



City officials approve budget

Council also discusses abandoned houses, repairs, events

By Sarah Hayes
Staff Writer

Shinnston City Council approved the 2022-2023 budget on March 28, in addition to discussing city improvement projects, repairs and upcoming events.

Shinnston City Council held a special meeting and work session at the Woman's Club. During the special meeting, City Manager Chad Edwards discussed the \$1.96 million budget submission, which was voted on and approved by members of City Council.

The overall budget was reduced a little more than 3% for 2022-2023; most department budgets were reduced by 1% to 3%, stated Edwards. Expected costs for Parks and Recreation increased to \$71,233 due to having an active park now. Fundraising projects for Parks and Recreation are in the works. Meanwhile, sales tax revenue is expected to increase.

The largest expense in the budget is the police department, with a \$626,000 allocation. The next two highest expenses are the garbage department, which receives \$280,000 and the fire department, which receives \$196,000. Streets and highways will receive \$197,000 and the public works department is set to receive \$80,000.

Shinnston Police Chief Jon Harbert spoke of the ever-growing drug problem in the area. Harbert was happy to announce that a large amount of narcotics were recently confiscated, as well as a sawed off shotgun.

"Proactive policing is what we were asked to do, and I hope the public notices everything we're doing," he said. "It's not a problem that we will fix overnight, but we'll continue to try to do so."

Among other items discussed by city officials:

Shinnston City Pool is on track to be open Memorial Day weekend. City officials discussed the condition of the water slide. The slide will have to be fixed, which will cost approximately \$18,000, or replaced. Edwards is researching the best course of action. Mayor Pat Kovalck said he believes the water slide is one of the main attractions for the Shinnston City Pool and he is not interested in removing it all together.

The City of Shinnston is applying for American Rescue Act Funds to start the demolition of abandoned and dilapidated houses within the city. This project is expected to take up to two years to complete. Kovalck said although this project is important for improving the look and feel of the city, he also stated, "It shouldn't be the taxpayers' responsibility to clean up other people's messes."

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Seasonal market to start next month

By Sarah Hayes
Staff Writer

A market will offer a variety of healthy, locally grown foods and other goods for patrons in Shinnston to enjoy every Saturday, starting next month.



In years past there was a farmers' market in Shinnston, but there hasn't been one in some time. "Personally, I feel that resurrecting The Farmer's Market will help support local vendors and the community," Cusack stated.

In addition to fostering community, farmers' markets also bring access to seasonal, organic fruits and vegetables when they are seasonally at their best.

The Farmer's Market is not limited to local food. A variety of local crafters and artists will also be there to share their skills and goods with the community, from hand-made soaps and jewelry to local author book signings.

The City of Shinnston is looking for vendors, specifically those who can provide local produce, honey, fresh flowers, artisan foods, and locally made goods. For a limited time only, there is no charge for these vendor spaces. As these events start growing and creating interest there will be a small fee for these spaces. If you are a vendor and would like to participate, please contact Maria at blackandtealconcepts@gmail.com.

"The Farmer's Market" is coming to Shinnston on May 7 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The market will be held the first Saturday of every month from May through October at The Green Space, according to Maria Cusack, co-owner of Black & Teal Concepts. Local business Black & Teal Concepts has contracted with the city to perform event promotion and other marketing work.

Building Amazing Cities

By JIM HUNT
author, speaker, consultant

love for this Amazing city. I can remember one trip when we had a seven-hour layover in Paris on a trip to Ukraine. We landed at Orly Airport and were scheduled to take a bus to Charles de Gaulle Airport on the other side of the city for our departing flight.

A young guy from New York City was sitting next to me on the plane, and we were talking about what a shame it was that we could not see the Eiffel Tower on our layover. Our group leader said that he would not recommend us trying to go into the city in such a short time.

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Preparing for Paris

As the cold of winter starts to wane and the green sprigs of spring begin to peek out, I think of one of my favorite places on earth, Paris, France. I first visited the "City of Light" over 40 years ago, and each subsequent visit only reinforced my



Julie Yearego, business and marketing instructor at Lincoln High School, recently assisted two of her students with earning their Microsoft Office Specialist certification in PowerPoint. Pictured, from left to right: Yearego, Diana Mason and Isaac Coffman.

Lincoln High teacher helps kids achieve their dreams

The Shinnston News & Harrison County Journal has named Julie Yearego as Citizen of the Month, a recognition sponsored by Dorsey Funeral Home in Shinnston - locally owned and operated.

By Erin Beck
Editor

Julie Yearego, a Lincoln High School teacher, left more lucrative work in the financial services industry to help set kids up for successful careers of their own.

Yearego, a fifth-year teacher at Lincoln High School, has been teaching for nine years. Prior to that, she spent 17 years in the financial services industry, including time as a stockbroker, loan officer, and personal banker.

She pursued teaching, in part, because the schedule is more conducive to raising a family, but also because she saw a need. Students were entering adulthood and the workforce without the skills required. "I was working in the banking industry," she said. "Students from Wesleyan were coming in, and they were majoring in economics and finance, and they couldn't balance a checkbook."

She started by offering personal finance workshops for adults, then earned her master's degree in teaching at Fairmont State.

Now, she teaches personal finance, computer applications, marketing principles, digital imaging, and business marketing. Her courses fall under the career and technical education umbrella, meaning courses specifically focused on getting kids college and career ready.

As past president of the West Virginia Business Education Association, she was responsible for training business teachers across the street, and she still assists that group with organizing. Among an ongoing teacher shortage, it's becoming even more difficult to fill similar positions, she said.

But she enjoys her profession as she knows kids will benefit from the skills she teaches, regardless of what profession they pursue.

She was 39 when she started teaching, a little older for a new teacher, she noted. She also had to take a pay cut.

But she also frequently receives Facebook messages and emails from former students who want to express their appreciation. Some have started their own businesses.

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Tower to improve emergency response

By Erin Beck
Editor

A long-awaited communications tower that should improve emergency response in isolated parts of Harrison and nearby counties is nearing completion.

When complete, the tower, located near the Wallace area, will serve residents and first responders in rural parts of Harrison, Wetzel, Tyler, Doddridge, and Pleasants counties, according to emergency officials. The tower will allow emergency officials to communicate with each other and dispatchers.

John Hatfield, deputy director for Central Communications, Doddridge and Ritchie county's 911 service, said the communities of Wallace, Center Point, Jacksonburg, and Folsom, among other nearby areas, would benefit.

