



Bice-Ferguson Museum to Feature Quilt Show Throughout September



Come and see a colorful array of quilts while learning more about West Virginia traditions all this month at the Bice-Ferguson Museum

By Debra Herndon

The Bice-Ferguson Memorial Museum is holding a quilt show through the month of September during regular hours: Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The quilt in frontier America was a thing of necessity and rarely of beauty. Clothing that had worn out to the point that it could no longer be used, was saved so the “good” parts could be cut out. Pieces were sewn together, a backing of cheap muslin or old sheets was fashioned and in between a worn blanket or even feathers would make up the filling.

In order to keep the filling stabilized, knots

of thread or stitching would keep the layers together. These early quilts were often not pretty, but kept the body heat in the bed on cold winter nights in drafty, poorly heated dwellings. Older quilts often have one particular color that has disintegrated more than the other pieces, simply because it was from a garment that was used longer or harder than the other pieces.

There were times when a handmade quilt would be considered as part of a young girl’s dowry. Quilt making also could provide extra money, but certainly not fair recompense for the time spent on the quilt.

In the 1800’s colorful feed sacks and the availability of more fabrics encouraged more creativity in quilt making. The (almost exclusively) women who sewed came up with patterns that everyone recognized and quilting became the art form it still is today. At the Museum this month you can see beautiful examples of Log Cabin, Double Wedding Ring, Bear Paw, Fan,

Churn Dash and other traditional patterns. Original works are also included. Some quilts have been intricately machine-quilted while others represent hours of hand quilting.

Those visiting the show will be able to vote for a People’s Choice award. On September 30th at noon, the Museum will hold a Quilt Talk and Reception where the quilters represented will share their experiences and the People’s Choice prize will be awarded. This event is open to everyone. Those that have quilts they would like to display will be invited to sign up for next year’s show.

Questions may be addressed to Museum Director Debra Herndon at 304-677-6650.

W.Va. Guard Responds to Flood Emergency

By Edwin L Wriston

The West Virginia National Guard responded to calls for assistance in eastern Kanawha County last week following an excessive rainfall event that occurred, producing up to 9.1 inches of rain in some areas.

Assets activated from the WVNG included the All-Hazards Swift Water Rescue Team, UH-72 Lakota and UH-60M Blackhawk helicopters, which were immediately put into a standby status to prepare for emergency dispatch in coordination with the West Virginia Emergency Management Division (WVEMD).

The UH-72 Lakota helicopter and crew were in the air in less than an hour from notification to assist officials and responders, and the All-hazards Swift Water Rescue Team pre-deployed their equipment and personnel closer to the area of impact.

Three damage assessment teams with the All-Hazards Training Team have also been activated and will begin visiting locations to assist local officials with FEMA-required assessments Tuesday.

“Our Guard motto is, ‘Always Ready, Always There,’ and this morning our personnel exemplified that motto,” stated Adjutant General Maj. Gen. Bill Crane. “We will continue to monitor the situation with our partner agencies, and additional manpower and units will be available to provide support to our first responder agencies as requested by the counties.”

The WVNG Joint Operations Center (JOC) is on full activation and will remain so until the declared State of Emergency is resolved.

West Virginia Governor Jim Justice declared a State of Emergency in five counties impacted by an excessive rainfall event that occurred during the early morning hours of August 28, 2023.

Significant flash flooding impacted Kanawha, Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, and Roane counties, with damages to roads, bridges, and homes, resulting in a multi-agency response effort from local and state-level first responders.

“Wisely Minding the Store” Gov. Justice Announces State Budget Surplus

CHARLESTON, WV — Gov. Jim Justice announced today that West Virginia’s General Revenue collections for August 2023, the second month of Fiscal Year 2024, came in at \$410.8 million, which is \$22.8 million above estimate. The surplus was led by strong consumer sales tax. Year-to-date revenue collections of \$745.8 million stand at \$30.5 million above estimate.

“Once again, our surplus this month proves that we’re wisely minding our store and keeping our state on the right track, just as West Virginians elected me to do,” Gov. Justice said.

“However, we’re having to fend off constant attacks by the Biden Administration and his radical climate extremists who are dead set on destroying our way of life with their war on coal, oil, and gas. All West Virginians are also seeing the disastrous effects of Bidenomics, with rampant inflation that has driven up the price of everything.

“Despite these cards we’re being dealt, West Virginians are remaining resilient, like we always have, and continuing to get our dinner buckets and work hard so that we can put food on the table for our families. It’s what makes me confident that whatever comes our way, we will get through it together, stronger than ever, as West Virginians.”

Consumer Sales Tax collections totaled nearly \$159 million in August. Collections exceeded the monthly estimate by more than \$6.4 million and prior year collections by 5.4%.

August Corporation Net Income Tax collections of \$8.3 million were \$5.8 million above estimate and \$14.4 million ahead of last year. Year-to-date collections of \$27.3 million were \$14.3 million above estimate and 229% ahead of last year.

Severance Tax collections exceeded estimates by \$6.2 million in August.

Spotted Lanternfly Detected in Taylor County

Charleston, W.Va. – Taylor County has now been added to the list of West Virginia counties where the invasive pest spotted lanternfly (SLF) has been detected. A single spotted lanternfly was found in a trap set by the WVDA in early August near Grafton. The United States Department of Agriculture-National and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA-APHIS) confirmed the finding. WVDA Plant Industries staff found a sizable population of the pest near downtown Grafton earlier this month. Taylor is the eighth county in West Virginia where spotted lanternfly have been detected. The other counties include Hancock, Brooke, Mineral, Hampshire, Morgan, Berkeley, and Jefferson.

“The WVDA is working closely with USDA-APHIS to identify and treat areas where spotted lanternfly is found,” stressed West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt. “However, with no known native predators, spotted lanternfly will continue to spread across

our state, impacting agriculture industries and private property. We hope a more robust federal effort to contain and slow the spread of these insects will be initiated soon.”

The spotted lanternfly is an invasive plant hopper that is native to China and arrived in North America hidden on goods imported from Asia. Juvenile spotted lanternflies, known as nymphs, and adults prefer to feed on the invasive tree known as tree-of-heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*), but also feed on a wide range of crops and plants, including grapes, apples, hops, walnuts, and hardwood trees.

“There has been some success treating infested areas with insecticide. Removing tree-of-heaven from your property is another step to take to slow the spread,” according to WVDA SLF Program Coordinator James Watson. “We are also encouraging landowners to report any sightings of spotted lanternfly to our bugbusters@wvda.us account. It is important that we track their move-

ment. We rely heavily on the public to aid us in this effort.”

Spotted lanternfly can travel short distances on their own, but their main mode of movement is hitchhiking. Those who travel to an area with spotted lanternfly populations are asked to carefully inspect their vehicles, trailers, boats, ATVs, and any other surfaces for hitchhikers before they head home.

For more information on spotted lanternfly, visit our website at: <https://agriculture.wv.gov/divisions/plant-industries/spotted-lanternfly/>. To report a spotted lanternfly sighting, send a photo, your location, and contact information to bugbusters@wvda.us or call 304-558-2212.

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture protects plant, animal and human health through a variety of scientific, regulatory and consumer protection programs. The Commissioner of Agriculture is one of six statewide elected officials who sits on the Board of Public Works.



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By **JIM HUNT**
author, speaker, consultant

The Big Guy

Many years ago, I met a young fellow who was just getting started in local government and it seemed to me that he had a future in politics. He was one of the youngest mayors in the state and was eager to learn and work with the other mayors in the county. He was also one of the tallest mayors in the state and I really didn’t notice that until I was in a picture with him, and he towered over me. He led the town of Stonewood for several years before moving on to other opportunities.

Jim Terango is currently the Chief Tax Deputy for Harrison County under Sheriff Robert Matheny. Few people have ever had as much experience in that position as Terango and he has instilled a sense of teamwork in the office that has collected record numbers of tax dollars and cleared millions of dollars from the delinquent taxes owed to the county. A look at some of the positions held by Terango gives a hint as to why he is so effective in his job.

He served as a Harrison County magistrate and learned his way around the court system, which comes in handy when dealing with tax issues. It also gave him an understanding of the many things that face citizens and how to fairly assess the situations brought before him by taxpayers. A stint as Chief of Police in Shinnston, West Virginia also gave him a unique look into law enforcement and a further education into the law and how it impacts cities and their citizens.

Former West Virginia Auditor Glen Gainer hired Terango to work with him to assist local

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Guest Column

By Charlotte Lane
Chair, WV Public Service Commission

Wildfire Prevention

It is hard for me to fathom the tragedy that has occurred on the Hawaiian island of Maui. Fire swept through Lahaina, the old capital of Hawaii, in August, killing countless people. The blame for this fire has not been determined. But its outbreak caused me to look back on some research into the reason for wildfires in the United States.

The National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho, is a clearinghouse and information center for wildlife fire statistics and reports. I suppose it is not surprising that the center found that during a recent 10-year period, humans were responsible for 87 percent of wildfires nationally. And the center said arson might account for more than a fifth of all those fires.

But two industries that fall under the Public Service Commission's regulation also contribute to wildfires. One involves power-generation wildfires, most commonly caused by something coming into contact with electrical power lines. High winds, contact with vegetation, equipment failure, or human and animal contact with lines all are potential contributors. This is why the Commission is extremely interested in plans by power companies to maintain their lines and keep their rights-of-way clear of vegetation.

And we want you to be alert too. For your safety, we urge you to stay away from power lines, meters, transformers, and electric boxes. Leave maintenance of these things to the professionals. If you see vegetation close to a line, or a line dangerously down and close to something else, call the power company. Don't attempt to tackle the problem yourself.

The second situation is wildfires caused by railroad operations and maintenance. Track maintenance work, such as track replacement, and operations, such as derailments or mechanical failures, are both associated with this type of problem. It is good to know that while railroads historically were a significant problem; that has now changed. Aggressive prevention has reduced modern occurrences in many areas. Again, call the railroad or 911 if you see a problem along any tracks you pass by.

