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## Walton takes helm of Durbin Community Library

Suzanne Stewart  
Staff Writer

After volunteering for the summer at the Durbin Community Library, Dunmore resident Jessica Walton knew she wanted to return for a full-time position after she graduated from Davis & Elkins College.

In December, with her Bachelor's degree in history complete, Walton did just that.

"I was undecided for a very long time, and I just kind of picked up history because I love history," she said of her degree. "Then, of course, whenever you go for a degree, you wonder what you can do with it, so I figured out I could do archiving. I would work with museums or something."

While in college, Walton had to do a work study and settled on a job in the library, thinking she could hone her skills in archiving.



DUNMORE RESIDENT JESSICA Walton started her job as librarian at Durbin Community Library in December, but she's no stranger to the facility. She spent the summer volunteering there with hoping to return after she graduated from Davis & Elkins College. S. Stewart photo

"I fell in love with it," she said.

As an avid reader herself, Walton enjoys helping patrons find books and introduce them to new authors or genres available at the library.

"I think it's definitely along the fantasy and the fiction line," she said, of what is most popular. "People love the West Virginia section, as well. We have a lot of West Virginia history fans that come in here, which is great. The non-fiction is not as popular as the fiction, but there are some areas in there, like the religious section and the philosophy section that are actually very popular."

The children's section is also very popular and has a wide range of books for all ages.

If there is a book that a patron wants that is not available, Walton said she is happy to check with other libraries in the county, as well as with the state, to see if

they can be loaned to the Durbin facility.

"I think a lot of people get discouraged if they don't find the specific book or author that they want. Pocahontas County Free Libraries and, of course, all of West Virginia, is in the inter-library loan system, so we can get books mailed to us."

"We do it with movies, as well," she added. "It's great."

In addition to getting books on loan from other libraries, Walton said the library tries to order new books on a regular basis to stock the latest bestsellers.

When books get a little older, they are taken off the shelves and go into the book sale collection. At the main entrance of the library, there are always books available for sale and Walton said an annual book sale is held each summer.

The library is so much more than a place to borrow

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## First Day Hike ~ 2023



A "FIRST DAY Hike" was held at Cass Scenic Railroad State Park Sunday afternoon to celebrate the New Year.

Superintendent Marshall Markley led the hike on the Greenbrier River Trail – and part of the Allegheny Trail, as they run together for a distance.

Twenty-eight people, including locals and visitors from the D. C. area, took part in the more than three-mile hike. Ages ranged from seven to 83.

Everyone who completed the hike received a free patch in the Cass General Store. Info and photos courtesy of Nicolle Flood-Sawczyn



## Free seeds available through WVU Extension

Suzanne Stewart  
Staff Writer

The ground may be frozen now, but soon, spring will arrive and with it the call of the garden.

*Grow This: West Virginia Garden Challenge* through the WVU Extension Service has three free seed packets available for the 2023 growing season.

Cosmic purple carrots, red ursa kale and miniature mixed color bell peppers are

the seeds for this year and all you have to do to get them is take a short survey available online at <https://extension.wvu.edu/food-health/nutrition/fnp/fnp-outreach/grow-this-west-virginia-garden-challenge>

The *Grow This* program began in 2018 and for the first few years had several hundred participants statewide. Interest grew in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and people looking to do something productive during the lockdown.

In 2022, more than 100,000 West Virginians took advantage of the program and used both the free seeds and gardening instruction provided through the *Grow This* email newsletter to turn their thumbs green.

Cosmic purple carrots are indeed a vibrant shade of purple – on the outside. Inside, they are a typical orange. The carrots are a frost-tolerant biennial that is grown as an annual. They are

see Seeds pg 8

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# Commissioners hear alternatives for EMS funding

**Tim Walker**  
Allegheny Mountain Radio

The atmosphere was less fired-up at the January 3 Pocahontas County Commission meeting than it was at the December 20 meeting, as several people calmly proposed alternative options for funding the creation of a paid Pocahontas County EMS – ambulance service.

At the December meeting, Commissioner John Rebinski had described the imminent collapse of the present volunteer ambulance system because of the declining number of qualified volunteers to staff it. In the face of this decline, Rebinski made a controversial proposal to ensure that ambulances continue to respond to 911 emergency medical calls.

Rebinski proposed that \$170,000 be held out from Hotel/Motel Tax receipts that remained after the required and policy mandated funds were distributed. That \$170,000 would be used to initially fund the new EMS Service.

Normally, that remaining amount is divided up on a preset percentage among the following six organizations – Artisan’s Co-op (3%); Arts Council (4%); Historic Landmarks Commission (5%); Dramas, Festivals and Fairs (20%); Parks and Recreation (33%); and the Libraries and Visitor Centers (32%). Under Rebinski’s proposal, those organizations would still receive their percentages of the funds remaining after the \$170,000 is deducted.

At the January 3 meeting, Allen Johnson’s idea included a recognition of the EMS ambulance crisis, but cutting back on Hotel/Motel Tax funding from these

other organizations would be contentious and hurt those organizations from providing valuable community services. He suggested that those six organizations need to be more accountable to the commission for the funds they receive, and need to also try and raise additional money for themselves by fundraising. Johnson also suggested the commission seek funds from other state and federal sources to help fund EMS, as well as an Excess Levy for EMS. Johnson also said that he could support using Hotel/Motel money to start up the new EMS Service, if it is temporary and based on a percentage rather than a fixed amount of \$170,000.

Lauren Bennett likewise presented an alternative, which included Johnson’s ideas and also recognized the importance of funding the new EMS Service. She added that it could be paid for by imposing a county-wide emergency services fee on every county resident by passing an ordinance similar to the existing solid-waste fee imposed on some residents. She agreed with Johnson’s idea that any temporary use of Hotel/Motel Tax money to support EMS be based on a percentage basis rather than a fixed \$170,000. She also suggested an administrator/grant writer be hired for the new service.

The commission voted to open a fund account in their general budget for any funds that will be used for a paid County EMS-Ambulance Service staffed by county employees. However, they did not take any action regarding using Hotel/Motel Tax funds at this time.

Rebinski also questioned the propriety of the Pocahontas County Artisan Co-

op being one of the six agencies that receives a percentage of the discretionary Hotel/Motel Tax funds. He suggested that by doing this the commission would be subsidizing the various artist’s private businesses – selling their art. Brenda Harman of the Artisan Co-op said they formed a “for profit” corporation under the non-profit corporation “Artisan Co-op.” to avoid that. Under Rebinski’s questioning Harman admitted that the Hotel/Motel Tax money was used to rent the two studios where the artists sold their art. The Co-op offered to provide the financials of their for-profit corporation to the commission. The commission did not make any decisions on this yet, but will give it more consideration. Commission President Walt Helmick agreed that Rebinski’s questioning of the use of this money was the correct thing to do.

Also at the meeting, Helmick was selected to remain as Commission President, and newly elected commissioner Jamie Walker assumed all the board assignments that former commissioner Jesse Groseclose had, while Rebinski and Helmick kept their current assigned boards, with only one exception, Jamie Walker took the Board of Health assignment from Helmick, who gave him the Senior Citizens.

The 2023 Board of Review and Equalization Dates were set. They are all held in the Commission Office on the following dates and times:

- \* February 1 at 10 a.m.
- \* February 7 at 10 a.m.
- \* February 13 at 10 a.m.
- \* February 17 at 10 a.m.
- \* February 21 at 5:45 p.m. during the regular commission meeting.

# Manchin urges Treasury to pause implementation of EV Tax Credits

U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV), Chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, released the following statement urging the U.S. Department of the Treasury to pause the implementation of the 45W commercial vehicle and 30D new consumer vehicle tax credits until they are able to issue guidance in line with the intent of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA).

