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GBEMS students win at State Science Fair

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

Four Green Bank Elementary-Middle School students advanced to the State Science Fair, which was held at the Charleston Coliseum March 6. At the event, fourth grader Madelyn Rittenhouse placed first with her project, titled “Balloon:” and eighth graders Thomas Arbogast, Morgan Beverage and Steven Queen placed third with their project, titled “Which Mass of Arrowheads Penetrates the Deepest.”

Rittenhouse said she wanted to determine if it took more weight to make a helium balloon sink in warm air or cold air. With the help of her dad, Nathan, Rittenhouse tested her theory in

four areas at her house – living room, dining room, cellar and high tunnel.

“It did the exact same thing [in the dining room] as it did in the living room – four paperclips,” she said. “Dad and I think the reason it did that is those two rooms are right next to each other, so it kind of makes a little bit of sense. Then we went into our cellar and it took five paperclips.”

Rittenhouse said she expected the high tunnel to be the same as the cellar, but after adding eight paperclips to the string on the balloon and getting no movement, she was a bit perplexed. Then her dad realized what went wrong.

“The high tunnel plastic and the helium balloon were creating static electricity so it



MADELYN RITTENHOUSE PLACED first in her division and category at the State Science Fair with her project “Balloon.” wouldn’t come down,” she said. “In the end it only took five paperclips, which makes a lot more sense.”

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PLACING THIRD AT the State Science Fair in their division and category were, from left – Morgan Beverage, Steve Queen and Thomas Arbogast – with their project titled, “Which Mass of Arrowheads Penetrates the Deepest.” S. Stewart photos

Colonial Queen Bee

Melody Phillips
Staff Writer

Setting up the greenhouse interior

Setting up the inside of a greenhouse is a very personal thing for a gardener. Everyone has different ideas and uses their greenhouse in a variety of ways.

Do you plan to plant directly into beds or do any container gardening inside the greenhouse? Is the greenhouse just for starting seeds or (please say no to this one) storing gardening supplies? Or, maybe you just need a place to over winter some potted plants.

I do a little of all of the above – I need a storage shed!

We finished building the main structure of my greenhouse right before the cold hit the first year. I didn’t have time to do anything to the inside but I was able to use it to over-winter some plants.

The following spring I started working on the inside of the greenhouse. Due to land space constraints the greenhouse runs from north to south. I installed a permanent raised bed along the west wall that wraps around to the north wall. I chose this wall for two reasons: first, trees growing along the east wall (not on our property) block some of the morning sun; and secondly, due to the slope of the yard, the west wall ground level is lower so I didn’t need to dig in as much.

Even though I live in grow zone 5, I enjoy growing some zone 8-11 plants. A special setup is required for this to happen in my traditional above ground greenhouse. I am not set up to harness geothermal heat. I also don’t have a great amount of thermal mass for a battery bank and since my greenhouse is a bit on the smaller side I don’t want to fill it up with water barrels to accomplish that.

In addition to the heating issues, we are often visited by little critters, such as voles, so while building the raised beds I had the opportunity to plan for this.

After digging down and leveling off at the depth I wanted, I poured a thin layer of concrete. The purpose of the concrete was to prevent critters from digging up into the beds. The concrete would also be completely covered so it didn’t need to look pretty; dry pouring would work here.

I ripped and used rough-cut boards to build the bed. The untreated boards will decay over time but they were a lot cheaper, and I’m not concerned about them leaching chemicals into my garden soil.

Drainage is important for healthy plant growth so at this point I installed a drainage system. I drilled holes along the bottom and sides of a 4-inch PVC pipe. I then cut out a 2-inch hole for connecting another pipe to it which would lead to outside.



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Since we were under a great time constraint while building the foundation and didn’t think about a drainage hole until it was too late, digging the drainage canal under the foundation now was the most fun part of this endeavor – NOT.

Once the pipe was installed, I filled in the area around it with untreated scrap lumber and large

gravel. I then placed some landscaping fabric over that to keep the soil from seeping into the pipe and added a little more gravel over that. I filled the rest of the bed with soil and compost, leaving about two inches at the top. The two inches at the top will be for the mulch.

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With retirements come change for the school system

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

At the last Pocahontas County Board of Education meeting, the board approved retirement for seven employees, leading superintendent Terrence Beam to look at the future of those positions. Beam has said in the past, when there is a retirement, the board office looks at the needs of the school system and decides if a particular position should be posted as is, or changed to better serve the students.

Two retirements that led to some reconfiguration were those of directors Ron Hall and Ruth Bland. Hall is the director of maintenance, school safety and attendance. Bland is director of transportation, special education, preschool and technology.

“We’re losing a lot of experience and a lot of knowledge in their jobs,” Beam said. “We realized – especially with Mrs. Bland’s job – she has so many different responsibilities, you can’t just hire one person to stick in that spot and expect them to perform the way Mrs. Bland has done.”

With that in mind, Beam said the two positions have been changed and will be posted as such – one direc-

tor of maintenance, school safety and transportation and one director of secondary education.

Several of Bland’s director jobs will be taken on by current staff members, Beam explained. The technology support staff will take over the technology duties; director Lynne Bostic will add special education and preschool to her duties as the elementary education director.

“So we’ll have a directory of elementary education,” Beam said. “We’ll have a director of secondary education. We’ll have maintenance and transportation, and food service and attendance. That will cover all the major areas.”

Julie Shiflet is the director for food service and attendance.

Beam said he is confident the board office can maintain all the duties with the four director positions, but he thinks there might be a need for a fifth secretary.

“We can maintain four directors,” he said. “I am going to ask the board at some point to add a fifth secretary because we had five secretaries just a few years ago.”

Beam explained that with the sensitivity of information involved in special education, he would

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Applications & Qualifications - The student must be a resident of Pocahontas County. Applications are available at the PCHS guidance counselor’s office or the CVB office in Marlinton.

Application Deadline: Applications and all attachments must be received by the Pocahontas County Convention & Visitors Bureau, P.O. Box 275, Marlinton, WV 24954, **no later than April 1.**

For any questions about the program please contact the Pocahontas County CVB at 304-799-4636 weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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Snowshoe FOUNDATION

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Hattersley named District Ranger for Gauley and Marlinton-White Sulphur Districts

Forest Supervisor Shawn Cochran has selected Randolph County native Jason Hattersley to serve as the district ranger for the Gauley and Marlinton-White Sulphur Ranger Districts on Monongahela National Forest.

"Jason brings more than 20 years of natural resource experience and a diverse set of skills to Monongahela National Forest," Cochran said. "I've enjoyed working with him on our management team in previous temporary positions and look forward to seeing all that he will accomplish as a district ranger."

Hattersley will oversee the management of more than 400,000 acres of National Forest System lands in four counties, including Greenbrier, Pocahontas, Nicholas and Webster. In this new role, he will work with communities, landowners and other organizations on the shared stewardship of Monongahela National Forest.

"I'm honored to serve the American public and the Forest Service as the district ranger for the Gauley and Marlinton-White Sulphur



Jason Hattersley

Districts," Hattersley said. "It has been a pleasure to engage with employees and the communities we serve, and I consider it a great privilege to manage and care for this spectacular landscape."

Hattersley spent his formative years in Mill Creek, and later moved to Lexing-

ton, Virginia, where he resides with his wife, Tamara, and two children. He is a graduate of Dabney S. Lancaster Community College with a degree in forestry. Hattersley began his federal career as a firefighter before

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Helicopter logging to begin in West Fork Timber Sale

Helicopter logging operations are scheduled to begin on or around March 28 in the West Fork Timber Sale north of Bartow on Monongahela National Forest.

Two areas of this project will be logged using helicopters. National Forest System lands in both areas will be closed to public use during helicopter logging operations to provide for public safety. Please obey all posted signs. The Span Oak closure is

bounded by Span Oak Run and Ellick Run north of Bartow. Forest Road 224 (Span Oak Road), typically open to Class Q hunters, is within this area and will be closed to all use during this project. Heavy log truck traffic is expected on County Route 250/4 (John's Run Road) during times of active logging operations. Use caution when driving in this area.

The Forest Road 475 closure includes closing the entirety of Forest Road 475 and

is bounded by U.S. Route 250 and a line 200 feet west of the Shaver's Fork River west of Durbin. This will allow for fishing to continue in and along the Shaver's Fork. Allegheny Trail users hiking the "high-water route" must bypass the closed area by using State Route 250/1 and U.S. 250.

For more information, contact the Greenbrier Ranger District at 304-456-3335. Additional information and updates will be posted at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/mnf>

MNF plans spring prescribed burns

Monongahela National Forest staff plans to conduct prescribed burns on 1,251 acres in Pocahontas, Greenbrier and Pendleton counties from March through June, weather permitting. The purposes of these treatments are to re-establish fire's natural role in the forest ecosystem, improve forest health and wildlife habitat, and reduce the threat of catastrophic wildfires.

Project areas planned for prescribed burns this spring include:

- Big Mountain Unit 9 and 10— 55 acres (Pendleton County)
- Chestnut Ridge North/South Savanna Units 1 and 2 — 212 acres (Pocahontas County)
- Hopkins Units A, B & C — 844 acres (Greenbrier County)
- Brushy Mountain Units B2, B4 and B6 — 140 acres (Greenbrier County)

Each burn area will be closed to the public on the day of the burn, and may be closed for several days after, to ensure public safety. Signs will be posted on roads near

all prescribed burn areas before and during burning. Residents and Forest visitors may see and smell smoke for several days. If you encounter smoke on the highway, slow down, turn on your vehicle's lights and drive appropriately for the conditions.

Prescribed burns are conducted under specific weather conditions and are designed to accomplish predetermined forest management goals. Monongahela

National Forest follows strict guidelines for conducting prescribed burns, and takes into consideration environmental factors such as temperature, humidity, smoke dispersion and wind. If any environmental conditions are not within limits, the burn will be postponed.

Local radio stations will be alerted to burn activities ahead of time. When burning begins, information, photos, and maps will be available at <https://inciweb.nwccg.gov/>



High Altitude Weather Balloon Launch

Something's up in Pocahontas County

The students at the Green Bank Elementary and Middle School are working with the

Green Bank Observatory and the Eight Rivers Amateur Radio Club to launch a high altitude weather balloon sometime in the next couple of weeks.

If you see something strange in the sky, please

cheer on the student science experiments. If you would like to stop by the school to see the launch, check out Green Bank Observatory website and social media for updates about the launch time and date.

Circuit Court

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

Casey Elizabeth Crabtree tendered a written plea agreement to the court wherein she pleaded guilty to the felony offenses in Count I and Count III of the indictment, forgery; and guilty to the felony offenses in Count II and Count IV of the indictment, uttering. The state agreed to dismiss Counts V through XIII, six forgery and four uttering. The agreement relates that Crabtree is to pay restitution in the amount of \$5,494.77 to the victim in 12 installments of \$457.90 per month beginning the month of the entry of the guilty plea order. Counts V through XIII were dismissed with prejudice. Sentencing and disposition is set for May 4.

A change of plea hearing was held in the case the State vs Colin Alexander Chaplin, 21, of Marlinton, wherein the

defendant pleaded guilty to Count I, grand larceny, a felony; and to Count II, burglary, a felony. The state agreed to dismiss a different grand larceny case with prejudice; and burglary without prejudice. According to the plea agreement, Chaplin will enter the drug court program and, if he successfully completes the program, he may withdraw his plea and the charges will be reduced to a misdemeanor charge of petit larceny.

Eli Pritt, 22, of Marlinton, tendered a written plea agreement to the court wherein he pleaded guilty to

the felony offenses of grand larceny and burglary. Adjudication was deferred, and Pritt is to enter the Southeastern Regional Drug Court Program. The court dismissed Count I of the indictment.

In a pretrial status hearing in the case the State vs Franklin Monroe Cook, 64, of Caldwell, defense counsel related that the State had sent a large amount of discovery, which needed to be worked through, and asked that the trial be moved to the next term of court. The parties

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INFLUENCE

The following essay was written by the late Mrs. Edith Folk Allen, and read at a literary meeting in Durbin February 27, 1915.

Home is the first essential element of our social being.

Home influence shapes our lives and characters. It sets the first stamp and seal upon a child's nature and furnishes the first ingredients that will either sweeten or embitter the whole cup of life. It is either a blessing or a curse; for good or for evil. Like the calm, deep stream, it moves on in silent, but overwhelming power. Its roots stick deep into the human heart and spreads its branches over our whole being.

The most illustrious statesmen, the most distinguished warrior, the most eloquent minister, owe their greatness to the home influence. Napoleon said, "What France needs is good mothers and you may be sure she will have good sons."

The Spartan mothers' influence fired the sons with patriotism, which was stronger than death.

Home is the planting ground of every seed of morality, the garden of virtue and the nursery of religion. To love home with a deep and abiding interest with a view to its elevating influence, is to love truth and right, Heaven and God.

A little child was once found trying to step into his father's tracks; on being asked what he was doing, he said, "I'm walking in father's steps."

Father, what kind of life do you want your child to live?

Do you want him to walk in your footprints?

And, mothers, what kind

of a woman do you want your daughter to be?

Are you setting the right example?

You are building the foundation for your child's life. Will it stand the test? Will he or she be a power for good? Has your influence been all you would have it to be? Are you proud of the character you have built?

