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City of Parsons Swear-In New Members



Mayor Bruce Kolsun, left, swears-in Parson City Council Member James "Sam" Humphrey, Jr. July 2nd at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building in Parsons.

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

City of Parsons Mayor Bruce Kolsun swore-in three Council Members July 2nd. The ceremony took place at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building in Parsons. During the ceremony in the council chambers, existing Council Member James "Sam" Humphrey, Jr., new Council Member Seth Rosenau and new Recorder Richard "Rick" Lemons were sworn-in.

Lemons is new to civic government, but has a law enforcement background, said



Mayor Bruce Kolsun, left, swears-in new Parsons City Council Member Seth Rosenau July 2nd at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building in Parsons. Rosenau is third generation City government in Parsons with is grandfather and father both serving the City of Parsons before him.

during a special welcome session of the City of Parsons Council, that his focus is on making Parsons prosperous again, water and sewer projects, helping City workers and assisting the Police Department, especially with new challenges that will come with the opening of Corridor H in the area.

Roseanau is third generation Parsons Civic Government. His grandfather Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau was Mayor and the Parsons City Hall is named for him. Rosenau's father is former Parsons City Councilman and current President of the Tucker County Commission Mike Rosenau.

In the special welcome session, Rosenau said he was focused on helping the youth of the community, water and sewer projects, but especially seeing "the City progress in a positive manner."

Re-elected Council Member James "Sam" Humphrey, Jr. was not on hand for the special welcome session due to prior commitments, but was present during the



Mayor Bruce Kolsun, left, swears-in new City of Parsons Recorder Richard "Rick" Lemons July 2nd at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building in Parsons. Lemons replaces recently exited Recorder Tim Auvil on the Council.

Regular City Council Meeting that followed.

Re-elected Council Member David Greenlief, Sr. was sworn-in via telephone.

The next meeting of the City of Parsons will be held Tuesday, July 16th at 6 p.m. at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building in Parsons. The meeting is open to the public.

Parsons Juvenile Case Handled in House

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

A recent vandalism case involving young juveniles will be handled outside the courts, according to City of Parsons Police Chief Kevin Keplinger, with the individuals involved pledging to clean up the site and participate in community service.

Keplinger said during a meeting of the Parsons City Council on July 2nd that his office had investigated a minor vandalism complaint that same day. "We had a minor incident of vandalism," Keplinger said.

According to Keplinger, the individuals involved were juveniles. "When I say young children, young adults, 8,10, 12 year old adults," Keplinger said.

According to Keplinger, he spoke to the juveniles, their parents and the park board regarding the incident. "So after talking to them, talking to parents and talking to members of the park board, with their approval, their backing, we are going to handle that basically in house."

Keplinger said that the incident will be concluded with the juveniles committing to cleaning up the vandalized area and completing community service. "They are going to

go down and clean up the defaced property that they did and perform community service," Keplinger said.

Keplinger said that he felt it was important to handle the incident at the lowest level possible. "I think that's important," Keplinger said. "I think that's a proper way to handle that without putting them into the system, without giving them a juvenile record that

will continue to follow them. And if the behavior happens again, we'll deal with it at that point."

Keplinger said he was much more community oriented than some other police officers. "I'm much more community oriented than some," Keplinger said. "As far as community oriented policing, I believe in trying to take care of problems at the lowest possible level."

Keplinger said he felt if he can conclude a case without the involvement of the criminal justice system, he felt it was a win. "If I can handle an issue or an incident without getting the criminal justice system involved successfully, I consider that a win," Keplinger said. "I think that that is a win, instead of getting them involved and putting them on probation, putting them into the system, they're going to work and that is just my philosophy."

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Parsons Gets Its Pow Wow On



Dancers of all ages participated in the Pow Wow in Parsons. Proceeds from the two day event benefited the Baltimore American Indian Center.

By: Lydia Crawley
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Parsons got a little more colorful the weekend of June 29th and 30th. Five River Campground hosted its annual Pow Wow in Parsons. Dancers from around the country met in Parsons to celebrate Native heritage and tradition, as well as come together in fellowship.

The event was Emceed by Keith



Dancers participate in a Women's Specialty Dance at the Pow Wow in Parsons Saturday, June 29th.

Colston with Urie Ridgeway as Arena Director. The Dancers were led by Head Male Dancer Louis Campbell and Head Female Dancer Adrienne Harmon. The Host Southern Drums were provided by Red Blanket and the Host Northern Drums were provided by Warpaint.

Storyteller Raggie Rain provided Native storytelling and Aztec Dancers from Canpatlanezi Danza Azteca Del

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Mountaineer Days in Thomas



The Thomas Volunteer Fire Department closed out Mountaineer Days with the 67th Annual Fireworks display. Photo courtesy of Jay Johnson.

Mountaineer Days in Thomas was held over the 4th of July weekend on July 6th this year. Included in the festivities were a 5k/2K Race, food and craft

vendors, as well as inflatables for the kids, a kid's bicycle decorating contest and cake walk. The morning concluded

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Report of Nudity in Public Park Invokes 3-Strike Rule

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

The City of Parsons Police Department recently received a report of a nude individual in River City Park near the ball field recently, according to City of Parsons Police Chief Kevin Keplinger. "Some behaviors we will not tolerate," Keplinger said. "Public nudity is one of those."

According to Keplinger the individual was found naked in a motor vehicle with the door open. Keplinger went on to say that the incident occurred near the ball field in the area of the Dug Out Diner and in view of families with children. "There is no excuse for someone sitting in a motor vehicle with the door open, completely naked and in view of families and children," Keplinger said. "We will not tolerate it."

Keplinger said his department has a zero

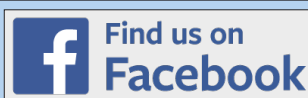
tolerance policy to behavior of the sort and that the behavior would be charged as a felony due to repeated offenses of indecent exposure. "There's an individual tomorrow that will find out," Keplinger said. "And I believe you learn something new every day, third and subsequent offense indecent exposure is a felony."