“The intent of the Inflation Reduction Act was clear – bring our energy and manufacturing supply chains onshore to protect our national security, reduce our dependence on foreign adversaries and create jobs right here in the United States. The information released from the Treasury Department outlining how

they will be implementing the commercial and consumer EV tax credits bends to the desires of the companies looking for loopholes and is clearly inconsistent with the intent of the law. It only serves to weaken our ability to become a more energy secure nation. It is unthinkable that we still depend on China and Russia for the materials and manufacturing necessary to power our nation in the 21st century and I cannot fathom why the Biden Administration would issue guidelines that would ensure we continue on this path.

“The Treasury Department has known since August that they needed to release proposed guidance on the battery material and components of the Clean Vehicle Credit that accurately follows the intent of the IRA by the end of this

year. Instead, Treasury decided they will ignore this deadline and issue proposed guidance in March. In the meantime, they have decided to move forward on implementing these credits without the necessary guidance to ensure taxpayer dollars are being responsibly used. This is an unacceptable outcome and I call on Treasury to pause the implementation of both commercial and new consumer EV tax credits until they have issued the appropriate guidance. In addition to calling for this pause on the implementation of these credits, when Congress returns to session in the coming weeks I will introduce legislation that further clarifies the original intent of the law and prevents this dangerous interpretation from Treasury from moving forward.”

# Free Amateur Radio License Test Session

Testing for Amateur Radio licenses, including upgrades, will be held Saturday, January 7, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Green Bank Observatory Science Center. All levels will be offered (Technician, General and Extra) and will be provided free of charge, sponsored by the Laurel VEC’s (Volunteer Examiner Coordinators) and facilitated by the 8 Rivers Amateur Radio Club. Attendees may take more than one exam during this testing session.

You must bring the following in order to sit for the exam(s):

1. A photo ID such as a driver’s license or passport. Children without a photo ID may take the exam provided they can prove their identity to the satisfaction of the Laurel VEC Team Leader.
2. If currently licensed, an official copy of your current, signed amateur radio opera-

tor’s license.

To take an exam, you are required to have an FRN (FCC Registration Number) which is available at the following website: <https://www.fcc.gov/wireless/sup-port/universal-licensing-system-uls-resources/getting-fcc-registration-number-frn>

Contact Rudy Marrujo at 304-456-3057 with questions.

Note, while this testing session is provided free of charge, once you pass the test the FCC will charge a fee of \$35 to issue your license. This license will be valid for a period of 10 years.

Various practice tests are available online.

Social distancing will be observed.

## Circuit Court

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

Charles Nathaniel Irvine, 49, of Marlinton, tendered a written plea agreement to the court wherein he pleaded guilty to the charge of driving while license revoked for driving under the influence of alcohol, third or subsequent offense, a felony. The court refrained from accepting the plea agreement but accepted the defendant’s plea of guilty. The matter was referred to the probation department for a presentence investigation report.

Derek Stephen Hannah, 36, an inmate in the Southwestern Regional Jail appeared by video for a motions hearing. The court granted a defense motion for disclosure of identity of confidential informant, and for disclosure of promises, offers of leniency or any inducements to any state witness and confidential informant, as well as granting a motion to compel production of report and records of analysis performed on the defendant’s phone. The state will provide that information by the end of the calendar year.

Jeremiah Powell, 41, of Maxwelton, appeared by video from the Southwestern Regional Jail for a hearing on a motion to modify his bond. The state objected to the defense motion to modify bond from \$7,000 cash/surety to \$7,000 personal recognizance because of the defendant’s charges and history. Defense related that Powell would be staying at a halfway house in Charleston. The court in-

quired if the program has bond supervision by monitored home incarceration and will not allow modification unless this information is provided.

Shawn Barb, 33, of Hillsboro, appeared by video from the Tygart Valley Regional Jail for a bond reduction hearing. The state related that the defendant has been indicted and arraignment is set for January 5. Defense counsel advised that there is other counsel on some of the charges. The court deferred the ruling on

any issue of bond until arraignment and relates there are several other charges to consider.

Tanner Lee Moore, 25, of Marlinton, appeared by video from the Tygart Valley Regional Jail for a hearing on motion to set bail. The court set bond in the amount of \$200,000 cash/surety with conditions that the defendant have no direct or indirect, physical or verbal contact with the victim’s family and he is to be monitored by GPS monitoring.

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The Town of Hillsboro will hold its General Election Tuesday, June 13, 2023, to elect a Mayor, Town Recorder and five Council Members.

The four-year term of office will begin July 1, 2023.

Anyone interested in running for any of these offices should submit their name to the Town Recorder no sooner than January 9, 2023 and no later than 4 p.m. February 6, 2023.

Candidate announcement forms will be available at the Hillsboro Post Office.  
There is a \$5 filing fee.

**Town of Hillsboro  
P. O. Box 88, Hillsboro, WV 24946  
304-653-4005**

### Town of Durbin General Election Candidate Filing

The Town of Durbin shall hold a General Election on Tuesday, June 13, 2023.

Any persons desiring to run for any office may submit their names to the Town Recorder no sooner than January 9, 2023, and no later than 4 p.m. January 28, 2023.

All mailed Certificates of Announcement must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than midnight, January 28, 2023.

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### NOTICE Town of Marlinton General Election Candidate Filing

The Town of Marlinton shall hold a General Election on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. During the election, there shall be elected one Mayor, one Recorder, and five Council Members. They shall serve a four-year term starting July 1, 2023.

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## Greenbrier Grille

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### Benefit Spaghetti Dinner

**Thursday, January 12**

4 p.m. - closing. Spaghetti, garlic bread and dessert. Carry-out available.  
By donation. Proceeds will help Tena Bennett with funeral expenses.  
No open menu available for this event.  
**Call 304-799-7233 to pre-order.**





## Poetry Corner

### Birthdays

I thank whatever gods may be  
For all the happiness that's mine;  
That I am festive, fit and free  
To savour women, wit and wine;  
That I may game of golf enjoy,  
And have a formidable drive:  
In short, that I'm a gay old boy  
Though I be  
Seventy-and-five.

My daughter thinks,  
because I'm old  
(I'm not a crock, when all is said),  
I mustn't let my feet get cold,  
And should wear woollen socks in bed;  
A worsted night-cap too, forsooth!

To humour her I won't contrive:  
A man is in his second youth  
When he is  
Seventy-and-five.

At four-score years old age begins,  
And not till then, I warn my wife;  
At eighty I'll recant my sins,  
And live a staid and sober life.

But meantime let me whoop it up,  
And tell the world that I'm alive:  
Fill to the brim the bubbly cup -  
Here's health to  
Seventy-and-five!

~ Robert William Service  
(16th January 1949)

## Community Calendar

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Clean-up Day at the Northern Pocahontas Wellness Center**, Saturday, January 7, 9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers needed.

**The Marlinton Ranger Station** will accept Christmas trees until January 20 to be used as fish habitat in surrounding lakes on the national forest. All trees must be real and foreign objects must be removed.

**Green Box winter hours:** Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sundays, 1

to 4 p.m.

### EVENTS

**Green Bank Observatory and Eight Rivers Amateur Radio Club** will sponsor ARRL (American Radio Relay League) Kids Day at the GBO Science Center Saturday, January 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is an opportunity for kids to talk to other kids around the world with the help of local amateur radio operators (HAM). All family members are welcome to join in.

**Benefit spaghetti dinner at the Greenbrier Grille** Thursday, January 12, 4 p.m. to closing. By donation. Carry-out available. Proceeds will help Tena Bennett with funeral expenses. Call 304-799-7233 to pre-order.

### PARKS AND REC

**Yoga** - three locations, Tuesdays 5 p.m. at Durbin Library; Fridays, 5:30 p.m. at Cass Community Center; Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. at the Community Wellness Center in Marlinton.



## Marlinton Mayor's Corner

By Sam Felton

In reviewing 2022, I quickly realized two things.

Number one: Marlinton Town Council was forced to spend way too much time talking about signs, chickens and pigs.