We cannot cheat the world about our true character. Every young woman should, early in life, form an ideal of a true home. It should not be the place but the character of the home. Many a gilded palace is not a home, and from many humble hovels we see noble men and women taking their places in the world to fill a mission because of home influence. The grand idea of a home is a quiet secluded spot where loving hearts dwell, with the aim of improvements always first.

Moral influence is a rill, a rivulet, an ocean. It runs wide and deep with tributary after tributary joining it.

Throw a stone into the beautiful quiet lake. Is that all?

No. See the tiny rings growing wider and wider until they are felt at the very edges. That stray word you spoke, either of pride or scorn, produces a depression. Is that all?

No. That man's disgust is deepened, it sharpened the edge of his sarcasm. He has lost what belief he had. It produced an influence. You have wrecked this human life.

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Colonial Women

Melody Phillips
Staff Writer

During colonial times, every member of a household was an asset. Each member had certain roles to perform which were necessary for survival.

More men than women made the journey to the new world, which led to an unbalanced gender ratio. There were simply not enough women to ensure that every man would marry and have children. Even as late as the American Revolution, few men in the southern colonies could be confident of passing property to any sons, due to either not marrying or death.

Colonial women were highly sought after.

The practiced family structure of an "ideal" family home in Europe, with the husband being head of the family and business, disintegrated as settlers moved to the new world. Surviving daily life meant everyone participated in the same work. Men and women alike farmed their land, working hand in hand with each other, hired help and even servants.

The Puritans in the northern colonies were among the few who held strict religious and gender roles after coming to the new land.

Women had very few rights, if any, in the new world. Due to social and economic pressures girls as young as 13 or 14 would marry.

The only time women owned property, with rare exception, was due to the death of her husband. Once married, or remarried, their legal identity was erased in a tradition known as *femme covert* or "covered woman." Her husband then controlled all the property, wealth, legal representation, and even control over her and the children. At the point of marriage she could not own land or even have guardianship of her children.

This was also true about any property she may have had from a previous marriage. In the eyes of the law, the couple was seen as one person with the husband the sole representative. But because women had very few



THE DAYS WERE filled by a multitude of chores for women on the colonial frontier; from making soap, at right, to preparing food and clothing, above.



legal rights, most widows would remarry.

Women who chose not to remarry and owned land and other assets were seen as a threat to men's masculinity and superiority. These women faced heavy fines for minor indiscretions in amounts more than four times what men would be charged. Often times they could be accused and fined without evidence. This was one way the male leaders would attempt to drain her assets, making her once again dependent upon another man.

Even though the contribution of women to the survival of the colony was essential they remained secondary to men in all aspects of society. As harsh as this may seem, many husbands appreciated their wives' opinions and ac-

tively sought it – since she tended to all of the household affairs and had a better understanding of how things were going. Women were the glue that held the family and communities together.

Woman had a hard, back-breaking life of work from

sun up until sun down every day, but nevertheless most of them gladly took on the responsibilities for the good of everyone.

Few women had any formal education since most did

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TRIVIA – a little something to think about

Courtesy of Chuck Cornell

1. If you study the loop, the whorl or the arch, what area of forensics is your specialty?

2. This American actor, born in 1965 is on Forbes Top 10 List of highest paid actors; he's an Iron Man and Sherlock Holmes, and he knows about rehab.

3. It's the title of a 1980 Dan Fogelberg song; also an album title from Jerry Garcia in 1982. But, we should all know that it is the nickname for the Kentucky Derby. What is it?

4. You'll find these formations in most limestone

caves. The name is derived from the Greek work, meaning "that which drips." They hang from the ceiling of the cave. What are they?

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If you see something strange in the sky, please cheer on the student science experiments! If you would like to stop by the school to see the launch, keep an eye on the Green Bank Observatory social media for updates about the launch time and date: @GreenBankObservatory

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Poetry Corner

GOOD INTENTIONS

The wonderful things we have planned, Love,
The beautiful things we have done,
The fields we have tilled, the gifts we have willed
In the light of another year's sun.
When we think of it all, we are baffled,
There's so much that never came true,
Because, Love, instead of our doing,
We are always just meaning to do.

The friends we are wanting to help, Love,
They struggle alone and forlorn,
By trial and suffering vanquished,
Perchance by temptations o'erborne.
But the lift and the touch and the greeting,
That well might have aided them thro'
The perilous strait of ill-fortune,
They miss; — we're but meaning to do.

We dream of a fountain of knowledge
We loiter along on its brink,
And toy with the crystalline waters,
Forever just meaning to drink.
Night falls and our tasks are unfinished,
Too late our lost chances we rue,
Dear Love, while our comrades were doing,
We only were MEANING TO DO.

~ Mrs. Margaret E. Sangster



Marlinton Mayor's Corner

By Sam Felton

The big news in Marlinton is — Main Street will soon be ours again. The traffic light control project gained ground last week and should be coming to a close. New traffic lights are up on Main Street as well as at the intersection of Rts. 219 and 39.

Concrete has been poured at each location. High winds

Saturday night and Sunday played havoc with the plastic concrete coverings.

I called the DOH District Office to remind others about the Town's inoperative street lamps between Third Avenue and at the Greenbrier River Trail. I plan to contact the DOH again this week.

As always:

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What's Cookin'?

With Sally Cobb

Mexican-Style Pasta Bake

12 oz. bow tie pasta
1/2 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped red pepper
3 Tbsp. butter
1/3 cup flour
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. dried cilantro
1/2 tsp. cumin
3 cups milk
6 oz. Colby cheese, cubed
1 1/2 cups shredded Monterey Jack
1 cup bottled salsa
2/3 cup halved pitted green or black olives
Chili powder
Preheat oven to 350°

Butter six 12 to 16 oz. individual casserole dishes or one 3-quart baking dish; set aside.

In a large saucepan, cook onion and sweet pepper in butter over medium heat for about 5 minutes.

Stir in flour, salt, cilantro and cumin.

Add milk all at once.

Cook and stir until mixture is thickened and bubbly.

Reduce heat to low.

Stir in Colby cheese and 1 cup of the Monterey Jack; stir until melted.

Pour over drained pasta; stir to combine.

Layer half of the pasta mixture, then all of the salsa, followed by the remaining pasta mixture in the prepared casserole.

Sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup Monterey Jack and olives.

Sprinkle lightly with chili powder.

Bake, uncovered, for 15 to 20 minutes.

If using a large casserole, bake in a 400° oven for 20 minutes.

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Letters to the Editor

Editor;

Last month, while the weather was yet warm, I drove the Scenic Highway and saw a skateboarder. An idea for the Convention and Visitors Bureau — organize an Outlaw Skateboarders Festival on some of our mile-long hills.

Now to business. Marlinton is not pedestrian-friendly. As Cara Rose so ably pointed out in *The Pocahontas Times* interview, tourism is vital in our local economy. Here in town, places visitors want to go, or places business owners want them to go, are spread along

the main drag or up and down side streets.

I mailed suggestions to our Mayor about possible improvements. Surprise, surprise, he mischaracterized my note in his weekly column.

The suggestions... No right turn on red at the Second and Third Avenue traffic lights. And luridly and glaringly mark the crosswalks at all intersections.

A few too many drivers crowd the intersection waiting for the light to change, and too many try to turn right on red even when the sight-line is obscured. No tourist

will take home a warm and friendly memory of leaping back to avoid being some yahoo's hood ornament.

My lifelong drawback is a short temper and a big mouth, so I don't deal well with officialdom.

I'm hoping other folks will get behind this problem. I'm looking forward to the campaign for the upcoming town election.

Wolf Knight
Marlinton

Dear Editor,

I read with amusement your article "Federal Mine

Safety Laboratory coming to Pocahontas County." (March 20, 2023 edition). From the article one would assume that this experimental mine is something new. In fact, when it was first announced a couple of years ago the entire community was against it.

I don't need to tell the people who live here and the thousands of people who own property at Snowshoe resort and the surrounding area what great recreation areas this part of Pocahontas and Randolph counties are.

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Weather Recap February

by Jason Bauserman

Where is the snow? The warm January temperatures continued through February. After a very dry start, precipitation ended close to normal. The trend of a warm mid-week and colder week-ends continued.

February only measured one-half of an inch of snow, sleet or ice pellets. In 32 years of records, that is my lowest total. I had three inches as my lowest total twice. February is normally

the snowiest month of the winter with 15.9 inches.

Every month this winter has lacked snow. Here is the monthly count: October 0.3 inch; November 1.2 inches; December 2.8 inches; January 4.0 inches; and February 0.5 inch. The total is only 8.8 inches. At the end of February we were 41 inches below normal. The biggest one-day snowfall this winter happened twice at 1.1 inches.

I have lived here 51 years and I have never seen anything like this. Four times in

March, I have recorded 30 inches or more of snow. That beats all winter months but I do not predict that this year.

Fourteen of the 28 days in February were 50 degrees or above. The average high temperature was 47.8 degrees and that was 9.4 degrees above normal. The low temperature averaged 25.9 degrees and that was 7.2 degrees above normal.

February 2017 had a mean of 37.1 degrees, so this February was the second warmest in my 32 years.

The highest temperature was 66 degrees on February 15, and that was a record including Green Bank Observatory records to 1967. The

lowest temperature was 2 degrees on February 4.

The normal low temperature for February is 18.7 degrees. The 2-degree temperature on February 4, and 15 degree temperature on February 18 were the only two dates below the norm of 18.7. Likewise, January only had two days below normal.

The first 16 days of February were very dry with only 0.32 inch of precipitation. The last 12 days were very wet with 2.41 inches of mostly rain. The 2.73 inches was 0.14 inch below normal.

February mean temperatures are exactly what March has at 36.3 degrees.

It looks like March will come in like a lamb.

Community Calendar

PUBLIC NOTICE
Pocahontas Producers: Regular Sale — Saturday, March 25, 2 p.m.

Bloodmobile Tuesday, April 4, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Wellness Center in Marlinton. Call for an appointment, 800-733-2767 or register online at RedCross-Blood.org

Green Boxes hours Sundays from 1 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

EVENTS
Grafting Workshop, Friday, March 24, 6 to 8 p.m. at Yew Mountain Center. To register or for more information, visit yewmountain.org or call 304-653-4079. \$25
FREE Community Din-

ner Thursday, March 23, 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Marlinton Presbyterian Church. Sponsored by area churches and community volunteers. Menu: chicken pot pie and salad.

EASTER SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Palm Sunday Scavenger Hunt, Sunday, April 2, 1 p.m. Mt. Olivet UMC on Droop Mountain. Dinner for everyone; games and prizes.

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 8, 1 p.m. Eaden in the Alleghenies (AFC) Campground at Huntersville. Fun for all ages.

Easter Sunrise Service, Sunday, April 9, 7 a.m. Mt. Olivet UMC on Droop Mountain. Everyone welcome.

MEETINGS
Pocahontas County Solid Waste Authority special meeting Wednesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. at the courthouse. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and/or take action on the purchase or lease of property.

Pocahontas County Vietnam Veterans of America Wednesday, March 22, 7 p.m. at McClintic Library.

Pocahontas County

Local Emergency Planning Committee, Thursday, March 23, at the BFD Fire Station in Green Bank. Agenda is posted at the 911 Center in Marlinton. For more info, call 304-799-3985.

Democratic Executive Committee of Pocahontas County 6 p.m. Monday, March 27, at McClintic Library.

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2023
POCAHONTAS COUNTY 4-H & FFA ANNUAL HAM, BACON AND EGG SALE
Saturday, April 1 • 6:30 p.m.
Pocahontas County Opera House
Ham biscuits, desserts and drinks will be available.
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PALM SUNDAY SCAVENGER HUNT!
April 2 • 1 p.m.
Dinner for everyone;
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MT. OLIVET METHODIST CHURCH
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Spring into the fourth quarter of the school year!
Because...
SCHOOL is COOL!
Sam Gibson,
Pocahontas County Board of Education Member

YOUTH GOLF LEAGUE FUNDRAISER for Spring Break Trip to Myrtle Beach, lodging, food and green fees for seven youths plus adults

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Chances are \$5 each; 6 for \$25 or 14 for \$50. Sign up sheet describes each basket. **VIEW BASKETS AND DRAWING HELD SATURDAY, MARCH 25, AT THE RAMP DINNER.**

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\$15 PER PERSON (Ages 5 and younger free)

To purchase tickets for basket drawing or ramp dinner,

call or text 304-997-7355 or call 304-799-4977

Women, from page 3

not work outside of the home. Women were expected to marry, have lots of children, and live a life of service to her husband and family. Some women in the newer developing middling class would help her husband in his business: inn keeping, shoe making, flour production, etc. This would be in addition to her normal household duties unless they could afford to hire help.

In addition to childbirth, the main job for women was to manage the household. Some of the work they were expected to do was: sewing; baking; cooking and food preservation; the education of younger children (homestead skills); herbal preparations; making candles, butter, and soap; tending to the livestock; as well as many other chores.

While men usually planted and worked field crops, such as corn, wheat and potatoes, women grew and maintained kitchen gardens. This garden, often close to the house, usually consisted of items such as herbs, cabbage, carrots, melons, lettuce, etc.

The day's work began before sun up. She gathered fruits and vegetables and maybe a bit of meat from the smokehouse, started or refreshed the fire, and prepared breakfast for the family. Breakfast usually consisted of something simple like porridge or mush (made from cornmeal, oats or beans) and sweetened with honey or molasses.