We're not going to stomp out this problem anytime soon. As long as humans exist, we will have to co-exist with the dangers of wildfires. But being alert and letting the right people know when you see problems, can significantly cut down on the dangers of wildfires in our Mountain State.

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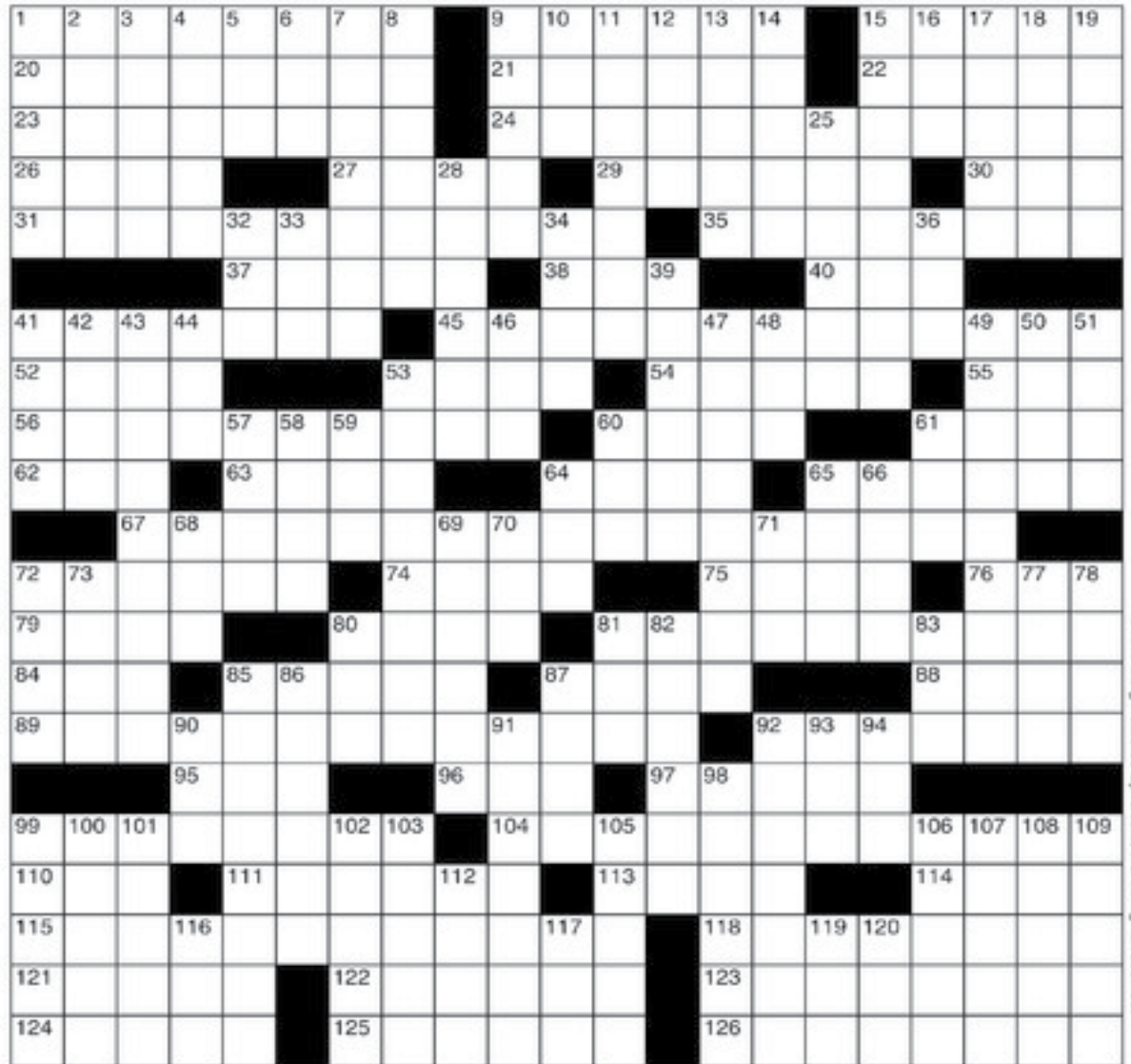
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THIS WEEK IN West Virginia History

Charleston WV – The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Sept. 7, 1808: Peter Godwin Van Winkle was born in New York City. In 1863, VancWinkle was elected as one of the first two U.S. senators from the new state of West Virginia.

Sept. 7, 1848: Christopher Harrison Payne was born in Monroe County. In 1896, Payne became the state's first Black legislator when he was elected to the House of Delegates from Fayette County.

Sept. 7, 1937: Photographer Arnout "Sonny" Hyde Jr. was born in Bluefield. His images of nature and people appeared in magazines, books and calendars throughout the U.S. and Europe.

Sept. 8, 1862: Confederate raiders led by Gen. Albert G. Jenkins, a Cabell County native, rode into Barboursville. They skirmished with the enemy and then rode into Wayne, Logan and Raleigh counties.

Sept. 8, 1947: Morris Harvey College (now University of Charleston) moved to its current location on the south side of the Kanawha River.

Sept. 9, 1839: Anderson "Devil Anse" Hatfield was born in Mingo County. He was the patriarch of the Hatfield family and their leader during the Hatfield-McCoy Feud.

Sept. 10, 1782: Frontier heroine Betty Zane is credited with saving Fort Henry in Wheeling during an attack by British and Indians during the Revolutionary War. According to one account, Zane sprinted across a field to retrieve gunpowder from the Zane family cabin.

Sept. 10, 1861: The Battle of Carnifex Ferry took place on the Gauley River. Union Gen. William Rosecrans sent in brigades one at a time as they arrived at the battlefield, allowing the outnumbered Confederates to repulse the piecemeal attacks. During the night, the Confederates retreated before they could be defeated in the morning.

Sept. 10, 1996: Movie and television actress Joanne Dru died in Los Angeles. Dru was born Joan Letitia

Lacock in Logan, West Virginia. Her movie career included more than 40 films.

Sept. 11, 1913: Ritter Park in Huntington opened. During the Great Depression, the Works Progress Administration contributed to constructing the roads and stonework around the park.

Sept. 12, 1861: The Battle of Cheat Mountain was fought near the Randolph-Pocahontas County line. Gen. Robert E. Lee came into western Virginia to give support to Gen. William W. Loring, commander of the Army of Northwestern Virginia, but the battle ended in a defeat for the Confederacy.

Sept. 12, 1872: The Great Bend Tunnel was completed at Talcott. The tunnel, also known as Big Bend Tunnel, is the place where John Henry defeated the steam drill, becoming one of the world's great folk heroes.

Sept. 12, 1952: A group of local youths were startled from a game of football by a fireball streaking across the sky. The fireball fell to earth just beyond a hillside at Flatwoods. This sighting led to the legend of the Braxton County, or Flatwoods, Monster.

Sept. 12, 1974: Kanawha County schools were closed for four days because of an escalation in violence during the Kanawha County Textbook Controversy. Throughout October and November, sporadic violence continued as protesters demanded the resignation of pro-textbook board members and the superintendent of schools.

Sept. 13, 1844: Milton Humphreys was born in Greenbrier County. During the Civil War, he enlisted in the Confederate service as a sergeant. At the battle of Fayetteville, Humphreys fired his cannon at Union artillery from behind an intervening forest, setting a precedent for modern warfare by the use of indirect fire.

Sept. 13, 1848: Attorney "J. R." Clifford was born in present Grant County. In 1887, Clifford became the first African-American admitted to practice law before the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. He was one of the first lawyers in the nation to challenge segregated schools.

Sept. 13, 1862: Confederate and Union forces clashed in Charleston. Southern artillery gained the high ground on Fort Hill and smashed the federals who were lining the west bank of the Elk River.

Sept. 13, 1910: Musician Leon "Chu" Berry was born in Wheeling. He was one of the most highly regarded saxophonists of the Swing Era.

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N&J Briefs

FROM AROUND HARRISON COUNTY
The Shinnston News provides a calendar of events 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

United Way of Harrison and Doddridge Counties Announces STEM Saturday schedule, Sept 9, Oct 21, Nov 11, and Dec 9 for students aged 10-14 at United Way office in Downtown Clarksburg. Call (304) 326-7762 for registration and more details

Harrison County YMCA announces preschool basketball on Oct 19 at 5 PM. Please email sportsandprograms@harcocymca.com for more details

The Lost Creek Community Festival would like to announce a cornhole tournament on Friday Sept 15 behind the LC Community Building. Registration begins at 5:45 PM, games at 6:30.

The Bridgeport Public Library announces a book sale at the library
1200 Johnson Avenue
Bridgeport, WV
September 1-30
\$1 a bag of books or \$.25 each for single books. \$.75 each for audio books. Please call (304) 842-8248 for additional information.

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governments properly account for their tax dollars and to educate local officials on their roles and responsibilities. The West Virginia Municipal League also turned to him to help do the municipal judge training classes that they offer each year.

In addition to his public roles, Jim has operated a private investigation business which serves legal papers for area law firms and other investigative

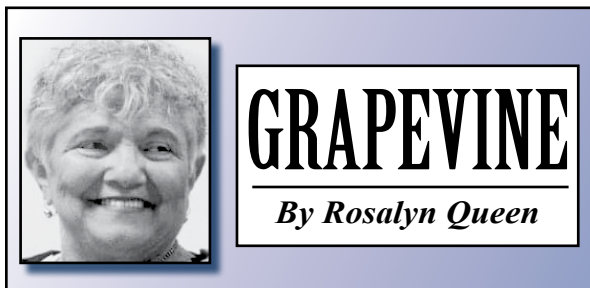
services. As if he needed any more legal skills, this venture has added immensely to his career knowledge.

It is often said that if you want to get a job done, ask a busy person. In this vein, Jim Terango returned to his original position as Mayor of Stonewood a few years ago and is leaving his mark on his hometown. The town celebrated its 75th Anniversary in 2022 and the entire city came

together to put on a fantastic celebration and show off some of the accomplishments in the past 75 years.

Jim Terango stands out in the state of West Virginia, and it is not only his 6'5" height. He has put in the hours, days and years while dedicating his talents towards his hometown, his county, and his state. Jim Terango is one of our state's Amazing Public Officials!

