



Home Style's New Location Won't Be Ready Until October, But Worth The Wait!



Demolition was the first order of business ... take a look at the latest progress! Concrete floor is in place; framing is complete; roofing has been installed; and now workers are moving inside for the finishing work. The 5,000 square foot all new building will be Home Style's new 'home' soon, and owner Amanda Sayers is anxious to get settled and be ready to host the store's annual Holiday Open House the first part of November. Sayers says she is still pinching herself that this has transpired after just one year as a small business owner!

By LEIGH C. MERRIFIELD

News & Journal Editor

A front page article in mid-May announced that Home Style would be moving to a brand

new building just down the street and it was their hope to welcome customers there by the first of September. However, any time you deal with demolition followed

by construction from the ground up, you can probably expect a few delays. Such is the case for Home Style in Shinnston; their move has now been postponed until probably mid-

October.

Home Style owner Amanda Sayers stated, "We're being patient. Good things take time, and I have absolutely NO complaints. Nuzum Enterprises and the Cook Brothers, who are taking care of this construction project, have worked day and night and have done an awesome job. Even our customers, as they have continued to watch the building evolve, have commented on the significant progress that has been made so quickly! In the meantime, we are staying busy with day-to-day business and also beginning to pack up some things that are not used on an everyday basis in preparation for the move."

They are not impatient, but they ARE getting excited! Sayers said it will be quite a transformation. The new building will

be comprised of 5,000 square feet and the front façade will be stacked stone and board and batten siding. Passersby can see that there will be lots of windows and two sets of double doors.

"Inside, we'll have all new drywall and the floors will be concrete; it will have kind of an industrial look. The space will be broken up into two sections – half used for Home Style merchandise and a big opening into the area for Urban Market merchandise. We'll also have space in the back for storage and a small office space," Amanda continued.

Having a dozen parking places right in front of the building is an additional enhancement. PLUS, there will be 10 to 12 extras spaces in the rear of the building.

"I won't worry about customers getting in and out of their vehicles or

loading purchases while downtown traffic rushes by them, and I'm sure our customers will love that as well," she stated.

There will also be space reserved in the new location for a workshop for the girls to work on painting services that they offer as well as a set space reserved to resume craft workshops for customers.

"Our craft classes were extremely popular prior to COVID and we're anxious to return to hosting those workshops. We would love to get that started right away with holiday classes once we're moved in," Amanda added.

The painting services offered by Home Style staff has also become very popular. Amanda noted that projects are mainly kitchen cabinetry, bathroom cabinetry, and large dining sets that are

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New School Year Begins With COVID Concerns

It's up to US to continue to be cautious!

By LEIGH C. MERRIFIELD

News & Journal Editor

As last week came to a close on Friday, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources delivered solemn news of more COVID-related deaths and more confirmed lab results of COVID-19.

Most schools in our immediate area are just beginning to resume

which creates concerns for children and youth returning to the classroom environment. Some areas in West Virginia – Kanawha County, for example – early last week returned to remote learning for the remainder of that week due to a high number of students testing positive. In other cases, student athletes, although practicing outdoors, were forced

to quarantine because a teammate tested positive. These instances invigorate the DHHR further urging that every precaution still be taken to slow the spread of this disease – including vaccination.

Scientists and health experts are continuing to learn more about COVID-19, and they still encourage everyone to keep their guard up.

The virus that causes COVID-19 continues to change through mutation, which has caused new variants of the virus to appear in many places throughout the world. The variant of the most concern in the U.S. is the Delta variant.

A practitioner at the Defense Health Agency Immunization Health Care Division stated, "What we're

learning about the Delta variant is that it's more contagious and causes a more severe illness than other coronavirus variants. This variant may increase the risk of hospitalization or death among those who aren't vaccinated. So, it's critical that we continue to take precautions to protect ourselves and our family members."

Getting the COVID-19 vaccine remains one of the best measures individuals can take to protect their health during the pandemic. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the COVID vaccines are effective against severe disease and death from

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Jackson's Mill Jubilee Celebrates Labor Day Weekend Once Again



Jubilee organizers encourage visitors to bring a hearty appetite because there will be plenty of food available – everything from homemade ice cream to popcorn to barbeques and more!

By LEIGH C. MERRIFIELD

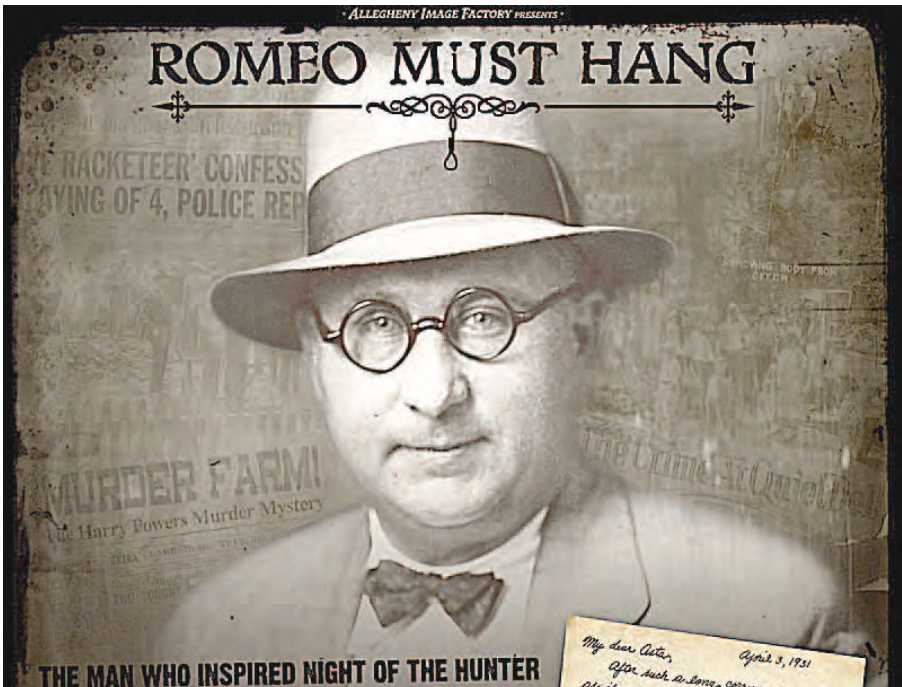
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Jackson's Mill is a former grist mill located near the city of Weston in Lewis County that in 1972 gained listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The large Jackson family farm has also become significant because it was the boyhood home of Thomas Jackson,

who as a young boy lost his parents and was raised by other family members on that farm. With formal education not widely attainable at that time, young Thomas attended school when he could but was largely self-taught. However, he managed to gain an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and, upon his

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Harry Powers Documentary Event Slated In Oct. At RGPAC



By LEIGH C. MERRIFIELD

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The Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center has partnered with the Clarksburg History Museum to provide a unique and somewhat chilling experience this fall when a documentary event will be shown titled "Romeo Must Hang". It deals with the serial killer Harry Powers and his 'Murder Farm' located in nearby Quiet Dell.

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Return To The Skies



Building Amazing Cities

By JIM HUNT

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It has been over a year and a half since I last flew on a commercial aircraft, and on Sunday I will be boarding my flight headed to a conference in Phoenix, Arizona. So much has changed and I'm wondering if I am up for the challenge. With COVID rebounding, I am glad that I am fully vaccinated and will be gladly wearing a mask throughout my visit. They are still requiring that everyone in the airport and on the plane, wear a mask and I am hoping that there will not be anyone deciding to argue that with the airline employees. When I watch the videos of people misbehaving on airplanes, I am astonished that someone would go through the hassle of getting to the airport, parking and lugging their suitcases through the terminal, only to cause a ruckus and get kicked off the flight. Seems like a lot of effort for nothing.

This flight will also be the first time that I am flying with my two new knees. Believe it or not, one of the reasons I hesitated in getting my knees replaced was that I could no longer go through the TSA-Precheck. The lines were

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Food For Thought

By Leigh Currey Merrifield
Editor

What Has Happened To Our “Wonderful World”?

If we take a look at history, we see that times and circumstances do change as the years pass by; we all have seen and know that. Some of the changes are to be expected, and others may be more surprising to witness and even harder to understand.

Do you remember the song “What A Wonderful World” that was made popular by Louis Armstrong? In that song, he paints a magnificent picture of that “wonderful world” ... and sings of trees of green, red roses blooming, skies of blue with floating white clouds, the colors of the rainbow, and friends shaking hands, etc. We can still sometimes see those things once in a while if we take the time to look around us, but unfortunately, unrest seems to take the spotlight anymore.

All I can tell you is ... don’t turn on the television news! I did that one morning last week, and the portrait was anything but tranquil. I was lying there in bed, wondering what that day’s forecast would be. But I’m afraid all the headline news was story after story of distress! I finally turned it off before they ever got to the forecast.

Fires were raging and spreading throughout the West ... while on the other coast of our country, tropical storm Henri had folks in the East bracing for what was expected to become a hurricane. Next up were pictures of frantic lines forming as people awaited being airlifted from the situation in Afghanistan. And then came the COVID report which noted that hospitals in many parts of our country are once again full – moreso than in January! They also announced how prevalent cases are

currently in children as the Delta variant is really hitting hard in communities where people have been hesitant to get vaccinated. This alarming news was escalating fears as schools are reopening. Let’s see what was next ... oh, yes, they then reported another threat in Washington, D.C. as a man sat in his truck in front of Capitol Hill claiming to have his truck armed with explosives and showing the detonator in his hand that could destroy several city blocks. This was followed by a report of physical fights on airlines that were prompting flight attendants and airline personnel to enroll in self-defense training!