The largest meal, called dinner, would be served around noon to 3 p.m. Soups and stews were common for this meal since it took little tending and allowed her time to complete some of her many other tasks. These stews could be kept going for days, simmering in the back of the hearth, as she added fresh vegetables and herbs daily.

The evening meal would be light and usually consisted of leftovers from dinner. A bit of meat and cheese and some bread with butter or jam could also be served.

Water, cider or beer ac-

companied most meals. When sheep were sheared, women cleaned the wool and young children helped card and make roving. She could then spin the wool into thread or yarn. A skilled spinner could spin up to six skeins of yarn in a day on a walking wheel. The constant back and forth walking, while using a walking wheel to spin six skeins of wool, was the equivalent of walking about 20 miles.

Spinning was a rare honorable occupation for women in colonial America. A woman who spun for a living and typically remained unmarried was called a spinner.

Fall was the busiest time for women and the most important to ensure her family had enough food through the winter.

While still preparing daily food for her family and completing the long list of other chores, she now had the added responsibility of prepping foods for the next several months. If she didn't adequately preserve enough food and herbs to carry them through the winter, her family could die.

Apples and pumpkins were prized for their versatility. Both could be stored whole, in a root cellar or cut up and dried.

Apples made into applesauce could be easily stored in barrels, making it readily available to eat at any time and it lasted for months. Stringing up apples after they were dried and hanging them from the rafters made for easy snacks and pies.

Pumpkins became delightful pies and healthy and filling additives to stews.

Some fruit, such as berries, needed to be foraged for, which took time away from her other chores.

Men and women butchered and smoked meat from farm animals. Women made and preserved sausage from slaughtered hogs.

Since some crops matured more quickly than others, some food preservation could take place earlier if she was fortunate enough to have a root cellar or springhouse.

Making the move:

Some women came to the colonies as indentured servants or enslaved. These

women had it harder than most others. Not only were they enslaved or servants but also women, this meant they had no rights whatsoever. Indentured servants, both men and women, could not vote, get married, leave the house without permission, or even buy or sell anything.

Women, who were indentured, were expected to spin, cook, weave, milk cows, or work in the fields with the men. Many women who found themselves in this situation would be harassed by their masters. If she became pregnant during her time as a servant, often times, years would be added to the length of her servant's contract.

By contrast, male indentured servants may have been lucky enough to be given skilled jobs, such as cobblers, tailors, brick layers, coachmen, butchers and carpenters.

An enslaved woman had it the worst. In addition to being abused and harassed, she had to work from sun up until sun down for her owner, care for her own family and all the duties that came with that, and was expected to have lots of children — more enslaved workers for the owner.

Why would someone subject themselves to these conditions?

Some who became indentured servants were criminals sold into the servant's life to cover their debts and other expenses.

To many, who were in poverty and without any hope, it was a way to escape their current situation and have a fresh start. Their contracts covered the cost of the voyage to America and away from a life they wanted to escape. The contracts also promised free room and board and "freedom dues." The freedom dues would be given to the servant at the completion of their serving term. Items such as a piece of land, a gun, clothes or food sounded enticing and promising to help them get started in their new home of freedom.

But things aren't always as they appear.

Only about 40 percent of indentured servants survived the full term of their contract.

Influence, from page 3

This terrible power of influence clings. It is born with

you, grows with your growth. It speaks, walks, moves. It must either be a light to illumine or a tempest to destroy.

My friends, you have this great power.

Are you using it for good or for evil?

You are living, enacting it and exerting it by your every thought.

How are you going to use your influence?

Ranger, from page 2

transitioning into timber management where he served as a timber marker, sale administrator and timber program manager on the

George Washington and Jefferson National Forests.

The mission of the USDA Forest Service and Monongahela National Forest is to sustain the health, diversity and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present

and future generations. The agency manages the 193 million acres of National Forest System land, provides stewardship assistance to non-federal forest landowners, and maintains the largest forestry research organization in the world.

Court, from page 2

have indicated that a jury trial will take at least five days.

A status hearing was held in the case the State vs Adam Harwell, 36, of Marlinton wherein defense counsel related that they need additional time to prepare. The matter moved to the next term of court.

A pre-trial status hearing was held in the case the State vs Skylar Tincher, 23, of Buckeye wherein defense counsel related that they need additional time to prepare. The matter is moved to the next term of court.

A pre-trial status hearing was held in the case the State vs Daniel C. Good, 32, of Durbin, wherein defense counsel related that they

need additional time to prepare. The matter is moved to the next term of court.

A pretrial status hearing was held in the case the State vs Steven K. Bennett, 48, of Green Bank, wherein defense counsel related that they need additional time to prepare. The matter is moved to the next term of court.

A pretrial status hearing in the case the State vs Patrick Butler, II, 36, of Slaty Fork, was continued as the defendant, who is in the Tygart Valley Regional Jail, was not advised of the change of the hearing date. The matter is moved to the next term of

court.

A pretrial status hearing in the case the State vs Ralph Jeffrey McLaughlin was continued as the defendant, who is the Tygart Valley Regional Jail, was not advised of the change of the hearing date. Defense counsel advised that the parties are ready to schedule a change of plea hearing.



In the case the State vs Frances Darlene Fisher, 29, of Marlinton, defense counsel advised the court that the parties are in plea negotiations. Fisher waived her right to a speedy trial and the matter is set for May 10.

Education Alliance

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Thursday, March 30, 2023 11:30 am

Bill Noe Flight School
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More Info and Registration: EducationAlliance.org

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is Monday at noon. Writers may use a maximum of 600 words. Letters should be issue-oriented and never personal. Send letters to jsgraham@pocahontastimes.com For further information, please call 304-799-4973.

Super Crossword

ACROSS

1 Downhiller's headwear

8 Mexican beach resort

14 Island home of Odysseus

20 University of Wyoming's city

21 Moon-landing program

22 Had to have

23 They appear before a film's first scene

25 Viewed to be

26 Cakes of cornbread

27 Indy units

28 Bichon (white dog)

30 Stitch's cartoon friend

31 Bleating females

32 Speedy plane

33 It turns a computer on

35 Always, to bards

36 Vintage auto

38 Active Sicilian volcano

39 Holders of emergency supplies

43 Women with babies on the way

47 Puccini work

51 Gala after a presidential oath

54 Cutting noise

55 Quadrillionth: Prefix

56 — epic scale

57 Musical insensitivity

59 Sets for viewing

60 Perfume by Dana

61 Lured

63 "You Gotta Be" singer of 1994

65 Graduation address

67 Deliverer

71 Keyless, musically

72 Many a Netflix show

73 "— Dinka Doo" (Jimmy Durante tune)

75 Candy in collectible dispensers

76 "Mice" or "rice," but not "rice"

81 Blowout, e.g.

82 Look for prey, as a lion

83 Cyber-addresses

85 Membership ceremony

88 Phony: Prefix

90 Camera item for a long or short view

91 Down Under dweller

92 "Me? Never!"

94 — Cruces

95 Says "yes" to

96 Celebratory event for a rollout

102 Swung tool

103 Green gem

107 Prefix with directional

108 Cosmetician

109 Sainly

111 Birds-and-bees class

112 Stck together

114 Bible's first words (apt for this puzzle's theme)

117 Actress

118 Quarterback great Dan

119 Flow out

120 Smallish sofa

121 Slip away

122 City in Arizona or Mexico

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1 Inclined land

2 "Bam!"

3 Singer Cara

4 Lion features

5 French buds

6 Moral failure

7 Bowler, informally

8 Koi, e.g.

9 Clumsy sorts

10 Signal "yes"

11 Actor

12 Radical sort

13 GI's "Uh-uh!"

14 Owing money

15 PGA peg

16 Shoe lifts

17 Grant entry to

18 Singer/rapper

19 Attach

24 Purring pet

29 "Remington —"

32 Bach's "—, Joy of Man's Desiring"

33 Mediocre

34 108-card game

35 Frozen waffle brand

36 Move in circles

37 "Lose Yourself" rapper

39 Natural ability

40 Many short plays

41 Hoodwink

42 One of the four seasons

43 Wildly excited

44 Blast stuff

45 Sapporo sash

46 Prohibit

48 Just between us

49 Stream in the title of 1957's Best Picture

50 Church area

52 Horse color pattern

53 Fills with freight

58 Irish actor

59 — or two (on occasion)

61 Lawyer

62 — Moines

64 Minis, midis and maxis

66 GPS display

67 Tetley competitor

68 Bridal gown features

69 Grain towers

70 Hammer's striking end

71 Since Hector was —

74 Everybody, in Essen

77 Starts to remove a jacket, say

78 — de Janeiro

79 — Z (total)

80 Fashion designer

81 Phillip —

82 Name shared by 12 popes

84 Least cloudy

86 Join forces

87 Fall lawn tool

89 Rx writer

93 A flirtatious look

95 Element #8

96 Safe securers

97 Love, in Italy

98 Not stricken

100 Kidney-related

101 "Neon" fish

102 Schooner fill

103 One of the Bush twins

104 Around a line of symmetry

105 AI — (a bit firm)

106 Knife features

109 Birds sitting on clutches

110 Conical-bore woodwind

111 Hosiery flaw


113 GPS display: Abbr.

115 Trendy

116 "It seems to me," online


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The Cowen Clinic
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Obituaries

Gerald Davis

Gerald Franklin "Jerry" Davis, 78, of Marlinton, died Saturday, March 18, 2023, at Lewis-Gale Medical Center in Salem, Virginia.

Born August 3, 1944, in Marlinton, he was a son of the late Leo and Clytie Shinnaut Davis.

Jerry worked in hospital security in Georgia, retail sales, and for C. J. Richardson Hardware and Cass Scenic Railroad. He was an Army veteran.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, JoAnn Beverage; brother, Jim Lovelace; and two infant siblings.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Sue Pope Davis; nephews, Dave Beverage, Roy Beverage, and Dr. James Lovelace; and niece, Christine Amberg.

The body was cremated. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by VanReenen Funeral Home.



Deanna Frome

Deanna K. Frome, 76, of Quakertown, Pennsylvania, died Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at her home from ongoing health issues.

She was the oldest daughter of the late Troy and Glenna Lusk.

She was born in Baltimore, Maryland, where her parents resided after World War II, before moving to Green Bank.

Deanna graduated in 1964 from Green Bank High School where she excelled academically and was head majorette. She was also a favorite student of literature teacher Mr. Tward Blackhurst.

Following graduation, she moved to Pennsylvania where she worked for many years in accounting and office procedure.

Deanna was a devoted Elvis and Golden Girls sitcom fan. She loved to dance, laugh and always kept a positive attitude toward life. She was a most generous, kind, witty and thoughtful person with unfaltering faith, who always thought of others first.

She was preceded in death by her spouse, William Frome; and infant son, Scott Michael.

She is survived by her son, John W. Vandevander, and wife, Teresa; granddaughters, Kristin, Tiffany, Caitlin and Haleigh; sisters, Judy

Lusk and Janie Lusk; brother, Tim Lusk; two nephews; two nieces; three great-nieces; and a great nephew.

A private memorial service was held at Naugle Funeral Service of Quakertown, Pennsylvania with burial at Beulah Cemetery in New Britain, Pennsylvania.

Memorial donations may be made to her favorite organizations, Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County, 539 Jacksonville Rd., Suite 100, Warminster, PA 18974 or Wallace Willard Keller, American Legion Post 242, ATTN: Post Adjutant, 610 E. Broad Street, Quakertown, PA 18951.

Her presence sadly missed — her memory forever bright.

Evelyn Hayes

Evelyn "Beanie" Arlean Hayes, 74, of Fairmont, passed away Sunday, March 19, 2023, at Pierpont Center in Fairmont.

Born January 18, 1949, in Thornwood, she was a daughter of the late Virginia Belle Starks Simmons.

Evelyn was a homemaker. In addition to her mother, she was preceded in death by uncles, Russell Arthur Starks, Robert Lee "Buddy" Starks and Neli Corin Starks; and aunts, Margaret Catherine Starks Ryder and Iona Louise Albright

She is survived by three daughters, April Navarro, of Indiana, Ruth Ruterbusch, of Florida, and Tina Copen, of California; sister, Rebecca Roche, of Virginia; 14 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

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

Online condolences may be shared at Lantzfuneralhome.com



Sue Laskey

Sue Carol Laskey, 77, of Marlinton, died Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital in Buckeye.

Born December 24, 1945, in Harrisonburg, Virginia, she was a daughter of the late L. Stanley Dunkle and Ruth Stone Dunkle.

Sue was a 1964 graduate of Franklin High School. She had been a waitress at the Cut Rate and The Star Restaurant, worked at C. J. Clark (Hanover Shoe), and she and her husband had

owned and operated J.S. Home Theater and Laundry. She was a member of the Marlinton Lions Club and the New Hope Lutheran Church.

On April 26, 1975, she married Joseph L. "Joe" Laskey, who preceded her in death January 29, 2023.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, Leon Dunkle.

She is survived by her sister, Peggy Jo Pitsenbarger, of Franklin; brother-in-law, John Laskey (Barbara), of Apex, North Carolina; sister-in-law, Ruth Laskey, of Seneca, Pennsylvania; and a number of nieces and nephews in Maryland, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Funeral service was held Monday, March 20, 2023, at Kimble Funeral Home in Marlinton with Pastor Michael Loudermilk officiating.

Interment was in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Franklin.

