



# Gates Opening For Some Summer Fun



Pictured here are the play area and pool at The Splash Zone – popular with young and old alike. But Clarksburg’s Veterans Memorial Park offers even more ... picnic areas and shelters of various sizes (with grills, water, and electric), the outdoor amphitheater, walking trail along the river, tennis courts, dog park, miniature golf, and more!

By LEIGH C. MERRIFIELD  
News & Journal Editor

Because of some ‘variants’ that are creeping into the area from time to time, folks are not yet ‘home free’ where the COVID-19 pandemic is concerned; however, the number of people who have

been vaccinated has allowed activities to become a little more normal ... and certainly outdoor activities are being permitted more ... although with caution still being advised.

After having totally shut down last year, The Splash Zone is glad to again be open for business at Clarksburg’s

Veterans Memorial Park! Rainy weather did postpone its original opening date on May 29th as well as on the 30th of May and a few other bad-weather days, but on sunny days, you’ll find them welcoming people to “splash” a little summer fun into their lives! Barring inclement

weather, The Splash Zone will be open seven days a week from noon until 7 p.m.

John Cooper, Superintendent of Clarksburg City Parks, said that on most days they have been open thus far, they have reached their capacity limit.

“We are allowing 600 people at a time into our facility,” he said. “Of course, when they are in the water, no masks are worn, but when they are out of the pool, we are leaving it up to them whether or not to mask since the CDC says it is not mandatory if outdoors. The CDC is still encouraging social distancing, though, and for the most part, most people have been pretty good about that.”

Because attendance limitations are still in effect, The Splash Zone will NOT be issuing season passes this year. Cooper said it didn’t seem fitting to sell patrons a season pass and then not be

able to guarantee that they could get in if their capacity had already been filled.

Concessions are being sold, and daily admission rates are as follows: \$9.50 for adults (age 12 and up); \$7.50 for children ages 3 to 11; children under age 3 are admitted free as are Retired Military

(with proof of service). After 4 p.m. each day, admittance for ALL is \$5.50 per person.

“We have a lot to offer at The Splash Zone – a lap pool, lagoon, lazy river, five slides, and a children’s water play area, and we are just so pleased to be able to reopen this summer

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## RGPAC Endures “Pandemic Pause”

Look Forward To Upcoming Announcements About Future Events



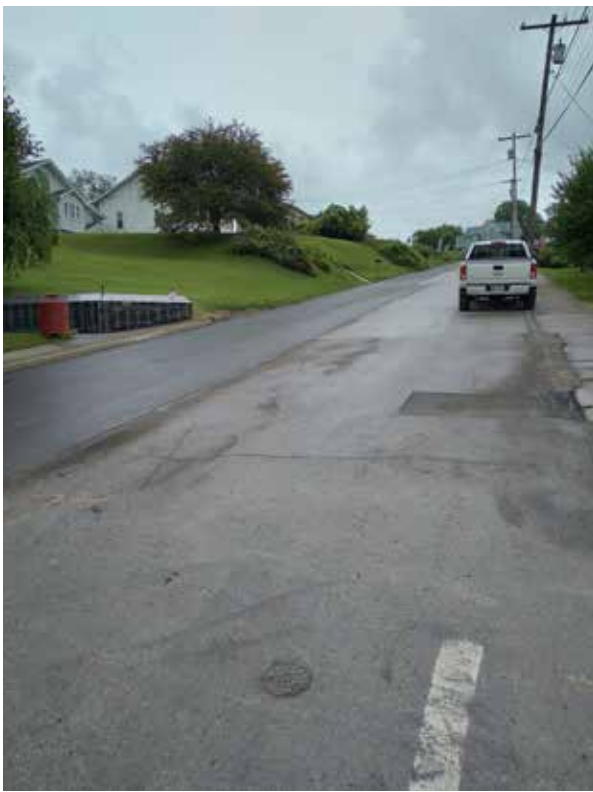
Children’s dance lessons begin as early as the toddler stage to offer creative development. Pictured here, some little beauties from In Step Dance & Fitness don’t seem to be bashful about performing! Numerous dance recitals have been hosted this Spring at RGPAC, which has brought new people into the facility who will perhaps return for other entertainment. Photo courtesy of photographer Kyle Jenkins.

By LEIGH C. MERRIFIELD  
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What does an indoor entertainment venue do during a pandemic when crowds of people can create risks? Well, if they want to survive, they are forced to restructure what they’re doing until the situation gets better. Emily Moore, the Sales & Marketing Manager at the Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center in Clarksburg, says, “We

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## Clement Street Repairs Involved Sewer Line Replacement, Milling & Paving



Replacement of sewer pipes necessitated some deep digging, then milling and patching of asphalt on Clement Street last week.

By LEIGH C. MERRIFIELD  
News & Journal Editor

Clement Street in Shinnston was the site of a great deal of work

recently for milling, patching and sewer line replacement.

City Manager Chad Edwards explained that the City got a call

reporting that there was an issue at the bottom of Clement Street near Hammer’s Market with sewer water bubbling up from the sidewalk. Public Works began checking and found a problem under the bridge with bad terracotta pipes. Because of the depth of the issue in that area, the City lacked the equipment needed to repair a problem that deep, so hiring a contractor was necessary. When the leak persisted, the contractor ran a camera and found other leaks on Clement Street where, again, terracotta pipes were replaced with PVC.

The DOH had insisted that Clement Street be milled, removing eight layers of asphalt that they had over the years put down. Edwards said this now had to

be done at the City’s expense, and the DOH complained that it was taking too long and later shut them down due to rain.

“We know that public utility repairs are the responsibility of the City, but the DOH has not been helpful in this matter,” Edwards noted. “I at one point even called the Governor’s office, but we will make it right. The DOH is also requiring that as we pave the area on Clement Street where sewer replacement occurred, that we pave an additional 100 feet where it connects to Pike Street.”

Clement Street will not be paved completely at the request of residents there, who say raising their side of the street even more will just create more problems of water

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## WV Tourism Launches Special Celebration Of WV’s Birthday Take A Road Trip ... Snap Some Photos ... Share Them On Social Media ... You Could Win A Prize!



West Virginia abounds with scenic beauty, so capturing a great photo to share with an opportunity to win a prize for it should be an easy feat!

The West Virginia Department of Tourism encourages all Mountain State residents to celebrate the state’s birthday on June 20, 2021. This year offers something extra to celebrate, as the state marks the 50th anniversary of John Denver’s “Take Me

Home, Country Roads”.

“There’s never been a better time to visit the iconic country roads of West Virginia. After a long and difficult year, we’re encouraging folks to plan their perfect summer road trip in the Mountain State,” Tourism Secretary

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## I Can See Clearly Now!



Building Amazing Cities

By JIM HUNT  
author, speaker, consultant

Several months ago, I began to notice that my eyesight was changing. It was hard to read things on the television and I would strain to see things on the computer. In the mornings, I would walk into the sunlight and everything seemed ‘foggy’. My wife even noticed that I was having difficulty driving at night. I knew that I needed to get this checked out immediately. I feared the worst and scheduled an appointment with my ophthalmologist as soon as they could get me scheduled.

I have been fortunate to have excellent eyesight over my life and I can remember many times when the eye doctor would tell me that my eyesight was 20/15, which is better than normal. As I grew older, I kept thinking that I would need to get glasses at some point in my life, but that day never came. So, it was quite concerning that my once perfect eyesight was having a problem. I was nervous on the day of my appointment and as the young lady flashed the eyechart on the wall, I could barely see that they were letters, let alone, identifying the correct letter. My mind raced and when the doctor entered the room, I was as nervous as I have ever

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# Food For Thought

By Leigh Currey Merrifield  
Editor

## ‘Precious Moments’ Never Leave You

Many of you – both children & adults – may be preparing to do something special for ‘Dad’ this weekend. Father’s Day is such a special day when families set aside their busy schedules to celebrate those men whose examples have made such an impact on their lives. I heard it said once that fathers can learn many things from their children – like how much patience they have! So this day is a time to show appreciation, at least in some small way, for their tolerance, guidance, love...and patience.

I have written before about what mothers are made of, and now it seems only fair to do the same for the dads out there. What exactly did God have in mind when he made Dads? .... Well, God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of a summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea, the generous soul of nature, the comforting arms of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle’s flight, the joy of a morning in spring, the faith of a mustard seed, the patience of eternity, the depth of a family need, and He combined all these qualities. When there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete. And He called it ... DAD.

You have probably heard the saying that “anyone can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad”. Well, I was very blessed; I had a “dad”,

and a very special one. Countless times I have been told how much I remind someone of him. I can only say that those people have paid me the highest of compliments!

I guess we all have our “precious moments”, times that we have spent with loved ones that are standouts in our memory. They come to mind countless times and for no particular reason – just a colorful picture that floats in and out of our memory, reminding us of a close relationship that we thought would last forever. I can still “see” my dad coloring with me as a child; I remember him taking the training wheels off my first bicycle and jogging nearby during my first few trial runs just in case I got off balance. I remember him helping me with a school science fair project ... feeling the warmth of his wool jacket as I rested my head against him in church. I also can recall that I tested his endurance level a few times (!), but he seldom lost his patience. I remember some of his great advice; I remember his smile and the sound of his voice. He had such a gentle presence and yet he was ever so strong, a strength that showed when he passed from pain into peace – worrying not about himself, but about those he loved and would leave behind.

