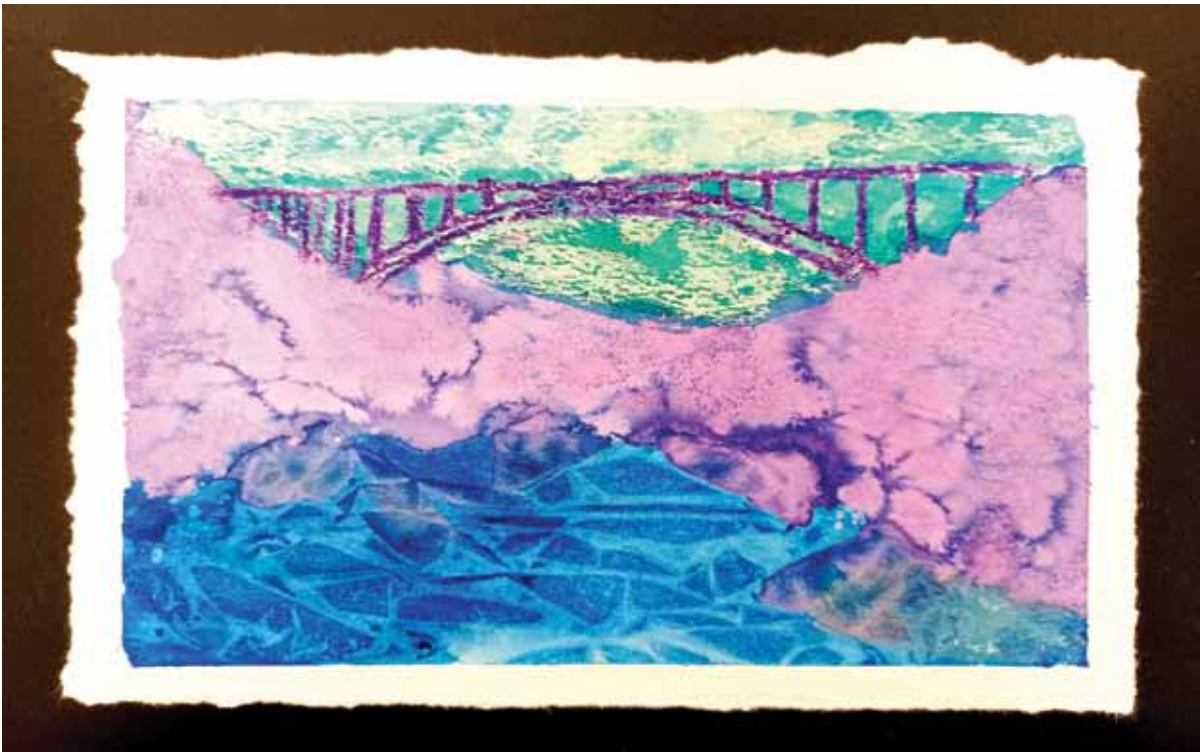




Shinnston middle-school kids shine

Students lauded for artistic endeavors



Jan. 29 marked the first time the Lincoln Middle School Wildcats danceline won the county championship.

Dance team wins

By Mary Heinrich

Thanks to confidence, focus, and a beautifully executed performance, the Lincoln Middle School Wildcats danceline mauled the competition on Jan. 29, beating out three other schools in the county dance championship.

Led by eighth grader Chelsea Boyles, the team also consists of eighth graders Danica Gherke, Kadee Kis; seventh graders, Addison Riley, Heidi Thomas, Payton Van Pelt; and sixth graders Audrey Rodeheaver, Aralyn Southern, and Lorelai Wolfe.

Lincoln High School played host to the contest, opening their doors to danceline teams from Bridgeport Middle, Mountaineer Middle, WI Middle, and Lincoln Middle.

Even though danceline is a fairly new sport to the area, having arrived in 2010, the gymnasium was packed with people. The music rang from the rafters. Cheers exploded throughout the building.

All four teams were required to

perform two routines, each two and a half to three minutes in length. Before the competition, the teams chose a number from a bucket to decide the order in which they would perform.

Organizers canceled the competition in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But team members did dance during that time. They performed during football and basketball games, and most of the girls take dance class outside of school.

But there is nothing like competition to bring out the best in an athlete. This year brought a new energy to the gymnasium, and when the Lincoln Middle School Wildcats took the floor, the room came alive.

This group of nine girls commanded the attention of everyone in the room. Wearing sleek black and gold unitards with thick, black headbands, they stood out from the other teams dressed in more traditional, sparkly dance costumes.

The Wildcats moved

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Raley Cochran, a sixth-grade student at Lincoln Middle School, won third place in the middle-school division of the Almost Heaven Governor's Art Exhibition with her watercolor "Winter at New River Gorge." Courtesy photo.

By Erin Beck
Editor

Two Shinnston middle-school students are among the winners of the fourth annual Almost Heaven Governor's Art Exhibition, state officials announced last week.

The contest was designed "to showcase student creativity and the arts," according to a news release. This year's theme was: "What does America's newest national park – the New River Gorge National Park & Preserve – mean to you?" Winners' artwork will be featured on postcards for the Department of Tourism.

Peyton Hamrick, a seventh-grade student at Lincoln Middle School, won second place in the middle-school division

with "Bridge Over the Mountains."

Raley Cochran, a sixth-grade student at Lincoln Middle School, won third place in the middle-school division with "Winter at New River Gorge."

First, second, and third-place winners in three divisions, elementary school, middle school, and high school, will receive Blick Art Materials gift cards in the amounts of \$100, \$50, and \$25, respectively.

Peyton used a tool on scratch paper to create shadows and depth in a scenic, black-and-white piece, featuring the historic New River Gorge Bridge and surrounding mountains, skyline, and the New River. Peyton said the drawing "signifies the



Peyton Hamrick, a seventh-grade student at Lincoln Middle School, won second place in the middle-school division of the Almost Heaven Governor's Art Exhibition with "Bridge Over the Mountains." Courtesy photo.

beauty of the state that I call home."

"I like art because I get to express myself through creativity," she said.

Peyton said she felt proud and excited to win second place, and she planned to practice more art with the new supplies.

Raley used watercolor to create an imaginative version of the same recognizable landmark, the New River Gorge.

"I wanted to capture the beauty of the New River Gorge in winter," she said.

Raley was shocked and excited to have won

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Shinnston & Lumberport officials visit legislators



Shinnston and Lumberport officials met with lawmakers, including State Senator Patrick Martin, R-Harrison, at the state Capitol in Charleston. Pictured, from left: Shinnston City Manager Chad Edwards, Lumberport City Clerk Tori Drainer, (behind Tori) Lumberport Councilperson Lexi Mayfield, Lumberport Recorder Linda Wright, Lumberport Mayor Betty O'Dell, State Senator Patrick Martin, Shinnston Mayor Patrick Kovalck, and Shinnston City Clerk Kathleen Panek. Courtesy photo.

Submitted by Kathleen Panek, City Clerk

Shinnston and Lumberport city officials met with state

lawmakers to discuss local concerns and needs.

On Monday, Jan. 24, city officials visit State Senators Patrick

Martin, R-Harrison, and Michael Romano, D-Harrison, as well as Delegates Clay Riley, Ben Queen, and Laura Kimble, all three Harrison County Republicans.

During the legislative session each year, the West Virginia Municipal League meets in Charleston to inform the municipalities about potential legislation. They also provide the opportunity to visit the Capitol and speak with legislators.

Mayor Patrick Kovalck, City Manager Chad Edwards, and City Clerk Kathleen Panek represented Shinnston and Mayor Betty O'Dell, Councilperson Lexie Mayfield, City Clerk Tori Drainer, and Recorder Linda

Wright represented Lumberport.

Delegate Danny Hamrick, R-Harrison, was unable to keep his appointment due to a committee meeting.

City officials told lawmakers about the feasibility study Thrasher Engineering is conducting regarding Lumberport's water issues. City officials have said Thrasher may recommend Shinnston sell water to Lumberport or may recommend another solution. City officials said they also told lawmakers about other concerns.

Shinnston and Lumberport city officials thank the legislators for the time they gave to listen to the presentations.

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OPINION GUEST COLUMN

Stollings: West Virginians need Manchin's help on drug pricing

By State Senator Ron Stollings, MD



State Senator Ron Stollings, MD

Of all the policy proposals included in the federal reconciliation bill, prescription drug pricing reform cut through the noise as a bright spot for bipartisan agreement — and for good reason. For far too long, pharmaceutical companies have used shady tactics to hike their prices while everyday Americans are

stuck footing the bill. In West Virginia, the need for prescription drug pricing reform is particularly dire. The COVID-19 pandemic

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This week in West Virginia history

Feb. 11, 1923: Eight members of the Black Hand were arrested in Harrison County. The Black Hand was the name and symbol of an underworld society of Italian immigrants that sought to extort money from other Italian immigrants.

