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Blenko draws inspiration from GBT

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

Each year, Blenko Glass Company celebrates West Virginia Day with a limited edition piece designed and created by artisans at its headquarters in Milton.

This year, creative director James Arnett drew inspiration from the Green Bank Telescope for the West Virginia Day piece – a large plate.

“We approached West Virginia Day with the theme of the year,” Arnett said. “The theme of the year was the year of new space age design, so a lot of the designs we’ve had for other holidays and other times of the year have been designed to reflect our inspiration from space.”

“I kind of set up the theme this year explicitly to land at the Green Bank Telescope,” he added.

With just a little more than a year at Blenko, this is the second West Virginia Day piece Arnett has designed.

To accompany the limited edition plate, there are two companion pieces – a tangerine decanter with a vintage flying saucer shape and a turquoise GBT sun catcher. The companion pieces are not limited in number and



THE BLENKO GLASS Company’s West Virginia Day piece this year is a large white plate inspired by the Green Bank Telescope, shown here with the telescope. The glass company, based in Milton, will make 161 of the plates which will be auctioned on Blenko.com June 15 through 20. Photo courtesy of Blenko

will be available for two weeks for purchase.

To commemorate the 161st celebration of the for-

mation of West Virginia, 161 of the plates will be made and auctioned off between June 15 and 20.

“We will be taking individual photographs of every see GBT pg 6

Flying the red, white and blue



TWENTY-SIX AMERICAN flags were installed on lamp posts in Marlinton Friday. The flags and brackets were paid for in part by a donation from the Marlinton Rotary Club, which celebrated its 85th anniversary last week. S. Stewart photo

Happy Birthday ~ everybody!

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Staff Writer

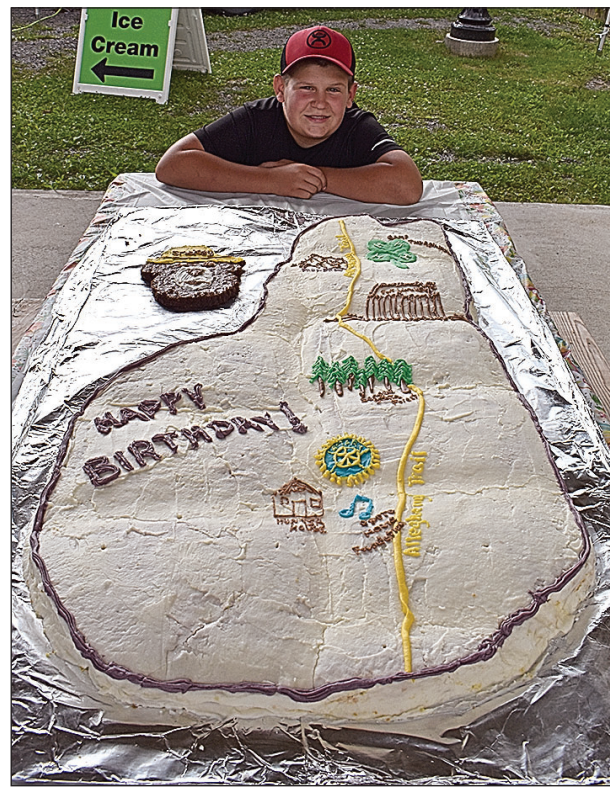
There were no party hats or balloons, but there was a birthday celebration at Discovery Junction in Marlinton for the June First Friday. The theme was Happy Birthday for West Virginia as well as to several places and organizations in Pocahontas County.

Parks and Recreation director Lauren Bennett talked about all the celebrations that will be happening this summer and throughout the rest of the year.

“We realized there are a lot of places in the county and some organizations that have some pretty big birthdays this month, this year,” she said.

The Pocahontas County Opera House Foundation is celebrating 25 years of providing performances and a meeting spot at the historical landmark.

Both Snowshoe Mountain Resort and the Allegheny Trail are turning 50 this year. The Allegheny Trail will have a celebration



4-H MEMBER LEVI Hill poses with the Pocahontas County-shaped birthday cake that was served at the June First Friday event at Discovery Junction in Marlinton. Hill made the cake and icing as part of a 4-H project, and Parks and Recreation director Lauren Bennett decorated it. S. Stewart photo

in September at the Green Bank Observatory, and Snowshoe has special plans

for the upcoming winter season. see Happy pg 8

Walking and reading around town

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

When isolation and distancing were a necessity a few years ago due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Pocahontas County Free Libraries and Visitors Centers found a creative way to safely provide stories to youngsters ~ the StoryWalk.

A children’s book was spread through the town of Marlinton, with one page per window of downtown businesses. Much like a scavenger hunt, the pages came with directions to the next one, giving visitors a unique way of enjoying a fun story and visiting businesses, as well.

The book trail was so popular that the libraries have continued to make story trails each summer.

This year, the StoryWalk will follow the theme of each First Friday, and a new book will be in place for a month. “We decided this year to



THE STORYWALK FOR the month of June is up in Marlinton and begins at the Greenbrier River Trail in Marlinton. The book, “M is for Mountain State,” is spread out around the town in business windows and at Discovery Junction. S. Stewart photo

do that as our contribution to Marlinton’s First Fridays,” Hallie Herold, director of operations said. “For the first one, since it was the Evening

with the Arts, we put it up just in Discovery Junction, so you could walk around see Reading pg 6

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Helmick presents alternate plan for the courthouse annex

Tim Walker
AMR Reporter

During the June 4 Pocahontas County Commission meeting, Commission President Walt Helmick admitted that he can't overcome the National Historic Registry listing of the old jail building, so he has been looking over a new location for a courthouse annex. His original plan was to demolish the old jail building which is located immediately behind the courthouse, and build a new courthouse annex on that

site. However, his inability to get the old jail removed from its listing on the National Registry of Historic Places has stymied the project. Now, Helmick is determined to move the project forward, albeit at a new location.

He called for a special commission meeting to be held Friday, June 7, where he said he'd reveal the location. He said he will also propose purchasing that property, and he said he has the money to purchase it since the commission has saved about \$400,000 since he has been

its President. He said they did that by eliminating two commission administrative positions.

Emergency Management and 911 Director Mike O'Brien expressed his concerns that the bid being advertised for the new 911 Center appears to be for the two EMS ambulance bays that were planned to be added as attachments to the new 911 building, rather than for the 911 building itself, which, in the bid is described as a "option."

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Solid Waste Authority gets info on grant possibilities

Tim Walker
AMR Reporter

Region 4 Planning and Development Council Director John Tuggle spoke to members of the Pocahontas County Solid Waste Authority at their May 29 meeting about the possibility of helping them receive financial assistance through grants.

Solid Waste member David McLaughlin began by explaining the financial challenges the authority will be facing in about a year and a half when the county landfill will be filled to capacity and forced to close. He said that even with the county commission purchasing the landfill for the Solid Waste Authority, they will still face extremely high costs to continue to collect and dispose of trash in the county. Those expenses include building and equipping a transfer sta-

tion at the site; purchasing equipment, especially trucks, to haul the trash to a landfill in another county; paying the tipping fee at the other landfill; and purchasing the fuel for the vehicles. McLaughlin explained that the authority will simply not have enough income or financial sources to do this without outside help from the county commission and/or from grants.

Tuggle explained to the members that, while Region 4 has provided a lot of counties, including Pocahontas County, with assistance obtaining grants, those usually involve water and sewer projects, not solid waste disposal, and he is not familiar with those grants. However, he said Region 4 is willing to help them if any solid waste project grants are found.

Tuggle explained that Region 4 provides assistance in applying for and administering grants, for which they

charge a three and a half percent fee which is capped at \$175,000. The fee is based on the amount of money awarded in the grant. He said the fee would be taken out of the grant funding. Tuggle said that in most of their grants, the \$175,000 cap is not reached, but they just helped Lewisburg receive a \$68-million grant for a new water plant which did max out their fee at the \$175,000 cap.

Tuggle said Region 4 works closely with the USDA, EPA, ARC and others to search for grant opportunities. They also work with members of the U.S. Congress to obtain Congressionally Approved Directed Spending Opportunities, commonly referred to as "earmarks."

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Manchin poses questions to Secretary Yellen

Last Wednesday, U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (I-WV), member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, questioned Janet Yellen, Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Manchin questioned Yellen on implementing the Inflation Reduction Act's (IRA) electric vehicle (EV) and hydrogen tax credits according to the law and his bipartisan Back to Work Act.

On implementing the IRA's EV tax credits according to the law:

"My Committee wrote the bill to bring back manufacturing to America so that we would not be dependent on unreliable supply chains, especially those of China, Russia, Iran and North Korea," Manchin said in part. "We know China has

dominated the critical minerals industry. But your [the Administration's] permanent rules are cutting the domestic requirements for sourcing and processing in half. It makes no sense, and you're going to get sued by the manufacturers who have invested money and thought they wouldn't be inundated with lower prices and unfair competition, especially from China."

"We wrote the IRA as a very balanced bill to ensure energy security in our transportation modes. This is the first time in the history of the United States of America that we cannot provide all of the components for our own transportation. We're willing to be reliant on China, which has a total lock on EVs...Why can't we just implement the law

the way it was written? You're trying to implement a bill you never passed."

On implementing the IRA's hydrogen tax credit according to the law and the impacts of Treasury's guidance on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law-funded Hydrogen Hubs:

"All of a sudden, there are these conditions to get the credits," Manchin said. "Where did these come from? Who made them up? Every single one of the seven hubs has written to you all. It's not commercially viable what you're trying to do with this implementation of the hydrogen rules. Why are you not writing the rules the way the law intended?"

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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:

The court found probable cause and revoked bond for Taylor Cook, 37, of Marlinton. Cook was indicted by the April Grand Jury on one count, assault; one count, destruction of property; three counts, malicious assault. According to Magistrate Court records, Cook was arrested on similar charges June 5.

Michelle Stewart, 47, of Hillsboro, tendered a written plea agreement to the court wherein she pleaded guilty to the felony offense of grand larceny. The court accepted the plea and deferred the matter for one year on probation.

A corrected plea agreement was tendered to the court by Skylar Tincher, 25, of Buckeye, wherein he pleaded guilty to the felony offense of wanton endangerment involving the use of a firearm. The matter was referred to the probation department for a presentence investigation. Sentencing is set for August 1.

A status hearing was held in the case the State vs Joseph Lynn Thompson, 32, of Marlinton, wherein the state requested that Thompson remain incarcerated and has filed a motion to revoke his bond. A hearing on the motion is scheduled for June 13. Thompson was indicted by the April Grand Jury on one count, malicious assault.

Gregory Ryan Keatley, 41, of Marlinton, was found guilty of trespassing and was fined \$100 and assessed costs of the proceeding.

Wendell Edward Johnson, 55, of Cass, tendered a written plea agreement with the court wherein he pleaded guilty, according to Kennedy

v Fraiser, to the misdemeanor offense of brandishing a deadly weapon, the lesser offense in his indictment. The matter is referred to the probation department for a presentence investigation. Sentencing is set for August 1.

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Magistrate Court

According to Magistrate Court records, the following individuals had activity in their cases:

In Magistrate Cynthia Broce-Kelley's court:

Corey Alexander, 35, of Marlinton, pleaded no contest May 7 to a charge of person prohibited from possessing firearm. Alexander was assessed \$281.48 in court costs and fines.

Paul Richard Humphrey, 20, of Hurricane, pleaded no contest May 31 to a charge of failure to maintain control. Humphrey was assessed \$206.01 in court costs and fines.

Shameron S. Friel, 19, of Marlinton, pleaded guilty May 29 to a charge of seat belt violation. Friel was assessed a \$25.56 fine.

Marsha G. Myer, 61, of Buckeye, pleaded no contest May 30 to a charge of seat belt violation. Myer was assessed a \$25 fine.

Ryan A. Moore, 25, of Marlinton, pleaded no contest to charges obstructing law enforcement, probation, parole, court security or corrections officer with threats of harm and possession of controlled substance without valid prescription. Moore was assessed \$372.96 in court costs and fines.

In Magistrate Jennifer Dunz's court:

George Mathew Harmon, 32, of Marlinton, pleaded guilty May 15 to charges of no operator's and operation of vehicle without evidence of registration. Harmon was assessed \$392.96 in court costs and fines.

Cage Burdette, 19, of Marlinton, pleaded guilty May 24 to a charge of speeding. Burdette was assessed \$201.48 in court costs and fines.

Joshua Roy Hedrick, 55, of Bartow, pleaded guilty May 23 to a charge of driving while license suspended or revoked. Hedrick was assessed \$281.48 in court costs and fines.

Ronnie C. Charles, 48, of

Marlinton, pleaded no contest May 15 to a charge of overtaking and passing school bus. Charles was assessed \$681.48 in court costs and fines.

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Library Lines

by Joe Miller,
Director of Development

“In a corner of the Maurice M. Pine Free Public Library, in Fair Lawn, New Jersey...the gray carpeting is flecked with sequins.”

So begins an article titled “Saying Yes to the Dress—At the Library,” published in the May 20 edition of the New Yorker. (Not a New Yorker subscriber? Me, either. I read it for free at the library!)

The program began about a decade ago when librarian Adele Puccio found a wedding dress from a local “freecycling” website. Today, prospective brides can choose from around 50 different wedding dresses—each one donated or rescued from local thrift stores. There’s a lot of turnover—Puccio has matched about 60 brides with dresses just this year.