Memorials may be made to the Marlinton Lions Club, c/o Phyllis Lucas, 2637 Sunset Road, Marlinton, WV 24954 or New Hope Lutheran Church, 9280 Huntersville Road, Marlinton, WV 24954.

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



Robert Mann

Robert Lee Mann, 82, of Marlinton, went home to be with the Lord Saturday, March 19, 2023, at his home after a long battle with merkel cell cancer.

Born January 19, 1941, at Indian Draft, he was a son of the late William Woodrow and Marjorie Rebecca Roby Mann.

Robert was a U. S. Army veteran, having honorably served in C Co. 504th MP Battalion stationed at Fort Gordon, Georgia. During his tour of duty at the end of the Korean Conflict, he proudly served as an Honor Guard for President Dwight Eisenhower.

He graduated from the WVU School of Banking and Duke University Divinity School. He retired from the Bank of Marlinton/First Citizens Bank & Trust Company after 40 years of service, and retired from the West Virginia United Methodist Church Conference after 14 years of service. He was a member of Marlinton United Methodist Church and

served as pastor of the Edray Charge, Marlinton/Edray Charge and Upper Pocahontas Charge.

Robert was a volunteer Chaplain for Mountain Hospice and Pocahontas Memorial Hospital for many years. He also worked with the Pocahontas Cooperative Parish as Parish Coordinator and with the food pantry.

He was a 50-year member and Past Master of Marlinton Masonic Lodge #127 A.F. & A.M. and a member of the 32nd Degree Scottish Rite. He was a 50-year member and past Worthy Patron of Marlinton Chapter #97 Order of the Eastern Star; a member of American Legion Post #50 and past president and member of the Marlinton Rotary Club. In earlier years, Robert was a member of the Marlinton Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad, March of Dimes, Lions Club, Jaycees and worked for many years with Boy Scouts of America and many other civic and charitable organizations. He was an avid reader, and enjoyed wood-working and riding his Harley motorcycle.

Robert will always be remembered for his zeal for life, his kind spirit and for his unconditional love of all people and for his kindness. His contagious smile, laughter and personality warmed the hearts and the lives of family, friends and members of the community. He was loved immensely and will be greatly missed.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth Marvin Mann; and sister, Betty Jean Mann Holden; and brother-in-law, Dennis Holden.

Robert is survived by his loving wife and devoted caregiver, Jacoba "Toby" Friel Mann. They were married December 22, 1962, and shared 60 years together. He is also survived by a sister, Beverly McPaters, and husband, Roy; brother, William Wayne Mann, and wife, Brenda, all of Marlinton; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Marlinton United Methodist Church with Pastors Tim Scott, Dave Merryman and Hospice Chaplin Danny Franke officiating.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Interment will be in Mountain View Cemetery with Military Honors and Masonic Rites.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Marlinton United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 54, Marlinton, WV 24954.



Dorothy Reynolds

Dorothy Reynolds, 74, of Beverly, passed away Wednesday, March 14, 2023, at United Hospital in Clarksburg, surrounded by her husband and children.

Born August 4, 1948, in Phoenix, Arizona, she was a daughter of the late Fredrick and Alicia Simmons Burghout.

Dorothy was a loving wife, an amazing mother, and a wonderful grandmother to all her children and grandchildren.

She taught Sunday School and Children's Church for many years; she never met a stranger and was loved by all. Dorothy was a graduate of the Randolph Tech School of Nursing, and a retired nurse from Anthony Correction Center. She had also worked as a Kitchen Manager at the Inn at Snowshoe and had worked at Youth

Health Services in Elkins. While living in Georgia, she was a Girl Scout Troup Leader and Avon Representative.

In addition to her parents, Dorothy was preceded in death by a grandson, Gerald "Little Gary" Reynolds; and great-granddaughter, Peyton Faye Reynolds.

She is survived by her husband, Reverend Gerald "Gary" Reynolds; daughters, Debbie Jane Mick (Kenton), of Bartow, Rebecca Renee Hannah (John), of Beverly and Alicia Ada Reynolds, of Frank; sons, Wayne Spencer Reynolds, of Weston, and Mark Daniel Reynolds (Angie), of Houston, Texas; grandchildren, Meghan Reynolds (Donald Miles), Andrew Reynolds (Ashley), Cody Reynolds, Joe Mick, Daniel Reynolds, Marcus Reynolds (Gracie), Jessica Gladwell (Brent), Matt Kidd (Casey), Lily Tran, Allie Tran, Dustin Reynolds (Carly), Cody Hannah (Lacey), Brooke Mascola (Louis), Austin Cottle (Crystal), Lylia Cottle (Jordon), Nathaniel Cottle (Chasity), Talleigha Reynolds and Emmilynn Reynolds; numerous great-grandchildren; brothers, William Fredrick Burghout, of Meza, Arizona, and Gerald "Jerry" Burghout (Judy), of Glendale, Arizona; and sister-in-law, Betty Cochran, of Craftsbury, Vermont.

Funeral service was held Saturday, March 18, 2023, at the Frank Church of the Nazarene with Dr. Mervin Smith officiating.

Online condolences may be shared at www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

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Harper Brick Kiln in Marlinton – circa 1910



FRANK W. HARPER and workers kilning brick on Hamilton Hill in Marlinton, W.Va. Harper made brick for the Bank of Marlinton building, the Pocahontas County Courthouse and A. E. McNeel's house in Hillsboro. (Pocahontas County Historical Society Collection; PHS000104)

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Seventy-Five Years Ago

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, March 25, 1948

FIELD NOTES

Grey K. Woods, of Dunmore, reports a good view of a magnificent bald eagle, winging its way from the Alleghany to Shavers Cheat Mountain.

J. O. Kellison was up from Lobelia on Saturday. He brought along a grey fox to prove bounty. This was the 17th for him this season. He favors starting the bounty on February 1 instead of March 1, as such little side jobs like plowing, sugar making and lambing time leave little chance for the farmer to do his full public duty by killing off foxes.

A couple or three times a week, Fred Burns takes a load of logs in his 10-ton truck up Philadelphia way to

Valley Forge. These logs are being used to build cabins like General George Washington wintered his army in away back in 1777. The old campsite is now a public park. The logs are being cut on Spruce Flat.

H. M. Hefner, of Beard, is a World War II veteran with his feet on the ground, making an honest living on the old home farm. He is a natural born naturalist, taking particular interest in game animals and game fish. For several years deer have been coming each spring to eat in his wheat field. As long as the number was no more than three, Mr. Hefner took pride and delight in their presence. However, this year, there are nine head of deer in a herd coming regularly each day to feed in the green growing wheat. This is getting to be just a few too

many, with the market price of wheat still promising to be well above the two dollar bushel mark.

Over on Cochran Creek, at last report, Fred Trainer, Forrest Dean and Orland Gum had checked in with nine wildcats and eleven foxes. In their hunting, they have found three dead deer; all killed by varmints with a bite across the back of their necks.

A subscriber came forward with a report of no less than three flocks of wild turkeys along the long creek on which he lives. The other morning out in the hillside meadow in plain sight of the house, a fine old turkey gobbler was gobbling and strutting to beat the band, before his harem of a half dozen admiring hens. No, gentle reader, the name and address is not available upon application.

Jesse Collins works on the railroad between Boyer and Hosterman on the section. Along during the deep snows

of January, he was shoveling snow off the track when he noticed a big wildcat coming toward him, running the rails. When the varmint got up to the man, it crouched as if to jump on him. Mr. Collins then went up and came down with the heavy snow shovel. He did not need to strike twice – the big bobcat was dead. Later the same week, two more wildcats were seen by the section force, traveling along the mountainside. It was guessed that starvation had driven the varmints out to seek for food in the daylight.

One day last fall, Jesse Moore, of Cass, heard his dog baying and on going for to see found he was barking up a hollow tree. Thinking there was a rabbit or a squirrel in the tree, Mr. Moore cut a green stick to see if he could punch him out. Instead of a game animal coming out, a buzzing of bees was heard. The stick was all sticky with honey. On cutting the tree, 50 pounds of the nicest honey was had.

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100-Years-Ago in The Pocahontas Times

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, March 22, 1923

Six degrees above zero Monday night and the wind a blowing. This must have been the equinox storm that we all used to hear so much about.

The Buena Vista Hardwood Company unloaded a big portable boiler this week to be used at their sawmill near Huntersville.

Waugh Bros. are going ahead with their class A road contract from the bridge to the Aaron Kee farm. The steam shovel was put to work on Tuesday.

Word has been received that Charley James, alias "Jellyroll," who is serving time in the penitentiary for murder in Pocahontas county, has become insane and has been transferred to the State Asylum.

Uriah Bird has sold his farm in the Brush to a Russian who has been working at Cass.

HILLSBORO'S NUMBER

The Country Life Conference held at Hillsboro last Friday, Saturday and Sunday under the auspices of the extension department and local organizations was a great success from every standpoint...

Implements for measuring various things are very common in everyday life. For example, we have the yardstick, the bushel basket, and the score cards for different classes of livestock...

However, we did not have a way for measuring the whole community until 1917, when Director Frame of the extension department worked out the Community Score Card.

The score card takes into consideration all the institutions and factors that help to

make up a community, namely, community spirit, citizenship, recreation, health, homes, school, churches, business and farms...

The ideal rural community would receive 1,000 points on the basis of the score card. However, such a community does not exist...

The yard stick was applied to the Hillsboro community, and it made a total of 748 points – a very creditable number when we take into consideration that out of the 78 communities in the state that have been scored, Hillsboro ranks second...

HONOR ROLLS

Beard School. Remus C. May, teacher. – Clarence and Eula May, Bertha and Ida Dorman, Frank, Hugh and Lillie Hefner, Arta Wells, Paul Cutlip, Marguerete Kincaid, Cecil, Vernie and Connie Allman, Ada, Ruby and Robert Doss, Sylvia and Lola Huffman, George, John

and Ollie Foegus.

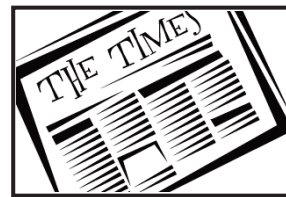
Mt. Zion School. W. A. Hively, teacher – Edna and Evelyn Fertig, Madaline, Wilma, Hellen, Roscoe, Bedford, Maynard and Boyd Dilley, Beulah Carpenter, Elsie Shrader, Herbert and Dale Grimes, Sylvia Dilley.

Douthards Creek School. Ethel Carrell, teacher. – Gertrude and Hazel White, Arthur and Herbert Sharp, Jewel Kincaid.

Hosterman School. Bessie Workman, teacher. – Paul Collins, Herman Davidson, Vena and Viola Moore, Carrie and Ruth Sutton.

Rimel School. Ida G. Fogus, teacher. – Glen, Alonzo and Marie Dean, Randall, Arnold, Marjorie and Georgie Rimel, Verlie and Lillie Alderman.

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Fifty Years Ago

Jane Price Sharp, Editor

Thursday, March 21, 1973

HIGH WIND

March upheld its reputation for changeable weather last week. Temperatures rose to a high 78 on Thursday. Thursday and Friday brought heavy rain, raising the streams. Friday night, the wind started. Saturday and Sunday brought snow and wind. The Observatory clocked the wind at 64 miles per hour. It snapped some cables and damaged the Reber scope at the entrance to the Observatory. Trees and poles were blown down in all parts of the county, with telephone and electric service out for varying times. Some corncribs and outbuildings were blown over, canopies torn from trailers, etc.

U. S. Post Office

Mrs. Kathlyn F. Collins has been appointed postmaster of Frank, and Miss Fay E. Burner has been appointed postmaster of Bartow, it was announced by William F. Bolger, Regional Postmaster General for the Eastern Region of the U. S. Postal Service...

Home Demonstration Club

Our Mountain Heritage was the topic of Edray Homemakers Club at the home of Mrs. W. R. Kellison March 14.

Mrs. Ward Barlow presented a most interesting les-

son. At first, she asked each member to give a word or phrase they remembered hearing their grandparents use. Some given were: "Fetch, down yonder, heerd, afreared, cowcumber." Some of the phrases go back to Anglo Saxon times, such as "I'm going to redd up the kitchen," meaning to put in order. Words meaning a large number such as "catching a whole slew of fish," or "there was a sight of folks at the meeting," were used by our older mountain people.

Folks songs were their poetry and the tales were their prose, handed down by word of mouth from one generation to the other and "tangled up" by the imagination of each storyteller...

Heritage Crafts included basket making, chair bottoms, spinning, soap making, hooked and braided rugs and many others. Several old quilts were on display. The "Log Cabin" and "Crazy Quilt," which were more than 100 years old, belong to Mrs. Lee Carter and now belong to Mrs. Ward Barlow. Miss Kathleen Hoover had "Drunkard's Path." Other patterns were "Calico" and "Broomstick..."

We, West Virginians, are proud, or should be, that we are the real and pure Appalachian people, and the image that some writers and observers say about us "jest ain't so..."

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Footsteps through History

The Pocahontas Times
Andrew Price, Editor

Thursday, March 25, 1898

A YOUNG preacher of the county who was about to start for Conference, is said to have preached a very eloquent sermon last Sunday which warmed up several of the members at various points into loud Amens. After a lofty flight, he paused and said: "This, brethren, is my last sermon here. Then an old brother, who had been responding heartily, but who was a little hard of hearing, yelled out, "Thank God!"

