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Snowshoe hosts premier of 'The Paradise Paradox'

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

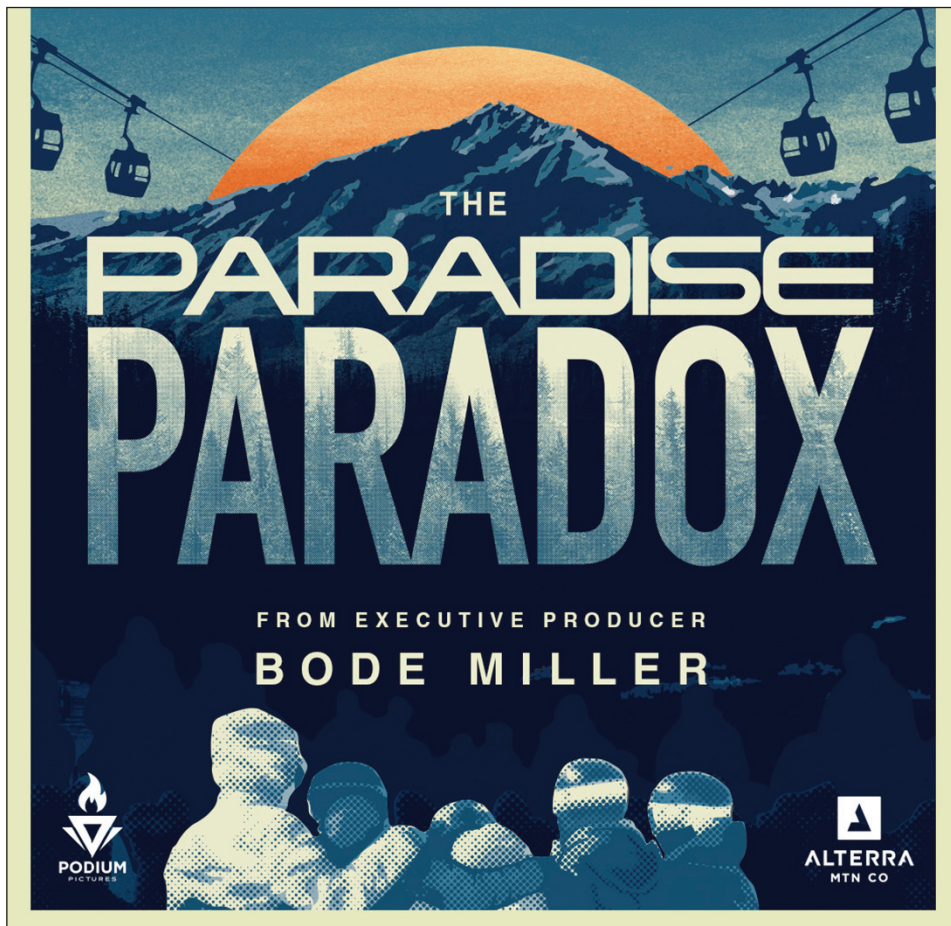
When people think of mountain resorts, they picture slicing through fresh snow on skis or snowboards, enjoying the nightlife at bars and restaurants, or family time – tubing and even swimming.

What they don't think about is the mental health of the part-time and full-time employees who work at these resorts.

Seeing an increase in suicide rates in Wyoming, Montana and Colorado – all homes to huge "mountain towns," Olympic ski racer Bode Miller and Emmy Award-winning impact sports filmmaker Brett Rapkin set out to make a documentary – "The Paradise Paradox" – which examines the mental health crisis in these mountain towns and what the resorts are doing to help their employees.

Featuring several resorts owned and operated by Alterra Mountain Company, the documentary does a deep dive into the underbelly of working at a high octane winter resort.

Snowshoe Mountain Resort is not featured in the film, but it is a member of the Alterra family. Understanding the importance of addressing mental health issues, the resort hosted a



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH Alterra Mountain Company, Olympic ski racer Bode Miller and filmmaker Brett Rapkin produced the documentary "The Paradise Paradox," about the mental health issues faced by people living in mountain towns. As an Alterra property, Snowshoe Mountain Resort held a screening of the documentary, which can be found online at Amazon.

showing of the documentary at the Inn at Snowshoe.

Sponsored by Alterra Foundation and Snowshoe Senior Leadership team, the event included two showings of the documentary, with movie theater style snacks and seafood.

"We're really trying to get people to come and hear the message," Snowshoe community liaison Tracey Valach said. "I think it's been really well received so far."

There were also several community partners in attendance to offer support to

anyone who wanted to continue to discuss mental health issues: they included Scott McGee, of Seneca Mental Health; Erin Gaertner, of Jobs and Hope; D. Joy Szafraniec, of Evolve

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School system forms Family Advisory Committee

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

As the old saying goes, "it takes a village to raise a child."

When it comes to educating children, it obviously takes a school system, but it also takes the family and community to ensure that all children are educated, healthy and safe.

With that in mind, director of elementary curriculum, instruction and federal programs Kristy Tritapoe formed the Family Advisory Committee.

Tritapoe explained that the FAC is a way to bring the county together to focus on activities that include all five schools. The committee includes parents, community members, Tritapoe and the Communities in Schools coordinators and school counselors.

While the teachers, aides and administration are focused on the education of the students, the FAC is more focused on making sure students don't go without – whether it be school supplies, clothes or food.

The first event hosted by the FAC was held in Sep-

tember in conjunction with the First Friday event in Marlinton. A school bus was parked across from Discovery Junction where people could "fill the bus" with supplies for the schools. There were also activities provided by students, schools and the Family Resource Network.

"We had some students that volunteered from the middle school, and they came down and did math games with the younger children," Marlinton CIS coordinator Jeannette Wagner said. "That would pull parents over to the table and show them how to do these math games with cards and dice at home. That was really good."

"Then of course, the FRN was doing a bunch of giveaways and had the bounce houses," she added.

The "Fill the Bus" event was so successful that Wagner is going to up the ante next year with buses parked at the four Dollar Generals in the county. This will give people in all communities an opportunity to give supplies for the students.

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Lady Warriors' first state tourney in four years

Bruce McKean
Contributing Writer

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The Class A Region II Section 2 Pocahontas County High School Lady Warriors beat the Section 1 East Hardy Cougars (now 8-16) in one of the two Class A Region II co-finals February 27, by a score of 70-49. The Section 1 and Potomac Valley Conference co-member Tucker County Mountain Lions beat the No. 1 seed in Section 2, Pendleton County, by a score of 77-40. The two Region II winners, PCHS was voted the #8 seed in Class A at states and, TCHS was voted the #3 seed. Both will play in one of the four Class A first round games in Charleston March 6.

During the regular season PCHS lost by 2 points to East Hardy at Baker February 06, 44-46, and won by 15 points, 48-33, in the first game of the season at Dunmore. Another big, enthusiastic crowd again showed up Tuesday at Dunmore and cheered for the Warriors the entire time. The lead changed seven times in the first quarter and was tied four times. East Hardy only had five players that could play and they did not field a JV team this season. East's top scorer, Junior Brooklynn Tinnell, scored 9 points, including 4 of 4 free throws, in the first period. East sophomore Chloe Miller had her best quarter with 6 points including 1 of 4 free throws. PCHS senior Olivia Vandevender hit two threes and

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POCAHONTAS COUNTY HIGH School's Lady Warriors traveled to Charleston Tuesday to play in the Girls State Basketball Tournament. It's been four years since the Lady Warriors' last appearance at the tournament.

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MTC public hearing heard very little

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

Marlinton Town Council held a public hearing prior to its regular meeting Monday evening. The purpose of the public hearing was to allow residents and business owners to share their opinions on the Home Rule Application.

Council has been working on the application for months and is preparing to submit it for approval. If the application is approved and Marlinton is allowed to implement Home Rule, a one percent sales tax will be added to items sold in the town, with exemptions on groceries, gas and services. While council set aside

an hour for the public hearing, only two residents spoke. Mayor Sam Felton gave a history of the Home Rule law and explained why Marlinton will benefit from the revenue from the one percent tax.

After the brief discussion, Felton adjourned the hearing until 7 p.m. when the regular meeting began.

This meeting was also short with just two items to discuss. Before those items were addressed, building inspector and floodplain coordinator Bruce VanMeter gave a brief update on a grant the town received from the Department of Environmental Protection.

VanMeter said the grant will be used to level 10 dilapidated buildings in the

town. He said asbestos testing will be conducted before the buildings can be demolished.

Council approved the first reading of the Home Rule Application and Ordinance. There will be two more readings and if those are approved, the application will be submitted to the state for approval. If it is approved at the state level, the tax will go into effect July 1.

Council also approved the standard operating procedure for the town's video system. Felton explained that there are residents who have requested to see clips from recordings on the town's security cameras and

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Landfill boundary issue close to resolution

Tim Walker
AMR Reporter

The Pocahontas County Solid Waste Authority's 2023 Annual report, released in January, estimated that the current county landfill has 2.7 years of useful life left in it. Now the Solid Waste Authority is planning for the future of solid waste disposal in the county after the landfill closes. They have been negotiating a purchase deal with the current owner of the land. The county has been leasing the landfill property. Earlier options considered for after the landfill is closed included placing a transfer station at the site for collection, then haul the solid waste to landfills in other counties. The tire and white goods recycling at the closed landfill site would continue in operation.

One problem the SWA has been wrestling with, concerning the potential purchase of the landfill property, has been determining the

exact boundaries for the property. The owner of the property has several areas on the currently leased property which she does not want to include in any sale, including a road used for her farming operation.

The county commission had a survey of the property completed, but when authority member and county commissioner Jamie Walker recently walked the property with Landfill Manager Chris McComb, they were unable to find some of the survey stakes and could not find one of the corners as was indicated on the copy of the plat they had.

Concerned about this, Walker explained at the February 28 SWA meeting that he suspects the plat might not include the required 100-foot setback from the property line to the landfill's disposal cells. He said he contacted the surveyor about his concerns and was told it would be checked into. Walker said he has not heard back from the surveyor.

