly and Noah; extended family and a host of friends.

Service will be at 1 Friday, July 3, 2026 at Wallace & Wallace Chapel, Rainelle with Pastor Jim Johnson officiating. Burial will follow in Wallace Memorial Cemetery, Clintonville. Friends may gather with the family from 12 noon until time of service at the funeral chapel.

In lieu of flowers, family requests donations be made to the funeral home to defray the cost.

Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.wallaceandwallacefh.com

Wallace & Wallace, Inc. of Rainelle, WV is in charge of arrangements.



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DAR entertained by guest speaker Linda Zimmer

The General Andrew Lewis Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held their June meeting on June 18. The hostesses were Sally Bray and Mimi deOlloqui-Turner. Those attending were Addie Goodrich, Suzanne Cronquist, Judy Deegans, Gretchen Lovett, Karen Lee McClung, Mimi deOlloqui-Turner, Jodie Nidey, Sally Bray, Carol Olsen, Doris Kasley and Regent Deborah Phillips. Prospective member Jo Strickland was also in attendance.



Linda Zimmer, Author, Historian, Puppeteer



Mimi deOlloqui-Turner, Sally Bray

The meeting opened with a Service of Remembrance honoring deceased members Brenda Rivers and Beverly Boswell.

Regent Phillips opened the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance and the DAR Ritual. The meeting was then suspended, and Vice Regent Suzanne Cronquist introduced the guest speaker Linda Zimmer of White Sulphur Springs. Ms. Zimmer is an artist, historian and puppeteer. She brought as her guest Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, a handmade puppet. They were accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt's dog, Fala, which is also a handmade puppet. Ms. Zimmer read, in Fala's voice, A Trip to Arthurdale, a book she had written in which Fala tells about a trip he and Mrs. Roosevelt took to Arthurdale, WV.

Following this delightful entertainment, refreshments were served and the business meeting closed out the meeting.

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Ralph James Campbell



Ralph James Campbell, 78, passed away peacefully on June 24, 2026.

Born on May 16, 1948, Ralph lived a life defined by hard work, faith, and a deep love for his family. He was a dedicated truck driver for OMR Trucking, where he spent many years faithfully serving his profession and earning the respect of those who worked alongside him.

Ralph was a devoted member of Shady Grove Community Church and found great strength and fellowship through his faith. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends and was known for his kind heart, friendly spirit, and willingness to help others. Although he had no children of his own, he dearly loved his many nieces and nephews, who brought him great joy throughout his life. He cherished the time spent with them and took great pride in their lives and accomplishments.

Ralph was preceded in death by his father, Tommy Campbell; his mother, Thelma Campbell; his brothers, Robert Campbell and Tom Campbell; his brother-in-law, Fred Hawkins; and his brother-in-law, James Workman.

He is survived by his brother, Richard Campbell and wife Pam of Hico, WV; his sisters, Mabel Hawkins of Hico, Betty Caudill and husband Frank of Galveston, TX, Mamie Sims of Rainelle, Mae Workman of Hico, and Brenda Nutter of Oak Hill; along with many beloved nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, extended family members, church family, and friends who will forever cherish his memory.

Ralph will be remembered for his strong work ethic, unwavering faith, and the genuine care he showed to those around him. His quiet strength, warm smile, and caring nature will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

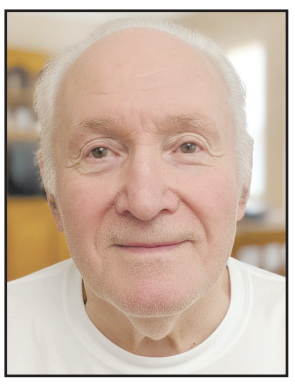
Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 1, 2026, at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Ansted, WV. Visitation open to all friends and family from 12 noon until time of service. The funeral service will be officiated by Pastor Paul Gray. Interment will immediately follow in Legg Cemetery.

The family extends their heartfelt appreciation to all who have offered prayers, love, and support during this difficult time.

Though Ralph has departed from this earthly home, his legacy of love, faith, and devotion will continue to live on in the hearts of those he leaves behind.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." — 2 Timothy 4:7

John Leon Nickell



John Leon Nickell, born July 17, 1947, in Ronceverte, WV, passed away peacefully at the age of 78 on July 1, 2026, at Lewisburg Healthcare Center in his beloved hometown.

John's life was deeply rooted in Ronceverte, and his presence touched many as a devoted family member, cherished companion, and steadfast friend. He is survived by his loving wife, Phyllis Nickell, who stood by him with unwavering support and devotion. John also leaves behind his sisters, Frances Ballard and Mary Fawcett, who shared in his life's journey, cherishing memories and family heritage. His extended family survives him as well: sister-in-law Betty "Grandma" Stidom; nieces Jodi Bostic, Connie Hall, Billie Walker, and Samantha Tincher; and nephews Daniel Copeland, Michael Hambrick and Robert Tincher - all of whom held special places in his heart.

John's legacy is also woven through those he has joined in peaceful rest: his son John Nickell, Jr., daughter Beatrice Beach, and his first wife Marlene Burns Nickell. He is also preceded in death by his sisters Linda Copeland, Tina Blankenship, Beverly Dewitt, and Joan Thompson.

John's journey was marked by enduring relationships and the quiet strength he offered to his loved ones. Renowned for his steady demeanor, compassion, and commitment, those who knew him best remember a man of integrity and loyalty. His life's joys were found not only in lifelong connections but also in the kindness he readily extended to others.

Family and friends are invited to remember John at a visitation to be held on July 6, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, followed by a funeral service at 12. Both will take place at Morgan Funeral Home, 252 Montvue Dr., Lewisburg, WV 24901 with Pastor Gary Baker officiating.

As we reflect on John's life, we honor the legacy he leaves in memories shared and love given. His steadfast presence will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by all whose lives he touched. The family would like to thank the staff of Lewisburg Healthcare for the wonderful care and friendship provided during his stay.

Online guestbook can be signed at www.morganfh.net. Arrangements entrusted to Morgan Funeral Home, Lewisburg, WV.

Patrick Wayne "Pat" Reynolds



Patrick Wayne "Pat" Reynolds, 71, of Caldwell, passed away peacefully on July 1, 2026, at the Peyton Hospice House, surrounded by those who cherished him.

Born on May 21, 1955, in Caldwell, WV, Pat grew up rooted in the values and traditions of his beloved home state. From his earliest days, he was known as a man of strong character, deep kindness, and unwavering devotion to his family and friends.

