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Take me out to the Bartow Drive-In

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

The Bartow Drive-In Theatre held its grand opening June 1, 1950, with a showing of the Abbott and Costello film, "In the Navy." The show also included three color cartoons.

The drive-in was built by the Kisner family on Bill Kisner's land in Bartow. Bill ran the theatre while his brother, Dabney, operated the Pocahontas Motel and Restaurant on Cheat Mountain.

Bill's widow, Edith, recalls meeting Bill when she started working at the concession stand in 1964.

"I'm from Buckhannon, but this was like my second home," she said of Bartow.

The couple married and operated the drive-in together - Bill in the projection room; Edith in the concession stand.

"Lyle Jennings helped them build the place," Edith said. "[Bill] had to drive to Jessop, Maryland, once a week to pick up the film. They ran seven days a week back when they first started. Raymond Wilfong was an usher, and [his wife] Edna worked in the concession. As



THE BARTOW DRIVE-IN may have only been open for 39 years, but it created a lifetime of memories for those who flocked to the theater to watch movies each week. Edith Kisner has many memories and keepsakes from the theater, which was opened and operated by her late husband, Bill. Keepsakes include the three calendars, pictured above, that show the schedule for the summer of 1963. S. Stewart photo

far as I know, Bill's mother worked in the concession or in the ticket booth. They switched around."

Things ran as smooth as

Bill did have to learn how to splice film together when it snapped in two during the showing.

"It broke several times over the years," Edith said.

"He taught Raymond Wilfong how to fix it, too."

The theatre would be open from April or May to September. **see Bartow pg 5**

Housing Task Force focused on housing issue

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

In the process of compiling information for the Strategic Plan to improve our communities, it became clear there was a need for housing in Pocahontas County. With that in mind, Pocahontas County Convention and Visitors Bureau executive director Cara Rose formed the Housing Task Force.

"I reached out to who I thought would be the primary stakeholders in a Housing Task Force in March," she said. "Those people included our larger employers, essentially, and then a few other organizations that play a role. Everybody immediately understood the importance of it and were on board to start learning about housing and how we can facilitate improvements in what housing means to the workforce in our county."

Since then, the task force

has met five times and has made strides in forming partnerships and creating plans to solve the housing issue.

"Really, these five meetings have been educational," Rose said. "Most of us are not in the business of housing, obviously, so we've really spent the last five meetings learning a lot about housing. One of the organizations that we brought on board immediately from the get-go was the Woodland's Development Group. They have been priceless in helping us begin to navigate this housing issue."

"We're not alone," she continued. "Pocahontas County is joined by every single county, community, in the entire United States. It really is a nationwide problem, so we've learned that. We're just trying to explore the best routes to begin solving these housing issues."

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300 miles to find a home

Joe Medica
AmeriCorps Vista

Hello! My name is Joe Medica and my position through Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area (AFNHA) is with the Green Bank Observatory serving as an Interpretive Trail Developer. I am originally from Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania, which is in a part of Pennsylvania that is very similar to Pocahontas County. I found AFNHA when I applied through the official AmeriCorps website. I was matched with the program based on my experience in environmental work and field research. I interviewed with AFNHA staff as well as sites under AFNHA, and was paired with the GBO.

West Virginia has become a second home to me in the nine months that I have been here. I first arrived in Green Bank on Labor Day weekend, and the adjustment to the conditions here was a bit of a shock. The lack of any wireless signal took a bit of getting used to, but with plenty of Ethernet cords and some adapters, I've been



GREEN BANK OBSERVATORY interpretive trail developer Joe Medica has a tattoo of mushrooms on his forearm that fits perfectly into the landscape of Pocahontas County.

able to maintain a little bit of connection to the outside world. It isn't my first time moving away from home, but this is definitely the furthest I have moved, with the trek from the GBO back to my part of Pennsylvania

coming in at 300 miles. In the past nine months, I have grown personally and professionally through my experiences at the GBO. During my time here, I have

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Tomatoes

THREE YEAR OLD Jackson Tawney visited *The Pocahontas Times* office Friday with his grandparents, Pete and Fran Tawney, of Buckeye.

Jackson is a real farm boy and cowboy. His boots are not just for show, he is now in his second year of rodeo with his horse, named Thomas.

Jackson is pictured with some of this year's Holy Land tomatoes, weighing an average of two pounds each. The near perfect shaped watermelon was too much for Jackson to hold, as it weighed nearly as much he does.

Pete reported a good tomato crop with no blight, and plants that were six to eight feet tall. He stakes the plants with cattle panels, two rows at a time.

He continues to use the Holy Land tomato seeds he originally got from Wilbur Walton, of Droop Mountain. The seeds are kept in the freezer, and planted in cups in April. These tomatoes are very meaty with fewer seeds than other varieties.

Jackson is the son of Freddie and Stacy Tawney, of Marlinton. His maternal grandparents are Sam and Fran McPaters, of Marlinton. S. Stewart photo



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Broadband Council to host Town Hall Meeting for the public

The Pocahontas County Broadband Council was officially established by the Pocahontas County Commission in January 2021. Since that time, the Council has been working diligently on behalf of all Pocahontas County residents to ensure broadband service to all households.

The Council, made up of members in the community with a wide range of interests for improving broadband services to our rural community, have applied for every possible source of funding made available by the state of West Virginia and the federal government.

"The Council has applied for all possible grants available and has received an

ARC POWER award which is underway," said Sarah Riley, chair for the Broadband Council. "CityNet has been awarded RDOF funding and Frontier Communications has a pending application. The broadband council has a Reconnect 3 grant application pending and will submit for a Reconnect 4 round of applications in 2022."

"With about eighteen months of work under our belts, the Council feels that now is a good time to share with our communities the progress made thus far in terms of broadband services for residents," council member Mike Holstine said. "We want to assure residents that the Council is committed to delivering

fiber to every household and want to share the current plan for achieving that."

The Town Hall public meeting will be held Thursday, September 15, at 5:30 p.m. in the Marlinton Municipal Building Auditorium.

This will be an In-Person meeting with a Zoom link option. The Town Hall **see Public pg 10**

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Property Tax Amendment, routine business on commission agenda

Tim Walker
AMR Reporter

Before getting to the agenda at the August 16 Pocahontas County Commission meeting, the commission heard from Crystal Bond, who lives on Brush Country Road. Bond reinforced earlier complaints made to the commission about a neighbor setting off loud, earth-shaking explosions. She said she and her husband are Federal employees working remotely from their home, and these explosions have shaken her house, rattled and even knocked over their government-owned computer equipment, but when they call 911, no one responds or

does anything about these explosions.

Commission President Walt Helmick assured her that the commission has been made aware of this problem and will do anything in its power to help, but they are not a law enforcement agency.

Commissioner John Rebinski reported on the training he recently received at the County Commission Conference. The most significant information he provided was about the "Property Tax Modernization Amendment," which will be Amendment Number 1 on the November 8 General Election ballot.

Most everyone has read or heard about the amendment,

which, if approved by the voters, could eliminate the personal property tax most of us pay each year on our vehicles. Rebinski explained that while Amendment 1 could be the first step in doing that, there is a lot more to it than simply eliminating our personal property tax.

Rebinski explained that, by itself, passage of Amendment 1 only changes the State Constitution to authorize the State Legislature to have the authority to eliminate the taxation of machinery and equipment and inventory used in businesses, as well as to eliminate the personal taxes paid on vehicles each year. So even if

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COVID-19 Update

The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) reports as of August 23, there are currently 2,632 active COVID-19 cases statewide.

Current Active Cases by County: Barbour (35), Berkeley (163), Boone (40), Braxton (16), Brooke (14), Cabell (112), Calhoun (6), Clay (5), Doddridge (5), Fayette (73), Gilmer (12), Grant (31), Greenbrier (53), Hampshire (31), Hancock (39), Hardy (45), Harrison (96), Jackson (13), Jefferson (49), Kanawha (221), Lewis (32), Lincoln (53), Logan (65), Marion (93), Marshall (48),

Mason (59), McDowell (40), Mercer (140), Mineral (66), Mingo (30), Monongalia (131), Monroe (21), Morgan (24), Nicholas (42), Ohio (43), Pendleton (8), Pleasants (0), Pocahontas (18), Preston (34), Putnam (73), Raleigh (140), Randolph (28), Ritchie (13), Roane (16), Summers (19), Taylor (33), Tucker (4), Tyler (5), Upshur (43), Wayne (32), Webster (6), Wetzel (21), Wirt (16), Wood (124), Wyoming (53).

To find the cumulative cases per county, please visit www.wv.gov and look on the Cumulative Summary tab which is sortable by county.

Circuit Court

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

An evidentiary hearing was held in the case the State vs Kevin A. Withers, 38, of Marlinton, wherein the defendant appeared by video from the Tygart Valley Regional Jail. Because of medical issues and staffing issues at the jail, the court moved the hearing to September 12. A defense motion for Double Jeopardy was recently filed to which the State objects and is not prepared to go forward on.

In-person motion hearing was held in the case the State vs Roger Warren Teter, Jr., 48, of Dunmore, wherein the Court denied a defense mo-

tion to file additional motions as the deadline has passed. The Court granted the State's motion for fingerprints to be taken again as there is some issue as to the defendant being the same person who was arrested.

Phillip Dean, Jr., 49, of Marlinton, appeared by video from the TVRJ and admitted to violating the terms of his bond agreement with the State. He was sanctioned for 50 days and is to attend a rehab program prior to his release. The court found that the defendant had violated the terms and conditions of his alternative sentencing.