"A couple of weeks ago, Wallace had a house burned down not too far from the tower," he said. "They had no issues finding the location, to my knowledge, but once on scene, they had problems talking back to Harrison 911."

Hatfield said the lack of a communications tower in the area

has contributed to slower response times.

"For instance, if a fire company needs additional resources and if they are having trouble with telling us what they need, we can't get that for them," he said.

The project has been going on for approximately two years, according to emergency officials.

"We started this a couple of years ago thinking it would be done in six months," Hatfield said. "That wasn't the case."

Hatfield said there were delays in receiving equipment. Securing equipment from overseas, even pre-pandemic, has been the "largest hurdle," he said.

Emergency officials are now at the final stage, requesting licensure to use certain frequencies from the FCC. During a previous attempt, the FCC canceled their license after it went unused too long.

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OPINION

Save water and money

By Charlotte Lane
West Virginia Public Service Commission Chair

Fix a Leak Week is observed each year to bring attention to the incredible amount of water that is lost through simple household leaks. When I say “incredible,” I’m not exaggerating. Nationwide, nearly one trillion gallons of water are wasted every year. That water is never used, but most of it shows up on someone’s water bill. That slow drip in your sink costs you money with every drop that goes down the drain.

Since 2012, PSC representatives have visited elementary schools to teach students about the importance of saving water. We start with why conservation is important. Less than 1% of the water on earth is freshwater that is available for us to use. The rest is saltwater in the oceans or in polar ice.

Next we tell them about how to save water every day in their homes. Finding and fixing household leaks is one of the most important things they can do. A leaky toilet flapper can lose up to 200 gallons a day. That’s the same as flushing 50 times for no reason. Those little drips and leaks can add up to more than 10,000 gallons in a home over the course of a year. That’s enough water to wash 270 loads of laundry – more than five loads a week. The water that goes down the drain runs up your water and sewer bills. The students quickly figure out why fixing leaks is so important.

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This week in West Virginia history

The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history.

April 7, 1927: A. James Manchin was born in Farmington. In 1984, Manchin ran for state treasurer, but he fell into trouble once elected. With a stock market downturn in 1987, Manchin bore much of the blame when the state lost nearly \$300 million in investments.

April 7, 1947: Medal of Honor recipient Thomas W. Bennett was born in Morgantown. Believing it was wrong to evade the draft while others had to serve in Vietnam, he volunteered as a noncombatant medic. He was killed by gunfire while trying to drag a wounded soldier to safety.

April 8, 1891: The town of Paw Paw was incorporated. Strategically located on the Potomac River, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and the C&O Canal, Paw Paw was named for the banana-like pawpaw fruit that grows in the area.

April 8, 1951: An Air National Guard transport plane crashed near Kanawha (now Yeager) Airport, killing 21.

April 9, 1900: Physician Margaret Byrnside “Dr. Maggie” Ballard was born. She actively pursued her interest in genealogy and local history and was one of the founders of the Monroe County Historical Society.

April 10, 1848: John Kenna was born in Kanawha County. In 1883, the state legislature elected him to the U.S. Senate, unseating the powerful Henry Gassaway Davis. Kenna is one of two West Virginians memorialized by a statue in the U.S. Capitol.

April 10, 1932: Entertainer Blaze Starr was born as Fanny Belle Fleming in Wayne County. The owner of a burlesque club rechristened her “Blaze Starr.” She became known as “Queen of the Strippers.”

April 11, 1821: Congressman Jacob Beeson Blair was born in Parkersburg. Blair was the first West Virginian to be told by President Abraham Lincoln of Lincoln’s support of the admission of West Virginia into the United States.

April 11, 1909: Writer Hubert Skidmore was born at Laurel Mountain in Webster County. In his novels, Skidmore depicted stoic endurance by mountain people in the face of misfortune and economic exploitation by outside interests.

April 12, 1865: The 36th Virginia Infantry, known as the Logan Wildcats, disbanded. The Confederate company was created at Logan Courthouse on June 3, 1861, and consisted of about 85 men. The company saw its first action in the Battle of Scary Creek in Putnam County.

April 12, 1885: Photographer George James Kossuth was born. After he opened his Wheeling studio in 1909, he achieved broad fame for his insightful portraits of many of the world’s celebrities, including Richard Strauss, Jascha Heifetz, Leopold Stokowski, Clarence Darrow and Richard Nixon.

Super Crossword

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Find the Super Crossword Answers on Page 7!

April 13, 1923: Medal of Honor recipient Jonah Edward Kelley was born at Rada in Mineral County. Sergeant Kelley died while leading his squad in repeated attacks on a German position during World War II.

April 13, 1873: Lawyer, diplomat, and presidential candidate John William Davis was born in Clarksburg. Davis argued 141 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. His last case was one of the most controversial, when he argued in 1952 for the continuation of racial segregation in South Carolina.

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FROM AROUND HARRISON COUNTY

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US Department of State passport fair

April 8, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. and April 9, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Clarksburg-Harrison Public Library 2nd Floor Conference Room

Free event to help first-time applicants apply for passports.

No appointment necessary.

For more information on required documentation, visit https://bit.ly/Passport_Fair.

Bake sale

St. Ann's Catholic Church, 610 Pike St., Shinnston will be having a bake sale April 9 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Easter bread, cookie variety trays, & individual 12 galettes, 12 wedding cookies & 12 peanut butter balls. Can pre-order till Friday. 304-203-8905, 304-841-1487, 304-592-2243, 304-584-4376. Breakfast served 8:30-11 a.m.

Basket class

Saturday, April 9

10 a.m.-4 p.m.

West Virginia Heritage Crafts

Exit 115 I-79 Quiet Dell School

Make a quilt basket, all supplies furnished. \$60.

Call 304-483-0858 to register.

Chili cook-off and bake-off

Sunday, April 10 12 p.m.

First Baptist Church Lighthouse in downtown Shinnston to benefit the Lord's Pantry.

\$5 per person for chili, desserts, and a drink. Hot dogs \$1 each.

For more information, 304-592-0232.

Book sale daily

Bridgeport Public Library

1200 Johnson Avenue

Mon-Fri 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sat 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Buy one bag of books and or music CDs for \$3 get a bag free.

DVD single disc \$.50 series as priced, audio books

\$1, puzzles \$.50.

304-842-8248

Pickens ramp supper

April 16 1 p.m.-6 pm.

Menu: ramps, ham, fried potatoes, brown beans, coleslaw, cornbread, dessert, and drinks.