Also during this week in West Virginia history:

Feb. 10, 1904: Jay Legg was shot and killed by his wife, Sarah Ann, in their home in Clay County. The trial, conviction, appeal and acquittal of Sarah Ann led to a popular West Virginia folk ballad, "The Murder of Jay Legg."

Feb. 10, 2010: Frederick Appleton "Fred" Schaus, West Virginia University basketball All-American, coach, and athletic director, died at the age of 84 in Morgantown. Schaus coached at WVU from 1954 to 1960, with a 146-37 record.

Feb. 11, 1903: Artist Grace Martin Taylor was born in Morgantown. In addition to producing an immense body of work in a variety of styles, Taylor enjoyed a lengthy career at the Mason College of Fine Arts and Music in Charleston.

Feb. 11, 1904: Clarence Watson Meadows was born in Beckley. His mother hoped he would become a Baptist minister, but he ultimately entered politics, becoming the 22nd governor of West Virginia.

Feb. 11, 1911: The Charles Town Opera House opened. The 500-seat theater ushered in an era of entertainment and service lasting more than 30 years.

Feb. 11, 1935: The first houses in the Tygart Valley Homesteads were ready for occupancy. One of three resettlement projects in West Virginia, the homestead was intended to provide a new start for unemployed farmers, miners and timber workers.

Feb. 12, 1867: Prosperity in Raleigh Barbourville was

incorporated by an act of the state legislature. Originally the county seat of Cabell County, it lost that honor after the C&O Railway was completed to Huntington.

Feb. 12, 1899: Karl Dewey Myers was born in Tucker County with severe birth defects. He never attended school, but he educated himself through persistent self-study. He was named the state's first poet laureate in 1927.

Feb. 13, 1800: General John Jay Jackson was born near Parkersburg. He served in the Seminole War as a member of Gen. Andrew Jackson's staff.

Feb. 13, 1913: Mother Jones was arrested in Charleston after helping union miners on Paint Creek and Cabin Creek.

Feb. 13, 1923: Chuck Yeager was born at Myra, about seven miles from Hamlin. On October 14, 1947, in a Bell X-1 rocket airplane dropped from a B-29 bomber, Yeager broke the sound barrier by flying 700 miles per hour.

Feb. 14, 1866: Grant County was created and named for Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, who later became the nation's 18th president.

Feb. 15, 1898: Musician John Homer "Uncle Homer" Walker was born in Mercer County. Among the last in a tradition of black Appalachian banjo players, he played the five-string banjo in the clawhammer style.

Feb. 15, 1930: Sara Jane Moore was born in Charleston. On Sept. 22, 1975, Moore attempted to assassinate President Gerald Ford in San Francisco.

Feb. 15, 1975: Elizabeth Kee, the state's first female member of Congress, died in Bluefield. Kee was elected to Congress in 1951 after the death of her husband, John. She retired in 1964 and was replaced by her son, James.

Feb. 16, 1821: Morris Harvey was born near

Super Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a Downsize section with smaller clues.

Grid for the Super Crossword puzzle with numbered starting points for clues.

Find the Super Crossword Answers on Page 9!

to the Barbourville Seminary led to its name being changed to Morris Harvey College in 1901. The institution is now known as the University of Charleston. Feb. 16, 1951: Second Lieutenant Darwin Keith Kyle died during an intense exchange against Chinese forces in Korea. He was awarded the Medal of Honor. e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia is a project of the West Virginia Humanities Council. For more information contact the West Virginia Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25301; (304) 346-8500; or visit e-WV at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Corrections

The story "Shinnston Troop 31558 distributed goody bags on Jan. 18 for people adopting pets from the Harrison County Humane Society. Previously, they adopted Angels from Lincoln High School through their Angel Luv program for Shinnston and Lumberport schoolchildren.

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N&J Briefs

FROM AROUND HARRISON COUNTY

This calendar of events listing is provided free of charge to churches and nonprofit organizations. Please submit your listing two weeks prior to the event. Send via email to newsandjournal@yahoo.com.

American Legion Auxiliary

The monthly meeting will be held Thursday, Feb. 17. Members will prep candy bags for the VA at 6 p.m. Meeting, 7 pm. Post 31 Shinnston.

Lowe Public Library

The Lowe Public Library has resumed its regular hours to the general public: Monday 11:30 am – 7 p.m. and Tuesday-Friday 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m, 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).

Shinnston Senior Citizens

Shinnston Senior Citizens meets every Friday, weather permitting, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the American Legion. There is no meeting when schools are closed.

Bridgeport Public Library

Bridgeport Public Library at 1200 Johnson Ave. is open to the public. Also, readers can access the library's catalog by reserving books on their website at www.youseemore.com/bridgeport and may pick up books on the following days and times: M-W-F 12 p.m.-8 p.m and Tuesday & Thursday 12 p.m.-5 p.m. 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.

Celebrate Recovery

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

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third place.

She said she's loved art since she was little, so she would have continued creating it even without the recognition of her talent.

“I like art because it does not always have to be perfect, like in my painting of the bridge, I made the snow purple,” she said. “It is also very fun and exciting.”

Submitting student artwork to the concert was optional for teachers. But Beth Roselius, who started teaching art at Lincoln Middle School this year, said she typically enters her students in as many contests as she can. She hopes winning helps

them feel confident in their abilities.

A previous art teacher left when COVID-19 hit, then last year, school officials filled the position with long-term substitutes, she said. She noted that many elementary schools in Harrison County, even though her classes are the reason some kids get excited to come to school.

“My goal is to develop not only a strong program, but to really get students excited about art and, and what it can open up for them,” she said. “And just to see them realize that they're good at something.” She hopes to see students

find “something in them that they didn't know they had before.”

Shinnston is about two hours from the new national park. Roselius said she showed students pictures and asked them critical thinking questions, like “what types of things would you do at the New River Gorge?” She said those were questions that got kids thinking, “maybe I don't live there, but there are things that I can relate to.”

In the press release last week, Gov. Jim Justice, the West Virginia Department of Tourism and the West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History also announced that

the winning entries are among 275 pieces from students in 12 counties now on display outside the governor's office at the State Capitol.

Before coming to Lincoln Middle School, Roselius taught other students who placed in the contest. She said state officials held a reception in Charleston two years ago, but not last year because of the pandemic. As for this year, she said she hadn't heard from state officials, but the school principal planned to make an announcement about the local winners this week, and that she would plan an award ceremony at the school.

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as one unit in everything they did, and they didn't miss a mark through the entire routine.

It was obvious, Lincoln had come to win.

After the first routine, the teams are all given time to go change their costumes before their second routine.

Once again, the Wildcats set themselves apart. Wearing sparkly, but still sleek, black, and gold biketards with gold hair pieces, the team resembled the sleek cat which represents their school.

Their second routine appeared as effortless as the first.

At the end of the day, the Lincoln Wildcats walked away with top honors while Bridgeport

Middle took home the runner-up prize. This was Lincoln's first top prize finish!

Lincoln coach Melissa Garrison said they didn't have long to prepare.

“We were given about two and a half weeks to prepare, which is a less than ideal situation,” she said. “But we talked to the girls and explained what would be expected of them and they wanted it! From then on, they were focused!”

That focus showed in their performance. Intentional practice was visible in every step of their routine.

One of the things that sets dance apart from many other sports is that it is both athletic and artistic. While

demonstrating impressive athleticism, dancers also must never let their smiles leave their faces.

The Wildcats absolutely managed to merge the two skills on Saturday.

Garrison said her girls are “beautiful inside and out.”

She also said that confidence was evident because “their parents, families, friends, and so many from the community were there to watch them and everyone believed in them,” and that their coaches are teaching them that “confidence speaks volumes”.

Moving forward, Garrison and her team, Assistant Coach Melody Wolfe and

Choreographer Ingra Pratt, plan to become more familiar with the county rules and schedule. When contemplating next year's team, Coach Garrison said they will be losing three “amazing eighth graders,” but she feels certain that her current sixth and seventh graders will step up to fill the spots.

She was also encouraged when she looked up into the stands Saturday and saw several students showing great potential. She feels confident that now that the girls have won the county championship, “these girls are going to want it again!”



The Lincoln Middle School Wildcats won the county championship on Jan. 29. Courtesy photo.

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The Chinese New Year and other celebrations



GRAPEVINE

By Rosalyn Queen

It's the Year of The Tiger. What does this mean to you? Well, everyone who knows me is aware that I am certainly someone who loves to wear animal prints, but a little research taught me that it has nothing to do with your choice of clothing.