According to Keplinger, he has been in contact with Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney Savannah Hull Wilkins about the case and that her office is dedicated to prosecuting the case to the full extent of the law. "He will be charged, he will be

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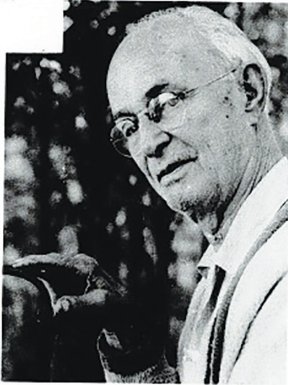


TURNER'S TIDBITS

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By Mariwyn McClain Smith



The last book I recommended was *Big Doc Little Doc*. That book is proving to be difficult to obtain. I am submitting for your review a newly released reprint of a great book that covers all parts of the county it is titled "...and live forever". The book was composed over time by one-on-one interviews with residents who were 80 years old or older. The book has many great stories. Interesting facts about the interviews for the book: 2 were over 100, 2 were near 100, couples were interviewed, parent and child were interviewed, couple were celebrating 50-65 years of marriage, Ponikvar tended 5 gardens. Also featured are methods of Italian cooking by Lambruno and Colabrese. It is a must have for genealogy work as well as just history of the times. Ideas, comments, suggestions, items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

Public Nudity

processed," Keplinger said. "I have talked to the Prosecutor about it. She is going to prosecute to the fullest extent of her power."

Keplinger said the incident was on Facebook and that a miscommunication with a dispatcher was the likely reason that his department did not apprehend the individual on the scene. "That incident was on Facebook," Keplinger said. "We were immediately on it. The only thing that probably kept us from catching the guy on scene was kind of a mis-cu with 911. They called it in at Mill Race Park and it was at River City Park."

Mountaineer Days



Cole Chaney performs at Mountaineer Days in Thomas. Photo courtesy of Ben Davis, Jr.

with a parade. Several musical acts performed on the main stage including: Nat Frederick, Rebecca Wudarski, Jason Good Blues Band, Waylon Wyatt and Cole

Pow Wow

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Dancers from Canpatlanezi Danza Azteca Del Anahuac were featured at the Pow Wow in Parsons. The troupe performed two special performances during the two day event, as well as participated in a variety of inter-tribal dances throughout the Pow Wow.

Anahuac also gave two special performances throughout the two day event. Members of the troupe also participated in inter-tribal dances throughout the event.



Herman Jackson and Ragghi Rain performed the Blessing of the Circle on both days. All proceeds from the Pow Wow went to benefit the Baltimore American Indian Center.

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According to Keplinger, once his department figured out that they had been sent to the wrong park, the individual had already left River City Park. "By the time we figured out he wasn't (at Mill Race Park) and went (to River City Park) he had already left," Keplinger said.

Keplinger said that he and his department continue to work on the case.

Keplinger said his department has seen an increase in calls and are on pace to exceed last year's number of calls for service and as of June 30th, exceeded the number of calls received in 2022. "We have already, as of the last of

last month, had more calls than in 2022 and at this pace by the end of July, early August, exceeded last years calls for service," Keplinger said.

However, Keplinger said most calls are of the nature of quality of life calls and calls that can be handled and closed on scene. "A lot of them are just basic quality of life calls," Keplinger said. "Things we are typically handling on scene."

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100 Years Ago This Month: Historical events from July 1924

The month of July has been home to many historical events over the years. Here's a look at some that helped to shape the world in July 1924.

✚ Full-time airmail service begins on July 1. A fleet of airplanes are used to transport mail day and night, and the time to send mail between New York and San Francisco is 35 hours, a reduction of 50 percent.

✚ The Caesar salad is created in Mexico on July 4. Italian-born restaurateur Caesar Cardini is inspired to create the dish by Americans crossing the border into Tijuana to legally purchase alcohol from his eatery during the holiday weekend.

✚ The opening ceremonies of the Summer Olympics are conducted at Colombes Stadium in Paris on July 5. The Organizing Committee decides against inviting Germany for the second straight Olympics.

✚ English Jew Harold Abrahams wins the 100 meter sprint at the Summer Olympics in Paris on July 7. Abrahams, who was the target of antisemitic prejudice during the Games, is later profiled the 1981 film, 'Chariots of Fire.'

✚ Panama receives diplomatic recognition from Colombia on July 9, more than 20 years after the country seceded

from Colombia at the urging of the United States.

✚ The Kimberly-Clark Corporation files the original trademark application for Kleenex on July 12.

✚ Horacio Vasquez is inaugurated as president of the Dominican Republic on July 13, officially ending the United States' administration of the island.

✚ The legend of 'Bigfoot' begins on July 16 when The Oregonian publishes the first nationwide news story about a tall and hair-covered 'apeman.' The creature is not described as 'Bigfoot' until 1958.

✚ Herman 'Hi' Bell of the St. Louis Cardinals pitches all 18 innings of the St. Louis Cardinals' doubleheader on July 19. Bell earns the victory in both contests, and remains the last Major League pitcher to pitch all 18 innings of a twinbill on the same day.

✚ Greece announces the expulsion of 50,000 Armenians on July 25.

✚ American League umpires are ordered to cut short arguments about balls and strikes in an effort to speed up the pace of play on July 25. The directive, issued by league president Ban Johnson, also prevents players from taking too much time inspecting baseballs for signs of tampering.



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West Virginia Folklife Seeks Applications Statewide for 2024-2025 Folklife Apprenticeship Program

Charleston—The West Virginia Folklife Program, a project of the West Virginia Humanities Council, is now accepting applications for its statewide Folklife Apprenticeship Program. Hosted biennially, this program supports traditional artists working with dedicated apprentices on a yearlong apprenticeship in their cultural expression or art form. Since 2017, the West Virginia Folklife Apprenticeship Program has celebrated traditional artists and helped them pass on cultural knowledge, stories, and techniques to their apprentices. Applications are due August 26, 2024 for the 2024-2025 yearlong program. Applications will be evaluated by a review panel in September, and successful applicants will be notified in October 2024.

Folklife apprenticeships can be based in music, dance, craft, fiber arts, occupational arts, foodways, storytelling, and much more. The traditions may be based in generations of practice in West Virginia or from more recent immigrant communities in the Mountain State. Traditional artists will receive \$3,000, and apprentices \$800 for their participation in the program. Teaching artists must apply with their proposed apprentices. Pairs may request an

additional \$400 to pay for supplies related to their apprenticeship. Pairs design their own work plans and are expected to participate in a community presentation, recorded documentation of their apprenticeship experiences, virtual meetings as a cohort, and a final public showcase.