Pat was a devoted husband to Linda Reynolds, with whom he shared 52 years of partnership, love, and dedication. Their unwavering bond served as a foundation for their family, and together they faced life's joys and challenges with grace and resilience.

A loving son, Pat is survived by his mother Dorothy Harbaugh. He was a cherished father to Patrick Stephen Reynolds (Davinity) and Vanessa Lynn Reynolds, and his memory will live on in the lives they lead and the lessons he imparted to them over the years. The light of his later years was his granddaughter Madi "blink-blink," whose presence brought him immeasurable joy and pride. He is also survived by six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He is survived by his half-brother Gary Weikle. Pat will also be fondly remembered by his distant cousin Wally Reynolds, whose companionship added richness to his life.

He was predeceased by his father Dale Reynolds Jr., his brothers, Stephen "Fireball" Reynolds, Dennis Reynolds, and Les Weikle.

Throughout his years, Pat was admired for his steadfastness, gentle humor, and commitment to those around him. Whether gathering for family celebrations or lending a hand in times of need, he left a profound and positive imprint on everyone he met.

Family and friends are invited to pay their respects during a visitation on Sunday, July 5, from 12 noon to 1 PM at Morgan Funeral Home, 252 Montvue Dr., Lewisburg, WV 24901. A funeral service will follow at Morgan Funeral Home at 1 PM, where loved ones will gather to honor and remember Pat's extraordinary life. Following the service, entombment will take place at Greenbrier Memorial Gardens, 176 Deerfield Road, Lewisburg, WV 24901. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Greenbrier Human Society, 151 Holliday Lane Lewisburg, WV 24901 or to the Peyton Hospice House, 1265 Maplewood Avenue, Lewisburg, WV.

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Church Bulletin

First Baptist Church of Rainelle Food Pantry.

2026 Saturday distribution schedule

July 25, Aug. 22, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 21, & Dec. 19.

Food distribution is the fourth Saturday of each month, with the exception of the holiday in November and December, which will be the third Saturday. First Baptist Church of Rainelle is located at 345 Seventh Street, Rainelle, WV. For more information call 304-438-6311 or email FoodPantry-FBCR@outlook.com

Celebrating Recovery program at Mt. Hermon UMC

Please join us for our Celebrating Recovery program at Mt. Hermon United Methodist Church in Renick. If you are dealing with any type of addiction issues, we invite you to join us each Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 p.m. Childcare is available and a meal is served prior to each meeting. For more information call 304-667-2532. We are located at 27404 Seneca Trail North, Renick, WV.

Celebrate Recovery at River of Life Church of God

There is a welcome space for anyone seeking healing from life's hurts, habits, and hang-ups. This faith-based recovery group focuses on spiritual growth through biblical principles, helping individuals find strength and purpose through their relationship with God. Participants benefit from a supportive community where they can share openly, build accountability and develop meaningful connections. The program encourages personal reflection, forgiveness and lasting change rooted in faith. Many find that combining recovery with spiritual guidance brings deeper healing than traditional methods alone. Whether you are struggling personally or supporting someone who is, Celebrate Recovery provides hope, encouragement and a path forward. If you wish to attend a meeting, just show-up on Mondays at 6 pm at the River of Life Church of God, 503 Highland Trail. For more information contact Pastor Anthony Carter at 304-661-0670.

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Pat's memory will be treasured forever by those who knew and loved him. His presence, guidance, and warmth will be deeply missed, but the legacy of his kindness and devotion will remain a comfort for generations to come.

Online guestbook can be signed at www.morganfh.net. Arrangements entrusted to Morgan Funeral Home, Lewisburg, WV.

David Emerson Nottingham



David Emerson Nottingham, 94, of Victor passed away on June 30, 2026 at Bowers Hospice House.

He was born on Mar. 24, 1932, the son of the late James Charles Nottingham and Alaska A. Dillard Nottingham.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his wife, Molly Gay Moore Nottingham; son, Douglas Edward Nottingham, five sisters and four brothers.

David was a coal miner, logger, and a retired Pastor from Noble Christian Ministry.

Those left to cherish his memory are four daughters, Freda Moore and Paul of Dayton, OH, Kathy Miller and Stanley of Gauley Bridge, Joyce Abdulahadi of Kuwait and Patsy Bennett and Benny of Victor; four sons; David Allen Nottingham and Susan of Ohio, Dallas Nottingham of Ansted, Danny Nottingham of Ansted and Denzil Ray Nottingham and Shelia of Ansted; sister, Betty "Vestie" Kise of Jodie; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Friends may gather with the family from 1 until 2 p.m. on Friday, July 3, 2026 at Wallace & Wallace Chapel, Ansted. Burial will follow in Steele Cemetery, Romont.

In lieu of flowers, family requests donations be made to the funeral home to defray the cost.

Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.wallaceandwallacefh.com

Wallace & Wallace, Inc. of Ansted, WV is in charge of arrangements.

Reunion

Descendants of James M. Hodges and Jeremiah O'Brien Reunion

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The Joy in Grief & Sorrow

While we don't normally think of grieving for a loved one as something that brings joy, or that mourning can also contain a joyful aspect, the fact that families come together to celebrate the life of their loved one clearly contains something joyful within it.

Siblings and other relatives who may have grown distant find time to communicate their love for each other and share their feelings and experiences with their family. As we remember and communicate aspects of the departed person's life, we often realize what a good and blessed life they had. This doesn't mean that we forget their defects, but these often fade into the background as their positive characteristics become more prominent.

And if we believe in the afterlife, there is the joyful hope that we will see our dearly departed again, and that they are now reunited with their previously deceased family and friends. In sum, we should realize that positive and negative emotions can co-exist. A time of grief doesn't preclude a sense of joy and amid mourning we may also be experiencing a time of great personal growth which has meaning for our lives.

–Christopher Simon



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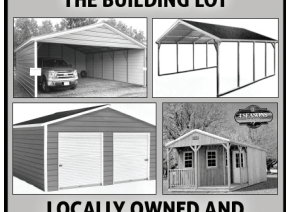
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1. To conduct a public hearing regarding a proposed Business & Occupational Tax Ordinance.
2. To conduct a public hearing regarding a proposed amendment to the Solid Waste Collection Ordinance.
3. To consider on second reading and act upon a proposed Business & Occupational Tax Ordinance entitled: ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 113, ARTICLES 135 THROUGH 167, BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS.
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Dear Recycle Lady,

Why is the month of July called Plastic Free July?