I believe it was at that point that I had heard ENOUGH and could have cared less about the day’s weather forecast. There were no ‘rainbows’ in any of the news; it was all tragic and alarming. I thought for a moment that maybe I was crazy and surely this can’t be our “wonderful world” today; but sadly, it is.

Yes, things sure have changed. I grew up just fine without a cell phone. I knew when I heard by father’s distinct whistle that it was time for me to make my way home from neighborhood play to eat dinner – or – it was dark enough to come home, get a bath and get ready for bed. I was perfectly safe outdoors in my neighborhood. And believe it or not, we didn’t always lock our doors at night. In fact, on very hot nights, the French doors in the dining room were left open so that just in case a cool breeze blew, it could make its way through the screen doors. Imagine that! It

was a more ‘wonderful world’ then, wasn’t it?

Just think about the changes that have transpired. Today, we live in a world ... where you walk right into a slamming door at the mall because nobody holds it open for you ... where we pass one another on the street and don’t smile at each other ... where the words ‘thank you’ are rarely in people’s vocabulary ... where our self-esteem is managed by the number of ‘likes’ sent to us on Facebook ... where we look over our shoulders loading our groceries into the car to ensure that we won’t be violated ... where we don’t EVER forget to lock our car ... where we feel more at ease when our home has a security system ... where sports teams must change their names so they don’t offend anyone ... where people dish out hatred on a serving platter ... where people prefer to text rather than get together to talk face to face ... where bullying and judging one another makes life miserable for our peers ... where there is little respect for authority ... where our nation is no longer supposed to be “under God” ...

Well, I guess you get the point. I would like to see our “Wonderful World” through a child’s eyes again or through Louis Armstrong’s eyes ... with “trees of green”, “skies of blue” and at least a few rainbows.

This week’s dessert: “Seems to me, it ain’t the world that’s so bad but what we’re doin’ to it. And all I’m saying is, see what a wonderful world it would be if only we’d give it a chance. If lots more of us loved each other, we’d solve lots more problems, and then this world would be a gasser.” ~ Louis Armstrong

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.

Sept. 2, 1722: Frontiersman William Crawford was born in present Jefferson County. He was a farmer, soldier, surveyor, and the land agent of George Washington.

Sept. 3, 1890: West Virginia Wesleyan College opened as the West Virginia Conference Seminary. In that first year, 201 men and women undertook a largely preparatory school curriculum. Gradually the school added college-level studies and awarded its first

five degrees in 1905.

Sept. 3, 1966: President Lyndon B. Johnson dedicated the Summersville Dam and Lake. Summersville Lake, located on the Gauley River in Nicholas County, is West Virginia’s largest lake, with 2,790 surface acres at summer pool stage and 60 miles of shoreline.

Sept. 4, 1862: General Albert G. Jenkins and his men crossed the Ohio River and became the first to raise the Confederate flag on Ohio soil.

Sept. 5, 1861: Sutton was occupied by 5,000 Union troops. Later in 1861, General Rosecrans bivouacked 10,000 Union troops there, including a future president, William

McKinley.

Sept. 6, 1875: Members of the notorious James Gang robbed the Bank of Huntington and got away on horseback.

The robbery spawned a host of legends, including stories about outlaw Frank James – brother of Jesse James -- hiding out in Wayne County.

Sept. 6, 1980: The new Mountaineer Field opened in Morgantown with a 41-27 win over Cincinnati. It was the first game of new coach Don Nehlen, who would become the most successful coach in West Virginia University history.

Sept. 7, 1808: Peter Godwin Van Winkle was born in New York City. Van Winkle was

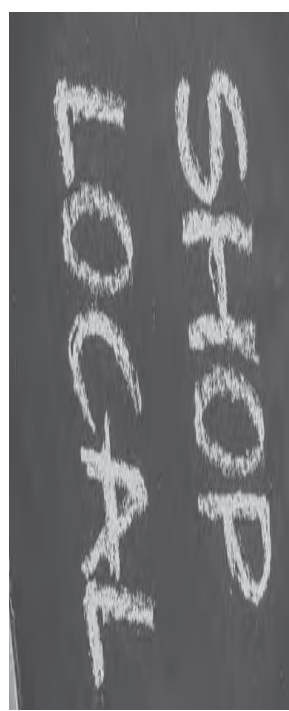
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LEAVES AND SHEDS

ACROSS	46 Kumar’s partner in films	112 Early night	11 Pinch into small ridges	52 Mardi — capital	91 Yemen’s capital
1 Is lacking	49 Riddle, part 3	113 Contract sealer: Abbr.	12 Part of ASAP	54 Overdone	92 Film VIP
6 Colombia’s national airline	55 Crooner Perry	114 Blemish	13 Measures of business profitability	58 Cheekiness	93 “Yuk” cousin
13 Vid recorder	56 “Prolly not”	115 1040 pro	14 Make changes to	59 Just slightly	94 Raised train lines
16 Q-Tip’s music	57 High-flying eagles, e.g.	118 Title sorority of a 1985 film	15 Marlins’ home	60 “Hawaii” co-star Max von —	98 In the practice of
19 Sound from Sneezy	59 “Just — feared”	119 Riddle’s answer	16 Distill, e.g.	61 Stilled reply to “Who’s there?”	99 Gin joint
20 Wheels on swivels	62 Bishops of Rome	124 Uno plus due	17 Makes changes to	63 Office phone no., often	100 Hole to receive a shoelace
21 Ring great Muhammad	65 Hair clump	125 Tandoor-baked bread	18 Most sinless	64 Erwin of early films	101 Kick a football
22 Australian bush bird	68 Et — (and others)	126 French “Stephen”	24 String after E	66 Bogland	103 Side through, Bay
23 Start of a riddle	69 Riddle, part 4	127 Ham it up	26 Took to the sky	67 Even if, for short	104 Band around a sleeve
25 Company employee	75 Prefix with -syncratic	128 Prov. on Hudson Bay	32 Desktop introduced in ‘81	70 Parasite site	107 Harpsichord relative
27 Prefix with Pvt.’s superior	77 Bursting stars	130 Mailed, e.g.	33 Pantheon figures	71 Dragnet	108 About even (with)
28 Pvt.’s superior	78 Kisses, on love notes	131 Tender spots	34 Shutout, e.g.	72 Cole Porter’s “Well, Did You —?”	109 Seven, in Spain
29 Frankenfood item, in brief	79 Discard	DOWN	35 Gibson garnish	73 Knightly trait	110 Mai —
30 A tailor may take it up or down	83 Gp. giving tows	1 Bird of prey	36 Blazing thing	74 Point of debate	111 Compels
31 Riddle, part 2	85 In addition	2 Nagging dull pain	37 Bikini top	80 Unit of resistance	116 Folk singer Seeger
37 Goopy mass	87 Riddle, part 5	3 Robin Hood’s forest	38 Chaney Sr. or Jr.	81 — -Aztec (language family)	117 Greek war deity
39 Really silly	95 Human	4 Prefix with 74-Down	43 Split to unite	82 Crowding into	120 Despite this
40 Nada	96 Pro-firearm gp.	5 “Skoal!,” say	44 “Dogma” co-star Matt	84 “Storage Wars” ailer	121 Yoko from Tokyo
41 Toward sunset	97 Phone again	6 Perfumery compound	46 “Meh”	86 More mature	122 First prime minister of Burma
42 Shared living quarters	98 Lone Star State sch.	7 Kilmer who played Batman	47 August sign	88 Cut in glass	123 Network of med. providers
45 Crime that gets MADD mad	102 U.N. Day mo.	8 Lanai, e.g.: Abbr.	48 Day, in Peru	89 Works by painter Henri	
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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).

REGION VI WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MEETING

The Region VI Workforce Development Full Board will meet Thursday, Sept. 9th at 10:30 am at the Marion County Convention & Visitors Bureau in Pleasant Valley. Please contact Maria Larry for more information at 304-368-9530.

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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 debbee7@yahoo.com We look forward to helping you start your beekeeping journey and will help you every step of the way!

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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.

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.

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all done on-site in the customers' homes.

"They send us pictures through Facebook and we can give them a quote and go from there. Painting as opposed to purchasing new is a major savings and offers a totally new look," she commented. "We are completely booked up for 2021 and have a large waiting list for 2022, so that confirms just how popular this service has become."

Once the move takes place, Urban Market

pop-ups will continue, and they may even keep Home Style open longer hours during the pop-ups. Watch on Facebook for dates and times about Urban Market events. All of this will likely bring a need to increase the staff and they will be actively looking for suitable personnel.

Amanda expects that they will have to shut down for a week or perhaps two weeks to pack everything up, move and unbox it all,

and to arrange all the merchandise to make it look perfect! Oh, and she mysteriously mentioned another "SURPRISE", but at least at this point, it is still 'top secret'! Now that should peak everyone's interest!!!!

"We're hoping to hold a Grand Re-Opening Celebration the first weekend in November that will correlate with our traditional Holiday Open House, but we'll announce that when the time comes," she said.