The West Virginia Folklife Apprenticeship Program is administered by the West Virginia Folklife Program at the West Virginia Humanities Council. It is supported with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts. West Virginia Folklife is dedicated to the documentation, preservation, presentation, and support of West Virginia's vibrant cultural heritage and living traditions.

Guidelines and applications are available at <https://wvfolklife.org/folklife-apprenticeship-program/>. For more information on the West Virginia Folklife Program, visit wvhumanities.org/programs/west-virginia-folklife-program/ or contact Jennie Williams at williams@wvhumanities.org or 304-346-8500.

The West Virginia Humanities Council, an independent nonpartisan nonprofit corporation, is the state affiliate of the



West Virginia Folklife hosts a folklife apprenticeship showcase in Elkins featuring mushroom foraging with Sharon Briggs and apprentice Anthony Murray (center), soul food with Xavier Oglesby and his apprentice Brooklynn Oglesby (left), and fiber arts with Enrica McMillon and apprentice Barbara Weaner (right). Photo taken in 2023 by Michael Keller.

National Endowment for the Humanities. The Council is supported by the NEH, the State of West Virginia, and contributions from the private sector. The purposes of

the West Virginia Humanities Council are educational, and its mission is to support a vigorous program in the humanities statewide in West Virginia.

Grant County Bank Announces Retirement of Esteemed Board Member, Jack Barr



Petersburg, W.Va. [July 2, 2024] — The Grant County Bank is honored to announce the retirement of long-serving board member Jack Barr, whose dedication and visionary leadership have played a pivotal role in the bank's growth and success over the past two decades.

Barr joined the board of directors for Grant County Bank in 2003 during a period of significant transition and development. One of the most notable changes he witnessed was the bank's transition to digital banking, making internet banking accessible to all customers. This initiative has greatly enhanced the convenience and efficiency of banking services for the local community.

Under Barr's guidance, Grant County Bank also made substantial strides in promoting diversity on the board. He proudly supported the appointment of several women to the board, ensuring that diverse perspectives were represented in the bank's leadership.

Furthermore, Barr was instrumental in helping expand Grant County Bank's loan services to a broader market, enabling the bank to support the growth and development of local businesses and the community at large.

George Ford, President and CEO of Grant County Bank, reflects on Barr's invaluable contributions saying, "Jack joined our board shortly after we opened an office in Mineral County. His background as an attorney and experience on the board of a larger regional bank, combined with his deep connections to both Grant and Mineral Counties, were instrumental in the success of our Keyser branch. Jack developed strong relationships with key clients in the Mineral County market, significantly contributing to our growth."

Ford continues, "Jack always provided thoughtful and reasoned perspectives on any issue before the board. His ability to thoroughly analyze and address challenges will have a lasting impact on the bank. During the 'Great Recession' of the late 2000s, Jack worked closely with the bank to develop workout agreements with clients facing financial difficulties, exemplifying his commitment to supporting our customers through tough times."

As Jack Barr steps down from his posi-

tion, Grant County Bank extends a heartfelt gratitude for his years of service and dedication. His leadership, wisdom, and community spirit have left an indelible mark on the bank and the communities it serves.

About Grant County Bank

The Grant County Bank was chartered as a West Virginia state bank on August 6, 1902 and began operations on August 15 with its first office in Petersburg, WV. Our mission of providing financial services and products to families, small businesses,

and the agricultural community has served both our customers and the bank well over the years.

Subsequently, The Grant County Bank has expanded its marketplace throughout the Potomac Highlands and now operates a total of seven offices in six counties. After more than a century of continued service, The Grant County Bank is truly "Committed to The Communities We Serve" and is a subsidiary of Highlands Bankshares, Inc., also headquartered in Petersburg, WV.

Davis Health Encourages Well Child Visits Ahead of Back-to-School Season

Elkins, WV – As a new school year approaches, Davis Health System reminds parents and guardians of the importance of scheduling well child visits. These comprehensive check-ups are essential for ensuring students are healthy, up to date on vaccinations, and ready to thrive in the upcoming academic year.

"Well child visits are an opportunity for us to partner with parents in supporting their child's health and development. By ensuring that children are up to date on vaccinations and screenings, we can help them stay healthy and perform their best in school," said Davis Medical Center Pediatrician Amanda Pennington, MD.

Key components of the well child examination include administering necessary immunizations to protect against preventable diseases, physical examination to

assess overall health, growth and development, behavioral and developmental assessment, and chronic health concerns (referrals to specialists and refill medications as applicable).

According to Dr. Pennington, sports physical forms can be completed during the examination. "We encourage parents to make these appointments early to avoid the rush," she added.

Well child visits can be scheduled at any one of the following Davis Health System locations:

- Davis Medical Center, 304-637-3948
- Buckhannon Medical Center, 304-472-1600
- Broaddus Family Care, 304-457-1760
- Webster Memorial Hospital, 304-847-5682
- The Cowen Clinic, 304-226-3150



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Knotts, Glenn Franklin

Glenn Franklin Knotts, age 76, of Tecumseh, MI passed away on June 28, 2024 at his home with his family by his side. He was born on March 27, 1948 in Parsons, WV a son of the late Claude B. and Mable (Mullenax) Knotts. He graduated from Parsons High School in 1966. On June 29, 1968 in Oakland, MD he married Barbara M. Weibächer and they have shared 56 years together.



From 1966-1967 Glenn was in the Merchant Marines delivering supplies to Vietnam where he crossed the Pacific Ocean many times and told great stories of the rough storms they encountered. From 1968-1970 Glenn joined the Army and was in the 101st Airborne division. He served combat duty and fought hard for his coun-

try. For his time spent in Vietnam he received the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Vietnam Service Medal, Bronze Service Stars and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Glenn enjoyed hunting and spending time outdoors, he loved listening to country music and most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family. Glenn

was full of life and absolutely loved his country.