When you think about a library, you probably think: places that lend books—with emphasis in the last word of that phrase. But we think the real value of libraries lies in the lend part, not the books part. Don’t get me wrong here. Anyone associated with a library will tell you that we love books! And books continue to be a large part of our mission.

Libraries started as places to lend books because once upon a time, books were really expensive. Literacy exploded—particularly here in the United States, where free public education was the norm in most states by the 1850s. Printing books remained expensive. Libraries stepped in to meet the public’s demand for reading material.

It made a lot of sense. A book was an expensive thing that you’d only use one time.

Kind of like a wedding dress.

These days, libraries loan out a lot of different types of things. Over in Hinton, for example, the local grocery store was having a hard time keeping shopping carts. The carts kept showing up all over town, abandoned on sidewalks or pushed over hills. It got so bad that the local police were threatening to enforce criminal measures.

Austin Persinger, director of the Summers County Library, saw things differently.

He recognized that many of the county’s poorer residents lacked reliable transportation. The town of Hinton—which contains the only grocery store for miles—sits in a valley, while many of the residents live in the surrounding hills, often walking in from as many as six miles away. These residents were taking shopping carts because it was their only way of transporting groceries up the hills to their homes.

So the library purchased several lightweight utility wagons. Residents can check them out, use them to take groceries home, and return them the next time they visit town. They were all checked out within the first month. Shopping cart theft is down.

Here in Pocahontas

County, we provide access to lots of outdoor equipment. Want to go looking for treasure? (Or, maybe you dropped your wedding ring somewhere at last Saturday’s barbecue.) Drop by either the McClintic or Greenbank branch and you can check out a metal detector.

Or maybe you want to watch the stars from one of the three(!) officially recognized Dark Sky Parks in Pocahontas County? You can pick up a stargazing backpack from any of our five library branches. Each backpack contains everything you need to start learning about viewing outer space.

And, as befits a county where internet access is tricky—owing both to the quiet zone needed to protect the important work at the Green Bank Observatory and to the difficulty of stringing wires across a large and rugged landscape—we provide free WiFi (except at the Green Bank branch) and plenty of physical copies of movies and music.

Of course, you can still check out books, too!

Our mission is to lend things that help improve the lives of the people of Pocahontas County. We do a lot of lending. But we’re always eager to do more. If you have ideas for things you think would be nice to lend out, drop me a line with your suggestion. I’m joe@pocahontaslibrary.org

Or, better still, stop by any of our five branches and talk with your local librarian. You may discover that we already have what you’re looking for!



SINCE 2008, FORT Warwick has welcomed Pocahontas County middle and high school students to participate in archaeological digs at the site. S. Stewart photo

Fort Warwick celebrating 250 years of history

Look at the ground beneath your feet and think about what lies below it. There may be artifacts from centuries ago just waiting to be discovered.

At the farm of Bob and Elaine Sheets in Green Bank, one particular hay field hid the site of a pre-Revolutionary War fort—Fort Warwick.

The Sheets will celebrate the 250th anniversary of Fort Warwick on June 22 and 23, with an archeological dig, re-enactors, demonstrations, music and food.

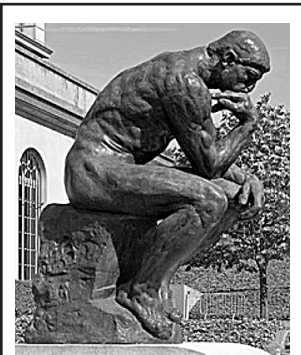
“This will sort of be an interesting period that we’re going to have an anniversary of, because for this 250th anniversary, all the re-enactors and folks who will be here are loyalists,” Bob said. “They are at that point serving King George III, and then two years later, 1776, things change and that points at the historical significance of the political arena that was playing out at that particular time.”

The fort was built in 1774 as a militia fort and, by 1776, it became one of the first settlements of the

newly freed American colonies. Bob said they have discovered that several of the people who lived at the fort went through the transition from being loyalists to colonists.

The two-day event will include a glimpse at many aspects of life in the area during the time period. Re-enactors will bring to life the day-to-day life of those who lived at the fort, as well as the Native Americans who interacted with the settlers.

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TRIVIA

— a little something to think about

1. Name either of the two U.S. states where it is illegal to get married on a dare.

2. Johnny Depp notably modeled Jack Sparrow, his memorable character from “Pirates of the Caribbean,” after which rock guitarist?

3. Which “Titanic” actor appeared on the children’s TV show “Romper Room?”

4. What 1949 science fiction book by author George Orwell describes a dystopian world in the future?

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4 - 6 p.m. Free Picnic Dinner: Hamburgers and hot dogs, potato salad, pasta salad, chips and West Virginia Birthday Cake
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School attending: _____ Grade: _____
What is your favorite part of Durbin Days and why? _____

Send a copy of entry form and one (1) photo to: ddhfpagant@yahoo.com
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Note: Pageant rehearsal will be held Saturday, July 13, 4 p.m. at PCHS Auditorium.
Rehearsal attendance is required for pageant participation.

Community Calendar

OPERA HOUSE
Season Preview Party, Saturday, June 15, 7 to 9 p.m. 1920s Speakeasy Soirée; guests are encouraged to get into the spirit of the Roaring Twenties by wearing period attire.

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Solid Waste Office and Pocahontas County Landfill will be closed on Wednesday, June 19 (June-teenth), and Thursday, June 20 (West Virginia Day). The Green Boxes will be open normal hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19.

The Marlinton Town Office will be closed Wednesday, June 19, in observance of Juneteenth Day and Thursday, June 20, in observance of West Virginia Day.

Garbage pickup for June 19 will be the 18th and pickup for June 20 will be the 21st.

23rd Annual Public Reading of our 1776 Declaration of Independence, noon, Thursday, the Fourth of July 2024, in front of the Pocahontas County Courthouse. Free watermelon. Information will be available about how to secure, for ourselves and our posterity, the rights asserted in that document.

Farmers Markets: Green Bank Firehouse Wednesdays 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Hillsboro, across from McCoys, Thursdays 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. and Marlinton at Discovery Junction, Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Food Handlers Course Tuesday, June 11, 10 a.m. at the Community Wellness Center. Wednesday, June 12, at the Durbin Library. Call 304-799-4154 to register. Cost is \$20.

Green Box sites summer hours: Wednesdays and Sat-

urdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

MEETINGS
Allegheny Post 117 Tuesday, June 18, 6 p.m. at Arboreale Community Center. All members are encouraged to attend.

Pocahontas County Democratic Executive Committee Monday, June 17, 6 p.m. at McClintic Library. Contact jymiller2008@gmail.com for Zoom connection info.

EVENTS
Dedication of Huntersville Old Clerk's Office and pre-West Virginia Day Celebration Friday, June 14. Free Picnic Dinner and West Virginia Birthday Cake 4 to 6 p.m. followed by the dedication. Music by the Bing Brothers with Jake Krack at 6:30 p.m.

Cass Days, June 14 – 16 at Cass Scenic Railroad State Park. Friday night cakewalk, Saturday's historic "Parade of Steam," live music, vendors, kids games and more.

Customer Appreciation Day at Snowshoe – Free Fun Passes Sunday, June 16, – all day – for residents of Pocahontas, Randolph and Webster counties.

The 26th Annual Little Levels Heritage Fair Friday – Sunday, June 28 – 30. Fun events, music, parades and food. Be sure to check out the arts and crafts and the car show, and you might want to enter a pie in the Homemade Heritage Pie Contest.

Native Orchid Tour Saturday, June 29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Cranberry Mountain Nature Center.

LIBRARY NEWS
Plant Swap at Green Bank Library Saturday, June 8, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For more info and to sign up,

call the library, 304-456-4507.

Cards and Coffee at Green Bank Library Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Beginners welcome. Hot drinks provided.

Friday Fun Day 4 p.m. for ages three to 10, at Durbin Community Library. Reading, crafts and activities.

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

Summer Mix-Up Dance Series with instructor Haylee Hayhurst – Jazz Fusion, Mondays and Tuesdays at Green Bank Observatory old tour center. Both locations – 1 p.m. for ages 6 to 10; and 2:30 p.m. for ages 11-18. Call 304-799-7386 to register.

Beginner Skateboard Clinic, June 6, 4:30 p.m. at Stillwell Park

The Snowball Effect – Enjoy a summer treat and help kids help the community. Wednesdays, June 12 through July 31, outside the Wellness Center.

Beginners Basketball Camp, with Coach John Snyder and several PCHS players, for students entering grades 3-5; June 17 - 21, 10 a.m. to noon at the Wellness Center.

Kayaking, for students in fifth grade or older, June 20. Trip details to be determined. Call to register.

Family Sports Night – Pick-up games for the whole family, Mondays beginning June 17, 6:30 p.m. Woodford Field at Linwood

see Calendar pg 11



Marlinton Mayor's Corner

By Sam Felton

The successful launch of the Monday Lick Trail System was considered crucial to achieving gold-level status from the International Mountain Bicycling Association for the Ride Center at Snowshoe. The gold rating remains key to elevating a growing recreational economy to a regional economic development priority, making Snowshoe home to the only Gold IMBA Ride Center in the eastern United States.

Currently under construction, the Monday Lick Trail System will be the newest addition to the Snowshoe Highlands Ride Center. When completed, Pocahontas County's new Monday Lick Trail System will be a world-class mountain biking destination in the Monongahela National Forest.

Being the first recreation construction project to be funded by the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), The Monday Lick Trail project will serve as a new model for public-private collaboration in other regional outdoor recreation developments. As such, everyone involved is working hard to see the project move forward as smoothly as possible, on time, and within budget.

Now, with construction advancing, it is critical that a trailhead be completed to

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head was secured.

In 2023, the Town of Marlinton engaged Destination By Design to complete a concept plan for the site. The plan calls for three phases of construction to develop designated parking, signage and specialty features that mountain bike tourists expect of a destination. This signature trailhead will be within easy walking distance of restaurants, bike shops, the town visitor center and other amenities. The trailhead will also contribute to the health and wellness of the greater community, providing safe and improved access to the trail for local youth and residents.

To date, the Town has worked with the Mon Forest Towns Partnership to leverage \$130,000 for the project. We expect to complete fundraising for engineering in 2024 and to have shovel-ready documents in hand by December 2024.

A request for Congressionally Directed Spending has been submitted and is the best avenue for building the trailhead, as it will give us the ability to fully fund the project.

Sam

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 1 Tbsp. all purpose flour
 1 cup heavy cream
 1/2 cup chicken broth or pasta water
 1/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese

minute. Add flour and cook until thickened into a paste, about 1 minute. Add heavy cream, chicken broth or pasta water and Parmesan cheese. Bring sauce to a simmer over medium-high heat until thickened, stirring occasionally. Add salt and pepper. Add chicken and pasta to skillet and toss well to coat. Garnish with parsley, if desired.
 Serves 4.

1/4 tsp. salt
 1/4 tsp. pepper
 1 Tbsp. fresh chopped parsley
 Cook pasta according to package directions. Reserve 1/2 cup pasta water.
 Drain pasta and set aside.
 Pat chicken breasts dry. Season with salt and pepper. In a large skillet, heat oil over medium high heat until oil sizzles, 1 to 2 minutes. Add chicken and sear until golden brown, 6 to 8 minutes each side. Remove chicken from heat and slice into 1/2 inch strips. Transfer to a plate and cover with aluminum foil to keep chicken moist. In the same skillet, add butter and garlic and sauté until fragrant, about 1

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Obituaries



Arthur Dameron

Arthur P. Dameron, 79, of Santee, South Carolina, formerly of Yardley and Morrisville, Pennsylvania, peacefully passed away Saturday morning, June 1, 2024.

The beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather succumbed to a brief period of illness.

Born March 28, 1945, in Morrisville, Pennsylvania, he was the fifth of six children of the late Frank and Gladys Dameron.

Art graduated from Morrisville High School and, in 1965, married the love of his life Sandra Tyndale. They had a beautiful life together bearing three children and living their lives surrounded by family and lifelong friends.

He was a lifelong resident and fostered relationships with nearly everyone in the Morrisville area. He could not walk through a hardware store without stopping to talk with at least one friend. His wife, children and grandchildren would stand by for as long as it took for him to speak with people who seemed like strangers but whose lives Art touched in some way. Whether it was his handyman knowledge on a project, opinions on trains and models, or his friendly advice, he shared his passion for these hobbies and his life knowledge with anyone who would listen.

Art and Sandy discovered Cass in the late 1960s that ignited a passion for trains, the mountains and the logging business in the town until 1963. They would camp, and later rented houses for family vacations in the sleepy, tiny town with steam engines running up and down the mountain. He loved it so much that he served as the treasurer for the Mountain State Railroad Logging Association, which assisted with maintaining and developing the Cass Scenic Railroad State Park from its inception until today. In his later years, he also enjoyed volunteering at Howell Farm, helping wherever he was of most use, as well as fostering new friendships and teaching people whatever he could.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra; children, Christine Madzy, of Lawrenceville, New Jersey, Brian Dameron, of Summerton, South Carolina, and April McMahon, and husband, Kirk, of Santee, South Carolina; granddaughters, Emily Lomonaco, and husband, Dean, of Santee, South Carolina, Paige McMahon, of Charleston, South Carolina, Sophia and Charlotte Madzy, of Lawrenceville, New Jersey; grandson, Bryon McMahon of Frackville, Pennsylvania; great-granddaughters, Kasandra and Mackenzie Lomonaco, of Santee, South Carolina; and a multitude of extended family.