Ardent Recycler

Dear Ardent Recycler,

The month of July was first called Plastic Free July in 2011 by the Australian Plastic Free Foundation. Its purpose was to raise awareness of the harmful effects that single-use plastics have on the envi-ronment, to encourage individuals to make more sustainable choices, and to inspire everyone to re-duce their use of single-use plastics. It is now a global movement with over 100 million people from 190 countries striving to make positive changes in their daily lives and to live more sustainably. To help make a difference and be part of the solution, join the millions who have accepted the Plastic Free Founations' challenge. Go to https://www.plasticfreejuly.org/thanks-for-taking-part to sign up for the challenge. Think of the impact that could be made if all of us participated in Plastic Free July by making just one positive change in the use of single-use plastic! Purchasing compostable eating utensils instead of plastic ones for your picnic, keeping a reusable coffee cup at the office instead of using single-use Styrofoam cups, or taking a reusable bag when shopping instead of using a single use bag are all small choices that can make a big difference.

Dear Recycle Lady,

What is green banking?

Bill Payer

Dear Bill Payer,

According to https://www.greenfi.com/resources/green-banking, green banking means promoting environmentally friendly practices and reducing carbon footprints from banking activities. A green bank provides sustainable financial services, such as paperless statements and deposits and electronic products and services. Several new services are available with green banking: Eco Loans that require consumers to save water or cut down on coal use, and Green Loans that lend funds to projects or ven-tures that have environmental benefits. Green banking also strives to use less power and less energy by installing energy efficient technology products and waste management. Check with your bank to see if green banking is available for your use.

Dear Recycle Lady,

I have several empty cans of spray paint. Can these cans be recycled?

Do It Yourselfer

Dear DIY,

Your aerosol cans of spray paint, or any other product, can be recycled, but only if they are free of both product and propellant. If you hear sloshing liquid when you shake the can, it is not empty. To be sure that it is empty, press the can's nozzle in a well-ventilated area until nothing comes out. Never puncture a hole in the can to remove the contents as the can will explode and may hurt you. Do not attempt to remove the can's nozzle either. To be sure no propellant is left in the can, continue pressing the nozzle until you hear no hissing sound at all. To determine which recycle bin to put the can in you must determine whether the can is made of steel or aluminum. If in doubt, use a magnet to check. It will stick to a steel can, but not an aluminum one. if you don't have a magnet available, there is large one outside the steel can bin at the Recycling Canter. Both of these metals are of high value and can be recycled infinitely into new metal products.

Good News: Researchers are developing bags that can dissolve in salt water, a promising step toward reducing ocean plastic pollution.

Bad News: The world's largest penguins, the Emperor penguins, have been classified as endangered. Their main threat is the loss of sea ice due to global warming.

Have questions about recycling, or interesting information about recycling? Dear Recycle Lady is sponsored jointly by the Greenbrier Recycling Center and Greenworks Recycling.

SCRAMBLERS

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1. Armor; 2. Extol
3. Stein; 4. Spire

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Super Crossword

Answers

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A Look Back

By William "Skip" Deegans

In 1926, Ronceverte's The West Virginia News published posters (one shown) promoting Philadelphia's Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition ("Sesqui") to celebrate 150 years of American independence. Due to poor planning, political corruptness, and bad weather (rain and scorching heat) It was, by all measures, a bust. Organizers expected 40-50 million visitors. Instead, Sesqui attracted 6.5 million.

Two noteworthy events, however, took place in Sesqui stadium (later named John F. Kennedy Stadium) that was built for the Expo. Heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey was overthrown by Gene Turney in a ten-round bout that drew 140,000 spectators. The other event was a Solemn Pontifical Mass that was presided over by Cardinal Dennis Dougherty. Sixty-thousand Catholic men marched to the stadium for the mass that drew 300,000 Catholics.

One-million half-dollar commemorative coins were struck at the Philadelphia mint. For the first time, the likeliness of a sitting president appeared on a coin that featured profiles of George Washington and President Calvin Coolidge. Meant to sell for $1 each, 859,405 were unsold and returned to the mint to be melted. Today, one of those coins, uncirculated, is worth more than $1,000.

Sources: The Philadelphia Inquirer, Smithsonian Magazine, The Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia.



Poster courtesy of the Greenbrier Independent.



School

Greenbrier County Schools announces Summer enrollment dates

Greenbrier County Schools (GCS) invites families to take advantage of upcoming summer enrollment events and discover the outstanding educational opportunities available for students across the county.

Enrollment for Western Region schools will take place: Western Greenbrier Middle School Library 315 Timberwolf Drive, Crawley, WV July 15, 10 AM to 3 PM

Enrollment for Eastern Region Schools will take place: Greenbrier County Board of Education - Main Board Room 430 Academic Drive, Lewisburg, WV July 16, 10 AM to 3 PM.

Families will have an opportunity to meet staff, ask questions, and learn more about the district's comprehensive programs, safe learning environments, and student support services. Tours of school facilities can also be scheduled on an individual basis.

What to Bring (Required Documents)

To complete enrollment, families should bring:

- Two proofs of residency
- Pre-K enrollees only - Proof of income (W-2 or tax return)
- Official state-issued birth certificate (no copies)
- Immunization record
- Social Security card
- Most recent dental exam
- Required physicals (Kindergarten and applicable grades)
- Custody papers (if applicable)
- Name and address of previous school

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"Our goal is to provide every student with the tools, support, and opportunities they need to succeed," said Superintendent Jeff Bryant. "We are proud of the programs and services we offer in Greenbrier County Schools and look forward to welcoming new and returning families into a school system that is committed to excellence, safety, and student achievement."