Eat in if tables are available or take out.

Sponsored by The Pickens American Legion Post 122.

Everyone welcome. For more information: 304-924-5813.

Ham/bean and ramp dinner

The Jones Run Farm club is hosting the dinner on Saturday, April 23 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Jones Run Community Center 3602 Jones Run Road, Lumberport

Take out meal includes ham and beans, cornbread muffins, fried potatoes with ramps, seasoned wilted ramps and fresh ramps for \$12.

For more information: 304-783-4868 Joy Marshall.

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Liturgy Schedule for April:

Saturday, April 16 at 10 a.m.

Saturday, April 23 at 10 a.m.

Please check to make sure of no cancellations

724-966-7428

"Budget", Cont. from Pg 1

The repair of Oakwood Road from the damage caused by rain will be underway in the near future. The repair will also include replacing the drains for that area.

New meters are being installed throughout the city. There were discussions of re-painting the parking lines and curbs, and City Council may create a volunteer work party to get this done.

Local business owners are

"Tower", Cont. from Pg. 1

Paul Bump, Harrison/Taylor 911 director, said he anticipated the tower would be in operation within a few months.

"That might be a little optimistic, but that's what I'm

"Paris" Cont. from Pg. 1

We told him that we were willing to take the risk and we flagged a cab and told him to head to the Eiffel Tower.

The cab pulled up to the front of the iconic symbol of Paris and we ran up the steps. After spending about 30 minutes at the Eiffel Tower, we decided to visit an outdoor café for a croissant and coffee. As we exited the café, our time was getting short, and we needed to get to the airport for our flight. As we looked for a cab, we turned around and saw a building with a large "Air France" sign and walked in. We told them that we needed to get to Charles de Gaulle Airport, and they said that their express bus was just leaving. As the bus pulled up to the terminal at the airport, we saw our group sitting on their luggage and we told them the incredible story of our visit

requesting a new sign board be placed at the trail head near the sewer plant showing the businesses that are in the city of Shinnston. Brendan Gallagher, co-owner of Black & Teal Concepts, is working with the city to come up with a design plan.

Several events are in the works. Dr. Andrew Minigh will be sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on April 16 at Shinnston City Park. The City of Shinnston is excited to bring the Farmer's

hoping for," he said.

He said antennas were installed last month.

"It's an extremely rural area," he said. "And these are always going to be problematic. We're hoping that this one does fix some of the issues out there. You

Market back, which starts May 7 and will be held monthly on the first Saturday of the month from May to October. The first Wind Down Wednesdays will be on May 18; starting in June they will be held the first Wednesday of the month. The City-Wide Yard Sale is scheduled to take place the first Saturday in August. Frontier Days will be held August 11-13. Local business owner, Jason Martin, owner of Pike Street Bikes, will be hosting a Beer Fest on September 17.

will never ever have the coverage you want in those rural areas. We just can't – nobody can afford that. There's always going to be a hollow somewhere to where your walkie-talkie is not going to work. It's just – that's life in the country."

to the Eiffel Tower and our delicious croissants.

I have told my grandchildren stories of my travels and asked them where they would like to go, if they had the opportunity. Several years ago, my wife and I took our granddaughter Ali to Prague, Vienna, and Bratislava for a special trip that she still talks about. When we asked our next oldest granddaughter, Avery, where she would like to go, she said Paris. In 2020, we had the trip scheduled for May and, as the pandemic worsened, we made the decision to cancel the trip. Avery was heartbroken but we assured her that we would take her as soon as the pandemic was over. Well, this April, we are heading to Paris with Avery, and she could not be more excited.

Planning the trip has been fun and challenging at the same time. The pandemic is not completely over, and booking the flights and hotels needs to be done with the possibility

that something might happen to cause us to cancel, once again. It is also necessary to keep up to date on the COVID-19 rules and the airlines and customs officials' vaccine requirements to enter the country.

We are also planning to take a two-day visit to the Netherlands and that entails another set of guidelines and transportation options. The hotels have been very flexible and will allow cancellations up until a week before the trip. Traveling to another country with a grandchild also requires paperwork from the parents and keeping track of passports and luggage for a ten-year-old.

Avery is excited and I am sure we will make some lifetime memories, in addition to gathering a lot of stories for my weekly column. So, stay tuned for a recap of our springtime in Paris trip. I am sure it will be an Amazing trip to an Amazing City!

Ballot position drawing held



Several candidates were on hand for the ballot position drawing at City Hall March 22. Pictured left to right: Amanda Sayers, Ashley Dytzel, W. Max Palmer, and Julia Currey. Photo provided by City Clerk Kathleen Panek.

City officials held a drawing on March 22 for ballot positions in the City Council race in the June 7 municipal election, according to a news release.

The order is:

Ward 1 (voting at the Bice-Ferguson Museum):
W. Max Palmer
Jana-Kate Layton

Ward 2 (voting at the Woman's Club):
Amanda Sayers
Ashley Dytzel

Ward 3 (voting at City Hall, 40 Main St.)
Vance Sosinski
Patrick A. Kovalck

Ward 4 (voting at Otterbein Church)
Julia Currey, unopposed.

"Opinion" Cont. from Pg 2

We teach students to look for leaks anywhere that water comes into or goes out of the house. Key places to look are pipes and faucets in the kitchen, bathroom and laundry room and around water heaters and outdoor faucets. We instruct them to tell the adults in the house what they find so they can fix those leaks and start saving money.

Unfortunately, our Fix a Leak Week visits have been on hold for the past two years due to the pandemic. But as the world gets back to something resembling normal, we hope to be back in schools in September teaching students to be Leak Detectives. In the meantime, you should look for some leaks on your own. It will save you money in the long run.

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A Fond Farewell to “A True Lady”



GRAPEVINE

By Rosalyn Queen

This past week we bid a fond farewell to Folly Basil. Folly epitomized the woman of the fifties. She was a wife, a mother, a daughter and a friend. She volunteered for programs she believed in, and she was a faithful woman who she volunteered for her church. She was also a talented self-taught artist.