Dean was sanctioned to 90 days in the regional jail. Within the 90-day sanction period, when a bed becomes available, the WVDOCR/TVRJ will transport Dean to an in-patient substance abuse treatment program. The court warned the defendant that this was the second sanction during his alternative sentencing and related

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BOE stretches ESSER funding to three schools

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

The Pocahontas County Board of Education received good news at its August 16 meeting concerning use of the ESSER – Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief – funding to install air conditioning in three schools.

The project to air condition the schools has been in the works for several years and began when the board entered an agreement with Wendel Energy Services to convert the school system's lighting to LED in an energy saving project.

The funds saved with the new lighting – in addition to the ESSER funding – was to be used for AC.

Wendel representative Andy Cocina explained to the board that the original plan to install AC in two schools has been changed to include a third school due to a change with the ESSER funding.

"The grant itself was about \$2.3 million dollars," he said. "That was driven by the U.S. Department of Energy and handled by the West Virginia Department of Education. There were a lot of requirements with that – as there are with any type of grant – there are rules that they want adhered to. Number one, prevailing wage. The second, which was the Achilles heel of this project was what is called a dedicated outdoor air system."

The dedicated outdoor air system would have required duct work to run through the trusses of the schools' roofs, which would have added a lot of time, and cost, to the project.

When the project to provide air conditioning to two schools was first put out to bid, the board received one bid which was three times the cost they anticipated. Cocina said he reached out to the state DOE and learned that several counties were having issues with following

the strict guidelines of the ESSER funding.

Cocina went on to say that the board was granted permission to transfer the funding into the general fund, which takes away the strict restrictions and allows the board more leeway in using the funds for air conditioning in the schools.

"In the transfer of the money, now it allows you the same pool of funding, but now you're not restricted as to how you can spend it," Cocina said. "So we looked at this and said, 'what if we subtract the dedicated outdoor air and all the other federal requirements, what does it look like then?'"

Concina said he took that question to a company and asked for an estimate to air condition Green Bank Elementary-Middle School and Marlinton Middle School, compared to the cost of air conditioning for those two schools as well as Marlinton

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Monongahela National Forest Ginseng Permits

Monongahela National Forest will begin selling ginseng permits for the 2022 harvest season Monday, August 29. A Forest Service permit is required to dig ginseng on National Forest System lands, in addition to following all state laws.

Purchase a ginseng permit Monday through Friday at the ranger stations in Parsons, Petersburg, Richwood, Bartow and Marlinton or at the Supervisor's Office in Elkins. Permits may also be purchased at the ranger station in White Sulphur

Springs on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Monongahela National Forest ginseng permits cost \$20 each. A separate permit is required for each district on the Forest. This year permits for any ranger district may be purchased from all offices. Each permit allows the collection of up to 95 plants from one ranger district during the September 1 through November 30 West Virginia ginseng season. Harvesters may purchase more than one permit.

Ginseng plants must have three or more prongs and have produced fruit this year

to be legal for harvest. When harvesting, plant the fruit on-site and then keep the rest of the plant intact. Harvest no more than 24 plants per day and have no more than 24 plants in your possession while on National Forest land.

Go to <https://wvforestry.com/laws-regulations/ginseng/> for more information about state laws concerning ginseng harvest. For more information about Monongahela National Forest ginseng permits, visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mnf/passes-permits/forestproducts/?cid=FSEPRD597459>.

Permit applications available for special deer hunt at GBO

A special resident-only controlled deer hunt at the Green Bank Observatory in Green Bank been scheduled for October 28-29 and November 3-4.

All hunters who wish to apply must do so online at wvhunt.com

Applications must be submitted by midnight on August 29. Hunters that do not already have an account will need to create one before applying.

After logging into their DNR account, hunters should select "Enter a Lottery Drawing" on the home screen and select the day or days they would like to apply for by selecting "Add." Once a selection is made, click

"Proceed to Checkout."

To complete the application, select "Complete" and choose either "individual" or "party" (up to four members in a party including the captain) then select archery/crossbow or shotgun/muzzleloader under the hunt locations and click "Save." Make sure to check the box agreeing to the terms for purchase. There will be no charge to hunt but select "Pay Now" to apply for the hunt.

Successful applicants will be notified by mail and issued a special letter of authorization from the Observatory with detailed instructions and regulations.

Only hunters who have made an application and have received a letter for a particular day or days may hunt. Walk-ons will not be permitted to hunt.

The four days of controlled hunts will take place within delineated areas ranging in size from 132 acres to 1,000 acres. The maximum bag limit during the hunt is one antlerless deer per day. Additionally, an onsite lottery will be held each day of the hunt and five hunters will be selected to hunt an either-sex deer. Deer harvested on the site do not count toward the hunter's annual licensed

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Dressed to Kill Standoff at the Old Victorian B&B Part Two

Humboldt, West Virginia ~ October 11, 2003

As Molly hurriedly dressed for the occasion, so to speak, she remembered something her mother told her back in Ireland when she was a little girl.

One of her schoolmates, a boy named Albert, had been bullying her relentlessly for months. He was a head taller than Molly and a strapping farm boy, so a fight was out of the question – Albert would have mopped the floor with little Molly.

Her mother's advice was, "Remember, Molly, sometimes, not always, but sometimes, the brain can win over brawn. Find Albert's weaknesses, and you can find the right way to silence him. Think about that, love."

She considered what her mother told her and, within a week, had made friends with Albert's younger sister. Molly brought her colorful ribbons and sweet scones that her mother made, and the little girl began confiding in Molly about her brother.

It wasn't long after that that Albert stopped bullying Molly. More so, he went out of his way to avoid her.

It turns out that Molly was blackmailing him. It seems that Albert was a chronic bed wetter, and there was another little matter of having been wet-nursed until he was nearly eight years old.

Albert became a subdued and quiet young man, never indulging in bullying again.

So, now in 2003, Molly whispered, "Mother, I need your wise counsel today."

The previous and original owner, a Mrs. Pageant, kept half of the area's carpenters and painters busy year-round, maintaining the delightful gingerbread and colorful exterior of this three-story "Painted Lady."

This magnificent house sitting alone on a hill was the town's focal point. By the early 1980s, George and Molly were both retired. They spent their days creating gardens and pathways and improving upon their beloved home.

As much as they tried, George and Molly were unable to have children. They put their energies, instead, into their parents, the house, and their community.

At some point, both of their parents had aged to the point that they were unable to manage their farms. Although they initially resisted, Molly persuaded both sets of parents to move in with George and her. There was plenty of room, and after George's parents visited Ireland some years back, the two aging farm families became great friends.

Although childless, Molly and George were as happy and busy as any couple could be. The years passed quickly, and they buried their parents one by one. By 1990 they were empty-nesters again.

They both came up with the same idea at the very same time. One summer evening during dinner out on the porch, George said, "I've been thinking, Molly, and do you know what I think we should do?"

Molly replied, "I'm not sure, love, but I hope that you are thinking we should turn our painted lady into an Inn."

And, over the next few months, they did just that. Bed and Breakfasts were all the rage then, so they had a wooden sign made that said The Old Victorian B&B and set it at the driveway entrance. The local newspaper ran an excellent piece about Molly and George's new venture, and the news spread.

The principal employer in Humboldt, a textile plant, sent Molly and George many company officials who frequently visited on business.

A major state highway passed through town, and much of the B&B customer base were families traveling to nearby parks and a popular ski resort.

Business was good. The house was generally full of tourists from all over, attracted by the gorgeous home on the hill.

George and Molly were careful not to overcharge as some local accommodations did. After all, they both had modest pensions and no desire to be wealthy. Running the B&B was a labor of love, and the years passed blissfully.

Then Molly's world started to collapse, beginning with a dire medical prognosis for George. An inoperable and aggressive brain tumor took her dear husband's life in less than three months.

Molly was too busy in those few precious months to notice that the textile plant was shutting down and moving its operation out of the country. The vacuum left by the company's departure completely devastated the area's economy.

Adding to the financial

damage inflicted by losing the largest employer in the region, a bypass was built around Humboldt a year later. This rerouting of the state highway resulted in a rapid loss of revenue for the town.

The writing on the wall was clear; Molly's beloved community in the mountains was imploding. This situation was not unique; it was happening in many parts of the country at the time.

The fallout didn't take long to be felt by nearly everyone in the area.

Rumors circulated of illegal meth labs and gangs forming in the worse parts of town. Opioids started creeping into the lives of the unemployed, a sizable portion of the community.

At the same time, the small Humboldt Police Department was dissolved for lack of funding. Crimes ranging from domestic violence to home invasions shot up sharply.

Law enforcement was now the sole responsibility of the sheriff's department some 40 miles away. In an emergency, a call for help was nothing more than an exer-

cise in futility.

The patina of social and material decay spread throughout the community. Those who could afford to pack up and leave did so. Molly, by dint of her nature, was not of a frame of mind, nor in a financial position, to go.

Within a year, lodgers had quit staying at the Victorian B&B as the property fell into disrepair, and new motels seemed to spring up overnight along the interstate, nine miles distant.

Humboldt was in all respects an abandoned community, left to its own devices to survive. Yet, a few like Molly planned to fight to restore Humboldt to the integrity and status it once enjoyed.

Molly knew that the typical rumors about "the wealthy old widow living alone in a mansion on the hill" had persisted since George died. The very thought that she was sitting on a pile of money and jewels was laughable to Molly.

Her resources were modest at best. Yet, she knew that

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Molly fervently hoped that on this very day, in the moment nearly upon her, her brain would help her avoid the violence that must surely be planned for her.

She put on and buttoned the oversized quilted housecoat over her pre-arranged ensemble. Molly then walked to the large parlor, locked the deadbolt on one of the two access doors, poured a sherry, and sat in the brocaded wingback chair.