For more information or to speak with enrollment staff, contact: Nancy Hanna 304-647-6470 nhanna@k12.wv.us

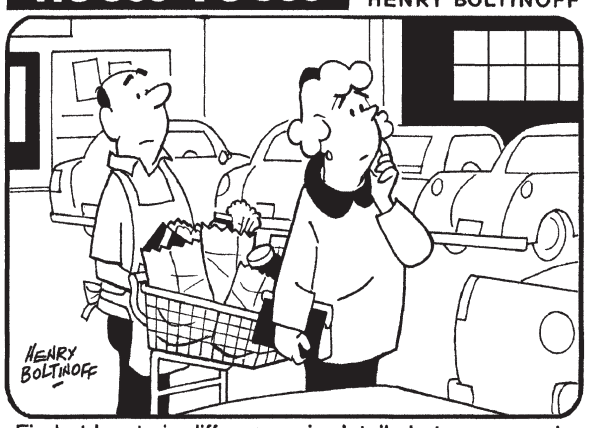
Lewisburg native earns Doctor of Pharmacy

James Owens, of Lewisburg, was among the 1,180 graduates who earned degrees and/or certificates from Shenandoah University during the 2025-26 academic year. That total includes graduates from August 2025, December 2025 and May 2026. Owens earned a Doctor of Pharmacy.

Shenandoah's 2026 University Commencement took place May 9 in the James R. Wilkins, Jr. Athletics and Events Center.

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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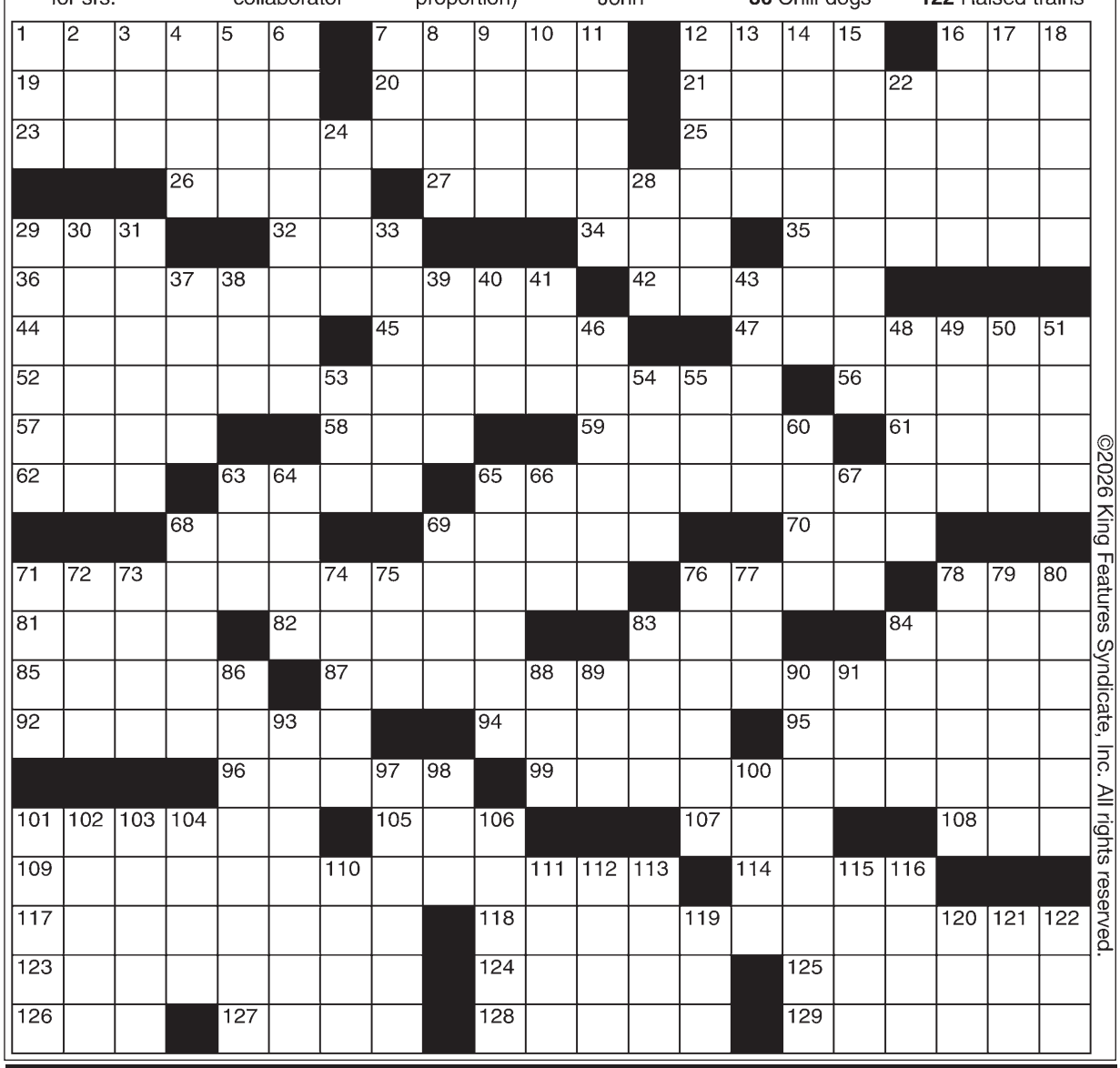
Super Crossword — RAISING A RACKET

ACROSS

1 Streisand of "Nuts"
7 President after Bush
12 Japanese soup
16 Beaker locale
19 Fanatic
20 Boo-boo
21 State of mind
23 "Can this be?!"
25 Color close to aqua
26 Leave shore
27 "I'm to blame for everything"
29 Mil. address
32 Nada
34 "— see!" ("Evidently!")
35 Events that break ground
36 Like K-Cup coffee pods
42 Two-word conjunction
44 Sol's Greek counterpart
45 Bangor locale
47 Built
52 2011 Steve Carell film
56 Puppeteer Lewis
57 Opera song
58 Gallery work
59 Fox hangouts
61 Nest eggs for srs.
62 Flanders on "The Simpsons"
63 Quick, sharp punches
65 Cocktail of bourbon, lemon and mint
68 Purse
69 Ross who ran against Clinton
70 — in the bud
71 It might consist of a dictionary, thesaurus and atlas
76 Pouches
78 Tic- — -toe
81 "You wish!"
82 They may get slammed
83 Dad on "Rugrats"
84 For takeout
85 Fail to remain calm
87 Annual mailing to the IRS
92 Baskers' goals, often
94 Birth-related
95 Home for French presidents
96 Lerner's musical collaborator
99 Kind of salute performed at military funerals
101 Cherubs, e.g.
105 Smartphone buy
107 Emulate Picabo Street
108 Mag bigwigs
109 Heroic fighter pilot of the 1940s
114 Sinister
117 Studios with easels
118 Question you might feel like asking after seeing nine key words in this puzzle?
123 Yellow turnip
124 Roast beef fast-food chain
125 Big brand of cosmetics
126 Water quality org.
127 Pack neatly
128 L.A.'s region
129 Pitfalls