In China and much of Asia, as well as parts of the United States, we observe the Lunar New Year, more commonly referred to as the Chinese New Year. In China, this is the most important holiday. In 2022 it started on Feb. 1 and will continue for 15 days. Many myths are part of the Chinese New Year. It also is a time when family members come home for traditional reunions.

You may also see joss paper being burned, symbolizing money in an offering to deceased ancestors.

Another myth is that there is no showering, sweeping, or throwing out garbage on the first day of the lunar new year, as this will get rid of good luck.

Some believe that the time to fight off the monster "Nian" may come, and that setting off firecrackers will scare off the mythical creature. Some hold parades and firecracker ceremonies. Red is the color of the event, and if you decorate your house in red, it will ward off the monster. Red paper lanterns are used to decorate. You will find that most

people will be wearing red clothing. Red envelopes will be used to fill with lucky money for the children.

In the United States, you may not observe this celebration unless you reside in a large city which observes the Chinese New Year, such as San Francisco. Several years ago, I had the opportunity to travel to San Francisco as a representative of the National Fairs and Festivals Association. This was during the period of their New Year observance. There were parades every night with firecrackers. I wondered why and now I know. The celebration ended with a lantern festival and parade. I am glad that I had the opportunity to be a part of this cultural celebration.

Every year there is a different zodiac animal used. The year I was there, it was the Year of the Snake.

If you have small children, there is

still time to plan a celebration, which could serve as an introduction to Chinese culture.

I have three important birthdays to celebrate this month, those of my grandson Ben Queen and my daughters Leslie Pruitt and Lisa Lang. I wish them much happiness and many more birthdays in good health.

Valentine's Day is also here, and it is a time to express your love. Be sure to let those closest to you know how much you love them. The best Valentine's Day gifts I ever received were Lisa and Leslie. They were born on the Fe. 13 and there is no gift that could top them.

I hope you have a loving holiday surrounded by those you love.

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

Time for another sledding story



Pine Bluff News

Things were a little slow in the Bluff this week, so it's time for another sled riding story. At least once every winter, my brothers (John and Jack), Tom McIntire, Don Cecil and I would tackle Peora Hill (main road) when it would be snow covered. We'd sandpaper down our sled runners and drag our sleds up the hollow (a mile) to Peora.

On the Peora side of the hill, the road is roughly half a mile long, crooked, and steep. At the bottom, there is a small bridge in a turn. To get to the top of the hill, we'd wait for someone that we knew to come along. We would get behind the vehicle, lay down on our sleds, and

reach up and grab a good handhold on the bumper. Sometimes there would be four of us across. For obvious reasons, you never hooked the sled rope over the bumper guard; the guy might not stop at the top. Then the driver would take off for the top of the hill. Your position on the bumper determined what you would experience in transit. If you were behind a tire and he started spinning, you'd get covered up from the slinging snow. If you were behind the exhaust pipe, you'd get the welcomed warmth, but you would stagger around a little after reaching the top from all the fumes.

If the driver was doing a lot of spinning, you'd be sucking a lot of fumes. Now, on this hill, there was no way of knowing if a vehicle was coming up the hill. So, you were on your own on the way down. By the time you got to the first turn (at the old watering trough), you were dragging your toes (brakes) trying to slow down while shifting your body (half on sled, half on ground) to the right to make the right-hand turn. After negotiating that turn, you'd pick up your feet and build up speed through the two next turns and hit the long straightaway. About halfway down the long stretch, you'd start applying the brakes again (toes of your four buckle Arctics). Then you'd make it around the next two turns and end up on Cunningham Run Road.

Our Dad could never figure out why we were so rough on boots. Once there were three of us coming down at the same time and we ran into a four-wheel drive pick-up truck on the way up; now there's an adrenaline rush for you. I was on the left, Tommy was in the middle, and John was on the right. John swears that Tommy passed under the middle of the truck. I can't confirm it because I was kind of incapacitated. When I saw the truck, I jerked the sled into the ditch. The sled stopped but I didn't, so I continued plowing the ditch for another 15 feet (Did anybody get the license number of that truck?).

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

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the baseball coach, ran the class through a set of calisthenics and Sonny Moran gave a course in handball that consisted of an hour of hitting the hard rubber ball into a wall. I doubt that the classes produced many PGA golfers or Olympic handball players, but it was exciting to be in the place that Jerry West and Hot Rod Hundley played just a few years before.

Occasionally you would get a glimpse of Whitey Gwynne walking to his office, dressed in white from head to toe. He was the trainer for the WVU basketball team and was well known to everyone in the state for his work at the 1963 Pan American Games and the 1968 and 1972 Olympics. His office and training area were tucked into a corner of the Field House and was a constant buzz of activity, with athletes getting treatment in the

whirlpool or a rubdown.

Each trip to the Field House reminded me that I would never get to achieve my dream of being a college basketball player. I would have to make do by playing pickup games after class or in the evenings. At least, that's what I thought until a cold day in October, when I saw a group of guys standing around the bulletin board, looking at a flier, labeled WVU Freshman Basketball Team Tryouts. It said that it was open to any full-time freshman and was signed, Chuck Windsor, WVU Freshman Basketball Coach.

I remember walking into the Field House and seeing about fifty guys waiting to try out for the freshman team. I recognized a few of them from our pickup games, but most of them were new faces. At 6 foot 4 inches tall, I was

one of the taller guys and thought that might be to my advantage.

The tryouts consisted of a lot of running up and down the court, under the watchful eye of Coach Windsor and his new graduate assistant Carl Head. We would then divide up into teams and scrimmage for the remainder of the tryout. As one of the big guys, I worked a good bit with Coach Head, a former player at WVU, who was working on his graduate degree and helping with the freshman team. The recruiting class for WVU that year was getting a lot of press, with All-American Will Robinson and West Virginia's first 7-footer, Mike Heitz, leading a talented group of scholarship players.

We learned that the official practices for the freshman team wouldn't begin until the fifty non-scholarship prospects

were whittled down to eight lucky guys. I didn't want to get my hopes up and was somewhat resigned to, once again, having my dream to play at WVU crushed.

After two weeks of intense workouts, the coaches said that the list would be posted on the bulletin board at the Field House on Wednesday at 4 p.m. I was working at my work-study job in the speech department and didn't get off until 4 p.m. I hurried down to the Field House and saw a group of guys crowded around the bulletin board and squinted to see if I could see the list of names. As the crowd thinned out, I got up close and couldn't believe my eyes, I was on the list for the 1968-69 WVU freshman basketball team!

This is the second in a series. Next week will be Part III.

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VA opens main drive

Last week, the VA Medical Center began opening the main drive to traffic, following two years of building a parking garage, according to a press release. The stoplight at the main entrance was scheduled to be activated and the temporary light entrance was set to be removed. The news release stated that the facility parking garage would remain closed "as we are still waiting (for) final certifications."

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HCSCC SPOTLIGHT

Featuring news from the Harrison County Senior Citizen Center

Senior center to elect board

By Erin Beck
Editor

contribute to the board. Candidates also must meet with the director to have their pictures taken for election flyers and posters of board candidates.

They must submit candidate packets to the director's office by 4 p.m. on Thursday, March 17.

In other board business, the senior center board of directors held their regular meeting on Jan. 27, via Zoom.

The board unanimously approved Fitzgerald's request to keep meal token costs at \$5 for lunch, and .50 cents for each breakfast item through June 23, 2022.

Harrison County Senior Citizens Center has also received a \$800 grant from the Harrison County Cultural Foundation for the Book Club's 2022 author series for author

The Harrison County Senior Citizens Center is planning the next election for its board of directors.

The regularly scheduled election for the board of directors will be held in May 2022, according to a news release.

Senior Center members, including satellite members, who are in good standing and have been a member for at least one year, are eligible.

Prospective board members may ask questions or request a candidate packet from Senior Center Executive Director Beth Fitzgerald by calling 304-623-6795.

The packet includes a required statement (150 words maximum) on why the applicant desires to be a board member and what they believe they will



honorariums. Current board members include President, Bill O'Field; Vice President, Ryan Kennedy; Secretary, Donna Stuart; Treasurer, Donald Burton; Janet Dotson; Franklin Hairston; Sharon Hamilton; Will Hyman; Harley Jeffries; Sandra Mossor; Bill Phillips; Susan Thomas; and Betty

Waddy. The remaining 2022 board meeting dates are March 24, April 28, June 23, Aug. 25, and Oct. 27. Board meetings are at 9:30 a.m.

The Satellite Presidents Council will meet after the March 24 board meeting. The council is also planning an election of officers.