Jacob Meck brought a different plat from the surveyor to the meeting. That one shows slightly different setbacks and corners. Walker said the new plat might reflect corrections made after his conversation with the surveyor. If that is so, it appears to resolve his concerns. However, Walker still wants to make sure it is the corrected and final plat, and that it includes all the required 100-foot set-backs.

SWA Chairman Ed Riley said he still has concerns about who will be responsible for maintaining the fences along the entrance road after the purchase.

Member David McLaughlin wanted to know if the county commission purchases the landfill, who will own it — the commission or the Solid Waste Authority?

It was pointed out that establishing a transfer station will be expensive, with a start-up cost of \$1.6 million, building a shop will cost

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Spring Fire Season

West Virginia's annual spring fire season began March 1 and marks the return of burning restrictions.

The West Virginia Division of Forestry (WV DOF) reminds residents to confine their outdoor burning to the hours of 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. according to the West Virginia State Code Chapter 20-3-5. Fires set during that time must be put out before 7 a.m.

"Since January 1 we have responded to 95 fires that have burned approximately 389.1 acres," said State Forester Jeremy Jones, WV

DOF.

Statewide burning restrictions will remain in effect until the close of the spring fire season on May 31. The Division of Forestry has issued burning guidelines on its website at wvforestry.com/fire-laws

Regulations include:

- All fires must have a safety strip.
- The safety strip itself must be cleared of burnable material and be at least 10 feet wide.
- Fire must be attended until completely extinguished.
- Only vegetative materi-

als such as leaves, brush and yard clippings are permitted to be burnt.

• Spark-throwing machinery such as power shovels or sawmills operating on land subject to fire must contain an adequate spark arrestor.

• Inflammable waste disposal areas must annually remove all grass, brush, debris, and other inflammable material adjacent to disposal areas to provide adequate protection, preventing the escape of fire to adjacent lands.

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Treasurer warns institutions of potential inclusion on Boycott List

West Virginia State Treasurer Riley Moore confirmed he has sent notices to six financial institutions warning them of potential inclusion on the state's Restricted Financial Institution List after his office made an initial determination that the institutions appear to be engaged in boycotts of fossil fuel companies as defined under state law.

The Treasurer made this determination based on a review of each institution's own environmental, social and governance (ESG) policies and other publicly available statements.

"With the passage of the Restricted Financial Institution List law in 2022, we took an unprecedented stand against politically motivated efforts to cut off financing to West Virginia's coal, oil and natural gas industries," Moore said.

"While we have been effective in our fight against ESG activism, we must remain vigilant to ensure we

do not entrust state funds to banks that are engaged in coordinated political efforts to destroy our state's critical industries. My action represents our continued commitment to protect taxpayer dollars from harmful ESG policies."

The Restricted Financial Institution List law, which Moore proposed to the Legislature and was passed in 2022, authorizes the State Treasurer to publish a list of financial institutions that have publicly stated they

will refuse, terminate or limit doing business with coal, oil or natural gas companies without a reasonable business purpose.

Under the law, the Treasurer may exclude banks on the list from eligibility for contracts for state banking services, ensuring that financial institutions are not holding the same state revenue and taxpayer dollars their ESG policies are attempting to diminish.

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Circuit Court

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

A pre-trial conference was held in the case the State vs Jerry Schoolcraft, 61, of Renick, wherein the court denied a defense motion to exclude testimony concerning the alleged contents of a non-exist video, and denied a defense motion to remove home confinement as a condition of bond for the defendant. Several motions have recently been filed and some after the deadline. The court granted the State's motion for a continuance of trial to allow time to respond. The trial was originally scheduled to begin March 4. A motions hearing is set for April 10. Schoolcraft was indicted on four counts, sexual assault in the second degree.

Stephanie Eads Sharp, 38, of Hillsboro, tendered a written plea agreement to the court wherein she pleaded guilty by Kennedy vs Frazier to the felony offense of grand larceny and the felony offense of conspiracy. The court accepted the plea but deferred adjudication until Sharp successfully completes or is otherwise discharged from the South-eastern Regional Drug Court Program. The State moved to dismiss the charge of child neglect creating risk of serious bodily injury.

Michael Beverage Jr., 37,

of Marlinton, appeared by video from the Tygart Valley Regional Jail for his arraignment hearing wherein he pleaded not guilty to one count, child neglect creating risk of serious bodily injury, a felony. Beverage is incarcerated due to a capias being issued at the last hearing date. Bond was reinstated to previous surety bond of \$20,000, and modified to add that the defendant is to participate in the home confinement program with Day Report supervision and is to have no contact with the alleged victims. Beverage is to attend substance abuse services and is prohibited from possessing any controlled substances or alcohol, and will be screened for the same.

Steven K. Bennett, 40, of Green Bank, admitted to violating the terms of his alternate sentencing. He was sanctioned to seven days in

the TVRJ and will be placed back on home confinement when released. Bennett pleaded guilty in November 2023 to the lesser included misdemeanor offense of driving while license revoked for driving under the influence of alcohol, second offense. He was sentenced to one year in the regional jail but is allowed to spend his sentence on monitored home confinement.

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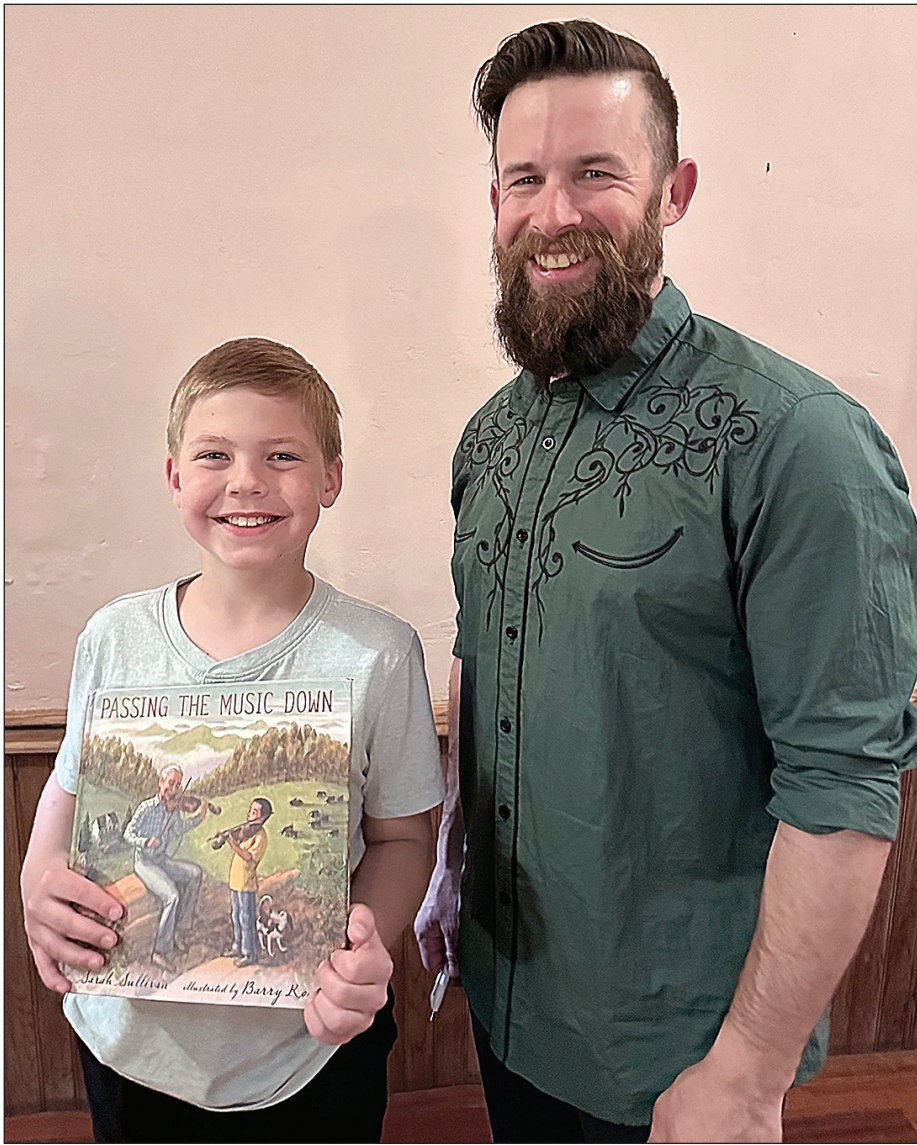
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Carney plays the fiddle and wanted to meet the award winning fiddle player Jake Krack and ask him to autograph his copy of the book "Passing the Music Down."



The Dark Matters on stage at the opera house

The dramatic and dynamic soul-groove band The Dark Matters will perform at the Pocahontas County Opera House Saturday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m. This concert promises an electrifying evening filled with powerful music and unforgettable experiences.

The Dark Matters, known for its energetic performance style, features horns, organ and captivating vocals in its signature sound. Drawing upon influences from the profound spirit of '60s Memphis rhythm and blues, the band delivers driving bass lines, engaging drums, and gripping guitar riffs that will surely bring audiences to their feet.

Members of The Dark Matters consider themselves students of music, and are part of a growing movement

of bands that use traditional instruments to create meaningful rhythms. They meticulously plumb the depths of record crates to discover melodies that resonate and rhythms that unify audiences.

The Opera House welcomes all audiences, offering an informal and family-friendly environment accessible to individuals with disabilities. Special accommodations can be arranged upon request. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, so attendees are encouraged to secure their admission in advance.

This performance is a must-see event at the Pocahontas County Opera House. Tickets are priced at \$10 for adults, and admission is free for those aged 17 and younger. Tickets can be obtained via pocahontasopera-

house.org, the 4th Avenue Gallery in Marlinton, or at the venue on the evening of the performance.

The Pocahontas County Opera House is grateful to receive financial support from the West Virginia Division of Culture and History, with the endorsement of the West Virginia Commission on the Arts. We would also like to extend our gratitude to Pocahontas County Dramas, Fairs and Festivals, Mid-Atlantic Arts, and the Pocahontas County Convention and Visitors Bureau for their generous support. Additionally, we are grateful for the support from the greater community that has shown its love and appreciation for our performances.

We appreciate all the help that we have received from these organizations and individuals.