Honoring Seniors As the Core of Celebrating Italian Heritage



A Queen and two queens. Pictured is Rosalyn Queen, Retired Director, WVIHF. Leslie Queen Pruitt, Regina Maria 6th and Miranda Quinn Lang, Regina Maria 40th.



Here are the Queen family ladies with the newest member of the festival Court. Front pictured is Avery Queen, daughter of Marty and Cathy Queen who was a junior court member. Back row Lisa Lang, Addison Ammons Miranda Lang, Regina Maria 40, Leslie Queen Pruitt, Regina Marie 6th and Rosalyn Queen retired WVIHF Director.

Labor Day officially opened football season, ended summer and in our area welcomed the West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival. Pre festival events were held prior to Friday, but the official opening was on Friday with the coronation of Regina Maria 44, Delaynee Wells. The weather offered a beautiful sunny day and continued all weekend for all events.

I attended most all events and it is hard for me to pick just one event but I think, that I enjoyed the parade more than any other. This parade was just about the same as always except that I was riding

on the trolley for seniors. I made my mind at the last minute and knew at this point I had come full circle. Among those on the trolley was Father Pat Sabatelli, Commissioner Tony Veltri and Mike Audia. We were at the front of the parade and pulled over so that we could view the parade from the comfort of the trolley. After the parade we went to the Uptown Event Center where we were treated to a great luncheon prepared by Twin Oaks.

After the meal we all reminisced about our heritage. As I sat there I thought how proud our founders would be because they were so adamant about honoring our senior members. Frank Iaquina felt we needed this part for those who continue to preserve our heritage. Congratulations to Jimmy and Annie Mazzie who continue to chair this part of the festival. I was so happy to see that Alexia Burge, daughter of Denise Biafore and Janna Robey, granddaughter of Joan Smith were chairing the luncheon. The tradition carries on.

I had the opportunity to talk with Boo Bellotte and we spent a long time reminiscing about the first 25 festivals which we and others gave much blood and sweat to get on the street. Some things have changed but some remain the same. We decided that both of us together maintain a lot of memories that laid the foundation for the festival. Boo spent many hours getting the festival on the street. We remembered all the hard work of Dave Seamon, John Shields, Vic Gabriel, Mike Fusco and many others. We remembered when board members actually carried ice on their shoulders to the booths. Talk about a labor of love, this is what the festival was in the early days. The success of the festival can be attributed to this dedication.

I hope that we never forget those founders and the many individuals who helped form the festival.

In the picture you will see my daughter, Leslie who not only served as the Regina but also participated in the Pasta Cookoff for many years. She was always ready to help in any way I needed her. Also carrying on the tradition is my granddaughter, Miranda Lang. She cut her teeth on Festival events. She helped her aunt from a young age with the pasta cookoff and she served in the Minor Court. So little wonder that the festival means so much to our family.

Well, I will officially close the 44th festival with many fond memories and a big thank you to those who worked so hard this year.

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

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High School and College Football Action



The Bottom Line

By Bill Nestor
Sports Editor

Week two of the football season kept a pair of Harrison County teams undefeated. Lincoln and Liberty moved to 2-0 with big wins, while Bridgeport, Robert C. Byrd, and South Harrison had setbacks.

The Cougars, playing at home for a second consecutive game to start the campaign, blanked Elkins 41-0. The passing attack spearheaded the offense with A. J. Bart running the show. The signal caller had a career night with 252 yards on 17 of 22 passing. Bart also threw four touchdown passes.

Lincoln put points on the board when David Burdette found pay dirt on a nine yard run. Bart threw his first touchdown to Maddox Perine from seven yards out to provide a 14-0 lead at the end of the first quarter. Bart hit Noah Sears on a nine yard scoring toss to open up the scoring in the second stanza. Aiden Rice scored on a three yard plunge to push the lead to 27-0 at the halftime break.

Rice was the Cougars' leading receiver, hauling in five balls for 105 yards. He also accounted for the last two touchdowns on plays of 11 and 64 yards, respectively. Burdette was the game's lone century rusher with 106 yards on a mere 11 rushes.

Lincoln's defense continues to impress, allowing just 118 yards while pitching the shutout. The Tigers' passing game was near non-existent, contributing just a pair of yards in the match-up.

The Cougar defense has yet to allow a point in

2023.

This week, Lincoln will hit the road, traveling to Grafton for a Big 10 battle with the Bearcats.

The Mountaineers garnered a hard fought 28-6 win over county rival South Harrison to remain unblemished. Liberty had the lone first period score when quarterback Brock Benedum found Jensen Dodd on a 39 yard connection. Liberty earned a pair of second quarter touchdowns on two Quentin Hilliard rushing scores of 69 and 22 yards, respectively.

The Hawks responded with a 12 yard run from Lucas Rush for their only points in the affair, making it 21-6 heading into halftime. Rush gained 117 yards on 36 attempts and threw for 76 more to pass South Harrison.

Hilliard added a third touchdown in the third period to conclude the scoring for both teams. Hilliard had a career best 162 yards on 13 carries to lead the Mountaineers.

West Virginia University's football team opened up play with the renewal of their most rival, Penn State, this past Saturday. The Mountaineers went to Happy Valley for a battle and came home with a loss. The 38-15 setback put WVU behind the eight ball and below .500. The Eers have a chance to even their record at home this Saturday when they host Duquesne. Kickoff is set for 6 PM, which means that a normally rowdy crowd will have several more hours of tailgating to get focused on this big contest.

WVU looked coached up in the first half of the Penn State game. However, as the game progressed, WVU lost momentum and the host pulled away. If they can duplicate the first half and improve as expected, don't be surprised if they go bowling this season!

Barnes Selected as an MEC Nominee for 2023 NCAA Woman of the Year Award



BRIDGEPORT, W.Va. – Peyton Barnes, a former member of the Fairmont State acrobatics & tumbling team, has been selected as the Mountain East Conference nominee for the 2023 NCAA Woman of the Year Award, the conference announced on Monday (Aug. 28). Barnes joins Frostburg State's Abbey Dennis as the nominees for the MEC. Barnes and Dennis join 164 conference-level nominees for the 2023 Woman of the Year award.

Barnes, from Waldorf, Md., was a four-year member of the Fairmont State Acrobatics & Tumbling team and was named the MEC Specialist of the Year following her senior season in the spring

of 2023. She was also recognized nationally by the National Collegiate Acrobatics & Tumbling Association (NCATA) as the 2023 recipient of the Colleen Kausrud Leadership Award, recognizing the senior Acrobatics & Tumbling student-athlete that exemplifies leadership throughout her career.

In addition to earning all-conference recognition for her performance on the mat, Barnes was also a triple major at Fairmont State and earned degrees in National Security and Intelligence, Political Science and Criminal Justice. She graduated Summa Cum Laude. She was a three-time member of the NCATA All-Academic Team,

was named to the NCATA Academic Honor Roll, and was a member of the MEC All-Academic Team four times during her career.

She also earned the 2023 Jasper H. Colebank Award, recognizing the top senior student-athlete at Fairmont State. She helped Fairmont State to two MEC Regular Season and Tournament Championships and was an eight-time conference champion in individual events.

She was also a member of the student-athlete advisory committee (SAAC) as a Fairmont State and Mountain East Conference representative.

Established in 1991, the NCAA Woman of the Year award recognizes female

student-athletes who have exhausted their eligibility and distinguished themselves in their community, in athletics and in academics throughout their college careers.

Of the 164 conference-level nominees, 62 competed in Division I, 39 in Division II and 63 in Division III. Nominees competed in 20 sports, with multisport student-athletes accounting for 51 of the nominees. The conference-level nominees have an average GPA of 3.83.

Next, conference-level nominations will be forwarded to the NCAA Woman of the Year Selection Committee, which will choose the top 10 honorees in each of the three NCAA divisions. The NCAA will announce the Top 30 honorees in October.

From those 30 candidates, the selection committee determines the top three finalists in each division. The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics will select the Woman of the Year from the nine finalists. The 2023 NCAA Woman of the Year will be announced during an award ceremony at the NCAA Convention in January 2024.



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.

This week's Athletes of the Week is focused on a pair of Lincoln football players, Brayden Edgell and A. J. Bart.

Cougar Brayden Edgell has had a tremendous start to 2023. Edgell has four interceptions in two games. He returned two thefts for touchdowns in the season opening win over Braxton County.

Cougar quarterback A. J. Bart threw for 252 yards in a week two win over Elkins. Bart was 17 of 22 with four touchdowns in the victory. Congratulations to Lincoln's Brayden Edgell and A. J. Bart for shining bright in the Shinnston News & Harrison County Journal Athletes of the Week!

Tigers Voted to Finish 2nd in WWPA Preseason Poll

SALEM, West Virginia - In preparation for their upcoming season opener against California Institute of Technology in Washington, Pennsylvania this weekend, the Salem men's water polo program has some exciting goals for the upcoming season. The Tigers return a strong squad, and it is clear that their opponents this season recognize that. This is evidenced by their inclusion in the Western Water Polo Association preseason coaches' poll in second place overall, just a few points behind Biola in the number one position.

Salem ranks the highest of the 4 east coast programs within the WWPA, and will be looking to compete for the conference title in the Tigers' first season in the conference.

The Tigers have some key returners that should continue to play big roles this season such as offensive mainstays Ivan Zivojinovic, Nikola Krstonosic, and Marko Zivojinovic. On the defensive side, Portuguese tandem Duarte Costa and Goncalo Silva bring some experience between the pipes for the Tigers in goal.

As previously mentioned, Salem opens up the Men's water polo season in Washington, Pennsylvania where they will take on CalTech, host Washington and Jefferson, Penn State Behrend, and Ohio State's club program on September 2nd and 3rd. They return home to Mylan Park in Morgantown for the first time in the fall campaign on September 9th when Johns Hopkins comes to town ahead of a rematch with the Presidents of Washington and Jefferson.

