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Durbin Walking Tour signs dedicated

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

There were two celebrations of the history and people of Durbin last weekend. One, of course, was the annual Durbin Days Heritage Festival. As for the second - after five long years of research, interviews, collecting materials and fund sourcing, the Upper Pocahontas Community Cooperative unveiled and dedicated the Durbin Walking Tour signs which have been installed throughout the town.

The dedication was held at the location of four of the 12 signs, where the railroad track begins just south of the Durbin Depot.

As each sign was uncovered, UPCC member and Durbin historian Jason Bauserman described the signs and significance of the information they share.

The signs tell the story of a town in which John Slaven settled in 1811, the growth of the timber industry, the ar-



AFTER FIVE YEARS of great effort, the Upper Pocahontas Community Cooperative unveiled the 12 signs that make up the Durbin Walking Tour. Last Wednesday, UPCC members, from left: Jason Bauserman, Judy Fuller and Nancy Egan unveiled two of the four signs at the Durbin Depot. Not pictured: UPCC member Julia Bauserman. S. Stewart photo

rival of the train and the industry that followed, as well as the lives led by Durbinites - through the good times and the bad.

Referring to the sign titled "Settlings the Narrows," Bauserman introduced visi-

tors to Slaven.

"This is our first pioneer, John Slaven, who fought in the Revolutionary War," he said. "[He] was given fifteen

hundred acres that went up the whole west fork area and it ended up down here

around Frank. Adam Arbogast went up the east fork with fifteen hundred acres."

Bauserman explained that the where the signs are located in Durbin was referred

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'The Ballad of Cass' runs one more weekend

The Ballad of Cass lit up the streets of Cass over the weekend with three shows.

During the outdoor promenade through the town, the cast led the audience to significant locations where they could view vignettes featuring characters from the town's history who shared their stories. Together they described a slice of every day life in an early 1900 logging town.

"Cass, a place that was not tamed by luck or magic, but on the shoulders of the resilient and hard-working adventurers who understood not what Cass was, but what Cass could be." ~ Sarah, narrator and guide

Beginning at the depot,

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Story Session with Dwight Diller

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

The third musician to be featured in the second season of Pocahontas County Opera House Story Sessions was Dwight Diller, who shared his wealth of knowledge of the Hammons Family as well as his talents on the banjo and fiddle.

Diller spent a lot of time with the Hammons family, learning about their history and their music for his documentary "Across the Yew Pines."

Diller played many Hammons tunes and explained how the family members would put their own spin on the tunes or create new sounds with how they played.

"Here's one that Lee Hammons played," he said. "A bunch of people played *Walking in the Parlor*. For me, what Lee Hammons did with *Walking in the Parlor* is way up here [gesturing high above his head]."

"Remember, he was born in 1883, and he quit playing in 1923, so he quit playing at forty-years-old," he continued. "And then he started again in 1968, 69. So that's like forty-some years that he didn't play. I started going to visit him and this was the tune that he played, and it was perfect. You can



FOR HIS EPISODE in the Pocahontas County Opera House Story Session series, Dwight Diller performed old-time tunes on both the banjo and fiddle. Between songs, he shared memories of spending time with members of the Hammons Family and other musicians. Photo courtesy of Kurtis Schachner

go on YouTube and listen to him play *Walking in the Parlor*. He was ninety-years-old when he played that on there and it's perfect, perfect, perfect."

Diller admitted he couldn't play the tune perfectly, but he did play *Walking in the Parlor*.

Sharing another Lee Hammons story, Diller said once when Lee was a

teenager, he was at a square dance in Webster County.

"People were square dancing, and they gave this little boy a quarter to get up on stage and start dancing."

Diller said. "He got up there and started dancing. He said they had to give him another quarter to get him off the stage."

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Putting the pieces together

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

The Bicentennial Trout Sculpture in front of the Marlinton Depot is covered with bright yellow daffodils, which is quite fitting as, behind it, there is a pollinator garden filled with spring and summer annuals.

The flower beds were established as part of the Prevention Coalition Environmental Strategies grant which is in its second phase - creating mosaics to be incorporated into the flower beds. The mosaics are a community project and the Pocahontas County Arts Council and Pocahontas County Artisans Co-op welcome those interested in creating a panel to join in the project.

Local artisan Cris Bartlett will be at the garden each Friday in July, at 5 p.m., with supplies for those who want to make colorful mosaics for the project.

"What I tell people is that there is a river pattern on it," she said of the main flower bed. "The plates and the bits of pottery from local potters, and all the material that we have is up for grabs. Whatever you want to do, but what we'd like to see is the river in the middle be just a different color scheme."

The other beds are open to



ARTIST CRIS BARLETT shows off one of the many mosaics which will become a part of the flower beds at the Marlinton Depot pollinator garden. Each Friday in July, at 5 p.m., Barlett will be at the garden with mosaic supplies for those interested in taking part in the project. S. Stewart photo

any color scheme the community chooses to use.

Once the project is complete, Bartlett said it will be a beautiful community art

project that will also attract butterflies and bees, which will help with the pollination of plants in the area.

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Broadband Council and Frontier meet

Tim Walker
AMR Reporter

At the July 14 Pocahontas County Broadband Council meeting, Ruthanna Beezley updated the council about a meeting held June 9 between members of the council and two representatives of Frontier Communications, one of whom was Conrad Lucas, who is a lobbyist for Frontier. The Frontier representatives assured them that Frontier has now successfully completed its bankruptcy and has restructured itself with new management and even a new logo, saying that this is now a "new Frontier."

As far as Frontier's timeline to provide broadband to the large areas of Pocahontas County that they were

awarded by the FCC as part of the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF), the Frontier representatives said they plan to begin construction in 2025 and hope to complete their project in 2027. They said, when completed, customers will pay about \$60 per month and will receive 1 GB per second service. They also provided what they say is a reliable contact at Frontier for complaints about their service.

The council said it will use its website to inform the public how to reach out to Frontier when they are experiencing problems with their Internet service, and will funnel unresolved issues to the contact Frontier provided at that meeting.

The Broadband Council's website is www.pocahontascountybroadband.com

The Broadband Council members at the meeting told Frontier that the timeline proposing RDOF broadband service in the county is unacceptably too long. They also updated Frontier on the council's plans to expand broadband across the county through other grants and programs.

They informed Frontier that distrust of the company is widespread among the citizens of Pocahontas County, but they hope to maintain a working relationship with Frontier, Beezley, who attended the Zoom meeting said, in the end, Frontier learned as much from us as we did from them. John Golden reminded everyone who has

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Farmland Protection Boards accepting applications

Greenbrier, Monroe, and Pocahontas counties are accepting applications for their Conservation Easement programs.

The Farmland Protection Boards will submit qualifying applications to NRCS/USDA for funding consideration. Selections will be based on ranking across the state and available funding within each specific county. Parcels in participating counties may qualify for funding directly from that county.



Applications must be received by September 16, 2022, to be considered for the

FY23 funding cycle. Please mail applications and supporting documents to MCFPB, PO Box 574, Union, WV 24983. You may also return your application via email to amy@saddlebackservices.org. Arrangements can be made for in-person delivery and/or pick up. Applications can be obtained from your local NRCS offices, and via e-mail: amy@saddlebackservices.org. If you would like an application mailed to you, or have any questions, please contact Amy Moloney, Executive Director at 304-667-4877.

New Three-Digit National Suicide and Crisis Hotline

U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) announced as of July 16, West Virginians and Americans nationwide who are experiencing mental health, substance use or suicide crises can call or text 988 or visit 988lifeline.org and be connected to trained crisis counselors. The trained crisis counselors are prepared to assist anyone experiencing a mental health emergency and the lifeline

will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. For Veterans experiencing a mental health crisis, a specialized hotline will be available by pressing 1 after connecting or by texting "VET" to the same 988 number.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has placed additional pressures on many West Virginians battling mental health or substance use crises, and has often made it more difficult to receive or

continue treatment. Connecting people in crisis with experienced mental and behavioral health professionals is vital, and this new, easy to remember three-digit code will help West Virginians get the care they need and deserve," Manchin said. "I will continue to support mental health services in the Mountain State, and I encourage every West Virginian and American to become familiar with this new resource."

Circuit Court

The following cases were recently heard in Pocahontas County Circuit Court before the Honorable Judges Robert E. Richardson and Jennifer P. Dent:

Brian L. Doss, 33, of Marlinton, pleaded guilty to one count, malicious assault, and one count, use or presentation of a firearm during the commission of a felony. The court adjudged him guilty of the same. Doss was sentenced to not less than two years nor more than 10 years for malicious assault, and a determinate sentence of eight years for the use or presentation of a firearm during the commission of a felony. Sentences shall run consecutively, and credit for time served is 513 days. The state reserves the right to bring the matter on for restitution at a later date.

A bond revocation hearing was held in the case the State vs Kevin A. Withers, 38, of Marlinton, wherein defense counsel advised the court that a psychological evaluation is being performed and he was uncertain as to how the hearing could proceed. The State related that probable cause exists for revoking bond. The matter is continued to August 17.

A pretrial status conference was held in the case the State vs Eric Jeffrey Stephen Brown, 29, of Marlinton, wherein the defendant waived his right to a speedy trial. Brown was indicted on one felony count of failure to register as a sex offender.

Gilberto Santana Rivera, 53, of Durbin, pleaded guilty

to the felony offense of driving revoked for DUI, third offense. At his sentencing hearing the state advised that it believed the defendant would re-offend and the state would not be supportive of alternate sentencing. The court accepted the pre-sentence investigation report and related that the defendant does have a significant criminal history. Rivera was sentenced to not less than one year nor more than three years in the state penitentiary, fined the minimum of \$3,000 and court costs were assessed. He was remanded to custody.

The court found that Carl Kidd, 40, of Bartow, was in violation of his probation by failing to successfully complete the drug court program. The matter was set for disposition July 21.

A bond revocation hearing was held June 29 in the case the State vs Phillip Dean, Jr.,

49, of Marlinton, wherein the State recommended a short sanction, and that an evidentiary hearing be held in 30 days. At that July 14 hearing, the state and defense counsel agreed to a proposed sanction of 22 days as time already served. Dean was to report to the home confinement officer by 3 p.m. that day.

A hearing was held in the case the State vs Jeremy Self, 62, of Durbin, wherein defense counsel advised the court that four items in the motion have not been provided at this point. Counsel asked for an order to compel CPS to provide that information. The court will direct CPS to provide the information if it is possible to do so. Self was indicted by the April 2021 Grand Jury on three counts, sexual abuse in the first degree, a felony; one count, sexual abuse by a custodian of a child, a felony.

COVID-19 Update

The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) reports as of July 19, 2022, there are 2,745 active COVID-19 cases statewide. There have been four deaths reported since the last report, with a total of 7,106 deaths attributed to COVID-19.

Active cases per county: Barbour (20), Berkeley (146), Boone (48), Braxton (27), Brooke (17), Cabell (161), Calhoun (6), Clay (10), Doddridge (3), Fayette (94), Gilmer (6), Grant (13), Greenbrier (57), Hampshire (45), Hancock (13), Hardy

(24), Harrison (124), Jackson (27), Jefferson (76), Kanawha (259), Lewis (25), Lincoln (35), Logan (49), Marion (93), Marshall (46), Mason (41), McDowell (38), Mercer (166), Mineral (32), Mingo (33), Monongalia (132), Monroe (25), Morgan (11), Nicholas (44), Ohio (48), Pendleton (4), Pleasants (15), Pocahontas (15), Preston (20), Putnam (108), Raleigh (170), Randolph (19), Ritchie (12), Roane (29), Summers (16), Taylor (19), Tucker (12), Tyler (10), Upshur (41), Wayne (30), Webster (18), Wetzel (34), Wirt (0), Wood (130), Wyoming (49). To find the cumulative cases per county, please visit wv.gov and look on the Cumulative Summary tab, which is sortable by county.