Number two: there was way too much activity to recap in my Mayor's Corner. Nevertheless, the Town did see some accomplishments last year. The following touches on just a few:

In January 2022, the council acted on Codifying Town Ordinances and that task has been accomplished. This will benefit the Town and residents in many ways going forward. Thank you, BJ.

In February, the evaluation of the entire waste-water system began with Smoke Testing for the proposed sewer treatment project. Ironically, during that same time, we

experienced the failure of the Second Avenue Lift Station. The Town was fortunate to obtain emergency assistance via the Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (IJDC). Thank you, Dunn Engineers and Region 4.

By March, council acted on Resolution for Administering Funds for the Overlook Trail, which is now roughed in and will be completed in the spring. Thank you, Lauren Bennett and Ethan Burgess. Norris Long sought and received approval for the placement of a foundation base for a Pocahontas County Veterans Memorial Marker in the Gazebo Park on Main Street. However, the stone is yet to be placed.

During the May/June timeframe, the Code Enforcement Officer was making real progress with demolition of abandoned and dilapidated structures. These

properties have been eyesores in our Town for decades. It seemed nothing good was going to happen as long as they remained. Removal of these properties is certainly one of the biggest accomplishments of the past year and maybe for the last 20 years. The opportunities that their absence present were immediate.

Since my first day in office, the topic of abandoned and dilapidated buildings has remained a point of contention for all involved. Now, removal of these structures has created other issues, as well. The need for proper housing is not the least of them. But any method of removal is an ugly business. Each property must be handled individually.

Improving Public Safety through proper community notifications is difficult.

Things are finally moving, and residents will soon see another structure gone.

Thank you, Scott, and everyone involved.

Happy New Year,  
Sam

## Weather Recap

by Jason Bauserman

Temperatures and precipitation were very close to normal. Snowfall was lacking.

Ironically, the coldest and warmest temperatures of December appeared in the last eight days. The lowest temperature was -11 degrees on Christmas Eve. The highest temperature was 57 degrees on December 30.

The average high temperature was 38.2 degrees and the average low temperature was 20.2 degrees. The mean

of 29.2 degrees was 0.6 degrees below normal.

Precipitation was 3.94 inches and that was 0.20 inches above normal.

Precipitation for the year was 48.56 inches and that was my seventh wettest in 31 years of records. In my past eight years, four of my wettest years have appeared. They include 2015 - 49.79, 2018 - 64.23, 2020 - 50.89 and 2022 - 48.56.

Snow and slush that was measurable amounted to 2.8 inches and that was 11 inches below normal. November only had 1.2 inches with a normal of 4.2 inches. Snow through December is now 14 inches below normal.

In December, there were

three times that close to an inch of rain came down with temperatures hovering around 32 degrees. Another degree or two lower and snowfall would have piled up.

This was my coldest Christmas on record with a three degree temperature at 7:30 a.m.

Last year was my warmest Christmas on record with a 54 degree temperature at 7:30 a.m. and a high of 58 degrees on Christmas Day.

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## What's Cookin'?

With Sally Cobb

**Sesame Broccoli**  
1 tsp. grated fresh ginger root  
1 Tbsp. soy sauce or Bragg's Amino Acids  
1 tsp. sesame oil or toasted sesame oil  
1 Tbsp. fresh lemon or orange juice  
2 pounds broccoli florets and stalks  
1 Tbsp. sesame seeds, toasted  
Whisk together the ginger, soy sauce, oil and lemon or orange juice in a shallow serving bowl. Trim and cut the broccoli florets and stalks into 1/2-inch slices. Steam broccoli until crisp tender.

Transfer broccoli to the serving bowl and toss with the ginger sauce. Sprinkle with sesame seeds and fresh ground pepper, if desired. May substitute kale, chard or bok choy for the broccoli.

**Curried Chicken**  
1 chicken, cut up or 3 pounds chicken parts  
2-4 cloves garlic, chopped  
1/2 stick butter  
1/4 cup peanut or olive oil  
1 Tbsp. curry powder  
1 bunch green onions, thinly sliced  
1-2 fresh jalapeño peppers, finely chopped  
1 large onion, diced

2 ripe tomatoes, cubed  
1/2 bell pepper, chopped  
1 Tbsp. white poppy seed  
1/2 tsp. turmeric  
1 tsp. allspice  
1 tsp. cumin  
1 tsp. masala (optional)  
1 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. celery seed  
In a heavy pot, sauté garlic in oil and butter. Add chicken and curry powder. Cook for 5 minutes. Add green onions, onions, hot peppers, bell pepper and tomatoes. Cook for 10 minutes. Add seasonings. Cover and cook 20-25 minutes or until chicken is done. Serve over rice or pasta. Serves 6-8.

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

**A Hearty Thanks**  
*to the folks who helped make "A Christmas Weekend in Durbin" a success:*  
Ariana and Brain Pugh for donating the tree and organizing the parade; Sandy and Buster Varner for use of Station 2 Restaurant; Mike Vance for supplying the power to light the tree; and Beautification Committee Members Steve and Kelly Queen, Jennifer and Travis Samples, Kaitlyn and Hannah.  
*Thanks, John Osborne*

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Acct 202	Principles of Accounting II	T, TH	4 - 5:15 p.m.
Acct 212	Intermediate Accounting II	T, TH	5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
Acct 255	Cert Bookkeeper Prep/Acct	TH	7 - 9:50 p.m.
Biol 105	Intro to Anat./Physiology	M, W	5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
Biol 231	Human Anat./Physiology I	M, W	9 - 10:15 a.m.
Biol 232	Human Anat./Physiology II	T, TH	1 - 2:15 p.m.
Comm 208	Fund of Public Speaking	M, W	2 - 3:15 p.m.
Comm 208	Fund of Public Speaking	W	5 - 7 p.m.
Crmj 163	Criminal Law	W	5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
Crmj 208	Criminology	M	7 - 8:50 p.m.
Econ 212	Principles of Economics II	M	2 - 3:15 p.m.
Engl 102	Research	T	4 - 5:15 p.m.
Engl 102	Research	T, TH	9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Engl 212	Technical Writing	T, TH	11 - 12:15 p.m.
Hist 102	World Civilization	T, TH	2 - 3:15 p.m.
Hist 106	American History	M, W	9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Hist 106	American History	W	4 - 5:15 p.m.
Hlit 103	Legal Aspects of Hlth Info	T	11 - 1:50 p.m.
Hlit 112	Pharmacology	W	9:30 - 12:20 p.m.
Mast 105	Medical Terminology	T, TH	9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Math 101	Quantitative Reasoning	TH	4 - 5:15 p.m.
Math 101E	QR Enhanced	TH	4 - 6:15 p.m.

COURSE	SUBJECT	DAY	TIME
Math 109	Algebra	T, TH	5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
Math 109E	College Algebra Enhanced	T, TH	5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
Mgmt 210	Principles of Management	M	5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
Psyc 103	General Psychology	T	4 - 5:15 p.m.
Psyc 103	General Psychology	M, W	11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
Soci 210	Principles of Sociology	M	2 - 3:15 p.m.

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# Vandevender is tourney first game high scorer

**Bruce McKean**  
Contributing Writer

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The Pocahontas County Lady Warriors varsity basketball team made a trip to Braxton County December 28 to play in a two-day, four-school basketball tournament at the Armory gym in Gassaway.

On Wednesday, PCHS (3-3) played Class A ranked

(but non top 10 in the AP Preseason Poll) Greenbrier West (5-1).

PCHS started strong and won the first quarter 15-8 while hitting four treys. It was downhill after that as the four-quarter PC-GW scoring shows: 15-8, 3-15, 3-14 and 7-16. The PCHS field goal attempts per quarter were: first quarter – 5 of 12 (42 percent), second – 1 of 9 (11 percent), third – 1 of 7 (14 percent) and fourth – 2 of 15 (13 percent). PCHS made

more threes than twos in the game, 6 versus 3.