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When asked how she feels about this happening after just ONE year of being a business owner, Amanda concluded, "It's almost unbelievable. I get tearful sometimes just thinking about how blessed I am. I am so appreciative of my team here and for my faithful customers who have been so supportive. This amazing opportunity absolutely blows my mind every day!"

"Jackson's Mill Jubilee" cont. from p.1



Strolling by historic encampments will give Jubilee guests a vivid picture from more than 150 years ago during the unrest of the Civil War.

graduation, he served as an instructor at the Virginia Military Institute. He became known as "Stonewall" Jackson and became renowned as a Confederate general during the American Civil War.

Fast-forward to 1921, and the owners of the property at Jackson's Mill deeded it to the State of West

Virginia with the grist mill still being the centerpiece of this historical site and museum. The Jackson's Mill Center is now a Lifelong Learning and State 4-H Camp that serves as a special campus of West Virginia University and the WVU Extension Service.

For years now, this

property has also been the site of the Jackson's Mill Jubilee, an annual celebration and a family-friendly event that occurs each year during Labor Day weekend. The Jubilee focuses on West Virginia's heritage and features entertainment, delicious food, workshops, and the arts and crafts of numerous juried Mountain State artisans.

Unfortunately, the pandemic situation forced the Jubilee to be cancelled last year; however, it will be back this Labor Day weekend with the same offerings. Beginning on Friday, September 3rd and continuing through Sunday, September 5th, gates will be open and visitors will be greeted once again for this traditional celebration of West Virginia culture.

Expect to hear plenty of fiddle, banjo, bass, guitar and mandolin music with the barn providing a mixture of Americana, Bluegrass, and Celtic music along

with numerous vocal performances. There will also be square dancing, a Praise/Worship Service, a Hymn Sing-Along, a parade of antique tractors, an Antique Car Show, various workshops, contests, Historic Encampments and Reenactments, PLENTY of delicious foods, and of course, a wonderful selection of premium arts and crafts on exhibit and available for purchase! Jubilee hours will be: Friday from noon until 8 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m.; and Sunday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Ample parking is available on the property. The gate fee is \$5 per person with children 3 and under admitted free. Please bear in mind that WVU-Jackson's Mill is a tobacco free environment so guests must refrain from the use of tobacco products.

For a more specific schedule of event and performance times, visit <https://jmjubilee.com>.

"Harry Powers Documentary Event" cont. from p.1

Many area residents may not have been living at that time; however, most have likely heard of the Powers' case that gripped the nation's attention for months in the 1930s. This story came to be immortalized in a classic Hollywood film (Night of the Hunter starring Robert Mitchum).

The documentary screening that will be shown on October 16th at RGPAC highlights the horrific history and trial of Harry Powers and includes a post-film discussion with the film's director Bob Wilkinson and producers Robert and Jeff Tinnell.

Harry Powers was born Harm Drenth in the Netherlands in 1893 and immigrated to the U.S. in 1910, living in Iowa. He later moved to West Virginia in 1926. In 1927, after responding to a "lonely hearts" advertisement, he married a woman who owned a farm and a grocery store. Even after marrying, he took

out his own ad and received many replies. He began writing letters to a widowed mother of three in Illinois and visited her and her children in 1931. He is also said to have courted others with obtaining their money as his objective.

Suddenly, it was noticed that these women were disappearing and investigations ensued. Police ultimately found bodies in the garage and basement area he had built at his home in Quiet Dell.

Housed in the Harrison County Jail, Powers stood trial, claiming his innocence but, according to an old article published in the Clarksburg paper, was taken to the Moundsville Penitentiary and was executed there with 43 spectators witnessing his hanging.

Obviously, those who responded to his advertisements were looking for love in all the wrong places, and naturally, it captured national attention at

the time. It is said that some local residents at that time even kept scrapbooks of the news this story made.

"Romeo Must Hang" will be shown at the Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 16th with doors opening at 1:30 p.m. Prior to the start of the documentary, patrons will be able to watch the music video "The Murder Farm song" performed by local band, The Grey Agents, at 2:15 p.m.

The Clarksburg History Museum will be open from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. on October 16th for those who would like to view the Museum's newest exhibit featuring one of Clarksburg's most notorious criminals – Harry Powers. The Museum will also host guided bus tours to the site of the Murder Farm from 5 to 6:30 p.m. that evening with a storyteller giving guests the opportunity to learn more about this chilling history

of Clarksburg's serial killer. Buses will leave the Museum every half hour beginning at 5 p.m.

"This is a timely addition to our Halloween holiday line-up," said RGPAC Executive Director Ryan Tolley. "We're proud to partner with the Clarksburg History Museum to share this unique history with the community. We also encourage folks to check out the Museum's new exhibit and everything the museum has to offer there."

Tickets for RGPAC's screening of this documentary are just \$10 and are on sale now. Seating is general admission. Purchase tickets online at [tickets.therobinsongrand.com](https://therobinsongrand.com) or by calling 855-773-6283 Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 11 p.m.





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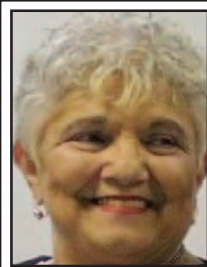
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GRAPEVINE

By Rosalyn Queen

Last week, on the 18th of August, we celebrated the 65th anniversary of my sister, Joan Burnett Smith and brother-in-law Virgil Smith. I remember the day 65 years ago as though it was yesterday. Joan is the daughter of the late William Burnett and Florence Roberti Burnett. Virgil's parents are the late Virgil and Ruth Smith. Joan and Virgil are the parents of Vincent (Evelyn), Vanessa (Ron) and Bridget and Jimmy Cann. Their grandchildren include Jenna Robey, Hampton Hammond, Victoria Barnosky and Nicholas Smith.

Sixty-five years ago, they were married at St. John's Catholic Church by Father Colombo Bandiera. The late Dr. Franklin Oliverio was best man and I was the maid of honor. Their reception was held at Clique Club. An old Italian custom was observed with all our great aunts coming to our house the week before to make dozens of cookies for the reception. They spent their honeymoon at Fort Knox, Kentucky where Virgil was serving in the Army.

Before retiring, Joan was employed as the director of the United Technical Center and Virgil was a dental equipment representative. They are active members of the Immaculate Conception Church where Virgil serves as an usher and Joan



Seated left to right Rosalyn Queen, Joan Smith and Virgil Smith as they gather to celebrate the Smith's 65th wedding anniversary.

is a Reader.

They enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren and having that Sunday dinner. We honored the couple with a dinner hosted by their children.

I would like to ask my readers to remember a member of my family who is having health problems. You know I believe in miracles if we only ask for them; please remember her in your prayers.

Just an update on my eye problem: I will be having surgery at WVU for the third time... hoping it will take this time. I have been staying at home as much as possible to assure I will remain healthy for this upcoming surgery. I hope that all of you are following the pandemic restrictions and will not contact COVID.

Stay healthy, stay happy and until next week, "Now You Have heard It Through the Grapevine."

'Linda On My Mind'



Pine Bluff News

By Pat Matheny

Last Friday afternoon, I went inside Wesbanco to conduct some business and was very patiently taken care of by Yolanda. While inside, it was nice chatting with Jim Scudere and Linda (Zuspan) Hollar.

Linda and I go way back due to a dog. Back in the mid-50s, my Aunt Georgia and Uncle Harry Matheny lived in a little mobile home in the yard of Aunt Georgia's parents, George and Bessie Stewart, on the corner of Stewart Street (Naturally) and North Street in East Shinnston. They lived in the mobile home when Uncle Harry was stationed at Ft. Knox during the Korean War. So, my brothers and I visited them several times over a two-year span and got to know the local kids.

In those days, there were kids playing everywhere in the streets in that neighborhood. I remember the little country store that was three blocks away where we could either get an ice cream or a RC Cola...couldn't afford both. Although I was raised in the country, I have fond memories of East Shinnston. Back then, it was the typical all-American suburban community and a great place to raise a family.

Ok, back to the story: Linda Zuspan's family had a bulldog named Herman - he has become a legend. Herman loved playing with kids but sometimes he'd take control and do whatever he wanted. He loved riding in a wagon and if there was a kid in a wagon, he'd grab the kid and drag him out and then jump in himself...sometimes he would ride a wagon down a hill by himself. Linda can tell you all kinds of tales surrounding Herman.

Monday, Lee took me to the VA Hospital for an appointment with the eye doctors (they're from

WVU Med). Since the sight in my right eye has been okay for the past month, I figured I wouldn't get another shot in the eyeball, well, I figured wrong! They said they wanted to be sure...damn.

On the way home, we stopped at Denny's to get a bite to eat where I ran into my old friend, Paul Fleisher from Bridgeport. We met several years ago at the Morgantown Vet Center. He started reading this column in the Shinnston News when my mom was writing it back in the 70s and has been a reader ever since. I've written about him before in the column... he's a very nice guy. BTW, my mom started writing the column in 1938.

Tuesday evening, I attended the meeting at the Vet Center. I've missed going the last two weeks because each time I would start to leave, a big thunderstorm would pop-up and I ain't getting on the interstate with those idiots at rush hour in adverse weather conditions - it's bad enough in ideal conditions. Our buddy, Roger Wolfe, showed up in an original '53 Army Jeep that he had just acquired. It was really cool!