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**WALKING
The Conclusion
When we left the trees –
for good.**

At a specific time between 4.2 and 3.5 million years ago, one of our hominid ancestors made a decision that would change the future of humans and our planet.

This ancestor, Australopithecus aferensis, better known as Lucy, made her way down a tree until she planted both feet firmly on the ground. Short excursions from the safety of trees had gone on for millions of years, but this time was different; she would walk away and never return to an arboreal lifestyle again.

Her kind would adapt to dramatic climatic changes and evolve to be comfortable in a wide range of environments, from desert to jungle and mountains to plains.

And most importantly, this species would be the first to walk upright permanently; we would be terrestrial creatures from that point on. Climbing would give way to walking and running. This ability would dramatically affect everything from what

we ate to how we procured it.

Leaving behind a diet based mostly on soft fruits, we would turn our ability to run and tool-making skills into hunting for meat. We would use our mobility to spread throughout the world.

In time, the mere act of walking would lead to our dominance over all other life on our planet, for better or worse.

We still walk and run in much the same way that Lucy did. We honor this unique form of ambulation so much that we revere it as a sport.

The very first Olympics had only one event. Called the stadion, the contestant sprinted 180 meters. Over time other running and walking events were added.

Today's Olympics offer, in addition to numerous running events, a men's 50K race walking event and a 20K women's walking event.

Walking upright has many obvious advantages. After leaving the trees, we can now travel far beyond our local watering hole. And, we would take full advantage of this ability.

Bi-pedal locomotion liber-

ated the hands to carry babies while traveling, carry tools and weapons, and ultimately create art and writing.

The change in the anatomy required to walk upright also improves our heat loss by convection, allowing us to venture into warmer climates for more extended periods.

But, like all compromises required for evolutionary adaptation, there are often downsides. One huge imposition is that our spine is more susceptible to injuries, particularly in the low back.

Most humans will suffer back pain at some point in their lives. I can honestly say that I have never heard my quadrupedal dogs complain about back pain. And, if they did, I would need to find a psychiatrist post haste.

**Health benefits
of walking**

Last week we went over some of the primary health benefits of walking; reduction in blood pressure, weight loss and stress reduction. Another bonus for us seniors, walking helps to maintain good balance.

Recent research lengthens the list of health benefits, including increased stamina, even in aging adults. Walking improves our immune systems, which is a huge boon; even moderate walking can mitigate chronic pain.

A common question about walking is how it compares with running.

Most science-based sources agree that walking offers as many health benefits as running. After all,

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**Next up in the Opera House
2022-2023 Performance Series**

The Pocahontas County Opera House kicked off its 2022-2023 Performance Series Sunday with the Rustic Mechanicals performance of Shakespeare's *Love's Labour's Lost*. The Opera House will present two more concerts in July, featuring Chatham Rabbits Saturday, July 23, followed by The Black Mountain Bluegrass Boys Saturday, July 30.

Saturday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m., Chatham Rabbits, a North Carolina folk duo, will debut on the Opera House stage.

In their marriage and their music, Chatham Rabbits' Austin and Sarah McCombie also blend their histories into a shared musical experience. Sarah first took the stage as part of a trio known as the South Carolina Broadcasters, a band that harkened back to the old days of the Grand Ole Opry and AM radio country



Chatham Rabbits

classics. Meanwhile, Austin we're certainly not the played keyboards and guitar hippest," Sarah adds. "But for an electronic band called DASH. Given these histories, how would Chatham Rabbits describe their musical marriage? "We're not purists," Austin says. "And

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TRIVIA – a little something to think about
Courtesy of Chuck Cornell

1. We all played this schoolyard game. It was called TAG. What did the three letters stand for? And you're it!
2. Katherine Lee Bates wrote "America the Beautiful." What "pronoun" does she use in this patriotic song? 3. If you get a "Dime Store" split in bowling, what two pins do you need to convert for a spare? 4. This online travel agency went into business in 1996. It will book your airline, hotel, car rental or cruise. It ranks first on the list of top earning travel companies. What is it?

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,
I found the website, gunmemorial.org/WV, and have the urge to share for prayer. Prayers for all gun victims, of course, but especially West Virginians. It is shaking to actually see the faces. So very many faces. I hope all your readers have a healthy and safe week.

Everyone, please keep victims of the lethal weapons industry in your daily prayers. And, if your retirement packages include a stock portfolio, please drop gun and ammo manufacturers. The gun industry shares are tainted with blood.
God bless,
Agnes Doyle
Marlinton

Poetry Corner

Do It Now

IF WITH PLEASURE you are viewing any work a man is doing,
If you like him or you love him, tell him now;
Don't withhold your approbation till the parson makes oration
And he lies with snowy lilies on his brow;
No matter how you shout it he won't really care about it;
He won't know how many teardrops you have shed;
If you think some praise is due him now's the time to slip it to him,
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

More than fame and more than money is the comment kind and sunny
And the hearty, warm approval of a friend.
For it gives to life a savor, and it makes you stronger, braver,
And it gives you heart and spirit to the end;
If he earns your praise – bestow it; if you like him let him know it;
Let the words of true encouragement be said;
Do not wait till life is over and he's underneath the clover,
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

~ by Berton Braley



Marlinton Mayor's Corner

By Sam Felton

While informing the community of future recreation economic plans, I want local businesses and local leaders to be aware: Someone you may currently be doing business with could be the industrial/manufacturing partner we are looking for for the Edray Industrial Park Building. Filling that space will remain a high priority until it is humming with industry – of one kind or the other.

The industrial park was the reason for the Edray water and sewer extension in 1995-96. Who would have thought it would take this long? But we cannot stop reaching out to potential tenants.

Greenbrier Economic Development Corporation Director Ruthanna Beezley and I speak often about possible new businesses and existing businesses looking to expand. Wood products or a recreational product seem

the most likely fit. The good news is, we have an industrial space to offer.

On the recreational economy front, the construction of the Monday Lick and Halfway Run trails will remain of the highest priority, because of what they can do for our local economy. We have the plan. All we need is the funding.

Action steps for local leaders will be to work with other entities to support grant writing and fundraising efforts for trail construction. The Marlinton Listens group can support this greater effort by coordinating local, complementary improvements that

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What's Cookin'?

With Sally Cobb

Overnight Oats
1 cup regular oats
1 cup liquid - milk, almond milk, soy milk
1 cup yogurt - your choice
1/4 cup chopped apple or other fruit
2-3 Tbsp. raisins or cranberries
2-3 Tbsp. nuts or seeds

Put your choice of ingredients in a bowl. Mix well then place in 1/2 pint or pint glass jars. Add lids then refrigerate overnight. Easy breakfast in the morning!!

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Community Calendar

OPERA HOUSE Chatham Rabbits, a North Carolina folk duo, will debut on the Opera House stage Saturday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m.

The Black Mountain Bluegrass Boys return to the stage Saturday, July 30, at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets, \$10, are available at pocahontasoperahouse.org, at the 4th Avenue Gallery and at the door the night of the performances. Children ages 17 and younger are admitted for free.

Hansel and Gretel – Misoula Theater Company August 1 through August 6. Children entering first through eighth grade are encouraged to apply. The cost is \$25 for the first child and \$15 for each sibling. Applications are available at the Community Wellness Center and on the Opera House website www.pocahontasoperahouse.org

Story Sessions – Season Two Videos, 7 p.m. Sundays on YouTube, Instagram and Facebook. Scheduled guest: July 24 – Homer Hunter; and July 31 – Mary Sue Burns.

PUBLIC NOTICE Applications for the Dramas, Fairs and Festivals grants for this quarter are due in the WVU Extension Office by Monday, August 1. If you have any questions or need an application form, call the office at 304-799-4852.

The Pocahontas County Health Department is compiling a list of children 0 to five years of age who need the first COVID vaccine. The department is also compiling a list of school age students who need the COVID booster. Call 304-799-4154 to have your child's name added. You will be contacted when clinics are scheduled.

Second COVID booster vaccines for people 50 years of age and older, whose first booster was at least four months ago, are available at the Pocahontas County Health Department. Schedule your appointment by calling 304-799-4154. Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Summer hours at Green Boxes sites: Sundays 1 to 6 p.m. and Wednesdays and Saturdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Free Day at Pocahontas County Landfill for residential garbage is the last Tuesday of each month. Landfill hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Phone: 304-799-4199.

EVENTS "Say Something" Tuesday, July 26, 5:30 p.m. at Discovery Junction. Presented by Energy Express. Visit the school afterward to see the children's projects.

The Ballad of Cass – a Bicentennial Event, begins at the Cass Country Store. Performances: Saturday, July 23, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Sunday, July 24, 6 p.m. Tickets \$10.

Free Community Dinner Thursday, July 28, 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Marlinton Presbyterian Church. Sponsored by area churches and community volunteers.

Menu: Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread.

HILLSBORO LIBRARY Escape Room Friday, July 22, start times: 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, July 23, start times: 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Friday, July 29, start times: 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, July 30, start times: 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Hillsboro Library Friends will host a Free Canning 101 Workshop with Luci Mosesso Thursday, July 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the library. Register at hillsborolibraryfriends.net or call 304-545-8741.

GREEN BANK LIBRARY Family Movie Matinee and popcorn at Green Bank Library, 3 p.m. Thursday, July 21.

Outdoor Movie with popcorn at Green Bank Library, Tuesday, July 26, at 9 p.m., weather permitting. Bring a chair or blanket.

Water exploration with WVDEP Wednesday, July 27, 10:30 a.m. at Durbin Library and 1 p.m. at Green Bank Library. Story time,

craft and hands-on water activities.

MEETINGS Pocahontas Cooperative Parish Thursday, July 21, 7 p.m. at Marvin Chapel.

Pocahontas County Vietnam Veterans of America Wednesday, July 27, 7 p.m. at McClintic Library.

Pocahontas County Solid Waste Authority regular meeting Wednesday, July 27, 8 p.m. at the courthouse.

Pocahontas County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Thursday, July 28, 2 p.m. in the conference room at McClintic Library in Marlinton. For additional information please contact the Pocahontas County Office of Emergency Management at 304-799-3985. The agenda will be posted Friday, July 22, at the Office of Emergency Management, 1008 Jury Street in Marlinton.

PARKS AND REC String Art – Thursday, July 21, 11 a.m. to noon at Widney Park; and 3 to 4 p.m. at Linwood Library. String art on a canvas using yarn and paint. \$5.

Rainbow Run 5k – Saturday, July 23, 9 to 10 a.m. on the Greenbrier River Trail by the Community Wellness Center. A 5-k, untimed fun run/walk. Volunteers will spray runners in tie-dye spray. Participants wear

white to start and end in color.

Disc Golf – Set up and ready to play. Monday, July 25, 3 to 6 p.m. at Stillwell Park; and Monday, August 1, 3 to 6 p.m. at East Cass Park.

Canning 101 – Wednesday, July 27, 6 p.m. at the Community Wellness Center. Join Luci Mosesso as she teaches us tips and tricks to canning.