Game high scorer in the PCHS vs GWHS game was junior Olivia Vandevender with 16 points that included hitting 4 of 6 threes (67 percent), 5 steals, 3 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 deflections and 1 block. Another game high for Olivia was hitting 5 of 12 (42 percent) field goal attempts. Other game-high scorers were GWHS sophomores unless noted: Maddie Fields – 14 points, Preslee

Treadway – 9, Abigail Thomas – 8, senior Ava Barclay – 8 and freshman Brilee Redden – 7.

PCHS senior Riley Pollock made 2 of 5 (40 percent) three attempts. Other PCHS team highs were: junior Adelyn Warner – 3 steals, junior Kynlee Wilfong – 3 rebounds, sophomore Mackenzie Taylor – 3 rebounds and junior Miley Bircher – 1 block. All 11 Warriors saw some action in the game, including two freshmen Calli

Propst and Shayla Bennett, who dressed for their first varsity game, and 5 Warriors scored, while 11 of 14 Cavaliers played and 7 scored.

PCHS made only 9 of 43 field goal attempts (21 percent). PCHS had their worst rebounding effort this season by 10 rebounds, 18 versus 43 for West, and GWHS committed fewer turnovers, 34 versus 38 for PCHS. PCHS was called for more fouls, 16 versus 11, and made 4 of 6

(67 percent) free throws, while GWHS made 12 of 21 (57 percent). PCHS's record drops to (3-4), and GWHS improves to (6-1).

Highland, Virginia, girls JV will play the PCHS JV at 5:45 p.m. at Dunmore Monday, January 9, 2023. There will be no girls V game, but the PCHS V boys will play at 7:30 p.m.

PCHS V girls will play at Pendleton County at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, January 10, 2023. No JV game.

## Library, from page 1

books, however. It is a community and visitor's center, an activity studio and a home to a small history collection.

"We have WiFi – that's one of the biggest resources for our community, but then we also try to have crafts and fun stuff for the community," Walton said. "I'm trying to find my footing in that area to see what people want to happen here at the library and what people will come to participate in. We do have a kid crowd that comes in. They like the crafts. They like story time. That's always very nice."

Walton said she hopes to add some programming for the older crowd and has ideas for painting courses and cake bingo, just to name a couple.

"We're definitely planning on trying to get the community more involved with the library, even if it's not with books," she said. "Of course,

we want people to be familiar with the books we have and the best sellers that we're getting in, but we want people to know that we're more than a library. We are here for the community and want to have more of a community feel."

The library has a large multi-purpose room with a kitchen that is available to rent for parties and is the main site for the activities hosted by the library.

As visitors enter the library, they will notice two large glass cases filled with historical artifacts and photos. They belong to the Upper Pocahontas Community Cooperative and were collected by member Jason Baseman.

"They wanted to make a little museum – I think they're in the process of trying to figure that out – so they just put all of this here, so it's at least on display somewhere," Walton said. "People love it. When they come in, it's the first thing they see."

Among the collection are

several yearbooks from the Durbin School, which Walton said visitors are allowed to flip through, as long as they are careful.

Other services at the library include four public computers and a printer, and a movie collection people can borrow from in the same manner as library books. They can also use the library's fax machine for a small fee.

Although Walton wasn't sure what she wanted to do when she went to college, she is happy to have found her place as a librarian. So much so that she is studying to get her Master's degree in library science.

"I love it here," she said of the library. "I love the people. I love that it's more than a library. You have so many other resources. We have the books. We have the WiFi. We have the community room. We have movies."

Durbin Community Library is open Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Your, from page 3

The draw of ice a little closer to home.

Here in Pocahontas County, we have a tourist economy based partly on activities that take place on some form of ice.

When ice conditions are safe, you will find men, women and children sitting by holes augured into the ice of Watoga Lake. They are out there on the ice for the pure joy of enjoying the winter scenery and catching trout if they're biting.

When we get our first big snow this winter, you will find cross-country ski tracks on the Greenbrier River Trail and many of the trails in the Monongahela National Forest.

This ancient type of skiing, developed as a mode of travel over 5,000 years ago in Scandinavia, does not rely on gravity as it does with

downhill skiing. No lift lines and long waits are required when you're on "skinny skis."

One of the reasons why this sport is so healthy is that it is self-propelled. An hour of Nordic skiing (cross-country) burns an estimated 472 calories. Snowshoeing, a popular winter pastime in our mountains, burns about 450 calories for the same expenditure.

Meanwhile, up at Snowshoe Resort, there are 257 acres covered with natural and machine-made snow. Fourteen chair lifts are available to get skiers and snowboarders to the 60 runs at Snowshoe, including the 1.5-mile Cupp Run, designed by none other than Jean-Claude Killy, the 1960s skiing phe-

nom. People worldwide love to descend snow-covered slopes on skis; there is even an indoor skiing area in Harbin, China, the largest in the world.

We even find ski areas in the blisteringly hot desert. Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates, boasts a vast shopping mall that offers year-round indoor snow skiing.

Clearly, many people find joy and delight in water, even in its frozen state.

Here's hoping you can stick to those resolutions you made last weekend.

I'll sign off now and fetch some ice cubes for a wee dram of liquid libation to celebrate the newborn year.

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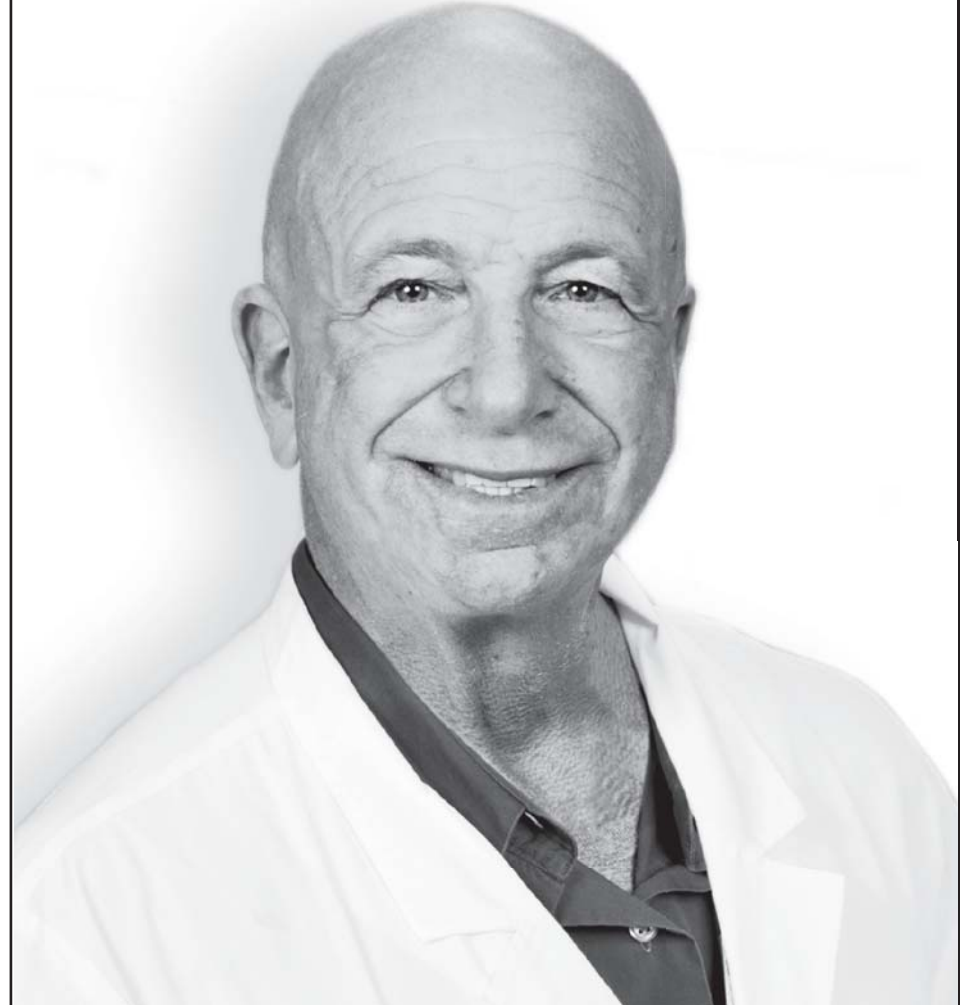
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# Obituaries



## Nancy Burks

Nancy Faith Diller Burks, 72, of Marlinton, passed away Wednesday, December 28, 2022, at her home.