Salem Announces Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2023

SALEM, West Virginia - Another stalwart of the Salem Athletics fall season is the annual induction of a class of former Tigers into the Salem Athletics Hall of Fame, with the ceremony traditionally held during homecoming festivities in parallel with the Salem Apple Butter Festival. This year, the Hall of Fame Ceremony will return to the Benedum Library, and will occur on October 6th.

To be honored in that ceremony, the following 8 individuals and teams have been voted in this year by the selection committee.

1962-1963 Men's Basketball Team

The 1962-1963 Men's Basketball was most noted for their underdog run through the WVIAC tournament. The team downed Bluefield State in the opening round, 67-55, then upset West Virginia State 92-81 and rallied to nip West

Virginia Wesleyan, 72-69. Unfortunately, the team lost to West Virginia Tech in the final. The fans in Charleston jumped on the Salem bandwagon and helped push the team to the finals. Salem was led by an outstanding head coach, Coach Don Christie who went on to have an outstanding career as head basketball coach at Salem for much of the 1960s and 1970s.

Djordje Stavrevski - Men's Water Polo Student-Athlete from 2014-2017

On the pool deck for the second admission into the Class of 2023, Stavrevski was a star of Salem men's water polo program through 2017, and he held a school record in career goals, and currently holds the school record for career drawn KOs. He was also a 2-time All-American, the first player in Salem water polo history to accomplish that feat on either the men's or women's squads.

Melissa Swartz - Women's Basketball Student Athlete from 1987-1991

Swartz joins the Class of 2023 after a successful women's basketball career at Salem where she was a critical part of some strong teams in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Most notably, in 1991, she led the WVIAC in rebounding and scoring en route to a WVIAC Player of the Year Award, which she also won in 1990.

Kelly Corcoran Underwood - Women's Basketball Student-Athlete from 1985-1988

Underwood and Swartz briefly were teammates here at Salem, but it is clear that Underwood's efforts as a Tiger in the mid-1980s paved the way for future success. Scoring over a thousand points in her time at Salem, Underwood earned All-WVIAC honors in 1987 and 1988. A hard worker on and off the court, she was

also a recipient of multiple All-Academic and Sportsmanship honors during her time playing for the Tigers.

Al Underdonk - Football Student-Athlete from 1972-1975

The next recipient joins this class of Tigers from his time playing football for Salem in the heyday of Tigers football, namely the mid 1970s. He earned multiple All-WVIAC and NAIA All-American honors in his time at Salem, and was a critical part of the 1975 team that made it all the way to the NAIA National Championship Game.

Mike Hicks - Football and Baseball Student-Athlete from 1959-1962

The earliest entrant on this list goes to Mike Hicks, who was a multi-sport athlete at Salem in the early 1960s. In football, he was a star running back, defensive back, and kick returner that earned

various All-WVIAC honors. In baseball, he was a strong offensive player as he led the WVIAC in batting average, stolen bases, and runs scored during his time as a Tiger. He also regularly competed as a track and field independent, as Salem did not sponsor track and field as a varsity sport at the time.

Al Devart - Football and Baseball Student-Athlete from 1984-1989

Al Devart joins the 2023 Hall of Fame Class after a strong career as both a baseball and football athlete at Salem in the late 1980s. He earned All-WVIAC honors in both those sports in 1988, and was part of multiple conference championship teams during his time as a Tiger. A native of Grafton, West Virginia, he competed as a tight end in football, and as a pitcher/utility player in baseball.

Cheryl Morgan - Athletics

Secretary and Administrator from 1983-2001

The final admission into the Class of 2023 is not from a student-athlete, but from an administrator. Cheryl Morgan filled various roles for Salem in her time as an athletic department secretary from 1983 through 2001, including, academic compliance, fund raising, gameday administration, financial reporting, and academic record keeping. She worked with various other Salem Athletics Hall of Fame inductees such as Corky Griffith, Mike Carey, Terry Bowden, and many more.

Salem University Athletics would like to thank all of our Class of 2023 for all their contributions to Salem Athletics over the years, and we cannot wait to meet with them all again at our induction ceremony on October 6th.



BUSINESS MATTERS

Business of the Month: The Immigrant Working People of North Central West Virginia and Some of Their History



An Italian working father in Sabraton poses for a photo with his children in 1914. Photo courtesy of West Virginia University.

By Stephen Smoot

This week of publication includes the first Monday of September, set aside every year by law and tradition as a time to honor the contributions of the working man to the nation. No business outside of a one man operation can function without employees, so it is only right to recognize part of their story in this space, this week.

Last weekend, the area also celebrated West Virginia Italian Heritage. Much of the ethnic diversity of North Central West Virginia owes itself to peoples from all over poverty stricken areas of Europe looking for new lives in the Mountain State. The stories of immigration and of the history of local labor remain closely intertwined.

The first group of foreign laborers to work their way into the region were Irish coming on, and for, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad over a decade before West Virginia wrested itself away from the Old Dominion. As historian Matthew Mason describes, "While railroad construction work was not in demand among native-born Americans, Irishmen placed a high value upon it."

Irish immigrant labor came from a land still dominated by the British Empire. Each had more allegiance to his or her home county than to an Irish identification. As the B&O progressed westward, the workers gained a reputation for fighting. They fought against each other along

home county lines and against a railroad that rarely treated them with fairness.

A half-century later, another wave of immigration came to the region, this time from the newly formed Kingdom of Italy. Many came from the southern regions once called the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies and ruled by a reactionary branch of the Bourbon Dynasty.

According to historian William B. Klaus, Italian immigrants to the Marion County area experienced two very different versions of America. On Columbus Day 1912, the City of Fairmont granted "the compatriots" of that great explorer "the freedom of the city." A great parade, including 500 members of Italian-American civic organizations, spearheaded by the flags of the United States of America and the Kingdom of Italy marched through downtown.

These represented the Italian community that found the American free market a gold mine of entrepreneurial opportunity. Many of those businesses established then still thrive into this century.

Other immigrants found a different America, an experience to be endured more than celebrated. Italians also often found their way into coal mines and other difficult, dirty, and most importantly, dangerous industrial work. Between 1910 and 1910, the percentage of Italian born males of working age employed in the coal industry rose from 70 to 72 percent.

The Monongah Mine Disaster, commemorated in a century old Blind Al-

fred Reed country music ballad, remains the most destructive mining accident in American history. According to La Voce di New York, the explosion claimed 360 lives, over half of which were Italian workers.

Many Italian workers participated in strikes that hit the region in 1915. Their brandishing of red flags instead of American or Italian reflected the rise in popularity of socialist groups in Italy among industrial populations in northern Italy at the same time, one of the leading writers of which was Benito Mussolini.

Klaus described the dynamic between the two vastly different immigrant cultures as "uneven Americanization." His research indicates that the longer the immigrant and family had been in the United States, the more likely they were to have ascended into the middle class and welcomed by old stock Americans as part of the community.

Professor Emeritus Ronald Lewis of West Virginia University wrote about the post World War I efforts to "Americanize" immigrants from Southern and Eastern Europe, particularly Italians. He wrote that while

some efforts, notably by the Ku Klux Klan, took a "malevolent" form, many efforts "responded to the desperate needs of newly arrived immigrants . . . and they sought to narrow the gulf dividing poor immigrants from the rest of society."

(My paternal grandmother's family experienced both as they established themselves in Barbour County. My grandmother, born in Italy as Philomena Anese, remembered a local Baptist Church allowing Italian Roman Catholics to hold Mass until they constructed their own church. She and her siblings also remembered the Ku Klux Klan later burning crosses in front of their stately Phillippi home after my great-grandfather became a successful businessman.)

A few hundred words cannot capture the full story of labor and working families of the region in entirety, but it is worthwhile to remember those who gambled heavily on the idea that leaving everything behind in their home country and working hard in America would lead to a better life.

And for most, if not in the first generation, then later on, it did.

Secretary of State Mac Warner Reports 1,387 New WV Business Registrations for July of 2023

Charleston, W. Va. – The WV Secretary of State's Office registered 1,387 new businesses statewide during the month of July according to Secretary of State Mac Warner.

Gilmer County led the state in the percentage of new business growth through July with a total of eight new business registrations, a 2.45% increase. The Secretary of State's Business & Licensing Division reported that Tucker, Lincoln, Logan and Webster Counties also experienced notable growth during the month.

A total of 16 new business entities were registered in Tucker County in July of 2023. Lincoln County successfully registered 10 businesses. Logan County reported 25 registrations for the month and Webster County registered six new businesses with the Secretary of State's Office.

Counties that lead the state in total businesses registered in July were Kanawha, Monongalia, Berkeley, Cabell and Raleigh. Kanawha County successfully registered 157 businesses while Monongalia County reported 125 new registrations. Berkeley County had 131 businesses register. Cabell County registered 67 new businesses while Raleigh County totaled 61 new registrations for the month.

Statewide, West Virginia registered 13,717 new businesses in the previous 12-month period, from August 1, 2022, to July 31, 2023. Tyler County led all 55 counties with a 20.68% growth rate during the one-year timespan. To review county-by-county growth, visit our Business Statistics Database.

Stonewood CEOs Summer Update

By Estella Minor

On June 19 2023 the Stonewood CEOs met at the Congregational Missionary Church. The meeting was called to order and members welcomed by president Deloris Wilson. A candle was lit in memory of our deceased members. Members in attendance were Deloris Wilson, Ladonna Tucker, Jan Johnson, Estella Farnsworth, Lesita Snider, Eva Summers, Darlene Francis, April Stout and Willa Jean Green. Devotions, entitled Above and Beyond Worry were read by Jan Johnson. Willa Jean Green led the club in singing My Country Tis of Thee and Side by Side. The minutes of last meet-

ing were read by Secretary Estella Farnsworth and accepted as read. The treasurers report was given by Treasurer Jan Johnson and filed. The lesson entitled Floriography (the language of flowers) was taught by Jan Johnson. The type and color of flowers have distinct meanings. For instance, Red roses mean Love, White roses mean purity or a new beginning, but Yellow roses mean Infidelity, jealousy, or decrease in love! Who knew!! Flowers are given for different reasons, such as gratitude for someone that has helped you through a difficult time or simply to say thank you or I love you. Flowers can brighten your day. Deloris gave a book report entitled "Dirt" Growing Strong

School, her story is one of remembering our roots while while turning our faces to the sky. It's a fascinating story, hope you will read it.