Princess in the Park – Saturday, July 30, 2 to 4 p.m. at Stillwell Park Gazebo. Ribbon wands, beaded jewelry, face painting, tea party in a magical kingdom. Princess attire encouraged.

Running Club: Every Saturday at 4 p.m. For girls, fifth grade and older.

Little Mountain Yoga Saturday mornings 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. June through August at Stillwell Park. \$7 fee.

Circuit Strength Training class, Mondays and Wednesdays 5 to 6 p.m.

Zumba Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 5 p.m. Instructor: Kelly Shifflett.

REUNIONS Sharp Family – Friday – Sunday, July 22 – 24, Sharp Pavilion, Brownsburg Road. For more info, call Tom Sharp, 304-799-6560.

Workman Family – Saturday, July 30, 11 a.m. at the Activities Building at Watoga State Park. Covered dish.

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Durbin, from page 1

to as the Narrows – the valley between the two mountain ridges. At the sign “144 Steps to School!” Bauserman pointed out where the Durbin School was and how the 144 steps are all that’s left at the former school’s location. Included on the school sign is a school photo of Dabney Kisner, who went on to be a war hero in World War II. The next two signs are about the railroad and how Durbin became “More than a Water Stop,” and how

“Trains Changed Everything.” Bauserman explained that as the trains entered Durbin, the people came down from their mountaintop homes and began to settle in the town, which became a boomtown in the early 1900s. “I feel like when the trains came, everybody started coming off the mountaintops and they moved right along the train route,” he said. “There was a big migration down into the valley. “It provided a whole lot more jobs, particularly for women,” he continued. “If we had twelve hotels and eleven restaurants in 1916,

there would have been a lot more cooking, a lot more bed cleaning, linens, and that type of thing – and also being store clerks. It gave people a lot of jobs through this area.” Included on the train sign is a photo of Reading 2102 locomotive, which was engineered by James Edward Hall, Jr., the grandfather of Ed Keller, now of Franklin. Keller has donated several family artifacts to the Durbin Library, including his grandfather’s pocket watch, a photo of which is also included on the sign. Other signs include: “A Valuable Connection”

and “That’s a Lot of Sole!” “Damned Good Jail” located in the alley behind New Life in Christ Fellowship; “All the Normal Vices” located on Highland Avenue and Goldenrod Drive; and “A Changing Industry” and

“Ambush at Hanging Rock” located on Highway 250/92/28 at the Iron Bridge. Pamphlets with a map and information about the project are available at the four signs on the Depot grounds.

Diller, from page 1

“That’s what you’ve got with me today,” he added, laughing. “You’re going to have to take up a collection to get me off the stage.” Before playing one last tune on his banjo, Diller shared the story he associates with *Dead Man’s Piece*. “There was an old man in the mountains here who died, and he wanted this tune played over his body all night long at the wake,” he said. “So, men took turns playing this tune all night long, and that’s why he just called it the *Dead Man’s Piece*.” Diller explained that while he is a banjo player and instructor, his heart really lies with his fiddle. For years, he tried and tried to play fiddle, but couldn’t get it right. That

is until All Saints Day – November 1, 1970. He’s been playing ever since. “Here’s one that came from Central West Virginia,” he said. “Saul Carpenter was captured by the Federal Troops and taken to Camp Chase, Ohio. There’s Ohio, where regular people live and then there’s Ohi, where hillbillies go to work. Camp Chase is up near Cincinnati, I think. Anyways, Saul Carpenter came home from the war, and he was able to play a fiddle tune to win a contest. There’s at least two different versions of it.” Diller played one of the versions of *Camp Chase*. He continued to share Hammons’ tunes and ended his session with a tune named by Maggie Hammons – *Come Back Boys and Let’s Feed the Horses* – which may have been a request from her to stop playing

music and to help with the chores. Diller played these tunes on the banjo: *Cripple Creek, Waynesboro, Shelvin’ Rock, Greasy String, Wild Bill Jones, Sail Away Katie, Walking in the Parlor, John Lovers Gone, Come Along Home Cindy, Pretty Little Black Eyed Susie and Dead Man’s Piece*. Tunes he played on the fiddle: *Greasy Coat, Patty on the Turnpike, Camp Chase, The Spring’s All Muddy, Yew Pine Mountain, Shakin’ Down the Acorns and Come Back Boys and Let’s Feed the Horses*. The video of Dwight Diller’s Story Session is available on the Pocahontas County Opera House Facebook and YouTube pages. The next Story Session will be Sunday, July 24, at 7 p.m. and will feature Homer Hunter.

Pieces, from page 1

“Anne Walker made sure that each kind of flower in here blooms at different periods,” Bartlett said. “There are early spring daffodils in here and early spring crocus. There are alliums that just finished blooming. So, this starts early, early spring and keeps going.” There are also flowers that specifically attract bumblebees which help with the pollination of apple trees.

“Bumblebees are pretty important, especially for apples, because they buzz and the vibration of the bumblebee buzzing helps to loosen the pollen in the apple trees,” Bartlett said. “A lot of people think honeybees are the ones that pollinate them, but it’s really the bumblebees who pollinate apple trees.” With the flowers planted and the materials ready for the mosaics, Bartlett said she hopes to have all the panels ready to be installed by the beginning of August. During the July First Friday event, Bartlett had a va-

caioning couple create a mosaic featuring brightly colored flowers around a river with a fish swimming downstream. She said they are looking forward to coming back next year to see how the project came together. “We’re having a really good time getting this done,” she said. The mosaic project will continue Friday, July 22, and Friday, July 29, at 5 p.m. at the pollinator garden. Bartlett will have all the supplies you need to make a one-of-a-kind mosaic panel.



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 - 9 Financial: Abbr.
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 - 20 16th-century Spanish explorer
 - 21 Wind quintet instrument
 - 22 Ancient French region
 - 23 Low-value red card
 - 25 Dangerous current
 - 26 20-ounce Starbucks drink
 - 27 Body design, for short
 - 28 Transmission repair chain
 - 30 Adult fellows
 - 31 Witches in “Macbeth”
 - 37 Apple choice
 - 41 Sculling item
 - 42 Suffix with Midwest
 - 43 Rose petal oil
 - 44 1992 Tony nominee for Best Musical
 - 48 Seniors’ org.
 - 52 Tricky pitch
 - 53 Big fad
 - 54 Pet allergy source
 - 56 From days of yore
 - 57 Luggage screeners’ org.
 - 59 Univ. dorm overseers
 - 62 Listerine competitor
 - 63 Oedipus-themed Aeschylus play
 - 69 A-E linkup
 - 72 Docs’ gp.
 - 73 Herr’s “one”
 - 74 Hanks of “Big”
 - 75 Raised trains
 - 76 Instrument players gifted in a Christmas song
 - 83 Log house
 - 84 Bullring shout
 - 85 Some RNs work in them
 - 86 Make ecstatic
 - 90 Figure skater Yamaguchi
 - 92 “Jack Sprat could — fat”
 - 96 Aquarium bed material
 - 97 Fabled snow beast
 - 98 Virginia and Georgia were part of them
 - 103 Pried (around)
 - 105 Meal crumb
 - 106 Raw metal
 - 107 Title for Judi Dench
 - 108 Hearst bimonthly with beauty and dating tips
 - 114 Former U.K. record co.
 - 115 Fake
 - 116 Muhammad of the ring
 - 117 Feudal lord
 - 122 Be averse to
 - 124 What the starts of the longest answers in this puzzle are?
 - 129 One making modifications
 - 130 Helper
 - 131 Homer with nobody on
 - 132 Straightens up
 - 133 Red-ink entry
 - 134 Upper layers of fertile earth
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Shakespeare play ending
 - 2 T. — Price that’s true ...
 - 3 Disney sci-fi film of 1982
 - 4 Not worth debating
 - 5 Not qualified
 - 6 Feeling blue
 - 7 Cruel Amin
 - 8 People painting, e.g.
 - 9 Shoes and boots
 - 10 Arabic for “son of”
 - 11 Lay turf on
 - 12 Romero of “Batman”
 - 13 Grows fond of
 - 14 Drew forth
 - 15 Wife, to Juan
 - 16 Back muscle, for short
 - 17 “One Day at —” (sitcom)
 - 18 Supply — (certain economist)
 - 19 Camille Saint —
 - 24 Alluring West
 - 29 Eve’s partner
 - 32 60 minutes
 - 33 Solar beam
 - 34 Witty
 - 35 Bombeck
 - 35 Don Juan’s mother
 - 36 Seance state
 - 37 “In case that’s true ...”
 - 38 Place for grist
 - 39 Rah-rah
 - 40 Surrenders
 - 45 Heredity unit
 - 46 University sports org.
 - 47 Actress Laura
 - 49 Casa brick
 - 50 Drive away
 - 51 The “P” of AP
 - 55 Hearth refuse
 - 57 Score speed
 - 58 Escargot
 - 60 Moving
 - 61 Doesn’t go on
 - 64 Moving truck
 - 65 Grand opening?
 - 66 Inspired stuff
 - 67 Electees, e.g. (threat ender)
 - 68 “Eww, no more!” in a text message
 - 69 Mark Twain’s Thatcher
 - 70 Writer —
 - 71 Boothe Luce
 - 71 Red-ink entry
 - 77 Brand for sore eyes
 - 78 Doc using an otoscope
 - 79 Look intently
 - 80 Menial worker
 - 81 Detective Wolfe
 - 82 Thyroid, e.g.
 - 87 Sports shoe brand
 - 88 Overbrim
 - 89 Otherwise
 - 91 “Someone’s already claimed that seat”
 - 93 Proton holder
 - 94 Prefix with byte
 - 95 Tennis, volleyball and badminton
 - 96 Narrow valley
 - 99 Dogs closely following their owners
 - 100 15th of the month, maybe
 - 101 Most snug
 - 102 “... — quit!” (three ender)
 - 104 Blazing
 - 108 Roomy auto
 - 109 Novelist Zola
 - 110 Lookout view
 - 111 Kathmandu’s nation
 - 112 Heady drink
 - 113 “Tickle Me” dolls
 - 118 — facto
 - 119 K thru 12
 - 120 Earth science subj.
 - 121 Guesses on costs: Abbr.
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Buzzing around town – WV Hive visits Marlinton businesses

Peyton Ballard
WV Hive

Marlinton businesses welcomed staff members from the WV Hive Network July 14 as a part of their "Community Days" initiative. WV Hive is a small business incubator and accelerator headquartered in Beckley. As the entrepreneurship program of the New River Gorge Regional Development Authority (NRGRDA), the Hive serves 12 counties in southern West Virginia. "The pandemic has made it difficult for our staff to get out into the communities within our territory and engage with business owners" WV Hive Executive Director Judy Moore said. Staff was able to visit many Marlinton establishments to discuss

their much-lauded business advising services and support programming. Stops included Knapp's Creek Trout Lodge, Greenbrier Bikes, The Cackling Hens, Flower Garden, Lucy's Grocery and others. After all that walking, they buzzed over to Dirtbean where they devoured signature fish tacos and quesadillas. "We serve so many wonderful communities throughout our twelve-county footprint in the New River Gorge and Greenbrier Valley. Marlinton has a growing business climate, and we are excited to

have had the opportunity to let our team explore what great businesses the town

businesses are robust. Their premier service is one-on-one business advising where experienced business advisors guide entrepreneurs through many of the complexities owning and running a small business can bring about. This service, coupled with educational support programming, a partnership in the Communities of Healing recovery to work program, and the administration of Country Roads Angel Network, West Virginia's only accredited angel capital group, gives entrepreneurs in the region an excess of tools to enhance capacity to grow and expand. For more information on how to access the WV Hive services, please visit www.wvhive.com