Wednesday, I had another appointment at the VA Hospital for an echogram (Sure miss the valet parking). Linda, a very nice technician who performed the procedure, took good care of me. Somehow, my friend Chris Shaw's name (who works in pulmonary) came up and she said, "He always rubs it in to everyone whenever you mention his name in the PB column." Since he was just down the hall, Linda walked down and told Chris she needed help with a patient. When he first came in, he didn't recognize me due to my mask, but once he did, he started laughing. It was great chatting with him. I told her I was afraid I'd forget her name. She said to just remember the song, 'Linda on my mind'. Well, the song worked and Linda got her name in the paper...four times.

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

Ace

Alco Fence Celebrates 50 Years



Alco Fence Company of Central WV, Inc., with offices in Vienna and White Hall, is celebrating its 50th anniversary.

Alco Fence Company was founded in 1971 by the Nowell family in the basement of their Belpre, Ohio home. Bob and Mary, along with sons Ken and Vince, worked in the various areas of the

business to start Alco. Several locations later, Bob and Mary moved into their current commercial location in Vienna, WV. In the early 1980s, they expanded to Fairmont/White Hall.

In 1987, Vince Nowell purchased the White Hall location from Mary, and in 2008 he purchased the Vienna location from

Ken.

Vince Nowell stated, "Looking back, we have had some challenges, especially the losing my father to a heart attack at age 52 in 1982 due to the stress from our then struggling fence business. I think Dad would be proud that our average employee has been with Alco for 20 years. For 50 years we have provided jobs which put food on the table for those employees and their families. Those same employees are the secret to Alco's success and those employees make every Alco Fence customer so special."

Nowell went on to state that he is proud of the other industries that have spun from Alco Fence over the last several decades, including three dry cleaning locations, a national satellite TV distributor, and a national fence painting business whereby Alco sold its own private label paint.



"Return to the Skies"

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usually short and the screening was quick, so I will miss this service. I have a card that verifies that I have knee replacements, so hopefully they will not be doing a strip search to keep the buzzer from going off. The good thing about the knee replacements is that I will not be suffering through the pain of having my knees cramped up for several hours.

From what I have read, the planes are fully loaded and delays are more prevalent in this COVID world, so I will take plenty to read and occupy my time. I usually enjoy my down time in an airport, but it has been a while and I may need to read some quotes on patience prior to my trip. I am also violating one of my cardinal rules of travel on this trip by flying East to go West. My flight leaves Pittsburgh and heads to Baltimore before heading to Phoenix. I know it doesn't make that much of a difference, but I have always tried to be going in the direction of my destination.

I've been to Arizona many times and it has always been a "warm" experience. I checked the temperatures for next week and it is predicted to be well over 100 degrees each day. Even though they say that it is a 'dry' heat, it is still hot!!! I can remember when I traveled to Scottsdale for a Kiwanis convention many years ago; I was at the pool and I had a Sony Walkman. I had laid it on the lounge chair while I was in the pool. When I got out of the pool, I placed the headphones on my head and the metal band, immediately burnt the top of my head. It was weeks before it stopped itching and I learned a very valuable lesson about the Arizona heat.

With all the challenges of travel, I am looking forward to seeing my colleagues and spending time in person. We will be there for four days and I'm sure we will spend a lot of time catching up. Wish me luck, I may need it!

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BUSINESS MATTERS

UHC Auxiliary Work Continues ... Even During Difficult Covid Times

The Shinnston News & Harrison County Journal, in conjunction with North Central WV Airport, has named The Auxiliary to United Hospital Center as August's Business/Philanthropic Entity of the Month.



Auxiliary members are shown here attending their annual retreat held at Vincent United Methodist Church in Nutter Fort where five new members were welcomed.



Pictured here, Auxiliary members delivered care bags to patients and families in the UHC Critical Care Unit. This is just one of the numerous 'extras' they provide at UHC.

By **DIANA BEDELL**
News & Journal Staff
Writer

Auxiliary members at United Hospital Center (UHC) are more than just volunteers; they are also fundraisers extraordinaire with a purpose of helping those who find themselves in the hospital, either as an inpatient or outpatient. Denise Steffich, who has served as Director of Volunteer Services for two of her 31 years

with UHC, said the volunteers served 7,498 hours in the first quarter of 2020 before Covid shuttered the program. "We were able to bring back some volunteers in the early fall of 2020 to work in the gift shop," she said. "And at present we have 60 auxiliary members back at the hospital but usually have 110 or as many as 200 if you count the teenagers involved with the program. Right now, our volunteers

are working in the gift shop, infusion center, office and greeters, and cuddlers are on call." She explained that teens were not able to volunteer this summer due to age limits on the Covid vaccine. Steffich stated that volunteers also typically work in the areas of the cancer center, patient advocacy, transporting of patients, and care partners for certain units such as critical care and obstetrics,

but volunteers are not working in those areas at this time.

"A big part of our mission is fundraising for funding our various projects," said Steffich, "and this has been stifled due to the loss of volunteers and fundraising due to the pandemic."

Among the auxiliary's many projects are scholarships for students pursuing a career in the medical
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Results Of Two Vaccine Surveys

Workplace Vaccine Stigma & Vaccine Mandate

There are endless stigmas about vaccines and immunization, leading to many controversial debates and misconceptions on the topic. Recently a survey was conducted of 3,400 people to find out how vaccinated people will feel about returning to their usual place of work, particularly because they could come into contact with those who have chosen not to be vaccinated.

Almost 2 in 3 (60%) of vaccinated West Virginians say that going forward, they will be avoiding contact with work colleagues who have not been

vaccinated. This is compared to a national average of 48%. For example, if given the option, some employees would choose to continue working from home if they are aware that unvaccinated colleagues have returned to work, or they would choose to socially distance, such as at lunchtimes, if their unvaccinated colleagues are eating at the same time.

Across the country, this figure was found to be highest in Maryland, with 65% of Marylanders saying they will avoid mixing with non-vaccinated

colleagues once lockdowns are fully lifted.

This survey also found that over a third of respondents agree with the principle of incentives – in the form of money or products – to encourage people to get vaccinated and offer proof of vaccination.

Over 37% thought that unvaccinated people should be required to sit separately on public transport facilities such as buses and trains. Finally, nearly half thought public venues, such as gyms, movie theaters and concerts, should have separate opening hours for

unvaccinated people so as to reduce mixing between those who are vaccinated with those who are not.

There is a scientific rationale for avoiding unvaccinated persons. Low vaccination rates are dangerous when combined with the spread of SARS-Cov-2 variants such as the Delta variant. Variants of concern like Delta are thought to be more transmissible and cause more serious illness compared to other SARS-Cov-2 viral strains. Vaccinations can help curb the spreading variants by
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Frontier Communications To Hire 100 New WV Employees



Frontier Communications (NASDAQ: FYBR) announced today that it will hire 100 new employees in West Virginia by the end of 2021. The newly added roles will include cable splicers and outside plant technicians to support the company's expansion of its fiber network over the next

three years. Frontier is actively recruiting throughout the state, including in the Clarksburg, Charleston, Bluefield, Buckhannon, Huntington, Martinsburg, Parkersburg and Wheeling areas. The company is providing competitive salary and
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15,884 New WV Businesses Registered In 12-Month Period

The West Virginia Secretary of State's Office registered 1,343 new businesses statewide during the month of July 2021. This is an encouraging statistic, considering the fact that the pandemic has led to challenges for some business entities.

Calhoun County

led the state in the percentage of new business registration growth during the month of July with a total of six new businesses, a 3.9% increase. The Secretary of State's Business & Licensing Division reported that Lincoln (9), Pendleton (9), Summers (12) and

Hancock (19) counties also had notable growth during the month.

Counties that lead the state in total businesses registered for the month of July were Kanawha, Monongalia, Berkeley, Harrison and Cabell. Harrison County saw 60 new business registrations.

Statewide, West Virginia registered 15,884 new businesses in the previous 12-month period, from August 1, 2020 to July 31, 2021.

All West Virginia Secretary of State offices are currently open to the public for
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Fairmont State Forensic Science Program Ranks 9th Among Best Affordable Program In U.S.

Fairmont State University has received the ninth ranking among the 100 Best Affordable Forensic Science Programs in the country by University Headquarters. University Headquarters is an online resource aiming to help students navigate the higher education process, assisting students to find top rated colleges, scholarships, potential salaries upon graduation and determining a career path.

University Headquarters considers several factors to determine its rankings to assist students in

their college searches. Details including cost of tuition, admission rate, graduating salary, among several others are examined throughout the ranking process to provide student support and ensure a valuable degree upon graduation.

"We are thrilled that yet another one of our
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Paycheck Protection Program Direct Borrower Forgiveness Portal Surpasses Expectations

Since the opening of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Direct Borrower Forgiveness Portal on August 4th, the U.S. Small Business Administration has received more than 340,000 submissions from borrowers with PPP loans of \$150,000 or less, highlighting Administrator Isabella Casillas Guzman's priority of rushing relief to the smallest of small businesses and far exceeding expectations.

In providing its new, streamlined portal, the SBA is also executing the Biden-Harris Administration's goal of centering equity in all programs. With outstanding debt saddling millions of disadvantaged and underserved small businesses, increasing the rate of forgiveness to PPP borrowers will have an immediate effect in helping the smallest of small
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Cougars Claim Opening Game Win!