Continuing education... Eva Summers suggested teaching your young children to cook. They will thank you for it later in life.

Family: we are waiting for the staff at the local nursing home to get back to us regarding visitation and we are setting up a date to present a donation to the Stonewood Fire department to use for their fall Children's activity. Our club did a quilting project this spring and summer for an individual and 100% of the proceeds will be donated to the Stonewood Fire Department.

Health Motivation Willa Jean Green suggested foods for healthy summer snacks, including pretzels, fresh fruit, especially Blueberries, fresh vegetables, and Dark chocolate.

Deloris, Ladonna, April and Willa Jean

attended the International Student Tea at St Marks Church. They reported that it was beautiful and elegant and student Maria from Pakistan was delightful. We hope she has a great experience in our country.

Our club brought 102 packages of Ramen Noodles today for donation to the Mustard Seed food pantry.

Heritage brought today by Delores was her father's baptism certificate, he was born in 1904. Ladonna brought several charm bracelets with beautiful charms that have personally meant so much to her over the years

Books read this month totaled 28. CVH totaled 647

Willa Jean reported that her brother Don Martin is in River Oaks Nursing Home in Nutterfort; so if you will, please say a prayer for him or maybe send him a card. Thank you. Our next meeting will be on July 17. We hope everyone is enjoying the summer and are doing something fun!



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Manchin Applauds Selection of First Ten Prescription Drugs for Medicare Price Negotiations

Charleston, WV - Today, U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) applauded the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS) selection of the first ten prescription drugs for Medicare price negotiations, as directed by the Inflation Reduction Act. This new authority will reduce drugs prices for West Virginians and Americans through the first-ever direct negotiations between Medicare and pharmaceutical manufacturers over a set of medicines.

"Thanks to the Inflation Reduction Act, drug costs for millions of families across the country are on their way down. In addition to allowing Medicare price negotiations for drugs like Eliquis and Xarelto, representing over \$30 billion in annual Medicare Part D spending, the IRA capped Medicare recipients' insulin cost at \$35 a month which is a significant savings for more than 400,000 West Virginians and millions of Americans. No family should have to choose between life-saving medication and putting food on their table or a roof over their heads. I will continue working to ensure the IRA is implemented correctly to reduce costs for folks across the country," said Senator Manchin.

Prescription drugs selected for Medicare price negotiations:

- Eliquis
- Jardiance
- Xarelto
- Januvia
- Farxiga
- Entresto
- Enbrel
- Imbruvica
- Stelara
- Fiasp; Fiasp FlexTouch; Fiasp PenFill; NovoLog; NovoLog FlexPen; NovoLog PenFill

OPM to Prohibit Requesting Criminal History During Federal Hiring

Washington, D.C. - The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) announced today the final regulations to implement the Fair Chance to Compete for Jobs Act of 2019 (Fair Chance Act), which prohibits federal agencies and federal contractors from requesting an applicant's criminal history information before the agency makes a conditional offer of employment to the applicant. The final regulations also provide applicants with a complaint process and hold accountable federal employees who are in violation of the Fair Chance Act.

"If you have the qualifications, skills, and willingness to serve the American public, you deserve a fair chance to compete for employment within the federal government," said Kiran Ahuja, OPM Director. "America is a nation of second chances and every person deserves to be treated with dignity and respect."

Traffic Advisory: Shinnston Pike Rail Crossing to Close Starting Sept 15

CSX, with Safety Services & Supply, advises motorists that there will be a Road Closure on Shinnston Pike located at the intersection of Oak St. and Hepzibah beginning on September 15th around 6 pm until September 17th at the end of the day. A detour will be in place to accommodate motorists during the project.

The purpose of the road closure is for maintenance to the railroad crossing. Work will be performed throughout the project. Please expect delays. Motorists are advised to plan ahead and allow additional time for their commute. Please note that inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances could change the project schedule

Wisdom From Poor Richard's Almanack

By Benjamin Franklin

"He that composes himself is wiser than he that composes books."

"Anger is never without a reason but seldom with a good one."

"Whatever is begun in anger ends in shame."

USDA Releases 2022 Farm Cash Receipt Information for West Virginia

Charleston, West Virginia - The 2022 cash receipts from farm marketings for all agricultural commodities in West Virginia totaled 904,339,000 dollars, an increase of 206.3 million dollars from 2021.

Receipts from marketing livestock and livestock products accounted for 79.0 percent of the State total. Cash receipts from crops accounted for 21.0 percent of the 2022 total. The largest contributor to the agricultural marketings in the State continues to be poultry and eggs. Cash receipts from the poultry industry, which includes broilers, eggs, turkeys, and farm chickens, accounted for 49.0 percent of the State total.

The second leading contributor was cattle and calves which accounted for 22.0 percent of the total in 2022. Nationally, West Virginia ranked 26th for cash receipts from poultry and eggs. Broilers were the main contributor from poultry and eggs, accounting for 28.0 percent of cash receipts in the State, ranking 20 th in the nation.

Other highly ranked West Virginia commodities include farm chicken receipts at 12 th in the nation, turkey receipts at 12 th in the nation, and trout receipts at 16 th in the nation.

Monongahela National Forest Hosts Annual Cranberry Shindig September 24

RICHWOOD, W.Va. - Everyone is invited to the annual Cranberry Shindig Sunday, September 24, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Cranberry Mountain Nature Center on Monongahela National Forest. Bring the whole family to enjoy a day of mountain music, square dancing, artisans and fall color.

This year the event will feature Cranberry Mountain old-time square dancing. Anyone can participate, no matter the skill level. Starting at 1:30 p.m., long-time caller and dancer Lou Maiuri will provide dancing instruction while music will be provided by Juanita Fireball and the Continental Drifters. Demonstrations include blacksmithing, pottery, spinning wheel demonstrations, traditional dancing, wood turning, apple cider press and more. Artisans will display and sell their wares, and food will be available for purchase. This year's Shindig also features music by the Bing Brothers and Jake Krack.

Be sure to visit the Nature Center exhibits and

sales area stocked with field guides, outdoor gear, books and souvenirs.

Enjoy these special scenic places while you are in the area:

Cranberry Glades is especially beautiful during the fall when cotton grass is blooming, and plants and trees are displaying their fall colors.

View three cascading waterfalls from the boardwalk at the Falls of Hills Creek.

Take a scenic fall drive on the Highland Scenic Highway. Complement your Highland Scenic Highway drive with an audio tour.

The Nature Center is located 16 miles west of Marlinton and 23 miles east of Richwood at the intersection of Rt. 39/55 and Rt. 150 (Highland Scenic Highway). For more information call the Cranberry Mountain Nature Center at (304) 653-4826. The Nature Center is open Thursday through Monday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. through Oct. 13, closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

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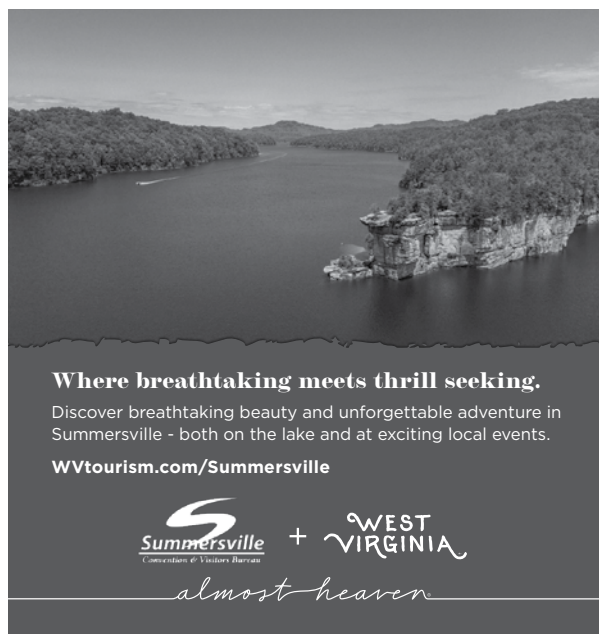
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OBITUARIES**Kimberly "Kim" Lynn Frame**

Kimberly "Kim" Lynn Frame, 63, of Worthington, passed away on Wednesday, August 30, 2023 at her residence. She was born on October 28, 1959 in Fairmont, WV to Barbara Ellen (Pigott) McIntire Spotts of Idamay and the late Dale McIntire.

Kim graduated from Monongah High School and had worked for Big Lots and Mikey's Restaurant. She enjoyed watching WVU Mountaineers, camping and fishing, and spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, together 27 years, Kenny Frame; her mom, Barbara Ellen (Pigott) McIntire Spotts and step-dad, Richard of Idamay; two sons: Grayson Frame of Worthington and Mathew "Matt" Raines and wife Megan of Farmington; one daughter, Jewelie George of Morgantown; grandchildren: Benjamin Raines, Gabby Raines, Abby George and Caili Raines; nieces and nephews: Mariah Thrasher, Payton Thrasher, Jeremiah Thrasher, Brock McIntire, Aubree McIntire, Brittany Jahn, Ayla Osbourne, Tyler McIntire, Jerrah Batson and Zaelynn Grubb; one brother, Dale McIntire and wife Stephanie of Worthington; one sister, Teresa Efav and husband John of Idamay; mother and father

in law, Larry and Sally Frame of Farmington; one sister in law, Lisa Brown and husband Carl of Fairview and one brother in law Bill Frame of Farmington.

In addition to her father, Kim is preceded in death by one sister, Debra McIntire.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to her Care Fund on her memorial page.

Family and friends will be received at Dorsey Funeral Home, 701 S. Pike St., Shinnston, on Friday, September 1, 2023 from 11:00am until the time of service, 1:00pm with Pastor Paul Swiger officiating. In keeping with her wishes, cremation services will be provided.