Responsibly collecting ramps on the MNF

Digging and eating ramps in the spring is a traditional activity throughout Appalachia, especially in Monongahela National Forest's gateway communities. While collecting ramps for personal use is permitted on the Forest within established limits, commercial harvesting of ramps in the Forest is prohibited.

Personal use is defined as two gallons per person in possession at any one time, about the amount that fits in a typical plastic grocery bag. This equals about 180 whole plants, including roots and leaves. Individuals may not collect ramps on behalf of someone else or for a fundraiser.

We encourage people who are collecting ramps in Monongahela National Forest to help sustain viable ramp populations by following these guidelines:

- Collect ramps only in patches with more than 100 plants.
- If you find a patch that has already been harvested, move on to another area.
- When collecting ramps from a large clump, take only one-fifth of the plants. Leaving behind most of the plants will allow them to mature and go to seed, and the patch will recover faster.
- If digging bulbs, use a soil fork or a small hand trowel and a knife rather than a large shovel. Shovels disturb the root system of neighboring ramps and other

plants much more than these smaller tools. To dig ramps, loosen the soil with the soil fork or hand trowel and use the knife to cut the ramp roots beneath the bulb.

- After you dig a ramp, cover the bare soil with leaves. This will reduce the likelihood of invasive species taking root.

By following these guidelines for harvesting ramps, we can ensure that our children and grandchildren can enjoy ramps for generations to come. Learn more about ramps and how to grow them on your property here: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/research/srs/products/compassive/harvest-ramps-responsibly-enjoy-many-years-come>

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1. Two sets of fathers and sons have served as presidents. Who were they?
2. Who was the first man on the moon?
3. Which four presidents were assassinated while in office?
4. Minnesotan baseball commentator Halsey Hal was the first man to use what sacred mammal expression to express awe?

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Letter to the Editor

Editor;
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Weather Recap
February
by Jason Bauserman

February was very warm for the second straight year. Precipitation was somewhat below normal. Only one medium snow was recorded.
The average high temperature of 47.2 degrees was 8.8 degrees above normal. The average low temperature of 24.0 degrees was 5.3 degrees above normal. The mean was 35.6 degrees and that was 7 degrees above normal. My records show this is the fourth warmest February in 32 years. All four warm Februaries have appeared in the last eight years. The means for these four February years include: 2017: 37.1, 2023: 36.9, 2018: 35.7 and 2024: 35.6.
The highest temperature was 62 degrees on February 8. That was a record high temperature for that day. Green Bank Observatory

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What's Cookin'?
Marlinton OES Cookbook - 1954

Apple Torte
Mrs. Maude Bumgardner
2/3 cup flour
1/2 tsp. salt
3 tsp. vanilla
1 1/2 cups sugar – part brown
2 cups finely diced apples
1 cup chopped pecans or walnuts
3 tsp. baking powder
2 eggs, beaten
Sift together, flour, baking powder and salt. Add sugar and vanilla to the beaten eggs – beat well. Add dry ingredients, apples and nuts to liquid mixture. Mix well and bake in a well greased 8 x 12 x 4-inch baking dish for 35 to 45 minutes at 350 degrees.
Stir in an additional 3 cups of flour.
Turn out on a lightly floured board and knead until smooth and elastic. Place in a greased bowl, brush with shortening, cover and let rise in a warm place, free from draft, until double in bulk – about 1 hour. Punch down, turn out on board. Divide in half, let rest 15 or 20 minutes.
Shape into loaves, and place in two 9 x 3 x 5-inch loaf pans. Cover and set in warm place until center is slightly higher than the edge of the pan – about 1 hour. Bake for 45 minutes at 350 degrees.

White Bread (Straight Dough Method)
Mrs. Mary Shafer
Scald 1 cup milk. Stir in 3 Tbsp. sugar, 6 Tbsp. shortening and 2 1/2 tsp. salt. Cool to lukewarm.
Measure into bowl, 1 cup warm water, crumble in 1 cake of yeast. Stir until dissolved.
Stir in lukewarm milk mixture. Add 3 cups sifted flour. Beat until smooth.



Marlinton Mayor's Corner

By Sam Felton

Last week's Mon-Forest Towns Executive Committee meeting soon turned to more than talk about trails and tourism.

On everyone's mind was the news of a recent shutdown of a major lumber operation that will have a negative impact on each of the Mon-Forest Towns and the state at large.

According to MetroNews, Allegheny Wood Products, located in Petersburg, a 50-year-old West Virginia-based internationally known hardwood producer, ceased operations on February 24, eliminating about 600 jobs at multiple locations. The shutdown will affect another few hundred contractors and employees.

Marlinton lost Northwest Hardwoods last year. It makes one wonder: Is the forest industry in West Virginia going in the same direction as the Coal Industry? These sobering facts centered MFT's conversation on "what we already knew." Tourism is only one component of building a sustainable economy.

Another component would

be to attract a tenant at the Edray Industrial Park Building. Last week, I attended a virtual meeting with the West Virginia Department of Economic Development (WVDED). The meeting was in concert with InSite Consulting and its client, The Greenbrier Valley Economic Development Corporation (GVEDC). Each is committed to developing and advancing the business prosperity and economic welfare of West Virginia. The two-hour session focused on what we can do to develop and advance the business opportunity for the Edray Industrial Park Building. Each agrees, it is not likely anything happens without active players at the local level.

The YesWV Ready Team realizes local communities

play the most critical and important role in economic development and site selection. The YesWV Ready Sites Program continues to strengthen the partnership between everyone at the state, region and local level working together to produce sites and communities that are ready for a client's investment and jobs. WVDED's investment in statewide product development initiatives focuses on assisting communities with providing top-notch sites for their corporate clients.

In closing, if there is a bright side to having 600 laid-off workers and a few hundred contractors, it may be each will be able to find employment at the many other businesses that are needing workers.

Sam

Community Calendar

OPERA HOUSE
The dramatic and dynamic soul-groove band **The Dark Matters** Saturday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, \$10, are available in advance at the 4th Avenue Gallery and online at pocahontasoperahouse.org or at the door the night of the performance.

PUBLIC NOTICE
FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) workshop at Pocahontas County High School Monday, March 11, beginning at 4:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity for parents/guardians and students to get answers to their questions and help completing the FAFSA.

For more information, contact Linda Beverage at PCHS, 304-799-6564 or email lbeverage@k12.wv.us

All 2023 real and personal taxes MUST be paid in full by April 30, 2024 to avoid publication and penalties.

The Town of Marlinton and the West Virginia Flood Plain Managers Association will host a public information session Wednesday, March 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Municipal Building 709 Second Avenue in Marlinton.

Green Box sites summer hours begin Sunday, March 10. Wednesdays and Saturdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

MEETINGS
Pocahontas County Farmers Market 2024 Sea-

son Meeting Sunday, March 17, 5 p.m. at the Community Wellness Center. All previous and new vendors are encouraged to attend.

Short overview of last year's numbers, voting for open board positions, upcoming events and plans for the season.

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

EVENTS

Old-Time Square Dance, with music by Juanita Fireball and the Continental Drifters, Saturday, March 9, 7:30 p.m. at Dunmore Community Center. Sponsored by Parks and Rec.

Fast Radio Bursts: A

Cosmic Mystery, free public lecture, Wednesday, March 20, 3:30 p.m. at the Green Bank Observatory Science Center auditorium. Free. No registration required. Brief reception to follow.

Square Dance, Saturday, March 23, 6 p.m. at the BFD Firehouse in Durbin. Music by Juanita Fireball and the Continental Drifters; callers: Eugene and Ellen Ratcliffe. All proceeds benefit Brandon Kerr. Admission \$5. Ages 12 and younger, \$2.

LIBRARY NEWS

Cards and Coffee at Green Bank Library, Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. to noon. Beginners welcome. Hot drinks provided.

Green Bank Library will

host a seed swap Saturday, March 16. For more information, supplies and registration, email greenbankseedswap@gmail.com or call the library, 304-456-4507.

PARKS AND REC

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

Pocahontas County Youth Soccer League registration for the spring season through March 22. Anyone who played in the fall does not need to register again. Registration forms are available by calling 304-799-7386 or emailing parksandrec@frontiernet.net

No Yoga at Cass Community Center in March.

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Pocahontas County Democratic Convention
Saturday, March 16
at the Wellness Center in Marlinton

Pocahontas County Democrats will hold a County Convention on Saturday, March 16, at 1 p.m. at the Wellness Center in Marlinton. The convention is open to all Democrats registered in Pocahontas County and is for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention in June.

All three magisterial districts will be represented at the State Convention where delegates will serve on various committees and help elect State delegates to the National Convention in August 2024. Two delegates, a man and a woman, will be elected to the Northern and Central Districts and three in the Southern District. In addition, as many as seven alternate delegates may be elected.

Only Democrats who are present may participate in voting for delegates and alternates.

Democrats who want to be delegates to the State Convention may pre-register by contacting Jay Miller at jvmiller2008@gmail.com

2024 FOLK ARTS & CULTURE WORKSHOP SERIES

- 1. APPLE GRAFTING**
SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 9 A.M. – 12 P.M. @ RUBY GROW, HILLSBORO
- 2. MAPLE MAGIC**
SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 9 A.M. – 11 A.M. @ HIGH ROCKS, HILLSBORO
- 3. SOURDOUGH BREAD**
SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 9 A.M. – 11 A.M. @ HIGH ROCKS, HILLSBORO
- 4. RAMP UP**
SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 9 A.M. – 11 A.M. @ HIGH ROCKS, HILLSBORO
- 5. APPALACHIAN APPLE BAKING**
THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 5 P.M. – 7 P.M. @ THE HUB, LEWISBURG
- 6. SHIITAKE ON LOGS**
SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 9 A.M. – 11 A.M. @ HIGH ROCKS, HILLSBORO
- 7. PEPPERONI ROLLS: A WEST VIRGINIA TRADITION**
THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 5 P.M. – 7 P.M. @ THE HUB, LEWISBURG
- 8. BISCUITS AND GRAVY**
SATURDAY, MAY 11, 9 A.M. – 11 A.M. @ HIGH ROCKS, HILLSBORO
- 9. CAMPFIRE COOKING**
SATURDAY, MAY 18, 11 A.M. – 1 P.M. @ RUBY GROW, HILLSBORO
- 10. FOREST FORAGING**
SATURDAY, MAY 25, 9 A.M. – 11 A.M. @ HIGH ROCKS, HILLSBORO

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:
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Obituaries

Dorothy Carpenter

Dorothy Ann Carpenter, 69, of Dunmore, passed away Saturday, March 4, 2024, at her home.