Along with his wife Barbara, he is survived by a son Wesley Bryant (Samantha) Knotts; a sister, Judy Evans and a brother, Dennis (Wanda) Knotts. Along with his parents he is preceded in death by a son, Glenn Jeremy Knotts and two brothers, Morris and Bill Knotts and his grandfather, Wilburt "Cricket" Knotts.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, July 5, 2024 at 11am at Brookside Cemetery with military honors performed by the Tecumseh American Legion Post 176 and VFW Post 4187 along with the U.S. Army honor guard. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.handlerfuneralhomes.com.

Walter "Junior" Helmick, Jr

Walter "Junior" Helmick, Jr., 75, of Davis, passed away on June 30, 2024, surrounded by his family. Born on July 7, 1948, in Benbush, he was the son of the late Walter S. and Sharlene M. (Carr) Helmick.



Junior started working for Milkint's garage as a young man; moving on to the Kingsford Charcoal Plant and then tug boat service in Virginia, and retired as a skilled painter. He enjoyed the thrill of scratch off tickets, buying and selling his newly found treasures, and pranking people. His most famous prank, the acorn nut, will be remembered by countless people who visited Tucker County for vacation. Junior always had a smile on his face, a story to tell, and never met a

stranger. He will be missed by his family, friends, and community.

He is survived by his two children, Michael Haynes and wife Sunny, and Ashley Griffin and husband Eddie; Seven grandchildren, Lowgan Carlisle, Ian Helmick, Jady Griffin, Annalyn Griffin, Jackson Griffin, Bailey Tallent, and

Gavin Rodgers; six siblings, Joyce Wilson, Patty Stukey, Brenda Lipscomb, Janice Richards, Janet Goldman and husband Mark, Mike Helmick and wife Carol; a sister in law, Carol "Cookie" Helmick, along with a host of nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Gail Helmick; his son, Ryan Helmick, and two siblings, Robert Helmick and Sandra Mason.

Junior's request for cremation was honored. A celebration of life will be held on July 27, 2024, from 11 AM to 1 PM at the Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home.

The Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Helmick family at this time.

Roberta Ann Simmons Knotts

Roberta Ann Simmons Knotts, 69, a resident of Holly Meadows, passed from this life Monday, July 1, 2024, at Garrett Regional Medical Center in Oakland, MD.



Roberta was born Wednesday, October 27, 1954, a daughter of the late Delmer and Emma Carr Simmons. On May 12, 1971, at Parsons, she was married to Danny Knotts, who survives. They had celebrated fifty-three years of marriage.

Left to cherish Roberta's memory are four children, DeWayne Hayward Knotts and wife, Sara, Joyce Freeman and husband, Michael, Barbara Spackman and husband, James, Danielle Arman and husband, Richard, eleven grandchildren, one great grandchild, and

an "adopted son and his family" Edward Freeman and wife, Rose with their seven children.

Preceding Roberta in death besides her parents was a sister, Janet Lee Summerfield.

Roberta graduated Parsons High School with the Class of 1971 and had taken part in an associates degree program. She was employed at Parsons

Footwear and the Tucker County Senior Center. Roberta was a member of the Good Tidings Assembly of God Church. She loved her grandchildren and enjoyed flowers, camping, reading, listening to audio books, and leisurely drives with Danny seeing the beauty of West Virginia.

Visitation will be held at the Hostetler Funeral Home on Monday, July 8, 2024, from 11am until 1pm, the funeral hour. Interment will follow in Mountain State Memorial Gardens. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Roberta Ann Simmons Knotts. Send online condolences to the family at: www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com.

Virginia Ruth Robinson Bohon

Virginia Ruth Robinson Bohon, 89, a resident of the Hannahsville Community, St. George, and more recently a resident of Cortland Acres Nursing Home in Thomas, passed from this life Monday, July 1, 2024, at Garrett Regional Medical Center in Oakland, MD. She had been in declining health however, death was unexpected.



Ruth was born Monday, April 8, 1935, a daughter of the late William "Bill" Ross Robinson, Sr. and Tillie Ann Snider Robinson. On October 3, 1953, at St. George, she was married to the late Eugene Bohon, who preceded her in death on April 25, 2011. They had celebrated fifty-seven years of marriage.

Left to cherish Ruth's memory are three children, Randall Lee Bohon, Roxanna Virginia Akerley and Regina Lynn Falls and husband, Farren, all of Hannahsville, one sister, Patricia "Patty" J. Gower and husband, Donley of Ohio, two brothers, William R. Robinson, Jr. and wife, Cathy of Hannahs-

ville, and James Robinson of Ohio, six granddaughters, Shylo, Rachael, Sheyenne, Rosanna, Tara and Angel, a grandson, Taylor, fourteen great-grandchildren, Savannah, Kelvin, John, Lilly, Kenley, Cooper, Hannah, Eric, Piper, Mae, Trista, Jace, Hadley, and Rowan, four step-grandchildren, Ethan, Emily, Pat and Rick, eight step great grandchildren, two step great great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Ruth in death besides her parents and husband, was one son, Eugene "Rob" Bohon, one sister, Gladys J. Moore, a son-in-law, Richard Akerley, her father and mother-

in-law, Claude and Mae Bohon, four brothers-in-law, Erwin, Lyle, Edward Bohon, and Beck Moore, three sisters-in-law, Gladys and Ginny Bohon, and Phyllis Robinson, and a step grandson, Kenny Akerley,

Ruth was a graduate of Parsons High School with the Class of 1953. She attended the Macedonia Methodist Church at St. George. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, hunting, watching the Steelers, and spending time with her family.

Visitation will be held at the Hostetler Funeral Home on Friday from 6pm until 8pm. Funeral services will be held from the funeral home chapel on Saturday, July 6, 2024, at 11am. Rev. Neil Parsons will officiate, and interment will follow in Bethel Cemetery at Holly Meadows. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Virginia Ruth Robinson Bohon. Send online condolences to the family at: www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com.

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West Virginia Department of Human Services Accepting School Clothing Allowance Applications

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The West Virginia Department of Human Services (DoHS), Bureau for Family Assistance (BFA) has begun accepting school clothing allowance applications on July 1, 2024, for eligible children enrolled in West Virginia schools.