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

**Janet Sue Nutter**

Janet Sue Nutter, 78, of Morgantown, WV and formerly of Wyatt, WV passed away on Sept 1, 2023 peacefully at home. She was born May 10, 1945 in Wyatt, WV (more specifically Dorothy Town / Red Onion) to the late Oscar Elmer and Virginia Jones Heldreth.

She is predeceased by her sister, Barbara Joanne Wagner. Janet is survived by her husband of 57 years, Roy Sterling Nutter, Jr; her son David Sterling Nutter of Morgantown; her daughter, Ann Lynette Nutter (and Eric) Coffman of Silver Spring, MD; her be-

loved grandson, Cooper Richard Coffman; and several nieces and nephews. Janet grew up in Wyatt and graduated from Shinnston High School in 1963. She became the first person in her family to attend and graduate from college.

While obtaining a BS in Medical Technology from West Virginia University, she met and married her husband, Roy, while still in school. She promised her dad that she would finish her degree even though she was married before she graduated from college. Janet and Roy lived in Morgantown while she worked for WVU Hospital medical laboratories while Roy was in graduate school. In 1972, they moved to Dayton, OH and later to Wichita, KS with Roy as they both began their careers and started a family. While in Wichita, Janet worked for a local medical laboratory. It only took two years for them to miss their families and the hills of West Virginia; they then had the opportunity to return to Morgantown. They've now lived at the same residence for 48 years. Janet worked for the Monongalia County Health Department and WVU Hospital until she retired in 1990. Janet then worked part-time for Mylan drug testing laboratories in Morgantown and focused on volunteering opportunities.

Throughout the years, Janet was actively involved in her church and community. She was a long-time member of Suncrest United Methodist Church and the Service League of Morgantown. She and Roy were both long time Disaster Service volunteers of the Red Cross in West Virginia. She was also an avid

card player throughout her life. She could often be found playing gin rummy or bridge online and had recently, with great excitement, introduced the game of Hearts to her grandson. Bridge, however, was her favorite game and in later years she played competitively with the regional duplicate bridge group and the local American Contract Bridge League.

Janet peacefully transitioned to be with the Lord on Sept 1, 2023. Janet never liked being the center of attention and per her wishes there will be no public services. In lieu of funeral services, and to honor Janet, she wished that donations be sent to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund (<https://www.jdrf.org/donate/>). Hastings Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements and online condolences can be made at www.hastingsfuneralhome.com.

**Roberta Jane Conaway Parrish**

Roberta Jane Conaway Parrish, age 92, lovingly known as "Bobbie Jane," went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday morning, August 28, 2023, surrounded by her family. Bobbie was born on the 6th of May, 1931, in New Baltimore, Michigan, daughter of the late Harry "Jesse" and Jane Steele Conaway of Farmington, WV. She is survived by her son Rick and wife Connie of Fairmont, WV, daughter Tammie and

husband Dan Moyer of Shinnston, sisters Ruth Mary Saban Pasko, Fran (Sid) Popovich and Ginger Hill. Grandchildren Jennifer and Richie Simpson, Cody and Lacy Wilt, Brian and Kristi Parrish, Mandy and Anthony Kendziora, Brandi and George Buck, Renee Simpkins, Bobby Parrish and great grandchildren Creed, Eli, Gabbie, Taylor, Logan and Katie.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Charles F. "Pete" Parrish whom she married on January 31, 1948, her son Charles E. "Butch" Parrish, her grandson Ricky Parrish, her parents Jesse and Jane Conaway, her in-laws Charles and Ada Parrish and many beloved sister and brother in laws.

Bobbie left high school after her Junior year to work at Westinghouse and then went to housekeeping with her new groom. They began a life of service in their young marriage with the United States Navy and the US Coast Guard before eventually settling into Pete's career and travels being a Federal Supervisor with the Mine Safety and Health Administration. Bobbie worked many years at Hartley's Department Store in Fairmont and was a cook at Idamay Elementary.

Bobbie was a loyal member of the Enterprise Rebekah Lodge and the Enterprise United Methodist Church where she enjoyed helping with their Easter egg and apple butter fundraisers. She was a wonderful baker making many goodies for raffle for the Idamay Black Diamonds, a talented seamstress making many beautiful afghans and beaded crochet necklaces for her friends and family. Bobbie and Pete were avid music fans making many yearly trips to Nashville for Fan Fair week. In her later years, she was a devoted fan of her nephew Nick Saban and the Alabama Crimson Tide, a doting great grandma to Creed whom she loved watching grow and she especially enjoyed her family time.

Friends and family will be received at the Harmer Funeral Home on Thursday, August 31, 2023 from 2 to 8 and funeral services will be held there on September 1, 2023 at 11 o'clock with Pastor Brian Plum officiating. Interment will follow at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Enterprise.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Dr. Kristian Morrison, sister in law and caregiver Vick-

ie Parrish Chrislip, to Elizabeth and Andrea and the many sweet nurses who brought compassion and much needed humor and Pastor Jerome Lewis from Amedysis Hospice for the care and music they gave to Bobbie and her family. A special mention to Charity Vance, her resident aid at Harmony at White Oaks.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to your choice of Shriners Hospitals.

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

A service of Harmer Funeral Home, Shinnston.

**Frankie Dawn Radabaugh**

Frankie Dawn Radabaugh, 45, of Midlothian, TX, formerly of Shinnston, passed away following a battle with cancer on Monday, August 28, 2023 at her home with her family by her side. She was born July 6, 1978 in Clarksburg, a daughter of John R. Matheny and Lori Thacker.

She is survived by her loving husband, Jeremy James Radabaugh. She was a loving and devoted mother to Jason Andrew Radabaugh of Midlothian, TX; also surviving are her brothers, Travis Thacker and his wife Eva of Anmoore; and Brandon Thacker and his companion Heather of Clarksburg; her father-in-law, Donald Ray Radabaugh; her brother-in-law, Donald Ray Radabaugh II and his wife Kristi, who was Frankie's best friend, all of Midlothian, TX; sister-in-law, Tracey Long of PA; her nephews, Justin Radabaugh of Midlothian, TX; Donald Ray Radabaugh III of Hepzibah; Brandon Beach of Weatherford, TX; and Lathe Parrish; and her niece, Kloe Thacker, both of Clarksburg.

Frankie is also survived by her aunts and uncles, Robert Freudenman and his wife Linda of Sunrise, FL; Gary Freudeman and his companion Beth; Cindy Meadows and her husband Danny, all of Akron, OH; Lynn White and her husband Grover of Byron, GA; Norma Shay and her husband Blake of Grafton; and Laura Luchuck and her husband Ronald of Wallace; as well as several beloved cousins

Out of the Past

Memorable photographs from around Harrison County



Senator Rush Holt addressing crowd in Shinnston. Holt was a member of the West Virginia House of Delegates from 1931-1954 and a senator from 1935-1941 on the Democratic ticket. By 1936, Holt emerged as a vocal conservative critic of the New Deal, attacking, for example, the Works Progress Administration as corrupt and inefficient. He switched to the Republican party in 1949. Photo and description courtesy of West Virginia and Regional History Center at West Virginia University

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and friends.

She was preceded in death by her uncle, Larry Freudeman; and her maternal grandparents, Norman and Patricia Thacker.

Frankie loved her family above all else. Especially her son, Jason. Frankie was known, by her family, to eagerly await Christmas time each year. She just couldn't wait to decorate, cook, buy gifts, and watch her favorite Christmas movies. She also enjoyed feeding hummingbirds at her home.

Friends will be received at Perine Funeral Home, 1348 S. Pike St. Shinnston, on Friday from 2-8pm. A funeral service will be held at the funeral home on Saturday, September 2, at 11:00 am with her aunt, Evangelist Cindy Meadows officiating. Interment will follow at the Shinnston Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the family. Online memories and condolences can be shared at www.perinefunerals.com

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



Doris Jean Stiles

Doris Jean Stiles, 96, formerly of Shinnston and Clarksburg, passed away on Thursday, August 31, 2023, at the Crestview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Jane Lew. She was born in Grafton, February 19, 1927, a daughter of the late Herman and Stella Haller Stiles.

Doris was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, Edgar M.

Stiles, whom she married July 28, 1947. Also preceding her in death are two sisters, Kathleen Kester and Mable Butcher-Bush; two brothers, Harold Kester and Brooks Kester; one granddaughter, Vanessa Jean Rush McNemar; and a grandson, Jason Edgar Stiles.

Surviving are her son, David M. (Frances) Stiles; two daughters, Deborah A. Stiles Rollins, and Valerie A. Harris; five grandchildren: Tracy (Eddie) Dean, Audrie (Kevin) Summers, Benjamin Harris, Jennifer (Joe) Gilpen, and Julia (Bobby) Nuzum; nine great grandchildren: Danielle (Austin) McNemar, Cierra McNemar, McKenzie (Logan) Matheny, Alyssa (Danielle) Dean, Sid Summers, Sloane Summers, Nathan Gilpen, Mason Gilpen, and Jessica Nuzum; one great-great granddaughter, Olivia Jean Fultineer, a baby girl Matheny due in November; two sisters, Eleanor Vilain, Clarksburg, and Joanne Hunter, Jane Lew; several nieces and nephews; and her special friend, Jacquie Davis.

Doris was formerly employed with Westinghouse, J.C. Penney and the WV Department of Highways, from which she retired. Doris attended the Simpson Creek Baptist Church in Bridgeport. The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the staff of Crestview Nursing and Rehab Center and WVU Hospice for their care of Doris.

There will be no Public Services. A private graveside service will be held at the Shinnston Memorial Cemetery at the convenience of the family. Condolences may be extended to the family at www.perinefunerals.com. The Perine Funeral Home is honored to serve the Stiles family.

WVU announces additional final recommendations for programs under review

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — The West Virginia University Office of the Provost announced seven additional final recommendations on Thursday (Aug. 31) from appeals hearings held as part of the Academic Transformation program portfolio review process. This is the next step following the announcement of the preliminary recommendations on Aug. 10.