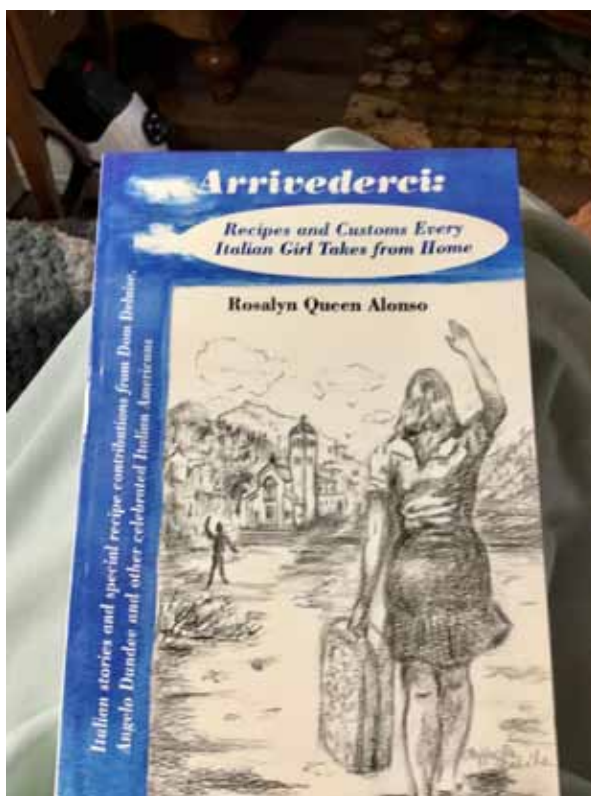
I met Folly at the Italian Festival when her husband Tom was chairman of the board. We became friends forever. She helped with whatever she was asked to do, but she will always be remembered for her assistance with the one-of-a-kind festival fashion shows. She worked with the committee to produce an event that the area talked about until the next year. Folly worked mostly with the decorations, and many times we incorporated her paintings with the theme. She would always offer one of her paintings to be used as a fundraiser.

We travelled several times to Washington DC to represent the festival, and it was always a pleasure to be in her company. She was a true lady.

This is the part of Folly that I want to talk about. I met Folly at the Italian Festival when her husband Tom, was chairman of the board. We became friends that lasted forever. She helped with whatever she was asked to do, but she will always be remembered for her assistance with the one-of-a-kind Festival Fashion shows. She worked with the committee to produce an event that the area talked about until the next year. Folly worked mostly with the decorations and many times we incorporated her paintings with the theme. She would always offer one of her paintings to be used as a fundraiser.

Around the beginning of 2006, a cookbook that I had been working on for several years was ready to go to print, but I had no cover. The book was a cookbook but incorporated with each recipe were customs, so I felt I had to have a special cover.

The cover was created and painted by Folly. Folly and I had several conversations, and it seemed we were both on the same page. But it was up to the artist to come up with a rendering. We both knew we were enjoying being Italian girls



Pictured is the cover of, “Arrivederci: Recipes and Customs Every Italian Girl Takes From Home,” written by Rosalyn Queen. The cover was created and painted by Folly Basil, who recently died. Approximately 10,000 were sold throughout the United States, according to Queen. Courtesy photo.

and having been brought up by traditional Italian parents thought that the cover could depict this. The Immaculate Conception Church sort of took the center as most customs and foods was centered around religious celebrations. The young Italian girl is waving goodbye as she moves off to start a new life. The boy in the picture surely must be her brother. And down in the corner is her famous signature.

And on the day when Folly was laid to rest, I looked at the painting with a different perspective. This is Folly in front of the church waving goodbye to all of us with her suitcase, which surely has painting supplies she will use in Heaven recreating beautiful pictures. Rest in peace my friend and thanks for the memories.

As we get closer to Easter remember to get your peanut butter eggs and fresh Easter bread at the PWA. Call 304-624-6881.

My mother, the predictor, is true once again as we are enjoying a long, cold Easter snow. Get ready to welcome a beautiful Easter morning.

Stay safe, stay healthy and until next week “Now You Have Heard It Through the Grapevine.”

Shinnston native speaks about mental health program



Shinnston native and Project AWARE manager for Harrison County schools Jill Fratto speaks about her program’s efforts to help kids whose families have been affected by substance use disorders and mental health problems while at the HOPE Lions Club regular meeting on March 10 at Meagher’s Irish Pub. Courtesy photo.

Submitted by Harrison County HOPE Lions Club

Shinnston native and contributing columnist to the News & Journal Jill Fratto was the guest speaker at the HOPE Lions Club regular meeting on March 10 at Meagher’s Irish Pub.

Fratto, who is the Project AWARE manager for Harrison County schools, was introduced by HOPE club secretary Steve Glass, also a Shinnston native.

Project AWARE is a federally funded program designed to help schools:

- increase awareness of and address mental health issues among school-age youth

- provide students who have social, emotional, mental, or behavioral health issues with support and mental health therapy within the school system

- build upon or expand current expanded school mental health services

- engage families and the community in supportive mental health initiatives for children

Current counties enrolled in the Project AWARE program are Cabell, Clay, and Harrison (Adamston, Wilsonburg, Washington Irving Middle, and

Robert C. Byrd. All services provided by Project AWARE are provided at no cost to the family.

Project AWARE provided support, training, and resources for school staff and students related to mental health issues. It also provides qualifying students access to mental health services through school mental health therapists, behavioral health therapy services in the school or through telehealth (summer months), family therapy at the school or through telehealth, and group therapy to students.

For more information about Project AWARE contact Fratto at 304-326-7392 or jill.fratto@wv.k12.us.

The Harrison County HOPE Lions Club is a special purpose, nontraditional Lions club focused on people hurt by substance use disorders.

In other club business, members voted to donate \$200 to Lions Clubs International Foundation to be used for humanitarian aid to Ukrainian refugees. Members will also be participating in the West Virginia Prevention Solutions Easter Egg Hunt on April 9 and the Community Baby Shower and CASA 5k Superheroes Race, both on May 14. Club President Tara Perri presided during the meeting.

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Poll workers needed

The Harrison County clerk’s office seeks poll workers for the Primary Election on May 10, according to a news release.

Volunteers must attend in-person training to be eligible. Trainings will be held at the Harrison County Senior Citizens Center located at 500 W Main Street in Clarksburg.

Call 304-624-8615 for more information.

BUSINESS MATTERS



Lincoln High School junior Alexis Herndon presents her experiences at the student business organization DECA's Career Development Conference to the Shinnston Garden Club on March 24. DECA is a program that helps students develop marketing, finance, leadership, and entrepreneurial skills. Alexis placed first in the WV DECA's Principles of Business Administration competitive event at the conference in Charleston. She plans to attend DECA's International Career Development Conference (ICDC) with four of her fellow Lincoln High School DECA members and 14,000 students from around the world in Atlanta, Georgia in April 2022. Courtesy photo.