There will be a Celebration of Life Sunday, June 30, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Historic Summerseat located at 130 Legion Avenue in Morrisville, Pennsylvania. There will be a family celebration in Cass where he will be cast into the mountains that he so loved.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Mountain State Railroad and Logging Historical Association, c/o Robert Hoke, Treasurer, 6304 Kaybro Street, Laurel, MD 20707; or Howell Living History Farm, 101 Hunter Road, Titusville, NJ 08560.

Robert Darby

Robert William Darby, of McLaren Vale, South Australia, suddenly passed away

June 8, 2022, in the Flinders Medical Centre, Adelaide, South Australia.

Rob was the loving and dearly loved husband of Mary Margaret Wooddell Darby, formerly of Green Bank, who survives him.

Born April 16, 1934, in South Australia, he was a son of the late Leslie and Ruth Darby.

Robert and his two sisters grew up in a small town along the Murray River, where his parents were involved in the dried fruit industry.

As a teenager, Rob attended Scotch College in Adelaide where he received Cadet training, and further developed his skills in tennis and Australian Rules football.

In his younger adult life he won Best and Fairest awards twice in "Aussie" football and, in time, focused on tennis, serving as Captain of tennis clubs in two areas in which he lived, having often won district championships. He remained an avid sportsman all his life.

Rob had grown up learning the business of grafting, growing and tending grapes at his parents' vineyards, and in time owned his own property near McLaren Vale where he produced choice wine grapes for the local McLaren Vale wine industries. He also had a fair-sized almond orchard, making his workload a busy one.

It was at McLaren Vale where Robert and Mary first met in February 1972, when she was traveling and working throughout Australia with two other young women. They were employed with a team of workers to hand pick grapes on his vineyard.

"Two worlds met," and in time they were dating, and before Mary left Australia to return to the States, they were promised. Mary returned to South Australia to be married to the love of her life on February 24, 1973.

Rob had become a National Serviceman in his early years and continued to be actively associated with the Nashos until recent years. As well as his various sporting clubs, he was also a member of Probus (Rotary); a Business and Community Club; the RSL (Servicemen); and was a Freemason. He continued his love of sport progressively in the areas of tennis, then golf, then lawn bowls for the rest of his life.

With his kind, good-natured ways, Rob was often referred to by his friends as "a true gentleman." He was indeed that, but also generous to those in need; helpful to his neighbors; with a funny sense of humor and forgiving nature.

He and Mary spent 49 and a half wonderful years together, Mary working as a music teacher as Rob continued his business as a vigneron and almond orchardist.

After retirement, they moved to a new home with views toward the sea, and enjoyed 25 years there. Through the years, they travelled throughout Australia and several times abroad: the UK, Canada and several U.S. states. But the most enjoyable trips were to visit Mary's folks in Green Bank and other areas.

Rob's Celebration of Life was held in Adelaide in June 2022, complete with his favorite music, family reflections, smiles, laughter, faith and respect, and attended by close family members, many dear relatives, good friends and associates.

Rob is remembered as a loving husband, brother, uncle, cousin and friend. The special kind of presence he brought to every family or friends' gathering through the years is deeply missed by everyone.

Brandon Davis

Brandon Scott Davis, of Branchland and Pocahontas County, was born December 9, 1995 and passed away Friday, June 7, 2024, at the age of 28 years, five months and 29 days.

Funeral service will be held Friday, June 14, 2024, at noon, at Koontz Funeral Home in Hamlin with Bennie Dean officiating. Interment will be in Watson Cemetery in Branchland.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. until time of service.

Johnny Dean

Johnny Bruce Dean, 72, of Marlinton passed away Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at home.

Born October 1, 1951, at Hillsboro, he was a son of the late Herbert and Mary Elizabeth Brock Dean.

Johnny was the owner of Johnny's Garage and Wrecker Service, the business he established in September 1979.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by sisters, Jerilene Puffenbarger, Wanda Leverage and Shirley Dean; brothers, Leo, Berlin, Ronnie and Larry Dean; and great-grandson, Ledger Dean.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda Sue Roberts Dean; daughters, Tonya Lynn Pollock, Tabatha Dawn Mann (Rick) and Talena Michelle Doss (Mike); sons, Timothy Wayne Dean and Travis Shane Dean; grandchildren, Tristan Evans (Joe), Riley Pollack, Payton Mann, Jordan Workman (Jake), Logan Mann (Makayla), Jensen Dean, Blake Kershner, T. J. Dean, Kylee Dean and Lakyn Dean; great-grandchildren, Aubrey, Sawyer, Rayne, Jonah, Jenna, Lainey and Channing; brothers Albert Dean (Gail), Bobby Dean (Brenda) and Eugene Dean (Robin); and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held Saturday, June 8, 2024, at VanReenen Funeral Home with Pastor Shaun Clark officiating.

Interment was in Emmanuel Cemetery.



Connie Douglas

Connie Jeanne Mullenax Douglas, 75, of Frank, passed from this life Friday, June 7, 2024, at her home, surrounded by her family.

Born Sunday, March 13, 1949, she was a daughter of the late Richard and Crystal Mullenax.

On March 2, 1974, she married Michael Douglas who survives. They had celebrated 50 years of marriage.

Connie was a homemaker and an accomplished poet; having had two books published.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a grandchild, James Michael Cassell; and brother-in-law, Ray Hess.

She is survived by her three children, James "Richie" Cassell, and companion, Abby, Crissy Lambert, and Traci Beckner, and husband, David Beckner; foster daughter, Ella Woodhouse; brother, Michael Mullenax; sisters, Sonya Hess and Kelly Sager, and husband, Mike; 15 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at Calvary Gospel Church in Durbin Saturday, June 15, 2024, at 2 p.m.



Homer Hunter

Homer Ray Hunter, 80, of Stony Bottom, peacefully passed away Friday, March 15, 2024, surrounded by his family, following an extended illness.

Born at home May 3, 1943, in Boone County, he was a son of the late Ramie Lawrence Hunter and Zelma Baisden Hunter.

He was a proud graduate of Van High School. He maintained close relationships with those he grew up with, attending many Van High School reunions over the years.

After leaving Van, Homer enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, serving as a corporal in the Third Marine Division during the Vietnam War. While serving in Vietnam, Homer had a chance encounter with a lone Catholic missionary named Father Roy while traveling to get supplies for his unit. This led to the start of a humanitarian project that supported the newly arrived Marine division with laundry services provided by refugees, which in turn provided financial support that helped to feed and clothe 5,000 refugees fleeing the communist invasion of South Vietnam. He loved the Marine Corps and was a member of the Marine Corps League and the Veterans of Foreign Wars following his service to our country.

After leaving the Marine Corps, Homer returned home to West Virginia. He worked in construction and was a skilled masonry worker and carpenter – a hobby he continued to enjoy through the years helping countless family and friends with various projects. He began a career with E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company (DuPont) in 1966 at DuPont's Belle plant where he spent more than two decades working alongside many friends.

Homer loved music and was well known throughout the Mountain State's bluegrass music community. He spent countless hours singing and picking with friends over the years. He and his beloved cousin Ray Baisden helped form the Kanawha Valley-based band The Flattop Pickers in the late-1970s, performing together through the mid-1980s. A musical highlight for Homer was his band opening for the Father of Bluegrass Bill Monroe for a performance at Huntington's Memorial Fieldhouse.

He enjoyed picking with friends at the annual Vandalia Gathering on the State Capitol Grounds each May and hosting post-Vandalia jams at his Charleston-area home for many years. What he loved the most was performing alongside his siblings, The Hunter Family, and singing the songs that the family grew up singing when their father was preaching tent revivals and church services in his native Boone County.

Following his retirement from DuPont, Homer enjoyed his retirement years at his home along the Greenbrier River near Cass and was very active in the Pocahontas County community. He continued to perform with groups in Pocahontas County and the Greenbrier Valley region, and was a dedicated supporter of Allegheny Echoes Inc., participating in their summer workshops, an annual study

and celebration of West Virginia and Appalachian culture and heritage. He also was a familiar voice in the mountains of Pocahontas County, lending his talents to emcee many community events and to support Allegheny Mountain Radio in its broadcast operations as a DJ and a board member.

Homer earned acclaim with his acting debut in the 2013 motion picture "Angels Perch," filmed on location in the Town of Cass, portraying Delbert, the endearing local postman who was also rather popular with the ladies. J.T. Arbogast, the film's writer and star, said of Homer's on-screen performance that he "just about stole the film away from everyone else... he'd never acted a day in his life, but you sure wouldn't have known it by his performance."

Above all else, Homer loved his family and he loved the Lord. His presence will be missed in our lives daily, but the many memories that he created with those he loved and cherished will live on forever. Thankfully, there are many videos online where his music can still be heard and his larger than life personality still shines.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Henry (Mary), Harry, Hansel (Carolyn), Herman and Hershel "Doc" Hunter; and sisters Roberta (Harley) Harbison and Sue Maison.

Homer is survived by his daughter, Greta McHugh, and her husband, John, of Charleston; the joy of his life, his granddaughters, Brenda Grace, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Olivia Rose, of Charleston; sisters-in-law, Barbara Hunter, of Millwood, Elsie Hunter, of Vienna, and Kathy Hunter, of Mason; several nieces, nephews and cousins, and countless friends.

Everyone Homer met was a new friend. The family would like to thank all those friends who called, sent cards and traveled from around the country to spend time with him this last year. Your kindness brightened his days and warmed his heart.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, June 22, 2024, at the Pocahontas County Opera House in Marlinton.

Visitation will begin at 5 p.m. with a service at 6 p.m.

Following the service, there will be an informal concert where Homer's friends will share their music and memories.

Ronald Roy

Ronald "Ron" Eldridge Roy, Sr. 78, of Marlinton, passed away Saturday, June 8, 2024, in the loving arms of his son at his home.

Born September 11, 1945, Ron grew up hunting and fishing alongside his father, brothers and the "mountain men" of Woodrow Mountain. At the age of 16, he met his life partner, Mary Lee, and, shortly after graduating high school, they married April 8, 1966. Ron was a 32nd degree Mason. He spent many years as a heavy equipment operator working for Ralph Beckwith, whom he considered a dear friend. Ron was a hard worker and a dedicated husband, father and grandfather. He deeply believed in the importance of family, as he said "if you have common sense, work hard, and take care of your family, you will be all right."

Ron truly appreciated his simple life with his wife by his side and surrounded by as many friends and family that could fit around the kitchen table every evening.

He was preceded in death by his father, West Virginia Bow Hunters Association Hall of Fame Member Joe J. Roy; his mother, Bonnie Carr Roy; and two brothers, John E. Roy and Joe W. Roy.

Ron is survived and missed by his loving wife of 58 years, Mary Lee Roy; his children, Ron E. Roy Jr. (Georgia Roy), Ronda Rose (Gary Rose), Cindy Rogers (Mike Rogers) and William "Bill" Joseph Roy. He will be forever cherished and missed by his grandchildren, Nicole Rose-Taylor, Jennifer Chaney, Amy Pugh, Katie Arbogast, Amanda Buzzard, Tiffany Rogers-McClure, Kayla Shaw, Kendra Beavers, William Joseph Roy, Jr. and Ryan Roy; and great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, a Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Marlinton Senior Center.

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# A legacy

A bench in memory of Bobby Dunz was dedicated Saturday, June 9, at Stillwell Park. Dunz was a long-time supporter of Little League. He umpired games, was involved in youth sports and an adult softball league, and was very active in the community.

The following was published in the June 14, 1973 edition of *The Pocahontas Times*:

## THANKS BOBBY

It takes a unique person to be UMPIRE for Little League games. It not only takes a lot of time, but it takes knowledge of and application of all the Rules. It takes courage and endless patience to call at least four games each week and not talk back to the parents and the other spectators, who always seem to be able to call the game better than the UMPIRE.

We, in Marlinton, are fortunate in having Bobby Dunz as our UMPIRE. He does an outstanding job. He not only devotes at least four evenings a week in umpiring the games, he also keeps the field in condition to play. All of our Little Leaguers look up to Bob and respect his calls even though they don't always agree with him. We could not have a successful league without him because I don't think we could ever find anyone to replace him. He doesn't get any compensation for the work and time he devotes to Little League and seldom does he even get a much-deserved word of encouragement or "well done, Bobby" from the spectators.

He volunteers his service without any thought of compensation. If we had more people like him, we certainly would have a better community.

So, we want to THANK YOU, BOBBY, and let you know that you are appreciated by Little League Officers, Managers, Coaches and Players.

Pictured at the dedication, l to r: Brad Dunz, Alice Dunz, Matt Dunz and C. J. Walker.



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single one of the numbered plates and we will put each one of those online for a five-day auction," Arnett said. "We are encouraging our customers to surf through the pictures, find the one that they like in particular and bid on that plate."

The process of making the plates is very uniform, but as it is with all handmade items, the plates will have small variations.

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## Max Curry's Store - 1911



MAX CURRY'S STORE in Clover Lick, W.Va. The photo is from a postcard with a postmark date of August 8, 1911. (Pocahontas County Historical Society Collection, ID: PHS000607)

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## Footsteps through History

The Pocahontas Times  
Andrew Price, Editor

Thursday, June 15, 1899

A shooting affair is reported to have occurred last Saturday west of Frost between Enos Sharp and an unknown party, but no injury resulted as the shots and rocks went wild. So much for having a charmed life.

A party of gypsies encamped near C. L. Moore's sugar camp a few days last week, and from their ear marks they are natives of Augusta county; reared near Staunton - Virginians by nature, but gypsies by practice.