There, she calmly waited for the thugs to come to her.

Humboldt, West Virginia ~ May, 1945

When George returned home from occupied Japan, finding work was not a problem. After World War II and the wars to come, plenty of unexploded ordinances presented a significant hazard to civilians in Europe, Southeast Asia and the Middle East.

George's expertise was in great demand.

For the many years he and Molly were together, he maintained a successful career working with the military, law enforcement agencies, and bomb disposal squads wherever his skills were needed.

Molly received many opportunities to teach mathematics at several universities, including WVU and MIT. Despite her considerable academic background, she preferred teaching at the local high school.

Perhaps part of her reasons for staying close to Humboldt was her love for the beautiful Victorian house she and George purchased in 1949. The glorious house sat upon a hill overlooking the village below.

Burma-Shave
A Blast from the Past
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He saw the train...
And tried to duck it...
Kicked first the gas...
And then the bucket.
Burma-Shave

Examination for Teachers 1897

1. From two fields 240 bushels of potatoes were dug. If one field yielded two-thirds as many potatoes as the other, how many bushels were dug from each field?
2. A farmer sold a load of hay weighing 1,669 pounds at \$19 per ton. What did he get for his load?
3. Calcutta is 88 d. 23 m. 30 s. east of London; if the people of London hold a celebration at noon, at what hour must it be held in Calcutta to occur at the same time?
4. A company of 10 persons have provisions of 212 days. At the end of 42 days two persons leave. How long will the remainder of provisions last?

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Seldom Free 3 - 5 p.m.

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Where cross the crowded ways of life,
where sound the cries of race and clan,
above the noise of selfish strife,
we hear your voice, O Son of Man.
In haunts of wretchedness and need,
on shadowed thresholds fraught with fears,
from paths where hide the lures of greed,
we catch the vision of your tears.
From tender childhood's helplessness,
from human grief and burdened toil,
from famished souls, from sorrow's stress,
your heart has never known recoil.
The cup of water given for you
still holds the freshness of your grace;
yet long these multitudes to view
the sweet compassion of your face.
O Master, from the mountainside,
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
among these restless throngs abide;
O tread the city's streets again;
Till all the world shall learn your love,
and follow where your feet have trod;
till glorious from your heaven above
shall come the city of our God.

Frank Mason North - 1905



Marlinton Mayor's Corner

By Sam Felton

Brad Armstrong, Marlinton's VISTA Recreational Economy Coordinator (REC), was introduced to the community last week on the front page of *The Pocahontas Times*. Brad has invested his first

few weeks on the job meeting various program representatives in person and virtually. The Marlinton Comprehensive Plan, Mon-Forest Town Spreadsheet and Marlinton Bike Plan has required a lot of reading in order to

get up to speed and develop action steps to move a growing number of projects forward – which are already underway.

A substantial part of beginning activities includes collaborating with other interested team members to plan the first Bike Strategy Stakeholders Meeting. First steps will be to identify a process to convey the plan to stakeholders during the meeting. The goal will be to

end the meeting with a process where individuals can identify areas of interest where they can assist. The stakeholders meeting is planned to take place before the end of October.

Among those presenting educational updates, work in progress and work to come will be Mon Forest Towns Snowshoe Highlands Area Recreation Collaborative US Forest Service, DARRE and others.

Community Calendar

PUBLIC NOTICE
Broadband Council
Town Hall for the public Thursday, September 15, 5:30 p.m. in the Marlinton Municipal Building auditorium. In person, call-in: 415-762-9988; Meeting ID: 872 809 7678; Passcode: 1987; and Zoom.

The Pocahontas County Health Department Moderna Vaccine Clinic Tuesday, September 13; **Pfizer Vaccine Clinic** Thursday, September 15. Call 304-799-4154 to schedule an appointment.

Pocahontas Producers Special Calf Sale – Friday, September 16, 7 p.m. Regular Sale – Saturday, September 17, 2 p.m.

Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Public Health Fairs will be held Wednesday, September 14, at PMH, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Wednesday, October 5, at Hillsboro Elementary School, 7 a.m. to noon. No appointment necessary.

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

FREE Community Dinner, Thursday, August 25, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Marlinton Presbyterian Church. Menu: Pork loin, mashed potatoes, gravy and green beans, beverages and desserts. Sponsored by area churches and community volunteers.

Highland County Fair – August 27 – September 3. “Stars, Stripes and Summer Nights.” For more information visit highlandcountyfair.va.com or call 540-468-2225.

First Friday in Marlinton – Friday, September 2, beginning at 5 p.m. at Discovery Junction. Music by Steel Away, an all-female group that performs various musical styles including traditional Island, classic and pop rock, Latin, jazz and classical.

Star Party Friday, September 2, 7:30 to 11 p.m. at Droop Mountain State Park Tower Rain date September

3. Telescopes, kids activities. **West Virginia Trappers Association 53rd Annual Convention** at Gilmer County Recreation Center, 1365 Sycamore Run Road in Glenville, Friday and Saturday, September 16-17. Gate opens at 10 a.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday.

MEETING

Pocahontas County Solid Waste Authority regular meeting Wednesday, August 31, 8 p.m. at the courthouse. **Allegheny Post 117** Tuesday, September 6, 6 p.m. at Arbovale Community Center.

PARKS AND REC

Family Camping 101 – Friday-Sunday, September 9-11, at High Rocks. Begins Friday evening with dinner and a campfire. All meals provided. Call 304-799-7386 for more info. Pre-registration is required.

Little Mountain Yoga Saturday mornings 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. 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

Frank Church of the Nazarene – Homecoming, Sunday, August 28. Service at 10 a.m. with Rev. G. W. Gary Reynolds. Special music. Covered dish dinner. Everyone welcome. For more info, call 304-456-4602 or 681-298-4557.

Alderman Reunion – Saturday, September 3, 11 a.m. at New Hope Lutheran church Shelter, Minnehaha Springs. Covered dish.

Vaughan Family – Sun-

day, September 4, Droop Mountain State Park South Entrance shelter. Lunch at 1 p.m. For more information call 540-635-9617.

40th Annual Starke, Arbogast, Vandevender Families and Friends – Sunday, September 4, at the pavilion behind Wilma Jolley's. Meet at noon, eat at 1 p.m. Bring a covered dish and your own drink. Everything else will be furnished.

Marlinton High School Class of 1961 annual picnic Saturday, September 10, in the first shelter at Stillwell Park. Gather at noon; eat at 1 p.m.

PCHS Class of 1977 – Saturday, September 24, 2 pm. at Stillwell Park. RSVP to Debbie Little Mowbray by September 10, 681-875-0012, acheiva2@yahoo.com or by Facebook Messenger. Send \$20 per person to Marvina Irvine, 921 10th Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954.

SPECIAL CHURCH EVENTS

Marlinton Presbyterian Church – Sunday, August 28, Worship 10 a.m. in the pavilion at Stillwell Park. **Annual Picnic** to follow. Covered dish. Chicken, drinks, plates, etc. provided Everyone welcome.

Homecoming at Fairview Church – Sunday, August 28. Covered dish dinner at 12:30 p.m.

Pine Grove Church of the Brethren Homecoming – Sunday, September 11. Church service, 11 a.m. Covered dish dinner, 12:30 p.m. Special singing with Dustin Lambert at 2 p.m.

CHURCH NOTICES

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.

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Deb Miller, JD Volunteer

Charlie didn't realize it, but once he fell for the fake sweepstakes scam, he became a big target for many similar scams.

He was pleased to be a winner, so he bought seven \$50 gift cards as requested to cover handling costs for his great – but elusive – sweepstakes prize.

Charlie was anxious to make sure he would get the fabulous reward even though he didn't think he had heard of the sweepstakes before or had any memory of entering.

Charlie had no clue about it, but there is actually a “sucker list” industry that keeps track of scam victims. Criminals sell this information to other criminals because it's a highly successful pathway for taking people's money.

How could Charlie be fooled?

Scammers find ways to make their victims feel good

about the process that's going on, even when frustrations occur. They also know what to say to eliminate suspicion. It's happening this very minute to other unsuspecting Charlies and Susies and Annas.

You can avoid being scammed.

When any so-called wonderful opportunity includes buying gift cards to assure that everything works out, slam the phone down! Delete that email! The gift cards are the signal that this is a big-time rip-off scam.

The use of gift cards assures that all your money will disappear. There will be no benefit for you at all, and you won't be able to get your money back.

For those who believe it's real, like Charlie did, other scammers will be happy to get your name and contact

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What's Cookin'?

With Sally Cobb

Gluten, Dairy and Egg Free Chocolate Cake

3 cups gluten-free flour
1 1/2 cups sugar
6 Tbsp. cocoa powder
2 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. salt
2 cups non-dairy chocolate milk
1/2 cup vegetable oil
2 Tbsp. Apple Cider Vinegar
1 tsp. vanilla
2 tsp. xanthan gum powder (opt)

Mix all dry ingredients together in medium mixing bowl. Add xanthan gum if desired. Xanthan gum is a thickening agent.

Make a hole in the mix and add in the liquid ingredients. Mix well. Pour into greased and floured pan.

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For questions or to share a recipe, contact Sally at Sallyspocahontaskitchen@gmail.com

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Home, from page 1

become very familiar with the trail system on the GBO, and the variety in habitats that I have discovered across the trails was surprising to me, and exciting to explore. Everyone I have had the pleasure of meeting here at Green Bank has been extremely welcoming, which made the transition to living here much easier than it could have been.