Born April 27, 1954, in Marion County, Indiana, she was a daughter of the late Lucian and Louise Settle Jones.

Dorothy was a retired Correctional Officer for the State of Virginia.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Brenda Gibbons.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald Roy Carpenter; daughter, Doria Rae Coy, and husband, Chris, of Dunmore; son, Raymond Aaron Jones, and wife, Robin, of San Antonio, Texas; grandchildren, James Andrew Coy, Joseph Alexander Coy, Jesse Allen Coy and Wyatt Lucian Jones; great-grandchildren, Auora, Saige, Remington, Grayson, Bella and Ayla; sisters, Marie Chais-tain, of Florida, Lindia Olinger, of Tennessee, and Darlene McGehee, of Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

In keeping with her wishes, the body will be cremated.

Online condolences may be shared at Lantzfuneral home.com

Woodrow Cromer

Woodrow Lynn Cromer, 59, of Durbin, passed away Sunday, March 3, 2024, at home.

Born September 9, 1964, in Elkins, he was a son of Maxine Arbogast Cromer and the late Woodrow Lee Cromer.

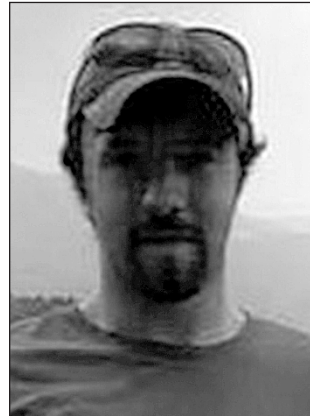
In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by a brother, Huey Cromer.

Mr. Cromer worked for BFI as a sanitation worker.

In addition to his mother he is survived by daughters, Shawna Kay Cromer, of Avon, Ohio, and Tiffany Jean Cromer, of Amherst, Ohio; grandchildren, Gabrielle Aleese Cromer and Avalynn Rose Cromer; half-brother, Michael Cromer, of Mill Creek; aunt and uncle, Linda and Dan Arbogast, of Durbin; and friend and caregiver, Christine Burgess, of Durbin.

Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale is in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be shared at WallaceandWallaceFH.com



Robert Nelson

Robert John Nelson, 27, of Bartow, passed away Sunday, March 3, 2024.

Born October 10, 1996, in Ravenna, Ohio, he was a son of the late Johnny C. and Vicki Lynn Nelson.

Robert was a member of the Frank Church of the Nazarene and was a logger

for Mick's Logging, where they were more like family than co-workers. He loved the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing. He loved hanging out with family and friends in his garage working on projects, which usually ended in a party. He never missed a family dinner whether it was a holiday or Sunday dinner. He will always be missed and loved, and we will never forget all the amazing memories he left us.

He is survived by his aunt and uncle, Kenny and Debbie Mick, of Bartow; uncles, Rick Mick and Randy Mick, both of Bartow, and Clinton Mick, of Florida; cousins, Pamela Nelson and Bradley, of Arbovale, Sherry and Terry DeHaven of Durbin, and Joe Mick, of Bartow; and many, many friends.

There will be a Celebration of Life at Kenny and Debbie Mick's home at 383 Burner Settlement Road, Bartow. Time to be posted soon.

Douglas Sharp

Douglas "Doug" Sharp, 48, of Marlinton, passed away Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at Roanoke Memorial Hospital.

Born May 24, 1975, in Elkins, he was a son of Claude Jr. and Doris Jack Sharp, of Marlinton.

Doug was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Claude Sr. and Grace Sharp; maternal grandparents, Dean and Izetta Jack; and step-grandmother, Vi Jack.

Doug was a timber cutter, a job he really enjoyed. He also worked as an electrical utility worker for New River Electrical, and had worked for J.W. Didado and Richard and Waylons Electrical.

He dearly loved hunting and fishing, especially Colorado elk hunting, camping trips, North Carolina fishing and enjoyed beach trips and spending time with his family, especially his grandkids.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by three sons, Garrett Sharp, and wife, Olivia, of Covington, Virginia, Dustin Sharp, of Marlinton, and J.D. Sharp, and Bella Dean, of Fairmont; nine grandchildren, Adaylynn, Sophia, Riley, Averyana, Albert, Aspen, Ansley, Maddy and Lainey; and several nieces and nephews.

A gathering of family and friends will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 9, 2024, at Lantz Funeral Home in Buckeye.

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

Online condolences may be shared at Lantzfuneral home.com

Joseph Sharp

Joseph Thomas Aquinas Sharp, 75, of Marlinton, unexpectedly passed away Friday, March 1, 2024.

Born December 4, 1948, at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, he was a son of the late Owen and Margaret Sands Sharp.

Joe was a graduate of St. John the Evangelist in Uniontown, Pennsylvania. Following graduation, Joe enlisted in the Air Force and served from 1968 to 1974 as a telecommunications specialist. Upon discharge, he relocated to Washington, D.C. and, using his telecommunication experience, worked for companies such as Amtrack, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Riggs Bank and Computer Task Group.

Joe loved traveling, camping, fishing, woodworking and using his computer skills to assist non-profit organizations.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Pok Sun Sharp; brothers, Paul Owen Sharp, Fredrick Sharp and Peter Sharp.

He is survived by his wife, Christine Sharp; stepsons, David Palmer, and wife, Carla, and their daughter, Lillie, of Douglas, Georgia, and Kevin Palmer, and wife, Angie Palmer, and their children, Dalton, Abigail, Matthew, Jaci and Addison, of Milan, Georgia; brothers, Edward Sharp, of Gloucester, Virginia, and James Sharp, of Noth, Virginia; sisters, Anne Sharp Marcase, and husband, Robert, of Irwin, Pennsylvania, Mary Sharp Pidich, and husband, Jon, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; nephews, Robert

Marcase, and wife, Tammy, and their son, Owen, Aaron Marcase and daughter, Lilly, and Benjamin Caldwell, and son, Nolan; niece, Sarah DiRito, and children, Alec, Jackson and Andrea.

Joe will be remembered as a loving husband, step-father, step-grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. His warmth, wisdom and the joy he brought to those who knew him will be deeply missed.

In keeping with his wishes, a private memorial service with immediate family will be held at a later date.

Online condolences may be shared at Lantzfuneral home.com

Linda Sharp

Linda Dee Sharp, 62, of Hillsboro, passed away Thursday, February 29, 2024, at Peyton Hospice House in Fairlea.

Born December 19, 1961, in Ohio, she was a daughter of the late Luther David and Sylvia Virginia Friel Sharp Jr.

Linda was a homemaker. She is survived by life-long friend Robert Barb; two daughters, Virginia Allen and Bridget Carroll; and one son, Mathew Eduardo.

Graveside service was held Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at Sharp Cemetery at Slaty fork.

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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.

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For further information, please contact **The Pocahontas Times** at 304-799-4973.

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Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday evening Bible Study at 5 p.m.
Sunday Evangelism Service, Mar. 10 and 24 at 5 p.m.
Rev. Fred Goldizen

Trinity Baptist Church

Rt. 219 Cook Town (Buckeye Hill)
Worship 11 a.m.
Adult Sunday School 10 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.
Pastor David Moore
681-875-0076.

Marlinton Presbyterian Church

In-person Bible Study, Sundays 9 a.m.
In-person Worship 10 a.m.
or via teleconference, 1-978-990-5269
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Mid-week Lenten Series continues; see Community Calendar for details.

Maundy Thursday service, March 28, 7 p.m. at Oak Grove Presbyterian, Hillsboro

Community Dinner - Thursday, March 21
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ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST
Rt. 250 • Bartow
Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.

ST. BERNARD CHAPEL
Snowshoe
Saturday Mass 5:30 p.m.
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Easter Sunday

March 31—Celebrate the risen Lord!

Check the Community Calendar for a list of Holy Week Services.

new hope church of the Brethren

Rt. 92 South, Dunmore
SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7 p.m.

Cochran Creek Baptist Church

Rt. 92 - Rimel
Pastor Roger Frame

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Psalms 25:4 Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.

Students excel at Regional Science Fair

The Regional Science Fair was held February 24 at Eastern Greenbrier Middle School where Pocahontas County was represented by 15 projects from elementary and middle school students. All 15 projects placed, earning either first, second or third place. The seven projects which placed first will be advancing to the West Virginia Science and Engineering Fair in Charleston.

Results are:

Division I
Medical sciences – first place: Carter Smith, “Do Video Games Affect Eyesight?”
Energy – second place: Rufus Morgan and Brayden Ray, “How Windmills Generate Electricity.”

Engineering – second place: Simon Scotchie and Lydia Taylor, “What’s Shakin.”
Material science – second place: Garrett Broce, Michael Friel and Anthony Burdette, “Best Catch.”
Physics and astronomy – third place: Brody Hoke, “Longest Flight.”
Plant science – third place: Victor Dean, “Mushroom Madness.”

Division II
Animal science – first place: Chloe Annett and Jolene Workman, “What footing do horses prefer?”
Chemistry – first place: Nadiya Kerr, “One Tough Cookie: Finding the Best Baking Powder Substitute.”
Earth and environmental sciences – first place: Gemma Brewer and Palmer

Simmons, “Freezing Water.”
Material science – first place: Gabriella Lawson, Karliana Boyd and Kendall Taylor, “Orbeez Growth Overnight in Various Solutions.”
Medical sciences – first place: Madalynn Landis, “Electrolytes Challenge.”
Physics and astronomy – first place: Brayden Smith, Alivia Morgan and Stoney Turner, “Air vs. Football.”
Behavioral and social sciences – second place: Madeleine Burns, “What time is it?”
Energy – second place: Noah Sharp, “Windmill Lifting Capacity.”
Plan science – second place: James Smith and Trey Sattler, “Where is your soil?”