Each eligible student will receive a \$200 benefit that may be used toward the purchase of appropriate school clothing or piece goods for families who sew clothing for their children.

School clothing allowance program recipients will receive an electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card in place of the traditional paper voucher. This system change allows for both online transactions and increased choice of vendors when purchasing school clothing or piece goods. The EBT card will operate like a debit card and can be used at any retailer who accepts EBT cash transactions. Parents or guardians of children in foster care will receive the school clothing allowance benefit as a check.

The following parties automatically received school clothing allowance benefits for each school-aged child in the home by the end of June:

- Families with school-aged children who currently receive WV WORKS assistance;
- Parents of guardians of children in foster care; and/or
- Children between the ages of four to 18 who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, are enrolled in school, and whose household income is under 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Families who received school clothing allowance in 2023 and currently have Medicaid coverage should have received a school clothing allowance

program application by mail in late June.

Others may be eligible for school clothing allowance benefits, but the monthly income for a family of four may not exceed \$3,250. Verification of income for July 2024 must be submitted with the application. The chart below shows the income limits for the 2024 school clothing allowance program.

No. of Persons in Household	Income Limit	No. of Persons in Household	Income Limit
1	\$1,580	6	\$4,364
2	\$2,137	7	\$4,921
3	\$2,694	8	\$5,478
4	\$3,250	9	\$6,035
5	\$3,807	10	\$6,592
+ \$557 for additional persons			

Families may apply online at wvpath.wv.gov. To request a paper application via mail, families may contact their local DoHS county office or the Office of Constituent Services' Customer Service Center at 1-877-716-1212. Applications must be received by July 31, 2024.

The West Virginia Department of Human Services (DoHS) provides a wide range of necessary and life-saving services to many West Virginia residents. DoHS includes the Bureau for Social Services, Bureau for Medical Services, Bureau for Child Support Enforcement, Bureau for Family Assistance, Bureau for Behavioral Health, Office of Drug Control Policy, Commission to Study Residential Placement of Children, Family Protection Services Board, Catastrophic Illness Commission,

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What's? Happening

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Tucker County Retired School Employees meeting Tuesday July 16, 2024, 11:00 to do mailings, 12:00 lunch. Grand Slam Grill is doing a private opening just for our group. All

Tucker County Chamber of Commerce

River City Inn Official Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening Saturday, July 13 from 12-3pm 233 Cheat Valley Highway, Parsons, WV 26287



The West Virginia Encyclopedia
www.wvencyclopedia.org



July 11, 1861: The Battle of Rich Mountain was fought in Randolph County. Union troops under Gen. George McClellan defeated Confederate forces, helping to secure northwestern Virginia (now West Virginia) for the North.

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.

July 10, 1769: Physician Jesse Bennet was born. He performed the first successful caesarian section in America in 1794, on his own wife and without proper equipment and with no antiseptics. He later established a large practice in Mason County and served as an Army surgeon in the War of 1812.

July 10, 1936: The temperature in Martinsburg reached 112 degrees. It tied the record for the state's hottest recorded temperature, which had been set August 4, 1930, at Moorefield.

July 11, 1867: John Jacob Cornwell was born on a farm in Ritchie County. He served as the 15th governor of West Virginia.

July 11, 1976: Gov. Arch Moore dedicated the West Virginia Culture Center. The facility was built to showcase the Mountain State's artistic, cultural and historic heritage.

July 12, 2003: The Clay Center for the Arts & Sciences in downtown Charleston opened to the public. It combines a modern performing arts center with a visual arts museum and an interactive science center.

July 13, 1861: The Battle of Corricks Ford took place in Tucker County. During the fight, Confederate Gen. Robert S. Garnett became the first Confederate general killed in battle during the Civil War.

July 14, 1861: Union troops under Gen. Jacob Cox drove Confederate militia and cavalry out of town during the Battle of Barboursville. Union forces remained in control of Barboursville for the remainder of the war.

July 14, 1900: Gangster William "Big Bill" Lias was born in Wheeling, or Greece. For much of the mid-1900s, he was considered the leader of bootlegging, organized crime, and gambling in the Wheeling area.

July 15, 1886: Congressman Cleveland Monroe "Cleve" Bailey was born on a farm in Pleasants County. He represented West Virginia's third congressional district for eight terms in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1945-47 and 1949-63.

July 15, 1988: Interstate 64 was completed when the final section between Sam Black Church and the West Virginia Turnpike was opened to traffic.

July 16, 1791: General Adam Stephen died. He fought in the French and Indian War and Revolutionary War, receiving a commendation after the Battle of Trenton and concluding his military career after the American loss at Brandywine. He played pivotal roles in the founding of both Berkeley County and Martinsburg.

July 16, 1869: Philanthropist Michael Late Benedum was born in Bridgeport. He made a fortune in the oil and gas business but is best remembered for establishing the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation.

By Teri Cayton
The Parsons Advocate

I hope everyone made it through the Fourth with all fingers still intact and a belly full of burgers and barbeque. It was not so bad for me this year because I got some meds from the vet for anxiety and it really helped the dogs a lot. It just took the edge off enough to get them through the noise. I also kept them inside and the TV volume up enough so they couldn't hear most of the noise.


I will be glad when my neighbors finally run out of fireworks, it has been five days now and they are still setting them off. I think there should be a time limit on how many days they can be set off. **Momma Said**, "There are always those who want to push the limit." It will be a relief when they finally stop. Some peace and quiet will be greatly appreciated by me and my dogs.

The heat has been oppressive but I did get some work done outside. I got a few new flowers planted and I built a set of stairs and handrail for my neighbor. She is sick and not very mobile and the stairs she had were pretty well done for. I didn't want to look out the window and see her on the ground with a broken hip so I used some materials I already

Momma Said

This column is about tips, helpful hints, recipes and words of wisdom. I dedicate this column to my mother.

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had and fixed her up just right. **Momma Said**, "Don't put out a hand for shaking but for helping someone up when they are down."

I hope when the day comes there will be someone there for me. Maybe I will be lucky and get through life as long as I can. It will be a blessing to have good health and prosperity for as long as possible. I wish that for everyone so have a blessed day and try to remember to reach out a helping hand when you can.