Pocahontas County is a beautiful part of the country, and the landscape reminds me strongly of home, which is semi-rural Pennsylvania. The cultures are very similar as well, as both areas are in the Appalachian mountains. And as one of my coworkers would say, people from PA say Appalachian wrong (though I'll stick by my pronunciation of the word until the end). It does take quite a bit longer to get anywhere here in West Virginia than it does back in PA, but the views you get along the drive make it more than worth it.

The major project that my supervisors and I decided on is interpreting a trail known as the Short Track trail here on site. It's called the Short track because it was originally created for a mountain-bike race held each year at the GBO. The trail is a half mile loop behind the Science Center that moves through multiple habitats, including scrub brush, deciduous forest, coniferous forest, and marshland. Each of these distinct habitats offers a wealth of possibilities for interpretation, as well as an extremely diverse array of species to identify while traversing the trail. It was a bit of a challenge for me to figure out how exactly to go about implementing the interpretive materials into the trail, as the trail is very narrow at points which make it hard to install signs. Because of this, the majority of the information I want to convey will probably have to be done through a brochure that is distributed to trail visitors. These materials have been posing quite the challenge to me, as I have been hitting blocks in the process of creating the interpretive materials, but luck-

ily I have my supervisors and coworkers to bounce ideas off of and get some constructive feedback.

The interpretation I plan on doing in the materials for the Short Track will be focused on the variety in the ecology along the track, as well as the changes it undergoes throughout the year. I would also like to tie in some themes that are relevant in the GBO's mission with the ecology of the area. One of these themes is the silence that is needed by observers here as well as those that observe nature in its element. In order to best observe animals such as birds and mammals, silence is a necessity, and with this silence comes a greater focus that allows for a greater understanding of our surroundings. To accomplish a greater understanding of the work professional ecologists do, I plan to set up transects off of the main trail in different habitats to create an interpretation activity that has trail users note what they find in each transect and compare their findings between each habitat.

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Housing, from page 1

The task force is also working with the Greenbrier Valley Economic Development Corporation to formulate a strategy to conduct a formal housing assessment for the county, as well as the greater Greenbrier Valley.

Rose said the assessment could take up to two years, but it is a valuable piece of the puzzle to know exactly what the county needs in regard to new construction and housing upgrades.

"We've gotten some baseline information directly from the employers which can be very helpful," she said. "We've also identified potential projects so that we can have some model projects underway while these assessments are being completed, which could take a year or two."

"That seems like a long time, but there's no immediate resolution to the housing issue," she continued. "But I do think we have a really good understanding of potential projects. We need to evaluate these potential properties, communicate with the property owners and determine if they fit the criteria for some of the potential resources that are available to help rehab buildings into housing."

While the task force was initially formed to tackle the workforce housing issue, Rose said the housing problem is much larger and the task force plans to address housing for all residents.

"We need to ensure that we are filling a gap that our workforce has right now, but in reality, what we have also learned is that this is much

bigger than just a workforce housing issue, and that's why the task force has been formed," Rose said. "We understand there's an immediate need right now by all of our larger employers for housing for employees – whether it's existing employees or the opportunity to recruit employees – housing is a key factor in that."

"We understand that part, but also understand that there is a vast need in our population to provide more low income housing opportunities for residents of all demographics and there is a need for more inventory for new housing," she continued. "Inventory is a real big problem, that's widespread. We're not alone. Our role right now is really to just facilitate the development of affordable housing in the greater Greenbrier River Valley."

The housing task force will look at housing for seasonal and year-round employees, as well as needs of residents for low-income housing.

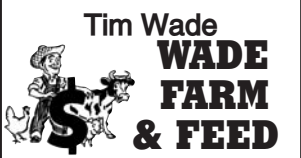
"There's a lot of resources out there, we just have to figure out how we connect identified projects and properties, and those owners to the right resources as long as they fit a gap that we have," Rose said. "Our task force members are eager to make

change." In the past six months, Rose said the process has been very educational and eye opening in regard to the housing situation in the county. She hopes that the task force can not only help people find housing, but find a home here in Pocahontas County.

"Dave Clark, who works with the Woodland's Development Group said something early on that has really stuck with me is that we want to build wealth through homeownership and that really resonates with me; it's true," she said. "What better way for us to work with our community members than to help foster that."

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Court, from page 2

that he could spend 16 years in the state penitentiary if another violation occurs.

An in-person disposition hearing was held in the case the State vs Carl Lee Kidd, 40, of Arbovale, wherein the court granted a defense motion for home confinement. The defendant was given credit for time served on home incarceration, 60 days and for jail time, 124 days. Kidd was to report to the home incarceration program to be hooked up immediately.

In arraignment hearings: Logan R. Fedak 18, of Bartow, pleaded not guilty to One Count, Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, a felony; One Count, Attempted Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, a felony. He remains on present bond, which is blanketed to contain all counts of the indictment. The defendant is to report to the Pocahontas County Sheriff's Department to be processed on Count I.

Clayton Ray Wykle, 48, of Danese, pleaded not guilty to One Count, Obtaining Property in Return for Worthless Check, a felony; One Count, Fraudulent Schemes, a felony. He remains on original bond, which will blanket the new count. Wykle is to report to the PCSD for processing as to Count I.

Defense counsel for Jeremia Paul Hedrick, 32, of Circleville, failed to appear for his arraignment. The matter was continued to August 31. Hedrick remains of current bond.

Ross George Benedict, 36, of Marlinton, pleaded not guilty to One Count, Burglary, a felony; One Count, Destruction of Property, a misdemeanor. He remains on present bond with the condition of no contact with the alleged victims. Benedict filed a motion for a speedy trial during this term of court.

Luke M. Gum, 34 of Dunmore, pleaded not guilty to all counts of his indictment. He remains on present bond with the condition of home incarceration and no contact with alleged victims. Bond will be blanketed to cover all counts of the indictment. Gum is to report to the West Virginia State Police for processing on three counts of Sexual Abuse in the First Degree and four counts of Sexual Assault in the First Degree.

Eli P. Pritt, 22, of Marlinton, pleaded not guilty to One Count, Entry of a Building Other Than a Dwelling, a felony; One Count, Grand Larceny, a felony. A pre-trial status conference is set for October 12. Pritt remains on bond posted in Magistrate Court, which was transferred to Circuit Court. Due to direct indictment, the defendant is to report to the WVSP for processing on the charges.

Derek Stephen Hannah, 35, of Marlinton, appeared by video from the Southwestern Regional Jail and pleaded not guilty to One

Count, Possession with Intent to Deliver Methamphetamine a Schedule II Controlled Non-Narcotic Substance, a felony; Two Counts, Possession with Intent to Deliver a Schedule V Controlled Non-Narcotic Substance, a misdemeanor; Two Counts, Person Prohibited from Possessing a Firearm, a misdemeanor. Bond was set at \$20,000 cash, property or surety. Hannah is to be processed at SRJ on two counts of Person Prohibited from Possession of a Firearm.

Kristina Dawn Bennett, 42, of Circleville, pleaded not guilty to One Count, Driving Under the Influence Third Offense, a felony. She remains on current bond.

Casey Elizabeth Crabtree, 26, of Hillsboro, pleaded not guilty to Eight Counts, Forgery, a felony; Six Counts, Uttering, a felony. She remains on present bond with the condition of no contact of any kind with the victim. Day Report was removed as a condition of the bond. Crabtree is to report to the PCSD to be processed on six counts of uttering.

A capias was issued for Kyle Michael Miller, 26, of Dunmore, who failed to appear for his arraignment.

Arraignment of Michael Thomas Caldwell, 44, of Slaty Fork, was continued as defense counsel had spoken with the defendant but did not know his whereabouts the day of the hearing.

Sheena E. Crites, 37, of Circleville, pleaded not guilty to Two Counts, Possession with Intent to Deliver Methamphetamine a Schedule II Controlled, Non-Narcotic Substance, a felony; One Count, Possession with Intent to Deliver Marijuana a Schedule I Controlled, Non-Narcotic Substance, a felony. She remains on present bond, with the modified term of random drug screens removed.

William Steven Feury, 29, of Marlinton, pleaded not guilty to One Count, Entry of a Building Other Than a Dwelling, a felony; One

Count, Attempted Grand Larceny, a felony. He remains on present bond with the condition of no contact of any kind with alleged victims. He is to be processed on Count I by either the WVSP or TVRJ.

Jerry Schoolcraft, 60, of Buckeye, appeared by video from the Southern Regional Jail and pleaded not guilty to Four Counts Sexual Assault in the Second Degree, a felony. The court set bond at \$500,000 with the special condition of no contact of any kind with state witnesses of alleged victims.

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Obituaries



Arnetta Copelin

Arnetta June Copelin, 87, passed away at the home of her daughter Thursday, August 18, 2022.

Born May 8, 1935, in Ada, Oklahoma, she was a daughter of the late Ed and Maggie Stephens.

June graduated from high school in Lawton, Oklahoma. She married Farrell F. Copelin in the First Baptist Church of Granite, Oklahoma, on October 11, 1952. During the early years of their marriage, they lived in Lawton, Stillwater, Arnett, Woodward and Edmond, Oklahoma. Later, they lived in Lakewood, Colorado, and then returned to Edmond. After retirement, she and Farrell moved to Bartow to live near their youngest daughter. She also lived in Elkins for several years before returning to Bartow. During the last year of her life, she lived with her daughter, Laura.