Department of Chemistry

The Department of Chemistry in the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences will develop an occupational-focused pathway for students under a final recommendation issued following a hearing Aug. 28. The unit had already considered, but not yet acted on, creating such an option.

Additionally, the Program Review Appeal Committee unanimously denied the unit's appeal to scale down the recommended faculty reduction, in response to a sustained enrollment decline in the BA/BS Chemistry program. As a result, the preliminary recommendation to reduce the current number of positions in the unit to 23 faculty stands.

Division of Plant and Soil Sciences

A successful appeal held on Aug. 28 of the preliminary recommendation will amend the number of suggested faculty position reductions in the Division of Plant and Soil Sciences in the Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design.

The final recommendation noted key considerations, including that a faculty of 11 would align the division with average student-to-faculty ratios and additional cost-reduction

measures presented would better align expenses with program size.

Several recommendations, including those to develop undergraduate cooperative programs in sustainable food and farming, environmental microbiology and horticulture, were not appealed.

School of Theatre and Dance

From the College of Creative Arts, the School of Theatre and Dance's appeal was approved to keep the MFA Acting program that had been recommended for discontinuance because it is central to all School operations and both undergraduate and graduate programs.

The preliminary recommendation also called for the development of a cooperative program to include all MFA production-related majors into a single major; however, that was removed from the final recommendation because it was determined there are no significant savings or efficiencies to be gained.

On appeal, the Committee also amended the recommendation to reduce the number of faculty in the unit to 17 which will bring the School further into alignment with student-faculty ratios.

Several preliminary recommendations, including for BFA Puppetry to develop a cooperative program, were not appealed.

Like other hearings, faculty members from the unit participated in the appeal process by submitting additional documentation and information in advance of the School's Aug. 28 hearing.

School of Art and Design

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A first-ever visit from a Pontiff

From *L'Osservatore Romano*

Pope Francis is gearing up for his Apostolic Journey to Mongolia, which will take place from 31 August to 4 September. It will be the 43rd international trip of his Pontificate.

The five-day journey will take place exclusively in the Mongolian capital of Ulaanbaatar, where the Pope is scheduled to arrive on Friday, 1 September, after a long flight from Rome's Fiumicino Airport starting on Thursday afternoon. An official welcome will be held at Chinggis Khaan International Airport in Ulaanbaatar after the Pope lands at around 10 a.m., local time. On Saturday, 2 September, after another welcoming ceremony in Sukhbaatar Square, the Pope will pay a courtesy visit to the President of Mongolia in the State Palace. Then, in the palace's Ike Mongol hall, he will address the country's authorities, members of civil society and the diplomatic corps. It will be the first of four official public discourses of the trip. The Pope is also scheduled to meet with the President of the State Great Hural — the country's unicameral Parliament — and with the Prime Minister. In the afternoon he will meet with bishops, priests, missionaries, consecrated men and women, and pastoral workers in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul. On Sunday morning, an ecumenical and interreligious meeting in the Hun Theatre will precede the celebration of Holy Mass for the small Catholic community present in the country, in the Steppe Arena. It will be the Pope's only public homily during his trip.

On Monday, 4 September, the Holy Father will meet with Caritas staff and attend the inauguration of the House of Mercy. The trip will conclude with a farewell ceremony at the airport. The papal plane will take off at around noon and arrive in Rome at around 5:20 p.m., local time.

The theme of the Apostolic Journey, "Hoping Together", was chosen in order to highlight the dual dimensions of the trip: as a pastoral visit, and as a State visit. It opts for a virtue that is decidedly Christian (hope), but that is largely shared in other spheres. It is associated with the adverb "together", to underline the importance of the bilateral collaboration between the Holy See and Mongolia.

"Hoping Together" thus represents a shared ideal as well as an element that can characterise this visit: the Holy Father's presence constitutes for this small percentage of the people of God a sign of great hope and encouragement. Conversely, the Church in Mongolia, with its smallness, can offer a sign of hope for the universal Church.

In the logo for the Apostolic Journey, above the motto, is a map of the country, drawn in the colours of the national flag (red and blue). Within the map outline is a ger (a traditional house), from which a plume of yellow smoke (the Vatican colour) emerges. To the right is a cross. Both the ger and the cross are flanked on both sides by vertical lines of traditional Mongolian script that reads "Hoping Together".

Fairmont State University Receives WVHEPC Campus Mental Health Grant

For the third consecutive year, Fairmont State University has been awarded grant funding through the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission's Campus Mental Health Grant program.

This year, the \$4,000 in funding will be used to design and implement the Incentivized Holistic Wellness Assessment, a joint initiative of Fairmont State's Offices of Student Health, Accessibility, Social Work, and Nursing. The purpose of this comprehensive examination is to identify students' barriers to success at Fairmont State and connect them to the appropriate resources.

In addition to physical health, the exam will assess students' financial concerns, housing accommodations, diet and nutrition, food security, significant stressors, and other needs. To increase involvement, each student who participates in the assessment will receive 10 "Falcon Dollars" that can be used for dining and other services on campus.

"Assessing the students holistically will allow us to proactively uncover barriers to the students' success and replace those barriers with support and resources to help them excel," said Chelsea Collins, APRN, FNP-C, Director of Student Health at Fairmont State.

Collins, the project lead for the assessment, was also project lead for Fairmont State's past Campus Mental Health Grants in 2022 and 2023. This award coincides with the construction of a new, larger Student Health Center in the Falcon Center, which will include additional facilities specific to the promotion of mental wellness.

Caitlin Jiven, LGSW, shared how the Incentivized Holistic Wellness Assessment could impact her work in her new role as Fairmont State's first University Social Worker. Jividen joined the Fairmont State community in June of 2023.

"The Holistic Wellness Assessment will help us see and uncover what some of our students are dealing with in their personal lives outside of the classroom setting," Jividen stated. "This initiative allows us to be proactive and help our students before they fall into a hole that is difficult to climb out of."

The West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission awards Campus Mental Health Grants for projects to improve student mental health on college campuses using evidence-based programming. Previously, Fairmont State received the grant to promote mental health and wellness through enhanced services and support groups as well as planned campus activities.

These included the Campus Wellness Fair with a mental health focus, the Stomp Out the Stigma event to reduce mental health stigma, and the Bandana Project for mental health awareness and suicide prevention.

"Being awarded the Campus Mental Health Grant for three consecutive years by WVHEPC has been incredible for our office," said Collins. "The funding from WVHEPC allows us to create programs that focus on students' emotional well-being and promote healthy ways to cope with stress. Every cent of the money awarded will directly impact the mental wellness of our students."

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NASA Awards Contracts for NOAA Sounder for Microwave-Based Applications Study

NASA, on behalf of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), has awarded four contracts to conduct NOAA's Sounder for Microwave-Based Applications (SMBA) Phase-A study.

The firm-fixed-price contracts allow for a Phase A definition study and design development as part of SMBA formulation activities. The period of performance runs 12 months.

NOAA's Near-Earth Orbit Network (NEON) program is responsible for SMBA instruments, the next generation of low-Earth orbit (LEO) microwave sounders. Microwave sounders provide critical data on the physical properties of our atmosphere, such as temperature and moisture, which heavily influence weather patterns and enable the NOAA National Weather Service's numerical weather models to forecast weather three days in the future and beyond.

SMBA would fly on NOAA's NEON program series of LEO satellites with the first launch planned in 2030.

The contractors selected and contract amounts are:

- Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp., Boulder, Colorado – \$5 million
- Northrop Grumman Systems Corp., Falls Church, Virginia – \$4,995,327
- Orbital Micro Systems Inc., Boulder, Colorado – \$4,996,530
- Spire Global Subsidiary Inc., Vienna, Virginia – \$4,655,000

The government would execute SMBA Phases B-D on a separate contract vehicle if the decision is made to proceed after Phase A.

NEON is a collaborative mission between NASA and NOAA. NOAA, as the mission lead, provides funding, technical requirements and post-launch operations. NASA will manage the development of the satellites and launch them for NOAA, which will operate them and deliver data to users worldwide. NOAA and NASA will work with commercial partners to design and build the NEON spacecraft and instruments.

Gov. Justice appoints Mike Honaker as New Department of Homeland Security Inspector General

CHARLESTON, WV — Gov. Jim Justice announced today that he has appointed Mike Honaker as Inspector General of the West Virginia Department of Homeland Security.

“Delegate Honaker has dedicated his life to public service, and I am thrilled to announce he will be West Virginia’s new Inspector General,” Gov. Justice said. “With his extensive law enforcement background and passion for public safety, I am confident he will continue to serve our great state with honor and integrity.”

The Office of the Inspector General in the Department of Homeland Security was created during the 2023 Legislative Session following *See “DHS” on Pg 9.*

Gov. Justice Approves DHHR Rate Increase for Child Placing Agencies and Socially Necessary Services Providers

With the approval of Gov. Jim Justice, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR), Bureau for Social Services is increasing rates for Child Placing Agencies and Socially Necessary Services Providers.

Gov. Justice announced today that DHHR's Bureau for Social Services will increase the administration rate for Child Placing Agencies by 10 percent. These additional funds will be used by Child Placing Agencies to recruit and certify traditional and therapeutic foster homes.

Gov. Justice also announced a 30 percent rate increase for Socially Necessary Services Providers, which provide child welfare involved families with prevention services and supports to assist in reunification including transportation, supervised

visitation, and parenting skills.

“These providers are critical partners in our efforts to support the well-being of West Virginia’s children and families,” said Jeffrey Pack, Commissioner of DHHR’s Bureau for Social Services. “We are pleased to provide this enhanced rate in recognition of their important work.”

The Bureau for Social Services anticipates these rate increases will be effective October 1, 2023. Additional rate increases are being studied and will be proposed for State Fiscal Year 2025.

Those interested in foster care opportunities can contact Mission WV at 866-CALL-MWV. To view and apply for DHHR career opportunities, visit dhrh.wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx.

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DISTRICT KYLE MAP 40 PARCEL EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT 167 0042 0000 0000
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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021-30586.	\$ 793.91
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number.	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-30571.	\$ 683.18
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 210.50
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 1,079.98
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 2,767.57

You may redeem at any time before January 21, 2024 by paying the above total less any unearned check.