I guess it is obvious that my dad was my hero - a faithful friend who tolerated my shortcomings and was always on my side. I can’t begin to count the blessings he gave me; there aren’t enough numbers! And if he had lived a hundred more years, I could never have thanked him enough for giving me the wings of independence as well as the roots which have anchored my life.

This year my heart will doubly ache because for the first time, I will see my son feeling the Father’s Day void too. I know from experience that it gets a little easier with time, but that first Father’s Day after you’ve lost your dad is a mighty tough one. While the void always remains, time helps heal all wounds.

If you are fortunate enough to still have your father, I envy you ... and I hope you will take the time to send a card, shop for a gift, deliver a hug, and let him know in SOME way that you appreciate him being in your life. Although I may not be “celebrating” this day as many of you will be, I will nonetheless be remembering – and yes, still honoring the man whose imprint will always remain a part of me. Such “precious moments” they were!

This week’s dessert: “A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his hands are empty.” ~ Author Unknown

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Wi-Fi Should Flow Like Water

Dear Editor:  
More than 21 million Americans lack a reliable internet connection, according to the Federal Communications Commission. And that might be a low estimate. One watchdog group thinks the real number is closer to 42 million.

These people were already at a disadvantage prior to Covid-19, but the pandemic made their situation untenable. Without an internet connection, children couldn’t attend school virtually. Parents couldn’t work remotely -- or search for new opportunities online if they lost their jobs.

President Biden pledged billions of dollars in his new infrastructure package to help expand broadband. That’s a welcome commitment, but merely laying more fiber won’t fully solve the problem. Even in places where high-speed internet connections are available, many Americans can’t afford them.

In 21st century America, internet access is as essential as electricity and running water. It’s time to make broadband accessible and affordable to everyone, by treating internet like an essential utility rather than a luxury good.

Many low-income Americans, especially in rural areas, either have unreliable internet or none at all. Internet connection speeds are 40% slower in poor parts of the country.

Just 65% of households in rural counties subscribe to the internet compared to 78% nationwide. This lack of broadband makes it nearly impossible for Americans to fully participate in our 21st-century economy and society.

That’s why, for months, many children in West Virginia -- where up to 50% of public-school students don’t have home internet connections -- traveled long distances to relatives’ houses or school parking lots to access Wi-Fi and attend virtual classes.

When internet connections were unavailable, or simply too expensive, families faced agonizing choices -- such as whether to pay the rent, the internet bill, or put food on the table.

Struggling Americans made heroic sacrifices, but they shouldn’t have had to. Fast and reliable home internet would be far more affordable if we simply changed how people pay for broadband. Currently, almost all subscribers pay an expensive flat fee for access. The median price is \$66 per month but in some places can reach up to nearly \$200. In return, a user gets effectively unlimited data, allowing them to perform necessary tasks like sending work emails and submitting homework assignments, as well as fun -- though not essential -- data-intensive activities

like streaming Netflix and playing video games.

Contrast this expensive, flat-fee payment model with the consumption-based payment model for vital utilities like water or electricity.

Charging consumers based on their consumption might sound more annoying, but it actually empowers them to save money. If people want to lower their winter heating bill, they can set the thermostat to 68 degrees instead of 72. If they want to slash their water bill, they can take faster showers or water lawns and gardens less.

If Americans could similarly pay only for the internet they use, they’d be able to save bundles. Low-income families could have reliable, high-speed connections for just a few bucks a week. And for Americans at or below the poverty line, the government could directly subsidize broadband access, just as it already helps vulnerable families with their electricity bills.

Fast home internet is necessary to work, learn, play, and live in the 21st century. We won’t have a just society until it is accessible and affordable to all.

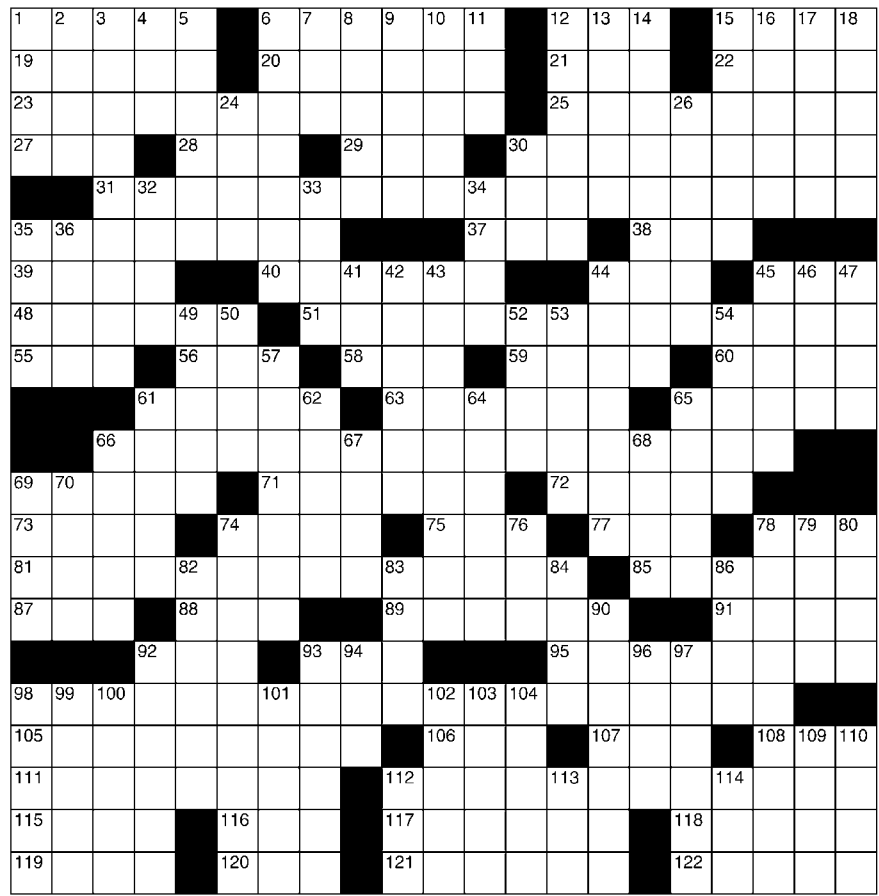
Sincerely,  
Brent Messenger, VP of Public Policy & Community Engagement at Fiverr

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## This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to *e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia* at [www.wvencyclopedia.org](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

**June 17, 1813:** General Thomas Maley Harris was born at present Harrisville. He rose to prominence after the Civil War, when he served on the military commission that tried conspirators who acted with John Wilkes Booth in the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

**June 17, 1916:** The West Virginia High School Athletic Association was organized at Charleston with 11 charter members. The name of the organization was changed to the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission in 1955.

**June 17, 1961:** A Wayne County bridge was named in honor of TV newsman David Brinkley. The condition of the bridge had become a news item during the 1960 presidential primary; state officials closed the bridge, repaired it, and invited Brinkley to return for the ceremony to officially name it the "Brinkley Bridge."

**June 18, 1937:** Jay Rockefeller was born in New York City. He became West Virginia's 29th governor in 1977, and in 1984, he was elected to the U.S. Senate.



## N&J Briefs

### FROM AROUND HARRISON COUNTY

"Briefs" is a calendar of events listing provided free of charge to churches and non-profit organizations. Items will be published one time only and will be listed in the order in which they occur. Please submit your 'briefs' two weeks prior to the event (if possible) by 4 PM on Friday. Fax your information to 304-592-0603 or send via e-mail to [newsandjournal@yahoo.com](mailto:newsandjournal@yahoo.com).

### BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Bridgeport library is still closed to the public, however pick up is available. Readers can access the library's catalog by reserving books on their website at [www.youseemore.com/bridgeport](http://www.youseemore.com/bridgeport) and may pick up books on the following days and times: M-W-F 12:00pm-7:30pm and Tues. & Thurs. 12:00pm-4:30pm. until further notice. Personnel will be available to answer questions, and the library's digital resources will continue to be available. • Contact Amy at the library at 304-842-8248 for information.

### LOWE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Lowe Public Library has resumed its regular hours to the general public: Monday 11:30 am – 7:00 pm and Tuesday- Friday 11:30 am – 6 pm, CLOSED on Saturdays. Curbside service will still be available to those who request it by calling 304-592-1700. The library is disinfected routinely throughout the day (also, immediately after children visit).

### KARAOKE AT CULTURAL ARTS CELEBRATION AT THE PARK

An hour of karaoke will be offered at the Cultural Arts Celebration at Ferguson Park this Saturday, June 19th between 4:30-5:30 pm. No fee or registration is required. Afterwards, stick around to patronize our local artisans and enjoy great live entertainment.

### CELEBRATING WV'S BIRTHDAY

The Woman's Club of Shinnston will be serving cake and ice cream from 10 am to 1 pm at the Bice Ferguson Memorial Museum this Saturday, June 19th in honor of West Virginia's Birthday. Come by, cool off and enjoy a film showing downtown Shinnston in the early to mid-20th century.