June was saved and baptized at Union Valley Baptist Church at the age of 13. She was a faithful member of her church wherever she lived, and often taught pre-school Sunday School classes. June was a woman of service, always putting the needs of her family before herself. She always said that was what God intended for her to do. When her girls were young, she sewed dresses for herself and her girls and made numerous quilts. She preserved the produce from Farrell's big garden and was a devoted grandma. The most important thing she did during her life was care for her daughter, Kim, who was rendered disabled in 1968 when she was eight years old.

June often told stories about how, as a young girl, she had to milk the cows, pick cotton, bring in the wood, and do other outdoor jobs. During her adult life she worked as a secretary for three church pastors and three college department heads. She typed 80 wpm and took shorthand at 120 wpm. She loved her flower gardens, jigsaw puzzles and her Reader's Digest books.

In addition to her parents, June was preceded in death by her husband, Farrell Franklin Copelin, in 2000; daughter, Dian Copelin, in 2009; grandson, Zachary Allen, in 1986; granddaughter, Katie Allen Anderson, in 2019; and sisters, Nevajo Sanders, in 1968 and Mary Sue McCulley, in 2015.

June is survived by daughters, Marilyn Allen, of Edmond, Oklahoma, Kim Copelin, of Marlinton, and Laura Hise, of Dunmore; brother, James Stephens, of Coalgate, Oklahoma; sister, Kay Cannon, of Edmond, Oklahoma; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral service was held Sunday, August 21, 2022, at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale.

An 11 a.m. graveside service will be held Friday, August 26, 2022, at Gracelawn Cemetery in Edmond, Oklahoma. Pallbearers will be grandsons Paul Henry, Randy Sanders, Matt Allen, Tyler Hise, Isaac Hise and Jacob Hise. Baggerly Funeral Home in Edmond, Oklahoma, will be in charge of arrangements.

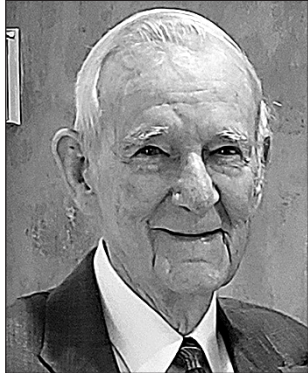
In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to Sister Doris Clay for Honduras Missions, 3565

Timberglenn Road, Apartment 103, Dallas, TX 75287, United States.

As a faithful believer in Jesus Christ, June asked that the following be included in her service: the hymn "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There" and the scripture reading from Proverbs 3:1-6. "God was always her strength."

Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of local arrangements.

Online condolences may be shared at www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com



Joe Greenlee

Joe Wilkes Greenlee, age 97, of Charleston, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Thursday, August 18, 2022.

He was born in Charleston June 19, 1925.

Growing up he had a paper route that covered most of the east end. He loved to tell the stories of delivering papers to the folks on Kanawha Boulevard.

Joe served in the Army Air Corps for three years. He started out as a pilot, but as World War II wound down, the Air Corps needed bombardiers more than pilots. Joe's duties changed, and he never got his pilot's license, however his love for flying did not stop. He flew as often as he could, and his last earthly flight as a pilot was last year at age 96. He got to ride in a B17 just a few months ago.

After his discharge from the military, he attended Michigan State University where he met Peg.

Joe is a 1947 graduate of Michigan State University. Joe and Peg Greenlee were married on July 3, 1949 at the Presbyterian Church in Jonesville, Michigan. They spent their honeymoon at Watoga State Park, in Honeymoon Cabin #35.

Joe graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering and, after marriage, returned to Charleston to work for Union Carbide for 33 years. After retirement he founded and operated Custom Home Elevators of West Virginia.

Joe is a lifelong member of the Charleston Baptist Temple. Over the years, Peg and Joe enjoyed ballroom dancing, skiing, white water rafting, extensive travel and their log home on the Greenbrier River in Pocahontas County.

They attribute the success of their 72 1/2 year marriage to faith in God, routinely doing activities together and to continual sharing and caring for others.

Joe's two favorite recent projects are the expansion of the Pocahontas Memorial Hospital and the campfire project at Parchment Valley Retreat Center. Fundraising for these projects is in progress. Joe would be honored to know you supported either of these projects, as well.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Franklin Greenlee and Elizabeth Wilkes Greenlee; sons,

Steven and Ronald Greenlee; and sister, Betty Warner.

He is survived by a niece, Connie Warner (Dr. Alan Carroll); nephews, Brent Warner (Chris Doria), and Tim Warner (Barbara); close friends, Kathy Lester, Bob and Donna Hoff, Archie and Linda Snedegar, Carolyn and Frank McCarty, Frank and Teresa Miller, Greg, Nancy and Travis Paxton and many, many others.

During the past several months, Joe and his wife Peg (deceased February 1, 2022) were lovingly cared for by the staff of Ridgemont at Edgewood Summit. His main private caregivers, Mona Harrison, Nancy "Janie" Nelson, and Hannah Faegre, treated Joe with kindness, professionalism and much love. These three ladies cared for Joe as though he was their own father. Their care was exceptional.

The funeral service was held Wednesday, August 24, at Charleston Baptist Temple with the Rev. Dr. Jim Hewitt and Rev. Dr. Archie Snedegar officiating.

The private burial was in Sunset Memorial Park in South Charleston.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Charleston Baptist Temple, Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Expansion Project or the West Virginia Baptist Convention.

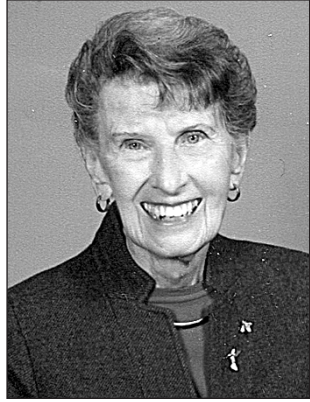
Friends may send condolences to the family at www.barlowbonsall.com

Barlow Bonsall Funeral Home, Charleston, was entrusted with the arrangements.

Editor's Note: Mr. Greenlee and his wife, Peg, generously donated \$1 million to the Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Expansion Project.

Mr. Greenlee was able to attend the July 26, 2022 groundbreaking ceremony.

In their honor, a part of that expansion will include the Joe and Peg Greenlee Rural Health Clinic.



Evelyn Greenlee

Evelyn Margaret "Peg" Greenlee, 95, of Charleston, went home to be with her Lord and Savior Tuesday, February 1, 2022.

Peg was born in Jonesville, Michigan, February 5, 1926.

She was a 1947 graduate of Michigan State University (where she met Joe Greenlee) and became a teacher of Home Economics. In 1949, she married Joe and in 1951

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Emmanuel Cemetery, Bruffeys Creek – Dennis Vaughan, 4108 Lobelia Road, Hillsboro, WV 24946

Fairview Cemetery – Barbara Campbell, PO Box 11, Marlinton, WV 24954.

Keo Cemetery – Tink Gum, 713 Spruce Flat Road, Buckeye, WV 24924; or Mike Hollandsworth, 26 Lonesome Hollow Lane, Marlinton, WV 24954.

Mt. Zion Cemetery in the Hills Country – Philip Cain, 2757 Brush Country Road, Marlinton, WV 24954.

they moved to Charleston. Peg taught kindergarten in Charleston at the Baptist Temple preschool for 10 years, as well as working with "Keep A Child in School" (12 yrs.), "Meals on Wheels" (15 yrs.), and serving as Baptist Temple church hostess for 30 years in charge of all meal services. She was also active in the American Baptist Women's groups serving in many different capacities including Circle leader.

Peg loved her family, friends and gardening, but nothing came before her faith and love for God. She has always been a wonderful example to others in doing God's work.

Peg was preceded in death by her parents, Donald and Marian Espie; sons, Steven and Ronald Greenlee; sister-in-law, Betty Warner; and many friends.

Peg was survived by her loving husband of 72 years, Joe W Greenlee; niece, Connie Warner (Dr Alan Carroll); nephews, Brent Warner (Cris Doria) and Tim Warner (Barbara); close friends,

Kathy Lester, Donna and Bob Hoff, Archie and Linda Snedegar, Carolyn and Frank McCarty, Charlotte Sahley, of Charleston, Frank and Teresa Miller, of Washington, and many others. She was loved by all.

Funeral service was held Friday, February 4, 2022, at Charleston Baptist Temple with the Pastor Jim Hewitt officiating.

Private burial was in Sunset Memorial Park in South Charleston.



Jeffrey Howe

Jeffrey Steven Howe, age 61, of Pocahontas County, passed away August 17, 2022, in Baltimore, Maryland, after battling a rare rheumatology disorder for the past five months.

Born October 4, 1960, in Cleveland, Ohio, Jeff was a son of the late William Otis Howe and Beatrice Hileman-Grimes, and step-father, Dennis "Bud" Grimes.