Tuesday of last week a surgical operation for bone erysipelas was performed in the case of Miss Rachel Moore, on Brown's mountain, by Dr. Cunningham, assisted by Ligon Marshall and John Yeager, medical students. When last heard from, the patient was doing well.

Sam Collins, who was indicted last term for felony, upon a charge of robbing his father-in-law of \$100 while they were sleeping in the same room, was arrested and lodged in jail last week by R. K. Burns and J. F. Hill. They went to his place opposite the Levels and caught sight of him disappearing in the brush on his mule. They then made a feint of leaving and, coming back unexpectedly at noon, took him as he was eating dinner. He has retained T. S. McNeel as counsel, and says he is not guilty.

Last week, R. K. Burns went up on Droop Mountain on the turnpike for a load of slate. While he was loading, one of the horses put his head through the lines and when he started, the teams and wagon went over the bank, turning over a time or two. The wagon was badly

wrecked. While trying to liberate the horses, one of them struck Burns in the forehead with his front foot inflicting a painful wound.

Jesse Hill, of Brownsburg, killed a crane that was 5 feet high and 7 feet from tip to tip. It whipped two dogs after it was wounded.

Last week whilst K. D. Swecker was carrying the mail to the railroad men on Greenbrier river, he killed a rattlesnake not quite as large as a horse.

There was a little fight Saturday between the Spaniards and Hungarians in the Hill country near Lewis Carpenter's. So far no one was killed.

The singing at Liberty Sunday was largely attended. There will be an all day sing at the Wanless schoolhouse on Sunday, June 25th, commencing at 10 a. m. Dinner on the ground. All come out and bring your books. Singing at Liberty July 2 at 2 p.m. Singing all day at Oak Grove Sunday, July 9th. Dinner on the ground.

### THE BANK OF MARLINTON

The Bank of Marlinton will be open for business this week. F. R. Hunter, late teller of the bank of Greenbrier, is the cashier. M. J. McNeel, of

Academy, is the president of the bank. He is known as one of the safest and most conservative business men of the county...

The stock is all held by Greenbrier and Pocahontas people, some of the wealthiest men of both counties being identified with the enterprise. The expected railroad development is the cause of the bank being established here, but its continuance does not depend upon a railroad by any means.

### OBITUARIES Colonel Stephen C. Prichard

In this issue of The Times, it becomes our sad duty to mention the death of this widely known citizen of our county, which occurred at Dunmore Thursday morning, June 1st, 1899, in his 73rd year. His disease was pneumonia.

Colonel Prichard was born at Kernstown, Frederick county, Virginia, November 4th, 1826, where he was reared to manhood...

In April 1872, he brought his family to Dunmore, which has been their home for more than 27 years. Colonel and Mrs. Prichard were the parents of seven sons and five daughters. Three have gone before. Robert, Charles, William, Mrs. John Hevener, Frank, Rese, Frederick, Ella and Cornelia are the surviving children.

About four years since, Colonel Prichard united with the Baxter Presbyterian church on profession of his faith in Christ...

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## Fifty Years Ago

Jane Price Sharp, Editor

Thursday, June 13, 1974

### Girl's State and Boy's State

Caren Cummins, a junior, has been chosen to attend Girls State at Jackson's Mill.

The qualifications for Girl's State are: 1. Honesty. 2. Leadership. 3. Community participation and service.

Matt Myers, a junior, has been chosen as a representative for Boy's State at Jackson's Mill.

The qualification for Boy's State are: 1. Must be a junior 2. Good health 3. School activities. 4. Not married.

### FIELD DAY

Marlinton Elementary School held its Field Day May 24. The children participated in a variety of events. The children from each grade level who received the highest number of points received Best Athlete Awards. The following is a list of

### Best Athletes:

First Grade: Michelle Withers, Kevin Barlow and Kevin Irvine.

Second Grade: Ernestine Ramsey, Lisa Alderman, Petye Burdette.

Third Grade: Shelly Helmick, Tony Pondexter.

Fourth Grade: Rayetta Landis, Brett Withers.

Fifth Grade: Charma Roy, Robert Reed.

Sixth Grade: Susan Fultz, Jack Marshall.

Seventh Grade: Amy Vrable, Mark Dilley.

Eighth Grade: Kathy Wagner, Ronnie Dean.

Scholastic awards were presented to the following who excelled in academic work:

First Grade: Art: Michelle Withers, Steven Gibson, Lennie Pennington.

Writing: Michelle Withers, Kathleen Shaw, Herbie Barlow.

Math: Elizabeth Newkirk, Timmy Buzzard, Gary

Wyatt.

Reading: Elizabeth Newkirk, Lennie Pennington, Brian Jarvinen.

Second Grade: Art: David Cutlip, Craig Dilley, Kim Miller.

Spelling: Brenda Curry, Beth Harper, Moneque La Strapes.

Math: Lisa Jarrell, Pat Hinkle, Tina Beale.

Handwriting: Connie Burgess, Brenda Curry, Moneque La Strapes.

Third Grade: Spelling: Tammy Alderman, Dottie Buzzard, Dock Cutlip.

Art: Marvin Sharp, Troy Wilson, Chris Burns.

Creative Writing: Helen Miller, Marsha Ramsey, Chester Shifflett.

Handwriting: Brenda Hiner, Glenda Pyles, Everette Underwood.

Fourth Grade: Math: Kim Friel, Darlene Tyree, Elaine Friel.

Spelling: Mary Beth Clay, Mark Burnette, Addie Dunbrack.

Reading: Jeanette Lytle, Mark Newkirk, Addie Dunbrack

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## Seventy-Five Years Ago

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, June 15, 1949

### COMING HOME

Word has been received by Mrs. Eleanor Howard McNeill that the body of her son, Staff Sergeant James Howard McNeill, will arrive next Friday morning, June 17. The funeral will be held from the Marlinton Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in the family plot in Mountain View Cemetery.

Sergeant McNeill was shot down on the border of France and Germany, February 10, 1944.

He was a son of Mrs. McNeill and the late Lock McNeill. He was 23 years old at the time of his death.

### AIRPLANE ACCIDENT

Pictured above: 1. Elmer "Dink" Jackson 2. Mutt King 3. Jim Cutlip 4. Harry King 5. Craig Carr.

Belmont Evans, aged 46 years, and Paul H. Duffy, aged 38 years, both of Richwood, were instantly killed

late Sunday afternoon, June 12, 1949, when their airplane fell into the rocky bed of Greenbrier River at the mouth of Stony Creek.

The plane, a former Army trainer, had shortly before taken off from the near at hand Marlinton airport.

Both men were pinned in the wreckage.

Investigation by inspectors of the Civil Aeronautic Authority found the plane in perfect working condition, the cause of the accident being some error on the part of the pilot of the plane.

Duffy was a former Navy air mechanic. He owned the plane. He worked in the machine shop of Crichton Coal

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## 100-Years-Ago in The Pocahontas Times

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, June 12, 1924

### CIRCUIT COURT

Circuit Court is still in session, and, as this paper is printed, continuing the trial of Tiny McCoy, charged with the murder of his wife, his mother-in-law, Mrs. William Totten, and his brother-in-law, Hobert Totten, near Cass on April 6, 1924. In order to get a panel, it was necessary to summon 30 additional jurors. ... It is expected that the trial will not be completed before Thursday evening.

In the case of State v William Dudley, convicted of first degree murder at the April term, 1923, for the murder of Bascom McFall, whose body was found on the river bank at Cass in April 1919, the supreme

court set aside the verdict and granted a new trial on the grounds that the evidence was not sufficient. There being no new evidence, the State moved that the indictment against Dudley be nolle. A similar motion was made in the case against Sam Davis, who was indicted for the same offense.

On Wednesday morning, all the jurors were discharged except those trying the case against McCoy.

### KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Captain S. B. Avis, former

Congressman, and R. G. Altizer, an attorney, both of Charleston, were instantly killed by lightning at Charleston Sunday at noon. They had driven to shelter in a shed on a golf course. The shed was struck by lightning and both men instantly killed. A third man, R. G. Scott, escaped without injury.

On Sunday afternoon the heavy wind and rain storm blew down and tore up the big barn below the house on the Uriah Hevener's place near Greenbank. The silo attached was blown down last April. This barn was an immense structure, 60x100 feet. On almost every farm, apple trees were turned out

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# Meeting Mrs. Dorise

by Dawn Reed

Some of Jesus' last words were "Go, go, and be."

"Go and make disciples of all nations..." Matthew 28:19.

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation," Mark 16:15.

"Be my witnesses..." Acts 1:8.

I met an embodiment of those words at Horsecave Baptist Church two weeks ago.

Mrs. Dorsie Phillips made her way down the center aisle in turquoise and white. Her white hair was perfectly done. What got my attention was her smile and her necklace. It was big, chunky, and fabulous. She certainly knew how to accessorize. Someone introduced us, including that she had been a missionary years ago. I was immediately smitten.

The service was about to start. I only had a few minutes so quickly asked Mrs. Dorsie as many questions as I could.

Now 93, she had served as a missionary with her husband, Marshall, in the 1960s. They spent several years in Nairobi, Kenya. I was thrilled to connect with her. I have been on two mission trips to Nairobi, Kenya, in the last few years with World Hope.

Due to a grave health problem of one of her children back then, the Mission

Board insisted that they return to the United States.

As she spoke, I could see her pondering those difficult days. It had been an unexpected turn of events. Even though they had returned to the US, their life of ministry was not over. Mrs. Dorsie told me she and her husband served at Cedarmore (Crossings) for years. We both were talking at once. I still had more to ask but church was getting started. I turned around as the service began, still soaking up her words.

My beloved and I were visiting that Sunday. We had come to hear our dear friend and mentor, Dan Garland, who is serving as interim pastor at Horsecave. I cherish each opportunity to hear Bro. Dan preach. From Hebrews 12, he shared good words for grads and the rest of us. (I made notes all over the margins of my Bible.)

After the service, I asked Mrs. Dorsie to sign my Bible. She was quite surprised. My beloved and I have a heart for veterans. When we see someone wearing a military hat, we thank them for their service. I felt the same about this lovely missionary from decades ago. "Thank you for your service," I gushed, hugged her tight, and asked to take a selfie.

Ninety-three and a beautiful example of still serving her Lord. Mrs. Dorsie



Dawn Reed

was an unexpected blessing. I love it when God puts puzzle pieces together.

With a faraway look, she spoke in a soft voice, "I sometimes wonder if our work made a difference." That is probably a common pondering among missionaries when they look back. Results are not always measurable. We are planting, someone else is watering, and God, of course, is giving the increase.

When my beloved and I surrendered to the Lord in 2006, we thought we would be going to feed poor people in Africa. (Wasn't that where all missionaries went?) Instead, God sent us 30 minutes up the road to help feed poor people in Pike County. Now we serve in Floyd County. We are called to be "on mission" wherever we are.

Where is your mission field?

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**Hill Top Cemetery, Cass** – Richard Ryder, 707 Chert Lane, Beckley, WV 25801

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

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**Wilfong Cemetery** – Barbara Williams, 1726 Seebert Wilfong Road, Marlinton, WV 24954

**William Sharp, Jr. Cemetery, Back Mountain Road near Fairview** – Tommy D. Sharp, 2744 Brownsburg Road, Marlinton, WV 24954.

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# Happy, from page 1

Camp Thornwood, which has been the location of 4-H Camp, National Science Youth Camp and almost all Pocahontas County High School band camps, will be 80 this year.

Also turning 80 this year is Smokey the Bear.

The Marlinton Rotary Club was formed 85 years ago this June and club historian Joe Smith shared information about the organization and its members.

"We've had thirty Rotarians of the Year," he said. "We've had eighteen Paul Harris awards. The Paul Harris award is the highest award that the Rotary gives worldwide. We currently have three Centennial members. A Centennial member is a person whose years of service and age equals a hundred. They are Roger Trusler, Eugene Simmons and Roy Gibson."

Celebrating a centennial this year is Seneca State Forest, which has several events planned as part of a celebration this summer.

The Hunter House, which is home to the Pocahontas County Historical Society Museum is 120 years old.

The oldest, celebrating

250 years, is Fort Warwick, located in Green Bank. Bob Sheets, who owns the land on which the fort was built, spoke about the upcoming 250th anniversary celebration at the fort.

"Two-hundred, fifty years ago – yes, there were people here and they needed protection, so the colony of Virginia sent twenty-five men from Staunton, Virginia, to the headwaters of Deer Creek and they built a stockade, they built a fort," he said. "We've been doing archeology there for almost twenty years now."

On June 22 and 23, Fort Warwick will have a celebration with six archeologists leading digs on the site, artisans will be on hand to demonstrate crafts and skills from the era, live music will be performed by Juanita Fireball and the Continental Drifters and a fife and drum corps and a pioneer lunch will be served.

The event will culminate with a ceremony performed by the Pocahontas County Veterans Honor Corps at the Warwick Cemetery.

To honor all the birthdays and anniversaries in the county, Bennett asked the crowd to join in singing Happy Birthday led by the guest band for the evening.

Independent State.

Rounding out the celebration, a large Pocahontas County-shaped cake, baked by Levi Hill and decorated by Bennett, was cut by Smokey the Bear and shared with the crowd. Hill made the cake and icing as part of a 4-H project.

First Friday also included the Farmers Market, crafts and games, baked goodies and informational booths from the museum, Seneca State Forest and Fort Warwick.