Foundation Scholarship deadline ~ March 8

The Tucker Community Foundation wants to remind all students that the Foundation’s scholarship application deadline is Friday, March 8. Michael Moore, Chief Financial Officer, said that all applications had to be postmarked by March 8 to be considered for a scholarship this upcoming year. Moore said that students can go to www.tuckerfoundation.net/endowed-funds/scholarships/ to download an application and view the list of scholarships. Students may also go to

their high school guidance counselors to obtain a scholarship application. Every high school counselor in the Tucker Community Foundation’s eight county service area has received copies of the scholarship applications to distribute to students, said Moore. The Tucker Community Foundation has over 40 different scholarship funds that will pay out roughly \$100,000 in scholarships this year to deserving students in the Foundation’s service area. “I encourage all students to apply for a scholar-

ship. The Foundation awards scholarships to students going to a traditional 4-year college, graduate school, community college or a trade school,” said Moore. Anyone that needs assistance completing the application can see their guidance counselor or call the Tucker Community Foundation office at 304-478-2930. Foundation office hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Foundation staff is always willing to answer questions and give assistance to students.

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junior Riley Pollack nailed 4 of 4 free throws in the first that ended 15-13 in favor of EHHS. PCHS took the second quarter 22-8, and led by 12 points, 35-23, at the half. Tinnell made all 8 of East’s points, and PCHS had 6 Lady Warriors score in the second. Nine Warriors would score in the game, and all 13 saw some action in the game. PCHS took the third 22-11, and PCHS was led by sophomore Calli Propst’s 10 points and Pollack’s 2 threes. The fourth quarter was taken

again by East to end the game with the same 15-13 score as the first quarter. The game ended 70-49 PCHS. Pollack and EHHS freshman Serenity Lafollette fouled out late in the fourth. PCHS committed 7 more fouls (19-12), and East hit more threes (8-6). Game high scorer was Tinnell with 32 points, and she now has 535 points this season. Miller was next for East with 15 points. PCHS high scorer was Propst with 19 points and 9 rebounds. PCHS freshman Allyson Taylor scored a double-double again with 15 points and 15 rebounds, and she and Propst both scored in all four quarters with the two top East scorers also. Pollack

scored 10 points, 7 rebounds and 4 assists. Vandevender tallied 10 points, 3 rebounds and 3 assists. Junior Mackenzie Taylor accounted for 8 rebounds, 6 points, 4 assists and 3 blocks. Sophomore Shayla Bennett dished out 6 assists and made 2 steals and 2 rebounds. Freshman Alexis Arbogast and senior Kynlee Wilfong swished threes. PCHS totaled 22 assists. PCHS out rebounded East 45-21 and committed 4 fewer turnovers 16-20. PCHS made 3 of 13 field goals (23%) in the first, 10 of 20 (50%) - second, 9 of 29 (31%) - third, 6 of 14 (43%) - fourth and game - 28 of 76 - (37%).

School Menus

March 11 – 15

Monday: Fruit muffin and fresh fruit. Baked chicken, whole grain roll, macaroni and cheese, roasted broccoli, peach cup and milk.
Tuesday: Texas toast, apple cinnamon with syrup and fruit. Chili, crackers, cornbread, baked potato, carrots, fruit and milk.
Wednesday: Bagel with cream cheese and fruit. Pepperoni roll with marinara sauce, spinach salad with cherry tomatoes, Italian vegetable blend, brownie, fruit and milk.
Thursday: Breakfast smoothie with granola and fruit. Chicken pot pie, whole grain biscuit, mixed vegetables, carrots, strawberry cup and milk.
Friday: Breakfast cereal bar and fruit. Beef and cheese burrito with whole grain wrap, shredded Romaine lettuce, tomato, Spanish rice, seasoned black beans, fruit and milk.

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Fast Radio Bursts: A Cosmic Mystery!

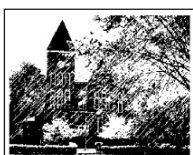
Fast Radio Bursts (FRBs) are one of the most exciting recent discoveries in the field of radio astronomy, and they were discovered by astronomers right here in West Virginia!

Join us to hear more about this beguiling cosmic mystery from West Virginia University Professors Duncan Lorimer and Maura McLaughlin, two of the three astronomers awarded this year’s Shaw Prize for the 2007 discovery of FRBs.

This is science as it happens!

FREE PUBLIC LECTURE
Wednesday, March 20
3:30 p.m.
 in the **Green Bank Observatory Science Center Auditorium**

FREE! No registration required. Brief Reception to follow.



Preserving Pocahontas

B. J. Gudmundsson, Preservation Officer

Pearl Buck and Julia Price – March 5, 1970



Celebrating Women's History Month

AUTHOR PEARL S. BUCK, left, with Miss Julia Price, a member of the Marlinton Woman's Club. The photo was taken at The Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, W.Va. during the Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Buck was on a two-week tour of the State to promote the restoration of her birthplace in Hillsboro. The speech that she presented to the group was titled "Women As I Know Them." (The Pearl S. Buck Birthplace Collection; ID: PSB000296)

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

Footsteps through History

The Pocahontas Times
Andrew Price, Editor

Thursday,
March 9, 1899

The night of the 3rd of March was remarkable for the heavy rain and the loud and continuous thunder. The lightning caused great disturbances in the houses having telephones, as it rang the bells and caused them to spit fire, and thunder plugs in some being misplaced.

Edgar Smith and team had a narrow escape last Saturday. He was on his way to Huntersville with a load of flour for S. J. Boggs. The water was about four feet deep in the road, and his horses lost their footing and the current washed the wagon and team against a stump. He cut the horses loose, and then swam out. The flour was entirely covered with water.

THE BIG PULPMILL

Last week, the options of the two Caldwell farms at Caldwell, the proposed junction of the Greenbrier Railroad and the C & O, were taken up and the sale consummated, one farm bringing \$20,000 and the other \$16,000.

The purchaser is the West Virginia Pulp Company at Piedmont. It has been reported for some time that the company wished to change its location on account of hostilities with the city of Cumberland. The paper mills polluted the stream from which the city took its supply of water, and indictments were being made continually...

The Mail Boy

The mail keeps our town in a continual state of bad temper, which is bad for its constitution. Saturday night the carrier brought the mail to Buckeye, and Swago

creek being too high to ford, instead of crossing the bridge on foot and securing a horse on this side to bring it on the remaining four miles, he harked back to the Levels and our postmaster and others who expected important mail sat up until midnight. The mail lay there until Monday when the Buckeye postmaster brought it up. Not having any mailbag, the postmaster could not send the mail out Monday. Saturday night, the mail carrier took the letter bag and what letters there were at Buckeye and went back. He told the postmaster he had killed an otter and had to get back to skin it. We are the most uncomplaining people in the world, but if the mail carrier will just telephone us the next time he intends going back, we will send for the mail, for mail we must have. It is the event of the day in our otherwise uneventful lives.

An Amateur Electrician

A certain Physician had a large Toepler-Holz machine which gave a spark like a young streak of lightning. His wife was much interested in it and watched the doctor manipulate it until she thought herself master of the apparatus.

One day a party of friends called while the doctor was out, and the good wife seized the opportunity of paralyzing them with her knowledge of

science.

She was a very dignified woman of portly presence, and after leading them into the office she began her explanation with all the impressiveness of a lecturer. She spoke briefly of the preliminary manipulation of the machine.

"And then," she said, laying her hand upon one connection, "the electricity goes from here to here," whereupon an angry white spark leaped out from the brass ball indicated, with a report like that of a horse pistol, and smote upon her extended finger, causing her to sit upon the floor with a violence that shook the windows.

The guests stood around in expectant attitudes looking at their fallen hostess in pardonable surprise.

Only for a moment did that capable woman leave them in doubt.

"There," said she in the most matter-of-fact manner, as though events had simply followed their course. "You see how it works. Now, let's go into the garden and look at the chrysanthemums."

AUCTION

I will sell at public auction on the 16th day of March, 1899, two Cows, 1 six year old Mare, 1 set of Blacksmith Tools, 1 Buggy Rake, 2 Hillside Plows, 1 Spring Wagon, 25 Bee Stands, 75 bushels of Corn, some Lumber, some household furniture; other things not mentioned.

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Fifty Years Ago

Jane Price Sharp, Editor

Thursday,
March 7, 1974

POSTAGE

In case you have not noticed, first class postage went to 10 cents last Saturday, post cards to 8 cents, air mail to 13 cents and similar raises in other classes.

BIRTHDAY

Cherie Lea and Carrie Lynn Mace, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mace, Jr., celebrated their first birthday February 27 with a party at their home. Those attending were their paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mace, Sr.; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary K. McLaughlin; maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Irene Smith, and cousin, Miss Beth Sharp.

OVER 80 Hoxie Pugh

By Annie L. Cromer
I always believed Hoxie Pugh to be the most genteel gentleman I have ever

known, so I think it is fitting to remind his neighbors and to tell others about one who was 84 on November 15.

One day a friend, Florence Price, and I had been in Marlinton. I had taken medicine that should have been taken with food, so I became very sick. I said, "I am going to stop and ask Mrs. Pugh for a slice of bread or an apple." When we got there, she was sick in bed. I wouldn't have mentioned it for anything. Guess what. In a few minutes, Hoxie came in with a generous portion of ham between two slice of homemade bread, fresh from the oven. I can taste that yet, and shall never forget it.

Today, he said the reason that he is a good cook is that his mother was sick for many years and he prepared the meals while taking care of her, and for 25 of his more than 60 years of married life, he had never expected his wife to fix breakfast or any other meal because she wasn't able. Hoxie added, "I

wouldn't know anything about moving either because I was born and lived my entire life in this house."

His house is one of the most "homey" I have ever seen. Most of the remodeling was done by him and reflects the personality of real home lovers. ...

I asked Hoxie why he thought older folks like to talk about their early days. After some thought, "Why, I really believe it is the best part of my life. There was plenty of work, if money was scarce. Friends were never in a hurry. There was no place to go except to church and then someone came home with you and spent the rest of the day. ...

"My father died and left my mother with six small children to support by washing clothes over a washboard. The neighbors came and helped out by cutting wood or in any way they could help.