He is survived by his only daughter, Muranda Morgan, and husband, Ross, of Elkins; companion, Virginia Deputy; siblings, Becky and Jimmy Simpson, Mike Grimes, Jennifer and Mark Austin, Sharron Hileman and



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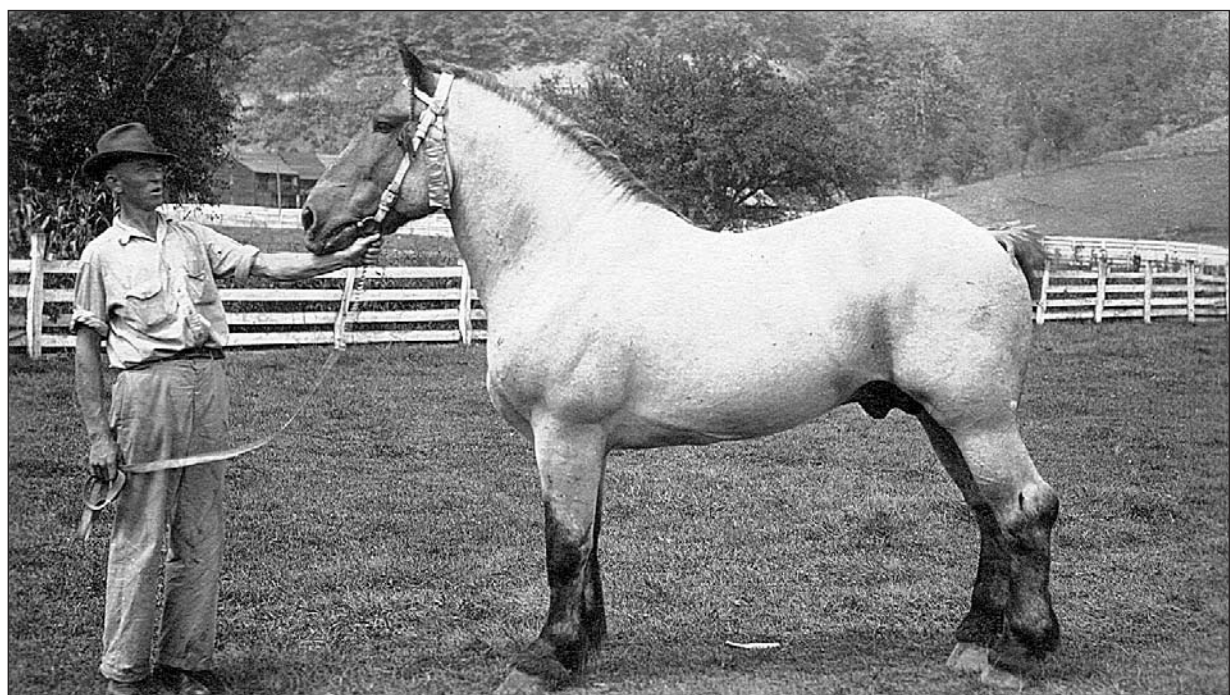
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A Fine Horse Ready for the Fair – circa 1935



A FINE LIGHT PERCHERON is getting ready for show at the Pocahontas County Fairgrounds. These well-muscled draft horses were normally black or gray in color. They were known for their intelligence and willingness to work, making them a popular breed for skidding logs and working the fields. The gentleman in the photo is not identified. (Courtesy Laura Defibaugh McLaughlin, Eula Gibson Collection; ID: PHP000980)

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Seventy-Five Years Ago

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, August 28, 1947

Theatre Fire

Durbin – On Sunday night, August 24, the Derby Hat moving picture theatre at Bartow was completely destroyed by fire.

Varmint Killing Contest

Talbert Carpenter, of Dunmore, won first prize in the recent Varmint Killing Contest sponsored by the Pocahontas County Rod and Gun Club. The second prize went to C. V. Alderman, of Minnehaha Springs, and third to F. D. Sharp, of Marlinton. Snakes and crows made up most of the victims.

FIELD NOTES

How would you like to be out in the garden on a dewey

morning checking up on the growth and development of the vegetables which the deer have left you; and hear a rustling in the leaves and look in expectation of seeing maybe a groundhog or at best a deer or wild turkey, and then look up into the black and brown and frowning face of a mighty bear?

A great big bear, standing several feet in his bare back feet with able armed paws resting on the top rail of a high fence, his head as big as a nail keg, and his black face so close as to easily make out the brown trimming over his eyes and around his muzzle and mouth, his staring, near-sighted eyes gazing puzzled and frowning expression, as he casts about with able nose to test the air with his keen sense of smell.

Well, that is just about what did happen to John Huckaby, late of the United States Marines, and now back as householder on Cranberry, where he is an officer in the Federal Prison Camp. He waved his arms at and spoke to the bear, saying you had better get going. The bear took him at his word and went away from that place in a regular rout. His trace through the weeds and underbrush is still readily discernable. Mr. Huckaby made an ordered retreat to his house; he had seen enough of his garden for one morning, and it was time to go to work anyway.

We all were talking peace and safety from bears for a few short weeks by reason of the bountiful crop of blackberries. However, last week a big old bad bear did break out on Little Laurel Creek to piece out his diet of berries and weeds and mutton from several head of sheep. So, last Saturday, Fred Galford

stayed away from the County Fair to organize against the old sheep killer. Some months back a big old bear just about cleaned Fred out of bear dogs. However, he is growing himself another pack, and with the addition of dogs from Zack Johnson and other neighbors, Fred went right after the bear. The dogs soon had him up and fighting. When Fred came up, the bear had just laid hold of a fine little dog and was fixing to bite the life out of him. Fred's bullet laid him low. This was one powerful big raw-boned bear; the kind which weigh six hundred pounds when fat. The pelt was still in good condition. This is supposed to have been the same bear which killed sheep on Big and Little Laurel Creeks, Days Mountain and Spruce Flat earlier in the season.

I have lost exact count, but this is along about the 70th bear Mr. Galford has killed.

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Harman Payne, of Trout, were gathering blackberries in the neighborhood of Richwood when they happened on a jug of moonshine liquor. They moved the jug to another place and pretty soon Albert White came along and claimed the liquor and demanded of the Payne brothers where it was hid. A quarrel ensued and Tobe Payne knocked White down, and he went away in a rage.

The home of White's father was nearby and Albert White went there and broke open the house and armed himself with a pistol and shotgun, and when the Payne boys came by a short time afterwards he fired from the house killing both of them.

Tobe Payne had served two years in the army in Europe and escaped without a scratch and came to a violent death in a private quarrel.

White escaped and took to the woods coming in the direction of the Greenbrier Valley. The dead men were brothers of N. P. Payne, deputy sheriff of Nicholas county, and the deputy came to Pocahontas the night after

the killing.

White is a man of 28 or thereabouts, is red faced, and walks stiff with his elbows held out. He is very round shouldered and is almost humped. He will be known by his peculiar way of walking.

WEDDINGS

Monday afternoon at 2:30, Clarence Asbury Sheets and Miss Grace Marie Curry, of Dunmore, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Nina Shifflet, at Cass... They took the afternoon train for Charleston and other points West to spend their honeymoon.

This popular and estimable young couple have the best wishes of a host of friends for a long and happy life.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mays, of Marlinton, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Rhedes, of Edray, a son.

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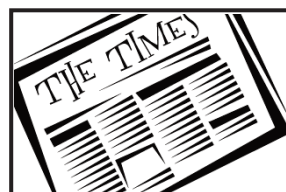
Wednesday of last week, Tobe Payne and Dorr Payne, 30 and 21 years old, sons of

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Fifty Years Ago

Jane Price Sharp, Editor

Thursday, August 24, 1972

Clarence Davis went to feed his hogs Thursday afternoon; right by the pen was a mighty yellow rattler. It either struck at him or was trying to get away, for it whizzed by his leg. His dog had been bitten about three weeks ago by a poisonous snake and this may have been it. The snake measured 50 inches and had 14 rattlers and a button.

The Greenbrier State Fair made a bold move and booked Roy Rogers and Dale Evans for the three opening days of the Fair. Several decades of acting and singing showed results in the big attendance at their public appearances.

The Fair Association held a press party last Thursday and we accepted the invitation. The visiting grandson, as well as the mature guests, got coveted autographs. Roy signs for Trigger also.

The 60-year cowboy said the only difference between western and country music was the subject matter of the lyrics – western songs are about cowboys, horses, shooting, etc. and country music is about love, prison, family and the like. Radio and TV have nationalized music – there are no sectional preferences...

WEDDINGS

The open church wedding of Miss Marsha Ann Sim-

mons and Mark A. Kane will be held Friday, August 25, 1972, at 7:30 in the evening at the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church in Hillsboro..

Mrs. Frances Bennett, formerly of Durbin, is announcing the engagement of her daughter, Donna Marie, to Don Arnold Nicely, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Nicely, of Boyer. Miss Bennett is the daughter of the late Frank Allen Bennett and is employed at the Pocahontas Motel and Restaurant. Mr. Nicely is employed by Howes Leather Company.

BIRTH

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Carr, of Durbin, a son.

DEATHS

Lester Allen Burner, 86, of Frank; burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Earnest Glen Beale, 59, of Venice, Florida, formerly of Mingo, a son of the late Samuel D. and Ena J. Hamrick Beale. Ritualistic graveside services conducted by Elkins Lodge 108 AF & AM at the Mingo Cemetery.

Mrs. Agnes Cackley, of Mill Point. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Mrs. Mary Kellison, 91, of Huntersville. No arrangements have been made.

Paul James Boggs, 26, of Hillsboro; a lifelong resident of the Jacox community and a member of Hills Chapel United Methodist Church. Burial in the Sunset Cemetery near Jacox.

Pocahontas County Bicentennial 1821 - 2021

Footsteps through History



Thursday, August 27, 1897

A MAN in Kansas brings suit for divorce for the reason that his wife had drunk thirty gallons of wine which he had stored in his cellar for his own consumption.

NO ONE remembers the time when there were so many haystacks in evidence as are now to be seen in the Knapps Creek meadows, from Huntersville to Frost.

BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

This paper is prepared to pay a tribute to the memory of a pioneer citizen of our county, the late David Hannah, Esq., of the Old Field branch of Elk.

He was a son of David Hannah, senior, who was the progenitor of the Hannah family, one of the oldest in Pocahontas. David Hannah, senior, was a native of Ireland. He married a Miss Gibson, who was reared in Augusta County, Virginia, and upon his marriage with Elizabeth Gibson settled at the mouth of Locust Creek soon after the Revolutionary war.