My recipe this week is a simple one that everyone should learn, it consists of this:

- 1 cup of happiness
- 1 cup of cheer
- 1 cup of kindness
- 1 cup of tears

Stir all ingredients together until blended and spread over all you meet. Make as often as possible and spread far and wide.

What is duct balancing?

Homes can sometimes be an enigma, with problems arising that seemingly make little sense. One example of a problem that might not add up is when certain areas of a home feel much warmer or cooler than others, even when a heating and cooling system is running and operating efficiently. The culprit in such instances may be an imbalance in a home's HVAC system. When an HVAC system is running yet there's a noticeable temperature difference in certain rooms of a home, such as one room being particularly warm in summer or especially chilly in winter, that disparity could be a result of an uneven air distribution through the ducts in the home. In such instances, duct balancing might be a solution. Duct balancing involves adjusting the dampers or registers to correct issues such as uneven distribution of air,

poor airflow and pressure imbalances with the heating and cooling system. Duct balancing is a relatively inexpensive fix, but it's best left to HVAC professionals, as the job requires unique knowledge of heating and cooling systems and special tools to adjust the dampers or registers.



Super Crossword POSTPRANDIAL

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Weather Totals

June 25 - July 2, 2024

Nursery Bottom
Parsons

Temperature

Max 94° F
Min 46° F

Precipitation

Week 1.68"
June 2.96"
July 0"
2024 26.18"

Snowfall

New Snow 0"
Snow on ground 0"
Winter Total 28.75"

U.S. Forest Service

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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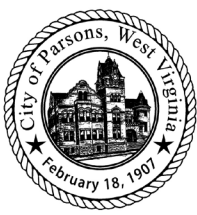
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Applications are available at the Parsons Business Office, located in the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building, 341 Second Street, Parsons, West Virginia, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (EDT), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

All applications must be received by 5:00 P.M. (EDT) on Friday, July 12, 2024.

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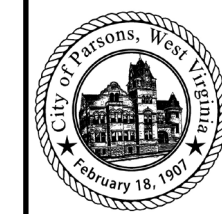
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Candidates must be at least 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, have a high school diploma or equivalent, and should possess a valid West Virginia Driver's License with good driving history. Before making a job offer, the candidate must consent to a criminal background check as well as a drug and alcohol test. Compensation for this position is \$10.00 per hour with no fringe benefits, except for free membership to the Wellness 24 Fitness Center.

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Spring 2024 Dean's List Announced

WVU Potomac State College Dean of Academic Affairs Phillip Douthitt is pleased to announce the students who earned a place on the Spring 2024 Dean's List. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled for at least 12-credit hours of graded courses, excluding courses in which any grade of Audit, Pass or Incomplete is recorded, and must maintain a grade-point average of 3.000 to 3.699 for the semester.

Congratulations to the following students:

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 Tamara Allen
 Emily Arbogast
 Leonard Arco
 Alyvea Arnold
 Eathan Ashenfelter
 Micah Banks
 Aloysius Battista
 Everlie Battko
 Breanna Bennett
 Sadie Bennett
 Olivia Bible
 Austin Bland
 Erika Blaylock
 Erin Blaylock
 Tyler Blizzard
 Harris Boggs
 Lexis Borrer
 Dillinger Bowers
 Telina Boyles
 Samuel Bradfield
 Hannah Bradley
 Evie Brafford
 Michaela Brennehan
 Ethan Brown

Kirk Bryant
 Paige Burgos
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 Selenia Campbell
 Cadence Carpenter
 Blake Castle
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 Charlot Wilson-Daniel
 Erin Clark
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 Shakhia Conn
 Naylin Cook
 Catherine Cool
 Caitlyn Cooper
 Kerstan Corle
 Ayden Costilow
 Tren Crane
 Isabel Crawford
 Levi Crayton
 Cheyenne Crum
 James Curry
 Grant Dadisman
 Adrienne Dale
 Daisy Dalrymple
 Dennis Davis
 Kiari Davis
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 Faith Decker
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 Myra Durschlag
 John Earnest
 Meadow Edgecomb
 Cristy Enlow
 Chayse Evans
 Mara Evans
 Jomanda Evans-Flanagan
 Lexi Everline
 Hayden Faulk
 Kamryn Feehan
 Emonie Fennell
 Brittany Flippin
 Bryan Flynn
 Carmen Fogus
 Cate Fulk

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 Jeffery Garris
 Emma Gibson
 Caden Goodwin
 Jayson Gordon
 Luke Greethurst
 Katherine Grinnan
 Finan Grmay
 Adrianna Guindon
 Alexis Haggerty
 Jan Haller
 Natalie Halterman
 Jayla Hamric
 Kenni Hanlin
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Spring 2024 Presidents' List Announced

West Virginia University Potomac State College Interim President Paul Kreider is pleased to announce the students who earned a place on the Spring 2024 President's list. To be eligible for the President's List, a student must be enrolled in at least 12-credit hours of graded courses, excluding courses in which any grade of Audit, Pass or Incomplete is recorded, and must earn a grade-point average of 3.700 or higher for the semester.

Congratulations to the following students:

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 Dominic Amtower
 Mekerra Amtower
 Nathan Armentrout
 Samuel Arnold
 Hannah Ault
 Gavin Barkley
 Olivia Barnes
 Jenna Beeman
 James Bell
 Keegan Bennett
 Alexa Bess
 Jessica Bingaman
 Allissa Biser
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 Olivia Bomboy
 Grace Bond
 Emalee Bradley
 Leyton Braithwaite

Madison Brinegar
 Jordan Canby
 Jennifer Cardona Sevilla
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 Ethan Carr
 Johnathan Case
 Molly Cessna
 Clarissa Chapman
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 Stephen Collette
 Jailyn Cook
 Braylee Corbin
 Jade Cordial
 Ashlee Corwell
 Ryan Cosner
 Emma Craddock
 Addison Cross
 Kyra Davis
 Alexander Dinaldo
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 Ethan Gochenour
 Emily Golden
 Lexi Guthrie