### SHINNSTON SENIOR SATELLITE MEETING

The Shinnston Senior Satellite will resume meetings (still to be held) at their regular meeting location - the American Legion building at 76 Bridge Street in Shinnston. Governor Justice will allow both Senior Centers and their satellites to reopen on June 23rd, so the first meeting of the Shinnston Satellite will be on Friday, June 25th from 10 a.m. until noon.

### WV HERITAGE CRAFTS CLASS SCHEDULE

The following events will be held at West Virginia Heritage Crafts exit 115 I79 in the Quiet Dell Grade School: June 21st Hand Quilting Class 2pm-5pm \$17.00 Call LouAnn to register 304-931-8701; June 25th Hand Quilting Class 11am-2pm \$17.00 Call LouAnn to register 304-931-8701; June 30th Hand Quilting Class 5:15pm-8:15pm \$17.00 Call LouAnn to register 304-931-8701; June 19th Barbershop Bluegrass Band 12pm-3pm and Jewelry making demonstration and Kids Make n' Take Craft 12 pm-3 pm; June 12-June 30 Used Book Sale and Craft Supply Sale daily Monday thru Saturday, Closed Sundays. 304-622-3304

### MONONGALIA COUNTY BEEKEEPERS MEETING

The Monongalia County Beekeepers have a meeting at Mylan Park in the new Monongalia County Extension Service and 4-H Center on the first Tuesday of every month; however, meetings have been cancelled until further notice due to COVID-19. Please contact Debbie Martin for more information at 304-367-9488 or [debbiez7@yahoo.com](mailto:debbiez7@yahoo.com) We look forward to helping you start your beekeeping journey and will help you every step of the way!

### HOPE, INC. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP

Hope, Inc., a task force - support group on growing free from domestic violence, will meet on Thursdays at noon at Koupal Towers, 916 West Pike Street in Clarksburg. For more information, call 304-624-9835 or email [asniderhope@yahoo.com](mailto:asniderhope@yahoo.com).

### KIDDING AROUND YOGA

Kidding Around Yoga is being held every Thursday at 6p.m. at the Progressive Women's Association/Uptown Event Center, 305 Washington Ave., Clarksburg. These yoga classes are free. So, bring your kids ages 2 to 12 to Kidding Around Yoga every Thursday. For more information, please call 304-624-6881. Certified instructor Erica Perry.

### CELEBRATE RECOVERY

A Christ-centered 12-step program for any hurt, habit or hang-up meets every Friday at 6:00 p.m. at Horizons Church in Lost Creek with COVID capacity. Offers childcare (birth to 4 yrs.) and The Landing for older teens. For more information, call 304-745-5090.

## 2021 Graduates Of UHC School Of Radiologic Technology Announced



Standing, front row, from left: Alaina Godwin, Lauren Robinson, Kisha Beverly, Alexa Lipscomb, Hayle Shepherd, and Marinda Griffith; standing, back row, from left: Cheyenne Clayton, Kayla Lough, Laura Bent, Matt Reese, Samantha Stalnaker, Jordan Shaver, and Erica Balon.

United Hospital Center School of Radiologic Technology held a Commencement and Reception for the 2021 graduates in May at the Bridgeport High School Auditorium. Diplomas were presented to 13 students from Program Director Rosemary Trupo and Clinical Instructors Jane Bray, B.S., R.T. and Lisa Knight, R.T. Lois Auvil, R.T. (R), Staff Technologist at United Hospital Center, served as guest speaker for the Radiologic Technology commencement, while Jordan Shaver delivered the class address. Special presentations included Radiography Clinical Excellence Award presented to graduate Hayle Shepherd, Radiography Academic Excellence Award presented to graduate Erica Balon, and the

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did not stop; we were simply forced to hit pause for a while!"

That doesn't mean it's been easy – especially since it's been a staff of mainly just TWO – she and Ryan Tolley, the RGPAC's Executive Director.

Tolley explained that right now, they are in the middle of dance recital season for nine different studios – in both Harrison and Marion Counties. This has been going on since the first of May ... there are rehearsals, dress rehearsals, followed by multi-day recital events with usually about 400 or so in attendance each evening.

"We were pleased to be able to give them a venue since, because of COVID, they were not permitted in the school auditoriums where many of them had held their recitals previously," he stated. "It's turned out to be a benefit actually. Most of them really appreciated the amenities of our renovated theater and respected its historic features, and they will probably remain our clients in the future because they've been treated very well."

Emily Moore added, "We were doing so

well, and haven't had to reach out for additional funding.

Part of what is responsible for that is that our patrons have been so understanding and supportive. I had to reach out to all of our ticket holders and offer to refund their tickets costs when each of our events had to be rescheduled. Very few wanted a refund; they were willing to keep their seats for the reslated dates. Our contributors and donors have been faithful as well and the public support has just been fantastic. It is truly a testament of community support!"

Moore added that they have applied for pandemic relief funding through Shuttered Venue Operators grants, but it is not being received as quickly as they had hoped. Yet they feel they'll get through this.

"We also have a ballroom and a large banquet hall and private event rentals have helped a great deal too," Moore continued. "We've had small weddings, reunions, showers, receptions, some corporate trainings and even some filmings of live productions that were later broadcast

and these have been a great asset as well. We did a lot of reimagining and got creative to adapt to the changing CDC guidelines that needed to be followed. We are still following these recommendations regarding masking and social distance seating and this will remain throughout June. Then we may be able to readdress that in July if COVID numbers improve. But our sales are doing very well for upcoming events."

The Ronnie Milsap concert, for example, is now slated for October. It has been rescheduled three times; yet his appearance is almost a total sellout!

"We have a huge show coming up in August that will be announced very soon, and another that we'll reveal in a few weeks. There are several BIG things coming up and we'll have a fully flushed out schedule for 2021. And don't forget we'll also have the Community Theater!" Moore continued. "We have really used this time during the pandemic to rebuild, and in fact, we have contracts being worked on now

for 2022!"

Tolley and Moore both mentioned that the holiday season is something they are looking forward to as well. "This is always a busy time for us. There will be lots of celebrations and three major concerts and productions scheduled during the upcoming holiday season. We'll be preparing releases for these events in the near future," they said.

Moore concluded, "Since we opened, word has spread about the quality of our facility. The pandemic may have forced us to slow things down a bit, but we are now

able to release our "pause" button and get back into bringing entertainment to the area. We are confident we'll get there ... and we will become a very distinguished center for the arts not just in our area but throughout the state of West Virginia."

To purchase tickets, call the ticketing call center M-F from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. at 1-855-773-6283 or purchase online at [tickets.therobinsongrand.com](http://tickets.therobinsongrand.com). For facility rentals, contact Emily Moore at 304-624-1500, Ext. 4.

## "Clement Street Repairs"

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eroding the sidewalk.

Edwards said just prior to press deadline that the paving will be completed

as soon as rain subsides and the DOH allows work to be finished.

"Fortunately, the

American Rescue Plan funding allows for sewer, water, and broadband expenses, so we will be

dipping into our ARP allotment to cover this project," Edwards concluded.

## "WV Tourism Launches Celebration Of WV's Birthday" cont. from p.1

Chelsea Ruby said. "Help us tell our story by sharing your travel photos and show the world why John Denver called us 'Almost Heaven'. To mark this anniversary, we're giving away amazing prizes to 50 lucky road trippers."

Mountain State fans who post their best West Virginia travel photos on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter using #AlmostHeaven will be entered automatically in a drawing to win one of 50 donated prizes, including overnight stays at Cacapon Resort State Park, Bridge Walk tours of the New River Gorge Bridge, off-roading adventures

at Hatfield-McCoy Trails, a cabin stay from Hideaway Lost River, a \$500 American Airlines gift card from Yeager Airport, zip-lining passes from Pipestem Peaks, a weekend getaway package from Mountaineer County CVB, tubing passes from River Riders, scenic train rides with Potomac Eagle Scenic Railroad and accommodations at The Greenbrier Resort. The contest runs now through noon on West Virginia Day - June 20, 2021.

All posts must be set to public and contain the hashtag #AlmostHeaven to be entered. Randomly selected winners will be

announced each Tuesday on the Department of Tourism's Facebook page.

The contest is an easy way to share West Virginia's beauty and celebrate the state's 158<sup>th</sup> birthday. The Department of Tourism will be adding featured road trip itineraries daily on social media for those looking for new routes. Best of all, the contest will allow West Virginia fans to build their own trips based on photos they find on social media.

"Research tells us that Americans now make their travel plans based in large part on what they see on social media. So this year,

let's celebrate this extra special birthday by flooding the internet with photos that will leave folks longing for a trip to this spectacular place we call home," Ruby concluded.

On June 20, the Department of Tourism will unveil a special Country Roads tribute sharing some of the best road trip spots around the Mountain State, using social media posts to help write and tell the story. Be sure to follow @wvtourism on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter.

To find your country roads trip or to learn more about the contest, visit [WVtourism.com/birthday](http://WVtourism.com/birthday).