"I went to work a distance of seven miles at a time. I had a four-wheel speeder that was great for coming home which was all downhill but not too good for going up. We worked six

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Seventy-Five Years Ago

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday,
March 10, 1949

During the past year, a leading churchman of Virginia attended a conference in England. At this meeting he tried out the children on their knowledge of places in America, particularly of the land south of the Potomac. One question was, what did they know of Virginia? After a due consideration, a bright youngster replied Virginia was a state near West Virginia on the map.

On Sunday afternoon, a flock of perhaps 150 wild geese was seen from Marlinton by Mrs. Kenny Burgess. The fowls were honking their way north at a high altitude, apparently in the face of a heavy wind.

Louis Colson is home from a visit to his home in Italy, between Rome and Naples. This was his first visit back to Italy in 49 years.

Luster Shrader, of the Browns Mountain Fox Club, reports the bagging of 26 foxes to date - 21 reds and 5 grays.

FIELD NOTES

Last Wednesday afternoon, I was called out on the street to view a strange white streak in the sky stretching from horizon to horizon. I was a telling people it was a sun dog - parhelion - or weather gall, and to look out for snow squalls. About that time, Mrs. Les Kennedy came by to tell me she had seen the fast flying airplane which had left the strange, straight streak across the sky. Then Dewey Stemple stood to testify for the selfsame truth. The plane had come out of the west.

It was then up to me to consult an authority and I called on Harry Lynn Sheets. He piloted great planes across the great Himalayan Mountains month after month during the late war, delivering military supplies into the back door of China.

100-Years-Ago in The Pocahontas Times

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday,
March 6, 1924

Why They Call it a Bughouse

The chief physician came up to an inmate in a private insane asylum, slapped him on the back, and said in comforting accents:

"Well, old man, you're all right, I've just pronounced you cured of all the delusions which afflicted you. You can run along now and write word to your people that you'll be back home in two weeks, good as new.

The patient departed gaily to write his letter. He had finished it and sealed it, but as he was licking the stamp, it slipped through his fingers to the floor, and fell on the back of a cockroach that was passing and stuck there. The patient hadn't seen the cockroach - what he did see was the escaped postage

stamp zig-zagging over to the baseboard and following a cracked track up the wall and along the ceiling overhead. In depressed silence he tore up the letter he had just written and dropped the pieces to the floor.

"Two weeks! Hell!!!" he said. "I won't ever get out of this place. I'm worse off than I was when they brought me here."

TOWN COUNCIL

G. D. Lightner allowed until May 1st to complete brick work on his restaurant building.

An ordinance was made requiring all milk sold in Marlinton to come from tubercular tested cows only.

An ordinance regulating street traffic is conformance to the State road laws was made. Parking on Main street, from railroad to bridge, prohibited for more

than 15 minutes at a time. Penalty from \$1 to \$10 fine.


Recorder instructed to charge off all uncollectable light and water bills.

Householders are requested to place all garbage in cans or barrels in back alley where the town truck can get them.

A RED FOX

Some weeks ago the Carpenter family on Beaver Dam killed a peculiar fox. It had short hair, a dog's head and tail, and padded feet. It was thought to be a cross between a collie dog and a fox, some were wild enough to wonder if it might not be a young coyote, which had wandered several hundred miles away from home. An experienced fur buyer refused to list the pelt as a fox and took it on consignment. A foot was brought to Dr. O. H. Kee, who sent it to The Academy of Natural Sciences at Philadelphia. They pronounced it a red fox. Here is the letter:

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Taking matters into my own hands

by Dawn Reed

When the box of Kleenex fell behind the dryer, I didn't think it would be a big deal. Knowing that it would be a fire hazard to leave it, I shimmed up on the dryer, as best as a 61-year-old woman could, to retrieve it. My arms were not long enough. "I will get it!" my beloved called from the other room. But I didn't want him to; I wanted to do it myself. I always have to have help. Surely, I could just do this alone. Trying every mop, broom and duster, I found nothing to latch on to it.

"Just wait!" he yelled, knowing I was trying to work it out on my own. I didn't listen. I tried to get between the washer and dryer. I tried to move the washer out but it was too heavy. Then, refusing to wait for help, I found that I could move out the dryer. It was so easy! Much lighter than the washer. "I got it!" thrilled with my self-sufficiency. "Did you pull out the dryer?" he asked. "I sure did!" I proudly responded. "Did you pull off the dryer vent?" I took a peek behind the dryer. Aww man, I sure had!

Now we, namely HE, had to fix what I had messed up. My beloved disconnected the washer, took the water hose loose from the wall, and moved it out. In a too small space, he reconnected the dryer hose, using pliers, a screwdriver and reading glasses. The good news was that we got the box of tissues! The bad news was by jumping in, not waiting for help, and doing things on my own, I caused more trouble than necessary. That same scenario can happen when I pray. I present my problems to my heavenly Father and then immediately want to help

Him work it out. "I can do this!" or "I've got this!" I think to myself. Waiting on the Lord and His timing is always best. Psalm 27:14 strongly encourages, "Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD." There, David, the writer, said it twice in one sentence. But waiting isn't fun. I want to jump into action. When I want to move ahead on my own, the Bible directs me to just be still. David writes in Psalm 37:7, "Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for Him..." Then Exodus 14:14 reminds me, "The Lord will

fight for you; you only need to be still." Being still can be a struggle. Psalm 130:5 brings the waiting and being still together: "I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in His word I put my hope." When your whole being waits, you are completely still. God is good. He can be trusted. He knows how all the puzzle pieces of my life need to be put together. He has a plan for my life. If I fully surrender to Him, His plan, and His timing, it will be much better than when I take matters into my own hands. Isaiah 40:31 is another re-



Dawn Reed

minder: "But those who wait on the Lord will renew their strength..." Those who do not wait will pull the dryer vent loose. Lesson learned.

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Wagner, who works at both Marlinton Elementary and Marlinton Middle schools says she has always had people in the community who wanted to help, but they didn't know who to contact or where to go. Now with the FAC in position, people are now able to either join the committee or contact its members to offer their assistance. "I've had churches come out," she said. "FRN has been phenomenal. They have always been great. That connection with that resource is incredible and we work together, too." Wagner is joined by Marsha Beverage as CIS coordinator at Green Bank Elementary-Middle School and Lois Wilfong as CIS coordinator at Pocahontas County High School. Hillsboro Elementary School does not have a CIS coordinator, but school social worker Dana Cutlip is involved with the FAC and

works with the CIS coordinators for the school. Along with providing school supplies, Wagner said the number one thing she tries to keep on hand is clothing. All the schools have a supply of clothing and shoes in all sizes in case of emergency. For years, Beverage coordinated a kids closet at GBEMS and now that she is the CIS coordinator, she will continue adding to the closet as supplies are provided. "We do have that there," Beverage said. "The problem has been in the past, we haven't had a staff member who's available to coordinate that, but now that I'm in a CIS position, I'll have more time and flexibility in my schedule to take care of that. So it's not on the backs of teacher to go in there because they're busy enough." "At Marlinton Elementary and Middle schools, I've set up closets, because, like Marsha said, I'm the person now that can do that," Wagner added. "We've always had clothing at both schools, but I had a

church come in and drag all the bags out. They washed all the clothes and folded them. They are still in the process of getting them labeled." There is always a need for clean clothes when you have youngsters running around. Wagner said it could be for a student who spilled milk during lunchtime or played a little too much in a mud puddle on the playground. The clothing is also available for families that may suffer a crisis, such as a house fire or flooding. Wagner said it was also important to note that the program is not income-based. If a child has a need, it will be met. "If your child is on the playground and their pants rip, they can come get a pair of pants," she said. "A child spilled chocolate milk on their pants. I gave them a pair of pants and the next day the mom brought me in some brand new clothes and put them in my closet for doing that." In addition to large events

like "Fill the Bus," Wagner said they are always open to donations. She has started a program where she features an item each month. For example, February was shoes month and people could drop off to the CIS coordinators. All the coordinators and Tritapoe said there has never been a lack of help from the community and now with the Family Advi-

sory Committee, that help is more streamlined and organized than in the past. "Whenever I've asked somebody in the community for something, I've never been turned down," Beverage said. "I think the community wants to help schools, they just don't know how to help. I think Communities in Schools is a great way to bridge that gap between the community and

the schools." Communities In Schools coordinators may be contacted at their respective schools - Jeanette Wagner, MES, 304-799-6551, or MMS, 304-799-6773; Marsha Beverage and Julian Rittenhouse, GBEMS, 304-456-4865; and Lois Wilfong, PCHS, 304-799-6564. Suzanne Stewart may be contacted at sastewart@pocahontastimes.com



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15 Cartoonist Addams, informally

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21 Capital of Vietnam

22 Sword handle

23 Fifth Avenue skyscraper

26 Other, in Acapulco

27 Identity hider

28 Altitudes: Abbr.

29 — C (PC copy command)

30 What a groom may toss

32 "Uh-huh"

34 Pioneer Boone, informally

35 Orthodox Jewish movement

37 Rapper — Rida

40 Technique for viewing a slow process quickly

43 Cattle farm

45 Prefix with nourished

46 In a daze

47 First first lady of the U.S.

51 Gets close to

55 Sesame seed paste

56 Pucksters' org. with the Calder Cup

57 Newspaper think piece

60 Born as

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66 Rome's — Fountain

67 Dollar bill

68 Advance inquiry into a crime, e.g.

72 Israeli city close to Ben Gurion Airport

73 Big name in life insurance

74 Decrease

75 Doc for the neck up

76 D-H linkup

77 FDR or HST

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79 Bob of play-by-play

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84 Launching of people into orbit

88 Insurance payment

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93 Was overlong

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9 Woman's quaint headpiece

10 Jacuzzi, e.g.

11 Rectal venue

12 Not Rep. or Dem.

13 Mimi's "me"

14 Celebrates with a tune

15 Animal with a backbone

16 Relative of a shout-out

17 Anew

18 Tempestuous

24 Spicy cuisine

25 — Reader (magazine)

31 Carrier based in New Delhi

33 Hawk of film

34 Salvador of surreal art

35 Spicy

36 From — Z

37 Sig Nu, e.g.

38 Video game tomb raider

39 Teetering

41 — -di-dah

42 Attila follower

44 Refrigerate

48 More artful

49 — a soul

50 "— in Manila" (Ali-Frazier fight)

52 Consecrating airport

53 Nevada airport

54 In view

57 Mining finds

58 Sampras of the court

59 Show plainly

63 Poker cost

64 Supplies with personnel

65 Coach Parseghian

66 LG or RCA pagan products

68 Petition

69 "Thumbs-up!"