He possessed some practical knowledge of medicine of the botanical school, and did a good deal of practice in

frontier times. He was probably the first person that ever practiced physic in lower Pocahontas. Doctor and Mrs. Elizabeth Hannah were the parents of six daughters and four sons....

The writer remembers the personality of the venerable pioneer very vividly. In early youth, I saw him frequently, and he was very interesting to me from the fact Mr. Hannah had been off to the War of 1812. To me, an old soldier seemed more than human...

The old soldier worked hard in building up his home, and the privations he and his family had to endure would seem unbearable now.

He was kind and hospitable to a fault, ready to share the last he had with the visitor that might desire shelter and food. He was much esteemed by all of his acquaintances.

Finally, the end came. One of the prettiest places near his home was selected and they placed him to sleep under the green sod that his own hands had helped to clear away. W.T.P.

A Hatfield Tragedy

James Felts killed Caleb Hatfield and Joe Mallard in

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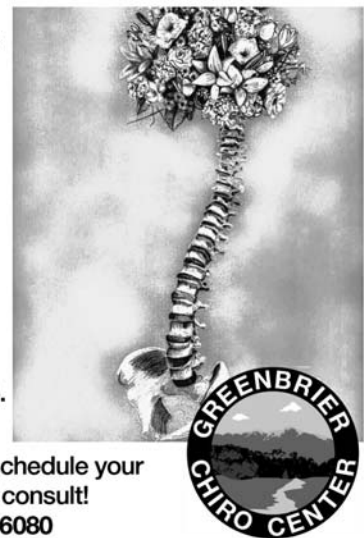
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Happy 70th Anniversary, Ralph and Glenda Beckwith! — Love, your family



In their honor

THE POCAHONTAS COUNTY Vietnam Veterans Chapter 1100 recently commissioned a plaque to recognize and honor the Pocahontas County servicemen who gave their all in the Vietnam Conflict. The plaque will be on display in the conference room at McClintic Library in Marlinton. S. Stewart photo

4-H and FFA Livestock Show and Sale
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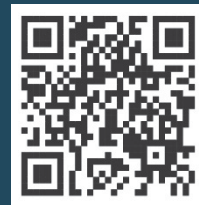


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tember, and attracted paying – and non-paying – customers, who piled in their cars to see the best that Hollywood had to offer.

“A lot of people snuck in in the trunks,” Edith said, laughing. “We had a couple people who would give us two dollars a piece – they felt guilty because they snuck in. The funniest thing involved a little boy. I had to come to the house for something and he was going in. I said something to him and his eyes got big. He was going in the back way, sneaking in. If he walked up to the ticket booth and said, ‘I don’t have any money,’ they would’ve let him in.”

The drive-in was the place to be in the northern part of the county and not just for the movies. The concession stand left such a lasting impression on people that they ask Edith if she still makes some of the goodies she sold there.

“Whenever I came here, they had Jiffy dogs and French fries, and then later we started with cheese rolls,” she said. “People still ask for cheese rolls.”

The cheese roll was an Edith original and a local favorite. Edith would cut a chunk of American cheese, put it on a stick, roll it in batter and deep fry it. Between the cheese rolls and the French fries, Edith had customers coming back for more.

“Everyone wants to know if I’m going to get the French fries back, but they don’t make them anymore,” she said. “I started out getting them in Charleston. Had to order them from Charleston, go to Roanoke to pick them up. I had those for a long time. They came from California.”

When Edith came to Bartow, she was joined by her two-year-old daughter, Barbie, who spent a lot of time at the drive-in, helping in her own special way.

“She used to take M&Ms out and pass them out to people,” Edith said. “Everybody knew her. She’d sit in the car with some of the kids. It worked out pretty good.”

After the movie was over and all the people were gone, it was time for clean-up and a little family fun.

“When the movie was over, around one or one thirty in the morning, we were out there playing Frisbee,” Edith said, laughing.

There was never a dull moment at the drive-in. It showed films from 1950 to 1988, when it closed for good. The family used the field for a flea market for several years and Edith had a store at the entrance of the theater, which is closed now, as well.

The screen remained until Edith had it removed in 2013



THIS PHOTO TAKEN in 2009 shows the Bartow Drive-In ticket booth in front of the deteriorating screen. Edith Kisner had the screen taken down several years later for safety reasons. S. Stewart photo

due to safety concerns. All that remains of the buildings are the ticket booth and concession stand. Remnants of the inner workings of the theater remain, including the film rewinding table, original popcorn machine and several movie reels. Although the theater was only open for 39 years, it has remained a cherished memory for those who enjoyed watching movies with their friends, families and on dates with their sweethearts.



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 Friday, September 2, at Moorefield High School
 Friday, September 9, Greenbrier West High School at PCHS
 Friday, September 16, Petersburg High School at PCHS
 Friday, September 23, at Richwood High School
 Friday, September 30, East Hardy High School, Senior Night
 Thursday, October 13, at Pendleton County High School
 Friday, October 21, at Summers County High School, 6 p.m.
 Friday, October 28, Tygarts Valley High School, Homecoming, 7 p.m.
 Friday, November 4, Midland Trail High School, at PCHS
Junior Varsity Football
 Monday, September 17, Pendleton County High School, at PCHS, 6:30 p.m.
 Monday, September 19, at Greenbrier West High School, at PCHS, 6:30 p.m.



POCAHONTAS COUNTY HIGH School Golf Team, from left: Warren Burns, Dillon Dunz, Coach David Moore, Ronnie Simmons, Reggie Whiting, Stone Hall and Reagan Friel. Not pictured: Rachel Felton, Bailey Zickefoose, Tristen O'Steen, Austin Hilleary and Nolan Streets.

PCHS golf team hits the links

The month of August has been busy for the Pocahontas County High School Golf Team. The team traveled to the Lewisburg Elks Club August 16 and placed second overall in a match with Greenbrier East High School and Greenbrier West High School. The team's final score was 136. Individual scores were: Dillon Dunz, 41; Tristen O'Steen, 58; Bailey Zickefoose, 43; Warren Burns, 52; Reggie Whiting, 45; Reagan Friel, 56; Ronnie Simmons, 65; and Stone Hall, 71. The team next traveled to the Homestead in Hot Springs, Virginia, to take on Bath County High School. The team finished with a total score of 203. Individual scores were: Dillon Dunz, 43; Reggie Whiting, 50; Warren Burns, 51; and Stone Hall 59. The team hosted Pendleton County August 22 at the Pocahontas County Country Club and ended the day on top with a total score of 147. Individual scores were: Dillon Dunz, 42; Bailey Zickefoose, 48; Warren Burns, 57; and Reggie Whiting, 60. The golf team's upcoming schedule: Thursday, August 25, at The Raven at Snowshoe Mountain Resort, 4 p.m. Tuesday, August 30, at Highland County, 4 p.m. Thursday, September 1, at The Raven at Snowshoe Mountain Resort, 4 p.m. Tuesday, September 6, at The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, 4 p.m. Thursday, September 8, at The Raven at Snowshoe Mountain Resort, 4 p.m. Tuesday, September 13, at Highland County, 4 p.m. Thursday, September 15, at The Raven at Snowshoe Mountain Resort, 4 p.m. Monday, September 19, at Pipestem State Park, 8 p.m. Thursday, September 22, at Cherry Hill, 4 p.m. Monday, September 26, at Pipestem State Park, 8 p.m. Tuesday, August 30, at

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Soccer News

Pocahontas County High School Warriors and Lady Warriors Soccer had their first games August 20 at home against Bluefield - losing one and winning one.

Lady Warriors	2	day and Holden Sharp, and sophomores Willie O'Ganian, Trenton Brock and Matthew McQuain.
Bluefield	4	
Warriors	5	PCHS senior goalie Max O'Ganian did an awesome job defending the goal.
Bluefield	3	

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Elementary School.
“Based on the numbers they gave us – and I’m very hesitant here – it’s not done until the bids go out and the county has approved bids... but being cautiously optimistic and comfortable with what I’m saying, we should be able to do air conditioning in three schools,” Cocina said. “That’s really what the goal is. I’m 99 percent confident of that, but I won’t promise it until I have ink on the contract.”
The board thanked Cocina for the update and his work in helping the board to responsibly use its funding.

New guidelines for COVID-19 in place for new school year

School nurse Jenny Friel shared the latest recommendations from the West Virginia Department of Education and CDC concerning COVID-19.

“Isolation is for those who test positive,” she said. “Quarantine is for those who are exposed. What the state department and CDC is recommending is that quarantining is no longer going to exist unless they choose not to wear a mask.”

The guidelines are as follows:

1. A person that is fully vaccinated – including boosters – and is exposed to COVID-19 does not have to quarantine or wear a mask. It is business as usual. Monitor for any development of symptoms.

2. If a person is not fully boosted and is exposed to COVID-19, they need to wear a mask for 10 days and can get tested on day five, if desired.

3. A person that is not fully boosted, is exposed to COVID-19 and decides not to wear a mask, needs to quarantine for 10 days total from date of exposure.

4. If a person tests positive for COVID-19, they need to isolate for five day, and upon return to work/school, wear a mask for an additional five days, while they continue to monitor their symptoms.

If any employee chooses not to wear a mask after ex-

posure or isolation, there is no COVID-19 relief funding available, so they will need to use their own time. Students will have an excused absence if they choose to not wear a mask and remain at home for the allotted amount of time. A form must be completed by Friel and sent to the school office indicating a student’s absence along with dates to ensure they are excused.

In updates:
• Dr. Pamela Schield of Community Care of West Virginia introduced herself to the board and said she is the new liaison between the schools and Community Care. Schield said Community Care has been offering services in four of the five schools for years and plans to continue to provide medical and behavioral health services to the students.