## Recent Area Events Gave Me Opportunity To Renew Old Friendships



### GRAPEVINE

By Rosalyn Queen

For those of us who have suffered out being confined and who have been following quarantine restrictions, this past week certainly gave us an optimistic view.

First, the City of Bridgeport had their summer opening with a food truck and entertainment event in downtown. There were different types of food to sample and plenty of music. There was a large sand box for the kids to have a great time in. The city supplied plenty of tables and chairs and with it being a beautiful evening, everyone got to visit and renew friendships that had become stagnant with the quarantine.

It was back to Bridgeport with the ribbon cutting for the new Dairy Queen. The Lefevre family are the new owners and their remodeling includes a nice dining room for get togethers, meetings or parties. After the ribbon cutting, all the guests were treated to lunch and once again, there was the opportunity to visit and renew old friendships. The Lefevres were very gracious; remember to stop by on your evening walk for a cone with the curl on top.

## Buying Stamps At The Post Office Can Be Tricky



### Pine Bluff News

By Pat Matheny

Last Friday, while I was heading to Bridgeport Hill to do some shopping, I stopped at the Shinnston Post office to pick up some stamps. It was 2 pm and after walking inside, silly me, I forgot that they are only open from 2:30 pm until 4:00 pm in the afternoon.?? So, I decided to stop at the Gypsy Post Office. After walking in, I discovered that they closed at 2 pm (it was 2:15 pm). I persevered on and stopped at the Hepzibah Post Office - heck, it was locked up tighter than the gold repository at Fort Knox! I know because (umpteens years ago) I marched around the repository for 10 weeks... plus, I saw the movie, "Goldfinger". I gave up on the stamps, besides I was wearing out the Ranger's door hinges from opening and closing.

Actually, "Goldfinger" came out in December 1964, a few weeks after I left Ft. Knox. The scenes in the movie of gassing troops on the Post were shot the previous summer. I met a few guys who were involved ... "Bond...James Bond."

Last Sunday, I met Bernie and Debbie (former Ding Dong Lady) at the FOP Restaurant in Nutter Fort for a nice dinner and conversation. In the evening, Lee delivered some chili and pepperoni rolls that Patty had made and then visited awhile; the food was delicious.

Monday, I had an appointment with an endocrinologist at White Oaks near UHC. Of course, they had to do blood work. Surely, I have to be anemic by now from all of the blood drawn in

The week ended with a play put on by a young team of actors from Vintage Theatre which is headed up by Jason Young. It was held at the Uptown Event Center on Friday evening. This was a group of seven youngsters who were making their final appearance as a part of Vintage Theatre. Their presentation was from Shakespeare.

Another gathering that went on this week was the declaration by Ben Queen that he will be seeking the Senate seat next year. He is currently a member of the House of Delegates. He signed his papers at the Secretary of State's office and then the group gathered at the Stonewall Coffee Shop located on Court Street in Clarksburg. If you are looking for a great cup of coffee, this is the place.

I know that the CVB concert was held on Saturday night and I hope it was a success and well attended. There are many individuals who are working hard to bring life back to our community and they need your support. I urge you to be a part of these activities.

Now that vacation time is here, I urge you to consider spending your vacation here in West Virginia. We have many areas for swimming and boating. Some of our parks have cabins and if you want to rough it, pitch a tent. We have a beautiful state and do not forget about tubing on the Shenandoah.

Take care, stay healthy and until next week, "Now You Have Heard It Through the Grapevine."

the past 6 months; I am getting sick of doctors. On the way back, I stopped in at the T&L Hot Dog in town and had a cheeseburger and Toni took good care of me. While eating, I watched them finish tearing down the building across the street.

Friday afternoon, #3 grandson Shane stopped by to do some yard work that I have needed done. He scattered mulch around the patio and weeded around the property and the community building. Everything looks spiffy now.

I wrote a few weeks ago about trying to fill the dried-out barrel for the fountain (or whatever you call it?) on the patio. After two days of running water in it, I finally got the water to fill up to the top so that the wood slats would soak up the water and expand. When I checked it the next morning, the barrel was empty. I discovered the bottom had blown (rotted) out...so much for the barrel and the approximately 1,500 extra gallons of water used (per water bill).

Since all of the trees (excluding the dead ones) have greened up with leaves, it doesn't make a person quite as apprehensive when driving up and down Big Bingamon Road. The leaves are hiding all of the overhanging pitfalls. However, when we received a lot of rain last week, I had to dodge with the truck weighed down branches in three places between Bices Run and Feathers Hill. Thankfully, this week there have been some dump trucks hauling rock up the holler and they have beaten the foliage back. The WVDOT did spray weedkiller along one side of the road. Now, we have 2' tall green weeds on one side and 2' tall brown ones on the other...very picturesque.

Until next time, have a great week and remember our Veterans.

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## Fairmont State Hosting "Bird's-Eye View" Events For Rising High School Seniors



With a phased reopening of campus (the Class of 2022) a broad perspective of the State University is pleased to increase its capacity to host prospective students for in-person, on-campus tours. In addition to individual tours made by appointment, the University has planned a series of Bird's-Eye View events tailored to give rising high school seniors (the Class of 2022) a broad perspective of the college search process. Held on the Falcon Center Terrace overlooking the University's hilltop campus, Bird's-Eye View will provide an opportunity for college-bound students and their families to learn more about what to look for in a higher education

institution, get to know other students engaging in the college decision process, meet with University faculty and staff and participate in a tour of campus and residence halls.

"In November, we were able to restart campus tours on a limited basis. Until we could ensure the safety of our current students, faculty and staff, our campus residence halls were not part of our campus tour experience," said Chris Sharps, Fairmont State Senior Director of Recruitment. "With the phased reopening of campus, we can now accommodate more Future Falcons per day. Our Bird's-Eye View visit experiences allow students who will be high school seniors this coming fall to get acquainted with Fairmont State's

campus and ask important questions that will help them choose an institution that is a perfect fit."

A total of five Bird's-Eye View events will be held throughout the summer. The first was held on Saturday, June 12; others are upcoming on the following dates:

- Friday, June 18
- Wednesday, June 23
- Monday, July 12
- Friday, July 23

If you plan to attend any of these, please RSVP by visiting [www.fairmontstate.edu/birds-eye-view](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/birds-eye-view). Refreshments will be provided. Students in attendance will also have the opportunity to socialize with their peers through a variety of games and activities, including a "Picture Yourself" scavenger hunt in which they will

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## "Broadband Now"

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been.

After a thorough exam, I learned that I had a cataract. The doctor explained that the lens in your eye gets cloudy and brittle with age and that it requires surgery to correct your vision. Naturally, thinking about a doctor operating on your eye was disconcerting and I could only imagine how painful I was sure it was going to be. My doctor calmed my fears and explained that the procedure was painless and only lasted about fifteen minutes. I would be under a light anesthesia and while aware of what was going on, I would not feel any of the surgery.

The scheduled day for the surgery arrived and my wife and I headed to United Hospital Center for our early morning appointment. I checked in and they took me back for the pre-op preparation and endless questions. My doctor, Dr. David Faris, stopped in and reassured me that he would see me shortly in the operating room. I can remember being wheeled back to the operating room and then seeing a lot of light and activity above my eye. It was truly painless and in just a few minutes, I was back in the post-op and my wife was getting the care instructions for when we got home. I was fitted with a plastic eyepiece and we were headed out the door. We decided to stop at Eat'nPark for breakfast and it seemed surreal to be sitting in a restaurant after being in an operating room only minutes before.

I figured that it would take a while for the effect of the surgery to be noticeable but as soon as I got home, I started to notice how clear and bright everything was. It was amazing how much I had been missing. The television looked stunningly sharp and pictures on the wall took on bright colors with unbelievable detail. The only thing I had to do to care for my new vision was to take three different types of eyedrops, four times per day. These would continue for about three weeks and then I'd be back to normal.

I would encourage anyone who is experiencing vision problems to schedule an eye appointment, and if you find that you have a cataract that is affecting your vision, get it fixed as soon as possible. Modern medicine has extended the quality of life for those of us in our senior years and the cataract surgery is one of the most amazing things I have experienced.

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## June Is Cancer Survivorship Month Questions About Cancer Screenings & Tests



Cancer screenings increase the chance of spotting signs of early cancer development in an individual who would otherwise be showing no symptoms. Though it may be common to think, "cancer could never happen to me," it is important to never leave your health to chance. Those with a family history of cancer, or other lifestyle or health factors that increase their risk for cancer, should talk to their doctor about receiving a

cancer screening. The Nurse Navigators at United Hospital Center understand that, for many, even knowing where to start with cancer screenings can be confusing. Below are a few of the common questions on the topic of cancer screenings, along with resources for more information. How Do I Know If I Need To Be Screened For Cancer? Warning signs of cancer Change in bowel or bladder habits

Nagging cough or hoarseness

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A sore that does not heal

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Indigestion or difficulty in swallowing

Is There A Way To Screen For All Types Of Cancers?

There are several cancer screening tests available, but certain tests are commonly done on a routine basis.

The other screenings will be determined by the assessment obtained from your primary care.