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 Bereket Habtamu
 Bessie Halterman
 Sydney Hardy
 Thomas Hardy
 Daykota Hartley
 Isabella Harvey
 Tanner Haskiell
 Tanisha Henry
 Eleanor Higgins
 Hunter Hines
 Marissa House
 Madelynn Howard
 Brenna Jackson
 Margaret James
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 Kaden Jones
 Bailey Kalbaugh
 Asia Keister
 Laurel Keister
 Averyanna Kennedy
 Kinsey Keplinger
 Emily Kimble
 Paul Knotts
 Emily Kuykendall
 Cierra Laffey
 Giuliana Lancianese
 Hannah Largent
 Sarah Lasko
 Arin Lease
 Jordan Lease
 Brandon Liller
 Jacob Logsdon
 Sophia Lord
 Tyler Mansfield

Mitchell Martin
 Trinity Martin
 Charles Massie
 Madison Mathias
 Benjamin McDougal
 Leah McKenzie
 Leonard McMaster
 Anthony Mele
 Wesley Miller
 Allison Minney
 Cody Mitchell
 Guilherme Moreira
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 Kalista Oliveto
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 Kelly Ours
 Carson Palmer
 Adin Parent
 Benjamin Pell
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 Elizabeth Pryor
 Morgan Pyles
 Ryan Quick
 Austin Ramsay
 Lucas Ray
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 Victoria Seabolt

Lainee Selan
 Sue Shipley
 Carlton Shoemaker
 Christopher Short
 Alexander Shumaker
 Nathan Sions
 Chloe Slaughter
 Averi Smith
 Rylee Staggs
 Mathew Starn
 Mya Stinnette
 Maura Strahin
 Victoria Swisher
 Haleigh Taylor
 Madison Taylor
 Gabriel Templeton
 Lennon Thomas
 William Thompson
 Katelyn Thornton
 Trinity Thrasher
 Hunter Turner
 Aidan VanRider
 Hartley Vangilder
 Jessica Walton
 Marissa Ward
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The Tucker County Board of Education, Parsons, WV will receive bids for **Wastewater Treatment Plant Replacement at Tucker County High School** until **2:00 p.m.**, local prevailing time on July 25, 2024, at the office of the Tucker County Board of Education, Parsons, WV, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Conference, for **General Construction**, has been scheduled for **July 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.** at Tucker County High School. A site visit will be conducted following the meeting.

The contract documents are available only from the architect's electronic distribution system. Login credentials will be sent to all prospective contractors and subcontractors after the request is made to biddocs@wsgarch.com. Addenda will be only distributed electronically from the Architects electronic distribution system to bidders registered in attendance at the mandatory pre-bid meeting.

Each Bidder must be registered with the West Virginia Department of Tax and Revenue prior to the time and date for Receipt of Bids in order for his Bid to be considered. Each Bidder's registration certificate number shall be written in the space provided on the Form of Proposal.

All bidders are required to be licensed to perform work in the State prior to submitting a bid for this project as required by Chapter 21, Article 11, of the Code of West Virginia. Each Bidder's Contractor license number shall be written in the space provided on the Form of Proposal.

A satisfactory bid bond furnished by a solvent surety company authorized to do business in the State of West Virginia, in an amount equal to five (5%) of the total amount of bid, payable to the Tucker County Board of Education, shall be submitted with each Bid.

Each (The) successful bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond and the fee for same shall be included in their bid.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for at least **thirty (30)** days.

The Board of Education of the County of Tucker, Parsons, WV reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

THE TUCKER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
 Mrs. Alicia Lambert, Superintendent

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 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 August 13, 2024 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):

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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 deferral, 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.

Four New Inductees Entered Into West Virginia Ski Industry Hall of Fame

Canaan Valley, WV – The Snow Sports Museum of West Virginia inducted four new members into the West Virginia Ski Industry Hall of Fame on Sunday, June 18, at a ceremony held in Canaan Valley.

This year's four inductees include four ski industry veterans, Debbie Cline, Steve Drumheller, Dave Cline and Mark Poore. The quartet join the already inducted 32 members of the Hall of Fame.

Debbie Cline of Pocahontas County, has been involved in the state's ski industry for over four decades, serving most recently as the general manager of the Ski Barn ski shops throughout West Virginia.

"Debbie's influence in the industry was up front and personal. Debbie is truly one of the unsung heroes of the industry and has helped to grow it to where it is today," says Kim Williams, president of the Snow Sports Museum of West Virginia, the entity that oversees the hall of fame.

Dave Cline of Ohio County, is synonymous with Ski Patrolling and

Resort safety in West Virginia. Over the years, Dave has introduced, trained, coached, positively impacted, and gotten to know just about every ski patroller in the state! As a long-standing fixture at Snowshoe Mountain Resort, Dave was an early recipient of a National Ski Patrol Appointment award.

"Seriously, the majority of the ski patrollers in West Virginia have probably been in a clinic headed up by Dave and that means every skier and snowboarder has benefited from his safety knowledge," says Williams.

Steve Drumheller of Tucker, has had his hand in promoting the state's ski industry since the mid-80's, working at Canaan Valley Resort, Silver Creek, Snowshoe Mountain and Timberline in sales and marketing positions.

"We have been fortunate to have industry officials like Steve, working hard to get folks to come to West Virginia to ski and snowboard. He is probably responsible for bringing millions to the mountain state," added Williams.

Mark Poore of Pocahontas County, has skied every trail in West Virginia. Mark has been a ski instructor, ski race team director and ski patroller at Snowshoe Mountain, Silver Creek and Canaan Valley, also arriving in West Virginia in the mid-80's.

"Mark has probably spent more time on West Virginia snow than anyone I know. He was one of those folks who did their best to make everyone's visit, the best it could be, every time out," explained Williams.

For information on all 36 members of the West Virginia Ski Industry Hall of Fame, everyone is welcome to visit the Snow Sports Museum of West Virginia on Rt. 32 in Canaan Valley or check out www.snowsportsmuseumwv.org.

The Rustic Mechanicals of Clarksburg Return to Philippi

“After a five-year hiatus, West Virginia’s only professional Shakespeare troupe, The Rustic Mechanicals of Clarksburg, will once again visit Adaland Mansion at Philippi. We are beyond thrilled to welcome back this outstanding WV troupe to our side-yard pavilion for an evening of fine food and exciting and hilarious theatre!” says an Adaland Mansion spokesperson.