The Bottom Line

By Bill Nestor
Sports Editor

Lincoln opened the football season with an impressive 49-6 win over Braxton County this past Friday. There is no place like home, especially when fans are in attendance for the Cougars. Shinnston and the surrounding areas have always supported its teams and there was plenty to cheer about in this one-sided lock-up.

Veteran mentor, Rob Hawkins mentioned heading into the opener that his team had to run the football to be successful. His squad did just that, scoring five touchdowns on the ground. The line opened up holes that were utilized by standout, Antwan Hilliard en route to his game high 120 yards. Hilliard carried the ball 16 times and found the end zone twice on runs of 12 and 17 yards respectively.

Hawkins is blessed to have a pair of running backs that are top shelf. Levi Moore had the Midas touch in the opener. Moore had eight rushes and found pay dirt on two of them (10 and 12 yards).

The solid line play enabled Lincoln to

establish the run and it took the pressure off of Nick Kellar. The junior responded with a rock-solid effort. Kellar was 9 of 16 for 90 yards and a 29-yard scoring toss to John Lopez. Lopez was the top Cougar target hauling in five passes for 67 yards. Offensive balance (164 rushing yards and 90 passing yards) along with ball security (just one turnover) were key in the victory.

On the defensive side of the ball, domination is the best way to describe the Lincoln efforts. Braxton County was held to two yards of rushing offense for the entire game and their lone score didn't come until the third quarter which allowed the Cougars adequate time to build a sizeable halftime lead. The stoppers forced five Eagle turnovers (four fumbles and one interception by Coby Gorby). Gorby hauled in the errant toss and went 80 yards for a score.

Making plays is the name of the game and that is exactly what Lincoln did to earn the win. They made more of their fair share in the



Lincoln fans showing their support by giving the Cougars a 'high-five' after the big win over Braxton County last Friday night.

second quarter when they outscored Braxton County 34-0 to take a commanding halftime lead. For all of their efforts, the Cougars get this week off. It allows Hawkins and his staff time to fine tune and build up on this excellent first game effort. Week three brings a road trip to Grafton.

The Bearcats won their opener in impressive fashion, 40-14 over Class A Pendleton County. This week, Grafton goes on the road for a second consecutive time travelling to East Fairmont.

The only other county team to play last Friday was South Harrison. Liberty's matchup with Elkins was moved to Monday evening which could affect the Tigers

scheduled match-up with Robert C. Byrd. The Flying Eagles game with Keyser was postponed as the Golden Tornado had COVID issues. Bridgeport's scheduled opponent, Buckhannon elected not to play the game because of COVID concerns.

The Hawks lost to Doddridge County, 20-0, in Brett Hathaway's first game as South Harrison's head coach. Jacob Haddix led the Hawks with 57 yards on 15 carries while Aiden Moreno chipped in with 39 yards on the ground.

South Harrison visits Liberty this week while Bridgeport clashes with Morgantown.

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 Lincoln's Kira Wilson and Antwan Hilliard.

Cougar soccer player, Kira Wilson scored three goals in Monday's win over Magnolia. The sophomore recorded a hat trick less than ten minutes into the affair.

Cougar running back, Antwan Hilliard led all rushers of the Cougar squad to a season opening win over Braxton County. Hilliard gained 120 yards on 16 carries and scored a pair of touchdowns on runs of 12 and 17 yards respectively.

Congratulations to Lincoln's Kira Wilson and Antwan Hilliard for being named the Shinnston News and Harrison County Journal's Athletes of the Week!

Happy Birthday To Principal Comer



From The World Of Parks & Recreation

By Doug Comer

Big changes happened over the summer for my wife Jeovanna, including her promotion to principal at Peterson Central Elementary after the retirement of Steve Hall. With the promotion comes many challenges as far as the direction the school wants to go under its new administrator. And with the doors opened to students this past week, I am sure this is a great birthday gift for her.

With teaching stints in Marion County right out of college, she later found herself working for R.E.S.A 7 in Harrison County before the dismantling of the program close to four years ago. And in a short time, Lewis County called and wanted her services in Wildcat Country.

The transition from training staff to being a part of the staff was a smooth one as she already had the blueprint with her experience. The only challenge was getting back into the arena where 500 kids rely on staff to help with their daily needs while in the classroom. Needless to say, the kids and staff embraced her and made things very welcoming from the start.

Her presence has brought much positivity to the school. The ideas and activities, plus her ability to help elevate events at the school, shows in the positive atmosphere in my observance. The teachers seem to crawl out of their comfort zone and do some things to let the kids know that they are normal people too. Jeovanna has the knack to persuade staff to participate, including Mr. Hall.

During the holidays, for example, with the unusual school year involving masks, virtual teaching and even food delivery, the staff put on Christmas videos and skits for the kids to watch outside like a drive-in movie theater. Singing songs, reading stories and serving goodies to the patrons was something that started with a "hey, you think we could....." to it happening and being a success.

I pattern some of the activities she has done with what we do at parks and recreation. The goal is simple – do what is best for the kids – and we do that to the best of our ability. Whether it is a field day or a summer program, we are finding ways to keep kids interested in topics and do it in a way where fun and learning can work together. She is a master at that and it shows in what activities she has for them. It is not an easy time to make things like that happen, but she has a way about her to get it accomplished.

Well, again, it is her birthday and besides the long hours and her constantly running mind concerning her career, she deserves a day where she can shut it off for a few minutes. Not turn off her feelings about the school and its successes, but to be a little selfish for a brief moment and take some time out for her. As a family, we try to make this day special for her because we know how much passion and dedication she puts into her job. The kids should be thankful that she is in their world.

I am thankful every day for the same reasons. Happy Birthday J – We love you! From your family....

Ginseng Season Is Open In West Virginia



Mature American ginseng plant with berries. Credit: Gary Kauffman/U.S. Forest Service

West Virginia's hills are filled with gold – a gold root, that is. The lucrative root, known as ginseng, brings out treasure hunters every year from September 1 through November 30 to dig it up and sell for a pretty penny. The Division of Forestry closely monitors the harvesting of this valuable resource to protect ginseng supplies for years to come.

Diggers have until March 31 of the following calendar year to sell to a registered West Virginia ginseng dealer or have roots weigh-receipted at one of the Division of Forestry weigh stations. Possession of ginseng roots is prohibited from April 1 through Aug. 31 without a weight-receipt from the DOF.

A native plant of West Virginia, ginseng grows

in all 55 counties of the State but is prevalent in cool, moist forests. This perennial herb is highly prized for its large, fleshy roots that grow from 2" to 6" in length and ?? to ?? in thickness. Ginseng is slow growing with seeds that take two years to germinate.

Ginseng has been harvested as a cash crop in West Virginia for at least 200 years. It has been used for centuries in North America and Asia. Allegedly teas, soups and medicines made from ginseng roots cure sickness, increase vitality, relieve mental and physical fatigue and prolong life. In China the roots themselves are often chewed.

Rules for Digging
Digging on state forest land is prohibited.

Digging on private land without prior written consent is prohibited.

Digging on your own land is permitted during the digging season.

Dig ginseng roots only when the plant has three or more prongs (with no fewer than 15 leaflets) indicating the plant is probably at least five years old and capable of producing fertile berries plant seeds at the root spot.

The berries of the plant must be red in color indicating that they are mature.

All ginseng wishing to be held till the next season must properly weight receipted.

For questions, or more information on ginseng and harvesting, contact Robin Black at 304-558-2788.

WVIHF Bocce Tourney Results



The annual West Virginia Italian Heritage Bocce Tourney resumed this year at Ferguson Park in Shinnston after being cancelled in 2020 due to COVID. On

Saturday, August 21 the bocce courts at the city park were buzzing once again with activity.

The winning team, the Knockers sponsored by DeMarco's Meat Market, consisted of

Joshua Bastin, Mary Jo Bastin, Vinny DeMarco and Christie Hittel.

Second place finishers were the foursome of Matt Bartlett, Ricky DelRio, Corey Hagan and Josh Shaw.

Ending up in third place was the squad of Lou Belcastro, Tony DiDomenico, Mike Smith and Willard West.

The next tourney, which will be the Two-Man match-up, will be held at Ferguson Park on Saturday,

September 11, with play beginning at 9:00 am. The fee to play is \$40 per team. You must sign up at DeMarco's Meat Market on Pike Street in Shinnston by 6:00 pm on Thursday, September 9.

Note: DeMarco's Meat Market Team, The Knockers, were scheduled to participate in the WVIHF parade this Saturday. However, the festival and parade were cancelled due to COVID.

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JANET "JODI" BICE



Janet "Jodi" Bice, 82, passed away on Saturday August 21, 2021 in her home in Conroe, TX after a long battle with Multiple Sclerosis.

She was born on June 23, 1939.

Jodi is survived by her daughter, Donna Bice Hulsey and grandsons, Trey and Chase Hulsey of Montgomery, TX; Brother George "Tommy" (Marge) Bice of Kingsport TN; Nieces Diana (Randy) Wright Duncan, Leesa (Karl) Bice Roller, Rhonda (AJ) Bice Minnis, Krista (Shawn) Bice Hodges; Nephews Jim (Linda) Wright, Larry (BillyLou) Wright, Brian Wright and Scott Bice.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ruth Straight Bice and George Bice, her sister Jackie Bice Wright and her brother, Bobby Bice.