• Eryn Neyer, with the WVU Extension Service Family Nutrition Program, gave a presentation to the board about the program which will provide nutrition, food and physical activity programs to limited resource families and youth.

Neyer explained that she has several projects she will be implementing in the schools, including nutrition-based curriculum, healthy recipes and after school cooking classes. The program will also collaborate with the Pocahontas County Farmers Market to provide locally grown produce for the students and their families.

• Truancy diversion specialist Julie Shiflet gave a report to the board about school absences and the process she and director of attendance Ron Hall take to monitor truancy.

Shiflet said that after the first three unexcused absences, the school will send a letter home explaining what will happen if the student continues to have unexcused absences. When a student has reached 10 unexcused absences, a complaint is filed with magistrate court.

Excused absences, with a note from the doctor or proof it was a COVID-19 related absence, does not count against the student.

In miscellaneous management, the board approved

the following:

• Amendment of Project Development Agreement with Wendel Energy Services, LLC. and Pocahontas County Board of Education to include ECM3 HVAC Renovations for Marlinton Elementary Schools.

• Entry into an independent contract with Jeff Wayne as water operator at Green Bank Elementary-Middle School at \$50 per hour, one hour per week, or as needed, retroactive to July 1, 2022 until June 30, 2023.

• Memorandum of Understanding between Pocahontas County Schools and West Virginia’s Family Nutrition Program to provide nutrition and physical activity programs for low-income families and/or other children for the 2022-2023 school year.

• WV Pre-K Agreement between Pocahontas County Board of Education and School Days Child Care, LLC, students attending August 22, 2022 through May 25, 2023, wherein the parties

will collaborate to provide preschool services for up to 20 children, at a contract amount of nine equal installments of \$8,333.33, not to exceed \$75,000. Meals will be reimbursed to SDCC, LLC at a rate of \$2.61 for each breakfast served and \$4.56 for each lunch served.

• Memorandum of Understanding between Pocahontas County Board of Education and North Central West Virginia Community Action Association, Inc. – Head Start Program, retroactive to July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

• The revised Neola policy po7540.03 – Pocahontas County Schools’ Acceptable Use Forms.

• The following overnight travel requests for Nature’s Mountain Classroom, Pocahontas Explorers: October 18-21 – sixth grade, Science Adventure Camp, Jackson’s Mill; October 24-27 – seventh grade, Camping at Silver Creek; and May 22-24, 2023 – eighth grade, New River Gorge National Park

and Preserve.

In personnel management, the board approved the following:

• Resignation of Michelle D. Wilfong as half-time graduation coach at Pocahontas County High School, retroactive to August 8.

• Resignation of Derek R. Trull as itinerant teacher of art at Green Bank Elementary-Middle School and Marlinton Middle School, effective August 16.

• Employment of Michelle D. Wilfong as substitute teacher for Pocahontas County Schools, at state basic pay, based on degree and experience, for the 2022-2023 school year, as needed.

• Employment of the following as mentors effective for the 2022-2023 school year, at \$25 per hour, not to exceed 50 hours or \$1,250: Mary Sun Burns mentoring Eleanor Bell; Stephanie Burns mentoring Erin Murphy; Diane Delfino mentoring Krystal Lewis; Cammy Kesterson mentoring Sally

Logan; Richard McLaughlin mentoring Christopher Baber; Robert Sheets mentoring William F. Meehan; and Leah Shinaberry mentoring Kaylea Kelley.

• Employment of the following as restricted substitute teachers (2A) for Pocahontas County Schools, at state basic pay, based on degree and experience, for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year, as needed: Shannon G. Arbogast, Kathy M. Irvine, Jamie D. Hill and Jessica N. Taylor.

• Permission to post K-2 instructional coaches – two positions – to provide professional development services to instructional staff through the K-2 Classroom Instructional Support Project Grant, providing 77 days of service at \$325 per day, not to exceed \$25,000 – including payroll deductions – per coach, for the 2022-2023 school year.

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, September 6, at 6 p.m., at the board of education conference room.

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WEDDINGS

Sharpenberg – Williams

Baskets of gladioli and candelabras, with a screen of rhododendron and huckleberry foliage in the background, decorated the Marlinton Presbyterian Church for the marriage on Tuesday afternoon, August 26, 1947, of Miss Grace Virginia Williams to Mr. Warren D. Sharpenberg. The couple's parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Williams of Marlinton, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Sharpenberg, of Morgantown. Rev. Roger P. Melton officiated and Mrs. Frank Johnson played the conventional music and accompanied the soloist, Miss Edith May...

Harrison – Tenney

A very lovely wedding of the present season was that of Miss Meta Eva Tenney, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Albert I. Tenney, of Arbovale, to Joe Glenn Harrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harrison, of Renick. The double ring ceremony was read by Rev. Tenney, father of the bride, at the Methodist parsonage at Arbovale, before an altar of ferns and candles and in a setting of rhododendron and gladioli...

DEATHS

James M. Cassell, aged 84 years, died at his home at Carl, in Nicholas county, on August 18, 1947. Among his surviving children are three sons, Amos, Homer and Luther, all of Greenbank; his brother is Thomas Cassell

and his sister, Mrs. Ella Kesler, both of Cass.

Miss Ruth Barnes, of Oak Hill, died August 26, 1947. She had been an invalid for a number of years. Her body was brought to Marlinton for interment in the family plot in Mountain View Cemetery. The deceased was a daughter of Mrs. Cora Barnes and the late W. H. Barnes, of Clover Lick. Her sisters were Mrs. Beryl Bumgardner and Mrs. G. Steele Callison.

Mrs. Jacob Cooper died at her home in Washington Sunday, August 24, 1947. Her passing came as no surprise as she had been very ill for some time. She was the widow of the late Jacob Cooper. The family lived at Cass for many years. One of her sons is A. E. Cooper, Attorney at Law in Marlinton.

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Mingo county last week. The account of affray is given as follows:

The double killing took place at Chaud's Gap, which is about ten miles away from here, and is on a ridge of the Cumberland Mountain, just across the West Virginia line. All three of the men engaged in the tragedy were young and there had never been any open antagonism between them. They met at Pineville on Sunday and had "a good time" drinking. They left there in the afternoon and rode their mules over the mountains to Chaud's Gap. It was getting late then, and, as they had plenty of moonshine whiskey with them and several packs of cards, Mallard proposed that they camp for the night and have a game. The others assented, and, building a campfire, they began to enjoy themselves. They played and drank all night, and the luck had gone first one way and then another it finally settled against Felts.

By morning, Hatfield and Mallard had all of his money. They were very drunk, and when Felts had lost his last dollar, he was desperate. He put up his saddle and bridle and lost them. Then he staked his mule against \$10, and that went, too.

"It hain't in a Felts to git the best er a Hatfield," sneered Caleb as he raked in the last chips.

"Naw, you bet they cain't," assented Mallard. "Yer Uncle Cap showed Jim's uncle that onct, didn't he?"

Cap Hatfield had killed Jim's uncle in a card game and Jim resented the reference.

"Mebbe Cap Hatfield did," he snapped," but it's more'n any of his family kin do."

Caleb laughed in a drunken fashion and declared that he guessed he could do as much as his Uncle Cap.

Felts paid no attention, and Mallard helped along the quarrel with a slap on Felts' face. Felts struck at him and then Mallard threw the contents of a half-empty jug of whiskey in Felts' face and told him to get out of the way.

"I'll put you out of the way, Joe," the young fellow yelled, and he drew his revolver. Before he could pull the trigger, young Hatfield had drawn a knife and was coming at him with death in his looks. Felts turned and ran behind a tree, beginning to fire as he fled. He dropped Hatfield at the first shot with a bullet in his leg and then put another ball through Hatfield's heart.

Meantime, Mallard had drawn his revolver and was trying to fire when Felts dropped him from cover and finished the tragedy by emptying every remaining bullet into his body.

Felts surrendered, and as there were no witnesses his story will probably go.

DIED

August 23, 1897, at the residence of her nephew, Mr. C. L. Moore, on Brown's Creek, Mrs. Elizabeth McLaughlin, relict of the late Hugh McLaughlin, in the 96th years of her age. She had been a sufferer from paralysis for more than a year, and while her death was sudden, yet it was expected that she might thus pass away.

She was a person highly esteemed by her many

friends, and was the eldest daughter of the late William Sharp, Esq., near Verdant Valley. Her tenacity of life was very remarkable. At different times in the past few years, it seemed impossible for her to survive, and yet she would rally and become comparatively strong and well. To a Christian friend she remarked two or three years since that she often felt as if she would like "to be going." And when asked if she thought she would be at rest, her reply was, "Indeed, I hope so."

Samuel J. Beard, of Odessa, Mo., died on the 12th day of August, 1897, aged sixty-five years. His last illness was of two weeks' duration. He leaves surviving him three children, Mrs. Rachel Burns, of Arkansas; a son, James, and daughter, Mary. He was a native of Pocahontas, the fourth son of the late Josiah Beard, Esq. He served in the Confederate army; emigrated to Missouri when a young man, and married a Miss Jordan of that State. A short time since, he sold his farm and had moved to the town of Odessa.

His numerous friends and relatives in West Virginia will mourn his unexpected decease, but will be comforted to feel that his was the death of a faithful and devoted Christian.

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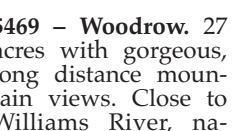
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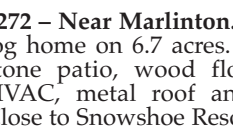
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