70 Gas in signs

71 Gasless car

78 Tipoffs in hoops, e.g.

80 Christie's "A Pocket Full —"

81 Depots: Abbr.

83 Not old-fashioned

84 Cabinet dept. since 1965

85 Twosome

86 Abbr. on military mail

87 Societal

89 It might have mascara on it

90 Pas' mates

91 Opal ending

94 Horror-struck

95 All-Star pitcher Denny

96 Yearly

97 Gordie of hockey

98 Itched (for)

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What's behind that door?

Melody Phillips
Staff Writer

Have you ever noticed how something simple can open doors you never knew were there?

In many of my articles, I have referred to my years working as a 1700s Living History Interpreter and briefly touched on how it "opened doors" to more career opportunities.

The Virginia's Explore Park, where I spent many happy years volunteering at the 1700s fort, closed its doors in 2007. Later that year, I received a call from a friend who was working as a security guard there. He informed me that a film crew was coming into the park and planned to make a movie based in the 1700s. He suggested I apply to be an extra. I thought, "Cool! Why not?" So, I packed up my outfit and oldest child, who also had an outfit, and drove down to apply.

At the audition, we were herded into a room where we waited to be called. While waiting, I observed only one other person in a historical outfit, but it was more modern, maybe from the 1850s. The production team periodically called back five or six people at a time to the interview room. As we entered the small room, they had us all line up against the wall in front of a camera. Behind the camera was a fold-out table with some chairs and two other people who were not speaking to the applicants. The person asking all the questions, who I believe was the casting agent, had the cameraman take shots of each of us while she asked us to tell them a little about ourselves. I was near the end of the line with my son. When they got to us, she had the cameraman get close ups of my son and me, specifically our outfits, from head to toe.

I gave a brief description about myself, which included a list of some of my skills. When I mentioned sewing as a skill, the quiet man sitting in the shadows at the table spoke up. He asked me if I had any samples of my sewing. I told him that I had made everything my son and I were wearing. They quickly finished with the last person who was beside me and waved their hands to dismiss us. Before I walked out the door, they stopped me and pulled me aside. I was introduced to the director; the one who had asked me about samples. He kept me there for a while asking about time period clothing and what I had done and could do and then asked if I'd be interested in the wardrobe department.

Through a beaming smile and wide eyes, I said "sure!" I was on cloud-nine all the way home thinking, I'll never hear from these people again but that was really cool!

Two weeks later, the phone rang. I picked it up and said, "Hello?"

From the other end, I hear, "Is this Melody?"

"Yes, may I help you?"

Now to paraphrase the rest of the conversation, "this is [person from production company]. I was told you are an expert seamstress. We pay [dollars per week] plus a kit rental if you bring your own sewing machine. Can you start tomorrow?"

"Um, what?" I think to myself, as my brain frantically replays the interview, searching through my memories to see if I had ever used the term "seamstress." Nope, not there. I never said I was a seamstress. What will they expect of me? But it's a film! Just say it! "Um, sure?" Did I just answer them with a question?

"Great! Here is the infor-

mation on your hotel room and where to report to. See you tomorrow."

What just happened? Processing, processing. The kids! "Mom! I need you to watch the kids!"

At this point I had no idea what to expect. I packed up my sewing machine, with some accessories, and enough clothes and items for the rest of the week. I didn't know how long they would keep me. Either way, the drive wasn't too bad for going home on the weekend so I could refresh clothes if they kept me longer. And stay longer I did. They had me come back every week until they wrapped at that location. I learned a lot from some very sweet ladies who took me under their wings.

The first day, I was shown to the sewing room and introduced to the supervisor. The supervisor, in turn, introduced me to the other two ladies, who were sitting down sewing. As I timidly walked up to them, my sewing machine in hand, one of them looked at me and said, "you look like a deer caught in the headlights," and with a warm smile added, "It'll be ok."

They started teaching me some little tricks of the trade. While sewing up some of the patterns, I made a few comments about how our outfits for the fort were slightly different than the way they were making them. After comparing the differences, the similarities, and the amount of time that could be saved doing it the way I suggested, they changed the patterns to match mine. After they accepted my suggestions, it gave me the confidence I needed to keep learning and growing in this new adventure. By the end of the first week, they had me constructing some of the principals' clothes.



THE AUTHOR AND her son taking a break to grab a snack while they wait for the next scene on the set of a 1700s film production. M. Phillips photo

As a side note, since I had all of my own clothes, which I had worn demonstrating living history for several years, production asked me, on several occasions, to be an extra on camera when they were short on background.

When production began to wrap, and I was no longer needed, I packed my bags, said my goodbyes, and headed home. It was an ex-

perience for this young newbie to the industry. But that wasn't the end. About a year later, while working in my garden, I received another unexpected phone call.

"Hello?"

"Is this Melody?"

"Yes."

"My name is [person], from Spielberg's *Lincoln*. We are shorthanded and your name came up from several

different people. Could you help us out for maybe a day or two at the most?"

"Yes!" Try not to over-ventilate, Melody!

"Here is all the information [simplified]. We'll see you tomorrow."

"Mom! I need you to watch the kids!"

But it wasn't for just for one or two days.

More about that later.

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Wellbeing LLC; Pocahontas County Youth Prevention Coalition; Serenity in the Mountain local AA chapter and local para-athlete Kinzie Dickman were all available to speak to employees after the film.

Talking about mental health issues can be difficult, and Valach said she hopes the documentary and the display of services available in the county will encourage Snowshoe employees and

community members to seek help.

“We see it here, too,” she said. “Everything’s going, going, going and then in the spring, everybody leaves. All the restaurants close, a lot of resources go away and those social opportunities go away. Then summer, they pick back up again and then they die down in early fall, and then in winter, they ramp back up and they die down.”

“We also see it with abandonment feelings because you build these really nice relationships with these people and then they leave,” she

continued. “There’s a lot of that for the people who live here year-round.”

More than 100 employees and community members attended the screening and Valach said she has already had requests to have another screening from those who could not attend.

Alterra offers employees and their family members access to six free mental health sessions.

For more information on “The Paradise Paradox,” view the trailer here — <https://youtu.be/rfKvJScZJDg?si=iH-q0IwLA-9jxqX>

Fire, from page 2

“Our fire laws protect one of West Virginia’s most valuable resources: our forests,” Jones said. “We urge everyone who decides to burn anything outside to be com-

pletely familiar with the guidelines available on our website. During the spring months it doesn’t take long for our fuels to dry out and fires to escape easily.”

Commercial burning during prohibited periods requires a permit, which are issued by local WVDOF offices. A permit is required

for each commercial burning site.

Any person or company who causes a fire on any grass or forest land must reimburse the state for costs to suppress the fire. Fines for forest fires caused by negligence range from \$100 to \$1,000 with an additional civil penalty of \$200.

Court, from page 2

A pre-trial status hearing was held in the case the State vs Zane Hickson, 69, of Cass, wherein the State asked that another hearing be set. Hickson waived his right to a speedy trial in this term of court. He was indicted on one count intimidation of and against public officers and employees, a felony; one count, use or presentation of a firearm during the commission of a felony, a felony; one

count, obstructing an officer, a misdemeanor.

A pre-trial status hearing was held in the case the State vs Ayden Carroll, 20, of Cass, wherein both parties asked to continue the matter to a later status hearing. Carroll waived his right to a speedy trial in this term of court. He was indicted on four counts, sexual assault in the third degree, a felony; two counts, sexual abuse, third degree, a misdemeanor.

Brian Mason, 35, of Hillsboro, was adjudged guilty of the felony offense of entry of a

building other than a dwelling. He was sentenced to an indeterminate period of one to 10 years in the custody of the West Virginia Department of Corrections. Mason is to participate in the RSAT program. He was remanded to custody.

Charles Irvine, 50, of Marlinton, appeared by video from the TVRJ for a hearing on motion to revoke alternative sentencing. The court found probable cause that Irvine had violated the terms and conditions of his home confinement. An evidentiary hearing is set for March 6.

MTC, from page 2

the operating procedure covers the legality and process

to providing those clips.

The request will be reviewed and, if approved, the individual will pay a fee to receive the clip on a jump drive.

Marlinton Town Council

meets the first Monday of each month, excluding holidays, at 7 p.m. at the town office auditorium. The public is welcome to attend in person or online through a Zoom link.

Landfill, from page 2

\$300,000 and adding a new fence will cost \$36,000. Additionally, there will be annual expenses estimated at about \$73,000.

Mary Clendenen said the county commission needs to understand that the funding sources the authority has been relying on will not cover these one-time and on-going annual operation costs unless there is a long-term financial support commitment by the commission. She pointed out that the commission does have the ultimate

responsibility to ensure that the county has reliable solid waste disposal.

These issues will be on the agenda for discussion at the commission’s March 5 morning meeting.

Also at the meeting, the state requirement that people disposing of demolition materials at the landfill must provide a negative asbestos inspection was discussed. Questions were raised about whether that only applies to industrial demolitions, or also to residents who are doing remodeling at their homes. Notices about the asbestos inspection requirements have been sent out to industrial demolition compa-

nies. It was decided that publishing public notices about the asbestos inspection requirements wasn’t necessary since there are already signs forbidding disposal of hazardous materials at the landfill.

Regarding the financial report, Clendenen said they lost \$18,639 in January, but that was an operational loss, not due to any unusual expenses.

The members also approved a bid by Farley Drilling, Inc. of Pineville, to drill a water monitoring well which meets all state requirements at a cost of \$1,450.

Boycott, from page 2

The first list was published in July 2022, when Moore determined five financial institutions — BlackRock Inc., Goldman Sachs Group Inc., JPMorgan Chase & Co., Morgan Stanley and Wells Fargo & Co. — were engaged in boycotts as defined by state law, and no updates have been deemed necessary since that time. This year, the office expanded the scope of its research to include more

financial institutions and determined additional banks should be examined for potential inclusion on the list.