A memorial will be held in Shinnston in the spring, date TBD.

Donations in her name, if compelled, can be made to The Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

Online condolences and condolences may be shared at Harmerfuneralhome.com

MARY ESTHER SCONISH



Mary Esther (Cottrill) Sconish, 93, of Fairmont, WV, passed away at her residence on August 22, 2021. She was born in Clarksburg, WV on February 24, 1928 to the late Edward and Lora (Bowyers) Cottrill.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Stephanie Harden and husband James of Fairmont, WV; Grandchildren; Bryan and wife, Lexie Harden, Joshua Harden and wife, Chelsea, and Rebecca Harden; Three great grandsons, Michael Alexander, Ian and Brentley Harden; Three great granddaughters, Anastasia, Addison and Alice Harden; Two nieces, Lori Bee of PA and Connie Nagy of Shinnston, WV.

In addition to her parents, Mary is preceded in death by her husband, George Sconish, of 49 years and one brother, Edward Cottrill.

Mary loved gardening, shopping and spending time with her grandchildren.

Mary was a member of the Coon's Run Baptist Church and Coon's Run Homecoming Choir.

Donations can be made to Mary's memorial fund on her tribute page at www.Dorseyfuneralhome.com, in order to support the family. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at Dorsey Funeral Home with Pastor Kevin Nuzum officiating. Interment followed at Enterprise I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Enterprise, WV.

HELEN JEAN MCCARTY PERINE



Helen Jean McCarty Perine, 86, of Bridgeport, went to be with the Lord, August 27, 2021 at her residence. She was born in Clarksburg, April 24, 1935, a daughter of the late Ira Earl and Oma Pearl Springer McCarty. On August 26, 1955, she married Glen Perine, and they celebrated 66 years of marriage one day prior to her death.

Surviving are three children; Rev. Robert Glen Perine and his wife Janey, Harrisville, Pastor Jeffrey Alan Perine and his wife Julie, Bridgeport, Beth Ann Wilmoth and her husband Dave, Bridgeport; and her daughter-in-law Jackie Perine, Shinnston.

She was known as "Maw" to her 13 grandchildren — Jason Perine and his wife Leslie, Rachelle Coffey and her husband Brian, Deanna Garrett and her husband Gary, Rebecca Prunty and her husband Chad, Adam Perine and his wife Tara, Brittany McQuaid and her husband Andrew, Andrew Perine and his wife Sarah, Jeffrey Perine, Allison Satterfield and her husband Ryan, Mitch Wilmoth and his wife Brittany, Alana Hoskinson and her husband Alex, Kayla Cottrell and her husband Cody, Jacob Perine and his companion Jaryn; 30 great-grandchildren, many extended family and her beloved dog, Sugar Baby.

Helen Jean met her son, Timothy E. Perine, at the eastern gates of Heaven, just as they had planned before his passing in February. She was also preceded in death by her two brothers, John Robert McCarty and Max Earl McCarty.

Helen Jean was a 1953

graduate of Victory High School and attended Fairmont State College. She retired in 1998 from Harrison County Schools with more than 25 years of service as a cook, spending most of her career at Simpson Elementary School in Bridgeport. She was an active member of Reynoldsville Baptist Church for over 60 years where she sang in the choir, taught Sunday School, and was a member of the American Baptist Women.

In her younger years, she was always involved in the activities of her children and grandchildren. Helen was a wonderful cook and enjoyed having all her family for dinner. She was an animal lover and enjoyed watching the birds. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She will be missed by all who loved her and await our great reunion.

A funeral service was held at the Reynoldsville Baptist Church, 3043 Wilsonburg Rd., Reynoldsville, on August 31, 2021 with Rev. Robert Perine, Pastor Jeff Perine, Dick Miller, and Pastor Jon Hayes officiating. Interment was in the Bridgeport Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Reynoldsville Baptist Church or the Arc of Harrison County, P.O. Box. 764 Clarksburg, WV 26302. Condolences may be extended to the family at www.perinefunerals.com.

CONNIE KAY HURST

Connie Kay Hurst, 72, of Arlington Addition passed away Saturday, August 21, 2021 at her residence with family by her side. She was born November 6, 1948 in Anmoore, daughter of the late Alfred Arthur and Mary Louise Courtney Hughes.

Connie graduated from Victory High School. She was a homemaker. She loved to read, she loved the Lord and her motto was 'laughing was good medicine'. Connie attended Higher Rock Church. She was a caring and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, aunt and sister.

Connie is survived by her husband of forty eight years, Danny Wayne Hurst whom she married on August 18, 1973; one daughter, Sheri Lynn Barnes and James "Jr", Big Isaac; one son, Jason Wayne Hurst and Melinda, Gregory Run; six grandchildren, Andrew Benson and Sarah, Cassandra Rose Kesling and Matt, Sadie Hurst, Brady Hurst, Alyssa Barnes and Joseph Barnes; seven great grandchildren,

Peyton, Sophia, Amelia, Jaxon, Lily, Dean, and Bentley; siblings, Ladonna S Taylor Iowa, Wilma L Linn and Lonnie, Reynoldsville, and Barbara Kathleen Wilson, Clarksburg; several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Connie is preceded in death by her siblings, Linda Lea Hornbeck and Cheryl Ann Garrett.

A funeral service was held on August 24, 2021 at Davis Funeral Home with Pastor Lonnie Linn officiating. Private inurnment will be at Greenlawn Memorial Cemetery. Online condolences can be made at www.Davisfuneralhome.com.

WILLIAM HYSON DONALD WOOD

William Hyson Donald Wood, 90, of Grafton, WV passed away on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at Bridgeport Health Care Center. He was born February 1, 1931 in Grafton, WV, the son of the late Walter Augustus and Bernice Dale Devers Wood.

Donald retired from CSX Railroad after many years working as a Carman. He was a simple man who took pleasure in farming his own land in Taylor County where he raised Angus beef cattle and sheep and practiced beekeeping for some time. He always kept a vegetable garden as well. Donald enjoyed spending time with his family and was a hard worker.

Donald is survived by his wife of 72 years, Alice Marie Trimble Wood; sons, Gregory Wood and wife, Susan, of Bridgeport, Vincent Wood and wife, Tina, of Morgantown, and Aaron Wood and wife, Denise, of Michigan; one daughter, Darlene Jones, of Charleston; grandchildren, Jack, Jenna, and Jacie Wood, all of Bridgeport, Sean Wood and wife, Bridget, and Ben Wood and wife, Lynnea, all of Colorado, Andy Wood, Los Angeles, Melissa Cook and husband, David, of Charleston, Amy Jones George and Kenny, of Virginia, as well as Forrest Jones, of Summersville, Isabella and Nicholas Wood, of Michigan; great grandchildren, Virginia, Morgan, and Spencer Cook, and Chole Wood; one brother, Bernard Wood and wife, Patty, Ohio; two sisters, Linda Wood Fike and husband, Richard, of New York, and Alice Marlene Wood Conaway and husband Daryl, of Fairmont; as well as several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Donald was preceded in death by two brothers, John and Robert Wood; one sister,

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Mary Vivian Wood Jacquez; and one son-in-law, Forest Jones.

Donald donated his body to the West Virginia University Human Gift Registry in Morgantown, WV. Davis Funeral Home and Onsite Crematory handled the arrangements with the WVU Human Gift Registry for the Wood Family. Online condolences can be made on Donald's memorial pages at www.davisfuneralhome.com or www.bartlettfuneralhome.com.

BRENDA G. NICE

Brenda G. Nice, 54 of Reynoldsville passed away on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at J.W. Ruby Memorial Hospital. Brenda was born November 6, 1966 in Summersville, WV daughter of the late Lonnie Louis and Mabel Butman Reed.

Brenda worked for Conway Trucking as a Team Driver with Robert Nice for over 500,000 miles and she last worked as a driver for Centra Bus. She enjoyed Bingo and her life was her daughter and grandchildren.

Brenda is survived by two children, Christopher Adam Reed I, Mabel Sue Nice both of Reynoldsville; four grandchildren, Christopher II, Cheyenne, Elizabeth, and Anthony; five siblings, Robin Cadle and Kevin Parma, OH, Lois Anne Reed, Cleveland, OH, Louis Lonnie Reed, Cleveland, OH, William "Billy Joe" Reed, Cleveland, OH; Eric Reed, Indiana; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, Brenda was preceded in death by one grandson, Chase.

Davis Funeral Home and Onsite Crematory is handling the cremation and honored to serve the Nice family. Online condolences can be made on Davisfuneralhome.com.

KRISTI DAWN FACEMIRE

Kristi Dawn Facemire, 53, of Nutter Fort passed away Tuesday, August

24, 2021 at United Hospital Center. She was born June 4, 1968 in Clarksburg, daughter of Gary Leonard Parker and the late Peggy Rae Carpenter Parker.

Kristi graduated from Liberty High School, Class of 1986. She was a homemaker and enjoyed shopping and buying purses. She could light up a room and make you laugh. She loved her grandbabies and family time.