DOWN

1 German auto
2 Spa sigh
3 Material in viral genes
4 Tiny pieces
5 Pro — (in proportion)
6 Post-workout feeling
7 Multivolume Brit. lexicon
8 Matzo — (Passover breakfast option)
9 In — (stuck)
10 Soft shoes, for short
11 Locations
12 Actress Marlee
13 Agenda unit
14 Stick around to see
15 Rig accidents
16 Doozies
17 Fully grown
18 Borscht base
22 Kind of lift for downhillers
24 Yalies
28 Mauna —
29 Waste barrel
30 Capital of South Dakota
31 Mounted to a backing for decoration
33 Big-eyed primates
37 Egyptian city with pyramids
38 Myrna of old movies
39 Spellbound
40 Roman 7
41 Finale
43 Plow pioneer John
46 "Mama" Cass
48 Orang cousin
49 Figure skater Lipinski
50 Epochs
51 Plate
53 Key near Q
54 Brewery kiln
55 Actor Sahay who played Lester Patel on "Chuck"
60 Lip- — (mouth the words)
63 Pantry container
64 Got older
65 Alternative to Mazola or Crisco
66 Charlemagne ruled it: Abbr.
67 Bro's sibling
68 Suit well
69 Orch. section with timpani, cymbals, etc.
71 Performs like Drake
72 Jacob's twin
73 Twain's Huck
74 Clamor
75 Hoodwink
76 Gets trite
77 "La Cage — Folles"
78 Muss, as hair
79 "I concur"
80 Chili dogs
83 Headliner
84 "Ciao 4 now"
86 Beat others in claiming something
88 Dojo surface
89 Old verb suffix
90 Remade musicals, e.g.
91 "Showdown" rock gp.
93 "Easy-peasy"
97 Polish capital
98 Start for Pen or dermis
100 Barely earns, with "out"
101 Informed (of)
102 Still in bed
103 Garbo of old movies
104 Singer Fitzgerald
106 Gyro wraps
110 Ship of myth
111 Sleek, in brief
112 "Fast Money" network
113 "Watermark" singer
115 A party to
116 Constellation next to Hercules
119 Oahu, e.g.: Abbr.
120 Atop, in odes
121 Scot's dissent
122 Raised trains



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Entertainment

GVC singers have experience of a lifetime at New York's Carnegie Hall

When the Greenbrier Valley Chorale presented the West Virginia premiere of Elaine Hagenberg's lluminare in their 2025 spring concert, little did they imagine that in a little over a year, nine of the singers and Artistic Director Barbara Lutz would take part in a performance of that work at Carnegie Hall in New York. The experience was something they will never forget.

The performance on June 8 was part of Carnegie Hall's Masterworks Series, through which qualified ensembles collaborate on major choral works alongside a renowned guest conductor, the New York City Chamber Orchestra and professional soloists.

"It was a bucket list item for most of us. For me, performing at Carnegie in New York only hadn't made my bucket list because I never considered it possible," commented long-time Chorale member Bob Thompson. "I found the experience of singing at Carnegie to be life-alteringly cool," agreed Eric Fritizus.

Michelle Hughes echoed their sentiments, stating "When we sang Illuminare the first time, I loved it. I never dreamed that we'd be able to sing it on the stage of the Carnegie Hall in New York. It was an exhilarating experience that I will never forget."



Singing in the Carnegie Hall concert were Front Row: Michelle Hughes (left), Brian Stewart, Martha Fleshman, and Eric Fritzius; Back Row: Barbara Lutz (left), Gregory Hughes, Bob Thompson, Mary Thompson, Janet Miller and Brenda Patterson.

The singers traveled to New York by train from Charlottesville and had three rehearsals with director Dr. Derrick Fox, who received high marks for his skill in melding together a large group of singers who have never performed together into a cohesive ensemble.

"Thanks to the extraordinary coaching, teaching and educational experience with our very own highly skilled choral conductor, Barbara Lutz, we were well prepared to be among our fellow singers," noted Mary Thompson.

Lutz often spends time during rehearsals moving singers around to achieve the optimum blend of voices. Thompson was impressed that Fox was equally dedicated to achieving perfect harmony.

"There was a 'tense like' sound coming from some of the soprano section and the tenors. He took about 15 minutes to select three or four singers and have them sing 'ah' so he could isolate the sound issue. He shuffled them, had them sing again, shuffled again," Thompson explained. "At one point I could clearly hear the sound tenseness, and as he moved them around it got better and better until it was totally perfect. I turned around and looked at Barbara, who smiled and nodded at me. It was just so cool to experience that in such a large group."

"Dr. Fox was exactly the right soul to direct Illuminare, not only for his connection and friendship with Elaine Hagenberg herself, but his entire approach to directing, which he does with equal doses of professionalism, playfulness and humor," Fritzius observed. "The various choirs may have known the music beforehand, but he sculpted and refined our performance of it. He paid particular attention to our visual performance - encouraging us to move our bodies with the music, allowing it to influence us as much as our voices influenced it, and to feel the emotions that the text and style of the music intends."

"Our conductor was not only very accomplished in his field but he was also very engaging as a teacher The practices were a dive into the deep end from the first measure until the last," remarked GVC President Brian Stewart. "I struggle to find the words that express what I felt on the stage at that other Carnegie, but it was moving emotionally and the music sounded nothing short of amazing in that room. Now I want to go back and do another one!"

Lutz said that singing this piece again affirmed her affection for the composition and for the beautiful work Elaine Hagenburg has given singers and audiences everywhere.

As much as she enjoyed singing under the director of Dr. Fox, the experience gave Mary Thompson a new appreciation for Lutz, whose artistry and dedication to practice, practice, practice took the singers all the way to New York's Carnegie Hall. "We have the greatest choral conductor right in our own community," she said. "She deserves all our gratitude and our best efforts every single time we gather. What a gift."

West Virginia's best Fourth of July celebration happening now in Alderson

ALDERSON, W.Va. — The town of Alderson goes all in for what many consider to be West Virginia's BEST Fourth of July Celebration. This year is no exception with weekend festivities including a 5k, the famous Mr. Rexroad Contest, 4th of July car show, the Ducks on the Greenbrier Rubber Duck Race, an ice cream social, craft and food vendors, field events, inflatables, and entertainment throughout the celebration.