Dates to Remember



Feb. 14: The senior center will celebrate Valentine's Day with a special lunch and free bingo games. Lunch will be heart-shaped chicken nuggets, French fries, salad, and dessert. Bingo prizes will be a lunch token or breakfast tokens and chocolate candy.

Feb. 21: The center will be closed on Monday, February 21, 2022, in observance of Presidents' Day.

March 17: Candidate packets due for prospective board members.

March 24: The next board meeting is scheduled for 9:30 a.m.

April 15: Tax Day is April 15. AARP Tax Aid volunteers offer free tax assistance appointments, primarily for those who are older, those with disabilities, veterans, and low-income individuals. Appointments are being set for Tuesdays or Fridays from February 15 through April 15. Call the center at 304-623-6795 for more information.

Senior Center members mark a birthday



On Feb. 1, senior center members celebrated Board President William O'Field's birthday with lobster bisque soup. O'Field donates the soup each year and members appreciate the soup and tradition. Pictured, from left, are Kathryn Michalik, Julie Cobb, Julie Hyman, and Joline Dawson.

Shinnston Senior Citizens group is looking for new members

By Erin Beck
Editor

Dotson said January meetings, which are held on Fridays, were canceled due to poor weather. When schools are closed, the group does not meet.

But she's hoping to hold more meetings as the weather improves.

Members meet at the American Legion at 10 a.m. for bingo and 11:30 a.m. for a free hot meal on

Fridays. Members don't have to come to both events.

The group is a satellite of the Harrison County Senior Citizens Center.

Annual membership is \$10. Members don't have to pay extra for bingo.

"The people that do come really enjoy it," Dotson said.

People with questions

can call Dotson at 304-592-0912.

(Note: The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says that older people are more at risk of severe illness when they contract COVID-19. The CDC recommends vaccines, booster shots, and masks in indoor settings.)

Cards allow contact-free check-in

New Harrison County Senior Citizens Center membership cards have been available since Oct. 1, 2021. Members are using the bar code on the back of the card to scan in at the center's front desk and sign in for activities and meals.

The new cards are permanent membership cards. Members with a satellite affiliation, please

contact your satellite president to obtain your card. Members without a satellite affiliation, please contact the center at 304-623-6795 to request printing of your card and advise them when you will come to the center to pay your \$10 dues and pick up your card. Dues will be collected yearly to maintain a valid card.



A sample of the front of the new cards is shown.



Senior Center employees Kim Hyman, left, and Beth Fitzgerald, director, assist AARP Tax Aid Volunteers by setting appointments for those needing assistance with their taxes, primarily those who are older, those with disabilities, veterans, and low-income individuals. They assist with scheduling from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Caregivers needed

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Big hopes clash in Clarksburg



The Bottom Line

By Bill Nestor
Sports Editor

This past Saturday, Lincoln and Robert C. Byrd locked up for the first time this boys' basketball season. Old Man Winter postponed the original matchup which helped to build the anticipation surrounding this meeting. It was a hard-fought game which pitted two evenly matched teams against each other, and in the end, the Flying Eagles secured a 49-37 win.

Robert C. Byrd was coming off a pair of lopsided setbacks and was trying to regroup. This campaign did not set out as first year head coach, Basil Lucas, had imagined it would. His squad hasn't seen much court time together as several players have missed games due to health issues. To add insult to injury, the Flying Eagles were only able to have six practices in the month of January, making it nearly impossible to find cohesiveness.

The Cougars and veteran mentor, Jordan Toth, have encountered a murderous schedule to start their season. Most recently they have had to tangle with the top two teams in class AAA, Fairmont Senior and North Marion, along with an extremely talented Notre Dame team.

The early season issues brought both teams into this game with losing records, which hasn't happened in recent years. However, it didn't take away from the effort on the hardwood. Heading into Saturday's play, it was understood by both teams that this was not only Big 10 Conference, but sectional seeding implications on the line.

Robert C. Byrd jumped to a 13 to 8 lead after the first period of play. An aggressive approach provided six free throws and foul trouble for Lincoln.

Four of these charity

tosses went to Quinten Cooley. Cooley was perfect from the line in the opening segment, leading the Eagles with six first period points.

Despite the use of various zone defenses, Lincoln's Aaron Ramsey found foul trouble. A pair of early fouls limited the 6-foot 4-inch, 205-pound senior's playing time. The foul woes were a major factor in the outcome as Robert C. Byrd out rebounded the Cougars 33-15.

The Flying Eagles built a 23-15 halftime lead as Cooley and Jeremiah King combined for half of those points. Lincoln went to Sammy Bart for offensive production early in the second half. He and Easton Gibbs both scoured foul points in the third quarter to keep the score close.

Robert C. Byrd saved its best for last, scoring 14 fourth quarter points (the most of any quarter) to earn the victory. Brayden Thompson had an impressive second half for the host (Flying Eagles) with 14 second half points. Thompson finished with 16 points,

six rebounds, and three assists. Cooley had 13 points and seven rebounds. King chipped in with six points and a game high nine caroms.

The Cougars had a trio of players contribute eight points apiece; Bart, John Lopez, and Manning Clark. Clark (off of the bench) and Lopez each had a three-pointer for the visitors.

Fans do not have to wait long for the rematch. Round two is set for tomorrow (2/11) in Shinnston. I will be fortunate enough to forecast the battle which is set to tip at 7:30 p.m. on 101.3 FM. Lincoln is always hard to beat at home and this game carries additional seeding implications. If these two should play a third time, the host team will have a big advantage which makes this tilt that much more significant. Another big game in Shinnston! What more could any Cougar fan ask for?

That will do 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 we 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 Athlete of the Week award is an avenue to promote the youth of our county, while bringing attention to their athletic accomplishments.

The winners of this week's Shinnston News and Harrison County Journal's Athletes of the Week Award are Lincoln's Megan Tucker and South Harrison's Corey Boulden.

Lincoln's basketball player Megan Tucker turned

in a pair of solid efforts while helping her team to a pair of wins. On Tuesday, against Preston, Tucker scored 15 points and pulled down six rebounds. Tucker followed that effort with 13 points, four rebounds, four steals, and three assists on Thursday versus Grafton.

H a w k s hoopster, Corey Boulden, set a school record 58 points in a win against Roane County last Saturday. Boulden also hauled down six rebounds, recorded six, and dished out four assists.

Congratulations to Lincoln's Megan Tucker and South Harrison's Corey Boulden for being named Shinnston News and Harrison County Journal's Athletes of the Week!

Four parks available for rental in 2022



From The World Of Parks & Recreation

By Doug Comer

With all the improvements planned in the coming months at county-owned properties, Harrison County Parks Departments will be available for rent for anything from sports teams to family reunions. Imagine the opportunities.

"We have really needed to get some things taken care of at our parks, and now that the county commission is in support of this, we can take advantage of renting our facilities," said Director Mike Book. "We are in process of giving a face-lift to all sites in hopes of finding ways to create revenue for our department."

The previous year was actually busy for the rec complex, as many families felt that outdoor functions were safer under COVID-19 conditions. The pavilions were rented almost every weekend and having the outdoor functions proved easier for our staff as well. Indoor functions are more expensive. "When the building is rented, our overhead eats up a lot of the rental costs," he said. "Having to have a full-time person and multiple part-time people plus the utilities, set-up and break down creates expenses that are almost equal to the

recreational league, to practice and play roughly three times

rental fees. But, with outdoor rentals, there is not much hassle compared to indoor. We have the staff here go and set up on Friday for the weekend. And then we post a sign saying the area is reserved for a private function. Staff comes back on Monday and there is minimal cleanup involved."

One site of importance is Spelter Park. Plans to work on the ball field include adding to the backstop and then some netting along the first and third base side. This will help with foul balls that carry over into the fire department building and residences. Also, work needs to be done on the press box including repairing the floor and the front part of the building. Parking will be an issue as well considering the lack of space. There is

an old trailer that was repossessed by the bank and plans are to put a parking lot where the trailer sits now.

Wallace Park will get its basketball court resurfaced and striped this spring. Families have used the area and a local group has been instrumental in the upkeep of the park. Maintenance workers cut and weed-eat the property weekly and take care of the trash at the pavilion when needed. There are a couple playground pieces on property and plans for a multi-place for baseball, softball, and other recreational purposes.

Plans at the Summit Park facility include expanding the dugouts and adding concrete footers to the existing area. The total length of 18 feet will allow more people to stay in

the area during play. The upper field, which is used primarily for softball, t-ball and some youth baseball, has the same need. New fencing for the outfield on the upper field will replace the existing fencing, which has had issues due to drainage problems beyond the fence.