Breast cancer – mammograms are the best at detecting breast cancer.

Colorectal cancer – almost always develops from precancerous polyps in the colon or rectum. Screening tests

can find precancerous polyps and they can be removed before they turn into cancer.

Cervical cancer-pap test can find abnormal cells in the cervix. HPV looks for the virus that can cause these cells to change. Pap tests can find changes early for a better chance of being cured.

Lung cancer – history of heavy smoking. Smoking now or have quit within the past 15 years needs to be screened.

Do I Need A Doctor's Referral To Get Screened For Cancer?

Your primary care will get the appropriate cancer screenings in place for the cancers that are routinely screened.

The primary care will ask you several questions during your yearly physical to determine if other screenings are needed.

Can I Get A Cancer Screening Without Insurance?

You can get free screenings at different locations by watching the media outlets.

United Hospital Center offers a free women's screening, men's screening, and a skin screening one time a year. Watch our website for offerings.

Do I Need To Have Symptoms To Get Screened For Cancer?

No, screenings are for prevention, to detect a potential problem or disease in a person that does not yet have symptoms.

Early detection is key. You want to detect a condition at the earliest stage to treat it most effectively.

What Happens After A Cancer Screening?

After a cancer screening you will receive your results.

Depending on the results you may need additional testing.

The doctor performing the tests will let you know the next steps in the process.

If testing shows normal results, then you are finished until the next screening is needed.

Important to always let your primary care know if something is bothering, looks different or just does not feel right.

Early detection is key for the best outcome.

For more information, visit <https://www.gov/about-cancer/screening>.

This information is recommended by Peggy Johnson, a nurse navigator at United Hospital Center. Learn more about the support provided by nurse navigators by visiting <https://wvcancercenter.com/nurse-navigator/>.

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## Back On Track In Charleston Last Weekend!



### The Bottom Line

By Bill Nestor  
Sports Editor

The WV State Track Meet took place this past weekend at Laidley Field in Charleston. Harrison County was well represented as usual by several impressive efforts.

On the girls side in Class A, South Harrison had a trio of athletes that impressed. Junior Shellie Baughman earned a second-place finish in the shotput and 10th place in the discus. Fellow junior, Madison Stonestreet, was the model of consistency, placing in the top 10 in all four of her events. Stonestreet was fourth in the 800M and the 1600M, seventh in the 3200M and ninth in the 400M. Senior Ember Smith took fifth in the 300 hurdles.

In Class AA, Liberty, fresh off of a regional championship, had seven girls make an impact in the State Capital City. Senior leader, Kaitlin Nutter claimed the highest Mountaineer finish with third place in

the high jump. Junior, Sara Lowe grabbed sixth place in the pole vault. Freshman, Destiny Berryman was seventh in the 1600M and 11th in the 800M. Senior, Amelia Reaser took seventh in the shotput and 13th in the discus. Freshman, Kaleigh Ryan was eighth in the high jump. Freshman, Emma Elliot garnered 12th in the 300 hurdles. Freshman, Shaelyn Howard rounded out the Liberty effort with a 15th place in the long jump.

Lincoln's freshman sensation, Hannah Rowan took an eighth place ending in the 400M and 10th place in the 800M in her first trip to the event.

In Class AAA, Bridgeport was represented by senior Anaiya Jackson and sophomore Sallyanna Hamrick. Jackson recorded top 10 finishes in a pair of events. Jackson bagged sixth in the 100M and eighth

in the 200M. Hamrick corralled sixth in the pole vault.

In boys action, South Harrison had two participants earn top 10 endings in Class A competition. Juniors, Carter Bowie and Parker Bunch paced the Hawks in the outing. Bowie was sixth in the 1600M, seventh in the 3200M, and ninth in the pole vault. Bunch cracked the top 5 with a fifth-place effort in the long jump.

In Class AA, Lincoln was well represented with four athletes making a splash at the event. The Cougars were led by senior Davin Tate. Tate placed in the top 10 in two events. Tate was fifth in the 300 hurdles and seventh in the 110 hurdles. Sophomore, Antwan Hilliard was fifth in the high jump. Senior, Caleb Trotter was ninth in the shotput. Junior, Job Proffitt was 11th in the discus.

In Class AAA, Bridgeport's duo of senior Kyle McCarthy and sophomore Lucas Anderson led the Indian attack. McCarthy took eighth in the 400M. Anderson was seventh

in the 100M.

Shinnston native, Don Vincent passed away last week. Vincent was a standout men's basketball player at West Virginia University. In his three years in the Mountaineer uniform, Vincent led his teams to three consecutive Southern Conference championships winning at least 21 games in each campaign. He was the co-captain along side Jerry West that took WVU to the #1 ranking in the country. Vincent's efforts on the hardwood were impressive to say the least and in 2016 he received the highest award possible at the University. Vincent was inducted into the WVU Sports Hall of Fame. The invitation was long overdue and it just confirmed what Mountaineer fans knew immediately after his graduation from West Virginia. Vincent will indeed be remembered as one of the best to ever wear a Mountaineer uniform!

That will do it for now. Until next week...take care and God Bless!



It's that time once again to acknowledge the efforts of Harrison County's student athletes. Each week a panel will take a look at the information collected to make the best choices possible. They will review the performances of the athletes from the six schools (Bridgeport, Liberty, Lincoln, Notre Dame, Robert C. Byrd, and South Harrison) in our county.

The Shinnston News and Harrison County Journal's Athletes of the Week Award is an avenue that is used to promote the youth of our county, while bringing attention to their athletic accomplishments.

This past week's winners are South Harrison's Shellie Baughman and Lincoln's Brayden Arcuri.

Hawk track and field athlete Shellie Baughman had the best individual effort of any Harrison County participant in last week's State Track Meet in Charleston. Baughman took second place in the shotput and also added a 10th place finish in the discus.

Cougar baseball player, Brayden Arcuri turned a stellar effort in Lincoln's last win of the season against Philip Barbour. Arcuri was 3 of 4 with a triple. Arcuri also scored twice, drove in a pair of runs, and stole a base in the victory.

Congratulations to South Harrison's Shellie Baughman and Lincoln's Brayden Arcuri for being named the Shinnston News and Harrison County Journal's Athletes of the Week!

## Lincoln Cougars Named To Big 10 Honors



The following Juniors on the Lincoln Boys Baseball Team were named to First Team Big 10 Honors. Pictured on left is Brayden Arcuri, right top is Jeremiah Carpenter and bottom right is Coby Gorby. Congratulations for a job well done and a successful season.

## 'Little Boys - Big Dreams'



Shinnston League players are pictured here at Philip Barbour High School last Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> cheering on the Lincoln Cougars during the sectional championship game. The loss to the Colts by a score of 9-7 brought the Cougar's successful 2021 season to an end.

## West Virginians Plan To Vacation Locally



Home is where the heart is... Half of West Virginians plan on vacationing locally this summer, survey reveals.

- People will drive no more than 115 miles to get to their destinations this summer.
- For the first time since the pandemic began, 63% will be leaving their homes for more than 2 days this summer.

While we're all eager to leave our homes and get outdoors in nature again this summer, there's no denying the financial constraints some people are still facing due to the pandemic. With a road trip requiring far cheaper travel costs than an airplane ticket, as well as providing a boost to local tourism, could the solution be a summer staycation?

Conducted by OnePoll and Commissioned by Cooper Tires, the survey of 2,000 respondents found that over half of West Virginians (55%) plan on vacationing within the Mountain State this summer. Moreover, the average respondent said they want to drive no more than 115 miles to get to their destinations, and have an average of three road trips already planned out!

The survey also found that for the first time since the pandemic began, 63% of people will be leaving their homes for more than 2 days this summer vacation.

Almost two-thirds plan on getting more in touch with Mother Nature this summer - it seems we've missed being outdoors after months of lockdown!

This summer, people want to drive to their nearest lake or river (51%) national monument (49%) or state park (47%). At these locations, camping (41%), swimming (40%) and fishing (38%) are among the top summer activities planned.

With the window rolled down to scenic views, a cool breeze through your hair and your favorite song blasting in the background, it's hard to list the negative aspects of a road trip - especially with good company. This is perhaps why 3 in 5 (62%) of us believe there's nothing quite like a summer road trip to reach your destination. In fact, two-thirds even specially prepare our vehicles for summer trips!

## Summer Parks Program Kicks Off In Strong Numbers



The Summer Parks Program enters its opening week with less sites than in previous years, but with the collaborative of the Board of Education, the numbers are still higher than expected despite the three fewer park locations. Director Mike Book finds that the joint effort between the County and the B.O.E. will keep numbers strong for 2021.

With the new summer programs at area schools, Book was approached to see what could be done between the two entities and while the program for the school system is only open till noon and no program on Fridays, the Park's Department was asked to help fill those voids.

"You know our primary goal is to provide a safe environment for the kids during the summer. Friendships are important to kids in our program and this is a way that the kids can keep those school friendships during the off-season and enjoy being outdoors in the process," said Book.