Obituary



Angela Garretson
Angela Darie Garretson, 31, of Hillsboro, passed away Sunday, July 3, 2022. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday July 23, 2022, at Lantz Funeral Home in Buckeye. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Online condolences may be made at Lantzfuneralhome.com

Meet, from page 2

Frontier copper Internet connections to keep complaining to Frontier about that. Other matters discussed at the meeting were: Melissa O'Brien and Cory Nipper from Thompson and Litton, the Engineering-Architecture firm working with the Broadband Council, announced that they are working with the Internet Service Provider (ISP) City Net and hope to be able to begin construction of the ARC Broadband Project this fall. They are also working with City Net's attorneys to attempt to have the county retain ownership of at least a few of the fiber optic lines installed as part to that project, and hope to know more about that in a couple of weeks. Amanda Smarr, of Region 4, added that they received

three bids from law firms in response to the county's request for proposals (RFP), and they will turn those bids over to the county commission for consideration. Commissioner Jesse Groseclose said he would recommend the commission allow the Broadband Council to appoint a three-person committee to interview those firms and make a recommendation to the commission. Regarding the county's submitted application for the NTIA broadband grant, Mike Holstine said that Mingo County was awarded a \$13-million NTIA (National Telecommunications Agency), and Smarr believes this may mean that Pocahontas County's application was not accepted, but they have not been told that by NTIA. Smarr said there is another round of that grant which needs to be applied for in September. There is also another

pending grant application - the third round of the USDA's Reconnect Grant. Holstine said he has been in touch with Senator Manchin's Office, urging them to help speed up any approval of that grant before the RDOF areas are officially granted to Frontier. Holstine said the local USDA has little influence over the awarding of that grant, since the USDA administration in Washington is making all those decisions. Holstine also said the

council has sent a letter of support for the Wireless Internet program (WIN Program) in which U.S. Cellular is proposing placing three towers in the Watoga/Droop area to provide both cellular service and wireless Internet and surrounding areas, which includes Beaver Creek and Droop.

The Pocahontas County Broadband Summit is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, at the Marlinton Municipal Building, and everyone is invited to attend - in person or via Zoom Meeting.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all of those who have been involved in making my experience as the 2022 Bicentennial Pocahontas County Belle so enjoyable. Thanks to Lucy Mosesso and Connie Burns at WVU Extension, Pocahontas County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Pioneer Days Association, Candy Sharp, Mitchell Chevrolet, The Pocahontas Times, Loy Burgess, Clair Mosesso Rose, Phyllis Lucas and Leah Burford. I hope I haven't missed anyone. Thanks again, I have truly enjoyed this experience.



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Evangelist Rev. John Moffat
Rev. Moffat has been the pastor at Springs Valley Wesleyan Church, French Lick, Indiana, for 25 years. He has also been the Brown County Holiness Camp President for 10 years. He and his wife, June, have two children and four grandchildren.



Evangelist Rev. Caleb Moffat
Rev. Caleb Moffat is the pastor at Mt. Zion Wesleyan Church, Loogootee, Indiana. He also serves in the Indiana National Guard. He and his wife, Keana, have three children. As a teen, Caleb came to White Pine and was part of our Youth Program.

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS
Dinner on the Grounds is a celebration dinner held on the grounds of the camp on Sunday after the morning service. All are welcome to come fellowship with us and celebrate 86 years of camp meetings. Bring a covered dish and join us!

CHILDREN'S SERVICES
Vacation Bible School, Monday through Friday at 9 a.m. for children ages 4 - 9. This year the theme is "Champions for Jesus" with Ms. Ella Taylor. Lots of activities, crafts and stories. Ms. Ella hopes to see you there.

YOUTH SERVICES
We offer a full youth program for teens ages 10 -18. There is a Youth Service every day at 9:30 a.m. The theme this year is "Surviving the World with Unshakeable Hope." Lots of sports, activities, challenges, puzzles and more will be incorporated in this year's camp. The Snack Bar and Afterglows will be part of the youth camp, as well. Cost to participate is \$35, and includes room and board. A T-shirt will also be available for purchase for \$13.

ADULT SERVICES
Join us for the first service of this encampment on Saturday evening at 7:30 p.m. During the week, we offer Adult Bible Studies taught Monday through Friday at 9 a.m. There is a morning service at 11 a.m. and an evening service at 7:30 p.m. daily. There is also a Ring Service that is held outside the tabernacle Sunday through Friday at 7 p.m.

SPECIAL MUSIC
On Monday, July 25, the Kentucky Mountain Bible College Anthem Trio will present a concert for us in the evening service. Make sure you attend our evening services to get in all the special singing and the great preaching that has been lined up.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

| SATURDAY | MONDAY - FRIDAY |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Evening Service.....7:30 | Prayer Meeting.....7:30 |
| Youth Afterglow.....9:00 | Breakfast8:00 |
| | Children's VBS.....9:00 |
| SUNDAY | Adult Bible Study.....9:00 |
| Breakfast8:00 | Youth Bible Study.....9:30 |
| Sunday School.....10:00 | Youth Service11:00 |
| Morning Service.....11:00 | Dinner.....12:00 |
| Dinner on the Grounds | Recreation1:30 |
|12:15 | Supper5:00 |
| Supper.....5:00 | Ring Service.....7:00 |
| Ring Service.....7:00 | Evening Service.....7:30 |
| Evening Service.....7:30 | Youth Afterglow.....9:00 |
| Youth Afterglow.....9:00 | Lights Out.....11:00 |
| Lights Out.....11:00 | |

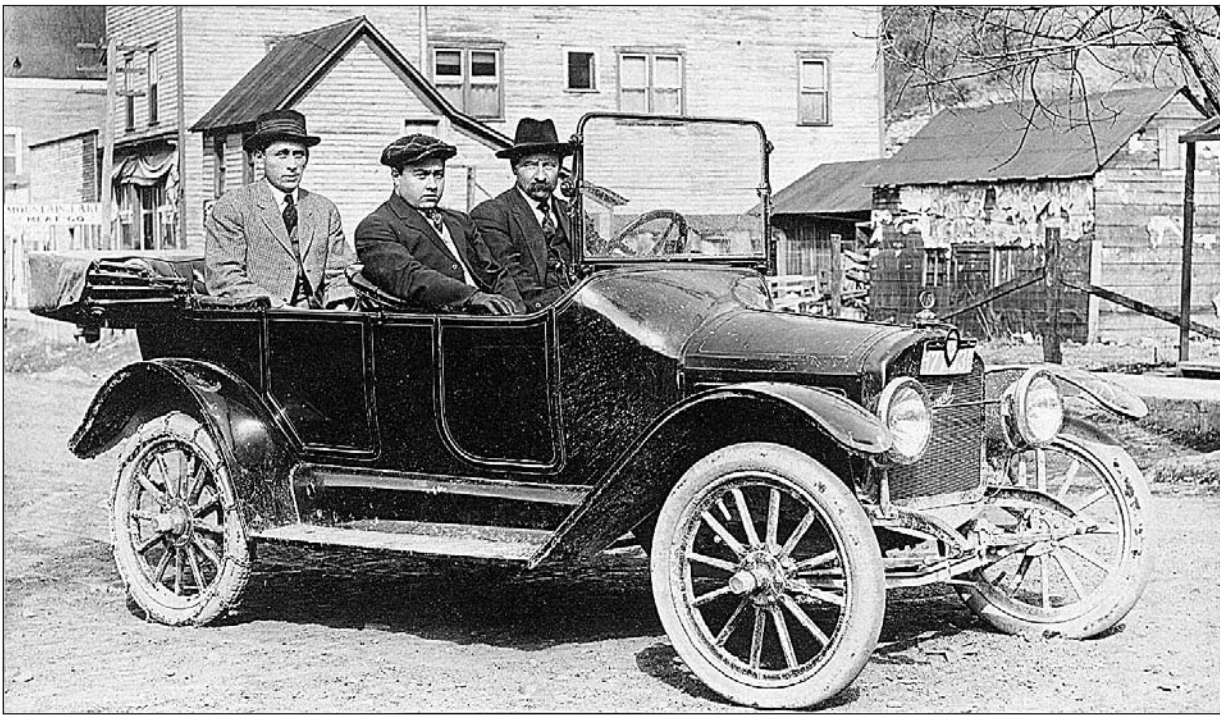
Throughout the year, donations to White Pine Holiness Camp help with yearly expenses. These are greatly appreciated! Donations can be mailed to White Pine Holiness Camp, 79 Cemetery Road, Arbovale, WV 24915. The camp phone is 304-456-5136.



Preserving Pocahontas

B. J. Gudmundsson, Preservation Officer

Sheriff Cochran in Marlinton - 1914



Lincoln S. Cochran, Pocahontas County Sheriff, is on the right driving this car on Fourth Avenue in Marlinton. The year is 1914. One of the Sharp twins, George or Summers, is seated on the left in the back seat. Front passenger is unknown. Cochran served as Sheriff from 1913 to 1916. (The Lincoln Cochran Collection, Courtesy of Rebecca Cochran; ID: PHP003334)

Access the "Preserving Pocahontas" Digital Library at www.pocahontaspreservation.org or www.preservingpocahontas.org

If you have historical records or photographs to be scanned for the county Historical Archive contact Preservation Officer B. J. Gudmundsson at 304-799-3989 or email info@pocahontaspreservation.org Prints of photographs are available.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, July 24, 1947

FIELD NOTES

Fred Shinaberry, of Huntersville, brought in a silver half dime, coined in the year 1837. He picked it up in his garden, and it is in a fine state of preservation. At a guess, it has been around eighty years since the coining of half dime pieces was discontinued. It has been a long time since I saw one. By the way, a half-dime is not a half dime – it is five cents.

Talking about the flying saucers in the air, which have been the topic of wide conversation the past few weeks, Gilbert Doyle recounts a peculiar experience he had about a dozen years ago. He and several members of the family and a hired hand were making hay on his farm on Dry Branch of Elk. He was topping out a stack when his attention was called to what looked like a snake of bright silver flying through the air and approaching at a fair rate of speed from a distance of about two hundred yards. It came around the stack within reach of the pitchforks of the men, but they could not entangle it, nor hold it in their hands. It was about a yard long and thick as a man's arm. Then the bright silver streak would go as far as the woods, about a couple hundred yards in another direc-

tion and then return. Finally it went straight up in a wiggling motion, until it almost disappeared, then it came back to move back and forth about the stack. Finally, after more than an hour, Mr. Doyle and all the rest left, with the silver streak still flying up and down the field around the stack. They have no explanation, and neither do I.

People are bringing in potato seed balls to inquire how come little green tomatoes are found growing on potato vines. I can only patiently explain that in good potato years such as this, it is not unusual for potatoes to set up seed balls like the small fruit of their cousin, the tomato. The potato has been propagated from tubers for so many, many generations, that while the plants still bloom more or less profusely, it is now the exceptional year that the exceptional plant develops new strains of potatoes.

County 4-H Camp

This week 4-H Club members are at their annual county camp at Camp Pocahontas near Thornwood. The first county camp was held in Randolph 33 years ago, with Pocahontas coming into line two years later. About such camps, Dr. Maurice Brooks, of the University, writes as

follows:

Just what do youngsters do in 4-H camps? It may be well to take a closer look at a typical camp program.