Of course, the festivities would not be complete without the iconic Grand Parade and the dazzling Grand Fireworks Display. This year, Alderson invites residents and visitors alike to join in celebrating 250 Years of Celebrating Independence.

Celebration Highlights:

The Weekend Excitement (Friday, July 3): Lace up for the Run for Snacks 5K or join "The Hunt"—a massive 3-day scavenger hunt featuring $2,000 in prizes. Friday night heats up at the football field with kid-friendly inflatables and 80's music from *Rewind the Walkman* ($5 admission, children 10 and under are free).

The Big Day (Saturday, July 4): Don't miss the historic 2026 Grand Parade at 10:30 a.m., showcasing stunning floats, fire engines, and horses. The afternoon features a Car Show, an Ice Cream Social and Open Mic Night at the historic 1896 Train Depot, and field events for all ages.

Fireworks Spectacular (Saturday Night): Caps off the 4th with live music from *Tupelo Drive*, the introduction of Miss Fireworks 2026 (Brooke Patterson), and a Grand Fireworks Display. Admission to the field for the evening entertainment and fireworks is $5 (children 10 and under are free).

Grand Finale (Sunday, July 5): Head to the Alderson Mini Park for the famous River Events—featuring "anything that floats" races—and the thrilling "Ducks on the Greenbrier" Rubber Duck Race, where one lucky winner will take home a **$5,000 cash grand prize**! Cap off the weekend with a free community Gospel Sing at the football field.

Featured Entertainment:

Friday, July 4 | 8:00–10:00 p.m. | Rewind the Walkman

Rewind the Walkman is a dynamic and energetic band that takes audiences on a nostalgic journey through the iconic sounds of the 80s and 90s. With their passion for delivering high-octane cover music, Rewind the Walkman has become a name that music lovers of all generations recognize and love.

Drawing inspiration from legendary artists such as Bryan Adams, Def Leppard, Phil Collins, George Michael, and Peter Gabriel, Rewind the Walkman has developed a signature style that pays homage to the timeless classics while infusing their own unique energy. Their renditions are characterized by infectious melodies, powerful vocals, and electric guitar solos that transport listeners back to the golden era of music.

Saturday, July 4 | 7:45–9:45 p.m. | Tupelo Drive

Tupelo Drive is shaking up the West Virginia music scene with a gritty mix of country, blues and rock that hits straight from the gut. Hailing from the back roads of Greenbrier and Monroe counties, the band has already carved out a name for themselves, opening for heavy-hitters like Charles Wesley Godwin, Dylan Marlowe, Austin Snell and others.

Now teaming up with Indigo Bunting Records and Grammy-nominated producer Duane Lundy, Tupelo Drive is preparing to release their self-titled debut album — a raw, no-frills take on real life, heartbreak and good times. Every track carries the dust, drive and soul of the hills they call home.

Sunday, July 5 | 6–9 p.m. | The Gospel Sing

The Gospel Sing features two uplifting gospel acts known for their heartfelt delivery and strong faith-centered messages.

The Waymarks are recognized for their rich harmonies and traditional Southern Gospel sound. Their music blends powerful vocals with meaningful lyrics that reflect faith, hope, and encouragement. With a heartfelt stage presence and a passion for ministry through song, they share timeless gospel favorites as well as inspiring selections that resonate with audiences of all ages.

Also featured are Juanita Phillips and Corey Clark, a dynamic duo whose voices complement each other beautifully. Their performances focus on spirit-filled worship and sincere expression, delivering songs that speak to perseverance, grace, and devotion. Together, they bring an authentic and moving gospel experience through their music.

Important Attendee Information:

Delicious food and unique craft vendors will be open at the Alderson Memorial Football Field during scheduled events throughout the celebration. Please note that **no smoking and no pets** are permitted on the football field.

Because the schedule is packed with so many events, competitions, and specific registration times, organizers advise everyone to check the official website for full information, contact details, and weather updates.

For more details, vendor information, or to purchase rubber duck tickets, please visit **www.alderson4th.com** or follow the **@Alderson 4th of July Celebration** page on Facebook.

WVDNR Shares Boating Safety Tips Ahead of July 4th Weekend

The Fourth of July holiday is one of the busiest times of year for boating recreation and the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is reminding boaters to make sure their boats are operational, to drive sober and wear personal floatation devices while on the water.

"A lot of people will be taking their boats out this weekend to celebrate our country's independence and we just want to make sure everyone is enjoying themselves in a way that is safe and responsible," said WVDNR Law Enforcement Lt. Warren E. Goodson.

Before taking a boat out on the water, Goodson said boaters should perform a safety check to make sure horns and lights are operational and that personal floatation devices are accessible and available for all passengers.

"As the skipper, it is your responsibility to be sober and make sure everyone on board gets back to land safely," Goodson said.

Boating under the influence is dangerous and against the law. More than 15 percent of recreational boating fatalities are linked to intoxication. To enforce the state's sober boating laws, Goodson said WVDNR law enforcement officers will be patrolling the state's waters this weekend.

Boating Safety Tips

When it comes to safety, Goodson said taking a boater education class is one of the best things a new boater can do.

"Operating a motor boat is like driving a car and there are several things you need to do to keep yourself and others safe," he said. "You can learn everything you need to know in one of our boating safety classes."

Anyone born after Dec. 31, 1986 must complete a National Association of State Boating Law Administrators approved boater education class before they can legally operate a motor boat or personal watercraft on any water in West Virginia. The traditional in-seat class is free to attend and cover topics such as U.S. Coast Guard navigational rules, safe motorboat operation and legal boating requirements in West Virginia. Boater education classes also can be completed online through a NASBLA and state-approved vendor for a fee.

Goodson said boaters should also do the following:

- Have a throwable device on boats longer than 16 feet
- Share their float plan with someone they trust
- Check the weather
- Appoint at least one additional designated boat operator

To learn more about West Virginia's boating regulations and boating safety program, visit WVdnr.gov/lenforce/boating.shtm.

Entertainment

Local actor has deep ties to GVT's Greenbrier Ghost



Local actor Alana Preston has been a part of every production of The Greenbrier Ghost at Greenbrier Valley Theatre since the debut of the play in 2003. She will once again take the stage for the 2026 production beginning on July 9. The musical has special meaning to Preston based upon her family connection to the story.