Mark your calendar for the next First Friday which will be July 5.

Suzanne Stewart may be contacted at [sastewart@pocahontastimes.com](mailto:sastewart@pocahontastimes.com)

# Reading, from page 1

Farmers Market and around into the Opera House to get a nice tour of everything."

After that First Friday, the book was then moved to start at the Greenbrier River Trailhead in Marlinton, down the trail to Main Street, through the businesses of Main Street and onto Second Avenue, ending at Discovery Junction.

The next book was placed last Friday and is a West Virginia book titled "M is for Mountain State."

This year, the other libraries in Pocahontas County are getting involved and will have trails, as well.

"Since we will be doing a different story for each First Friday and there are five of those, the five libraries will have five different stories that can move around the different communities," Herold said.

"Once we take the last month's down, it will go to a

different branch, and we're going to try to share where it is so if you didn't see it in Marlinton, you can go to Durbin and catch the StoryWalk," she added.

It takes a lot of preparation for the StoryWalk and the librarians have to break one of the cardinal rules of books – ripping them apart.

"It's not often that librarians tear apart books," Herold said, laughing. "We order three copies of the book because it takes two copies to make the trail and then we want to have a copy in the li-

brary to check out."

In the past, Pocahontas County has borrowed books for the trail from Greenbrier County, and Herold said she hopes this collaboration can continue where books can be shared between neighboring counties.

The StoryWalk Project was created by Anne Ferguson, of Montpelier, Vermont, and was developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.

StoryWalk is a registered service mark owned by Ferguson.

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](mailto:jsgraham@pocahontastimes.com) For further information, please contact **The Pocahontas Times** at 304-799-4973.

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# Energy Express ~ ready for a dynamic summer

Marlinton Elementary School has, once again, opened its doors to WVU Extension Energy Express – AmeriCorps program, a dynamic summer initiative designed to bolster children’s reading skills and provide nutritious meals during the summer break.

The site, part of West Virginia University’s statewide initiative, is spearheaded by a dedicated team committed to making a positive impact on local students. Leading the charge is Site Supervisor Devan Gum, who brings years of educational experience and a passion for literacy to the program. Working alongside Devan is AmeriCorps member and Community Coordinator Emma Dean, whose role is crucial in fostering connections between the program and the local community. Emma will be instrumental in organizing volunteer efforts and ensuring that the program meets the unique needs of families in the community.

The heart of the program lies with its four enthusiastic AmeriCorps members and mentors: Ethan Armstrong, Macaden Taylor, Amanda Burns and Peyton Friel.

These mentors provide individualized attention and engage students in a variety of enriching activities. Their dedication and energy are essential to the program’s success, as they inspire children to explore new ideas and develop a love for learning.

Energy Express at Marlinton Elementary runs for six weeks, offering daily sessions that include reading, writing, drama, art and recreational activities and providing breakfast and lunch, ensuring that students receive the nutrition they need to thrive.

We are currently accepting donations of “found objects,” such as toilet paper rolls, cardboard, plastic containers and more.

We are also in search of volunteers willing to read and assist with the program. To answer this call to ac-

**ENERGY EXPRESS TEAM, pictured, l to r: Emma Dean, Amanda Burns, Ethan Armstrong, Macaden Taylor and Peyton Friel. Front: Devan Gum.**

tion, call Emma Dean at 304-992-9441. With the combined efforts of the site supervisor, community coordinator and mentors, Energy Express is set to make a meaningful difference in Pocahontas County this summer.

Energy Express would not be possible without the following partners: WVU Extension Service, WVU STEAM, 4-H Youth Development, Volunteer West Virginia, The State’s Commission for National and Community Service, WV Department of Education and the Arts, WV Department of Education, the Office of Child Nutrition, AmeriCorps and countless local partners including the Pocahontas County Board of Education and the Family Resource Network.



## CASS DAYS

June 14 - 16, 2024

### FRIDAY, JUNE 14

#### 5PM: LIVE MUSIC WITH WYATT TURNER

Country artist + Cass native returns home to kick-off the weekend!

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#### 10AM: PARADE OF STEAM

Presented by Durbin & Greenbrier Valley Railroad

#### 12PM: STORY + MUSIC WITH MICK SOUTER

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Fort Warwick Museum open both days

- Fife/drum performances - on the hour at 10 and 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m.
- Guided Archaeological tours - 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.; 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

#### Pocahontas County Color Guard and Flag Ceremony at Warwick Cemetery, 3 p.m. Sunday

At this ceremony we will recognize the militia who helped build Fort Warwick in the Spring of 1774. Let us know at fortwarwick@gmail.com if you are descended from them and we will recognize your family, too.

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| William Dickey           | John McKnight             |
| James Erwin              | George Purdy [Piercy]     |
| William Erwin (Drummer)  | Joseph Waddell [Wooddell] |

Names of militia stationed at the fort or Pocahontas County settlers who donated to the Revolutionary War effort will be available at Fort Warwick; come see how your ancestors participated!

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## Annex, from page 2

O'Brien told the commission that the original concept was to build the 911 Center with the EMS bays to be optional additions.

Commissioner John Rebinski said his plan is to build the EMS part first, then with the funds left over and any additional funding, to slowly implement the 911 Center. He assured O'Brien that this is just a "baby step" approach and the 911 Center will definitely eventually be built.

O'Brien remarked that Rebinski's approach might be viewed as a violation of their funding by the Public Service Commission since they put up \$300,000 to pay for engineering of the 911 Center.

O'Brien was authorized by the commission to enter into a contract with James Boggs so that Boggs, through his company Geotistics LLC, can continue to assist the 911 Center with 911 addressing. Boggs had worked for the 911 Center in the past as a county mapper for 911 addressing.

The commission approved the contract with the Reclaim Company to demolish the former BOE Office building and also approved the notice to proceed with the project. Reclaim President R. S. Williams said it might take 45 days for them to start but then the project will be completed in 10 to 14 days.

The commission also:

- awarded the only bid received, from Mitchell Chevrolet, for a 2024 Chevrolet Equinox at a cost of \$29,595, for the assessor's office.

- discussed, but delayed making a decision until the next regular meeting, on a haymaking contract for the East Fork Property.

- discussed tax problems encountered by the County Senior Citizens regarding employee withholding taxes, which the commission said is intolerable, but they want to discuss it with them at a future meeting.

- approved the assessor's personal property and land books for 2024. This is a routine annual approval.

- approved utility rights-of-way for the new 911 Center with both PMH and Seneca Health Services.

- approved distribution of the \$125,581.40 state-awarded EMS Salary Enhancement Funds among the six qualifying ambulance organizations in accordance with the number of calls each handled.

### Special Meeting

During the Friday, June 7, Special Commission Meeting, Commission President Walt Helmick led a discussion about the proposed construction of a courthouse annex. He said he has given up on the idea of demolishing the old jail building behind the courthouse and building the new judicial courthouse annex on that

## Court, from page 2

Bonnie Puffenbarger, 68, of Marlinton, pleaded no contest May 3 to a charge of petit larceny. Puffenbarger was assessed \$231.48 in court costs and fines.

William D. Runyon, 28, of Marlinton, pleaded guilty May 23 to a charge of conspiring to violate Chapter 20. Runyon was assessed \$201.48 in court costs and fines.



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site. As Helmick put it:

"After a while, you realize that you can't live long enough to get that place off the National Registry of Historic Places."

Helmick went on to explain that he feels that, years ago, the county commission mistakenly and wrongly included the jail on the registry, so now it is time to move on with a new site for the annex, and let the old jail remain and fall down on its own. He said he and Alan Wright from the assessor's office have found a piece of ground to the left of the courthouse and jail just across Judge Street from the courthouse. The lot contains one run-down old house which will need to be demolished, according to Helmick. He said the property consists of five town lots and it will be an ideal spot to build the badly needed new annex.

Helmick led everyone outside to look at the lot, which is located behind - but does not include - the big white house on the corner of 10th Avenue and Judge Street, just East of the front of the courthouse. There appears to be sufficient room to build a 4,500 to 5,000 square foot annex on it. It also appears to be on somewhat higher ground than the courthouse.

One problem, Helmick explained, is that there is an undeveloped town right-of-way running right through the middle of the lot. Marlinton Mayor Sam Felton said he would speak to the Town Council and propose that they consider abandoning that short, unused right-of-way. Helmick also said he will need to examine the new FEMA Flood Map to ensure the lot is above the flood zone, but believes it is. He said those questions would need to be answered before he proposes the commission vote on the purchase of the lot.

The commission voted to ask the Marlinton Town Council to abandon their right-of-way through the proposed lots.

Helmick said the owner of the lot is asking \$87,000 for the lot, and demolishing the old house there might cost another \$10,000, so the total cost appears to be less than \$100,000 to purchase and prepare the site. Obviously, this does not include the cost of construction and equip-

ping the annex building.

When Helmick asked for public comment, Jay Miller, the Democratic nominee for county commission, spoke out. Miller talked about the attempt by then commissioner Rita Griffith 14 years ago to build a courthouse annex. He said that Martin Saffer and David Fleming, the other commissioners, as well as Dolan Irvine, then the county assessor didn't support the courthouse annex project, and after much debate and controversy, the annex was rejected in favor of making needed repairs and improvements to the courthouse, which included installing the elevator which is still in use.

Miller also pointed out that there are other ways to maximize the use of space and store records in the courthouse, short of building an annex, especially since the population of the county is decreasing. The fireworks began when Miller said "Now, we have a situation where Walt Helmick, with about six months to go in his term, wants to buy a piece of property near the courthouse, that can be used to start work on his dream of a courthouse annex."

That set Helmick off, and he responded angrily, cutting Miller off and accused him of political motives. Helmick told Miller to ask the other two commissioners how they felt.

"Whether they buy it or not, I don't care!" Helmick said angrily. "But I do oppose those kinds of statements made about me after having served 50 years in this county without ever looking at one dime of personal gain for Walt Helmick!"

When Miller tried to respond by talking about the rush Helmick appears to be in to get the annex built, Helmick cut him off, and speaking over Miller said, "Ask the other two what I asked you to ask, because I am going to adjourn this meeting pretty dang quick!" Miller did ask the other commissioners, and while Rebinski's answer seemed to justify the project, Commissioner Jamie Walker appeared to have some reservations, but needed more information.

The special meeting was quickly adjourned.

## Grant, from page 2

He recommended that the Authority begin by putting out a request for proposal (RFP) for a consultant, an attorney, getting a preliminary engineering report, and establishing a budget.

Tuggle told them they will also need to develop an interim plan to enable them to continue disposing of garbage once the landfill closes because grant funding will not likely be received before the landfill closes down.

Also at the meeting:

- SWA Office Administra-

tor Mary Clendenen delivered a financial report in which she said as of the end of April, their budget is still on track with 83% of the budget year complete. She said they experienced a \$38,201 loss in April, which was anticipated.

- They discussed their pending request to the Public Service Commission (PSC) to raise their tipping fee. That approval is still pending, and the PSC is asking for more documentation, so it could take several more months to be approved. However, the PSC has green-lighted their Green Box fee increase.

- They decided to take no action regarding new em-

ployees being required to pay a share of their PEIA Medical Insurance, fearing it could make hiring more difficult.

- They agreed to explore using Hydro-Turf at the landfill instead of top soil to cap the cells. Hydro-Turf is a synthetic fill similar to the AstroTurf used on football fields. They said it is cheaper than top soil, it can also eliminate the need for a top liner, and it works better on steep grades.

- Prosecuting Attorney Terri Helmick has notified the SWA she doesn't have time to prepare the deed for the County Commission's purchase of the landfill.

## Manchin, from page 2

On the bipartisan Back to Work Act:

"I want to talk about bringing federal employees back to work," he said. "Senator Romney and I have in-

troduced a piece of legislation that would require federal employees to be in their office at work at least 60% of the time. At the Bureau of the Fiscal Service in Parkersburg, West Virginia, people only have to be there two days a pay period... It is absolutely ridiculous, and it's destroying our economy."

In May 2024, Manchin and Romney introduced the bipartisan Back to Work Act, which would limit telework to no more than 40% of days within an employee's pay period and require agencies to report to Congress on the productivity of its telework activities.

## Circuit, from page 2

A status hearing was held in the case the State vs Michael Beverage, Jr, 37, of Marlinton, wherein defense counsel advised the court that the defendant was in a rehab program and asked for a continuance to allow him to complete the program and consider any negotiations with the State. Beverage was indicted on one count, child neglect creating risk of seri-

ous bodily injury, a felony. Roger W. Teter, Jr, 50, of Dunmore, tendered a written plea agreement to the court in April, at a June 6 hearing, the court adjudged him guilty of the misdemeanor offense of petit larceny. Teter was placed on probation for one year. No restitution; court costs were assessed as judgment.

David Mace, 38, of Marlinton, appeared by video from the Tygart Valley Regional Jail for his plea hearing. Mace entered no contest pleas of guilty to two counts

of strangulation. The court accepted the pleas and adjudged him guilty. The matter is referred to the probation department for a presentence investigation. Sentencing and disposition is set for August 8.

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# Calendar, from page 4

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**Dance Conditioning** – energetic challenge using dance basics and creative expression, ages 11-adult. Tuesdays at GBO old tour center, and Wednesdays at the Wellness Center, 4:30 p.m. at each location.