"We have some drainage and electrical issues on the upper field and we plan to fix the wet areas as well as remove the lighting as they create a safety hazard," said Book. "Once the drainage is fixed, we will replace the existing fence with a brand new one and bring the infield in about six feet to take away any future problems with water. And finally, we need to complete the dugouts and replace the backstop. All-in-all, we will pretty much

have a brand-new field for teams to use for practice or to compete."

Finally, the park at Good Hope will have new fencing and a better play area. A 30-foot by 30-foot concrete basketball court was added to the property, and a playground pod that will consist of swings and a climbing area will give the park a more modern look. Local baseball teams plan to use the field, and community churches use the park for picnics and other functions.

"We hope to have all things ready by the spring and once complete, we will post a rate sheet for all parks and the rules and regulations for rentals at all facilities. We will most likely have all things on our website or other social media realms," Book said.

Kids soccer sign-ups ongoing

By Erin Beck, Editor

The deadline for children to register for the Shinnston Soccer Association is Feb. 28. The association has leagues available for those born between 2008 and 2018.

"We are a recreational league,

so there are no try-outs, and we welcome all skill levels in all age groups, even kids who have never touched a ball before," said Wendy Spurling, association registrar.

Teams can expect to practice and play roughly three times

a week from mid-March to early June. The home fields are at Nuzum's Trucking.

In-person registration will be held at School Square, near the old Fox's Pizza, on Feb. 12 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. For those needing

equipment, the association provides gently used cleats and shin guards at the registration event. Registration fees vary by age, with discounts available for multiple children.

To register online, visit <http://shinnstonsoccer.org>. For additional information, contact Spurling at 412-719-9305 or at shinnstonsoccer@gmail.com. You can also message the Shinnston Soccer Association Facebook page.

"We are also always looking for coaching volunteers for all age groups, and sponsors for our teams," Spurling said. "Message us for details about those opportunities."

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James Anthony Salentro

James Anthony Salentro, 74, of Shinnston, entered through the gates of Heaven to eternity on January 30, 2022 at his home with his loving family by his side. He was born on December 11, 1947 to James Patrick "Jumbo" and Virginia Secret Salentro, life-long residents of Hepzibah.

On November 8, 1969, Jimmy was united in marriage to Judith Ann Pillo who preceded him in death on June 17, 2019. The two were parents of two sons, Mark Anthony Salentro and his companion, Angela Swiger of Bridgeport; and Michael Patrick Salentro and favorite grandson, "Thunder" of Shinnston; The loves of his life were his granddaughters, Gia Maria and Maria Aristou Salentro and their mother, Stephania of Boca Raton, FL. Also surviving are his sister, Connie Koreski and her husband Eddie of Hepzibah; his nieces, Kristin Brunett and husband John of Bridgeport; and Karolann Mazzie of Bridgeport; Lisa Francis; Leslie Fondron; and Lori Bennett, all of Alabama.

In addition to his parents and wife, Jimmy was preceded in death by two nephews, Rusty Mazzie (2009) and Seth Nicholson (2016). Jimmy was a 1965 Victory Eagles graduate. A stellar athlete, Jimmy was a force as a member of the baseball, basketball and football teams. He received All-Harrison County honors in all three sports and was chosen "Mr. Touchdown" Player of the Year in the State of WV upon his graduation.

He was an outstanding pitcher helping to defeat his opponents with his countless no-hitters and numerous home runs playing for the Ziesing Babe Ruth Team. In 1955, as a 7-year-old "Bat Boy" he traveled with his life-long friend and brother, Junior Desist who was a player on the state Babe Ruth Team from Harrison County to the Babe Ruth "World Series" in Austin, TX as the team placed 3rd in the competition. Jimmy also received a football scholarship to WVU playing his freshman and sophomore years for the Mountaineers and later transferred to Salem College to finish his education.

He was instrumental in forming the Shinnston Pop Warner and Little League teams. He coached the Shinnston American Legion team

always being rivals with his cousin, Bobby Secret, who coached the Clarksburg American Legion team, and a relative, Timbuck Shields of the Bridgeport American Legion team. They supported each other and made lasting memories. The three were mentors to many talented athletes in the surrounding area. Jimmy was a manager for his family's motel business and was owner of M&M Billiards in Shinnston. He was also a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Shinnston.

A special thanks to family doctor, Lance Dubberke of Shinnston, for his excellent care and support during Jimmy's lengthy illness. Also, the nursing staff and physical therapists who assisted him when needed from WVU Medicine Home Health and Hospice with constant compassion.

"When we lose someone we love, we live with the love they left behind"

Friends were received at the Perine Funeral Home, 1348 S. Pike St. Shinnston. The Holy Rosary was recited that evening. A Catholic Funeral Service was held at the funeral home at 11:00 AM Thursday, February 3, 2022 with Father Chris Turner officiating. Entombment followed at the Shinnston Memorial Mausoleum. Online memories and condolences can be shared with the family at www.perinefunerals.com.

The Perine Funeral Home is honored to serve the Salentro family.

John Lawrence "Tuffy" Marra

John Lawrence "Tuffy" Marra, Sr., 82, of Shinnston, passed away on Saturday, January 29, 2022 at WVU Medicine's Fairmont Medical Center following an extended illness. Tuffy was born July 7, 1939, in Harrison County, son of the late Lawrence and Rose Marra.

Tuffy was a 1957 graduate of Shinnston High School, where he earned Spartan status. After high school, Tuffy attended West Virginia University and played football for the Mountaineers as a fullback. Tuffy graduated from WVU with a degree in education and served as a teacher at Central Junior High School in Clarksburg for over 30 years.

Tuffy's favorite activities were fishing and playing golf with cousin and close friend,

Sam Minardi.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Tony Marra; sister, Katherine Oppedisano; and son, John L. Marra, Jr.

Tuffy is survived by two sons; Robert Marra and wife Gina of Fairmont and Lawrence A. Marra of Hepzibah; two grandchildren; two great grandchildren; one sister, Mary Ann (Marra) Mayes and husband Stephen of Clarksburg and several nieces and nephews.

Family and friends were received at Dorsey Funeral Home, 701 S. Pike St., Shinnston, WV on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 from 9:00am to 11:00am. Service began at 11:00am with Father Chris Turner officiating. Interment followed at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery.

Lucille Bartlett Anderson

Beulah Lucille Bartlett Anderson, 93 years old of Mount Clare, Harrison County, West Virginia passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by relatives, friends and caregivers on Monday, January 31st, 2022.

She was born December 6th, 1928, on her family's farm in Gypsy, Harrison County, West Virginia. The fourth daughter of the late Altha and Goldie Carolina Slonaker Bartlett, she was the last surviving member of the family. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving husband, Seba Thomas Anderson, three brothers; Carl Altha Bartlett (wife Imogene), Paul Charles Bartlett (wife Charlotte) and Donald Eugene Bartlett (wife Louise) and three sisters; Martha Ellen Hadley (husband Lawrence), Margaret Alberta Bart (husband John) and Betty Lou Ashcraft (husband John). She also is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Lucille graduated from Fairmont State College and received her Master's in Education from West Virginia University, +45 hours. She worked 38 years in the Harrison County School System. Lucille was a teacher at the Hepzibah Grade School, teaching principal at Carlyle Grade School, Principal at Alta Vista Grade School, and finally retired as Principal of Lost Creek Grade School. She was an active member and past president of Delta Kappa Gamma for 50 plus years, American Association of University Women for 50 plus years. Past Worthy Matron of Queen Ester Chapter of Eastern Star for over 50 years and member of Ladies Oriental Shrine, Order of the Amaranth and Shinnston Women's Club. She also was a faithful member at the First United Methodist

Out Of The Past

Memorable Photographs from around Harrison County.



A group of 1915 Wyatt High School students. Photo courtesy of Bobby Bice.

Church of Shinnston for over 70 years, and financial secretary for many years. She also attended the First United Methodist of Quiet Dell in later years. She was a lifetime member of the state and Harrison County Association of Retired School Employees, and a member of the Quiet Dell Garden Club.

Lucille loved to cook and bake and was known for her famously delicious lemon pies. She loved to help cook at the Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star and Church dinners. Lucille and Seba entertained constantly at their back porch patio in Mount Clare. She was a relentless gardener and loved her flowers around her house.

Lucille had many friends throughout her life and will be greatly missed.

Donations can be directed to the First United Methodist Church of Shinnston, WV, mailing address 64 Rebecca St, Shinnston, WV 26431.

Friends were received at Harmer Funeral Home, Friday, February 4 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm, and Saturday, February 5 from 10:00am to 11:00am. A funeral service was held at 11:00am Saturday, with Reverend Cindy Boggs officiating. Interment followed at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent to harmerfuneralhome.com.