Most county camps open on Monday and close on Friday night. Any 4-H club member who is carrying a project – gardening, corn, potatoes, baby beef, poultry, canning, baking, forestry, home beautification, sewing, etc. – is eligible to attend. A camper may bring his own food, thus cutting down expenses, or he may pay a nominal fee for his board at the camp. Every attempt is made to give the youngsters all the good wholesome food they can eat.

Once in camp, the club members are organized into tribes, these groups taking their names from four Indian tribes – Delaware, Seneca, Mingo and Cherokee – which once hunted in West Virginia. These tribes at once establish a group loyalty, and give a basis for games and other competitions. A club member normally remains within his tribe throughout his 4-H career.

After breakfast, the camp day begins with group activities which, for want of a better name, are called classes. Typical groups study handicrafts; nature study; conservation, under the direction of Soil Conservation men, representatives of the State Conservation Commission, and others; music; leadership; safety and law observance, under the direction of a member of the state police; swimming and life saving under registered instructors; courtesy; and many other

subjects. A camper will participate in three or four groups during the morning...

Toward dusk comes the religious service of the day, the vespers program. This is a time of singing, devotions, and short talks, most of them given by the campers themselves. After vespers comes the evening council circle, at which time much Indian ceremonial, dear to youngsters' hearts, is observed. There is good singing, followed by challenges, contests, stunts and stories...

This is education with a purpose. It is aimed at the rounded development of the individual, the encouragement of leadership, and the fostering of teamwork in group activities...

Every club member aspires to the wearing of the 4-H pin. This pin is awarded to older members who have passed rigid tests, and who, in the judgment of their leaders, have satisfactorily developed head, hand, heart and health – that is, their mental, social, spiritual and physical natures. It is a proud moment in a club member's life when he is presented with the coveted pin at an evening campfire...

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McKenny, of Marlinton, a baby girl, on July 21, 1947.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Combs, of Mountain Grove, Virginia, a baby girl, on July 20, 1947.

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100-Years-Ago in The Pocahontas Times

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, July 20, 1922

Socrates remarked: Woman, once made equal to man, becometh his superior.

Moses was a wise man. It might be said the he was without a peer in history prior to the time that Woodrow Wilson was raised up to see the world through a period of tribulation to be afterwards crucified by public opinion. But Moses owed his wisdom to the teachings of his mother, and his power to the advice of his sister, Miriam, the prophetess. And from that time to this, the hand that rocked the cradle was the hand that ruled the world.

Now comes the great experiment. First, a general vote given to women to select between men candidates, and then women as candidates. If it is true, as many believe, that women are

wiser than men, it is high time that they do not have to be represented by men, it is time that they should be given a chance to show their ability to rule. It is certain that they do not have to send a boy to mill unless they want to.

WAR VETERANS PARADE

As a part of the Homecoming celebration, there will be a parade on the fairgrounds August 22nd, the first day of the Fair, of the old Civil War Veterans, Union and Confederate, Spanish-American War, 1898, and the World War Veterans, 1914-1918.

We want all the veterans to be in uniform as far as possible. All are expected to be present and make a fine showing. James M. Bear, Commander of the Marlinton Legion, will have charge

of the World War Veterans.

PIONEER EXHIBIT

Any person who has any of the old tools, utensils, implements or any other thing that was used a hundred years ago or later when this county was formed, and who is willing that it be used as an exhibit at the County Fair, August 22 - 26, which will be of interest to the present generation, showing how the old pioneers lived in contrast to the many wonderful inventions and improvements now, will please notify me at Hillsboro or Calvin W. Price, Marlinton.

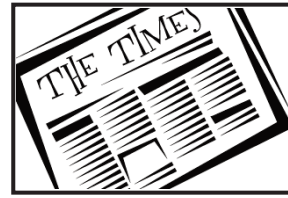
The Fair Association is arranging a room in the old Levi Gay Home on the Fairgrounds, with its fireplace and crane, as an exhibit room to display these old things of interest, and anything offered will be safely kept in this room which will be securely locked, and will be returned to anyone wanting them, or perhaps this room may be permanently kept as a museum to keep these old things on display at all times so that the young people of the county may not forget the

privations and inconveniences which our forefathers and mothers endured to make this a good place in which to live.

I will enumerate a few of the things of which I can think, but I do not know all, which will give you an idea of what we want: loom, spinning wheel (big and little), reel, flax break, hackle, scutcheon, cooking utensils, oven, pot, skillet, spoon, pot hook, tongs, plow, gun or any other thing of interest or historical value, or that has any family history which would be of special interest...

~ T.S. McNeel

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Fifty Years Ago

Jane Price Sharp, Editor

Thursday, July 20, 1972

Important Notice

After great travail, Dan Cupid has permanently removed a member of the Board of Directors at the News Stand. It therefore becomes our painful duty to ask for nominations for his vacant seat in the window. – Committee

Pioneer Days Winners Parade

Swago Home Demonstrations Club was grand champion.

Horse and Rider

First, Pamela Dilley Sharpes; second, James Varner; third, David King.

Conveyance

First, Jerry Teter; second, Wilbur Curry and Claude Carpenter; third, Albert Hickman.

Western

First, James McComb; second, Polly Hull; third, Jim Fleshman.

Floats

First, Swago Home Demonstration Club; second, Dunmore Mountaineer 4-H Club; third, Pocahontas Pixie 4-H Club.

Walking

First, Keith Casteel and Family; second, Walking Group; third, Marlinton School Chorus.

Antique Cars

J. H. Gregory, of Waynesboro, Virginia.

County 4-H Camp

The 1972 edition of the Pocahontas County 4-H Camp will unfold July 24-28 at Camp Pocahontas near Thornwood. The camp planning committee, headed by Laura Jean Rittenhouse and

Bob Keller, is very enthusiastic about this year's camp.

The objective of a 4-H Camp is to provide an environment where campers develop desirable interpersonal relationships, appreciate their heritage and nature and have a realistic understanding of themselves...

Planning and carrying out a camp for the 170 plus campers who will attend is a long and detailed task which is only possible through high quality volunteer adult and junior leaders help, which is provided by county citizens interested in the development of our youth...

Cave Rescue

While exploring the Walt Allen Cave near Clover Lick Sunday evening with friends, Gary Beverage slipped from a caving ladder and fell about 55 feet. Fortunately, in some way, the ladder impeded his fall near the bottom and probably saved his life. He sustained only minor injuries.

Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Beverage, of Dunmore.

Rescuers worked from late Sunday night until early Monday morning to bring Gary to the surface. To remove him from the cave, he was securely fastened in a stretcher and then had to be lifted up a series of cliffs, 60, 30 and 15 feet in height.

The rescue team was led by several expert cavers and included members of the Durbin and Marlinton Fire Department rescue squads and other volunteers.

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Pocahontas County Bicentennial 1821 - 2021 Footsteps through History

Thursday, July 21, 1897

MR. J. J. BEARD, of Huntersville, has in his possession a Bible with marginal references that belonged to his grandfather, John Jordan, the pioneer. It was printed in Edinburgh in 1796 by Mark and Charles Kerr, His Majesty's printers.

There are found memoranda of births, marriages and deaths on blank leaves and spaces.

John Jordan and Miriam McNeel were married December 20, 1796, and he died February 16, 1836. It is a 12mo volume, having the Apocrypha, the Psalms of David in metre, and considerable other matter bound with the two Testaments. In its time, one hundred years ago, the book was evidently a costly and fancy article.

BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

THE McNeill relationship on Swago trace their ancestry to Thomas McNeill, who came to Swago from Capon Valley, Frederick County, Virginia, between 1768 and 1770. His parents, whose names cannot be recalled, came from Scotland. Thomas McNeill's wife was Mary Ireson, from Franklin County, Virginia.

About 1770, Thomas McNeill entered three hundred acres of land and settled where Joseph Pennell now lives, (1897), and built the house occupied a few years since by the family of the late William McNeill, one of his grandsons. His family of sons and daughters were widely scattered in the course of years, but wherever they went they became useful citizens. His sons were Jonathan, Absalom, Enoch, and Gabriel, and the

daughters were Naomi and Mary (Polly)...

A CLOSE CALL

OUR exchanges from Lewisburg and Ronceverte report that Trout Shue came near being lynched on Sunday night, July 11th. A party, variously estimated from fifteen to thirty persons, organized at the Brushy Ridge campground, eight miles of Lewisburg. Sheriff Nickell was duly notified, and passed the camp about 9 o'clock on his way to Lewisburg. He was overtaken by four of the parties, and he turned back and at the home of D. A. Dwyer, succeeded in persuading the lynchers to give up their purpose.

The lynchers had procured a new rope, were well armed with Winchesters and revolvers and meant business.

In the meantime, the jail authorities had been notified by a fishing party coming in from Clear Creek who had passed the campground and had heard enough to make them think that violence was intended, and so the party informed Deputy Sheriff Dwyer, who at once took the prisoner to a place of refuge in the woods a mile or two from the town. On Tuesday officers Nickell and Dwyer set out for Moundsville with the prisoner.

Steps are being taken to round up the lynchers. On Monday, bench warrants were issued for the six who were recognized by officer Nickell. Charley Lewis, a colored person living near the campground, has been detained in Lewisburg as an important witness, as he is believed to have recognized about all the persons who

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Dr. Eilers' office will be CLOSED JULY 25 - 29 FOR VACATION.

John Eilers, D.O.
BOARD CERTIFIED
Family Practice
BIG SPRING CLINIC 304-572-4410
Monday & Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Wednesday 8 a.m. - Noon
DEER CREEK CLINIC 304-456-5050
Tuesday & Thursday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Please call for an appointment

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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS
ADDRESSES UNKNOWN

Notice is hereby given that the Final Settlement for the following estate was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission on the 15th day of July, 2022. If no objections or exceptions are filed with the Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission the Final Settlement will be presented to the Pocahontas County Commission on August 2, 2022 for approval.

ESTATE NUMBER: 13689
ESTATE NAME: **HOWARD M. TIBBS, JR.**
EXECUTOR: George R. Bolden, Sr.
11315 Glen Park Drive
Fredericksburg, VA 22407-1763

Subscribed and sworn to before me on July 15, 2022.
Melissa L. Bennett
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission
By Lisa G. Workman, Deputy
7/21/22

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ESTATE NUMBER: 10716
ESTATE NAME: **BERT H. WAUGH**
ADMINISTRATOR: MARY JO FISHER
700 WAUGH ROAD
CASS, WV 24927

Subscribed and sworn to before me on July 18, 2022.
Melissa L. Bennett
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission
7/21/22

ADMINISTRATION TO CREDITORS,
DISTRIBUTEES & LEGATEES

Notice is hereby given that the following estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Pocahontas County Clerk's Office at P. O. Box 209, 900 Tenth Avenue, Suite C, Marlinton, WV 24954-1333. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file written notice of an objection with the County Commission through the Pocahontas County Clerk's Office at the address listed above within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later.

If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-2 and 44-3A.