Born July 23, 1948, in Marlinton, she was a daughter of the late Vernon Diller and Faith Wooddell.

Nancy was a Nuclear Gauge Density Technician for E.R. Totten Paving and a substitute teacher. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her step-father, Eugene Dillery.

She is survived by her daughter, Genny Workman, and husband, Chuck; son, John Paul Burks, and wife, Cindy, all of Buckeye; brother, Dwight Diller, of Marlinton; four grandchildren, Nicole Brock, and husband, Damon, of Dunmore, Jonathan, Logan and Hannah Burks, of Buckeye; two great-grandchildren Kaylor and Kooper Brock, of Dunmore; and special friend, Troy Sharp, of Marlinton.

In keeping with Nancy's wishes, the body will be cremated.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, January 7, 2023, 1 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Buckeye with Pastor David Moore officiating.

The family will receive friends from noon until time of service.

Online condolences may be shared at lantzfuneralhome.com

## Douglas Chadwick

Douglas Bartlett Chadwick, 70, of Hillsboro, passed away Sunday, January 1, 2023.

Arrangements are pending and are in the care of Snodgrass Funeral Home in South Charleston.

## Tommy Greathouse, Jr.

Tommy Oakland Greathouse, Jr., 55, of Bartow, passed away Sunday, December 25, 2022, at his home.

Born March 2, 1967, in Elkins, he was a son of the late Tommy Oakland Greathouse, Sr. and Sandy Lambert Greathouse.

Tommy had worked at The Inter-Mountain newspaper and had been a logger.

He is survived by sisters, Penny Lynn Parrott, and fiancé, Frankie Varner, of Durbin, and Sheila Good, of Durbin; nieces and nephews, Jessica Acosta, Samantha Parrott, and fiancé, Erik Cancel, Daniel, Steven and Curtis Good; and several great-nieces-and-nephews.

Funeral service was held Friday, December 30, 2022, at the Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home.

Burial was in the Arbovale Annex Cemetery.

Online condolences may be shared at WallaceandWallaceFH.com

## Daniel Lewis

Daniel Noah Lewis, 64, of Davidson County, North Carolina, passed away Thursday, December 1, 2022, at his home.

Born September 20, 1958, in Greenbrier County, he was a son of Harold Lewis and Anna Rudd Keene. He was raised by Anna Keene and the late LC Keene.

For most of his life, he worked as a machinist for CPM Wolverine Proctor. He was proud to have roots in West Virginia and enjoyed watching the Colts play football.

He is survived by his daughter, Stephanie Lewis, of Denton, North Carolina; grandson, Johnathon Coble; granddaughter, Hailey Coble; great-grandchildren, Rylee and Raelynn Coble; and former wife, Drema McCarty, who always remained special to him.

## Raymond Shinaberry

Raymond Gray Shinaberry, 87, of Marlinton, passed away Monday, January 2, 2022, at Peyton Hospice House in Fairlea.

Born March 10, 1935, he was a son of the late Harvey Buzzard and Anna Landis Shinaberry.

Raymond attended West View Baptist Church and was an active member of CEOS, American Legion and Woodmen of the World. He was a maintenance and construction worker.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a grandson; brother, Thurman Shinaberry; and sister, Monda Mason.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Reed Shinaberry; daughters, Sheila Baker (Dennis), of Triadelphia, Melissa Kerr, of Hillsboro, and Kimberly Jack (Erick), of Marlinton; sons, Marshall Shinaberry (Mary), Stacey Shinaberry (Lisa), all of Marlinton, and Kenney Shinaberry, of Hillsboro; 11 grandchildren, Jennifer, Kayla, Krista, Merandia, Derrick, Brittani, Tyler, Savannah, Jacob, Clayton and Dillon; and three great-grandsons.

In keeping with his wishes, the body will be cremated and there will be no service.

Online condolences may be shared at Lantzfuneralhome.com



## Samuel Wilkins

Samuel Curry Wilkins, age 51, of Seneca Rocks, passed away Sunday, December 25, 2022, at his home.

Born April 22, 1971, in Petersburg, he was a son of Patricia Arbogast Harrison and husband, Michael, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, and

Jack Curry Wilkins and wife, Shirley Wilfong Wilkins, of Hillsboro.

Curry was a 1989 graduate of Circleville High School and had attended Potomac State College. He attended Cherry Grove Baptist Church. He enjoyed spending time with his buddies, Ben, Andy and Steve, on the Hinkle Farm or at the family cabin on Rich Mountain.

Curry's legacy is in his family and friends within the community. As a result of an accident in his early years, the Greater Shenandoah Valley Brain Injury Support Group was founded which has created many opportunities for traumatic brain injury survivors in the Greater Shenandoah Valley area.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Jack and Dolly Wilkins and Paul Arbogast.

In addition to his parents, those left to cherish his memory are a brother, Carlton Wilkins, of Riverton; sister, Rebecca "Becky" Wilkins, of Riverton; half-sisters, Susan Wilkins Taylor and Sarah Wilkins Brown, both of Hillsboro; half-brother, Jonathon Wilkins, of Hillsboro; grandmother, Izetta Canfield Arbogast, of Circleville; niece, Makayla Wilkins, of Riverton; great-nephew, Tabor Wilkins Gillespie, of Riverton; maternal aunts and uncles, Joan and Gene McConnell and Debra and Boyd Lucas, all of Circleville; James and Debra Arbogast, of Seneca Rocks; paternal aunts and uncles, Dotsy and Harlan Miller, of Blacksburg, Virginia; and Jane Wilkins, of Riverton; and special friend, Samantha Boggs, of Petersburg.

A Celebration of Life was held Saturday, December 31, 2022, in the Basagic Funeral Home Chapel in Franklin with Pastor Ted Bennett and Rev. Debra Lucas officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Greater Shenandoah Valley Brain Injury Support Group, POB 2121, Harrisonburg, VA 22801.

In honoring Curry's wishes, the body has been cremated.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.



## Senior Legal Aid

Deb Miller, JD Volunteer

"I shouldn't be doing this again," Marlene thought to herself.

Her daughter, Wendy, was asking her for another \$1,000 loan (the eighth so far). It had become almost a monthly habit, leaving Marlene feeling upset and frustrated. She would never think of doing that to her daughter. Besides, she had two other children and four grandchildren to consider.

To date, Wendy had not paid back a single penny from any of the earlier loans and had flippantly commented more than once that she just saw it as her future inheritance received now.

Like others in the same situation, Marlene was upset that Wendy couldn't handle money better and didn't mind waltzing in and requesting more from her mom. Marlene's own budget was stretched thin these days.

With a sense of dread, Marlene also wondered who else she was taking money from. Wendy had probably not repaid them either. She could be charming when it suited her.

Wendy and her boyfriend had recently gone on a nice beach vacation. Knowing approximately how much it had cost, it hurt Marlene that Wendy now wanted even more money from her.

Thinking back, she regretted not discussing budgeting and repayment and requiring a written loan agreement that

would include a full repayment schedule. Otherwise, no loan.

When needed, there is a 10-year statute of limitations under West Virginia law for suing the debtor on written loan agreements. On verbal loan agreements, it's five years.

To try to collect an unpaid loan without suing, you can write a demand letter and mail it to the debtor. Use the "return receipt requested" postal delivery service.