A service of Harmer Funeral Home, Shinnston.

Renate Elsbeth (Beuter) Hardy

Renate Elsbeth Beuter Hardy, 84 years old, of Clarksburg, WV left this world on January 24, 2022 to spend eternity in heaven. She was a caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister and

friend. She was born in Esslingen, Germany to Marianne Gutekunst Beuter Schitar and Ernst Josef Beuter on February 10, 1937. Ernst died during WWII and was buried in Russia. She was preceded in death by her Mother, Father, and Step-Father Isidor Schitar all from Esslingen, Germany.

She met her husband Ralph E. Hardy in Esslingen, Germany while he was stationed there serving in the US Army. They married on August 3, 1957. After Ralph's military service was completed, they moved to Clarksburg, WV. She is preceded in death by her loving husband who passed away on December 27, 2008. She had always fondly looked forward to that day when they would be united again.

Renate survived by her four children. Daughter Kim Gorman of West Milford, WV - Grandchildren, Christine Gorman, Tina Gorman and Chad Gorman. Great Grandchildren - Renae and Caylee Hartley, Rye Howser and Cole Parks, and Brendan Gorman. Daughter Chris (John) Cain of Grafton, WV. Grandchildren - Amy (Josh) Dunham, Jon'paul (girlfriend Alexis Bodkins) Cain. Great Grandchildren - Kolby and Kadie Dunham, Grant, Elliot, and Kendall Cain. Daughter Debby (Randy Bennett) McCullough of Lost Creek, WV. Grandchild - Brian (Andrea) McCullough. Great Grandchildren - Gabrielle and Abigail McCullough. Son Michael (Ashley) Hardy of Clarksburg, WV.

Renate is also preceded in death by one sister, Monika Genthner of Round Pond, Maine whom passed away on April 28, 2020. She is survived by her sister Sylvia Schitar Boem from Bartolama, Germany and brother Dietmar Schitar from Esslingen, Germany and a very special Aunt Elsbeth Cahlecker from Berkheim, Germany.

Also survived by her sister-in-law Helen (Verl) Gear of Clarksburg, WV, and many nieces and

nephews.

Renate was a hard worker and loved everything tidy and in its place. She enjoyed being outside and feeding the birds. She was a huge WV fan and watched all the games from her living room. She enjoyed outings and going for rides, especially with her daughter Debby. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. She will fondly be remembered as Grandma, Mamaw Hardy and Ma Hardy. She enjoyed spending holidays at home with family. She loved a good cup of coffee in the mornings and reading her prayer devotional before going to bed. After coming to the United States, Renate took care of her home and children. She was employed as a housekeeper, worked at Hazel Atlas Glass Factory, and as a cook for Harrison County Schools. All that knew her will most definitely miss her homemade German Potato Salad and German Pancakes, along with her German antics and her strong accent that she never lost.

Renate's family would like to thank her daytime caregiver, Vickie Bennett, for the wonderful care and friendship she gave to her. The family would also like to thank Home Health Nurses and the nurses and staff at Bridgeport Health Care Center, where she spent her last days.

Family received friends at Davis Funeral Home 124 Olen Thomas Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301 on Friday, January 28, 2022 from 3:00-7:00PM. The Funeral Service was held at Davis Funeral Home on Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 11:00AM with Dennis Mick speaking. Interment followed at Greenlawn Memorial Cemetery.

Online condolences can be made at www.DavisFuneralHomeWV.com. Davis Funeral Home and Onsite Crematory is honored to serve the Hardy family.

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has taken its toll on our state, and rising inflation has loaded a major financial burden onto West Virginia businesses and families.

People in West Virginia are on fixed incomes. Many rely on small pensions and Social Security. Their buying power is shrinking, and I see it every day in my medical office. We have to help lower the cost

of these prescriptions in any way possible.

In 2018, total spending on Medicare Part D medications hit \$4,058 per enrollee in West Virginia – \$400 higher than the national average. Unfortunately, 41% of West Virginians know someone who has stopped taking prescription medications or have done so themselves because of prohibitive

pricing.

Right now, West Virginians are fed up with high drug prices and the lack of accountability in the pharmaceutical industry.

Senator Joe Manchin, D- W.Va., who has a history of fighting hard to lower the cost of prescription medications, has the chance to deliver for West Virginians. In the

past, he’s introduced bills to reduce the cost of prescription drugs and has worked with the Department of Health and Human Services to fight for affordable access to basic medications for low-income West Virginians.

Democrats currently have control of the White House, Senate, and House of Representatives,

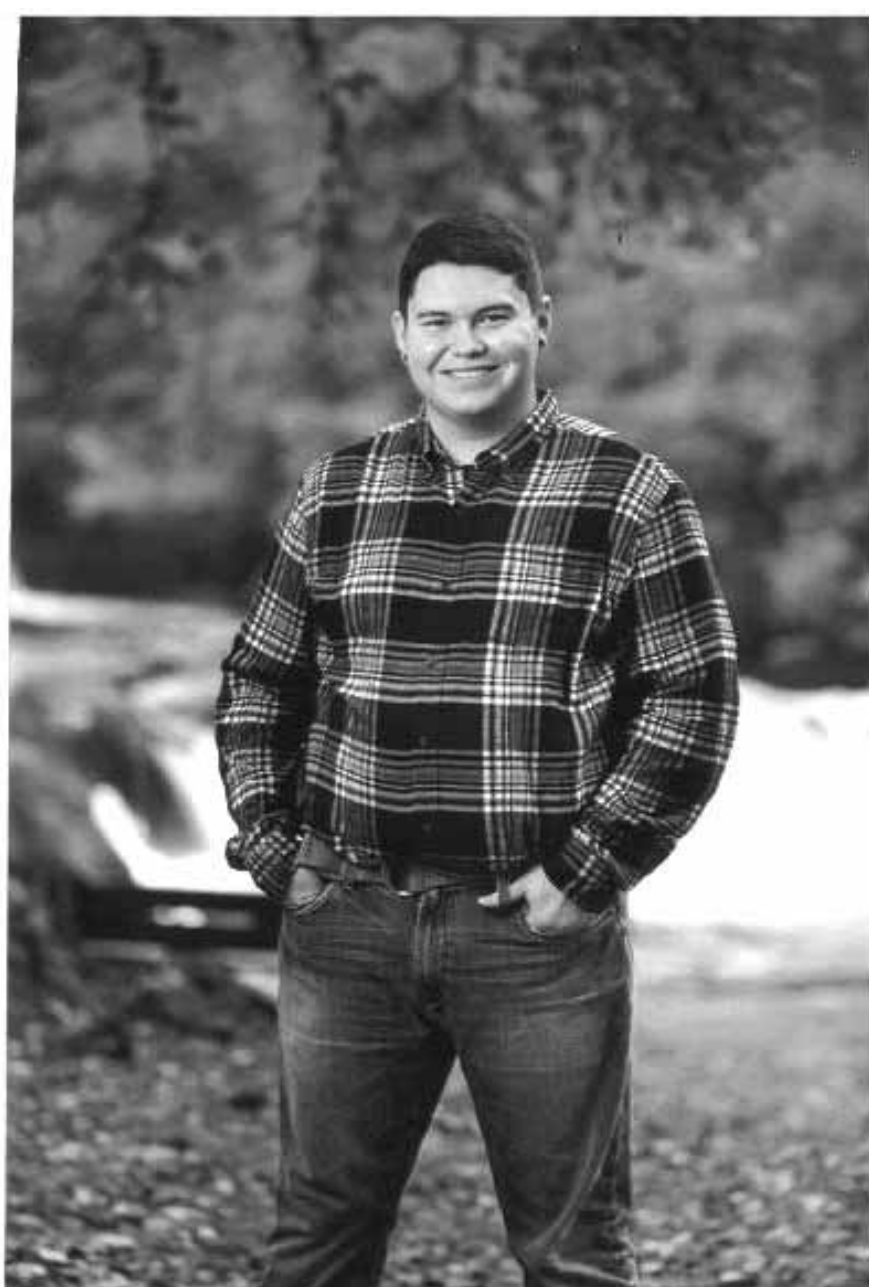
but any meaningful movement on the drug pricing reform front will require the support of Senator Manchin. He has a strong track record of working tirelessly to promote policies popular with every voter in West Virginia, and in the coming months he’ll have the opportunity to deliver the relief West Virginians desperately need.

Ron Stollings, M.D., is a Democratic state Senator representing the 7th Senate District, including Boone, Lincoln, Logan and parts of Mingo and Wayne counties. He is past president of the West Virginia State Medical Association.