"I have performed in all of the previous productions of The Greenbrier Ghost at GVT," says Preston. "This will make my sixth time! I originated the role of Sallie, one of Zona's friends, and I played that role in 2003, 2004, and 2009. In 2013 and 2019, I played Ida. This year, I am playing Sadie. Ida and Sadie are both friends of Zona's mother, Mary Jane."

Preston has a special family connection to the story. "The prosecuting attorney in the story was my great-great grandfather, John Alfred Preston," says Preston. "My father, Mason Preston, actually played the role in the first two productions, which was pretty special to witness as he is also an attorney."

The production of The Greenbrier Ghost has become a family tradition for Preston's family.

"I love the history and the local and family connection", says Preston. "My brother, wife, and cousin have all been in the show with me in different productions. This year, my nephew will be part of the cast."

For Preston, GVT has always been a major part of her life. "I grew up in this theater," says Preston. "My first production was Oliver in 1983 when I was four years old. GVT's presence in this community and my life has been so rewarding. We are so lucky to be able to share the joy of live theatre right here in Lewisburg."

Preston credits GVT with providing her inspiration to pursue a degree in the arts. "GVT has inspired so many people to study theatre in college and beyond," says Preston.

Preston has performed in more than 40 productions. Her favorites include A Christmas Carol, Into The Woods, The Pirates of Penzance, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, and, of course, The Greenbrier Ghost.

Tickets for The Greenbrier Ghost are available at gvtheatre.org/2026-season or by calling 304-645-3838.

About The Greenbrier Valley Theatre

The State Professional Theatre of West Virginia is committed to its mission statement to create live, professional quality theatre in West Virginia and, through theatre, to enlighten, enrich, and enliven the life of our region.

Throughout each year, GVT produces first-class theatrical productions featuring professional actors. Additionally, Greenbrier Valley Theatre offers a successful after-school drama program, a summer camp for children and teens, literary readings, live simulcasts of the Metropolitan Opera, special events and musical performances, art appreciation activities, lectures, discussions and workshops.

The Greenbrier Valley Theatre is the State Professional Theatre of West Virginia. Learn more about GVT at www.gvtheatre.org.

Carnegie Hall kicks off 2026 Ivy Terrace Concert Series celebrating America250

The Carnegie Hall 2026 Ivy Terrace Outdoor Music Series continues with Strings of Green on Thursday, July 9, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. A cherished Lewisburg summer tradition, Ivy Terrace brings friends, families, and neighbors together for free live music on the expansive green in front of New River Community and Technical College. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket, pack a picnic, and enjoy a relaxed, family-friendly evening.

All Ivy Terrace concerts are free, alcohol-free, generously sponsored by City National Bank, and will move indoors in the event of inclement weather. Attendees are encouraged to follow Carnegie Hall's Facebook page for updates.

Strings of Green arrives as one of bluegrass music's most exciting young acts, rooted in the remarkable musicality of the Green family from Beckley, West Virginia. What began as a simple act of service - providing hymns and worship music for a small church congregation - has grown into a nationally recognized ensemble defined by authentic family harmony and extraordinary instrumental skill. In January 2026, the group made history by winning the SPBGMA International Band Championship in Nashville, an achievement made even more impressive by the fact that two members were still preteens at the time.

Led by two-time National Bluegrass Banjo Champion Brandon Green, the band features a lineup of prodigious young talent. Eighteen-year-old Josiah Green anchors the group on rhythm guitar and contributes original compositions that blend seamlessly with the band's traditional roots. Twelve-year-old Ezekiel Green, already a Vandalia Gathering mandolin champion, brings crisp, expressive mandolin work, while eleven-year-old Ezra Green holds down the bass with confidence and drive. Younger siblings Malachi and Moriah are already learning guitar, dobro, and fiddle, ensuring the family's musical legacy continues to grow.

Strings of Green performs throughout West Virginia and beyond, sharing bluegrass standards, hymns, and original works with heart, precision, and the unmistakable chemistry that only a family band can create. Their Ivy Terrace debut promises an evening of uplifting, high-energy music that showcases both their deep roots and their bright future.

For more information, visit www.carnegiehallwv.org or call (304) 645-7917.

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What really happened to the men who signed the Declaration

When 56 men put their names to the Declaration of Independence in the summer of 1776, they were not signing a ceremonial document. They were signing what the British Crown considered a confession of treason — a crime punishable by hanging.

Benjamin Franklin is said to have captured the moment with characteristic wit: "We must all hang together, or most assuredly we shall all hang separately."

None of them hanged. But for many of the signers, the years that followed brought real and lasting sacrifice — and their stories are worth remembering 250 years later.

Richard Stockton of New Jersey was dragged from his bed by loyalists in November 1776 and turned over to the British. He was imprisoned in New York under harsh conditions, and his health never fully recovered. His estate, Morven, was occupied and looted by British troops. He died in 1781, before the war was won.

Francis Lewis of New York paid a price through his family. British forces destroyed his Long Island home and took his wife, Elizabeth, prisoner. She was held for months before being exchanged, and she died not long after her release.

John Hart of New Jersey, a farmer in his sixties, fled into the countryside when British and Hessian troops swept through his land in late 1776, hiding in the woods while his farm was ravaged. He returned to rebuild, but died in 1779.

Three South Carolina signers — Thomas Heyward Jr., Arthur Middleton and Edward Rutledge — were captured when Charleston fell to the British in 1780 and held as prisoners of war in St. Augustine, Florida, for nearly a year before being exchanged.

Thomas Nelson Jr. of Virginia commanded the state militia at the siege of Yorktown in 1781. According to a story long told in Virginia, when Nelson learned British officers were using his own house in town, he urged the American gunners not to spare it. He personally guaranteed enormous loans to keep Virginia's war effort funded, debts that helped ruin him financially.

Not every hardship came at British hands. Button Gwinnett of Georgia was dead within a year of signing — killed not by the enemy, but in a duel with a political rival in 1777. Robert Morris of Pennsylvania, the "financier of the Revolution" who personally underwrote much of the war effort, later lost his fortune to failed land speculation and spent three years in debtors' prison.

A word of caution for readers who have seen the famous email that circulates every July claiming five signers were tortured to death and a dozen saw their homes burned: much of that account is embellished. No signer was tortured to death, and most of the 56 survived the war and prospered. Two — John Adams and Thomas Jefferson — became president. But the true stories need no exaggeration. These were men of property and standing who had the most to lose under the old order, and they risked it anyway.

The last surviving signer, Charles Carroll of Maryland, lived until 1832 — long enough to see the nation he helped found grow to 24 states.