Julie Yearego is Citizen of the Month

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"I never discourage people from going into education," she said, noting that the pay can be a discouragement, however. "It's not as competitive as some industries. But as far as family life, it gives you a lot of flexibility raising your children. And I know I'm making a difference."

In personal finance class, students learn about mortgages and the differences between buying and renting. In business computer applications, they get certified in computer programs like PowerPoint and Microsoft Word. Every student who goes on to outside-the-home work can benefit from her resume-building help.

She said she would have been much better prepared for the workplace had she taken classes like accounting earlier.

"You lower that learning curve quite a bit by taking that in high school," she said. "You are giving them real-world scenarios and really trying to prepare them for their eventual careers."

She is also the advisor of the DECA club, which prepares students to be leaders and entrepreneurs, at Lincoln High School.

Another teacher, Jaelyn Loss, who teaches business, heads up the Future Business Leaders of America Club; they run the two groups as one club.

Students in the club participate in

competitions and leadership workshops. Nineteen of her students were recently able to participate in DECA's Career Development Conference in Charleston. The conference included motivational speakers, as well as competitions related to marketing, business management and administration, finance, and hospitality. Seventeen local kids placed, she said. Five will go on to Atlanta for the International Career Development Conference.

While she is a Bridgeport resident, Yearego spends much of her time in Shinnston assisting DECA-FBLA students with a multitude of service activities. Yearego has been publicizing that work more often more recently.

"I try to brag on the students," she said.

Her students planned to volunteer with Adopt-a-Highway soon, she said. They also recently delivered food for the Lord's Pantry.

"If anyone in the Shinnston area has community service opportunities for students, we would be happy to learn of them," she said. "It's really important for them to do that. It gives them some great experience to learn more about their community and help out. It's also good networking."

She asked those interested to contact her before the end of the school year, although some service activities could be planned during the summer.

Donations bring smiles to pediatric patients

Local businesses and groups collected and donated boxes of toys, games and well wishes to pediatric patients at United Hospital Center, according to news releases.

Freedom Bank, Bridgeport Rotary, and Clarksburg Rotary recently participated in The Jared Box Project donation, while Truist (formerly B.B.&T.) in Clarksburg also recently made a donation of Jared Boxes to the hospital, according to two news releases.

"This is truly extraordinary and UHC greatly appreciates their willingness to always help others," Tiffany Kerr, a registered nurse at UHC pediatrics, said in a statement.

"A stay in the hospital can be a traumatic experience for a young child and these boxes will provide countless hours of fun—a great diversion from their illness," added Elyssa Marsland, another registered nurse in pediatrics at UHC.

The Jared Box Project, a nonprofit organization, started in 2001 to honor Jared McMullen, a 5-year-old boy who carried a backpack filled with toys to all his appointments and died of brain cancer in 2000. He gladly shared his toys with other children.



Area businesses and rotaries recently donated toys to United Hospital Center pediatric patients as part of The Jared Box Project. Pictured left to right, kneeling: Gabriella Glaspell, RN; Alexis Hillberry, RN; and Tiffany Kerr, RN. Pictured left to right, standing: Jenna Bennett, member of the Clarksburg Rotary; Joshua Stear, president of the Clarksburg Rotary, Merrill advisor; Amanda Haught, head teller at Freedom Bank; John See, commercial lender at Freedom Bank; Sarah Nealis, attorney at Willow Legal Advisors and member of the Bridgeport Rotary; and Stanley Lacey, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Bridgeport and member of the Bridgeport Rotary. Courtesy photo.



Truist recently donated toys and games to pediatric patients at UHC. Pictured left with Jared Boxes are Elyssa Marsland, RN; Michaela Gum, relationship banker; Miranda Singleton, RN; Lauren Whitehair, LPN; and Jenna Bennett, Truist branch leader. Courtesy Photo.

Mia Margherita, Charles Pointe announce new manager/director

Charles Pointe Hospitality announced, in a news release, that Christopher R. Thomas, a Weston native and now Bridgeport resident, joined their team as the new general manager of Mia Margherita Coal Fired Pizzeria and director of food and beverage operations for Charles Pointe Hospitality.

Thomas' responsibilities include oversight of Mia Margherita sales, operations, and guest satisfaction. He will also lead the food and beverage operations support for the Bridgeport Conference Center.

"We are pleased to welcome Chris back to West Virginia and are very excited to have him on our team," Steve Ludwig, director of hospitality for Charles Pointe Hospitality, said in a statement. "Chris brings experience with upscale dining establishments as well as major market banquet venues to Charles Pointe that will be valuable to our continued growth."

During his career, Thomas has had the privilege of cooking for six United States presidents. He has also cooked with celebrity chef, Bobby Flay.



Chris Thomas brings over 30 years of culinary expertise to Mia Margherita Coal Fired Pizzeria, pictured here, as well to his new position at Charles Pointe Hospitality. Courtesy photo.

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The Bottom Line

By Bill Nestor
Sports Editor

WVU transfer portal is about perception

The transfer portal has been doing far worse than good for West Virginia University. It has caused a nightmare situation for the football and men's basketball program.

Mountaineer Head Football Coach Neal Brown



Bob Huggins

has to feel dazed and confused with the departure of many big players. The list keeps growing longer, and last week he lost defensive lineman, Akheem Mesidor. Mesidor spent two seasons in Morgantown garnering Big 12 honors in the process. Mesidor recorded 70 tackles, 14.5 tackles for a loss, and 9.5 sacks. On his way out of Touchdown City, he was kind enough to utter some kind and about Brown, the rest of the coaching staff, and Mountaineer Nation. He even offered a reason for leaving, which is more than several other former players did when they exited the program. Mesidor mentioned that he was in pursuit of a better environment for his development on and off the field. He also indicated that he felt unsafe on campus. Mesidor revealed that he has obtained offers from several schools including Tennessee, Auburn, and USC.

Brown is in a difficult situation in Morgantown. He is trying to make his mark on the program and every time he takes a step forward, he gets pushed back. Entering his fourth season as the coach at WVU, Brown has a 17-18 record. Brown is in

search of a big year to get off the hot seat and losing so many players is going to make that task even harder.

The basketball squad lost another key player recently when sharpshooter Sean McNeil entered the transfer portal. McNeil averaged 12.2 points, 2.5 rebounds, and 1.2 assists per game. McNeil shot a sizzling 41% from the field and 36% from three-point land. He has received interest from over twenty teams, and he just keeps on growing.