"And when the school board presented their idea about what we can do to help, it will not only continue to build that bridge between our department and the school system, but it will bring more numbers to an already successful program. The County Commission has been very supportive in this summer program and the opportunities for future projects between the two will be easier as the playmakers involved will already have that relationship built. It is a good thing that all of us are doing here and it will continue to get better in future years."

The program, which is free to all children between six and 15 years old, provides recreational activities as well as arts, crafts and organized games. Those who have been involved in the parks program knows the successes and the people it affects. Even to this day, people still reach out to Book to reflect on their own summer stories.

It is great to see the parents, and even grandparents, drop off their kid to one of the sites and some of the first words you hear are, "is Book still in charge? Or how is Mr. Book doing?" He has made such an impression with so many people all over the county and those same people always have a parks story to tell. From Bill Price and his hula hoop skills to the countless Rusty Mazzie stories that involve many of the parks where he was a staff leader. All the stories seem to end up with the phrase - "those were some of my best summers being at parks."

Again, this year has been off to a strong start. In the past, we would have lines of registration from parents dropping off their child for the first day of parks. However, we went in a different direction and had all the forms online for the parents to fill out. It was a huge help as we were able to know before going in how many people were going to

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**DONALD L. VINCENT**



Donald L. Vincent, a life-long resident of Shinnston, passed away peacefully at his home on Sunday, June 6th, at the age of 86. Born on February 18, 1935, he was the son of the late William Nyle and Mildred Marie Vincent of Shinnston.

Don married his college sweetheart, the late Jean Talbott Vincent, on September 15, 1957, and the two had a son, Brett Talbott Vincent of Shinnston, and a daughter, Jane-Linn Vincent Citro of Doylestown, PA. He also has four beautiful grandchildren whom he adored: Cole Christopher Vincent, Kyle Vincent Citro, Ella Reese Citro and Tess Alexandra Citro.

Don graduated from Shinnston High School in 1954 and went on to play basketball at West Virginia University from 1954 to 1958 during the great Golden Era of WVU basketball. He was co-captain of the 1957 team that ranked No. 1 in the country.

After earning a bachelor's degree in education at WVU, Don taught at Bridgeport High School and Victory High School for several years. He then went on to work for the Hillyard Company and later for Harry Green and Anthony Chevrolet before his retirement in 2000.

Don enjoyed playing golf during his retirement, as well as collecting antiques with his loving wife. He was an incredibly devoted father and loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Don was preceded in death by three siblings, Wilbur Nyle "Buddy" Vincent, William L. "Bill" Vincent and Shirley Jean Colfer. He is survived by one sister, Judith Ann Rice who lives in Shinnston with her husband George.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to Don's caregivers: Rhonda Vincent, Paula Pritt, Dot Lucas, Becky McAtee and Christina Luchuck. He was very blessed to have such a great team of skilled and loving caretakers.

Due to Covid concerns, a private visitation and service was held at Harmer Funeral Home on Saturday, June 12th. Entombment was at the Shinnston Memorial Mausoleum with Pastor Kevin Nuzum officiating. Donations in

Don's honor can be sent to the Bice-Ferguson Memorial Museum at 400 Pike Street, Shinnston, WV 26431.

**DONALD GORDON HUMPHREY**



Donald Gordon Humphrey Sr., 89, of Oakdale, passed away on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown. He was born November 20, 1931 in Joetown, a son of the late Herbert H. Humphrey and Corabell Snider Humphrey.

Don graduated from Mannington High School in 1950, and immediately joined the U.S. Air Force. After serving as a medical technician during the Korean Conflict, he was honorably discharged with the rank of staff sergeant.

In 1953 he married Gladys Louise Rohm of Gypsy, flourishing together until her passing in July 1996.

Don was retired from Thompson's in Worthington after 37 years of service as a small-engine repairman. Earlier, he was employed by a local coal mine and the County of Harrison, WV.

He was a member of the Oakdale Church and a Trustee for the Oakdale Cemetery. He enjoyed farming, playing cards, sporting events and his family. A quiet, loving and generous father, grandfather and friend.

Don is survived by his devoted companion of 24 years, Fara Mae Webb; his four sons, Donald Humphrey Jr. (Joyce) of Grafton, Rodney Humphrey (Deb Blare) of Shinnston, Jeffrey Humphrey (Ellajean) of Fairmont, and Jason Humphrey of Mannington. Also surviving, his only daughter, Denise Satterfield (Mike) of Worthington; Don's three half-sisters; Barbara Humphrey of Clarksburg, Hazel Humphrey of Harrisville, and Ava Smith (Steven) of West Union also survive.

Don's living lineage include one brother-in-law, Don Rohm of Gypsy and one sister-in-law, Joan Rohm of Clarksburg, eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and three step-great grandchildren, also numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by his step-mother, Helen Kerns Humphrey, one

sister, Marvel Jean Zirkle and husband Bill, and his only brother Robert Humphrey and wife, Marilyn.

A funeral service was held at Harmer Funeral Home on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 with Pastor Dan Adkins officiating. Interment was at the Oakdale Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society in his name.

Online memories and condolences may be shared at www.harmerfuneralhome.com

**SANDRA LEE VANCE NEWBROUGH**



Sandra Lee Vance Newbrough, 81, of Shinnston passed away Thursday, June 3, 2021 at her residence surrounded by her family. She was born August 8, 1939, a daughter of the late Homer and Beryl Miller Vance.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Newbrough, whom she married August 3, 1954; her son Timothy Newbrough; and grandchildren Little Mark and Amber Cochran.

She is survived by her children, Kathy June Stevens, Shinnston, Kelly (John) Bradley, Mannington, Rhonda (Tim) Drain, Shinnston, Beth (Joe) Higgins, Clarksburg, Brian (Sissy) Newbrough, aka superwoman and her fifth daughter, Shinnston, and Christopher Newbrough, Shinnston; Grandchildren, Rebecca Ninni, Travis Stevens, Lil' John Bradley, Crystal Bradley, Summer Bradley, Eric Newbrough, Shenna Drain, Andrew DeBolt Kayla DeBolt, Dustin Newbrough, Josh Newbrough, and Victoria Newbrough, Angela Radcliff; great-grandchildren, Zachary, Kyle, Johnathen, Leah, Chase, Harley, Ethan, Seth, Sierra, Tyler, Haley, Ashley, Ashton, Pahton, Elijah, Abigail, Joshlynn, Christian, Colton, and Rayanah.

Sandra was a wife, mother, caretaker, best friend and Servant of God. She was a member of Shinnston Church of Christ, Shinnston. A funeral service was held at Harmer Funeral Home on June 7, 2021 with Evangelist Edward Partain officiating. Interment followed at the Newbrough Cemetery, O'Dell's Knob.

On line memories and condolences may

be shared at www.harmerfuneralhome.com

**MICHAEL SYDNEY JOHNSON**



Michael Sydney Johnson, 72, passed away June 6, 2021 at his home in Spelter, surrounded by family. Mike was born in Meadowbrook, WV on March 11, 1949, son of the late Ernest (Junior) and Rose Johnson.

Mike is survived by the love of his life, wife of 52 years, Ester (Stout); daughters, Melinda Schrader of Jane Lew and Roberta Mogyoros (Joseph) of Morgantown; three grandchildren, Isabela Meadows of Jane Lew and Joseph and Macy Mogyoros of Morgantown; sisters, Patty Kupfner of Meadowbrook and Flo Campbell of Clarksburg; brothers-in-law, Howard Wilson of Fairmont, Robert Stout (Donna) of Dola, Norman Stout (Linda) of Fairmont, Larry Stout (Linda) of Laurel Valley and Rick Stout (Joyce) of Weston; sisters-in-law, Loberta Stout of Clarksburg, Denise Stout of Hepzibah and Sheila Blare (Bruce) of Cleveland, Ohio and many special nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by sisters, Waneta DeBlossio, Mary Glaspell and Shirley Wilson; brother, Ernest Johnson; brother-in-law, Roger Stout and son-in-law, Andrew Schrader.

Mike worked for the Clarksburg Casket Company for 28 years, until the company went out of business. He later worked for Azimuth, Incorporated, where he retired after 9 years. Mike loved working at both places, where he made many lifelong friends.

He was a member of the Salem Rifle and Pistol Club and a fan of the New York Yankees and Dale Earnhardt and NASCAR. He loved to travel, see new places and meet new people. He didn't know a stranger and loved to talk with everyone. He greeted everyone with a handshake, hug or kiss. He truly loved people and would be the first person to arrive if anyone needed help.

Mike enjoyed the little things in life, like day trips with his wife, working on his antique Nova, visiting his grandkids up from school to spend the afternoon eating out

**Out Of The Past**

Memorable Photographs from around Harrison County.



The old bridge and coal company houses are shown at Enterprise in 1921. Photo courtesy of Bobby Bice.

and visiting antique and thrift stores. He was a devoted, caring man who everyone loved to be around.

Mike's wish was to be cremated, followed by a private gathering. Online memories and condolences may be shared at www.harmerfuneralhome.com

**LORETTA "JEAN" CRISS REESE**

Loretta "Jean" Criss Reese, 94 of Clarksburg, passed away on Saturday, June 5, 2021 at Clarksburg Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She was born January 8, 1927 in Clarksburg, daughter of the late Henry Denzil and Allie Swiger Criss.