As America marks the 250th anniversary of their pledge of "our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor," the record shows that for a good number of them, that pledge was no figure of speech.



The Fourth of July, by the numbers

250 — Years since the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. This year's celebration marks America's semiquincentennial — if you can pronounce it.

56 — Men who signed the Declaration. The oldest was Benjamin Franklin, 70. The youngest, South Carolina's Edward Rutledge, was 26.

2.5 million — Estimated population of the 13 colonies in July 1776. The U.S. population today is roughly 340 million — about 136 times larger.

150 million — Hot dogs Americans are expected to eat on the Fourth, according to the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council. That's enough to stretch from Washington, D.C., to Los Angeles more than five times.

$12.6 billion — What Americans spent on food and beverages for last year's Fourth of July celebrations, by one industry estimate — an average of more than $92 per adult.

Nearly $3 billion — Approximate annual American spending on fireworks, according to industry figures. The American Pyrotechnics Association says the U.S. imports more than 300 million pounds of fireworks each year, the vast majority from China.

Two — Future presidents who signed the Declaration: John Adams and Thomas Jefferson. Both died on July 4, 1826 — the document's 50th anniversary.

One — President born on the Fourth of July: Calvin Coolidge, in 1872.

8 days — Time it took for the Declaration to be read publicly in New York, where on July 9, 1776, a crowd celebrated by pulling down a statue of King George III. Much of the lead statue was later melted into musket balls for the Continental Army.

Zero — Signatures actually placed on the Declaration on July 4. Most delegates signed the engrossed parchment copy on Aug. 2, 1776 — a detail that has never stopped anyone from celebrating on the Fourth.

The strangest 4 of July in history

As the nation celebrates the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence this week, it is worth remembering what happened on the 50th — a coincidence so remarkable that Americans at the time saw the hand of Providence in it.

On July 4, 1826, exactly half a century after the Declaration was adopted in Philadelphia, the two men most responsible for it died within hours of each other, more than 500 miles apart.

Thomas Jefferson, the Declaration's principal author, was 83 and failing at Monticello, his mountaintop home in Virginia. In his final days, he drifted in and out of consciousness, and those at his bedside recorded that he repeatedly asked some version of the same question: "Is it the Fourth?" He held on through the night of July 3 and died shortly after noon on Independence Day.

That same afternoon, in Quincy, Massachusetts, 90-year-old John Adams — Jefferson's fellow revolutionary, bitter political rival and, in old age, devoted friend — lay dying in his own home. According to those present, among his last words were "Thomas Jefferson survives." He was wrong. Jefferson had died hours earlier, but the news could not have reached Massachusetts. Adams died that evening.

The friendship between the two men was itself one of the great American stories. Allies in the Continental Congress, they served together on the committee that drafted the Declaration, with Adams pushing the writing assignment onto the young Virginian. Later, politics tore them apart. Adams, a Federalist, and Jefferson, a Republican, fought two of the nastiest presidential campaigns in the nation's history in 1796 and 1800, and after losing the second, Adams left Washington without attending his rival's inauguration.

They did not speak for more than a decade. Then, in 1812, prodded by a mutual friend, Adams sent a short letter to Monticello. Jefferson answered warmly, and for the next 14 years the two old revolutionaries carried on one of the most celebrated correspondences in American letters — more than 150 letters ranging over politics, philosophy, religion, grief and the meaning of the revolution they had made together.

When word of the double deaths spread that July, the nation was stunned. President John Quincy Adams — John Adams' son — wrote that the timing was a "visible and palpable" mark of divine favor on the country.

Remarkably, it happened again. Five years later, on July 4, 1831, James Monroe — the fifth president and the last of the founding generation to hold the office — also died, making three of the first five presidents who died on Independence Day.

And for those keeping score on the other side of the ledger: only one president was born on the Fourth of July. Calvin Coolidge arrived on July 4, 1872 — a fact the famously quiet New Englander was said to take quiet pride in.

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Notable events that have taken place on July Fourth

Residents of the United States spend July 4th celebrating the country's independence. Though July 4 has served as America's Independence Day for centuries, many other significant and memorable events have taken place on the fourth day of July.

1744: The Treaty of Lancaster is signed in Pennsylvania. The treaty dictates that the Iroquois will cede land between the Allegheny Mountains and the Ohio River to the British colonies.

1776: The United States Declaration of Independence is adopted by the Second Continental Congress. July 4 actually marks the day the final wording of the declaration, which had been submitted on July 2, was approved.

1802: The United States Military Academy officially commences operations. Located in West Point, New York, the USMA is the oldest of the five American service academies.

1826: On the fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of the Independence, the second and third presidents of the United States, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, respectively, pass away. Both men were instrumental to American success during the American Revolution.

1831: Samuel Francis Smith's America (My Country, Tis of Thee) is performed in public for the first time. The performance took place during a children's Independence Day celebration in Boston.

1845: Naturalist and essayist Henry David Thoreau moves into a cabin on Walden Pond in Concord, Massachusetts. His experiences there would later be detailed in Walden Pond.

1913: President Woodrow Wilson addresses veterans of the American Civil War at a reunion marking the fiftieth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. More than 50,000 veterans of the war, including roughly 9,000 Confederate veterans, attend the reunion.

1939: New York Yankees first baseman Lou Gehrig announces his retirement to a crowd at Yankee Stadium, informing them he feels he is the luckiest man on the face of the earth. Gehrig had recently been diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, a disease that would later be widely referred to as Lou Gehrig's disease.

1983: Twenty-four-year old New York Yankees left-hander Dave Righetti throws a no-hitter against the rival Boston Red Sox at Yankee Stadium. Righetti struck seven of the first nine batters he faced and even overcame a delay in the eighth inning when umpire Steve Palermo suffered a knee injury. Outspoken Yankees owner George Steinbrenner did not attend the game, as he was in Florida celebrating his 53rd birthday with family.



Did you know?

Americans will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States in July 2026, and the word semiquincentennial may come up in conversation during those celebrations. Some people may not be familiar with the term and what it means. A semiquincentennial is the 250th anniversary of something. It breaks down to half of a quincentennial, which is 500 years. Synonyms may include sestercentennial, bisequicentennial or quartermillennial. Each term refers to a period of 250 years. It's a rather large word for a simple meaning, but people are bound to hear more of it as 2026 goes on and Independence Day is celebrated on July 4.



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