Settlement of the estate(s) of the following named decedent(s) will proceed without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

First Publication Date: Thursday, July 21, 2022
Claim Deadline: Monday, September 19, 2022

ESTATE NUMBER: 14378
ESTATE OF: **NAOMI F. NEWMAN**
EXECUTOR: Samuel M. Felton
1001 10th Avenue
Marlinton, WV 24954

Subscribed and sworn to before me on July 18, 2022.
Melissa L. Bennett
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission
7/21/22

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First Publication Date: Thursday, July 21, 2022
Claim Deadline: Monday, September 19, 2022

ESTATE NUMBER: 14415
APPOINTMENT DATE: July 18, 2022
ESTATE NAME: **GLENN WILLIAM ARBOGAST**
ADMINISTRATRIX: Kelley Nicole Arbogast
10939 Frost Road
Dunmore, WV 24934-9031

Subscribed and sworn to before me on July 18, 2022.
Melissa L. Bennett
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission
7/21/22

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POCAHONTAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
NOTICE OF CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

The Pocahontas County Deputy Sheriff's Civil Service Commission will be conducting competitive examination testing for **entry level Deputy Sheriff position(s)**.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States and be between age 18 and 45. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED. Successful applicants shall become a resident of Pocahontas County within (6) months of their hire date.

Deputy Sheriffs are full-time benefited positions, including retirement, medical insurance, vacation and sick leave. Initial annual uncertified officer salary is \$40,000, increased to \$42,500 upon completion of Academy and increased to \$45,000 after twelve months of Academy Certification. West Virginia Certified Officers in good standing start at \$42,500 and increased to \$45,000 upon completion of twelve-month probationary period.

The testing process will be administered in two parts, the physical ability testing and the written examination. Applicants wishing to test must present a valid State issued photo identification. Applicants shall present a medical clearance and release of liability from his/her personal physician prior to being admitted to the physical ability examination. Applicants failing to present these documents will not proceed in the testing process.

Applications may be obtained from the Pocahontas County Clerk's Office or the Pocahontas County Sheriff's Office. **Applications must be received by the County Clerk's Office no later than the close of business on Friday, July 29, 2022. The applications may be dropped off or mailed to 900C Tenth Avenue, Marlinton WV 24954.**

The physical ability testing (1.5-mile run, pushups and sit-ups) will be administered at the Pocahontas County High School, athletic field, on Friday, August 12, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. and the written test at the Pocahontas County Courthouse on August 12, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Pocahontas County is an Equal Opportunity Employer
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within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

First Publication Date: Thursday, July 14, 2022
Claim Deadline: Monday, September 12, 2022

ESTATE NUMBER: 14411
APPOINTMENT DATE: July 6, 2022
ESTATE NAME: **NANCY ELIZABETH PATTY**
ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATRIX: Elisa Prusak
5433 Endicott Place
Oviedo, FL 32765-6183

Subscribed and sworn to before my on July 6, 2022.
Melissa L. Bennett
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Court
7/14/22

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First Publication Date: Thursday, July 14, 2022
Claim Deadline: Monday, September 12, 2022

ESTATE NUMBER: 14412
APPOINTMENT DATE: July 6, 2022
ESTATE NAME: **WILLIS DALE PATTY**
ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATRIX: Elisa Prusak
5433 Endicott Place
Oviedo, FL 32765-6183

Subscribed and sworn to before my on July 6, 2022.
Melissa L. Bennett
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Court
7/14/22

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by deed of trust dated the 29th day of December, 2005, signed by Debra A. Otis, an unmarried woman, to Richard A. Pill or David D. Pill, Trustees, which said deed of trust is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, in Trust Deed Book 274, at page 390, and Golden & Amos, PLLC, Trustee, having been requested so to do by the Secured Creditor, and default having been made under the terms and conditions of said deed of trust, and the provisions in said deed of trust concerning acceleration having been complied with by the Secured Creditor and present holder of the note, said **Trustee will sell at public auction at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 22nd DAY OF JULY 2022**

at the front doors of the Courthouse in Pocahontas County in Marlinton, West Virginia the following described real estate:

The following described condominium residence unit, situate in Edray District, Pocahontas County, West Virginia, more particularly designated and described as follows, to-wit:

All that certain residential **Unit No. 357 of the Rimfire Lodge Condominium**, Edray Tax District of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, according to the Declaration Establishing Rimfire Lodge Condominium at Snowshoe Mountain Resort, Pocahontas County, West Virginia, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Pocahontas County, West Virginia in Deed Book 260, at page 52, and on the maps referred to in said Declaration as Exhibits B & C, also of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office, to which Dec-

laration and maps reference is here made for a further description of the real estate conveyed herein.

The Rimfire Lodge Condominium consists of a portion of that certain 2.532 acres, more or less, parcel together with all improvements thereon and appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining.

This conveyance is made subject to all of the provisions of the Declaration and maps as aforesaid including all restrictions, encumbrances, conditions, reservations and bylaws therein described or attached thereto, to the applicable provisions of Chapter 36B of the Code of West Virginia of 1931, as amended, known as the "Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act," to the reservations restrictions and agreements set forth in the aforesaid Deed from Snowshoe Resort, Inc., and is further subject to all other matters affecting title thereto found of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office.

It is the intention of this notice to sell the secured property by proper description as was intended to be transferred and conveyed in the aforesaid deed of trust.

The above described real estate is reported to have a mailing address of: 357 Rimfire, Snowshoe, WV 26209

TERMS OF SALE: Cash in hand on day of sale or within 30 days of date of sale upon terms to be agreed upon between Trustee and successful bidder, time being of the essence; payment for unpaid real estate taxes to be assumed by the purchaser. The Trustee does not warrant title or fitness to this property; it is being purchased as is; this is a buyer beware sale and any buyer is advised to retain counsel before the sale. If there is any part of the process of sale which is found to be objectionable, the Trustee reserves the right to cancel the sale. No purchaser should take possession or make improvements in the premises until the Trustee deed is delivered or recorded. A third party purchaser at sale will be required to pay the purchase price plus all recording and transfer fees.

Trustee at sale is under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.

The party(ies) secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale. If the purchaser at sale is unable to complete the terms of purchase within 30 days, the Trustee reserves the right to transfer the property to the next highest bidder.

Any sale hereunder may be adjourned from time to time without any notice other than oral proclamation at the time and place appointed for this sale or by posting of a notice of same. Should the Trustee not appear at the time appointed for the sale and there is no notice posted of a continuance please contact the office of the Trustee to make further inquiry. Any sale may be conducted or adjourned by the designated agent or attorney of the Trustee. The undersigned is fully vested with the authority to sell said property as Trustee by instrument of record. Some Trustee sales may be conducted by a servicer required Auction Company. In that event, the auctioneer will be acting under an "Auction Services Agreement."

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The **Greenbrier Valley Conservation District**, covering Greenbrier, Monroe and Pocahontas counties is **requesting Expression of Interest (EOI) for engineering services on an as needed basis, for a period of two years.** This is not an exclusive contract, and the GVCD reserves the right to contract with other engineering firms for work, as desired, at their sole discretion.

see Legal Advertisements pg 9

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed Amendments to the WV Constitution to be on the November 8, 2022, General Election Ballot are as follows:

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 1: Clarification of the Judiciary's Role in Impeachment Proceedings Amendment"
Summary of Purpose: Clarifying that courts have no authority or jurisdiction to intercede or intervene in or interfere with impeachment proceedings of the House of Delegates or the Senate; and specifying that a judgment rendered by the Senate following an impeachment trial is not reviewable by any court of this state.

Full Text of the Amendment:
ARTICLE IV.
§9. Impeachment of officials.

Any officer of the state may be impeached for maladministration, corruption, incompetency, gross immorality, neglect of duty, or any high crime or misdemeanor. The House of Delegates has the sole power of impeachment. The Senate has the sole power to try impeachments and no person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two thirds of the members elected thereto. When sitting as a court of impeachment, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals, or, if from any cause it be improper for him or her to act, then any other judge of that court, to be designated by it, shall preside; and the senators shall be on oath or affirmation, to do justice according to law and evidence. Judgment in cases of impeachment does not extend further than removal from office, and disqualification to hold any office of honor, trust or profit, under the state; but the party convicted remains liable to indictment, trial, judgment, and punishment according to law. The Senate may sit during the recess of the Legislature for the trial of impeachments. No court of this state has any authority or jurisdiction, by writ or otherwise, to intercede or intervene in, or interfere with, any impeachment proceedings of the House of Delegates or the Senate conducted hereunder; nor is any judgment rendered by the Senate following a trial of impeachment reviewable by any court of this state.

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 2: Property Tax Modernization Amendment"

Summary of Purpose: To amend the State Constitution by providing the Legislature with authority to exempt tangible machinery and equipment personal property directly used in business activity and tangible inventory personal property directly used in business activity and personal property tax on motor vehicles from ad valorem property taxation by general law.

Full Text of the Amendment:
ARTICLE X.
§1. Taxation and finance.

Subject to the exceptions in this section contained, taxation shall be equal and uniform throughout the state, and all property, both real and personal, shall be taxed in proportion to its value to be ascertained as directed by law. No one species of property from which a tax may be collected shall be taxed higher than any other species of property of equal value; except that the aggregate of taxes assessed in any one year upon personal property employed exclusively in agriculture, including horticulture and grazing, products of agriculture as above defined, including livestock, while owned by the producer, and money, notes, bonds, bills and accounts receivable, stocks and other similar intangible personal property shall not exceed fifty cents on each one hundred dollars of value thereon and upon all property owned, used and occupied by the owner thereof exclusively for residential purposes and upon farms occupied and cultivated by their owners or bona fide tenants, one dollar; and upon all other property situated outside of municipalities, one dollar and fifty cents; and upon all other property situated within municipalities, two dollars; and the Legislature shall further provide by general law for increasing the maximum rates, authorized to be fixed, by the different levying bodies upon all classes of property, by submitting the question to the voters of the taxing units affected, but no increase shall be effective unless at least sixty percent of the qualified voters shall favor such increase, and such increase shall not continue for a longer period than three years at any one time, and shall never exceed by more than fifty percent the maximum rate herein provided and prescribed by law; and the revenue derived from this source shall be apportioned by the Legislature among the levying units of the state in proportion to the levy laid in said units upon real and other personal property; but property used for educational, literary, scientific, religious or charitable purposes, all cemeteries, public property, tangible machinery and equipment personal property directly used in business activity, tangible inventory personal property directly used in business activity, personal property tax on motor vehicles, the personal property, including livestock, employed exclusively in agriculture as above defined and the products of agriculture as so defined while owned by the producers may by law be exempted from taxation; household goods to the value of two hundred dollars shall be exempted from taxation. The Legislature shall have authority to tax privileges, franchises, and incomes of persons and corporations and to classify and graduate the tax on all incomes according to the amount thereof and to exempt from taxation incomes below a minimum to be fixed from time to time, and such revenues as may be derived from such tax may be appropriated as the Legislature may provide. After the year nineteen hundred thirty-three, the rate of the state tax upon property shall not exceed one cent upon the hundred dollars valuation, except to pay the principal and interest of bonded indebtedness of the state now existing.

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 3: Incorporation of Churches or Religious Denominations Amendment"

Summary of Purpose: To authorize the incorporation of churches or religious denominations.

Full Text of Amendment:
Article VI. The Legislature.

§47. Incorporation of religious denominations permitted. Provisions may be made by general laws for securing the title to church property, and for the sale and transfer thereof, so that it shall be held, used, or transferred for the purposes of such church or religious denomination. Provisions may also be made by general laws for the incorporation of churches or religious denominations.

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 4: Education Accountability Amendment"

Summary of Purpose: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that the rules and policies promulgated by the State Board of Education, are subject to legislative review, approval, amendment, or rejection.