His departure, along with Jalen Bridges and Isaiah Cottrell, has left the cupboard nearly bare for legendary Head Coach Bob Huggins. Huggins has been doing some great public relations work as of late. Turner Sports and CBS Sports used Huggins as a guest studio analyst for coverage of the NCAA Tournament. It provided exposure for Huggins on the national level that could go a long way in winning over prospective players. He also picked up a big boost in the public's eye their past week when he was nabbed for induction into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

Huggins has long been deserving of the honor and his fans can now celebrate what has been an amazing career. He is a legend in Morgantown and with 916 wins is second on the NCAA active career wins list behind Syracuse's Jim Boheim. It is a feather in the cap for Huggins in terms of recruiting. When a Hall of Fame coach comes calling, players are more likely to answer.

Huggins is in a position to regroup quickly and put a competitive team together. This upcoming season cannot start fast enough for Huggins' fans that are looking to put last year's disappointing season behind them. Maybe this latest announcement might bring a few good players to WVU, which would help change the perception of the portal in 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 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 & 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.

Last week's winners of The Shinnston News and Harrison County Journal's Athletes of the week Award are Robert C. Byrd's Fran Alvaro and South Harrison's Josh Thomaschek.

Flying Eagle softball player Fran Alvaro pitched her way to a pair of wins last week. Alvaro struck out 17 batters in a win over Lewis County. Alvaro earned a second win on Saturday tossing a shutout while striking out nine batters against Keyser.

Hawk baseball player Josh Thomaschek had a huge game in a win over Notre Dame. Thomaschek pitched a complete game that included 12 strikeouts. He also helped his own cause from the plate by going two for four with a double and a run batted in.

Congratulations to Fran Alvaro and South Harrison's Josh Thomaschek for being named the Athletes of the Week!



Sharks planning swim team sign-ups

By Erin Beck
Editor

The Shinnston Sharks swim team is planning sign-ups for the month of May, according to a news release.

The Shinnston Pool has been the home of the Sharks summer swim team since the summer of 2017. The team is comprised of area kids who are able to independently swim across the pool and are 2022 high school graduates or younger.

Practice is held every weekday morning beginning with the first day of summer vacation for Harrison County students, and swim meets are generally scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday evenings. This summer's coaching staff includes coaches Sonia McGrady and Rick Johnson from the Salem University swim team.

Volunteer Tonya Barnes said swimmers can attend as many practices and meets as they choose, as summer swim is designed to be fun and flexible.

The 2022 season ends with the championship meet for North Central West Virginia teams July 15 and 16.

For additional information, contact Barnes at 304-641-0855 or follow the Shinnston Sharks Swim Team page on Facebook.

Shinnston kids win at novice wrestling event

By Erin Beck

Two Shinnston kids carried away championship titles at the West Virginia Novice State Championship, hosted by Bridgeport Youth Wrestling, on March 19 at the Meadowbrook Mall.

Six Shinnston kids wrestled and placed. Local mother Nikki Glaspell provided the names and places of those local kids. From the Clarksburg Panthers, Cameron Glaspell was the champion in the 7-8-year-old, under 75 lb. weight class. River Miker took second place in the 7-8-year-old, under 70 lb. weight class.

Wrestling with the Bridgeport team, Ryan Skinner was the champion in the 11-12 year-old, under 75 lb. weight class.

Also with that team, Silas Raines took third place in the 9-10-year-old under 85 lb. weight class, Roman Skinner took sixth in the 7-8-year-old 50 lb. weight class, and Mallory Skinner took third place among 11-12-year-old girls in her class.

Nikki Glaspell explained that the novice state competition is for wrestlers who've been competing for one to three years; last year did not count due the pandemic.

Local Legion Members Attend Wheeling Conference



Six members of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 31, including two past department presidents, Roxie Nicholson and Dortha Parsons, attend the annual Mid-Winter Convention in February in Wheeling. Pictured left to right are Margaret Yost, Lois Layman, Nicholson, Carla Wilfong, Parsons and Karen Flanigan. Courtesy photo.

Submitted by Betsy Turner

Six members of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 31 in Shinnston attended the American Legion Auxiliary Department of West Virginia's annual Mid-Winter Convention from Feb. 11 - 13.

The convention, held at the Oglebay Resort and Conference Center in Wheeling, was called for the purpose of receiving reports from department officers and chairmen, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

On Feb 11, the group began a silent auction and the collection of comfort items for the veterans' hospitals and nursing homes in the state. Committee meetings for the day included the Girls State Executive Committee, Policy and Procedure, Governing Documents, and Membership Committees.

Among the ceremonies that took place during the session included the "Missing Man Table," which honors those military members still missing, alive or dead, and the "4 Chaplains Service" in honor of the four chaplains of different faiths who, on February 3, 1943, during World War II, gave up their life jackets so other members of the crew of the USS Dorchester might live after it had been torpedoed by a German submarine.

Rhododendron Girls State Governor, Sidney Megna, of North Marion High School, addressed the gathering.

The group also received information from Dr. Rosemary Thomas, leadership chairman; Ann Buchanan, poppy chairman; and Paulette Anderson, veterans affairs and rehabilitation chairman.

There was also a banquet and the Commander's and President's Reception.



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Carolyn Jean Limberick (Fornash)
Carolyn Jean Limberick, 82, of Fairmont passed away on Monday, March 21, 2022 at Reynold Memorial Hospital. She was born October 27, 1939 in Clarksburg, a daughter of the late Hedsel Guy and Pearl Marie King Fornash.

In 2009, Carolyn was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin "Randy" Limberick.

She is survived by her children, Gary Limberick of Shinnston; Robin Drain and her husband Jamie of Fairmont; and Lori Limberick of Shinnston; her grandchildren, Nicole O'Dell; David O'Dell; Taylor O'Dell; Brandon Limberick; and Mark Yeager; and great-grandchildren, Jason Watkins; Kensley O'Dell; and Hunter O'Dell.

Cremation services were handled by Perine Funeral Home. There will be no public services held. Online memories and condolences can be extended to the family at www.perinefunerals.com

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

Katherine "Katy" Davis

Katherine "Katy" Davis, 84, of Roanoke passed away Sunday, March 20, 2022. She was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Delores Lough, and a brother, James "Dude" Lough.