**Intro to Drawing the Portrait**, taught by Vivian Blackwood. Two-day workshop, June 11 and 18, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Call 304-799-7386 to register or email vivianblackwoodstudio@gmail.com

**Zumba** Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 5 p.m.

**Yoga** at Durbin Library Tuesdays at 5 p.m.

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

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

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## REUNION

Noah and Rebecca Teter Warner Family – Sunday,

July 7, noon to 4 p.m. at the Clinton Hedrick Community Building in Riverton. Bring a covered dish and family photos.

**PCHS Class of 1979** – 45th class reunion Saturday, September 28, at Mim's Kitchen in Marlinton. Full details on Facebook at PCHS Class of 1979 or via email at Karen.hamed33@gmail.com RSVP required by August 15.

## SPECIAL CHURCH EVENTS

**Revival at Mt. Zion Church** on Gordon Dilley Road in the Hill Country, Sunday–Tuesday, June 16–18, 7 to 8 p.m. Local pastors.

**SCUBA Vacation Bible School** – Trinity Baptist Church, Buckeye. Sunday, June 23, through Thursday, June 27, 6–8 p.m. Ages two to 12.

## CHURCH NOTICES

**Central Union United Methodist Church**, Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m.

**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 – Wor-

ship 8:45 a.m.

**First Baptist Church – Huntersville** – Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 a.m. Wednesday night service 7 p.m.

**Marlinton Seventh-day Adventist Church**, 16741 Seneca Trail, Marlinton. Bible Study Saturday 9:30 a.m. Church service, 11 a.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. Parking lot service on 90.3 FM radio, or join us on Facebook.

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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 5 p.m. Study of Revelation. Evangelistic Service Sunday evening, June 23, 5 p.m.

**Marlinton Church of Christ, Lakeview** – Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Worship 10:45 a.m. and 6 pm. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

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# Fort, from page 3

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| <h3>Home Furnishings</h3>  <p><b>J&amp;P</b><br/>Furniture<br/>Furnishings and accessories for the way you live.<br/>Showroom and Warehouse<br/>616 First Avenue, Marlinton<br/><b>304-799-6235</b></p>                                                                                                                                                    | <h3>Insurance</h3>  <p><b>Farm • Home</b><br/>Auto<br/>L. JAY KNICELEY<br/>INSURANCE<br/>STOP BY OUR OFFICE!<br/>818A TENTH AVENUE<br/>MARLINTON<br/><b>304-799-6243</b><br/>For all your insurance needs</p>                                                                                                                                                                 | <h3>Insurance</h3>  <p><b>MOSESSE</b><br/>AGENCY<br/>Celebrating 35 years!<br/>Insurance for Home • Auto • Life • Business • Farm<br/>Retirement Products<br/>304-799-6303<br/>1100 10th Ave., Marlinton</p>                                                                                | <h3>Knife Sharpening</h3>  <p><b>DEUTSCH MOUNTAINEER</b><br/>KNIFE SHARPENING<br/>216 BURR LN. GREEN BANK<br/>\$5 PER KNIFE OR HOUSEHOLD SHEAR<br/>DROP OFF ANYTIME - PICK UP THE NEXT DAY<br/><b>304-456-3368</b><br/><a href="mailto:garyweb29@gmail.com">garyweb29@gmail.com</a></p>                                                                                              | <h3>Lawn Maintenance</h3>  <p><b>Mowing &amp; More</b><br/>Mowing • Landscaping<br/>General Maintenance<br/>Hillsboro and Marlinton areas. Free estimates.<br/>Bill's Handyman Service<br/>Bill Mason<br/><b>304-619-4241</b><br/><b>304-646-8941</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                      | <h3>Mini-Storage</h3>  <p><b>R&amp;V STORAGE SOLUTIONS</b><br/>815 Second Avenue<br/>Marlinton<br/>17' x 8' to 5' x 5' units<br/>Monthly rates. Access seven days a week, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.<br/><b>304-799-3919</b></p>                                             |
| <h3>Painting</h3>  <p>Interior • Exterior One-Story<br/><b>PAINTING</b><br/>• Free Estimates<br/><b>Jenkins</b><br/>Painting<br/>John Jenkins • Arbovale<br/><b>304-456-5529</b><br/><b>304-668-1416</b><br/><a href="mailto:jenkinsjohnf@aol.com">jenkinsjohnf@aol.com</a></p>                                                                            | <h3>Painting</h3>  <p><b>MR. PAINTER</b><br/>Residential and Commercial<br/>Painting<br/>Billy Dunz,<br/>Owner/Operator<br/>WV045559<br/>Over 25 Years' Experience<br/>Interior and Exterior Painting<br/>Power Washing<br/>Epoxy Garage Flooring<br/>Phone 304-799-7152<br/>Cell 304-618-9420<br/><a href="mailto:mrpainter25@frontier.com">mrpainter25@frontier.com</a></p> | <h3>Pet Grooming</h3>  <p><b>Donna's</b><br/>Tails A Waggin<br/>PET GROOMING<br/>Donna Nash, Owner/Operator<br/><b>304-799-7277</b><br/>BY APPOINTMENT ONLY<br/>SUN. - THURS. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.<br/>3099 Browns Creek Rd., Marlinton<br/>(3 miles north of the Huntersville intersection)</p> | <h3>Restaurant</h3>  <p><b>THE KICKIN' CHICKEN</b><br/>and MORE!<br/>DINE IN / CARRY OUT<br/>Roasted Chicken, Soups, Salads, Pizza, Burgers Hoagies, Sides &amp; more!<br/>598 Cass Road, Slatyfork<br/>across from the Inn at Snowshoe<br/><b>304-572-4444</b><br/>Tues. - Sat. Noon - 8 p.m.<br/>Weekly specials on Facebook</p>                                                   | <h3>Septic Services</h3>  <p><b>A-1 PUMPING</b><br/>LLC<br/>SEPTIC TANK INSTALLATION, REPAIR &amp; PUMPING<br/>QUALITY SERVICE<br/>AFFORDABLE RATES<br/>CERTIFIED, LICENSED INSTALLER<br/>WV#54-93-0015<br/>VARNER CONSTRUCTION<br/>DURBIN, WV<br/><b>304-456-4505</b><br/><b>304-456-4509</b></p>                                                                                                                             | <h3>Septic Services</h3>  <p><b>The MUCK TRUCK</b><br/>Septic and Grease Trap Service<br/>Portable Toilet Rental<br/><b>BACK OFF!</b><br/>We Ain't Hauling Milk.<br/>Competitive pricing!<br/>Fenwick<br/><b>304-846-4600 • 304-651-2788</b><br/>WV#2304-1625</p> |
| <h3>Septic Services</h3>  <p>Special Events<br/>Planning a wedding, festival, party or a family gathering?<br/>Don't wait! Reserve your portable toilets now!<br/><b>the Outhouse LLC</b><br/><a href="http://www.theouthousewv.com">www.theouthousewv.com</a><br/>Call for rates and to schedule delivery<br/><b>304.456.5466</b></p>                     | <h3>Shipping Solutions</h3>  <p><b>ALMOST LOCAL BUSINESS HUB</b><br/>• PACKAGE SHIPPING<br/>DROP-OFF AND PICKUP<br/>• B&amp;W AND COLOR COPIES<br/>• SMALL JOB PRINTING<br/>• CO-WORKING SPACE<br/>204 Eighth St. Marlinton<br/><b>304-992-7355</b><br/><a href="http://www.almostlocalhub.biz">www.almostlocalhub.biz</a></p>                                                | <h3>Veterinarian</h3>  <p><b>FRANKFORD VET HOSPITAL</b><br/>MARLINTON OFFICE<br/>410 Second Avenue, in Humane Society Building<br/><b>MON. 1 - 4 P.M.</b><br/><b>WED. 9 A.M. - NOON</b><br/><b>304-799-6181</b><br/>JULIE GIBSON, DVM<br/>GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE!</p>                  | <h3>Veterinarian</h3>  <p><b>POCAHONTAS VETERINARY SERVICES</b><br/>Stacy Tawney, DVM<br/><b>304-799-6803</b><br/>Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.<br/>Large/Small Animals • Farm Calls<br/>150 Carl McCarty Drive<br/>4.2 mi. N on Rt. 28 from Huntersville intersection</p>                                                                                                             | <h3>Well Drilling</h3>  <p><b>Pritt</b><br/>Well Drilling, Inc.<br/>Water Wells<br/>WV010682<br/>Drilling since 1938<br/><b>304-653-4491</b><br/><b>304-653-4900</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <h3>Well Supplies</h3>  <p><b>Rowan Well Supplies</b><br/>Water well pumping systems, sales and installation<br/><b>304-591-0272</b><br/><b>304-704-3764</b><br/>WV004493</p>                                                                                     |



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# SALE OF DELINQUENT AND NONENTERED LANDS

Notice is hereby given that the following described tracts or lots of land in the County of POCAHONTAS have been certified by the Auditor of the State of West Virginia to G. Russell Rollyson, Jr., Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered lands of said County, for sale at public auction. The lands will be offered for sale by the undersigned Deputy Commissioner at public auction in the Hallway at Pocahontas County Courthouse on the 3rd of July, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.

Each tract or lot, as described below, will be sold to the highest bidder. The payment for any tract or lot purchased at a sale shall be made by check or money order payable to the sheriff of the county and delivered before the close of business on the day of the sale. If any of said tracts or lots remain unsold after the auction, they will be subject to sale by the Deputy Commissioner without additional advertising or public auction. The deputy commissioner sale may include tracts of lots remaining unsold from a previous auction not required by law to be readvertised and described for this subsequent auction of those same tracts and lots. All sales are subject to the approval of the Auditor of the State of West Virginia.