House Burned Near Green Bank

The residence of J. W. Riley, two miles north of Green Bank, was totally destroyed by fire last Thursday night. Mr. Riley was away from home, having gone to Beverly, and Mrs. Riley was visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Eskridge, at Academy. A son had come home from a meeting of the local debating society, about eleven o'clock, and had gone to sleep in the sitting room, where the only fire in the house was burning. In a short time, he was awakened by the crackling of the flames. He arose and went to the kitchen where all was right and opened the door to go on the back porch and was met by the flames. The fire had

gained such headway that there was no chance of extinguishing it. He was unable to get back into the building to awaken the rest of the family, who were sleeping upstairs, and he aroused them by shouting. They escaped by jumping out of the windows.

Nearly the whole of the furniture was destroyed. Only one bed and a clock were saved. There was no insurance. The home was a large, frame, two-story building, only a few years old. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary. Someone was heard around the building that night, before the young man came in. The penalty for setting fire to a house occupied at the time by people is death.

Mr. Riley has been singularly unfortunate lately, having experienced numerous reverses. He and his children were working hard to clear off the debts so they could keep the farm, and this is a very serious blow to be borne under the circumstances.

DUNMORE

Fine showers. Warm weather for March. A considerable sum of money was burned up in the Riley fire.

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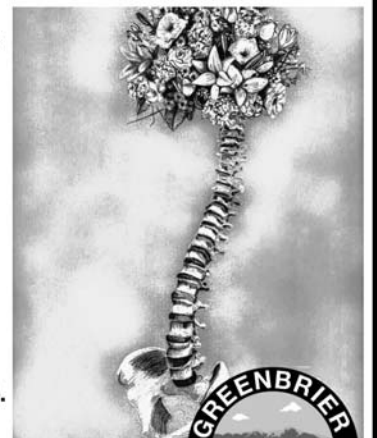
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Change, from page 1

like a secretary for special education. At one time, Bland did have a special education secretary, but in the last few years, she took on those duties herself.

Along with the positions at the board office, there are several existing and new po-

sitions being posted for the five schools.

With RIF – Reduction in Force – and Transfer time coming up, Beam said that there will be no RIFs this year, but he does plan to have a few transfers.

“We will not be RIFing any teachers,” he said. “We have a couple positions that we are going to reorganize, but the people in those positions will have a chance for

those jobs. We are adding staff. We’re not taking away staff.”

During transfer “season,” Beam said he meets with the teachers and aides who are in positions he plans to transfer. He also meets with the principals, union representatives and faculty senates to ensure that everyone involved is aware of the changes being made.

“They are told in advance

that this is going to occur,” he said. “This is my eighth year in this job [as superintendent] and tenth year as personnel director. I’ve never had a hearing. No one asked for a hearing on being RIFed or transferred because I sit down with them and explain what we’re doing.

“We’re going to have to move people to meet the needs of the students,” he added.

Fair, from page 1

When she began the project, Rittenhouse said her hypothesis was that it would take more weight to pull down the helium balloon in warm air which, it turns out, was the opposite of what she discovered with her experiment.

This was Rittenhouse’s first time competing at the state level and she said it was very exciting, yet she was nervous the day of her presentation.

“I looked around at some of the projects,” she said. “There were some really good projects. I was like, ‘I hope this one’s not in my category or my division.’”

Despite her nerves, Rittenhouse impressed the judges and came home with a first place ribbon.

Like Rittenhouse, the trio of Arbogast, Beverage and Queen had never competed at the state level before now and were happy to come home with third place.

For their project, the boys tested the penetration depth of different weights of arrowheads.

“We took my compound bow twenty yards away from the target and we did two different arrowhead weights,” Arbogast said. “My bow is set on seventy-five pounds, so, that way, we can remain consistent. We shot the arrows and then we measured from the point where it went into the target to the tip to see how far it was. We tested each arrowhead five times.”

“We shot into a Yellow Jack bag target,” Queen added.

After winning at the

county and regional fair, the boys were excited to take the trip to Charleston for the state competition. They kept their cool and treated it like they were presenting the project at home.

“I told them it was just like doing it down here at the county,” Arbogast said.

“It was fun,” Beverage added.

This is the last time the boys will be representing GBEMS in the science fair, but that won’t stop them from doing a project when they matriculate to Pocahontas County High School.

They said they would be interested in doing projects in the future if they have the time and another award winning idea.

Bee, from page 1

When the raised bed was completed, I transplanted all of my zone 8-11 plants into it. There were still a few months to go before cold weather would descend upon us once again, so there was time to wait on constructing a cold frame over the bed.

At this time, critters can still dig into my greenhouse since the only area with concrete is under the raised bed. As time and resources allow, I will pour more concrete to stop them from getting in at all.

In the meantime, I started setting up the rest of the greenhouse.

My kit came with a seeding shelf that attached to the side-wall and ran the full length of the greenhouse. I installed this on the east wall. I placed a shelving unit for seedlings at the south wall.

Because of the possibilities of long cold, winters and heavy snow at our home, I wanted to have the option to grow some cold weather crops inside the greenhouse. Crops like cabbage and kale do fine under snow but having the option to harvest inside the greenhouse is a convenience I appreciate.

I leveled the soil in the center of the greenhouse and placed several planter boxes down the center aisle. Filling the bottom half of each box with untreated scrap lumber, small branches, and old newspaper serves several

purposes:

- It reduces the amount of high quality soil needed to fill the boxes

- It provides good drainage for plants while holding moisture to prevent roots from drying out

- It will slowly compost, adding nutrients back into the soil

- It provides food and homes to beneficial organisms living in the soil

Temperature controlled seed mats for early seed starts are on the shelving unit at the south end. Before I could afford to get the temperature controlled mats, I had to manually adjust a heating pad under the seed trays. I placed the seed trays on cookie sheets or cooling racks with a heating pad below it. Using an old thermometer, I adjusted the height of the cookie sheet throughout the day to help the soil temperature stay in the right temperature range. This was very time consuming and my husband kept trying to teach me that my time was worth more than the cost of an item (thermostat controlled mats). He was right.

I store some items, such as empty pots, under the long work shelf, but I also like to put some containers of shade loving plants under this shelf, as well.

Even in colder grow zones, having some type of shade cloth is recommended. There have been some windy days, with a foot of snow and temperatures in the mid 20s, when the temperature inside my greenhouse hit nearly

100 degrees. This still happened even though two of my six vent windows have automatic openers. The sun can very quickly bake an unshaded greenhouse.

After the rest of the inside was up and running, I began work on the cold frame over my tropical plants. Using rough-cut lumber from a local mill, I ripped and cut all the boards for framing in the structure. My greenhouse kit utilizes a sliding rail system for the bolts. I went to a local hardware store and purchased several bolts and washers of the same size but 1.5 inches longer. I predrilled holes in the studs and, using the longer bolts, I attached the boards to the vertical frame of the greenhouse wall. This gave me something solid to build on.

I could not afford to purchase the polycarbonate panels I would have liked to use this year, but I did plan for their addition as I was building the framework. After building the primary framing work, I added strips across the top that will serve four purposes:

1. The wood strips create some shade when the sun is at its zenith.

2. I can tie strings or rope to the wood strips for attaching vertically growing crops such as tomatoes.

3. The wood strips provide a top shelf for storage, if needed.

4. Some strips are cut longer to hold hanging baskets.

During this past winter, as a second layer of protection,

I hung a double layer of plastic around the frame. Inside the plastic covering I sat up some small aquatic grow lights, on timers, to help make up for some of the diminished daylight. I also added two heat lamps that I had hooked up to the seed mat’s temperature control unit. Since I didn’t need them to start seeds in the heart of winter, this made it possible to have a temperature-controlled environment with little effort. The heat lamps only turned on when the temperature dropped below the programmed level, and turned off when the sun came up and heated the interior.

If the cold frame had been covered with polycarbonate panels, instead of plastic sheeting, it could have handled colder temperatures. However, since this didn’t, I placed a lightweight row cover on the plants as a third layer of protection when the night temperature dropped below zero.

This year I plan to install a solar powered and temperature controlled vent fan. A great fluctuation in temperature range can stress plants and even stunt seedlings from growing properly. Managing a greenhouse isn’t as simple as just throwing some seeds into a pot and watering them, it takes work, but with proper planning, the “work” can be enjoyable.

I will be making a post, with images, of the interior raised bed build soon @ <https://www.queenbee1755.com/posts/>

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brary in Marlinton. Open to the public. Contact Jay Miller at jvmiller2008@gmail.com for info to attend via Zoom.

Pocahontas County Solid Waste Authority annual public hearing on the Green Box Fee Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m. at the courthouse. The regular monthly meeting will be held immediately following the hearing.

Allegheny Post 117 Tuesday, April 4, 6 p.m. at the Arbovale Community Center.

NA meeting Tuesdays, 6 to 7 p.m. at Hillsboro Library. Call 681-418-1484 for more information. Everyone welcome.

PARKS AND REC

All activities are at the Community Wellness Center, unless otherwise noted.

Chair Yoga Hybrid 4-Week Introductory Series at Green Bank Observatory / Old Touring Center, Tuesday, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. \$25. Call 304-799-7386 to reserve space.

Intro to Modern Dance, six-week class for ages 6 to 9; dance basics for ages 4 and 5, taught by Adrienne Cedarleaf, Thursdays at Hillsboro Elementary and Fridays at the Community Wellness Center in Marlinton. \$25. Pre-registration is required.

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Zumba Fitness is offered Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 5 p.m. with instructor Kelly.

Enrichment Art and Crafts at Durbin Library Thursdays, 4 to 5:30 p.m. All ages. Free of charge.

Trillium Taekwondo, train in Korean Martial Arts, Wednesdays 6 p.m. Cost \$3 per class. Call 304-799-7386 for details.

Jiggle, Wiggle and Giggle, creative movement for ages five and younger, Fridays, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Yoga – Tuesdays 5 p.m. at

Durbin Library; Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Linwood Center; Fridays, 5:30 p.m. at Cass Community Center; Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. at the Community Wellness Center in Marlinton

LENTEN SERVICE

Mid-week Lenten Service, hosted by the Marlinton Presbyterian Church, beginning at noon; 30 minute service. Bring a brown bag lunch and stay for conversation in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday, March 29: “It is finished!” (John 19:30) Fr. Arthur Bufogle, Pocahontas Roman Catholic parish

CHURCH NOTICES

Marlinton Presbyterian Church – Sunday School, 9 a.m. Worship 10 a.m.

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.

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.

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

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

Marlinton United Methodist Church – Worship at 11 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Marlinton Church of God, Beard Heights – Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study 4 p.m. Evangelistic service 4 p.m. Sunday



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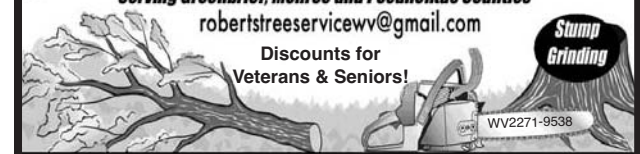
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The Truth is (Still) Out There

“Whoa, it came out of the sky
Landed just a little south of Moline
Jody fell out of his tractor
Couldn't believe what he seen.” *Creedence Clearwater Revival 1969*

If you hope this column will delve into the alleged existence of E.T. species such as Greys, Talls, Hybrids, Nordics, and the sweetheart of conspiracy types, the Reptilians, you may be disappointed.

Even I won't wade into those weeds.

I am much more interested in establishing if we have enough evidence now to deduce that, as many governments have already alluded to, UAPs of unknown origin in material form exist, and are observed operating within our airspaces.

That fact, and that fact alone, should get the investigations rolling and international conversation launched into its implications for all of humanity.

With that in mind, if we rule out extraterrestrial visitation altogether, we face an even greater mystery related to other dimensions, wormholes, time travelers, etc.

Extraterrestrial visitations would be a softball. Anything else would tell us we have a long way to go in understanding the physics of our universe and knowing what is possible.

Not knowing the contents of the 2021 classified version of the Pentagon Report on UAPs, we may extrapolate from the unclassified report that at least some of the trained observers' sightings accurately describe unknown physical material objects.

These objects often demonstrate flight characteristics beyond any current human technology.

Steve's close encounter of the second kind

In the middle of October 1973, Steve Fisher arrived at my park residence, having had a strange encounter while working at Fallsville Wildlife Area in southwestern Ohio.

This occurred within days of my own experience hearing radio traffic about UAPs while riding with an Ohio State Highway trooper. I had not yet had the opportunity to tell Steve about these events.

We sat down to steaming cups of coffee at my kitchen table. I noticed Steve's hands were shaking. His spoon rattled sharply against the side of the ceramic mug as he stirred in the cream.

I steeled myself for what he might tell me. A UFO sighting was not among the scenarios I imagined before he spoke.

Steve began the strangest conversation in my life with,

“Ken, I saw a UFO this afternoon, and I don't know who or if I should tell anybody else.”

Steve elaborated on what happened when he was discing a field at a nearby wildlife area in preparation for planting forage. Thinking the tractor was overheating, he stopped and turned off the ignition.

As he leaned forward to place a hand near the engine block, he happened to glance up. Steve was alarmed when he saw that a portion of the completely blue sky was blocked by something with lights on the underside – something motionless and silent sat directly above the tractor by no more than 25 feet.

“How can this be?” Steve said rhetorically, not expecting me or anyone else to have a sufficient reason for what he saw. Steve was a scientist and likely suffered a bit of cognitive dissonance at the time.

He would struggle to come to grips with what he had witnessed until his untimely death.