Mrs. Davis was a 1955 graduate of Shinnston High School and went on to graduate from Fairmont State College in 1959. She retired after 30 years of service with the Fairfax County, Virginia school system.

Surviving is her husband of 65 years, Jack L. Davis; sons, John R. Davis (Irene), Thomas L. Davis (Mish) grandchildren, Noele, Natalie, and Meredith Aabye; and a great grandson, Gabriel Diaz.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests that memorials be made to REMS (Roanoke Emergency Medical Services) P O Box 1830 Roanoke, VA 24008.

A gathering of family and friends was held from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Friday, March 25, 2022 at the Electric Road Chapel of Simpson Funeral Home 3912 Electric Road.

Barbara (Mahaffey) Mace

Barbara Mace, 79, of Clarksburg, passed away on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at United Hospital Center. She was born in Morgantown on August 1, 1942 to the late Herman Henry and Ethel (Hayhurst) Mahaffey.

Barbara worked as a bookkeeper for Country Club Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram. She loved her cats, enjoyed reading, crocheting and sewing. She was on a bowling league and loved to garden.

In addition to her parents, Barbara is preceded in death by her husband, Lee Roy Mace.

Barbara is survived by her nephew, Jay Barker of Clarksburg.

In keeping with Barbara's wishes, she will be cremated with no services.

My Final Gift
It is now time for me to move on

Into the dusk, but also the dawn.

I will remain as the morning comes

As I've left behind a gift for someone.

So another may walk, may talk, may see.

Where their life was locked, I offered a key.

I am a donor to someone in need

My final gift, my final deed.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to either organization in honor of Barbara:

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Dorsey Funeral Home is honored to be handling the arrangements for the Mace family.

Juanita Vincent

Juanita Vincent, also known as Needie, passed away suddenly at her home in Lumberport on March 22, 2022. She was born in Bemis, WV on April 24, 1933 to the late Willie Vincent and Lena (Holman) Vincent.

She is survived by one sister, Noreen Bolsted of California, and a niece Darlene Cumberledge and her husband Keith. Dave Bennett of Lumberport was a thoughtful neighbor who helped take care of Needie and her yard. Her cousin, Sally Butler, was also a helping hand in taking care of her; Stacy Stout was also a caregiver. Needie is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her brother James Vincent; sister Betty Kesling; and niece Linda Fry.

Needie was a nurses aide at Memorial Hospital of Sandusky County Freemont, Ohio. She then came back to WV and had a daycare at her home in Haywood. She loved all her kids and they loved her back.

At her request, Needie was cremated, and will be alongside her mother Lena Holman Vincent at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery.

There was a graveside service on Wednesday, March 30th at 11:00am at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent to Harmerfuneralhome.com

A service of Harmer Funeral Home, Shinnston.



Helen E. Jones

Helen E. Jones, who died March 27 at the age of 88 at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown, blazed a trail through life with a clear-eyed focus on education and altruism.

When her youngest of three children was still a toddler, she began teaching kindergarten at the First Baptist Church in Shinnston, a job that hardly paid but that launched her ambition to teach.

She built her career like a house, floor by floor, as her family's resources allowed - graduating from Fairmont State College in 1968, teaching fifth and sixth grade geography and history at Shinnston Elementary and Junior High, then serving as language arts supervisor for Harrison County Schools. By taking night classes and summer classes, she completed her master's degree from West Virginia University in 1972, and, in 1980, she completed her doctorate in education at WVU.

She began her college career teaching student teachers at Salem College, moving on to Fairmont State College, where she was a professor of education from 1981 to 1997. She also taught classes at Alderson-Broadus College and at WVU.

In addition, she completed certification in gifted education from Purdue University and earned additional credentials in economics from the University of Maine.

Teaching was a passion that spilled over into her volunteer work in semi-retirement, notably as a co-founder of The Open Door day shelter, once a part of the Clarksburg Mission. Her skills and steady guidance helped unhoused people, many of whom suffered from substance abuse and mental health challenges, to redirect their lives for the better. An advocate of Housing First, she helped many of her clients move

Out Of The Past

Memorable Photographs from around Harrison County.



A banquet is held in the social room of the old Methodist Episcopal Church at the corner of Pike & Rebecca Streets. This photo was taken in 1914, during Reverend Henry Walter Bromley's visit to Shinnston. Local churches had asked him to come to bring about a revival of their congregations. Photo courtesy of Bobby Bice.

into apartments, visited them, drove them to doctors' appointments and to the store. Often, she bought them supplies, including socks and toiletries.

Helen Page Early was born on Oct. 11, 1933 and raised in Weston, the daughter of Henry Word Early and Margaret Holt Early.

In 1952, Helen married Richard Hess Jones of Shinnston, where they raised their family. He preceded her in death in 1985. She is survived by three children, Karla (Michael) Smith of Bristol, Diana Jones of Pittsburgh, and Evan Jones (Cheryl Bradley) of Clarksburg; a sister, Margaret Shrewsbury of Augusta, W. Va.; daughter-in-law Susan Jones of Shinnston; four grandchildren, Adam Jones and Erin (Keegan) Hall of Shinnston, Benjamin (Carrie) Smith of Bristol and Sarah Smith of Roanoke, Va.; three great-grandsons, Michael and Mason Smith of Bristol and Henry Hall of Shinnston.

At the core of her strengths and capabilities was

dogged perseverance that defied both her free time and resources. People who knew her best knew that she would reach any goal she set - except her dream of dancing on Broadway. When any of her children would decried life as unfair, she had a riposte: "If life were fair, I'd be on Broadway."

With a curious and creative mind, she stepped outside her comfort zone to take art classes and to travel widely, including to Kenya and Australia. She sang in the choir of the First United Methodist Church in Shinnston and later, when she moved to Bridgeport and then to Clarksburg, in the choir of the Bridgeport United Methodist Church. She sang for many years with the Clarksburg Madrigals. As a young mother, she taught dance and acted in community theater.

Helen was a seamstress, a gardener, an avid reader and a steward of the environment. While living in Shinnston, she befriended many stray dogs that became a family pets, spaying

and neutering them all. Later in her life, she supported numerous environmental and social justice causes and like-minded politicians.

Her honors included: William A. Boram Teacher of the Year at Fairmont State in 1992; finalist for the Clarksburg Exponent-Telegram's Citizen of the Year in 2001; West Virginia Women's Commission's Mountaineer Spirit award in 2002; Governor's Service Award for Volunteer Service in 2010.