In addition to her father, Kristi is survived by her son, Jason Leonard Facemire, Nutter Fort; two grandchildren, Jaeleigh Dawn Facemire and Raymond Shayne Gonzalez; two brothers, Gary Allen Parker and Carmen, Andrew Steven Parker all of Clarksburg; companion, Mike Edwards, Pittsburgh, PA; special aunts, Donna Leeson, Clarksburg, and Doris "Dukey" Tanzey and husband Bill, Charleston, WV; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her mother, Kristi is preceded in death by her husband, Eric Shawn Facemire in 2018.

A funeral service was held on August 28, 2021 at Davis Funeral Home with Pastor Bill Tanzey officiating. Private inurnment will be at Sunset Memorial Cemetery. Online condolences can be made at www.Davisfuneralhome.com. Donations can be made to her Care Fund on her memorial page.

MAJOR WILLIAM GOWEN CLARK

Major William "Bill" Gowen Clark United States Air Force Retired, 75 of Clarksburg passed away on Thursday, August 26, 2021 at his residence with family by his side. Bill was born November 21, 1945 in Rochester, NY, son of the late William Gowen and Marjorie Crumb Clark.

Bill graduated from Palmyra High School, Class of 1963, went on to receive his Bachelors from University of Rochester, Masters and his Doctorate from University of Kansas in Physical Chemistry. He

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in-person services by walk-in or appointment. Appointments can be made online or by phone to visit the Capitol office, the WV One Stop Business Center, or regional offices in Clarksburg and Martinsburg. The office’s new online Enterprise

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field; supplying the emergency department with bus passes for patients who arrive by ambulance and require a ride home afterward; supplying a clothing bank for patients who may lose clothing or have clothing cut off or otherwise destroyed while hospitalized; supplying children’s car seats for the emergency department and obstetrics; and supplying Pack ‘N Plays, rocking chairs, a cuddler cot and tote bags, onesies and blankets to obstetrics.

the Beef” and again, the funds raised went to the campaign for the WVU School of Nursing,” she added.

The Auxiliary’s 17-member board of directors comes up with new ideas every year and in 2020, the group purchased more than 100 books by Hannah Povroznik, “Mella’s Box”, and donated these to 71 elementary schools and 34 libraries throughout West Virginia.

When UHC opened its doors at its new location almost 11 years ago, the auxiliary had two gift shops, which also included Artisans’ Crossing. “We tried to support our local artisans in addition to our regular gift shop,” said Steffich. “We developed more relationships with our customers and visitors, but it was too costly to run both shops and we eventually closed Artisan’s Crossing.”

To become a member of the auxiliary, volunteers are required to pay \$5 a year to join. “There is an interview process, background check, and members’ areas of interest are considered,” Steffich stated.

In addition, volunteers are held to the same standards as hospital employees and must go through orientation, take Net Learning modules involving HIPAA and safety, and shots need to be up to date. They had 400 applications for volunteers in the last couple of years, which makes it hard to keep up with the turnover, re-

training, and evaluations. “We have awesome volunteers and they go above and beyond to take care of each other when circumstances present themselves,” explained Steffich. “For example, one volunteer lost everything in a house fire and fellow auxiliary members rallied to the cause.”

As a non-profit organization, the UHC Auxiliary has given back \$150,000 to the hospital in some years to support various projects, either in cash or items purchased. “We sponsor fundraising activities in 11 out of 12 months in the year including uniform and shoe sales, masquerade jewelry, book sales, and purses,” Steffich added. As for the pandemic, “I love my job but I miss all of the volunteers being here.”

While the Auxiliary to United Hospital Center is not literally a “business”, its members work every bit as hard as paid employees to benefit the hospital. The Auxiliary is staffed by UNPAID VOLUNTEERS who give their time because they genuinely care about securing United Hospital Center’s future. Their only compensation is the gratification that they have gone the extra mile to help raise funding for improvements and enhancements to an entity that serves patients from a 14-county area and even beyond West Virginia’s borders! They, too, deserve accolades for helping to make our area a strong and prominent place to live.

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reducing the number of unvaccinated hosts available for the SARS-Cov-2 virus to infect. Experts hope enough of the population will be vaccinated in time to help prevent fall and winter infection surges.

information might be required in certain circumstances. In a similar way that schools ask for details about childhood vaccinations, companies might inquire about employees’ vaccine status as a matter of health and safety for other people who work in the workplace.

Even though vaccinated employees are less likely to get seriously ill, it is still possible for them to become infected with the coronavirus as they return to the workplace.

52% of West Virginia employees think it should be a mandatory requirement to disclose your vaccine status to your employer. This compares to a national average of 57%.

It would appear that many employees take the disclosure mandate very seriously as nearly half said they should have the right to take legal action against their employer if there are inadequate safeguards against unvaccinated colleagues at work. 15% believe that improper disclosure of vaccination status should lead to disciplinary action up to and including termination of the employee; 14% think improper disclosure should lead to employee suspension.

In addition, 55% of employees thought it should be mandatory for all staff to take daily COVID tests in the workplace as a precaution.

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variants. This includes the Delta variant, and it’s further evidence that the COVID-19 vaccines work.

Since the onset of the pandemic, face masks have been an important tool in slowing the spread of COVID as they act as a barrier to prevent respiratory droplets from spreading when you sneeze or cough. They remain crucial with the emergence of the Delta variant. As stated by the CDC, “To maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an area of substantial or high transmission.”

Some businesses and workplaces have updated their mask policy and have announced that employees must wear a mask when indoors, regardless of vaccination status.

In addition, be sure to wear a mask properly – over the nose and mouth! Also, choose a mask that has two or more layers of washable, breathable fabric. Make sure it fits snugly against the sides of your face without gaps.

Since the Delta variant is so highly transmissible, it is strongly advised that EVERYONE do their part to protect not only themselves, but others as well. Continue to wear a mask, wash your hands well frequently, avoid crowds and poorly ventilated spaces, and get vaccinated if you haven’t already. The CDC also recommends that even those who have had COVID should follow these precautions as they provide additional protection against reinfection.

Everyone was hoping that as a new school year began this year, COVID would not be such a compelling concern. However, here we are again! PLEASE, everyone should take the safeguards seriously so that we and our families, friends and neighbors remain healthy ... so that families don’t lose more loved ones to COVID ... and so that children can return to much more effective in-school learning this year!

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The 2021 Lincoln Cougar Football Team

Hawkins Expecting Big Things From The Cougars This Season

The Lincoln football team had an uphill battle from the start in 2020. COVID-19 caused issues early on and veteran mentor, Rob Hawkins and his team would only play eight games.

This year Lincoln is off to a much better start and Hawkins is expecting big things from his squad. With 40 players out and 14 returning starters, the Cougars look to make some noise in Class AA.

The offense will be turned over to junior Nick Kellar. Kellar is a dual threat signal caller that has all of the tools to guide this group back into the playoff picture. He will get plenty of help from a pair of standout junior running backs. Levi Moore and Antwan Hilliard have been running wild over opposing teams since their first year in the program. Seniors, John Lopez and Coby Gorby, along with junior Jayce Brooks, will be the main receivers in the passing attack for Hawkins.

The offensive line is

starting to gel and they will be counted on to get the job done up front. The man in the middle is senior Austin Corley. The right guard is junior Dakota Pelle and the left tackle is senior Tyler Greaver. On the left side are Tyler Stevens and Kobi O'Dell. Stevens, a junior, is the guard while O'Dell, a junior as well, is the tackle.

The defensive side of the ball is loaded with big play potential. A four-man front has a pair of down linemen in O'Dell and Corley. The defensive ends are Peele and junior Mason Quinones. The linebackers are Moore, Hilliard and senior Easton Gibbs. The cornerbacks are Lopez and sophomore, Gerald Parado. At safety, a sophomore owns one spot and there is a battle for the other between seniors Coby Gorby and Hunter Floyd.

Special teams play is the third aspect that plays an intrical part in a team's success.

Lopez will be the

punter; Lopez wields his versatility returning Burdette and Nathan Hilliard and Gibbs will handle kickoff returns.

Depth is a strong suit for Hawkins this year. Senior Rylee Barnard and sophomore Jasper Holt will see action on both lines. Senior Peyton Nicholson and junior Corbin Ayers will see time at the defensive end. Junior Lance Hostuttler and sophomore Nathan Swiger are talented linebackers that are in the mix. Senior Wes Heldereth will help

out at cornerback. Burdette and Nathan Swiger will back up in the backfield, along with Gibbs.

Hawkins stressed that the offense needed to establish the run to be effective. On the defensive side of the ball, he feels confident in the unit's ability to stop the pass. Therefore, stopping the run becomes the main priority.

Lincoln opened up against Braxton County followed by a bye next week.