She graduated from Washington Irving High School. She retired from the City of Clarksburg as a Crossing Guard. She was a member of Stealey United Methodist Church. She was a member of the United Methodist Women, Past Member of the Golden Rule Rebekah Lodge #89.

Jean is survived by her son, James Edward Reese and wife Dana, Winston-Salem, NC; three grandchildren, James Leslie Reese, Jeremie Lynn Reese, and Bryanna Ruth Reese/Jones; one sister, Lola Juanita Baker, Raytown, MO; and nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Jean was preceded in death by her brother, Arthur Clyde Criss.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at Davis Funeral Home with Pastor Michael Burge officiating. Interment followed in the Lumberport Lions Club Cemetery. Condolences may be sent at www.davisfuneralhomewv.com.

**RYAN ANDREW VINO VIGLIANCO**

Ryan Andrew VINO Viglianco, 31, of Salem passed away on June 10, 2021 at Ruby Memorial Hospital. Ryan was born at United Hospital Center on February 27, 1990 to Eric Joseph Viglianco and Peggy Weber Swallop.

Ryan enjoyed making

people laugh. He loved spending time with his friends and family, but most of all, his son.

Ryan is preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Harold Weber and his paternal grandparents, William and Pauline Erdman Viglianco.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his son, Kymani Amir VINO Viglianco at home; fiancé, Desirae Carpenter of Clarksburg; sisters, Andrea Fazzini and husband Matt of Clarksburg, Lauren Swallop of Clarksburg, Katie Viglianco of Clarksburg; nieces and nephews, Aidun, Ava, Reyna; and grandmother, Barbara Weber; as well as numerous Aunts, Uncles, and Cousins.

Donations can be made to Ryan's funeral care fund under the "donation" tab on his memorial page on our website at Davisfuneralhomewv.com.

Online condolences can be made to the family on the memorial page as well.

A Celebration of Life was held on Saturday, June 12, 2021. Davis Funeral Home and Onsite Crematory is handling the cremation arrangements and is honored to serve the Viglianco family.

**ROBERT L. DAY**



Robert L. (Bob) Day, 90, passed away following a brief illness at his home on Thursday, June 3, 2021.

Bob was born on May 9, 1931, and was a lifelong resident of Harrison County. He was the son of the late Doris Day Cummings and Clarence Cummings.

He is survived by three first cousins, Suzanne Day, Clarksburg; Mary Lou Webb, Quiet Dell, and Martha Lee Dennison,

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# Man Arrested On Multiple Arson Charges In 2020 Randolph Fire



Damages of the fire at the Anytime Trucking Company, 92 Apache Dr. in Elkins last year.

An investigation into an arson fire at a trucking company last year that caused almost \$60,000 in damages has resulted in the arrest of an Elkins man.

Elwood “Lynn” Hebb, 45, turned himself in to authorities June 3rd upon request after an extensive 13-month investigation by the W. Va. State Fire Marshal’s Office and the W.Va. State Police into a fire at the Anytime Trucking Company, 92 Apache

Dr. in Elkins. Hebb had been an employee of the trucking company. The fire occurred on May 25, 2020.

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## “Questions About Cancer Screenings” cont. from p.5

website for offerings. Do I Need To Have Symptoms To Get Screened For Cancer?

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What Happens After A Cancer Screening? After a cancer

screening you will receive your results. Depending on the results you may need additional testing.

The doctor performing the tests will let you know the next steps in the process.

If testing shows normal results, then you are finished until the next screening is needed.

Important to always let your primary care know if something

is bothering, looks different or just does not feel right.

Early detection is key for the best outcome.

For more information, visit <https://www.gov/about-cancer/screening>.

This information is recommended by Peggy Johnson, a nurse navigator at United Hospital Center. Learn more about the support provided by nurse navigators by visiting <https://wvcancercenter.com/nurse-navigator/>.

## “Bird’s Eye-View” cont. from p. 4

take photos at various locations on campus.

“I am so thrilled we’re offering this rooftop party event,” said Mirta M. Martin, Fairmont State University President. “Now more than ever, prospective students and their families face difficult choices when it comes to choosing a college, or even whether to pursue a college degree at all. Bird’s-Eye View will answer all their questions. We hope students and their families choose to join the Falcon Family, but even more importantly, we hope we can help them make the right decision for them, whether it’s Fairmont State or another school.”

In addition to the Bird’s-Eye View events, in-person

visits are offered each week, Monday through Friday, by appointment. Saturday visits are also available one weekend each month. Virtual visits continue to remain an option for incoming students, and include an information session as well as a remote, one-one-one meeting with an admissions counselor for an overview of admission, financial aid, housing, academics and more. To review all available visit options, visit [www.fairmontstate.edu/visit](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/visit).

“We continue to make sure we have options available to meet the needs of all prospective students,” said Sharps. “Meeting with an admissions counselor is so helpful in understanding the admissions process

and learning about life on campus and what makes Fairmont State University a destination of choice.”

All tours, both in-person and virtual, must be scheduled in advance at [www.fairmontstate.edu/visit](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/visit). COVID-19 safety measures and protocols including masking and social distancing will still be required.

Fairmont State’s free application for undergraduate admission along with the University’s current admissions requirements for the 2021-22 academic year can be found at [www.fairmontstate.edu/apply](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/apply). For more information, call 304-367-4010 or email [recruit@fairmontstate.edu](mailto:recruit@fairmontstate.edu).

## “UHC School Of Radiologic Technology” cont. from p.3

Laurie D’Anselmi Technologist of the Year award to Michelle Klimas, R.T. (R)(CT), staff technologist at the Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center in Clarksburg.

Graduates of the School of Radiologic Technology include Marinda Griffith, daughter of Jon and Heidi Griffith of Bridgeport; Erica Balon, daughter of Paula Glasscock of Shinnston and Barry Balon of Bridgeport; Kisha Beverly, daughter of Elizabeth Garrett of Clarksburg; Alaina Godwin, daughter of Ron and Leah Godwin of Nutter

Fort; Alexa Lipscomb, daughter of Eva Clutter of Bridgeport and Derek Lipscomb of Fairmont; William “Matt” Reese, son of Bill and Patty Reese of Fairmont; Hayle Shepherd, daughter of Jessica Swiger and James Shepherd of Clarksburg; Kayla Lough, daughter of Steven and Carla Lough of Fairmont; Samantha Stalnaker, daughter of Stephanie Rulen and mother of Lincoln Rush of Buckhannon; Laura Bent, daughter of Donna Bent of Sheperdstown; Jordan Shaver, daughter of Rod and Rosa Shaver of Buckhannon; Lauren

Robinson, daughter of Clark and Jennifer Robinson of Fairmont; and Cheyenne Clayton, daughter of Beth and Mark Clayton of Clarksburg.

Balon, Lough, and Shepherd will attend UHC Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program; Clayton and Bent will attend the WVUH Magnetic Resonance Imaging Program, while Godwin will enroll in the WVUH Nuclear Medicine Technology Program. Several of the graduates have accepted employment as staff radiographers at United Hospital Center.

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# Mountaineer ChalleNGe Academy Announces Harrison County Graduates



CADET ABIGAIL RADCLIFF



CADET REECE DYE

The Mountaineer ChalleNGe Academy is pleased to announce Class 1-21 as the 56<sup>th</sup> class to complete this West Virginia National Guard Program. Virtual C o m m e n c e m e n t

exercises were held Friday, June 4 at Camp Dawson in Kingwood. A total of 73 graduates from 23 counties across the State of West Virginia successfully completed

the requirements for graduation. Major General Phillip R. Cantrell congratulated the Cadets and gave the commencement address. The following

Cadets participated from Harrison County: Cadet Reece Dye, son of Nicole Dye of Clarksburg and Rodney Dye of Salem, was in Platoon 2. Cadet Dye was recognized for receiving the Academic Award for Most Improved, Honor's List, Instructor's List, Mentorship as well as obtaining the six Individual Values Recognition Ribbons. Cadet Abigail Radcliff, daughter of

Ryan and Rachelle Radcliff of Clarksburg and Letosha and Jeremy Lindley of Claysville, PA, was in Platoon 6. Cadet Radcliff was recognized for receiving the Instructor's List as well as obtaining the six Individual Values Recognition Ribbons. All graduating Cadets have completed the 22-week residential phase of ChalleNGe, which includes activities in eight

core component areas ranging from Service to Community to Employability Skills. Following graduation, these Cadets will begin a one-year post-residential phase of ChalleNGe that includes placement activities in education and/or employment. Applications are currently being accepted for Class 2-21 South that begins in October. Call toll-free at 1-800-529-7700 for more information.

## “Summer Fun”

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and give folks the opportunity to enjoy all of these amenities again,” Cooper added.

Cooper is also in charge of The Amp, which also had closure issues last year. This year, however, he is pleased that people in the area can once again gather at the park to celebrate Independence Day. The Wheeling Symphony Orchestra will return to Clarksburg to offer a patriotic concert at The Amp on July 2nd and a fireworks display will conclude the evening.