Adaland will host this innovative company on Sunday, July 21. Besides the performance, the evening includes a sumptuous dinner of Hawaiian style smoked chicken and smoked pork with a variety of sides and desserts served at 5:00 pm. To enjoy the summer evening dinner and play on Adaland’s side yard pavilion, call 304-457-1587 and leave a message with name and number of reservations wanted. Tickets for the evening are \$55 per person.

As WV’s only professional Shakespeare troupe, The Rustic Mechanicals tour three shows annually, including its WV Shake-



speare in the Park(s) outdoor tour, “focusing on making Shakespeare’s plays accessible to modern audiences by utilizing dynamic and extreme casting techniques paired with Shakespeare’s staging conditions.” (Shakespeare Theatre Association)

This special evening at Adaland begins with dinner at 5:00 pm followed by a pre-

show jam with the Thundering Hearts Band at 6:00 and then William Shakespeare’s “The Tempest” at 6:30 pm.

“The Tempest” was written in 1610-1611. The story of the play according to the RM’s Facebook page: “On a distant island, a man waits. Robbed of his position, power, and wealth, his enemies have

left him in isolation. But this is no ordinary man, and this is no ordinary island. Prospero, the rightful Duke of Milan, is a magician, able to control the very elements and bend nature to his will. When a sail appears on the horizon, he reaches out across the ocean to the ship that carries the men who wronged him. Creating a vast magical storm, he wrecks the ship and washes his enemies up onto shore. When they wake, they find themselves lost on a fantastical island where nothing is as it seems.

“Widely considered to be the last of his solo plays, “The Tempest” is Shakespeare’s final masterpiece, a hilarious and lyrical tale of forgiveness, generosity, and enlightenment.”

To learn more about The Rustic Mechanicals, go to their Facebook page. To learn more about Adaland Mansion at Philippi, Philippi’s historical gem four miles north of the famous Covered Bridge, visit www.adaland.org and Adaland’s Facebook page.

Grant received by Fairmont State funds high school NASA IV&V ERC GLOBE science projects

Fairmont State University received \$4,980 in grant funding from the Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE) Program, an international science and education program focused on teaching and learning Earth System Science.

The grant supports Going Global in WV with GLOBE, a project led by the Katherine Johnson NASA Independent Verification and Validation Education Resource Center (NASA IV&V ERC) in partnership with Fairmont State. The project’s purpose is to initiate a GLOBE:

Atmosphere Focus Group (AFG) to provide West Virginia science educators with training on GLOBE’s Atmosphere protocols and access to loanable classroom kits to implement with their schools’ science fairs.

NASA’s IV&V ERC established the AFG and began training West Virginia STEM educators, who each submitted two student projects to both their local science fairs and the GLOBE International Virtual Science Symposium (IVSS). After these educators coached their students’ GLOBE science projects, facilitated their schools’ science fairs, and assisted students who advance to regional science fairs and IVSS, the AFG continued to meet about ways to engage with GLOBE in the future.

Two teams of GLOBE students and their GLOBE teachers shared their research during the 2024 GLOBE International Virtual Science Symposium.

The “Clouds and Ground Temps” project conducted by Johnson Elementary in Bridgeport, W.VA earned the Problem Solver, Collaborator, and Impact Badges. In addition to their research using Infrared thermometers and the GLOBE Clouds Observer App, the school will expand its efforts in citizen science and atmospheric

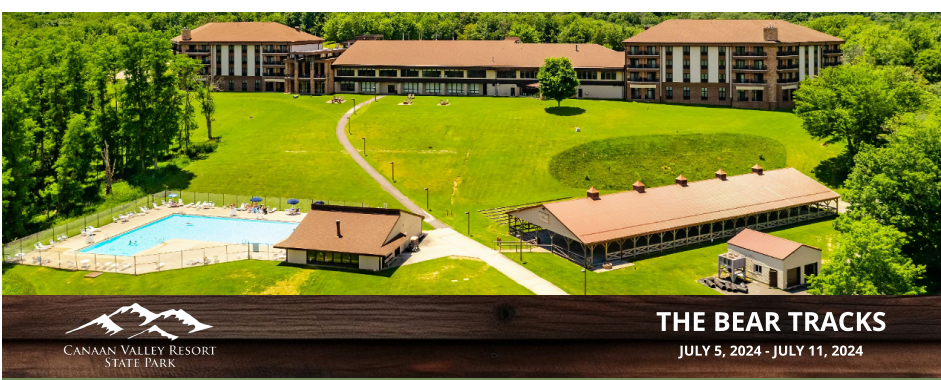
research by maintaining an automated weather station at sites in their county. Data on air temperature, precipitation, barometric pressure, and relative humidity will be available both statewide

and globally by citizen scientists and students interested in accessing the information for science fair projects. Parkersburg High School in Parkersburg, W.VA investigated soils in West Virginia and analyzed them against soil data from Florida, Utah, and New Jersey. Their project is titled, “The Dirty Facts of Soil”. In addition to presenting at GLOBE’s international fair, the team advanced to the state level of the science fair. As a collaborating school, the team will also house an automated weather station for schools across the state to use their weather data for future science fair projects.

“We’d like to thank Jami Moss (Parkersburg) and Taya Cline (Bridgeport) for not only completing training at Fairmont State University but also partnering with the NASA IV&V Education Resource Center and the West Virginia Space Grant Consortium to continue to operate fixed, automated weather stations in their communities,” said Josh Revels. “This enables additional teachers to be trained at Fairmont State University this summer and borrow a portable, automated weather station from NASA to compare their collected data with the atmospheric study sites in both central and western West Virginia. Not only will the GLOBE database contain this additional data from West Virginia, but all West Virginia students may access this data to use for science fair projects in future years.”

To get involved with the WV AFG and to start utilizing the GLOBE Atmosphere kit, contact josh.revels@fairmontstate.edu.

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The Advocate’s **WARM THE CHILDREN** coordinator has made arrangements with a local store and assigns volunteer shoppers to take the children and their parents shopping. Shoppers will be people like you, anyone in the community willing to help by donating a little of their time to this worthwhile cause.

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