I could tell he was unsettled by what he had seen. I decided this was a good time to share my bizarre experience several nights earlier while riding with the Ohio State Highway Patrol.

Hearing my story seemed to bring him some measure of relief, as though he could now rule out temporary insanity or hallucination. I assured Steve that, although I did not see a UAP myself, I had total trust and confidence in those officers who did.

Steve said he crawled under the tractor, peering up at the object.

“The thing began slowly pitching and yawing. At times it looked solid and featureless, then lights would appear that seemed to come from inside the object. He said it was like looking into a transparent jellyfish, adding that it went back to appearing solid again.

“After several minutes, it stabilized and started slowly moving over the field toward a fence row of Osage Orange trees,” Steve recounted.

“Then, the strangest thing happened. Two small glowing objects came at the craft from right angles and merged with it. And then, the object just disappeared. It wasn't like I could follow its flight path; it simply disappeared,” said Steve.

When I asked Steve to de-



LENTICULAR CLOUDS ARE sometimes mistaken for UAPs because of their “saucer” shape. This image was taken from Droop Mountain looking toward Watoga State Park. K. Springer photo

scribe the object further, there was no hesitation. He replied, “It was not much bigger than a car in length, maybe a little wider. I would say it had the general shape of a slightly elongated egg, and when the lights weren't flashing, it was plain as an egg.”

We talked for several hours over two pots of coffee and half of a Dutch apple pie. It became clear that Steve's biggest concern was whether or not to share this with his family or his supervisor at the wildlife area.

At this juncture, I may have given Steve some lousy advice. I told him he might want to think about it before telling anyone else. It was 1973, and there was, and still is to some degree, derision and ridicule attached to reporting seeing a UFO.

I imagined Steve going into the local eatery in Leesburg, Ohio, and telling the dozen or so farmers that hold court there each morning – all wearing Dekalb ball caps – that he had just seen a UFO.

He would have been laughed out of the café. Such was the attitude in those days when many toed the line of conformity. No one wanted to be the nail that stuck up, particularly among a group of no-nonsense men all wearing the same commercial seed hat.

Steve's health started to falter after his close encounter. In the meantime, I took a job with the Ohio Division of Watercraft in the Cleveland/Akron area.

Steve and I kept in touch by letter and the occasional phone call. His experience had clearly changed him; he didn't seem as confident as the old Steve I hunted and fished with.

In February of 1975, less than 18 months after Steve's strange encounter, he died of unknown causes at 24 years of age. Although his precise cause of death was never determined, there is no evidence that Steve's death had anything to do with the aer-

ial object.

Steve's encounter still haunts me; only definitive proof of these objects' existence will allow me to let it go. October of 1973 changed many people's lives and beliefs in rural southwestern Ohio.

In the mid-2000s, I tracked down Steve's sister, whom I had not seen or talked to since Steve died. Our telephone conversation made it clear that her brother had never told his family what had happened.

She added that her family knew that something had occurred that had profoundly affected Steve. When I explained to her Steve's description of what he saw, there was a period of silence.

She said, “Well, you know Steve; if he said that happened to him, you could be sure it did. Steve was a man of few words, and when he said something, he meant it.”

I concur; Steve brushed up against an anomaly he couldn't quite come to terms with. Then again, maybe he did arrive at an understanding of his experience before he died. That is my hope.

Ruth Taylor was leaving Taylors' Grocery Store one evening around dusk back in 1977 when she happened to catch sight of an object over Hillsboro. She described it as “Oblong with blinking lights on the bottom of the craft.”

Ruth explained, “I watched it for a few moments, and then it shot off to the east with a blinking red light. This was before drones, and it was not a helicopter.”

“As I was approaching Droop Mountain, where we lived at the time, I caught sight of it again for a few seconds,” she said, laughingly adding, “Naturally, Bob thought I was losing my mind.”

No worries there, Ruth. You're in the excellent company of military pilots, law enforcement officers, and others who courageously

chose to tell their stories, despite what others may say.

In the fall of 1964, 17-year-old David Workman picked up two friends in Marlinton, John Roy and Watson Underwood (Watson was later killed in the Tet Offensive of 1968).

After piling into David's car, they headed north on Rt. 28 to attend a post-game dance in Green Bank, hoping to meet some girls. But fate had something else in mind, something far more memorable than the particulars of a

high school dance.

The evening was clear, and stars filled the sky; that's how David remembers a night that never strays far from his memory. Like Steve and Ruth, David had no idea what he and his two friends were seeing as they approached the bridge over Thorny Creek just south of Dilley's Mill on Route 28.

“It was huge,” said David recently. “It completely blocked the sky overhead.”

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Letters, from page 4

Why the Federal Government and Joe Manchin want to risk endangering this pristine area, makes no sense. I understand why Joe Manchin would do it i.e., is there some Federal money coming to the state which might garner a few extra votes, after all he sold the people of the state down the river with the so called "Inflation Reduction Act." How's your grocery bill? Have you been out

to eat lately? How's your gasoline bill? I digress!

The entire community was against this project from the beginning. The people spoke out against it at all public hearings. Snowshoe Resort's COO, Patti Duncan wrote a letter in opposition to the project. The Pocahontas County Prosecuting Attorney wrote a letter stating the Pocahontas County Commission was against it. The noise and pollution created by the explosions and chemicals used run the risk of polluting the wells and springs used by local residents. Oh, I know

they threw a bone to some locals by extending some water supply lines in the area. However, this only helps a few when the water supply becomes polluted. Question? If there is not a risk of polluting local water supplies, why did they need to extend the current system?

By the way this project is also at the headwaters of the Elk and Tygart Rivers. Hello Elkins and every other community who gets their water supply from the Elk or Tygart Rivers. As I recall from high school science, water flows downhill. This project

may not pollute these two rivers, and I hope it doesn't, but if it does - catastrophe! Oh, but we have 12 permanent federal jobs. -Whoopee!

The sad part about this entire project is that it could have been stopped by a few people. The real estate company could have chosen not to market the property to the federal government for this project. Also, the owners could have refused to sell or lease the property to the federal government. Instead, they chose to endanger the local community with noise and chemical pollution - for

a few bucks. Not surprising since I'm sure you know what happened twenty-three hundred years ago for 30 pieces of silver. Lastly, I will say the Federal government owes to its citizens an obligation to make responsible decisions - this location for this project is a bad decision. The statement that this is the only suitable location in the entire United States is beyond belief. If the Federal government thinks we are that gullible why not say the entire world. How many abandoned mines exist in West Virginia?

I hope this project comes off without incident and we locals become happy with the noise pollution, chemical pollution, dust pollution, loss in property values, loss of income with less development, loss of tourists, water pollution, killing wildlife, killing trees and other vegetation. What a deal! Also, I hope the Judases who sold out their community enjoy their 30 pieces of silver.

Thanks Joe!

Fred Adkins
Mingo, WV
Randolph County

Your, from page 9

David described the object as silent and moving slowly. He said the craft emitted a bright violet light that originated at the center, radiating out, yet it did not hurt to look at it.

This extraordinary event didn't stop the boys from going to the dance, so they didn't stick around long. It is well-known that girls trump flying saucers when you're 17 years old.

(Conversely, at the ripe old age of 74 one may readily choose to see a UFO or even a vintage 1955 Chevy Bel Air convertible over the ever-diminishing prospects of romance in the golden

years. Different biological imperatives, right?)

David contacted a UFO researcher, Dr. George Fawcett, of Mt. Airy, North Carolina, and filed a report on the Dilley's Mill sighting. Dr. Fawcett became interested in ufology when a giant UFO interrupted the Mt. Airy football practice in 1952 by descending to a much lower altitude directly over the field.

This event was reportedly witnessed by coaches, players and citizens from all over the area.

As for the possibility that UAPs represent extraterrestrial visitors, we, meaning humans, tend to be somewhat anthropocentric.

Every time the issue of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena comes up, certain popu-

lar astrophysicists are trotted out to shoot the E.T. hypothesis down. They assert that the distances are vast and the time required to reach earth is measured in millions of light years and therefore unlikely if not impossible.

That is correct, but only if we are basing these beliefs on the present state of human technology and physiological morphology.

Yet, there may be intelligent life on some habitable planet with hundreds, thousands, perhaps millions of years' head start on humankind regarding technology.

Just think of the technological growth in the 20th century alone - we went from the horse and buggy to the cell phone. The singularity between the biological

human and our ever-increasing technology is looming in the near future.

Imagine what may be possible with thousands of years of exponential technological growth. Those things we consider impossible now may very well be commonplace in an advanced species of intelligent life.

One controversial, albeit compelling, theory is that UAPs may represent a future version of ourselves returning through time to see their roots. Judging from the popularity of genealogy, one can see that happening when, or if, the technology becomes available.

Or, maybe, just maybe, those tens of thousands of astute and observant people reporting UAPs are all mistaking Venus for an un-

known aerial craft with advanced flight characteristics. And, if Venus is not available, we can blame it all on swamp gas and keep our

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**FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024
LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
MUNICIPALITY OF HILLSBORO, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

REVENUE SOURCE

Unassigned Fund Balance	195,000
Property Taxes - Current Expense	30,818
Prior Year Taxes	500
Gas & Oil Severance Tax	1,000
Excise Tax on Utilities	13,000
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)	5,000
Dog Pound Fees	150
Contributions from Other Entities	2,550
Gaming Income	11,000
Video Lottery (LVL)	300
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)	\$ 259,318

COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND

REVENUE SOURCE

Assigned Fund Balance	\$ 50
Coal Severance Tax	1,200
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND)	\$ 1,250

	General Fund	Coal Severance Fund
City Attorney	10,000	-
City Auditor	10,000	-
Regional Development Authority	125	-
City Hall	43,353	-
Other buildings	70	-
Contingencies	4,000	-
Fire Department	1,500	-
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Fair Associations/Festivals	-	625
Library	-	625
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$ 259,318	\$ 1,250

**MUNICIPALITY OF HILLSBORO, WEST VIRGINIA
Regular Current Expense Levy
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024**

Certificate of Valuation	Assessed Value	Levy	Taxes
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CLASS I	Assessed Value	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Personal Property	\$ 0	12.48	\$ 0
Public Utility	0		0
Total Class I	\$ 0		\$ 0

CLASS II	Assessed Value	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Real Estate	\$ 3,442,660	24.96	\$ 8,593
Personal Property	49,326		123
Total Class II	\$ 3,491,986		\$ 8,716

CLASS IV	Assessed Value	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Real Estate	\$ 1,358,330	49.92	\$ 6,781
Personal Property	2,358,589		11,774
Public Utility	1,303,427		6,507
Total Class IV	\$ 5,020,346		\$ 25,062

Total Value & Projected Revenue	\$ 8,512,332		\$ 33,778
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes		5.00%	1,689
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate)		2.00%	642
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)			0
Total Projected Property Tax Collection			\$ 31,447
Less Assessor Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)		2.00%	629
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes			\$ 30,818

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF
MUNICIPALITY OF

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(Signature)
Recorder
(Official Title of Recording Officer)

**FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024
MUNICIPALITY OF MARLINTON
LEVY ESTIMATE**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
MUNICIPALITY OF MARLINTON to wit:

In accordance with Code Section 11-8-14, as amended, the council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

CURRENT REGULAR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES ESTIMATE

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

REVENUE SOURCE

Unencumbered Balance	\$ 217,206
Ad Valorem Taxes	176,728
Gas & Oil Severance Tax	5,804
Excise Tax on Utilities	44,988
Gross Sales Tax	93,000
Wine & Liquor Tax	5,324
Animal Control Tax	331
Hotel Occupancy Tax	26,349
Fines, Fees & Court Costs	463
Licenses	2,750
Building Permit Fees	5,325
Franchise Fees	8,107
Inspection Fees	111
IRP Fees	82,528
Cemetery Revenues	4,750
Rents & Concessions	22,228
Refuse Collection	176,616
Fire Service Fees	73,000
Table Gaming Revenues	7,917
Interest Earned	4,625
Video lottery	998
Miscellaneous	793
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)	\$ 959,941

ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES (GENERAL FUND)

Office of Mayor	\$ 16,520
Members of Council	9,267
Recorder	4,260
Treasurer	20,475
Police Judge	6,734
City Attorney	19,356
Custodial	9,741
Regional Development	433
Building Inspector	90,297
Housing Rehab	37,219
City Hall	124,918
Other Buildings	3,335
Police Department	48,259
Fire Department	77,200
Streets & Highways	88,038
Street Lights	19,108
Central Garage	17,068
Garbage Department	159,168
Parks	135,273
Visitors Bureau	13,175
Library	500
Fairs and Festivals	3,013
Beautification	15,112
Cemetery	41,472
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES (GENERAL FUND)	\$ 959,941

COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND

REVENUE SOURCE

Assigned Fund Balance	\$ 200
Coal Severance Tax	2,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND)	\$ 2,700

ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES (COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND)

City Hall	\$ 500
Streets & Highways	2,200
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES (COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND)	\$ 2,700