“More recently, we also offered an outdoor concert at The Amp on June 12th that featured Landau Eugene Murphy, Jr., the West Virginia native who won the sixth season of America’s Got Talent,” Cooper continued. “This evening of

outdoor entertainment was hosted by the Clarksburg Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB). We were able to allow 1,500 people to attend that event. And we have more to come.”

Tina Yoke, Executive Director of the Clarksburg CVB, said, “We called this evening ‘Come Home to Clarksburg’ and we were delighted to feature Landau. He captured the hearts of everyone as an AGT contestant with his smooth, soulful voice, and although winning has brought him much fame and success, he has never forgotten his Mountain State roots!” Yoke noted that she looks forward to working more closely with The AMP and The Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center (RGPAC) and promoting

entertainment venues in the area and what this part of the state has to offer.

“Proceeds from the ‘Come Home to Clarksburg’ concert will be used to enhance the CVB’s effort to increase tourism in Clarksburg. We were honored to provide this great evening of music to support our community; it has a lot to offer and we want to keep it active and in the public eye,” she explained. “And when I refer to ‘community’, I don’t just mean Clarksburg alone. We have other cities and municipalities in Harrison County that also host events. We look forward to all of them reaching out to us so we can help them as well to promote the activities they can now host this year.”

## “Parks & Rec” cont. from p. 5

each park. Book’s idea of an online form paid off in many ways as he explains.

“We were looking at ways to know beforehand on what to expect and the online registration was the way to go. The parents could open up a link from our Facebook page or have it emailed to the parent and simply fill

in the blanks. Now we know how many kids will be at each location even before the first day. And when we saw around 300 on the form a few days before the last weekend of the registration, we knew we were in for a great year.”

People are still welcome to bring their child to one of our six

sites located throughout the county – The Recreation Complex on Route 19, North View Park, Nutter Fort School Playground behind the school, West Milford Elementary, Compton Park in Bridgeport and Ferguson Park in Shinnston. You can contact the office if interested in being a part of the program.

## “Obituaries” cont. from p.7

Wolf Summit.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, S.H. (Dick) Day and Rissie B. (Lough) Day.

Bob was a 1949 graduate of Bristol High School where he was Valedictorian of his class. He cherished the many reunions he attended with his classmates. During his senior year in high school, he began working part-time in the bookkeeping department at Lowndes Bank in Clarksburg. Following his graduation from high school, Bob attended Salem College, where he earned a BS degree in Business Administration. After graduation from college in 1953, he was drafted into the US Army. His basic training took place at Camp Gordon, GA, and he spent 1 year in Panama. He operated a 2-voice radio network with contacts in every Central & South America country. He served a total of 10 years, the last 8 being in the local Army Reserve Unit 1092nd Engineer Corp.

In 1958 he revisited his love for banking and returned to Lowndes

Bank to pursue his banking career. After 35 years of full-time service, Bob retired as Assistant Cashier on August 31, 1993, from Huntington Bank. During Bob’s career in banking, he was an active member of the Bank Administration Institute (BAI) attending 200 consecutive meetings.

Bob enjoyed life to the fullest. He shared travels for over 40 years with his companion, Lora Wilfong, who preceded him in death in April 2018.

He was an avid WVU fan, especially football and basketball. He was a season ticket holder for over 40 years and bled blue and gold. He especially enjoyed attending WVU basketball games with his best friend, Gary Petry.

Bob served on the Salvation Army Board for over 40 years and was the Angel Tree Coordinator for over 20 years. He worked diligently from October to December each year signing up families for the Angel Tree Program and made it his job to get local companies involved to adopt angels and help out so that the

children in the program would have a nice Christmas with much needed gifts. Bob was a member of Sunny Croft Country Club, where he served as treasurer for 9 years.

Since Bob’s heart surgery in 1991, he has been an active member of the United Hospital Center Heart Rehab Program. He gave them praise, especially his dear friend Cheryl Farley, the head of the cardiac rehab group, for monitoring his health and keeping him fit.

Bob’s family and friends would like to thank Cheryl Farley, Dr. John Angotti, Dr. John Lobban, and Dr. John McKnight and their staffs, and the technology they provided in extending Bob’s life for 30 years.

Everyone that knew Bob as a friend or co-worker had a friend for life. He was very loyal to his friends and enjoyed keeping in touch with them. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Donations may be made in Bob’s memory to Salvation Army Angel Tree Program, 1010 S. Chestnut Street, Clarksburg, WV 26301



# Bridgeport's Raymond Rector Among Students To Graduate From University Of Iowa

This spring, some 5,300 University of Iowa undergraduate, graduate, and professional students received their degrees under extraordinary circumstances. With the coronavirus pandemic continuing to upend traditional educational practices across campus and the country, the 2020-21 academic year has been a challenge. Raymond Rector of Bridgeport, WV was among the students conferred their degrees. Rector was a student in the College of Law whose program of study was Law. The degree awarded was a Juris Doctor. For more than a year, Rector and other Iowa students have made sacrifices to maintain health and safety-taking online courses, wearing face masks, and being mindful of social distance. Through it all, however, Hawkeyes have persisted and excelled. A graduating biomedical engineering student is a 2021 Rhodes Scholar. A

biochemistry major was named one of only 17 Churchill scholars in the nation, while two other undergraduates, a math major and a biomedical engineering major, became Goldwater scholars. Hawkeyes persevered outside the classroom as well. Note the student-run Daily Iowan, which earned "Newspaper of the Year" honors in Iowa, or the top-ranked wrestling team, which won a national championship. In the fight against

COVID-19, student interns helped senior citizens schedule vaccine appointments, while students in pharmacy and nursing volunteered with vaccine rollout, especially in rural parts of the state. Coming together for the greater good-that's the Hawkeye Way. As yet another semester during the pandemic comes to a close, we can count on one thing: Our graduates leave campus full of exciting potential and promise.



## Banana Split Fluff Salad

Submitted by Sandy McIntyre

Now that the summer season has officially begun, we will be planning many outdoor social gatherings with family and friends since COVID restrictions are being eased. Easy entrées and desserts will be on our menus... who wants to be stuck in the kitchen with a hot oven on when the temperatures begin to rise?

I LOVE banana splits, so, when I ran across this recipe it was a home run for me. It's "easy to make and easy to take" with you to those family picnics and barbeques. Another summer dessert that has always been a favorite of mine is Pistachio Salad and this ambrosia Banana Split Fluff Salad is very similar to it. You can actually just stir everything into one bowl and it is ready to go.

Technically this isn't a salad, but hey, I like to call it fruit salad because then I can eat a second helping without feeling too much guilt.

- Ingredients:
- 1-3.4-ounce box instant banana pudding
  - 1 20-ounce can crushed pineapple (do not drain)
  - 1 8-ounce container Cool Whip
  - 1 cup mini marshmallows
  - ½ cup finely chopped walnuts (save a little to garnish)
  - 1/3 cup mini chocolate chips
  - 2 ripe bananas, sliced
  - 2-10-ounce jars maraschino cherries (halved)

- Directions:
1. Stir together the pudding mix and pineapple until dissolved & thickened
  2. Fold in the Cool Whip with a spatula.
  3. Gently stir in marshmallows, nuts, chocolate chips, bananas, & cherries.
  4. Refrigerate at least 1 hour to chill. Makes about 8 cups of salad.

\*Note: Stir in the bananas right before serving. Or dip the banana slices in lemon juice to keep them from browning too quickly.

Enjoy those summer picnics and family gatherings. If you have a favorite recipe to share, mail it to us at PO Box 187, Shinnston, WV 26341 or send it via email to newsandjournal@yahoo.com.

Remember to stop by the Shinnston Price Cutter for all your ingredients and cooking needs.

## Area Students Named To Ohio University Dean's List

More than 7,800 regional campuses. Over 40 states were represented on the 2021 Dean's List at Ohio University, including main and

Nebraska, New Mexico, Washington and Ohio. Students also represented China, France, Germany, India, Ireland, New Zealand, Oman, Peru and many other countries.

of Bridgeport, WV, in the College of Health Sciences and Professions Mackenzie Kress of Bridgeport, WV, in the Scripps College of Communication

## Benjamin Male Graduates From Ohio University

Benjamin Male from Clarksburg, graduated with a Master of Business Administration (MBA--Operations and Supply Chain Management Concentration) from the College of Business at Ohio University. More than 4,800 students graduated with bachelor's, master's or doctorate degrees from Ohio University for spring semester 2021. The graduates represented many areas of the United States and an abundance of countries, including: Bangladesh, Canada, China, Ghana, India, Japan and the United Kingdom.

Area students included: Veronica Mueller of Fairmont, WV, in the College of Health Sciences and Professions Cam Smith of Fairmont, WV, in the College of Fine Arts

## "Multiple Arson Charges"

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Hebb has been charged with one count of first-degree arson, three counts of third-degree arson, one count of burning insured property, and one count of conspiracy. He is being held on a \$100,000 cash-only bond at the Tygart Valley Regional Jail.

This case remains open and under investigation. WVSFMO investigators are requesting anyone with knowledge or information about this event to contact the West Virginia State Fire Incident Hotline at (800) 233-FIRE / (800) 233-3473.

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