Full Text of Amendment:
ARTICLE XII. EDUCATION.

§2. Supervision of free schools. Subject to the provisions of this section, the general supervision of the free schools of the State is vested in the West Virginia Board of Education which shall perform the duties prescribed by law. Under its supervisory duties, the West Virginia Board of Education may promulgate rules or policies which shall be submitted to the Legislature for its review and approval, amendment, or rejection, in whole or in part, in the manner prescribed by general law. The board shall consist of nine members to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for overlapping terms of nine years. No more than five members of the board shall belong to the same political party, and in addition to the general qualifications otherwise required by the Constitution, the Legislature may require other specific qualifications for membership on the board. No member of the board may be removed from office by the Governor except for official misconduct, incompetence, neglect of duty, or gross immorality, and then only in the manner prescribed by law for the removal by the Governor of state elective officers.

The West Virginia Board of Education shall, in the manner prescribed by law, select the State Superintendent of Free Schools who shall serve at its will and pleasure. He or she shall be the chief school officer of the state and shall perform the duties prescribed by law.

The State Superintendent of Free Schools shall be a member of the Board of Public Works as provided by subsection B, section fifty-one, article VI of this Constitution.

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POCAHONTAS COUNTY COMMISSION FUNDING REQUEST GUIDELINES

In order to better serve all individuals, groups and organizations seeking contributions and/or funding from the Pocahontas County Commission, our office has set aside the first Tuesday of August, November, February and May for discussion and/or action of requests made for consideration. Letters or other correspondence may be addressed to our office at 900 Tenth Avenue, Marlinton, West Virginia 24954. Appointments or scheduling of presentations may still be made at any meeting, noting that decisions may be deferred until one of the above-scheduled dates. Guidelines for contributions for fiscal year 2022-2023 are listed below.

The Pocahontas County Commission will have four (4) funding request meetings per year, one meeting per quarter. To be considered for contribution requests:

- (1) All groups, organizations or entities must have representative available at County Commission meeting at time of the initial presentation; no exceptions will be made;
- (2) All groups, organizations or entities must show proof (i.e., copy) of its Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued 501(c) or other non-profit status, or in the case of a public entity (i.e., school board or town), a verified statement of public purpose behind the request; the information requested in this section must be made available to the Commission upon the initial presentation, noting that if any of the documentation is missing the request will not be considered by the Commission;
- (3) All individuals, groups, organizations or entities seeking contributions must possess a valid copy of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued 501(c) or other non-profit documentation matching the exact name of the group, organization or entity, except in the case of a public entity (i.e., school board or town) or a request of \$500.00 or less (see No. 7 below); no other exceptions will be made;
- (4) All requests must contain itemized budget and a financial statement from group, organization or entity at time of initial request, or if request is from a public entity (i.e., school board or town) such budget and financial documents must be presented for the specific project; the information requested in this section must be made available to the Commission upon the initial presentation, noting that if any of the documentation is missing the request will not be considered by the Commission;
- (5) Only one request per fiscal year from each group, organization or entity will be considered and such request may only be presented no sooner than the one (1) year anniversary of any prior request, and will be determined by the named payee on previously issued checks; no exceptions will be made;
- (6) No requests will be approved for any group, organization or entity in an amount over and above \$5,000.00 per fiscal year;
- (7) Any group, organization or entity requesting a contribution

from the Commission in an amount of \$500.00 or less per fiscal year shall be exempt from providing documentation regarding its 501(c) or other non-profit status; however, all requests must contain itemized budget and a financial statement; the information requested in this section must be made available to the Commission upon the initial presentation, noting that if any of the documentation is missing the request will not be considered by the Commission.

(8) Any group, organization or entity which receives a contribution and/or funding from the Pocahontas County Commission must file at the end of the State's fiscal year, a report of all disbursements of the funds. Such report of disbursements must be in the form of an audit performed by an independent certified public accountant or, in lieu thereof, by submission of a statement sworn, under oath, by the highest officer or authority of the recipient, group, organization or entity. For purposes of this paragraph the State's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.

The Pocahontas County Commission
Revised April 17, 2018
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Celco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) is proposing to build a new 195-ft monopole (199-ft to top of appurtenance) telecommunication facility in the vicinity of 253 Dick McNeel Road, Hillsboro, Pocahontas County, WV. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Project 6121010739 - KMG c/o EBI Consulting, 6876 Susquehanna Trail South, York, PA 17403, kgod_chaux@ebiconsulting.com, or via telephone at (781)265-9221.

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had gathered at the campground.

When Shue learned what threatened him, he was greatly agitated and could not put on his shoes and was on the point of making a confession, and thus be prepared for extremities.

It would seem that the verdict does not meet the views of these people, some of the Greenbrier citizenship insist the death penalty should have been inflicted.

CONTROVERSIES

AT FROST

TUESDAY, Mrs. T. J. Williams and Mrs. Dr. Gwinn, of Frost, were arrested upon the warrant of Susan Houdyshell, charged with stealing fruit jars.

The preliminary examination was held before Squire Bird at Marlinton, and resulted in a dismissal of the charge. T. J. Williams, a Confederate Veteran by occupation, and N. C. McNeill represented the defendants, with L. M. McClintic for the State and H. S. Rucker for the prosecuting witnesses.

The State's evidence was that after the arrest of Susan Houdyshell in May, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Gwinn had come to the house and without permission searched it to see if some fruit jars which had been stolen were in the house, and having missed some fruit jars, it was supposed they had taken them that day.

The defense said that they had gone to the house and that John Houdyshell, the owner, was there and that he had given them leave to search the house to satisfy themselves concerning the jars and having done so, took nothing away with them. The defense also impeached the evidence of the prosecuting witnesses by a number of disinterested citizens of Frost neighborhood. The trial excited great interest and was attended by a large crowd of people.

THE JAIL DELIVERY

The jailer at Marlinton has been made a victim of misplaced confidence, and it is not likely that he will allow visitors to enter the cells to visit prisoners again. Wednesday morning, George Roberts, arrested and committed for beating his wife, and Ervine Houdyschell, a confessed burglar, had escaped during the night. All that was left was the negro boy in jail for forgery, who missed the chance of his life in not giving the alarm. He claims to have done his best to arouse the jailer, but it is not believed. He says Roberts has been working at cutting the bars of the steel cage ever since he (Douglas) has been there, (over a month), and that he had told

him he was making a rat-trap. He also says that a bar fell out Tuesday morning, making a loud noise, and Roberts told him before the escape that it was caused by the falling of a bar. About dark, Roberts was out of the cage and working at the brick wall. He made a hole under a stone window sill...

Railroad News

It is reported that the Chesapeake & Ohio and the Camden system held a meeting at the Hot Springs the other day and it was decided to follow the original scheme of joining the railroads at Marlinton, and that work would begin at once...

The prospects for railroad developments are certainly brightening and a good many of our anxious citizens feel it in their bones that we are to have a railroad soon.

FROST

IT raineth and the sun shineth and the people maketh hay.

Corn is short, but wheat is good.

Cronin Dilley will start up his thrashing machine soon.

Dr. J. B. Lockridge is our leading calf buyer.

Look forward! Prosperity is just ahead.

~ Mountaineer

HUNTERSVILLE

IN romantic literature, the stork figures as one of the most beautiful and interesting of birds. For the past few weeks one has been much in evidence amid the picturesque hills and vales in and about Huntersville. One was seen perched on William T. Moore's chimney long enough to leave a nice little boy to gladden that home, and then gracefully winged its way to Cummings Creek and took its place on Henry McComb's chimney top, and when it went away a little girl was nestling in the cradle. The next place where it rested on poised wing was on one of J. C. Loury's chimney tops, and there is a nice little boy that make matters pleasant and interesting in a Huntersville home.

See something?

~ Say something.

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HELP WANTED - Looking for a Correctional Officer job? Testing will be offered at the Denmar Correctional Center, Hillsboro, WV, on a daily basis. Interested parties should contact Human Resources at the facility at 304-653-4201 to schedule an appointment. 5/19/tfnc

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

POSITION AVAILABLE - Part-time janitorial service needed for local office building. Individual or business acceptable. References needed. Please call, 304-727-1509 between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. 7/21/2p

POSITIONS AVAILABLE - The Snowshoe Resort Community District (SRCD) is currently accepting applications for Certified Law Enforcement Officers for the SRCD Ranger Department. Don't miss this amazing opportunity offering above average pay with benefits. Interested applicants should email resumes to lisa.cutlip@snowshoedistrict.com or call 304-572-5969 for more information. 7/21/4c

POSITION AVAILABLE - Cass Scenic Railroad State Park has an opening for a Park Superintendent. Position is a full-time benefited position. Pay is from 35k to 64k. Please call 304-456-4300 for more information and/or apply at <http://personnel.wv.gov> 7/21/2c

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MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE - July 22 and 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 119 Elk Lane, Arbovale. No early birds. Lots of kid's items, household items and clothing. 7/21/1p

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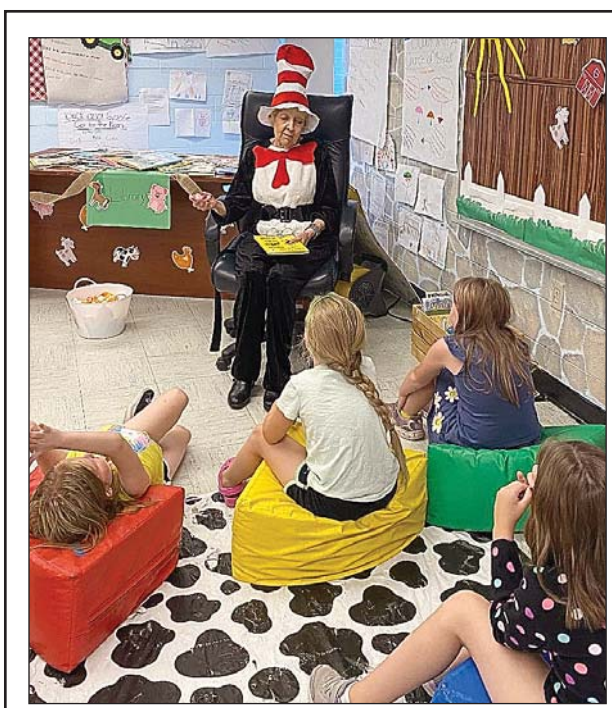
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Energy Express wraps up

**Devan Gum
Director**

Energy Express finished its run with Homeplace.

How better to end the program than with the businesses and people who make this community feel like home?

Allie Sharp with Pendleton Community Bank talked with the children about saving money and how a bank can help them save.

Pendleton Community Bank also provided treats for the children at Energy Express.

Another amazing person who makes this community feel like home is Dreama Burns. Mrs. Burns came as Cat in the Hat and read *One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish*.

Energy Express would like to extend a huge thank you to all the people who helped make with the programs this summer.

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Ryder Family – Saturday, July 30, noon at Stillwell Park pavilion. Cover dish. Come, and enjoy the day with us.

Wilfong Family – Saturday, August 6, noon at the old House Run Picnic Pavilion, Rt. 250 east of Bartow. Bring dessert, drinks and lawn chair.

Schoolcraft/Auldrige Families – Saturday, August 6, at the Activities Building at Watoga State Park, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please bring a dish for our potluck luncheon. Contact: Janice Gurley at jangurley@yahoo.com or Nancy McComb Smithson at nsmithson@frontiernet.net

Wilfong Reunion – Saturday, August 13, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Stillwell Park Gazebo. Bring drinks and chairs.