In the letter, you can describe the loan, demand repayment and let the debtor know of your intent to take legal action if needed.

If no repayment occurs and the total of the loans is \$10,000 or less, you can file a lawsuit in the county magistrate court where the debtor lives. If the debt is more, the

lawsuit needs to be filed in circuit court.

After the debtor is served a copy of the official complaint, he or she can file a written response.

Next, a hearing will be scheduled during which evidence about the loans and their terms, as well as testimony about the lack of repayment, will be needed to prove the case. The debtor will present their defense.

Winning the lawsuit does not mean that collection of the amount owed will be easy or automatic. Before suing, take into account whether the person has a job or owns real estate or other assets that could be used to pay off the debt. If the person is collection proof, suing won't result in getting paid.

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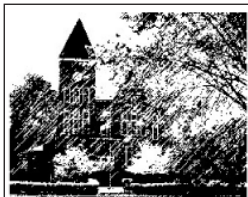
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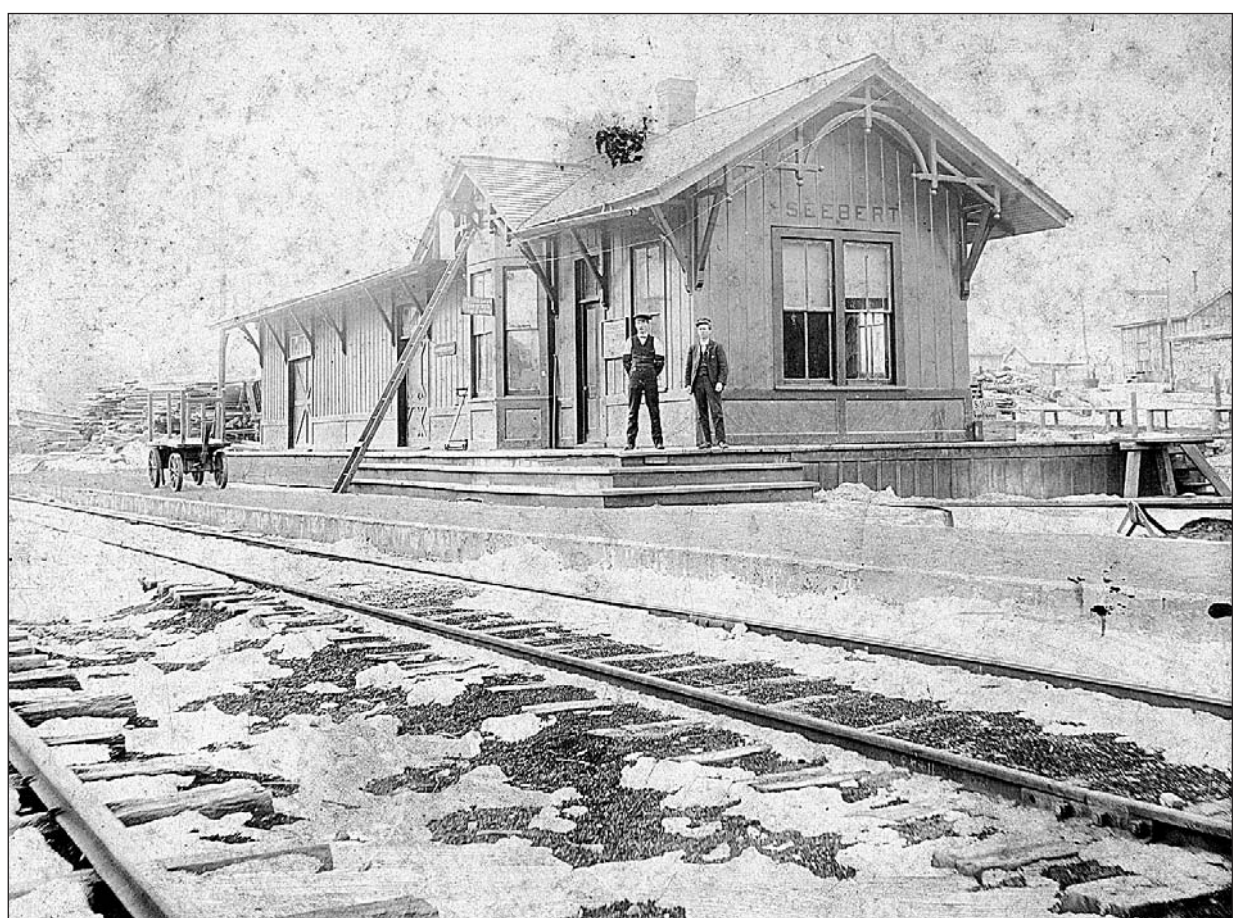
*Psalms 25:4 Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.*



# Preserving Pocahontas

B. J. Gudmundsson, Preservation Officer

## Seebert Train Station – circa 1906



THE TRAIN STATION at Seebert after the freight room had been added to the left end of the building. Two employees are standing on the platform. On the left is Craig Friel, the Station Helper, and on the right is Burton Jones, Agent and Telegraph Operator. Seebert is located on the Greenbrier River 8.0 miles southwest of Marlinton and 6.8 miles northeast of the Greenbrier County line. (Mildred Slavin Collection, Courtesy of Tom Rose, ID: PHP000935)

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## Seventy-Five Years Ago

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday,  
January 8, 1948

Of course, we do forget, but I still hold to it that I never heard such a heavy thunderstorm in winter as the one which centered about Marlinton last Thursday night. Along after midnight came thunder claps to shake beds. As expected, the weather suddenly cooled back to the fine winter weather we have been enjoying so much the past several weeks.

You know the three rule days – January 1, 2 and 3. The ancients held the first day governs January, the second, February, and the third, March. So, look for cold rains and snow through the first month; plenty of winter in February; and a moderate, sunshiny March.

Ice flowed in the Greenbrier for several hours Friday morning, for the first break-up of the year. It was a surprise to see how much ice had formed.

Mack Brooks started in the sunshine for a trip to

Charleston last Saturday. On the Cranberry and Kennison Mountains he encountered frost and sleet and ice. At Richwood the State Police advised him to turn back unless it was absolutely necessary for him to make the trip – the roads being so dangerous from ice. Back home again, he found a fine early spring like day.

### WEDDINGS

Miss Betty Jo Perkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Perkins, of Marlinton, was married Monday, December 15, 1947, at the First Methodist Church in Washington, D. C., to John Buly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mitro Buly, of New Castle, Pennsylvania...

The groom served three years in the A. A. F. and was discharged with the rating of First Lieutenant.

Following a reception at the Twenty Four Hundred Hotel, the couple left for a western wedding trip...

George H. Vaughan, of Marlinton, and Miss Mary Jane Palmer, of Princeton, were married Wednesday, December 31, 1947, in

Princeton.

Mr. and Mrs. Oda Gay announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Kathleen, to Ray Omer Corbett, of Dunmore, on December 13, 147, at Monterey, Va.

The groom saw 37 months' service in the European theatre of war...

Mr. and Mrs. Dency E. Sharp announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty Sue Sharp, to Oliver R. McPaters, son of Mrs. Abbie McPaters, of Marlinton, the wedding taking place at the Methodist parsonage at Lewisburg Thursday, December 25, 1947...

Mr. and Mrs. Allie E. Sheets, of Durbin, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rowena Alice Sheets, to Joseph K. Bryson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Bryson, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

### BIRTH

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Boggs, December 28, 1947, a son.

### DEATHS

Mrs. Geneva Sharp Wooddell, aged 62 years, wife of Edgar B. Wooddell died Tuesday evening, December 30, 1947, at her home on Jerico Road. On Friday afternoon her body was laid to

rest in the family plot in Mountain View Cemetery, the service being held from the new church on Stony Creek.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sharp. She is survived by her husband and their 10 children, Ada, Alice, Betty, Mrs. Lewis Dumire, Mrs. Clifford Barkley, Mrs. Vernon Diller, Melvin, Porter, Arch and Uriah.