**LEVY PAGE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Assessed Values Tax Purposes	Current Expense Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I Property			
Personal Property	0	12.16	0
Public Utilities	0	12.16	0
Total Class I	0		0
Class II Property			
Real Estate	11,300,760	24.32	27,483
Personal Property	34,518	24.32	84
Total Class II	11,335,278		27,567
Class IV Property			
Real Estate	18,969,950	48.64	92,270
Personal Property	11,292,485	48.64	54,927
Public Utilities	3,893,052	48.64	18,936
Total Class IV	34,155,487		166,133
TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE	45,490,765		
TOTAL PROJECTED PROPERTY TAX REVENUE			193,700
*Less 112,113,239 (box lower left)	5%		9,685
Less 107 - Tax Discounts	2%		3,680
Total Projected Property Tax Collection			180,335
Less Assessor Valuation Fund (Subtracted from current expense taxes levied only)	2%		3,607
Net Amounts to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes (To #301-01 on Page 4)			176,728

* 112 Uncollectable Taxes 3,228
* 113 Exonerations 3,228
* 239 Delinquencies 3,229

	Roll Back Value	Weighting	Weighted Assessed
Class 1	0	0.01	0
Class 2	11,329,158	0.02	226,583
Class 3	0	0.04	0
Class 4	32,208,451	0.04	1,288,338
Total RB Value	43,537,609		1,514,921
Prior total projected property tax			178,788
Amount to be raised @ 103%			184,152
			12,1559
Class 1 Rate			12.16
Class 2 Rate			24.31
Class 3 Rate			48.62

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF

POCAHONTAS

MUNICIPALITY OF

MARLINTON

I, ROBERTA GUDMUNDSSON, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 13th day

March, 2023

(Signature)
RECORDER
(Official Title of Recording Officer)

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

ESTATE NUMBER: 14499
 ESTATE OF: **CORENIA GENEVIEVE MCFADDEN JORDAN**
 EXECUTRIX: Regina McPaters
 1276 Jordan Road
 Marlinton, WV 24954-9764
 Subscribed and sworn to before me on March 13, 2023.
 Melissa L. Bennett
 Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission
 3/16/2c

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Notice of Public Hearing
 The Pocahontas County Solid Waste Authority will hold the annual public hearing on the Green Box Fee at Pocahontas County Courthouse on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
 3/16/2c

**SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES
 POCAHONTAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

The following is a true copy from the record of orders entered by POCAHONTAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION on the 7TH day of March 2023:

Column E Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Current Expense Levy	
	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I		
Personal Property	19.40	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-
Total Class I		
Class II		
Real Estate	38.80	1,383,301
Personal Property	-	6,560
Total Class II		1,389,861
Class III		
Real Estate	77.60	2,559,368
Personal Property	-	729,076
Public Utilities	-	354,792
Total Class III		3,643,236
Class IV		
Real Estate	77.60	170,067
Personal Property	-	124,710
Public Utilities	-	45,307
Total Class IV		340,084
Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections		\$ 5,373,181
Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies	5.00%	(268,659)
Less Allowance for Tax Discounts	2.00%	(102,090)
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing - see worksheet (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)		-
Net Projected Tax Collections, before allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund		5,002,432
Less - Allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)	2.00%	(100,049)
Projected Net Taxes to be Collected		\$ 4,902,383

Note: Copies of all approved excess and/or bond levy orders and certified copies of the canvass of votes must be on file with the State Auditor's Office and the State Department of Education before excess or bond levy rates can be approved.

SIGNED THIS 7TH DAY OF MARCH, 2023, BY
 Terrence C. Beam
 SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Terrence C. Beam
 Signature

3/16/2c

**WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
 DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways, through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia, until **MAY 9, 2023 AT 10:00 A.M.** (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project (s):

Call: 010; Contract: 2022990095; State Project: S399-050/00-0.00; FEDERAL PROJECT: HSIP-0050(429)D Description: PAVEMENT MARKINGS, 2023 APD STRIPING; COUNTY: STATEWIDE
DBE GOAL: 10% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

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

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

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

West Virginia Department of Transportation
 Division of Highways
 3/23/2c

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CALL: 005; CONTRACT: 2021000740; STATE PROJECT: S399-STRIP-23. 02; FEDERAL PROJECT: NHPP-2023(244)D; DESCRIPTION: PAVEMENT MARKINGS, INTERSTATE STRIPING, STATEWIDE- PLEASANTS, POCAHONTAS, PRESTON, PUTNAM, RALEIGH.
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West Virginia Department of Transportation
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ADVERTISEMENT

Notice is hereby given that South Fork Coal Company, LLC, 1295 Ashford Hill Road, Ashford, WV 25009, has a permit on file with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for the surface mining of approximately 133.2 acres and has submitted an application to the DEP, 1159 Nick Rahall Greenway, Fayetteville, WV 25840, for renewal of Article 3 Permit Number O-3022-11 to continue to operate a haulroad.

The operation is discharging into Unnamed Tributary of/and Cold Knob Fork of South Fork Cherry River, Unnamed Tributaries and Big Run of Kanawha River and is located 7.35 (miles), northwest of Renick in the Falling Springs and Little Levels Districts of Greenbrier and Pocahontas Counties, Longitude 80° 25' 33" and Latitude 38° 06' 33" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

Surface of the area associated herewith is owned by: W.S. Beard; RL, Mary Alice and Lois W. Sherman Beard - HC 64, Box 384, Hillsboro, WV 24946

Lacy Allen Brown, ETAL - HC 64, Box 580B, Renick, WV 25966
 Michael E. Hively, ETAL - HC 64, Box 210, Hillsboro, WV 25946
 United States of America - P.O. Box 1548, Elkins, WV 26241

MWV Community Development and Land Management, LLC - P.O. Box 577, Rupert, WV 25984
 Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P. - P.O. Box 1109, Lewisburg, WV 24901

*and the mineral associated herewith is owned by: WPP, LLC - 5260 Irwin Road, Huntington, WV 25705
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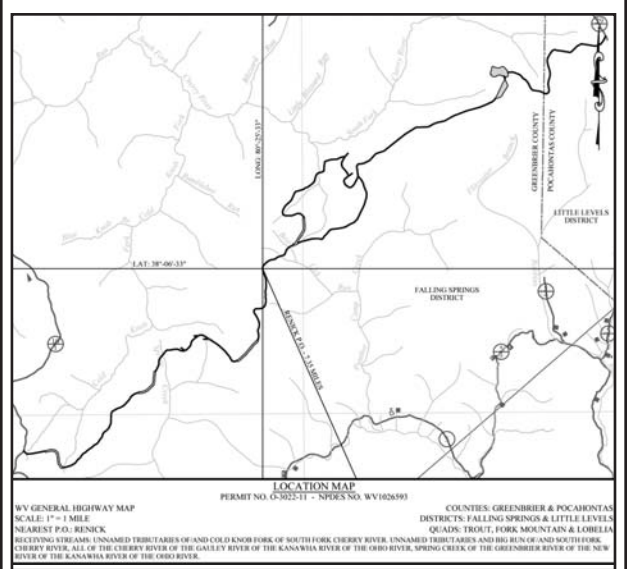
*and the mineral within 100 feet of the permit area is owned by: Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P. - P.O. Box 1109, Lewisburg, WV 24901

Patrick Roberts, ETAL - P.O. Box 23, Renick, WV 25966
 Surface of the area within 100 feet of the permit area is owned by: MWV Community Development and Land Management, LLC - P.O. Box 577, Rupert, WV 25984

Written comments and/or requests for an informal conference of the permit renewal application shall identify the applicant and application number and will be received by the Permit Supervisor at the DEP address above until April 2, 2023 or ten (10) days from date of final publication.

A copy of the application will be available for review until April 2, 2023, or ten (10) days from date of final publication in the DEP Regional Office located at the address above AND in the Greenbrier County Clerk's Office during normal business hours.
 DEP Telephone No. 304-574-4465.
 Permit No. O-3022-11

Permit No. O-3022-11



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**POSITIONS AVAILABLE:
 SNOWSHOE
 HIGHLANDS AREA
 RIDE CENTER**

Summary Description: The Snowshoe Highlands Area Ride Center (SHARC) in Pocahontas County is West Virginia's first International Mountain Bike Association (IMBA) designated Ride Center, Silver Level. This designation, though primarily focused on mountain biking, should bring a significant number of tourists to the area. The major stakeholders in the area, U.S. Forest Service, Pocahontas County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Snowshoe Mountain Resort, West Virginia State Parks and Forests, Pocahontas County Parks and Recreation, Pocahontas Trails, and other community organizations have recognized the need to coordinate efforts to achieve a gold level designation. Trail maintenance has been identified as a priority need to accomplish this goal.

Position: SHARC and Trail Maintenance Coordinator

This position will serve as the Snowshoe Highlands Area Recreation Collaborative (SHARC) Coordinator/ Trail Maintenance Manager and will use SHARC's five-year strategic plan and the WV Snowshoe Highlands Ride Center Gap Analysis as a guide to achieve a gold-level designation. Now a top regional economic development priority, this designation will mark the Snowshoe Highlands Ride Center as one of the top seven mountain bike destinations in the world and will bring an additional \$24.2 million per year and 304 new jobs to Pocahontas and neighboring counties by 2028.

This position will provide coordination between local stakeholders and those of the surrounding area to ensure efforts are not competing, that priority trail maintenance needs are being met, funding is well coordinated and managed, and that information is shared between local and regional stakeholders. Though initially started as a mountain biking initiative this role may include some opportunity to work with other recreation forms such as hiking, gravel biking, road biking, horseback riding, backpacking, and bike packing.

The position is appropriate for someone with 3-5 years of relevant professional experience, with competitive salary, depending on experience. The position is full-time, year-round, with competitive benefits.

Position: Trail Maintenance Crew Lead

This position is intended to support and implement SHARC's mission to "Enhance, Promote, and Develop Outdoor Recreation in the Snowshoe Highlands region" primarily through the maintenance and improvement of mountain biking trails and supporting recreational infrastructure to enhance the visitor experience.

The Trail Maintenance Crew Lead will take direction from the SHARC Coordinator and SHARC working group and will supervise seasonal crew(s) and volunteers as a coordinated team to perform many challenging tasks. The Trail Crew Lead will ensure that safe work practices are followed by crew and volunteers and will be familiar with all regulations for each landowner. The Trail Crew Lead will be expected to exercise skills of delegation, prioritization and problem-solving, and to relate in a warm and welcoming way to the public.

The Trail Crew Lead is a full-time position, working year-round, hiking or riding, up to 40 minutes to the job site carrying gear. Work consists of heavy manual labor with hand tools including clearing organic ground layer, trees, and brush, lifting and moving large rocks, and shoveling dirt. The result is backcountry singletrack trail that will draw people into the Snowshoe Highlands region to explore by foot and by mountain bike.

The position is appropriate for someone with 2+ years of relevant professional experience, with a competitive salary, depending on experience. The position is full-time, year-round including occasional winter field work, with competitive benefits.

Interested candidates should submit letter and résumé by April 7, 2023 to:

SHARC c/o Pocahontas County CVB/Cara Rose, P.O. Box 275 Marlinton WV 24954.

Visit this link for detailed job descriptions: pocahontascountywv.com/jobs-employment/

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Pocahontas County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget)
2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year

POCAHONTAS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
REGULAR CURRENT EXPENSE LEVY
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

Class	Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I			
Personal Property	\$ 0	12.69	\$ 0
Public Utility	0		0
Total Class I	\$ 0		\$ 0
Class II			
Real Estate	\$ 356,520,860	25.38	\$ 904,850
Personal Property	1,690,742		4,291
Total Class II	\$ 358,211,602		\$ 909,141
Class III			
Real Estate	\$ 329,815,500	50.76	\$ 1,674,143
Personal Property	93,953,075		476,906
Public Utility	45,720,640		232,078
Total Class III	\$ 469,489,215		\$ 2,383,127
Class IV			
Real Estate	\$ 21,915,880	50.76	\$ 111,245
Personal Property	16,070,876		81,576
Public Utility	5,838,568		29,637
Total Class IV	\$ 43,825,324		\$ 222,458
Total Value & Projected Revenue	\$ 871,526,141		\$ 3,514,726
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes	0.00%		0
Less Tax Discounts	0.00%		0
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)			0
Total Projected Property Tax Collection			3,514,726
Less Assessor Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)	0.00%		0
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes			\$ 3,514,726

Pocahontas County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget)
2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
County of: Pocahontas, West Virginia

In accordance with WV Code §11-8-10, as amended, the Pocahontas County Commission proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by a levy of taxes for the current year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

General Fund	Estimated Revenues
Fund Balance	\$ 622,300
Property Taxes Current year	3,206,766
Prior Year Taxes	202,000
Dog Taxes	8,844
Property Transfer Tax	175,000
Gas and Oil Severance Tax	17,000
Wine & Liquor Tax	30,000
Hotel Occupancy Tax	1,500,000
Federal Grants / Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes	750,000
State Grants	85,000
Sheriff's Service of Process	5,000
Sheriff's Earnings	200
County Clerk's Earnings	45,000
Circuit Clerk's Earnings	12,000
Accident Reports	400
Motor Vehicle License Fee	2,000
Clerk Deed Fees	2,500
Rents & Concessions	6,000
Franchise Agreement	2,500
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)	30,000
Fines, Fees & Court Costs	1,000
Regional Jail Operations Partial Reimbursement	10,000
Interest Earned	3,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	15,000
Sheriff's Commission	15,000
Commissions	884
Gaming Income	40,000
Video Lottery	5,000
Refunds/Reimbursements (External Sources)	25,000
Emergency 911 Reimbursement	500,000
General School Reimbursements	30,000
Magistrate Court Reimbursements	2,000
Payroll Reimbursements	124,349