| CERT #        | SOLD | TICKET | NAME                                              | DESCRIPTION                                                                              | DISTRICT       | AMOUNT DUE |
|---------------|------|--------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| 2023-C-000001 | 2022 | 364    | ANGEMEER WILLIAM                                  | LT 5 MEADOWS OF HAWTHORNE .7619 AC OR 33,190 SQ FT.                                      | EDRAY          | \$578.90   |
| 2023-C-000002 | 2022 | 414    | ATWOOD ENTITIES LLC                               | LT 14 WEST RIDGE SD .97 AC                                                               | EDRAY          | \$993.92   |
| 2023-C-000003 | 2022 | 648    | BERTKE & BOGGS INVESTS LLC                        | TOP OF THE WORLD CONDO 105A .8929% INT IN .63 AC                                         | EDRAY          | \$1,339.66 |
| 2023-C-000006 | 2022 | 1572   | DICKSON CHARLES E JR                              | LT 9 DUNCANS LANDING SD GRBR RIVER 2.15 AC FEE                                           | EDRAY          | \$696.25   |
| 2023-C-000007 | 2022 | 1573   | DICKSON CHARLES E JR                              | LT 19 DUNCANS LANDING SD GRBR RIVER 2.28 AC FEE                                          | EDRAY          | \$572.98   |
| 2023-C-000009 | 2022 | 1855   | FCBR PROPERTIES LLC                               | HIGHLAND HOUSE UNIT 318 .0054869% INT IN .655 AC                                         | EDRAY          | \$1,692.59 |
| 2023-C-000012 | 2022 | 2189   | GILMORE WILLIAM HOMER (EST)                       | S/S RT 219/7 BEARD HTS .16 AC 40X180                                                     | EDRAY          | \$219.67   |
| 2023-C-000013 | 2022 | 2345   | HAARLOW BLAIR R                                   | (.167% OF 2.5%) HYDROCARBON OIL & GAS<br>2.5% OF 5945.67 AC                              | EDRAY          | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000014 | 2022 | 2469   | HARRILL JOE B & PANCIONE<br>PEGGY L               | LT 1 SPRUCE FLATS 364X38X367                                                             | EDRAY          | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000015 | 2022 | 2919   | JORDAN DONALD PAUL &<br>GEORGE ALBERT             | LT 5 ONOTO HILLS SD STONEY CREEK 1.04 AC FEE                                             | EDRAY          | \$1,634.26 |
| 2023-C-000016 | 2022 | 3326   | MALCOMB LINDA KAY                                 | INDIAN DRAFT 1 AC                                                                        | EDRAY          | \$433.70   |
| 2023-C-000026 | 2022 | 3675   | MILLICAN BARRY SCOTT                              | LT 2 BIG SPRING FORK 1.93 AC FEE                                                         | EDRAY          | \$837.45   |
| 2023-C-000027 | 2022 | 3676   | MILLICAN BARRY SCOTT                              | TWIN GREEN TOWNHOUSE UNIT 2<br>HAWTHORNE VALLEY SD P/O .41 AC                            | EDRAY          | \$1,907.33 |
| 2023-C-000029 | 2022 | 3983   | OHIO VALLEY UNIVERSITY INC                        | COAL OLD FIELD FORK ELK 50 AC                                                            | EDRAY          | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000032 | 2022 | 4610   | SCHEIMREIF KARLEE                                 | SHAMROCK CONDO 66 BLDG G .0096% INT IN 5.31 AC                                           | EDRAY          | \$1,211.54 |
| 2023-C-000033 | 2022 | 4788   | SHEARER KATHERINE A                               | SWAGO CREEK 8.2 AC (SURFACE)                                                             | EDRAY          | \$672.61   |
| 2023-C-000034 | 2022 | 4789   | SHEARER KATHERINE A                               | SWAGO CREEK 4.4 AC (SURFACE)                                                             | EDRAY          | \$239.77   |
| 2023-C-000035 | 2022 | 4882   | SKAT LLC; SNOWSHOE<br>PINNACLE ETALS              | LTS SS-24; SS-25; SS-26 SAWMILL VILLAGE SD .65 AC                                        | EDRAY          | \$1,593.27 |
| 2023-C-000036 | 2022 | 4883   | SKAT LLC; SNOWSHOE<br>PINNACLE ETALS              | LT B-1 SAWMILL VILLAGE SD .12 AC                                                         | EDRAY          | \$632.81   |
| 2023-C-000037 | 2022 | 4884   | SKAT LLC; SNOWSHOE<br>PINNACLE ETALS              | LTS B-23 THROUGH B-29 SAWMILL VILLAGE 1.04 AC<br>MT LODGE UNIT 155 .5399% INT IN 5.01 AC | EDRAY          | \$3,381.01 |
| 2023-C-000038 | 2022 | 5507   | THOMPSON JAY T III & JANET O                      |                                                                                          | EDRAY          | \$2,276.21 |
| 2023-C-000041 | 2022 | 5788   | WHISTLEPUNK PROPERTY<br>OWNERS ASSOCIATION        | WHISTLEPUNK SNOWSHOE .08 AC                                                              | EDRAY          | \$920.97   |
| 2023-C-000042 | 2022 | 5857   | WILLIAMS BURKE D &<br>JENNIFER L LIVING TRUST     | TOP OF THE WORLD CONDO 109A .8929% INT IN .63 AC                                         | EDRAY          | \$1,339.66 |
| 2023-C-000043 | 2022 | 6239   | ADAMS JUNE PARRISH                                | SILVER CREEK UNIT 2601 1.03562% INT IN 16.86 AC                                          | GREEN BANK     | \$2,976.51 |
| 2023-C-000044 | 2022 | 6240   | ADAMS JUNE PARRISH                                | SILVER CREEK UNIT 2602-2604 .50932% INT IN 16.86 AC                                      | GREEN BANK     | \$1,835.82 |
| 2023-C-000045 | 2022 | 6241   | ADAMS JUNE PARRISH                                | SILVER CREEK UNIT 2606 .33955% INT IN 16.86 AC                                           | GREEN BANK     | \$1,336.10 |
| 2023-C-000046 | 2022 | 6242   | ADAMS JUNE PARRISH                                | SILVER CREEK UNIT 5306-5308 .50932% INT IN 16.86 AC                                      | GREEN BANK     | \$1,835.82 |
| 2023-C-000047 | 2022 | 6243   | ADAMS JUNE PARRISH                                | SILVER CREEK UNIT 5312 .33955% INT IN 16.86 AC                                           | GREEN BANK     | \$1,336.10 |
| 2023-C-000048 | 2022 | 7065   | COSNER DELBERT R JR                               | HENCHES RUN 1 AC                                                                         | GREEN BANK     | \$1,059.78 |
| 2023-C-000049 | 2022 | 7232   | DICKENSON ANNA MARIA &<br>GUM MAX AUSTIN          | MINERALS HD GRBR RIVER 4.17% INT IN 37 AC (4/6-1)                                        | GREEN BANK     | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000050 | 2022 | 7233   | DICKENSON ANNA MARIA &<br>GUM MAX AUSTIN          | MINERALS HD GRBR RIVER 1.85% INT 503.41 AC (4/7A-1)                                      | GREEN BANK     | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000053 | 2022 | 7874   | HINKLE JEAN                                       | MINERALS HD GRBR RIVER 4.17% INT IN 37 AC (4/6-1)                                        | GREEN BANK     | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000054 | 2022 | 7875   | HINKLE JEAN                                       | MINERALS HD GRBR RIVER 1.85% INT 503.41 AC (4/7A-1)                                      | GREEN BANK     | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000055 | 2022 | 8067   | JONES JAMES RICHARD &<br>BONNIE MAE               | LT A NR BARTOW 1 AC LESS 1/2 MINERALS                                                    | GREEN BANK     | \$240.72   |
| 2023-C-000056 | 2022 | 8391   | MARIE GORDON &<br>ROSE (1/2 INT)                  | LT 1 WAYBRIGHT SD .52 AC FEE (1/2 INT)                                                   | GREEN BANK     | \$239.79   |
| 2023-C-000057 | 2022 | 8392   | MARIE GORDON L & WANDA R                          | LT 5 WAYBRIGHT SD .52 AC 150X150                                                         | GREEN BANK     | \$327.29   |
| 2023-C-000058 | 2022 | 8855   | OWENS DONALD BRENT TRST.                          | LT C BACK ALLEGHENY MTN 1.37 AC FEE                                                      | GREEN BANK     | \$181.37   |
| 2023-C-000063 | 2022 | 9290   | SCHEIMREIF KARLEE                                 | SILVER CREEK UNIT 1109 .18392% INT IN 16.86 AC                                           | GREEN BANK     | \$1,035.90 |
| 2023-C-000065 | 2022 | 10345  | WEST VIRGINIA COALS INC                           | ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN RESERVE MINERALS 307.58 AC                                            | GREEN BANK     | \$188.38   |
| 2023-C-000066 | 2022 | 10374  | WHITE MICHAEL CORDELL                             | LT 35 HOWES LTS 1.18 AC                                                                  | GREEN BANK     | \$652.53   |
| 2023-C-000067 | 2022 | 10383  | WILEY DAVID L & CAROLYN S                         | MINERALS HD GRBR RIVER 11.11% INT IN 42 AC (4/6-7)                                       | GREEN BANK     | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000068 | 2022 | 10384  | WILEY DAVID L & CAROLYN S                         | MINERALS HD GRBR RIVER 16.67% INT IN 37 AC (4/6-1)                                       | GREEN BANK     | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000069 | 2022 | 10385  | WILEY DAVID L & CAROL S                           | MINERALS HD GRBR RIVER 5.55% INT 503.41 AC (4/7A-1)                                      | GREEN BANK     | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000070 | 2022 | 11397  | AMBROSE DUSTIN L & SHIRLEY D                      | LT 1 COCHRANS CREEK 1.6 AC (C)                                                           | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$1,504.81 |
| 2023-C-000071 | 2022 | 13526  | BARNES LORETTA                                    | LT 2-6 BLK 4 MIN SPRINGS 90X120 (12.5% INT) CERTIFIED T                                  | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$165.34   |
| 2023-C-000072 | 2022 | 11731  | CONN MICHAEL                                      | LT A-10 WATOGA WOODS SD 3.908 AC                                                         | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$661.61   |
| 2023-C-000073 | 2022 | 13527  | DAMON STEVE                                       | LT 2-6 BLK 4 MIN SPRINGS 90X120 (12.5% INT) CERTIFIED T                                  | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$165.34   |
| 2023-C-000074 | 2022 | 11966  | FITZGERALD EARL                                   | BEAVER CREEK 1/3 AC OLD SCHOOL HOUSE LOT                                                 | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$292.56   |
| 2023-C-000075 | 2022 | 11967  | FITZGERALD TROY D & AMANDA                        | TRACT 12 ALLEY MTN 3.343 AC                                                              | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$851.31   |
| 2023-C-000077 | 2022 | 12232  | HOBBS LAVONDA                                     | LT 2-6 BLK 4 MIN SPRINGS 90X120 (12.5% INT)                                              | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$162.90   |
| 2023-C-000078 | 2022 | 12391  | KENNEDY JANET BETTY & CLYDE J                     | HUNTERSVILLE 4.6 AC (SURFACE)                                                            | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$648.11   |
| 2023-C-000079 | 2022 | 12434  | LEPAGE ERIC                                       | LT 3 HUNTERSVILLE .23 AC 56X154X50X220                                                   | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$263.52   |
| 2023-C-000080 | 2022 | 12803  | REESE MELISSA; FRANK P;<br>PATRICIA; WALKER KEVIN | BROWNS CREEK 4.92 AC                                                                     | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$667.31   |
| 2023-C-000081 | 2022 | 12811  | RIDER JOHN JR & JONATHAN                          | COCHRANS CREEK 6.25 AC                                                                   | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$934.74   |
| 2023-C-000082 | 2022 | 13229  | WARREN ROBERT C                                   | LT 2-6 BLK 4 MIN SPRINGS 90X120 (1/2 INT)                                                | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$194.64   |
| 2023-C-000083 | 2022 | 13529  | WHITLOW MARTHA                                    | LT 2-6 BLK 4 MIN SPRINGS 90X120 (12.5% INT) CERTIFIED T                                  | HUNTERSVILLE   | \$165.34   |
| 2023-C-000085 | 2022 | 13607  | BAILEY FORREST G & DONNA                          | DROOP MTN 6 AC FEE                                                                       | LITTLE LEVELS  | \$1,342.02 |
| 2023-C-000086 | 2022 | 14078  | DEAN BARBARA                                      | DROOP MTN 4.21 AC COMB ACCT 07/35-20 & 7/32-28.1                                         | LITTLE LEVELS  | \$727.81   |
| 2023-C-000087 | 2022 | 14684  | MANGIAPANE LAURENCE P                             | DROOP MTN .08 AC                                                                         | LITTLE LEVELS  | \$162.05   |
| 2023-C-000088 | 2022 | 15401  | TINCHER DALE & STEVE (LIFE)<br>IRVINE CAROLYN     | NR BUCKEYE 1.1 AC (C) FEE                                                                | LITTLE LEVELS  | \$659.46   |
| 2023-C-000089 | 2022 | 15870  | BENNETT ROBERT L                                  | LT B P/O LT 13-18 BLK 7 HAMILTON FIELD FEE                                               | MARLINTON CORP | \$795.38   |
| 2023-C-000090 | 2022 | 15982  | CASSELL ANNA                                      | LT 20 BLK 10 40X120 FEE                                                                  | MARLINTON CORP | \$1,229.94 |

Any of the aforesaid tracts or lots may be redeemed by any person entitled to pay the taxes thereon at any time prior to the sale by payment to the Deputy Commissioner of the total amount of taxes, interest, and charges thereon up to date of redemption. Lands listed above as escheated or waste and unappropriated lands may not be redeemed. Payments must be received prior to the close of business the day prior to the land sale.

Given under my hands this 20th of May, 2024.

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr., Deputy Commissioner  
Delinquent and Nonentered lands of POCAHONTAS County  
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**ADMINISTRATION TO CREDITORS,  
DISTRIBUTEES & LEGATEES**

Notice is hereby given that the following estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Pocahontas County Clerk's Office at P. O. Box 209, 900 Tenth Avenue, Suite C, Marlinton, WV 24954-0209. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file written notice of an objection with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later.

If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any claims against an estate must be filed within 60 days of the first publication of this notice in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-2 and 44-3A.

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

**First Publication Date: Thursday, June 6, 2024**  
**Claim Deadline: Monday, August 5, 2024**

ESTATE NUMBER: **14630**  
ESTATE OF: **DANIEL ALLEN WOODS**  
EXECUTOR: Frankie D. Woods  
714 Florence Street  
Belpre, OH 45714-1738

ESTATE NUMBER: **14644**  
ESTATE OF: **JOHN MICHAEL KANE III**  
EXECUTRIX: Judith Ann Kane  
441 Back Draft Road  
Green Bank, WV 24944-9008

ESTATE NUMBER: **14646**  
ESTATE OF: **HENRY NELSON WOLFE**  
ADMINISTRATOR: Charles Wolfe  
101 Orchard Meadow Way  
Summersville, WV 26651-2825

ESTATE NUMBER: **14647**  
ESTATE OF: **BEVERLY KIM COPELIN**  
ADMINISTRATRIX: Laura Hise  
P. O. Box 51  
Dunmore, WV 24934-0051

ESTATE NUMBER: **14648**  
ESTATE OF: **DEBRA LOU ROY**  
ADMINISTRATRIX: Susan L. Ray  
119 Elk Lane  
Arbore, WV 24915-5541

Subscribed and sworn to before me on May 31, 2024.  
Melissa L. Bennett  
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission  
6/6/2c

**NOTICE OF ANCILLARY FILING  
WITHOUT ANY ADMINISTRATION  
TO CREDITORS, DISTRIBUTEES AND LEGATEES**

Notice is hereby given that the following foreign will or affidavit of heirs has been filed in the Pocahontas County Clerk's Office at 900 Tenth Avenue Suite C; P. O. Box 209, Marlinton, WV 24954-0209.

An interested person(s) objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration

being made in this state must file a statement with the Pocahontas County Commission through the County Clerk's Office at the address listed above within 60 days after the date of first publication or 30 days of service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not timely filed, the objection is forever barred. The Pocahontas County Commission, upon receiving any timely objection thereto, shall schedule a hearing or hearings thereon and order relief, if any, it considers proper including, but not limited to, an order directing that full and complete ancillary administration of the estate of the nonresident decedent be made in this state.

**First Publication Date: Thursday, June 6, 2024**

ESTATE NAME: **DOUGLAS ALLEN STEWART**  
4725 Monitor Avenue  
Forsyth, NC 27284  
ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATOR: Sean Michael Stewart  
9513 White Tail Trail  
Kerensville, NC 27284-8741

Subscribed and sworn to before me on June 3, 2024.  
Melissa L. Bennett  
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission  
6/6/2c

**TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND UNKNOWN ADDRESSES OF  
LARRY DAVID FASSETTE, DECEASED**

Notice is hereby given that the following estate has been opened for probate in the Pocahontas County Clerk's Office at 900 Tenth Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954-1333.

If you are an heir of this estate, please contact Susan Charles or the County Clerk of Pocahontas County.