Mrs. Anna Belle Clark Bruffey, aged 81 years, died December 28, 1947, at the home of her son, Dennis, at Nitro. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dick Bruffey. Mrs. Bruffey is survived by five sons and three daughters... The funeral service was conducted in her home town of Richwood with interment in the Taylor Cemetery.

Otho E. Gum, aged 71 years, died at his home near Huntersville December 31, 1947. On Friday, the funeral was held from the Minnehaha Springs Methodist church. His body was laid in the family plot in Mountain View Cemetery.

The deceased was a native of Highland County, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gum.

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### OPENS TAN YARD

Edgar L. Smith has re-established an old time Pocahontas home industry in opening a tan yard at his farm near Seebert. He is a tanner by trade, as his ancestors were before him. His specialty is tanning hides for rugs – sheep and other hides. Mr. Smith says that so little care is taken with hides that few of them that come into his hands are fit to be made into rugs. The most of them are badly skinned, poorly kept and improperly salted and cured.

This writer is glad that Mr. Smith has a tan yard again, and hopes that he will have sufficient patronage to make it profitable.

### BIRTH

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Grady King, of Seebert, a daughter, named Eunice Scott King.

### DIED

Rev. Gratton Summers Weiford, son of James and Elizabeth Weiford was born

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## 100-Years-Ago in The Pocahontas Times

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday,  
January 4, 1923

The old year faded away. It seemed to get away in a shorter time than usual. It does not seem long since we were all whistling to keep our courage up at the beginning of a year that tried men's souls more than ordinary. The year of 1922 marked the low ebb of the reaction that set in after the war. The savings of the people seemed to be fed into markets to buy food. It looked like the country was being drained of money to go on with. It was not due to natural causes. The crops had been good and the health of the people and their ability to work was up to the average. But that frame of mind was there that causes hard times. The fear of the future called for cutting down expenditures. People did without

luxuries. They wore their old clothes. They economized in shoes. They did without meat. They had been lectured and fussed with about waste until they might near ruined the country. But along about August things took a turn for the better and by the time the Christmas season was in full swing, they were spending money right and left and the prospects are good for a bountiful year, with work for everyone who wants work.

The signs now are that we have got our courage back and that we will go along pretty well for a while. The year was harder on the farmer than any other class. He had been handed a jolt that very near took his breath away, but he carried on. That is one good thing about the farming business, the momentum keeps them going over the break when the

earth gives way beneath their feet...

The farmer has his home and his work. He has the benefit of living such a life as men are fitted to live. A life of outdoor employment and a shelter from the storm.

Compared to the stagnation that affected business just a year ago, it is not too much to say that we look forward to the new year with hope and confidence and we are ready to face the music, which means that we are ready to confront anything, any contingency, with boldness and address ourselves to all undertakings with courage.

### COACHES

John S. Kellison, coach for Washington and Jefferson football team for the past season, is at home on the farm for a few months. He and Greasy Neal, another famous football expert and coach, have under consideration an offer from Columbia University to manage and coach their football team for the 1923 season.



## Fifty Years Ago

Jane Price Sharp, Editor

Thursday,  
January 4, 1973

The following incident is an example of what invariably happens when you start to tell a new acquaintance you are from a small town he never heard of. This was related by Mrs. C. K. Dilley about her son-in-law:

John Whitman, formerly of Marlinton, was recently elected secretary treasurer for the Society of Engineers in Savannah, Georgia. Sitting next to the president at the installation dinner, the usual discourse stared about native states and towns, and “a little town you never hear of.”

“Try me,” was the answer. The president was Shelton McKeever, a native of Hillsboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray McKeever.

### WOMAN'S CLUB

The Marlinton Woman's Club went to the country home of Mrs. Gordon Dilley for a Christmas party December 15. The house was beautifully decorated inside and out. Members answered roll call with memories of Christmas from their childhood. Mrs. Edward Stemple read “A Christmas Story,” by Pearl Buck. Mrs. J. Z. Johnson read a humorous poem about Santa Claus throughout the world, and Mrs. Maynard Crawford read the beloved Christmas story from Luke.

The club members remembered patients at Denmar and Weston with gifts...

Sandwiches, cookies, candy and punch were served in the dining room by Mrs. Dave Sharpes.

### BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Buckingham, of Kingwood, a son, named Jeffrey Allen. The mother is the former Donna Hansford.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver L. Wilfong, of Hatfield, Pennsylvania, a daughter, named Donna Mae. Mrs. Wilfong is the former Judy Ann Circosta.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Taylor, of Harrisonburg, Virginia a son, named Raymond Mathews.

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## Footsteps through History

The Pocahontas Times  
Andrew Price, Editor

Thursday,  
January 7, 1898

### THE BOGUS PREACHER

Rev. John A. Ratliff will be prevented by force of circumstances from filling any appointment made by him. His next sermon will be delivered before a congregation of twelve, from the text: “A Horse is a Vain Thing for Safety.”

Henry Dawson and E. F. Beard, of Alvon, Greenbrier County, arrived here New Year's day with the sham evangelist and placed him in jail on the charge of stealing J. W. Miller's horse, at Academy...

He was tried and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. At the same time, another horse thief was sentenced to two years. The judge remarked that as a preacher ought to set a better example than a layman, he would give him one year longer.

### The Romantic Burke McCall

The latest intelligence from Burke McCall, who made a horse trading trip through this county last summer and camped in tents with his wife and employees, is that he eloped with the Queen of a band of gypsies who had camped near Moorefield in Hardy county. McCall had also been encamped near Moorefield but, the day before, apparently broke camp and left. However, he returned in the evening, and, by previous arrangement, under the cover of darkness, ran away with the Queen. When the elopement was discovered, the whole encampment turned out, but the night was very dark and, as the elopers had a good start, they were not overtaken.

### Report of the Swago School

For the month ending December 24, 1897: Number of girls enrolled 13; boys 16.

Number of pupils engaged in the study of orthography 24; reading 20; penmanship 15; general history 1; United States history 11; geography 13; physiology 6; language lessons 3.

Pupils neither absent nor tardy for the month are Jennie Fleming, Pearl McNeill, Elsie May, Phebia McNeill, Malvin Overholt, Joe Hanna, Dorsey Little, Jammie and Ruby McNeill and Hunter Lightner.

### WEDDING

Doyle - Kramer

A very auspicious society event transpired at the home of Philip Kramer, Esq. near Clover Lick at high noon Wednesday, December 29, when Mr. John H. Doyle and Miss Lou Edna Kramer were united in the holy bonds of matrimony; Rev. Wm. T. Price officiating...

About one hundred guests were present, and a very beautiful and well prepared dinner was served. When it was known that the dining arrangements were supervised by Mrs. Dr. Ligon, it will go without saying that everything was done in a very befitting and satisfactory style, aided, as she was, by alert and attentive assistants...

### BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

AMONG the persons who have been identified with our county history, the Cochran relationship claim recognition. For more than a hundred years the name has been a familiar one. The Pocahontas Cochrans are the descendants of Thomas Cochran, senior, a native of Ireland, one of three brothers settled in Augusta and his descendants are highly respected in that county. Another of these Cochrans went to Kentucky, it is believed.

Thomas Cochran married a Miss MacKemie, near Parnassus in Augusta county, and settled first at the Rankin place, on the Greenbrier,

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## Colonial Queen Bee

Melody Phillips, Staff Writer  
<https://www.youtube.com/@QueenBee1755>

**Never give up**

I grew up with the unspoken mottoes “waste not, want not,” “make do or do without” and “never give up.”

My dad would go hunting every chance he had. Not only did he love to hunt, but it provided most of the meat we used throughout the year. Whenever he brought home a deer or a rabbit, I wanted to turn the hide into leather. Since no one in my family knew how to do this, a part of me was always saddened as I saw the hide get tossed away. I saw it as a waste.