Transfers from Rainy Day Fund	250,000
Transfers Assessor's Valuation Fund	153,650
Total Estimated General Fund Revenues	\$ 7,877,393
Coal Severance Tax	Estimated Revenues
Assigned Fund Balance	\$ 374,986
Coal Severance Tax	20,000
Interest Earned on Investment	5,000
Total Coal Severance	\$ 399,986

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	General Fund	Coal Severance Tax Fund
County Commission	\$ 542,146	\$ 399,986
County Clerk	436,388	-
Circuit Clerk	199,113	-
Sheriff - Treasurer	368,891	-
Prosecuting Attorney	425,647	-
Assessor	292,983	-
Assessor's Valuation Fund	153,650	-
Statewide Computer Network	40,000	-
Agricultural Agent	80,588	-
Elections - County Clerk	70,370	-
Courthouse	487,045	-
Regional Development Authority	7,869	-
Economic Development	9,837	-
County Clerk Operations	2,500	-
Contingencies - Not to Exceed 10% of Budget	225,000	-
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	3,342,027	399,986
PUBLIC SAFETY	-	-
Sheriff - Law Enforcement	1,008,368	-
Sheriff - Service of Process	58,472	-
County Jail - Nonreimbursable J/C	60,430	-
Regional Jail	250,000	-
Emergency Services	86,154	-
Communication Center	647,142	-
Fire Coordinator	120,000	-
Ambulance Authority	199,349	-
Dog Warden/Humane Society	49,199	-
Flood Control	15,000	-
Local Law Enforcement Block Grant	266,005	-
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	2,760,119	-
Local Health Department	28,000	-
Hospital	75,000	-
Vital Statistics	200	-
TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION	103,200	-
CULTURE AND RECREATION	-	-
Parks & Recreation	141,050	-
Arts & Humanities	15,925	-
Fair Associations/Festivals	100,100	-
Historical Commission	27,300	-
Civic Promotion	11,375	-
Visitor's Bureau	797,750	-
Library	136,500	-
Law Library	2,000	-
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	1,232,000	-
Senior Citizens	100,000	-
Family Court	18,050	-
TOTAL SOCIAL SERVICES	118,050	-
CAPITAL PROJECTS	-	-
Community Development	34,989	-
County Commission	287,008	-
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	321,997	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 7,877,393	\$ 399,986

I, Melissa L. Bennett, CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF SAID COUNTY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ARE TRUE COPIES FROM THE RECORD OF ORDERS MADE AND ENTERED BY SAID COMMISSION ON THE 15th DAY OF MARCH 2023.

Melissa L. Bennett
(Signature)

3/23/2c

Classifieds

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Buy • Sell • Trade • Rent • Hire

Advertising deadline is Monday at noon. Call 304-799-4973 to place yours now.

WANTED
WANTED TO BUY - Copy of History of Pocahontas County - 1981. Call 707-523-3303. (West Coast number). 3/23/4p

POSITIONS AVAILABLE
POSITIONS AVAILABLE - Cass Scenic Railroad State Park is now taking applications for the following positions: Company Store, Laundry, Maintenance, Museum Attendant and Naturalist. If interested, stop by the company store to pick up an application or call the park office at 304-456-4300. 3/23/2c

POSITIONS AVAILABLE
Watoga State Park is taking applications for Summer and Seasonal Housekeepers, Park Attendants, Seasonal Office Clerk, and Campground Attendants. Applicants may apply at the park office. Park Office

contact number is 304-799-4087. 3/2/4c

HELP WANTED
HELP WANTED - Looking for a Correctional Officer job? Testing will be offered at the Denmar Correctional Center, Hillsboro, WV, on a daily basis. Interested parties should contact Human Resources at the facility at 304-653-4201 to schedule an appointment. 1/19/tfnc

SERVICES
SERVICES - Affordable Tree Care. Trimming, removal, stump grinding and underbrushing. Tony Garretson. 304-799-6543. 6/23/tfnp

SERVICES - Ron's Tree Service, LLC. Complete tree care and removal. Free estimates. 304-799-2476. 1/19/tfnc

NOTICE
NOTICE - SKSRT Annual Scholarship - Spruce Knob Seneca Rocks Telephone, Inc. will award \$500 scholarships to two graduating seniors whose parents or legal guardians are current customers of Spruce Knob Seneca Rocks Telephone, Inc. Applicant must be a member of a current graduating class, must achieve a minimum 3.0 GPA or in the upper 1/3 of the class, and must be accepted as a full-time student in an accredited two or four year college, university, or vocational-technical school. Applicant must have character that is respectful of students and teachers in a

manner that shows leadership, honesty, responsibility, integrity, and consideration of others. Further information on eligibility and criteria can be obtained by calling 304-567-2121, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by emailing admin@sksrt.com Applications are available at the telephone office or can be downloaded online at www.spruceknob.net Deadline for submission of application is April 18, 2023. 3/16/2c

FREE
FREE - Newspaper for your stove or pets. The Pocahontas Times. 304-799-4973. 12/15/tfn

The Town of Marlinton is seeking a Full-Time Maintenance Worker

This position entails all aspects of maintenance work within the town, including water and sewer lines, mowing, meter reading and working with the sanitation department. Plus, doing other work as may be required. Valid WV driver's license is required. Benefits include: paid holidays, paid personal days, furnished uniforms, accumulative sick leave, paid vacation, and health insurance. Pay will be based on experience. This position will remain open until filled. Submit applications/résumés to: Town of Marlinton, 709 2nd Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954; or email townofmarlinton@frontiernet.net For more information call 304-799-4315. The Town of Marlinton is an equal opportunity employer.

The Town of Marlinton is seeking a Part-Time Seasonal Worker

This position primarily will be mowing, weed eating and trash pickup, but may also require other tasks as needed. This position will remain open until filled. Submit applications/résumés to: Town of Marlinton, 709 2nd Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954; or email townofmarlinton@frontiernet.net For more information call 304-799-4315. The Town of Marlinton is an equal opportunity employer.

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Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday by appointment **304-653-4988**

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DURBIN – One of the Eighth Grade graduates of the Durbin School this year is Marvin Lewis Halterman, son of Mrs. Tressie Lambert, of Thornwood. He has the unusual record of never having been absent nor tardy during all the years he has attended school. Marvin lives seven miles from the schoolhouse, riding the bus to and from the school each day.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred McNeel, of Hillsboro, a daughter, named Elizabeth Edgar McNeel.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Devon Johnson, of Washington, D. C., a daughter, named Delores Ann.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morgan, of Marlinton, a daughter, named Barbara Lee.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Keiver Jordan, of Buckeye, a daughter, named Cynthia Ann.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle Wade, of Fairmont, a daughter, named Libby Jane.

DEATHS

Mrs. C. M. (Emma) Stover, aged 84 years, died at the home of her son, W. W. Addleman, in Marlinton, Friday, March 19, 1948... Funeral service was held in the home by Rev. E. M. Carlson, of the Marlinton Methodist Church, and interment was made in the family plot in Mountain View Cemetery beside the grave of her husband, who preceded her in death several years ago...

Mrs. Frances Ann Hayes Jameson, aged 75 years, wife of G. F. Jameson, died at her home at Auto, in Greenbrier County, March 17, 1948... On Friday afternoon, the funeral was held from the

Methodist Church of Renick, with burial in the Renick Cemetery.... The deceased was a daughter of the late Abram Hayes, of Hillsboro...

Mrs. Salina V. Wamsley, aged 85 years, died at her home on Caesar Mountain February 18, 1948. On Monday, the funeral service was held at the Emmanuel Church near Lobelia. The deceased was the daughter of the late George Washington McCoy and Iby Lewis McCoy. She was married to Samuel Wamsley April 3, 1886...

JUST FOR FUN

A woman teacher in trying to explain the meaning of the word "slowly," illustrated it by walking across the floor. When she asked the class to tell her how she walked, she nearly fainted when a boy in the class shouted: "Bow-legged."

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EDITOR, TIMES;

I, for one, do not cooperate with our Marvin Chapel friend or our X correspondent or with his double cross coincider in regard to six months school. I do not think being in a clean, sanitary schoolroom nine months with proper food and plenty of exercise is going to injure the health of any child. And our boys and girls have plenty of time in the mornings and evenings and on Saturdays to learn all the practical everyday things, and as for us needing their help in the spring and fall – of course their help would come in right handy some-

times, but listen, "Are we not willing to make some sacrifice for our boys and girls" in helping them get an education in order that they may go through life easier than we have? Or are we going to help them at home to help us dig weeds for a living?

Better to sell the farm and use the money to educate our children, for that is all we will have to give them anyway. I will close with three cheers for a nine months school.

A School Booster.

DIED

A.E. Irvine was born October 31, 1853, at the home of his parents near Edray, where he lived the greater part of his life. He professed faith in

Christ in early manhood and united with the Methodist Church and remained a faithful member the remainder of his life...

On December 15, 1909, he married Miss Vera E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kennison and thereafter made his home at Kinnison... He was laid to rest in Oak Grove Cemetery.

George N. Tacy died very suddenly at his home near Cass on Monday morning, March 19, 1923. His death was due to heart disease, it is presumed. His age was about 75 years. He is survived by a number of children. Mr. Tacy was a good citizen, honest and upright in his dealings, and in his passing this writer loses a lifelong friend.

BIRTH
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Jackson, of Dunmore, a son.

DEATHS
Henry Hamilton Brown, 95, of Arbovale; a member of the Nazarene Church at Frank, a farmer and lifelong resident of Pocahontas County. Burial in Arbovale Cemetery.

Winfred McElwee, 82, of

Dunmore, a son of the late Bernard and Molly Siple McElwee... He was a member of the Methodist Church and a retired bus driver. Burial in the Dunmore Cemetery.

Frank McCarty, 57, of Frost, a son of the late Lanty McCarty and Tabytha Bowers McCarty. He was a member of the United Methodist church. Burial in the Frost Cemetery.

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ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Oran McLaughlin, of Marlinton, wish to announce the engagement of their only daughter, Priscilla Lane, to Eugene Ray Kramer, the son of Mrs. Mable Kramer, and the late Lee W. Kramer, of Marlinton.

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E. N. Moore says if the war goes on, he will send his boy – he weighs 11 and a half pounds.

C. E. Pritchard is home from Baltimore. P. D. Yeager will be home in about two weeks.

Moore & Swecker are making up a big lot of folding bedsprings, the best on the market. Don't buy any other till you see them.

HUNTERSVILLE

Lyons, the fur man, was with us again this week, buying furs, beef hides, beeswax, tallow, etc.

O. E. McKeever has been appointed postmaster to take the place of H. P. Patterson.

Dr. James Price, of Marlinton, was called to see Dr. J. B. Lockridge, who was taken suddenly ill Friday night.

The farmers are plowing, cleaning meadows and building fence. The grass is growing, the lambs are skipping, the birds are singing and everything seems to whisper to us that spring is here.

BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

RALPH WANLESS, a pioneer blacksmith and progenitor of the Pocahontas branches of the Wanless relationship, was a native of England. It is believed that Ralph and his brother, Stephen Wanless, lived awhile in the lower Valley of Virginia on the Fairfax lands. About 1790 Ralph Wanless settled in The Hills, near Mount Tabor. Steven located in Bath County, Virginia. Some of his descendants now live near Clover Dale.

Ralph's wife was Lucretia Nicholas, sister of William Nicholas who was living on Douthards Creek... They were the parents of seven sons and five daughters... Anna Wanless became

Mrs. Reuben Matheny; Mary (Dolly) became Mrs. Alexander Campbell; both couples lived in Highland County. Margaret Wanless was married to James Sharp and lived on Thorny Creek. Elizabeth Wanless became Mrs. Thomas Hadden; and Lydia Wanless married J. McGuire; both couples settled in Ohio.

The sons of Ralph and Lucretia Wanless were William, James, Levin, Ralph, Stephen, John and Thomas.

William Wanless married Nancy Wilson. James was a local minister and a prominent citizen. Ralph junior, first married Anna Poage, daughter of G. W. Poage, of The Levels. They lived on the homestead at Mt. Tabor. Ralph junior had as his second wife Sally Arbogast, daughter of Benjamin Arbogast, of Glade Hill. Levin married Nancy Dilley, daughter of Henry Dilley. Stephen married Mary Pauline Sharp and lived on Back Creek. John married Elizabeth Bridger and settled in Lewis County. Thomas married Julia Bucher and settled in Ohio...

Most all of the Wanless brothers were industrious and skillful workers in iron, acquired from their father, who seems to have been genius to that line of industry, so useful to the people in pioneer and later times. When Ralph Wanless and his sons wrought at the anvil and caused the primitive forests to ring with their strong and resonant striking of hammers and sledges, their business was of essential importance...

Toiling, rejoicing, sorrowing, Onward through life he goes;

Each morning sees some task begun,

Each evening sees it close.

Something attempted, something done,

Has earned a night's repose.

Man: I wonder why we can't save anything?

Wife: It's the neighbors, dear. They are always doing something we can't afford.

Soldier on a bus: Madam, will you please get off my foot?


Madam: Why don't you

put your foot where it belongs?


Soldier: Don't tempt me, lady, don't tempt me.





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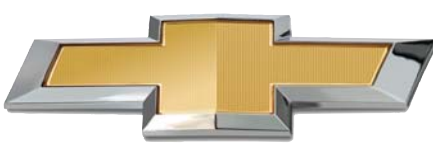
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