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#	Pos	Player	Gr	Ht	Wt
1	RB/LB	Easton Gibbs	12	5'11	180
2	WR/DB	Coby Gorby	12	6'	164
3	WR/DB	Westin Heldereth	12	6'1	150
4	WR/K	Liam Gallegher	10	5'9	168
5	QB	Nick Kellar	11	5'8	142
7	RB/S	David Burdette	10	5'8	146
9	CB	Gerald Parado	10	5'5	132
10	WR/DB	Jayce Brooks	11	6'	140
11	WR/CB	John Lopez	12	5'9	155
12	WR/DB	Noah Sears	10	5'11	142
14	WR/DB	Ethan Singleton	10	5'9	126
15	WR/S	Aiden Rice	9	6'	150
19	WR/DB	Hunter Floyd	12	5'8	145
20	TE/LB	Maddox Perine	10	6'1	173
21	LB/RB	Levi Moore	11	6'	211
23	LB/RB	Antwan Hilliard	11	5'11	182
24	RB/LB	Nathan Swiger	10	6'	170
25	DE	Peyton Nicholson	12	6'2	168
27	TE/LB	Lance Hostuttler	11	6'1	160
28	DE	Corbin Ayers	11	5'8	165
34	RB/DB	Xavier Stevens	10	5'4	115
50	OL/DL	Dakota Pelle	11	6'1	219
51	OL/DL	Gabe Kellar	9	5'7	198
52	T	Kobi O'Dell	11	6'2	253
54	OL/DL	Landon Hoover	10	6'1	265
55	T	Caleb Miller	10	6'	275
56	OL/DE	Mason Quinones	11	6'	239
58	G/DT	Tyler Stevens	11	6'1	274
62	G/DT	Dillon Shaw	10	5'10	186
63	OL/DL	Cole Heffin	10	5'7	200
64	OL/DL	David Cottrell	9	5'6	204
65	C/DT	Austin Corley	12	6'	233
70	OL/DL	Derek Wilson	10	5'5	196
73	OL/DL	Tyler Greaver	12	6'3	325
74	G/OT	Rylee Barnard	12	6'	298
75	OL/DL	Riley Lanham	10	5'10	193
76	OT/DT	Zachary Cottrill	9	6'3	295
77	OL/DL	Christian Skidmore	9	5'8	260
78	C/DT	Jasper Holt	10	5'8	208
79	OL/DL	Lucas Varner	11	5'9	205

LINCOLN HIGH VARSITY 2021 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

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3	09/10/21	7:00PM	A- Grafton	-	
4	09/16/21	7:00PM	A- Nicholas County	-	
5	09/24/21	7:00PM	H- North Marion	-	
6	10/01/21	7:00PM	A- Lewis County	-	
7	10/08/21	7:00PM	A- Robert C. Byrd	-	
8	10/15/21	7:00PM	H- Elkins	-	
9	10/22/21	7:00PM	H- Liberty (Harrison)	-	
10	10/29/21	7:00PM	A- Philip Barbour High School	-	
11	11/05/21	7:00PM	H- Bridgeport Senior High School	-	



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charming 1870 restored home or on the side yard pavilion. Guests will be treated to an evening of delicious Italian foods including spaghetti, meatballs, lasagna, garlic bread,

salad, and dessert. All funds raised from the \$25 event will go toward repairs to the house and the carriage house. The dinner will be buffet style and

reservations are required. Call 304-516-1124 to secure one of the limited seats for the buffet dinner. Guests to this event are encouraged to wear masks until they are ready to eat.



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retired from the United States Air Force serving his country during Vietnam and Desert Storm. He retired to his piece of almost heaven, West Virginia where he enjoyed hobby farming, woodworking and forestry. He spent his days cheering on the New York Giants.

Bill is survived by his wife of forty-seven years, Lynda Ann Novak Clark; four children, Michael Clark and Yolanda, Manassas, VA, David Clark, and Inez Fiorito, Red Lion, PA, William Gowen Clark and Edna, Clarksburg, Carin Clark and Jason

Brown, Huntington; eight grandchildren, Melissa, Benjamin and Aurora, Alexis, Susanna, Christopher, Pauline, Samantha, and William; several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Bill was preceded in death by two brothers, Peter Clark and John Clark.

A graveside service will be held at the WV National Cemetery on Monday, September 6, 2021 at 9:00 AM with full military honors accorded by the Harrison County Honor Guard and the United States Air Force Honor Guard.

Online condolences can be made on Davisfuneralhomewv.com.

NELLIE ELIZABETH HAYNES JENNINGS

Nellie Elizabeth “Betty” (Haynes) Jennings, 96, of Bridgeport, passed away Sunday morning, August 22, 2021 in the Stonerise Bridgeport Nursing Home with her family by her side. She was born on September 9, 1924 in Youngstown, Ohio, a daughter of the late Frank Reamer Haynes & Ethel Mae (Price) Haynes.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 63 years, Rev. Robert G. Jennings, on July 11, 2014.

She is survived by her three daughters, Deborah J. Lee and her husband Greg, Auburn, AL, Holly J. St. John and her husband Terry, Chatham, VA, and Melody J. Thomas and her husband Isaac, Bridgeport; 12 grandchildren, Nichole Schmidt, Joshua Lee, Natasha Priestley, Justin St. John, Brittany Shreve, Heather Rager, Jordan St. John, Tara Harper, Tiffany Dingus,

Isaac Thomas, III, Titus Thomas and Jared St. John; and 18 great-grandchildren; One brother, John Haynes of Grapevine, TX and one sister, Judy Carroll of Sarasota, FL; and several nieces and nephews complete her family.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Frank Reamer Haynes, Jr. and her sister, Dorothy Mae Haynes Bauer.

Betty was a homemaker and faithfully served alongside her husband

in ministry for over 53 years. One could not begin to count the number of services, weddings, and funerals she played the piano for over the years. Betty loved the Lord and she loved people.

Friends will be received at Fellowship Bible Church, 70 Deegan Lake Dr., Bridgeport, W.Va. 26330, on Friday, September 3, 2021, from 10:00-11:30 a.m., with service immediately following. Interment will follow in Burnside Funeral Home, Bridgeport

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businesses recover from the pandemic and access other resources. Prior to this option, businesses that did not apply for forgiveness within 10 months of the end of the covered period were at risk of owing principal and interest payments on their PPP loans.

“We are incredibly excited that in just two weeks, the Direct Borrower Forgiveness Portal is providing small businesses with a streamlined, user-friendly way to apply for forgiveness and receive relief on these essential PPP loans,” said Patrick Kelley, Associate Administrator for SBA’s Office of Capital Access. “Already, we’ve seen hundreds of

thousands of borrowers navigating quickly and easily through the process, and we continue to proactively help borrowers apply through extensive outreach and webinar trainings. We encourage all lenders to opt-in to this tested portal.”

In the two weeks since the portal opened, the SBA has received over three times the number of submissions than the top 10 PPP lenders who are not participating in Direct Forgiveness, putting the SBA on pace to close out forgiveness for the 3.4 million direct forgiveness borrowers by the end of the year. Currently, more than 1,230 PPP lenders,

representing over 50% of outstanding loan forgiveness applications, have opted-in to the Direct Borrower Forgiveness Portal.

“The direct forgiveness platform has been very effective and efficient in processing applications from tens of thousands of our PPP borrowers already. This has been tremendously smooth for our borrowers, our institution, and for the SBA,” said Chris Hurn, CEO of Fountainhead. “Our borrowers’ feedback has been universally positive about its ease of use in completing their applications within mere minutes. We’re

very proud to have played a small part in helping make this a reality.”

Before direct forgiveness, borrowers had to take the initiative to download forgiveness forms or get forms from their banks to complete and submit. Some lenders had not yet built the technology or processes to even begin accepting forgiveness applications, and many did not actively reach out to borrowers to help them through the process. Forgiveness was not user-friendly, which is why millions of borrowers, including over 700,000 loans made in 2020, had yet to submit their one-

page application.

Through this simpler process, SBA proactively reaches out to borrowers and provides a pre-populated forgiveness form to the borrower that they can complete in the new direct forgiveness portal. Borrowers can submit using a computer or smartphone. On average users submit their applications in only six minutes and receive their forgiveness decisions within a week from the date of submission. Of the 340,000 applications submitted through the portal, half have already been approved for full or partial forgiveness,

totaling more than \$2.4 billion.

Borrowers who are interested in starting their applications can access the portal. The SBA also encouraged interested borrowers to attend any of its live webinar and Q&A sessions held in August and September.

Borrowers whose loans are through banks that have chosen not to opt-in to the SBA’s direct forgiveness portal must apply through their lender for forgiveness. To ensure that direct forgiveness relief goes to communities and small businesses with the most need, the SBA remains committed to reducing fraud across programs.

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programs has been recognized not only for its excellence, but also for its affordability,” said Fairmont State University President Mirta M. Martin. “We take great pride in pairing affordability

with quality, allowing us to offer one-of-a-kind, transformative opportunities. This recognition is a testament to the forensic program and its extraordinary teacher-mentors.”

Fairmont State’s forensic science curriculum is comprised of several educational elements in addition to forensic courses, some of which include biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics. Upon

completion of the program, successful Fairmont State forensic science majors will be proficient in problem solving, legal analysis and application, quantitative reasoning, investigation and

scientific laboratory procedures.

Graduates of the forensic science program are prepared for careers as medical examiners, criminalists, forensic anthropologists,

forensic chemists, forensic pathologists or toxicologists.

To learn more about the Fairmont State University forensic science program, visit www.fairmontstate.edu/forensicscience.

Let's face it: 2020 was a challenging year.

Thank you, West Virginia public school educators.

You are amazing.

We saw your selfless and tireless support for our students, families and communities during this COVID-19 pandemic.

And we know you'll do the same this year.

We did all this, together.

Take time and thank your local educators.

Tell them: We appreciate all you do every single day for our students and public schools!



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