With the help of books from the library, I tried many times over the years to create leather from one of those hides; failing miserably every time and sometimes ending up with a fetid pile of mush. Although discouraged, this country girl doesn’t give up easily.

Years passed, I got married and had children. I loved teaching my boys about the great outdoors and how to use nature to make things. Once, while they were very young, we went on a field

trip to a living history park. As we wandered along the lightly graveled trail and encountered the breathtaking surroundings, I became aware of the fact that I was in my element.

After passing through the 1600s primitive camp and meandering through the forest trail, we turned a corner to discover a 1750s encampment. The interpreter was standing by a log, which was lifted on one end to waist height. The log was held up by two logs under it for legs. The top ends of the legs had been rounded off and inserted into holes on the underside of the main log. There was something draped over the upper end of the log which appeared to be an animal hide. It grabbed my attention and off I ran to see this sight.

The interpreter was demonstrating how deer hides were hand dressed (brain tanned) in the 1700s frontier. OH, BOY! I started asking question after question. About an hour into this onslaught, he suggested I get a certain book and read it.

On the way home, we



stopped by a library to get the book and, of course, they didn’t have a copy. They placed a hold order with a sister branch and said they would call when it came in. I went home and anxiously awaited its arrival.

The day came when the library called to inform me the book was in, and I drove out to retrieve it. Once I got home, I studied every page. Then I had to wait for hunting season to obtain a hide. Good grief! So close, yet so far away.

Hunting season arrived and I acquired my coveted

hide. I worked diligently on every step of the process. It took about a week to complete, with the final step taking most of the day. I did it! The hide came out so soft and beautiful. I just had to go back to the patient man I annoyed and show him what I did.

While holding the supple hide he asked if I might be interested in volunteering there to teach the public how to process them.

This happened more than 20 years ago and opened a new chapter in my life as a historical interpreter. I

learned many more skills during that time which, in turn, opened more doors.

Failures will happen. We often learn more from our failures than from our successes. Do we allow the failure to define who we are, or do we use it as a stepping-stone to grow.

Thomas Edison is often quoted as saying, “I haven’t failed 10,000 times; I’ve successfully found 10,000 ways that it won’t work.”

Although there are times when giving up on something is appropriate; when we are having trouble finding a job, going through health issues, or just wanting to learn something new, don’t give up. You never know what doors may open if you keep trying.

**Seeds, from page 1**

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CYNTHIA D. BEVERAGE, Petitioners,**

**Civil Action No. 22-FIG-14**

**vs**

**DESTINY V. BEVERAGE  
DAVID W. BEVERAGE, JR.  
UNKNOWN FATHER, Respondents**

**THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS  
TO OBTAIN INFANT GUARDIANSHIP**

To the Above Named Respondent: DESTINY V. BEVERAGE. It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that the address of DESTINY V. BEVERAGE is unknown.

The Court orders the parties to appear on the 14th day of February 2023 at 12:00 p.m. at the location of Family Court, 810 10th Avenue, Marlinton, WV, where a final hearing will be held on the Petition for Infant Guardianship, at which time you may appear to protect your interests.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court, January 3, 2023.

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# Aboard the USS Decatur



**PHILIPPINE SEA (Jan. 1, 2023)** U.S. Navy Electronics Technician 3rd Class Kyle Lester, from Pocahontas County, reloads an M240B machine gun during a live-fire weapons qualification aboard the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Decatur (DDG 73). Decatur, part of the Nimitz Carrier Strike Group, is currently underway in 7th Fleet conducting routine operations. 7th Fleet is the U.S. Navy's largest forward-deployed numbered fleet, and routinely interacts and operates with 35 maritime nations in preserving a free and open Indo-Pacific region. Lester is the son of James and Angela Lester, Marlinton, and the husband of Hannah Lester. U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class David Ne-gron

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### DEATHS

Mrs. Mary C. Skaggs, 61, of Marlinton, a graduate of Glenville State College, a member of Marlinton United Methodist Church, and a teacher in Pocahontas County school for 37 years... Burial in Mountain View Cemetery. Frank Paul Sharpberg, 90, of Morgantown and Beckley; he had been living with his son, Warren D. Sharpberg. Born at Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, a son

of the late Henry and Anna Gressler Sharpberg... Burial in West Newton Cemetery, West Newton, Pa.

William H. Gilmore, 93, of Marlinton, a son of the late George P. Gilmore and Loretta Duncan Gilmore. He was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy Hefner Gilmore... Burial in Cochran Cemetery.

Odie John Friel, 42, of Marlinton, died in Clawson of an apparent heart attack. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Florina B. Friel.

Cecil Rexrode, 79, of Bartow; funeral service in the Durbin Church of the Brethren; burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Otis S. Lester, 57, of Minnehaha Springs; born on Beaver Creek, a son of the late William Dave and Ina J. Lester. Burial in the Beaver Creek Cemetery.

Mrs. Gladys Kathleen Moore Newman, 65, of Waynesboro, Virginia. Born in Pocahontas County, a daughter of the Isaac Brown and Sadie Hamilton Moore.

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near Frost June 14, 1856, and died at his home at Warwick December 14, 1922 aged 66 years and 6 months.

He was united in marriage with Rebecca Annie Dilley November 17, 1879. Of this union six sons and six daughters were born.

He was licensed to preach when about 19 years of age... He owned a farm and was a

merchant and Post Master at Warwick, where he resided for many years...

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Cora E. Carpenter, wife of J. E. Carpenter, born May 11,

1873, died December 31, 1922, age 49 years. Since the first of August Mrs. Carpenter had been in failing health...

All that could be done to save her life. She is survived by her husband and five children, Vida, Claude, Alma, Arlie and Arlon, all at home... The funeral was conducted from the Baxter Church and the body was laid to rest in the Dunmore cemetery.

One life is absent from our home.

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near the mouth of Locust Creek. Then he moved to the place now held by Colonel J. W. Ruckman and son, Matthews. The relationship is so widely extended that it is only possible to trace his descendants to a degree where the present generation can take up the line and complete it.

By the first marriage there were three daughters and two sons.

One daughter, became Mrs. William Carraway, and lived on Muddy Creek, Greenbrier county.

Nancy, a daughter of the pioneer, became Mrs. Masters, and went to Ohio.

Mary, the third daughter, was married to William Auldridge, Sr.

John Cochran married Elizabeth (Betsy) James, daughter of David James,

Sr., at the end of Droop Mountain, and settled near Marvin on property recently occupied by Michael Scales. They had four sons and four daughters.

David James Cochran married a Miss Corby, in Augusta county, and went to Clay county. His son, William Cochran, represented that county in the legislature a few years since.

William Cochran, son of Thomas the progenitor, first married Jane Young, near Swago. Her children were Washington and Elizabeth...

Captain William Cochran's second marriage was with Melinda Moore, daughter of the late Aaron Moore, on the Greenbrier. Her children were William Cochran, junior, and Catherine, now Mrs. Giles Sharp.

Captain Cochran was a busy man of affairs, noted as a skillful blacksmith, and built the first tilt-hammer on Swago. He was Captain of the Stony Creek militia, su-

perintended the construction of the Warm Springs and Huntersville turnpike, and was superintendent of the Lewisburg and Marlin's Bottom Road. The Captain also took much interest in church affairs as a prominent layman of the M. P. church.

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William S. Gragg, 86, of Dunmore, died at Vago at the home of his son, Lockie, January 1, 1948. He was a member of Baxter Presbyterian church, where the funeral was conducted.

Services were held in the Durbin Methodist church Sunday afternoon, December 21, for

Staff Sergeant William Watts. Sergeant Watts was killed in the Battle of the Bulge, January 23, 1945. He was 20 years old. His body was first laid in the Henri Chapel Cemetery in Belgium.

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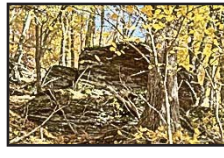
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