Lincoln High School announces students of the month



Katelyn Marie Smith



Benjamin Nichols

Submitted by Holly Hawkins, assistant principal/athletic director

Lincoln High School has announced the December students of the month.

Benjamin Nichols

Benjamin Nichols is the son of Lydia Nichols of Lumberport and Carl Nichols of Ohio. He is the grandson of Tim and Iva Jean Harrison and Carl and Jill Nichols.

Benjamin attended Emmanuel Christian School from grade school through most of his freshman year. He maintained the perfect honor roll during his

time there and was involved in many school activities including band, fine arts, theater, track, and basketball.

In the end of his freshman year Ben decided to become a member of the Lincoln Cougar family. While attending Lincoln High School, Ben has maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA and has enjoyed many activities there such as band, tennis, art club, outdoor club, and being a member of the National Honor Society since his junior year. He has really enjoyed his time as a Cougar.

When Ben isn’t in

school, he devotes lots of time to learning new things. He obtained his firefighter 1 training and became a nationally registered EMT. He is a junior member of the Shinnston Volunteer Fire Department and when he becomes of age, he looks forward to working with local emergency service agencies.

He is a proud employee of Shinnston Ace Hardware and when he isn’t working, he loves spending time with family and friends. He also enjoys playing his guitar, video games, hunting, fishing, and

blacksmithing.

Ben has chosen nursing as his profession and in June will be attending WVJC in their RN program. He would like to become a registered nurse with emphasis on emergency medicine and forensics.

Katelyn Marie Smith

Katelyn Marie Smith is the daughter of Jeannie and John Smith. She is the granddaughter of Shirley Smith and the late John Smith, and the late John and Barbara Moore.

Katelyn has maintained the perfect

honor roll throughout her high school career and was inducted into the National Honor Society her junior year. She has taken advanced or college classes each year of high school, she and was the recipient of Top Scholar awards in multiple classes.

She has been a member of many extracurricular activities. Those include Track her freshman and sophomore years, Cheerleading her freshman year, and Danceline her sophomore, junior, and senior years.

Katelyn is a member of many organizations

at Lincoln, including the Key Club, Student Council Executive Committee, and the Spanish Honor Society.

Katelyn enjoys skateboarding, dancing, hiking, and traveling.

Katelyn’s future plans include attending United Aviate Academy while also completing online classes through West Virginia University. Her goal is to pursue a career as an international airline pilot.

Surprise party held for AmeriCorps worker

Submitted by Debra Herndon

Shinnston Garden Club members surprised former AmeriCorps VISTA Jon Olsen with a going-away party last month.

Members met at Jimmy’s Diner on Dec. 16 for a luncheon meeting. President Dorothy Rota led members in the Pledge of Allegiance and Wanda Ashcraft gave devotions.

The City’s AmeriCorps worker

Jon Olsen spoke on his time with the city. Members then treated him to a surprise going-away party. The theme of the party was “We’ll miss you till the cows come home,” and tables were decorated with cows.

Olsen received a barbeque apron with a cow design and a scrapbook, among his gifts.

He expressed his gratitude for the support of the group as well as that of

various people with the city, including Anthony Tate who also left the city in December for another position. Olsen will be taking a position in Virginia and has left plans for the next VISTA to continue the work.

Harrison County Commissioner Susan Thomas was in attendance to thank the group for their decision to give a scholarship in memory of the Commissioner’s late husband Tommy

Thomas.

Everyone received a small holiday gift and door prizes were won by Debra Herndon, Wanda Ashcraft, Letha Stutler, and Paula Harrison. The Club’s next meeting will be the fourth Thursday in March, which is March 24.

Those attending not previously mentioned were Dave and Debbie Harbert, Kathleen Panek, Beth Linn, Chad Edwards, and Joyce Miker.



Garden Club members surprised former AmeriCorps worker Jon Olsen with a barbeque apron with a cow design and a scrapbook during a going-away party Dec. 16. Olsen, left, is pictured with Garden Club President Dorothy Rota. Courtesy photo.

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Clarksburg-Harrison Public Library to Host Author Vonnetta Mayo's Book Signing



Morgantown author Vonnetta Mayo. Courtesy photo.



Clarksburg-Harrison for Tomorrow" depicts slavery in Tennessee Morgantown author Vonnetta Mayo for a book signing on Feb. 12 from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., according to a news release. "Joy in Sorrow, Hope Mississippi River," the press release states. "It is an endearing story that focuses on the different circumstances African slaves had to overcome before obtaining their freedom." The signing will be held on the first floor.

STAY FOCUSED on Your Goals

Answers

Grid of crossword puzzle answers including words like AMOEBA, REFLEX, INFINITE, DUI, COSMIC, SMELL, HUGERELIEF, ARIAS, LOT, ARIAS, RET, BIGENCHILADA, DARNERS, DYNE, HAIRDO, ELL, MELLO, ENLAI, GLESS, MEDIUMARTILLERY, BRIAR, EVENT, PALME, FED, AUNTIE, TIAS, SEEALSO, LITTLECAESAR, SAN, NITE, ENE, LARRY, TINYDANCER, ROM, LOU, SOSO, NUKES, MICROSCOPICORGANISM, EDENIC, TSO, GRO, YMA, SEPARATE, ATOMICNUMBER, TATTERED, ACTON, ENLIST, ASSESSES, CHONG, TAICHI

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(2020-S-00000582 - Harrison County - WVTI, LLC) To: JOHN BEACHLER II, HEATHER BEACHLER, HEATHER BEACHLER, HEATHER BEACHLER, JOHN BEACHLER, JOHN BEACHLER, JOHN BEACHLER II, HEATHER BEACHLER, JOHN BEACHLER, HEATHER BEACHLER, JOHN BEACHLER, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT UNION WEST MILFORD CORP MAP 3002 PARCEL 0117 0000
You will take notice that WVTI, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000582, 1 LOT #1 LOSH LOT, located in UNION WEST MILFORD CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of BEACHLER JOHN II OR, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

(2020-S-00000584 - Harrison County - WVTI, LLC) To: STEVEN J SNYDER, TAMMY J SNYDER, STEVEN SNYDER, UNITED HOSPITAL CENTER, STEVEN SNYDER, TAMMY SNYDER, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT UNION WEST MILFORD CORP MAP 3003 PARCEL 0027 0001
You will take notice that WVTI, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000584, 1 LOT 15 FT PT #27 PARADISE HILLS, located in UNION WEST MILFORD CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of SNYDER STEVEN J & TAMMY J, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

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(2020-S-00000565 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: MARK R CRITCHFIELD, MARK R CRITCHFIELD, PAULA CRITCHFIELD, PAULA CRITCHFIELD, PAULA CRITCHFIELD, MARK CRITCHFIELD, THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK ATTN: NC1W12, THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, SENECA TRUSTEES, INC., PAULA CRITCHFIELD, PAULA CRITCHFIELD, MARK CRITCHFIELD, MARK CRITCHFIELD, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT TENMILE SALEM CORP MAP 2705 PARCEL 0085 0000

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000565, 1 LOT PT 24 GABBERT ADD (GARAGE APT), located in TENMILE SALEM CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of CRITCHFIELD MARK R & PAULA C, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 825.25
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 633.59
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,316.87
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 696.95
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 3,472.66
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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(2020-S-00000567 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: VIRGIL M BURNS, MARY A BURNS, VIRGIL M BURNS, MARY A BURNS, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT TENMILE SALEM CORP MAP 2706 PARCEL 0041 0000

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000567, 1 LOT 1.74 AS PAYNE ST, located in TENMILE SALEM CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of BURNS VIRGIL M & MARY A, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,574.49
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,370.17
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,085.65
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 258.78
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 4,289.09
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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(2020-S-00000569 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: NAJ LLC, NAJ LLC, CITY OF CLARKSBURG, NAJ LLC, OCCUPANT, DANETTE CLEVINGER, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT TENMILE SALEM CORP MAP 2706 PARCEL 0075 0000

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000569, 1 LOT 9900 SQ FT HIGH ST, located in TENMILE SALEM CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of NAJ LLC, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 2,510.56
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,037.83
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,194.90
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 301.91
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 5,045.20
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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(2020-S-00000586 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: STEVEN J SNYDER, TAMMY J SNYDER, STEVEN SNYDER, UNITED HOSPITAL CENTER, STEVEN SNYDER, TAMMY SNYDER, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION WEST MILFORD CORP MAP 3003 PARCEL 0029 0001