CHURCH NOTICES

Marlinton Presbyterian Church – Worship 10 a.m. You may also attend via conference call: 1-978-990-5269; access code: 4835028.

Arbovale United Methodist – Worship 11:15 a.m. Sundays; Bible Study 6 p.m. Thursdays.

New Hope Lutheran – Minnehaha Springs – Worship 8:45 a.m. or online at Facebook and YouTube, or by teleconference at 11 a.m. 425-436-6375; access code: 452803.

First Baptist Church – Huntersville – Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday night service 7 p.m.

Seebert United Methodist Church – Sunday School every Sunday 9:20 a.m.; Worship second and fourth Sundays at 10 a.m.

Catholic Mass: St. John, Marlinton – Sunday 9 a.m.; **St. Mark, Bartow** – Sunday 11:30 a.m.

Liberty Presbyterian, Green Bank – Worship at 11 a.m. and via zoom. us/j/4527333215.

Dunmore United Methodist Church – Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School – Adult Bible Study via Zoom 8 a.m.

Marlinton First Church of the Nazarene – Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday night Bible Study 7 p.m.

Marlinton United Methodist Church – Worship at 11 a.m. In-person and parking lot. Service broadcast at 90.3 FM.

New Hope Church of the Brethren, Worship at 9:30

a.m. and Bible Study Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Pine Grove Church of the Brethren, Arbovale – Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship 11 a.m.; Bible Study, Thursday, 7 p.m.

Cochran Creek Baptist Church, Rimel – Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.

Campbelltown Church, Marlinton – Worship 10 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.

Cook Town Community Church, Rt. 219 – Sunday Service 10 a.m.

Grace and Truth Home Fellowship – Pine Grove Road, Arbovale; Sunday 11 a.m.; Tuesday prayer 7 p.m. Call Jim, 304-456-3255, for directions.

Edray United Church – Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.

Marlinton Church of God, Beard Heights – Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study 6 p.m.

Cass, from page 1

Elkins, adapted the original and directed this rollicking, fast-paced production.

Sunday's show was quickly revamped by the talented and flexible cast to be presented inside the Cass Community Center because of the impending thunderstorm. Chuckles, sheer laughter and poignant silences revealed the connection the cast developed with the audience. After each show, the audience enjoyed the old-fashioned lemonade social having been thoroughly entertained and enlightened with a little more of the rich history of Cass.

Director Missy McCollam was also a member of the cast, along with Phil Smith, Taylor McKinnie, Dustin Vandevender, Jacob Currence, Daria Panova, Zenna Jones, Maxie McCollam and Matt Weintraub of the Old Brick Playhouse. Local talent was represented by Cynthia Gurreri, Nikki Alikakos, Zoe Guamis and Vega Guamis.



NIKKI ALIKAKOS, CENTER, and her children, Vega Guamis, left, and Zoe Guamis, right, portray characters in *The Ballad of Cass*.

Three performances are scheduled for next weekend: Saturday at 2 and 6 p.m., and the final curtain falls after the 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the door or online at celebratepocahontas200.com/product/the-ballad-of-cass-tickets/



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Your, from page 3

walking, like running, is an aerobic cardiovascular activity.

Cardiovascular means that both the heart rate and respiration increase. This results in more oxygenated blood reaching all body parts, including muscles. And, this is good!

As you might know or guess, running burns more calories than walking per unit of time. However, you can get the same health benefits, but, as you may also imagine, you will have to walk faster, longer or uphill.

How much benefit you obtain from walking is relative to how many steps you take and your pace. A slower pace results in modest results, whereas a faster rate increases the benefits.

If you're willing and able, you can transition to walking and reap the same benefits as running. Additionally, walking causes far fewer injuries than running. At some point, most runners experience injuries, such as shin splints and knee and hip problems – walkers rarely do.

Another advantage of walking over running has to do with the stimulation of hunger. Running burns about twice the calories as walking, so it is understandable that runners will feel hungry faster.

Unless you are speed-walking, hunger is kept at bay for longer when walking. If you are walking to lose weight, this is an advantage. You're not as likely to

return from walking and grab a Twinkie to satiate your hunger. Not that you would eat such junk food, I'm only saying.

What about those healthy-looking Amish people?

Good question. A 2004 Canadian study on obesity among Amish had startling results. Americans have an obesity rate of 31 percent compared to 4 percent obesity among the Amish.

Why? Pedometers were worn by the Old Order Amish men and women, recording their total steps each day, followed by a daily measurement of obesity using the Body Mass Index.

Not only did the study reveal that obesity rates were dramatically lower among Amish, but it revealed that Amish men walked a whopping 18,000 steps per day on average and women walked an average of 14,000 steps.

It is interesting to point out that the Amish diet is definitely not low carb and low fat. Amish restaurants are tourist destinations where diners go to enjoy fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, homemade bread, and those delicious slabs of Amish pie.

They may leave the restaurant feeling a little guilty, but, what the hay, you can always go back to the latest trend in dieting tomorrow.

The number of steps touted for good health in the U.S. is 10,000. However, there is no real science behind that particular number, even though most Americans are led to believe that 10,000 steps is the gold standard for daily walking regimens.

Science can affirm that walking 5,000 steps per day reaps more health benefits than 2,000 steps, 10,000 steps are better than 5,000 steps, and so on. Although 10,000 is not a magic number, the farther you walk, the better you'll feel. And, you may even live longer.

Nearly everyone can afford to walk. But can you afford not to?

Here's to your health,
 Ken Springer
 Ken1949bongo@gmail.com

This column is dedicated to Lucy. Although, I sometimes wonder if we, and our precious planet, might have fared better if she had stayed in the trees.

Citations are available on request.

Series, from page 3

The series continues the following weekend with The Black Mountain Bluegrass Boys Saturday, July 30, at 7:30 p.m.

Mill Point local Richard Hefner has been the bandleader of West Virginia's longest-running bluegrass band for more than half a century. This year, he has curated one of the most diverse lineups for the group. Richard's Mill Point neighbor Joanna Burt-Kinderman is holding down the low-end on bass. Dave Bing, one of West Virginia's most notable music ambassadors, will be on fiddle and guitar; rounded out with mandolin master

Dalton Smith.

Tickets for Opera House performances are \$10 for adults and free for anyone 17 years of age and younger. Tickets are available at pocahontasoperahouse.org, the 4th Avenue Gallery in Marlinton and at the door the evening of the performance.

The Opera House Performance Series is presented with financial assistance through a grant from the West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History with approval from the West Virginia Commission on the Arts. Support is also provided by Pocahontas County Dramas, Fairs and Festivals, and the Pocahontas County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Mayor's, from page 4

will make Marlinton shine as a trail town. These action steps, in terms of trail projects, will include the building out of the Overlook Trail. The Notice of Award is now two years old, and no check. Construction can begin once

funds are released. Developing the wetlands area into a community park with trails and boardwalk remains a part of the overall plan.

On another positive economic development note, I expect a site visit to the loca-

tion of the future Verizon cell tower site on Third Avenue. Actual base construction should begin the following week with stacking of the tower starting by mid-August.

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THE MARLINTON HIGH School graduating class of 1952 held its 20-year reunion July 1 and 2, 1972. The classmates met for coffee at the El Poca on Saturday morning; they and their spouses enjoyed a delicious dinner at the home of Mary Shafer that evening, with a social get-together at the clubhouse on Jerico Road later. On Sunday, they attended a family picnic at Watoga. Everyone had a wonderful time, some not having seen each other for 20 years...

Pictured: back row: Keith Moore, Boyd Wilfong, Robert Welder, Lee White, Kyle Carpenter, Arlo Alderman, Stanley McNeill and Bob Dean. Middle row: Sam Harper, Jewell Galford Loughridge, Eva Jane Sharp Chestnut, Oleta Davis Payne, Helen Rogers Sharp, Helen Astin Kellison, Zoe Carpenter Sullivan, Elmer Friel, Dale Armstrong, Jimmy Davis and Charles Edward McElwee. Front row: Joan Rexrode Jackson, Norma Sue McKenney Carpenter, Barbara Moses Hefner, Pat Wooddell McNabb, Delores Phillips Rector, Eleanor Gibson Dilley, Joan Friel Tripplett, Leeta Killingsworth, Evalene Hannah Dulin and Arch Wooddell. Attending, but not pictured: Bob Mace, John Coyner, Herb Morrison, Bonnie Showalter Zanganeh and Eddie Seagraves.

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Direct Dialing Plans
Lonnie Ratliff, local manager of the Marlinton Telephone Utilities of West Virginia, Inc., announces the company's program now underway to establish Direct Distance Dialing (DDD) in seven telephone exchanges at a cost of approximately \$225,000...

Mr. Ratliff further stated that the establishment of Direct Distance Dialing is part of the Utilities 1972 budget

which calls for expenditure of over \$500,000 for new switching equipment and cable facilities to expand telephone service and keep pace with the growth and communication needs in the area it serves...

DEATHS

Mrs. Mary Virginia Pyles Ryder, 94, of Huntersville, a daughter of the late James and Jane Church. Burial in the Beaver Creek Cemetery.

Plummer Fenton Cutlip, 71, of Buckeye; born at Lohelia, a son of the late Robert and Minnie Hill Cutlip. Burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Virgil Ray Lambert, 40, of Bartow, died from wounds received when a .30 caliber rifle accidentally went off in a car. Burial in the Lambert Cemetery on Elk Mountain.

Edgar W. Doss, 80, of Maryland, formerly of Lohelia; burial in the Old Droop Church Cemetery at Beard.

Daniel Bryon Sharp born in Washington, D. C., a son of the late Lester and Twila Sharp. Funeral service was held at Montgomery Hills Baptist Church. Interment was in Park Lawn Cemetery.

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OBITUARY
In loving remembrance of George McNeill Sutton, who passed to the great beyond March 22, 1922, at his home where he had purchased a farm formerly belonging to O. L. Williams. His age was about seventy-seven years.

For about a year before his death, he had been in failing health, being confined to his bed for a period of three months. He was a patient sufferer and bore his sufferings as only those who trust in God can do. He was nursed tenderly and all was done that kind hands and

loving hearts could do to relieve his suffering, but the time for the harvest was come and he has gone to await the resurrection.

He was a native of Pocahontas but had resided in many sections of the state. His wish before his death was that he be brought back to the old family burying ground where his father, mother, and relatives were buried.

He was an old Confederate soldier, being the last of his Company, the 19th Va. Regiment, and fought in many battles on the southern side.

His first wife, who was Lucinda Gum Beverage, and two children preceded him to the grave several years ago.

He then married Miss Mary E. Stalnaker, of Randolph county, who survives him, also one daughter, three brothers and two sisters, and many other relatives and friends.

His funeral was preached in Greenbank Methodist church by Rev. John Hevener, of Back Alleghany. His text, as requested before his death, to be found in St. John: "I am the resurrection and the life and he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live and he that liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

- A Friend.

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Julia Blance Price
Julia Blanche Price, little daughter of Herman and Florence Price, was born October 30, 1946, and died at her

home at Cass on Monday, July 7, 1947, aged 8 months and 7 days.

Funeral service was held at Bethel Church on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and the little body was laid to rest in the Bethel Cemetery.

Besides her parents, she leaves to mourn her loss, three sisters, Betty Montrose, Velma Jean and Evelyn Virginia, and two brothers, William Eugene and L. Herman.



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