Helen requested that in place of flowers memorial donations be made to either Fort New Salem % Kevin Fluharty at 158 E. Main St., Salem, WV 26426, The Mustard Seed at P.O. Box 2709, Clarksburg, WV 26301, or the Harrison County Humane Society at P.O. Box 4397, Clarksburg, WV 26302.

Visitation was held at the Bridgeport United Methodist Church on Thursday March 31 from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM and at Harmer's Funeral Home in Shinnston on Friday April 1, from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

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A funeral service was held at 1:00PM on Friday, at the funeral home, with Dr. Dale Waters and Dr. Ken Ramsey officiating. Interment followed at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery.

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A service of Harmer Funeral Home, Shinnston.

Neva Ruth Green (Freeman)

Neva Ruth Green, 88, of Lumberport passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at her home with her family by her side. She was born November 21, 1933 in Nestorville, a daughter of the late Arlie and Ruby Righman Freeman.

On April 8, 1950 she married Richard B. Green who preceded her in death on February 25, 1994.

Neva is survived by her children, Larry Green and his wife Lisa of Martinsburg; David Green and his wife Alice of Greenwood; James "Tiger" Green and his wife Samantha of Enterprise; and Amy Jordan and the late Randall Jordan of Shinnston; her grandchildren, Letitia; Lori Beth; Faith; and Randi Brooke; great-grandchildren, Tanner; Briana; Isabella; and Cammie; her brother, Randy Freeman and his wife Christine of Harrisonburg, VA; as well as many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her

parents, husband, and son-in-law, Neva was preceded in death by her brothers, Richard "Brownie" Freeman and Russell "Rusty" Freeman.

Neva was a life-long member of the Lumberport Baptist Church. She like to spend her time gardening and cooking. She also enjoyed going out to eat with her friends.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to WVU Hospice and Home Health.

The family received friends at Perine Funeral Home, 1348 S. Pike St. Shinnston, on Friday from 2-8pm. A graveside funeral service was held at the Mt. Olive Cemetery in Barbour County on Saturday at 1:00 pm with Pastor Chad Hutson officiating. Online memories and condolences can be shared with the family at www.perinefunerals.com

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

Brenda Lou Bell

Brenda Lou Bell, 61, of Shinnston, passed away early Wednesday morning, March 30, 2022 at her residence. She was born in Parkersburg on March 24, 1961 in Parkersburg, daughter of

Patricia Carol (Mackey) Bell, of Shinnston and the late Jennings Paul Bell.

Brenda attended schools in South Parkersburg. She worked at several nursing homes around Parkersburg, but worked the longest at Worthington Manor Care Center in Parkersburg. After her father passed in 1993, she moved in with her mother. She worked at Best Western Hotel for several years until being diagnosed with Stage IV

lung cancer. She took chemotherapy for over four years.

In addition to her father, Brenda is preceded in death by two brothers: Paul Martin Bell and Brian Lee Bell and her companion, Ed Hastings.

Brenda is also survived by one daughter, Heather Dawn Hastings of Shinnston; one granddaughter, Kristen Lee Bowers and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Family received friends on Sunday, April 3, 2022 from 2:00pm - 8:00pm at Dorsey Funeral Home, 701 S. Pike St., Shinnston. Service was held on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 11:00am with Pastor Tim Sandy officiating. Interment followed at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery.

Dorsey Funeral Home is honored to be handling the arrangements for the Bell family.

LEGAL NOTICES

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023 LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA MUNICIPALITY OF SHINNSTON, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code §11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collection from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

Table with columns: REVENUE SOURCE, General Fund, Coal Severance Fund. Rows include Unassigned Fund Balance, Property Taxes, Gas & Oil Severance Tax, Excise Tax on Utilities, Business and Occupation Tax, Wine & Liquor Tax, Animal Control Tax, Sales Tax, Fines, Fees & Court Costs, Building Permit Fees, Miscellaneous Fees, Franchise Fees, IRP Fees, Parks & Recreation, Police Protection Fees, Fire Protection Fees, Street Fees, Charges for Services, Federal Government Grants, State Government Grants, Other Grants, Gaming Income, Interest Earned on Investments, Refunds, Video Lottery (LVL), Miscellaneous Revenues, TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND), COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND, REVENUE SOURCE, Assigned Fund Balance, Coal Severance Tax, TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND).

ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES

Table with columns: Fund, General, Coal Severance. Rows include Economic Development, City Council, City Manager's Office, Finance Office, City Clerk's Office, Police Judge's Office, City Attorney, City Auditor, Engineering, Rehabilitation of Property, Custodial, Regional Development Authority, Building Inspection, Public Works Department, Police Department, Fire Department, Dog Warden/Humane Society, Streets and Highways, Street Lights, Signs and Signals, Central Garage, Garbage Department, Parks & Recreation, Fair Associations / Festivals, Swimming Pools, Library, Beautification Programs, TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.

MUNICIPALITY OF SHINNSTON, WEST VIRGINIA Regular Current Expense Levy FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

Table with columns: Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes, Levy Rate/\$100, Taxes Levied. Rows include CLASS I (Personal Property, Public Utility), CLASS II (Real Estate, Personal Property), CLASS IV (Real Estate, Personal Property, Public Utility), Total Value & Projected Revenue, Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes, Less Tax Discounts, Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing, Total Projected Property Tax Collection, Less Assessor Valuation Fund, Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes.

MUNICIPALITY OF SHINNSTON, WEST VIRGINIA Excess Levy / Levies FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

Table with columns: Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes, Levy Rate/\$100, Taxes Levied. Rows include CLASS I (Personal Property, Public Utility), CLASS II (Real Estate, Personal Property), CLASS IV (Real Estate, Personal Property, Public Utility), Total Value & Projected Revenue, Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes, Less Tax Discounts, Net Amount to be Raised by Levy for Budget Purposes.

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(2020-S-00000002 - Harrison County - AMANDA CROSBY)

To: CITY OF CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA ATTN: KIM KARAKIOZIS, DONALD HALL, 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 CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP MAP 30 PARCEL 0037 0000

You will take notice that AMANDA CROSBY, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000002, 1 LOT 474 E CLARKSBURG, located in CLARK CLARKSBURG CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of BARKER CURTIS, 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 May 16, 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, May 15, 2022, will be as follows:

Table with columns: Description, Amount. Rows include Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, interest to May 15, 2022; Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to May 15, 2022; 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 May 15, 2022; Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to May 15, 2022; 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; Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.

You may redeem any time before May 15, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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