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000586, 1 LOT PTS 28&29 PARADISE HILLS (.27AC), located in UNION WEST MILFORD CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of SNYDER STEVEN J & TAMMY J, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 385.78
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 272.09
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,147.48
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 345.04
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 2,152.48
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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(2020-S-00000571 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: DAVID PUHLMAN, DAVID PUHLMAN, CELENA PUHLMAN, CELENA PUHLMAN, JAMES C TURNER, TRUSTEE, BENJAMIN DAVISSON, TRUSTEE, FIRST NATIONAL ACCEPTANCE COMPANY ASSIGNEE, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT COMPLIANCE DIVISION, AMU, OCCUPANT, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT MAP 362 PARCEL 0009 0000

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000571, 1 LOT (.74 AC) TURTLE TREE FORK, located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT, which was returned delinquent in the name of PUHLMAN DAVID & CELENA, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,646.48
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,400.78
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,261.09
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 481.30
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 4,789.65
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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(2020-S-00000577 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: BRIAN CARPENTER, TERESA TITUS, CAROLYN TITUS, BOYD LYNN CARPENTER, SUSAN CARPENTER KEENEY, KEITH DALE CARPENTER, KIM ALLEN CARPENTER, PAUL ANDREW CARPENTER, MARY CARPENTER KNIGHT, RANDY CARPENTER, ANNETTE CARPENTER GAMLE, BRIAN CARPENTER, SHANE CARPENTER, SHARON CARPENTER WHITMAN, JOHN CARPENTER, KEITH DALE CARPENTER, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT MAP 402 PARCEL 0011 0000

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000577, 56 AS KINCHELOE, located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT, which was returned delinquent in the name of CARPENTER BRIAN ETAL, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 461.24
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 696.41
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,216.83
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 776.34
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 3,150.82
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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(2020-S-00000576 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: MARY J WOLFE, MARY J WOLFE, MARY J WOLFE, MARY J WOLFE, MARY WOLFE, OCCUPANT, WOLFE MARY J, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT MAP 386 PARCEL 0029 0000

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000576, 1 LOT 1.34 AC RICHARDS TRACT & W FORK, located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT, which was returned delinquent in the name of WOLFE MARY J, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 355.60
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 232.41
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,116.14
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 345.04
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 2,049.19
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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(2020-S-00000580 - Harrison County - WVTL, LLC)

To: VELMA G PATTON ESTATE, LORETTA KING, LORETTA PATTON, VELMA PATTON, HARRISON COUNTY BANK C/O BOOTH AND MCCARTHY, VELMA PATTON, JAMES PATTON, BARRY DOBSON & CLAYTON RICE, THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK ATTN: NC1W12, BRENT KNIGHT, TAMOORE MORRISON, BENEFICIAL WEST VIRGINIA, INC., OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT MAP 386A PARCEL 0111 0000

You will take notice that WVTL, LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000580, 1 LOT #67 LAUREL VALLEY SD (167 MAPLE ST), located in UNION OUTSIDE DISTRICT, which was returned delinquent in the name of PATTON VELMA G ESTATE, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Harrison County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 5th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,083.13
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022.	\$ 905.62
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 1,301.63
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.	\$ 603.82
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Robert Matheny, Sheriff and Treasurer of Harrison County.	\$ 3,894.20
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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Edgar Ray Vanhorn



his loving family. Ray was born on November 18, 1952, in Clarksburg, WV. He was the son of the late Rufus and Ina Summers Vanhorn and the son-in-law of the late Dayton and Dora Quinn Bennett.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his beloved son, Jeremy Ray Vanhorn. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Bernard Vanhorn; sisters, Glenna Harper Williams and Loretta McClain; brothers-in-law, Bruce Bennett,

Billy Bennett, Barry Bennett, and Charles Kniceley; and sisters-in-law, Judy Vanhorn, Betty Vanhorn, and Mildred Vanhorn.

Ray is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Rebecca Bennett Vanhorn, two daughters Andrea Ross and husband Charlie of Jane Lew, Tiffany Blair and husband Lucas of Lost Creek; one son, Billy Allen and wife Lisa of Lost Creek; grandchildren, Sydney Ross and husband Chris Goad of Morgantown, Josh

Ross of Huntington, Camden Shaw, Andrew Allen, both of Lost Creek, Kendal Blair of Lost Creek, Hailie Blair and companion Asan Ahmad of Morgantown, and great-grand daughter, Lailaa Kendal Ahmad of Morgantown; brothers John Vanhorn and companion Judy Russell of Lost Creek, and Emerson Vanhorn of Clarksburg; sisters, Debbie Kniceley of Lost Creek and Patty Smith and husband Jeff of Lost Creek; brother-in-law, Bernard

Bennett of Lost Creek; sister-in-law, Jeannie McCormick and husband Tom of Lost Creek; special cousin, Ernestine Roseborough of Uniontown, OH; and many nieces and nephews.

Ray attended South Harrison High School and retired from the Teamsters Union 789 of Fairmont, WV. He then retired from WV Department of Highways with 15 years' service. He was on the board of directors at the Greater Harrison County Water Board in West Milford and was the President of the Vanhorn reunion. He loved to fish, camp, hunt, work in his garden and mow the grass.

In the early years he was a race car driver. He enjoyed watching football games and old westerns on tv. He enjoyed rebuilding old vintage cars and loved going to car shows. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson and hanging out with the guys in Lost Creek. Ray was a loving husband, dad and grandfather. He loved the holidays and enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

Family received friends at Davis Funeral Home, 124 Olen Thomas Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301, on Monday, January 31, 2022 from 3:00 – 7:00 PM. A Funeral Service was held in the Chapel of Davis Funeral Home on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 10: 30 AM with Pastor Destry Daniels. Interment followed at Floral Hills Memorial Gardens. Online condolences can be made to www.Davisfuneralhomewv.com. Davis Funeral Home and Onsite Crematory is handling the arrangements for the Vanhorn family and is honored to assist at this time.

Carol Ann (Ferretti) Gould



Carol Ann Gould, 80, of Sun Valley Road, Clarksburg, passed from this life on Sunday, January 30, 2022, at United Hospital Center following a short illness.

Carol was born on December 23, 1941, in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, the eldest child of the late Tiberio (Terry) Ferretti and

Theresa A. Frederick Ferretti. She grew up in Clarksburg, and attended Mount St. Michael High School in Reading, Pennsylvania, where she formed several lasting friendships and solidified her Catholic faith. Carol was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. She went on to graduate from West Virginia University with a degree in pharmacy science; she later earned her master's degree in library science from the University of Pittsburgh, and she taught several classes in pharmacology at Fairmont State University in her spare time.

Carol worked as a pharmacist in the Clarksburg area for more than three decades. It was behind the counter at one of her early jobs that she met her husband, the late Gary Lynn Gould. The two were married for 44 years before Gary's passing in 2009.

She is survived by three of her children, Keith Gould and wife Tracy, of Bridgeport; Curtis L. Gould and wife Caty, of Clarksburg; and Rachael Gould of West Palm Beach, Florida; and a brother, Richard Ferretti and wife Jan, of Clarksburg. Also surviving are seven grandchildren, Lydia Nuzum, Derek Nuzum, Shane Gould, Molli Gould, MacKenzie Gould, Ian Gould, and Jack Gould. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Carrie Gould Nuzum.

Carol was known for her love of travel, reading, art, family, friends, and faith. Her memory will be forever cherished by those who knew her.

Family received friends at Davis Funeral Home, 124 Olen Thomas Dr., Clarksburg, on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 from 2 – 8:00 PM with a vigil service at 7:30 PM. A Funeral Liturgy was held at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 10: 00 am with Father Casey Mahone, as Celebrant. Entombment followed at Floral Hills Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Mustard Seed 444 East Pike Street Clarksburg, WV 26301 phone 304-623-0859. Online condolences may be sent to the family at DavisFuneralHomeWV.com. Davis Funeral Home is honored to assist the Gould family.

Tell Your Delegate you oppose House Bill 4260

Government is doing big things in West Virginia, but House Bill 4260 will make it harder for you to know it.

Just last year, the West Virginia Legislature passed a law to create a government website to add online publication of the state's public notices and legal advertisements to the traditional newspaper publication.

That law increased public notice. All West Virginians benefited.

Now this year — before that website is even complete — some Delegates want to change the law and reduce public notice.

HB-4260 could eliminate the second and third public notice you now get in the local newspaper, making it less likely residents will see news about items such as property forfeitures, tax sales, changes in mineral and natural gas rights, plans to locate waste facilities and many other issues that could impact you.

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8-9 a.m.: Legislative Panel

9:30-11 a.m.: Informational Panels

Panels will be presented by the WVPA and moderated by Don Smith, executive director.

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WHERE: WV Press Office,

3422 Pennsylvania Avenue, Charleston

WHEN: Wednesday, Feb. 16, 5:30 -7:30 p.m.

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