Notices of potential inclusion on the list were delivered to financial institutions on Friday of last week. The notified financial institutions will officially be placed on the list in 45 days from receiving notice, unless they demonstrate to the Treasurer that they are not engaged in a boycott of fossil fuel companies. The institutions have 30 days from the time they receive the initial notice to submit a response to the Treasurer’s Office.

“Some institutions, such as Bank of America, have recently been proactive in adjusting their corporate policy statements to return to fairer, more objective treatment of our coal, oil and natural gas industries,” Moore said. “As I’ve said all along, we just want banks to act like banks and judge these companies on sound, objective financial metrics rather than subjective political factors.”

More information on the Restricted Financial Institution List is available at www.wvtreasury.com/Restricted-Financial-Institutions

Financial Institutions Treasurer’s Office.

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First Publication Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024
Claim Deadline: Monday, April 29, 2024

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EXECUTOR: Rick Auxier
1708 Jerico Road
Marlinton, WV 24954-6826

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ESTATE OF: **LINDA L. ROSE**
CO-EXECUTOR: Gary T. Rose
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TOWN OF MARLINTON SPECIAL MEETINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Marlinton Town Council will hold a Special Meeting **Monday, March 11, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.** to Discuss and/or Act on the **Second Reading of the ordinance approving the Town of Marlinton’s Application and Plan to participate in the West Virginia Municipal Home Rule Program.**

Another Special Meeting will be held **Monday, March 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.** to Discuss and/or Act on the **Final Reading of the ordinance.**

Both special meetings will be held in the Municipal Building Auditorium, 709 Second Avenue, Marlinton, WV.
Mary K. Clendenen, Recorder

3/7/1c

NOTICE OF DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

The Pocahontas County Democratic Convention for 2024 will be held March 16, 2024, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Community Wellness Center in Marlinton, WV, 24954.

The convention will elect seven delegates and alternates to the State Democratic Convention in mid-June, 2024. All Democrats residing in Pocahontas County are invited to attend.

Delegates will be allotted by Magisterial District, as follows: two delegates each in the Northern, Central and Southern Districts, with one additional seat being allotted to the District which had the greatest percent of Democratic voter participation in the 2020 General Election.

The temporary chair of the convention is Jay Miller. Registered Democrats residing in Pocahontas County may request additional information by calling Jay Miller at 304-653-4195 or by email at jvmiller2008@gmail.com

2/29/2c

ACCEPTING BIDS

The Country Roads Cooperative (Greenbrier, McDowell, Monroe, Nicholas, Pocahontas, Summers, Webster, Wyoming) is inviting bids for the following for our Child Nutrition Departments as of July 1, 2024:

ITEM: Food and Cafeteria/Kitchen Supplies
Period: July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025
(may be rolled over twice)

Bid Opening: Friday, March 28, 2024, 11:00 a.m.
Child Nutrition Office,
Greenbrier County Schools
197 Chestnut Street
Lewisburg, WV 24901

Bid Due Date: Prior to 4:00 p.m. March 22, 2024
Bids are to be mailed to:

Linda D. Knott, Chairperson
Country Roads Food Cooperative
Director of Student Services
Summers County Public Schools
418 Temple Street
Hinton, WV 25951

Bids may also be hand delivered in a sealed envelope prior to 4:00 p.m. March 22, 2024.

ENVELOPE SHOULD BE PLAINLY MARKED:

“Food and Cafeteria/Kitchen Supplies Bid Quote”

For Food and Cafeteria/Kitchen Supplies application, please contact Linda D. Knott, Chairperson Country Roads Food Cooperative and Summers County Director of Student Services at 304-466-6000 or lknottd@k12.wv.us

Pocahontas County Board of Education

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EXECUTRIX: Lindsey Hayes
171 Arrowhead Lane
Durbin, WV 26264-9004

ESTATE NUMBER: 14604
ESTATE OF: **HILDA JANE ELKINS**
ADMINISTRATOR: Arnold Eugene Elkins
25 Moore’s Trailer Park
Marlinton, WV 24954

Subscribed and sworn to before me on February 23, 2024.

Melissa L. Bennett
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission

2/29/2c

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Pocahontas County Board of Health approved its new rule for Fees for Permits on February 19, 2024.

A copy of the rule is available at the Pocahontas County Health Department located at 900 10th Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954.

A 30-day comment period will begin February 20, 2024 and end March 20, 2024.

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Weather, from page 4

records starting in 1967 and my records, starting in 1992,

confirm 62 degrees on February 8 is a record high. The lowest temperature was 11 degrees on February 18. That is actually a very high low temperature for February.

February precipitation was 2.55 inches. That is 0.32 inches below normal. Snowfall of 6.4 inches was 9.3 inches below normal. The winter snow total at Bartow is 29.4 inches. That

is exactly 20 inches below normal at the end of February. Thunder and lightning occurred at 10 a.m. on February 27. The last time I recorded thunder and light-

ening was September 7, 2023. There were 12 clear days and 11 days with temperatures at 50 degrees or above. The warm days should continue in March.

March came in like a lamb. This is the ninth consecutive winter with above average temperatures and below average snowfall.

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Yoga at Durbin Library Tuesdays at 5 p.m. and at Linwood Center Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.

Self-Defense Class, using Jiu-Jitsu defense techniques, taught by Loren Pryor, 4-week class for ages 12 to adult, Mondays at 5 p.m. at the Wellness Center.

Pickleball in the Wellness Center gym, Saturdays,

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Paddles and balls available.

Taekwondo, Wednesdays, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Groovy Tots – active fun for preschoolers, Fridays, 10 a.m.

Cardio and Circuit Training, led by Sunny Given, Mondays and Wednesdays, 5 to 6 p.m.

Chair Yoga will move to Marlinton for the month of March; Thursdays at 5 p.m. Beginner friendly for those with limited mobility.

SPECIAL SERVICES
Mid-Week Lenten Service, Wednesdays, noon, at Marlinton Presbyterian Church. Thirty-minute service, and brown bag lunch and fellowship. March 13: Fr. Arthur Bufogle, Jr., of the Pocahontas Catholic Parish. March 20: Pastor David Moore, of Trinity Baptist Church. March 27: Jane Huppert, of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church.

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days a week from daylight to dark and during the week and made up time to be able to get off at 5:00 o'clock on Saturday. Two dollars a day was top wages. Before going to work, we had to tend the livestock, cows, pigs and whatever we had.

"I hope we never see another depression as I hon-

estly do believe our younger people couldn't take it without going beside themselves and doing something drastic.

"I remember helping a neighbor sell wood at 50 cents a cord so he could go by the store and trade the 50 cents for a bag of flour. To another, I rented a farm for \$4 a month. In that day, a dollar went a long ways, but the thing was to get that dollar."

I had wanted to ask someone with the mentality and

experience of Hoxie Pugh, "Do you think that in many ways today, with thousands being fed from welfare rolls, is a better day than that day we remember when each family had a cow, pig, chickens and a garden and was taught the honesty and joy of living by an honest self effort?"

We agreed that much of the character of days gone by is being lost today and help programs are basically good, but greatly misused...

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BASKETBALL

Greenbank High School won the basketball tournament at Hillsboro last Saturday night by defeating Hillsboro in the finals. Marlinton won third place by defeating Renick in the consolation game. Other awards were: Team sportsmanship, Greenbank; Individual sportsmanship, Dan Moore; Cheering, Marlinton; best cheerleader, Peggy Clutter, Hillsboro; Carolyn Thomas, Marlinton; Della Graybeal, Renick; High Point Man, Robert Dilley, Best Foul Shot, Robert Hinkle, Renick.

All tournament team: Ralph Hollandsworth, John Fleming, Hillsboro; Bill

Smith, Robert Hinkle, Renick; Jack Moore, Bruce Bosley, Bill Arbogast, Greenbank, Jim Moore, Robert Dilley and Dan Moore, Marlinton.

WEDDING

Miss Birdie Ellen Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Taylor, of Greenbank, was married to Esco Carl Johnson, son of Mrs. Birdie Sharp and the late E. Carl Johnson, of Marlinton, in a double ring ceremony performed at the Methodist parsonage in Staunton, Virginia October 28, 1948. ... Mr. Johnson served five years with the Marines, two and one half years being spent overseas.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert VanReenen, of Beard, a

son. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Damon Landis, of Marlinton, a daughter, Kay Frances. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Daughterty, twins, a daughter and a son.

COMING HOME

Services will be held at the Frost Church March 13, 1949 for Corporal Letcher McCarty, son of Mrs. L. S. McCarty, who was killed June 29, 1944, in the English Channel, while serving with the 12th Field Artillery. Burial will be in the Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Corporal McCarty entered the service April 29, 1942, and went overseas in January 1944.

The body will be taken from the Smith mortuary Saturday to the home of his mother at Frost.

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"The foot that you have sent for identification is undoubtedly that of a red fox. We have specimens of the blue fox of Alaska in the molting condition in which the fur is very much such as you describe in this individual. Our taxidermist, moreover, informs me that he has seen captive foxes in our Zoological Garden which presented the same appearance, but he thinks they were diseased in some way or other,

or that the longer hair fell out. He suggests, too, that long hair on the under part of the foot of this animal and the long claws would indicate that it might have been in captivity also. At any rate, it is a red fox."

Very truly yours,
Witmer Stone

DIED

Moffett C. Smith died at the home of his brother W. F. Smith at Rainelle, February 11, from taking a dose of medicine which contained poison. He was complaining and asked his brother's wife for the medicine and she

gave it to him, not knowing that there was poison in it. He only lived a few hours after taking it. He leaves to mourn, his wife and two little boys, two sisters, a brother and one little daughter, Mildred, by a former marriage, and a host of relative and friends. He was a kind father, a tender loving husband, and will be missed by all who knew him.

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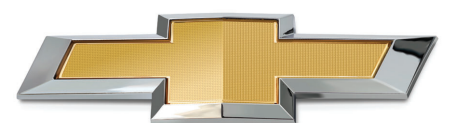


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