Given under my hand August 24, 2023

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of HARRISON County, State of West Virginia

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DISTRICT KYLE MAP 40 PARCEL CLARK OUTSIDE DISTRICT 101 0276 0000 0000
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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021-30586.	\$ 347.38
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number.	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-30571.	\$ 266.38
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 210.50
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 1,068.58
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,892.84

You may redeem at any time before January 21, 2024 by paying the above total less any unearned check.

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DISTRICT KYLE MAP 40 PARCEL CLAY SHINNSTON CORP 1003 0047 0000 0000
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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021-18159	\$ 1,539.80
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number.	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022-18268.	\$ 1,372.96
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 210.50
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 1,044.01
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 4,167.27

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Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of HARRISON County, State of West Virginia

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(2020-S-0000393 - Harrison County - NAJ LLC)
To: ELLA P COSTLOW, 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 EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT MAP 9999 PARCEL 0620 7008
You will take notice that NAJ LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-0000393, 12.50 AS O & G SHINN RUN, located in EAGLE OUTSIDE DISTRICT, which was returned delinquent in the name of COSTLOW ELLA P, 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 October 23, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, October 22, 2023, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to October 22, 2023.	\$ 130.86
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to October 22, 2023.	\$ 21.06
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 October 22, 2023.	\$ 1,122.54
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to October 22, 2023.	\$ 43.57
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.	\$ 1,318.03

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 October 22, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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**WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division of Highways
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia, until October 17, 2023 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
019	2023170032	S317-19-2-0.08 00	STBG-1902(003)D STRUCTURE RENOVATION CORP JERRY LEE HALPENNY AND PFC MICHAEL ALONZO WELLS MEM BR HARRISON CO. 19/2, 0.08 MI. EAST OF US 19 COUNTY: HARRISON
BRIDGE:	2818.1		CONCRETE SLAB ON FABRICATED STEEL GIRDER
SPAN(S):	6		STRUCTURE STEEL:
DBE GOAL:	5% ON CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.		

REMARKS:

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractor's license is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code. All contractors submitting bids on project(s) must submit electronically with their bid a Proposal Guaranty Bond for \$500.00 or 5% of the total bid, whichever is greater.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

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The School of Art and Design will continue to offer a BA in Art History under a final recommendation after an Aug. 29 hearing; however, the program will change its name and curriculum by January to reflect a new focus on both art history and museum studies and professions.

“As we look to the future and the larger context of Academic Transformation, this is an example of how we can envision new and unique offerings for students and faculty,” said Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Maryanne Reed. “The merger of the College of Creative Arts and the Reed College of Media provides a platform for innovative curriculum development and collaboration.”

The Committee granted the School’s appeal on the recommended number of faculty reductions to ensure that it is able to continue to meet accreditation requirements and maintain necessary expertise to deliver its studio programs. The final recommendation will result in 16 faculty remaining in the unit.

Among several others, a preliminary recommendation to discontinue the BA in Technical Art History was not appealed.

Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

The Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering in the Benjamin M. Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources provided additional ideas during its Aug. 29 hearing that are now part of a final recommendation.

Among them, reducing the number of required credit hours in the program to 123 and working to increase efficiency of course delivery.

The Department lost its appeal regarding faculty position reductions. Citing sustained declines in undergraduate enrollment and student credit hour production, the Committee retained the preliminary recommendation to reduce the number of faculty

positions associated with the program from its current number to 14. Additional considerations included the prolonged period without significant curricular revision and that the unit has not reduced faculty in parallel with enrollment trends.

College of Law
Recognizing its singular role in the state while acknowledging a significant annual operating deficit, the Aug. 29 hearing for the College of Law centered on final recommendations that will lead to a revision of curriculum that eliminates inefficient and unnecessary program requirements. The required number of credits will be reduced from 91 to 86.

The College must also demonstrate by May 2024 that it has implemented a meaningful assessment of learning outcomes to identify programmatic improvements that will increase students’ success, including bar passage rates.

The preliminary recommendation to reduce the number of faculty positions from the current number to 24 withstood the appeal. The proposed reduction will not affect the College’s ability to deliver its curriculum and maintain American Bar Association accreditation.

School of Mathematical and Data Sciences

The School of Mathematical and Data Sciences in the Eberly College appealed the number of recommended faculty reductions, as well as the discontinuation of all doctoral instruction, but it did not appeal the preliminary recommendations to discontinue the current PhD or MS Mathematics programs.

The Committee, through its final recommendation, recognized the School’s desire to develop an Intent to Plan for an applied mathematics/data sciences degree program at the doctoral level.

“As we look to the future, we see data science and analytics as a potential growth opportunity

for the University in both graduate curriculum and research, given the growing demand in that area,” Vice President for Research Fred King said.

King also dispelled the notion that the absence of a math PhD program would harm the University’s R1 status should a new program fail to materialize, or if there was a gap between the end of the teach out for the current program and the launch of a new graduate-level program.

“The presence or absence of a math PhD is not a determining factor in the Carnegie R1 classification and MA or MS degrees are not included in the calculations that Carnegie uses to determine R1 versus R2 status,” King explained. “The reality is that we are looking to the future and other R1s are likely to follow suit.”

Recommendations at the bachelor’s level include conducting a meaningful revision of curriculum to improve efficiency, providing stronger instruction to support student success, eliminating required areas of emphasis entirely and developing a pathway for students interested in a more applied focus.

The Committee amended the faculty position reduction recommendation to 32, enabling the unit to continue to appropriately staff the teaching of its service courses. Key considerations for reducing personnel overall included declines in enrollment across the school’s degree programs and a decrease in student credit hour production.

Next steps
The WVU Board of Governors will hear public comments from those who have signed up or submitted their comments in writing in advance of Sept. 14 before a planned vote on the final recommendations during its regular meeting on Sept. 15.

The University will announce final recommendations for eight more units through Sept. 5 as additional appeals are heard.

Literary Legends: Poll of West Virginians Reveals Pearl S. Buck as the State’s Favorite Author Of All Time

Harper Lee, Mark Twain, Ernest Hemingway... These iconic names are among the luminaries hailing from the United States. However, more locally, each state has produced their own homegrown authors who have left an indelible mark on literature with their diverse and significant contributions. A survey of 3,000 respondents by StoicQuotes.com shed light on each state’s most cherished authors, revealing some intriguing outcomes.

Consider Alabama. While many might presume Harper Lee, famed for “To Kill a Mockingbird,” to be the state’s favored author, it was Helen Keller who garnered the majority of votes. Born in Tusculumbia in 1880, Keller’s youth was overshadowed by an illness rendering her blind and deaf. Yet, under Anne Sullivan’s unwavering mentorship, Keller transcended her adversities, evolving into a revered author and speaker. Throughout her journey, Keller held a profound affection for Alabama, often alluding to it as her treasured homeland.

In a similar vein, despite F. Scott Fitzgerald penning “The Great Gatsby,” wasn’t New Yorkers’ top literary pick. That honor belonged to James Baldwin, renowned for “Go Tell It on the Mountain.” This 1953 semi-autobiographical novel delves into intricate subjects like religion, race, and family dynamics, portraying the life of John Grimes, a young African American boy navigating his identity amidst a religious upbringing in Harlem.

New Hampshire’s choice too was unexpected. J.D. Salinger, celebrated for “The Catcher in the Rye,” was surpassed by Grace Metalious. Born in 1924, Metalious gained acclaim for “Peyton Place,” a 1956 novel that boldly tackled taboo topics, juxtaposing them against the backdrop of a seemingly quaint New Hampshire town.

However, some states made more predictable choices. Nutmeggers, for example, championed Mark Twain and his “Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.” Mississippi residents honored Tennessee Williams, the eminent playwright best known for “A Streetcar Named Desire.” And Ernest Hemingway, whose “The Old Man and the Sea” clinched the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction in 1953 and paved the way for his Nobel Prize in Literature in 1954, was the unanimous choice for both Idaho and Florida.

Pearl S. Buck emerged as West Virginia’s favorite author. The renowned author best known for her novel “The Good Earth” which won the Pulitzer Prize, held a special connection to West Virginia. Born in Hillsboro in 1892, at 4 months old she moved with her missionary parents to China. Although much of her adult life and literary career was shaped by her experiences in China, her West Virginian roots grounded her American identity. The juxtaposition of these two cultures, the American Appalachia of her birth and the Chinese landscapes of her upbringing, endowed Buck with a unique perspective on cultural intersections and human universality.

West Virginians’ second choice was Breece D’J Pancake, followed by Louise McNeill (3rd).

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the passage and signing of House Bill 3360. The purpose of the office is to conduct and supervise investigations among other tasks, including the authority to oversee and direct existing investigations and units within the department.

Honaker, a West Virginia native, served in the United States Marine Corps before a 28-year career as a Virginia State Trooper. During his career with the State Police, he served as a Trooper, Sergeant, First Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Special Agent in Charge of the First Division of the Bureau of Criminal Investigation in Richmond, Virginia. Following his retirement, Honaker returned to West Virginia and was appointed to serve as the Greenbrier County Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and Director of the Greenbrier County 911 Center.

In December 2021, Gov. Justice appointed Honaker to fill the vacant 42nd District House of Delegates seat in the West Virginia House of Delegates. He was then elected to the 46th District, encompassing Greenbrier and

Pocahontas Counties following West Virginia’s redistricting. Honaker formally resigned from the House of Delegates effective Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at 5 p.m. to accept this appointment.

During his tenure, he served as Vice Chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security, the Committee for the Judiciary, the Committee on Government Organization, the Committee on Jails and Prisons, and the Committee on Volunteer Fire Departments and Emergency Medical Services. He also served on the West Virginia Legislature’s Fusion Center Joint Oversight Committee.

Honaker holds a bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice Administration and is a graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.

“I am honored by the opportunity to serve West Virginia in this new capacity and I thank the Governor for his confidence in me,” said Honaker. “I look forward to continuing to support the state’s public safety efforts.”



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