ESTATE NUMBER: **14650**  
ESTATE NAME: **Larry David Fassette**  
ADMINISTRATRIX: Susan Charles  
4411 Woodrow Road  
Marlinton, WV 24954

Subscribed and sworn to before me on June 4, 2024.  
Melissa L. Bennett  
Clerk of the Pocahontas County Commission  
By Carrie A. Dean, Deputy  
6/13/2c

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
IN THE FAMILY COURT  
OF POCAHONTAS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

IN RE: **The Children of: Civil Action No. 24-D-31**  
**Brittany Leeanna Shinaberry, Petitioner**  
**and**  
**Andrew Todd Taylor, Respondent**

**THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN CUSTODY.  
To the Above Named Respondent: Andrew Todd Taylor**

It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that **Andrew Todd Taylor**, whose address is unknown, is hereby ordered to serve upon the Circuit Clerk's Office, whose address is 900-D Tenth Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954, an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition for Child Custody filed in this action on or before June 23, 2024.

**see Legal Advertisements pg 13**

**Public Notice**

**U.S. EPA Brownfield Cleanup Grant  
Former Howes Tannery  
165 Industrial Park Road  
Frank, Pocahontas County, West Virginia**

The Pocahontas County Commission (PCC) is announcing that the Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) for cleanup of the Former Howes Tannery Site, is available for public review and comment.

The Former Howes Tannery Site is an approximately 16-acre parcel of land located at 165 Industrial Park Road in Frank, Pocahontas County, WV.

The ABCA was prepared as a requirement of the U.S. EPA Brownfields Grant awarded to the PCC for the remediation of the Former Howes Tannery Site.  
The document, as well as previous environmental assessment documents for the Site, can be reviewed at the PCC office, which is located at 900 10th Avenue, Marlinton, WV. PCC maintains regular office hours Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The PCC will also maintain a duplicate copy of documents at the Durbin Community Library, located at 4715 Staunton Parkersburg Turnpike, Durbin, WV. The library hours are Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A public meeting will be held during the regular PCC meeting at the Pocahontas County Courthouse, located at 900 10th Avenue, Marlinton, WV, on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Specific questions and/or comments can be addressed to Ms. Audrey Sampson, Vice President, Greenbrier Environmental Group, Inc. at (304) 520-4260 or via email to [asampson@greenbrienv.com](mailto:asampson@greenbrienv.com)

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**POSITION AVAILABLE**

The Office of the Pocahontas County Clerk is now accepting résumés for the position of  
**Payroll/Accounts Payable and Deputy Clerk.**

Résumés will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Friday, the 21st day of June 2024.

**Job Description:**  
This position will be responsible for all activities regarding the management of employee compensation and accounts payable for Pocahontas County Commission. This will include entering payroll information, calculating wages, processing new hires, insurance, retirement, quarterly payroll reports, processing invoices, payment of creditors and reconciling budget. This position will also have the responsibilities of Deputy Clerk in recording legal documents, assisting the public, preparing daily deposits, answering telephone, assisting with county elections, and performing daily office duties.

**Qualifications:**  
Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent and prior experience in payroll and accounts payable to be considered for this position. Applicant must possess good oral and written communication skills and be willing to work with the public and other co-workers in a polite and acceptable manner. A background check and drug test will be required prior to employment.  
The starting salary for this position will be determined by experience and will include PEIA Health Insurance, Public Employees Retirement, vacation, and sick leave.

**You may apply by filing a résumé with the County Clerk:**  
**Melissa L. Bennett, Clerk**  
**900 Tenth Avenue**  
**Marlinton, WV 24954**  
**Phone: (304) 799-4549**  
**pocack@clerk.state.wv.us**

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**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS**

**A hearing on the Petition for Child Custody is set in the Family Court of Pocahontas County at 818-C Tenth Avenue, Marlinton, WV on June 25, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.**

If you fail to Answer the Petition for Child Custody, a judgment may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

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

Entered by the Clerk of said Court June 7, 2024.

Connie M. Carr  
Circuit Clerk of Pocahontas County  
By, Cindy D. Beverage, Deputy  
6/13/2c

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE and Notice of the Beneficiary/Service's election to sell property is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Trustee(s) by that certain Deed of Trust dated November 3, 2023, executed by Property Partners For Life, LLC to Michael C. Doss, Trustee, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, in Book 418, at Page 80. Bailey & Slotnick, PLLC was appointed as Trustee by APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated May 3, 2024, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 420, at Page 248. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Trustee has been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, **the Trustee will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front**

**door of the Courthouse of Pocahontas County, in Marlinton, West Virginia, on**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024, AT 12:00 P.M.**

All of that certain lot, tract or parcel of real estate, including the improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in what is known as the Malcomb Subdivision, in the Edray District of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, and being more particularly described as follows:

Being all of Lot Number 3 of the Malcomb Subdivision, said lot and subdivision shown on a plat of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, in Plat Book 3, at page 5.

And being the same lot, tract or parcel of real estate conveyed Property Partners for Life, LLC from Margaret Harris Mardosa, by that Deed date October 20, 2023, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 411, at page 519.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 40125 Seneca Trail, Slatyfork, WV 26291.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.

2) The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-2.

3) The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.

4) The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.

5) The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate the property, and any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.

6) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee by cashier's check, cash or money order within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with a minimum deposit of \$20,000.00 payable to the Trustee by cashier's check, cash or money order at the time and place of the sale.

Given under my hand this 28th day of May, 2024.

BAILEY & SLOTNICK, PLLC-TRUSTEE  
By: Marc J. Slotnick, Member  
Bailey & Slotnick, PLLC  
500 Virginia Street East, Suite 600  
Charleston, West Virginia 25301  
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WV State Bar No. 5956  
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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.

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The Town of Marlinton has a full-time position available in the Sanitation (Garbage) Department. The position is for the sanitation truck assistant. The position entails picking up garbage from containers or along curb and placing said garbage into the garbage truck, as well as doing other work as may be required.

**Benefits include:** Paid holidays, paid personal days, furnished uniforms, accumulative sick leave, paid vacation, state retirement and health insurance available.

Applications are available at the Town Office at 709 2nd Avenue, from 8 a.m. – 4:30 pm., Monday through Friday. Applications or résumés must be received by 4 p.m. on June 14, 2024. Applicants must have a valid driver's license, be able to lift 50 pounds and pass a drug screening and background check.

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| 500 lbs. | \$293     | \$273    | \$253      |               |
| 550      | \$282     | \$260    | \$245      | Average Dress |
| 600 lbs. | \$271     | \$244    | \$240      | \$122         |
| 650      | \$258     | \$233    | \$230      |               |
| 700 lbs. | \$243     | \$222    | \$221      | Low Dressing  |
| 750      | \$232     | \$210    | \$215      | \$107         |
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**DEPUTY ASSESSOR POSITION AVAILABLE**

The Pocahontas County Assessor's Office is now accepting applications for a part-time position as Deputy Assessor. This position will run from July 3 through November. This position will involve assisting another Deputy Assessor conducting residential visits. The majority of the work will be performed in the field. Work will be performed as required and directed by the Assessor.

Requirements include but are not limited to the following:

1. Must be a resident and registered voter of Pocahontas County (WV Code 11-2-3).
2. Have a valid WV driver's license and reliable transportation. Mileage will be reimbursed at the current rate allowed for WV State Employees.
3. Applications subject to the approval by the Pocahontas County Commission.

**Starting salary between \$12 - \$14 per hour.** No benefits. There will be a 30-day probation period. Applications may be obtained at the Assessor's Office, 900 Tenth Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Applications may be faxed to 304-799-6132 or hand delivered to this office. Applications must be completed and returned no later than 4 p.m., June 27, 2024.

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All applicants must be a US Citizen and at least 18 years of age. Applicants must possess a high school diploma or GED equivalent, possess a valid driver's license, be able to work various schedules including weekends and holidays, be in good physical condition, and pass a background check and drug screening.

Salary is negotiable.

Benefits include paid holidays, paid personal days, accumulative sick leave, paid vacation, state retirement and health insurance. Uniforms and equipment will be furnished. Applications may be obtained online at [townofmarlintonwv.com](http://townofmarlintonwv.com) or picked up at the Marlinton Town Office. For more information call 304-799-4315. Applications/résumés may be dropped off or mailed to Town of Marlinton, 709 Second Avenue, Marlinton, WV 24954 no later than 4 p.m. Monday, June 24, 2024.

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and Dwana

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Writing: Elaine Friel, Kim Dean, Margaret Mitchell.  
Fifth Grade:  
Poetry and Art: Irene White, Melinda Beverage, Floyd VanReenen.  
Handwriting: Irene White, Janet May, Larry Sharp.  
Math: Sam Mitchell, Larry Sharp, Sandy Brown.  
Sixth Grade:  
Creative Writing: Anne Burns, Vera Wade, Leslie Underwood.  
Math: Carol McNeill, Sharon Jordan, Anne Burns.  
Spelling: Anne Burns, Candy Harper, Jeff Burns.

Music: Carol McNeill, Debbie Shearer, Todd Morgan.  
Seventh Grade:  
Science: John Barlow, Jeff Jackson, Joe Mitchell.  
Math: John Dean, Andy Landis, Kathy Sharp.  
Social Studies: Sabrina Martin, Joe Mitchell, Felicia Sharp.  
Spelling: Felicia Sharp, Cheryl Phillipson, John Dean.  
Eighth Grade:  
Science: Pam White, Karen Galford, Kathy Wagner.  
Math: Peggy McNeill, Cathy Mitchell, Karen Galford.  
Social Studies: Cheryl

Campbell, Karen Galford, Peggy McNeill.  
Spelling: Adrienne Wanless, Cheryl Campbell, Francis McCarty.  
**ENGAGEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hill, of Hillsboro, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeanette Ann, to Roger Thomas Sharp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Sharp, of Stony Bottom.

**DEATHS**  
John Rider, 85, of Elkins, formerly of Frost; funeral service from VanReenen Funeral Home with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Mrs. Ruth Smith Shorter, 61, of Buckeye, a daughter of the late B. E. and Tina B. Smith. Funeral service from the Marlinton United Methodist Church with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Lyle Winston Hultz, Jr., 48, of Baltimore, Maryland; born at Seebert, a son of Mrs. Ina Lewis Hultz and the late Lyle W. Hultz, Sr. Service and burial in Baltimore.

**TRIVIA ANSWERS:**  
(1) Delaware and Col-  
orado (2) Keith Richards  
(3) Leonardo DiCaprio  
(4) 1984

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Company of Richwood.  
Evans was a licensed pilot. He operated a pool room in Richwood.

#### FIELD NOTES

It was at the end of a tedious day. I was still tied to a post. The office chair was hard. I was in conference with a man from the settlements. The topic under consideration was financial credit. My mind was over the hills and far away. Who should drive by but a pair of fishing ladies in the persons of Mrs. John Sydenstricker and Mrs. Alice Kramer Jackson. They carried as fine a catch of big trout as I have seen this year. Where they took them and by what lure, it was none of my business to know nor inquire. Right or wrong, I have an idea of both where and how. Any way, it is good to see people, especially ladies, come in with

such fine catches of trout. What with water and air conditions and crowds of people attending on the streams this season, trout fishing has not been so hot.

In recent months, panthers have been seen on Gladly Fork of Cranberry, on Big Elk River, on Bucks Mountain near Marlinton and on Alleghany Mountain above Frost.

#### BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Rodney M. Doyle, of Stony Bottom, a daughter.  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. June McCloud, a son, named Harry Raymond.  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn, of Buckeye, a daughter, named Ruth Lynn.  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. McClung, of Seebert, a son.  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Q. Moore, of Huntersville, a daughter, named Linda Ellen.

**THAT DAD OF MINE**  
He's "slowing" down as some folks say,  
With the burden of years from day to day;  
His brow bears many a furrowed line;  
He's growing old, that Dad of mine.  
His shoulders droop and his step is slow  
And his hair is white – as white as snow,  
But his kind eyes sparkle with friendly light,  
And his smile is warm and his heart is right.  
He's old! Oh, yes! but only in years.  
For his spirit soars as the sunset nears  
And blest I've been, and wealth I've had  
In knowing a man like my old Dad.  
And proud I am to stand by him,  
As he stood by me when the day was dim;  
I've found him worthy and just as fine,  
And a prince of men, that Dad of mine.

which according to weather wisdom, forecasts eight wet Sundays in June and July.

#### LOCAL MENTION

Samuel Cline and Bassett Boggs, of Brownsburg neighborhood, were arrested last Saturday on charges of moonshining and are now in jail.

Married at the Methodist Parsonage June 10, 1924, Page Amos Shinaberry and Leona Grace Burner.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Shinaberry, near Poage Lane, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Moore, near

Mrs. Beverage was a twin daughter of the late Elijah Hudson, Esq., one of the prominent men of his time in Pocahontas County affairs. She was born December 16, 1847 and was the mother of 11 children, 10 of whom are still living.

She was converted 34 years ago, and soon united with the Dunkard church and remained a faithful, conscientious communicant until her death. Always liberal in her views, she enjoyed the saving power of the grace of God...

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of root. Many forest trees were blown down or broken off. In certain parts of the Hill country, the report is that perhaps a fifth of the trees are down.

The extremely heavy rain on Monday afternoon raised the smaller streams about Marlinton to flood stage in an hour or less. Cummins creek at Huntersville was higher than it had been in years. Mrs. J. O. Carey had a cow drowned in it.

Rain fell Sunday, June 8,

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On the 30th day of May, 1899, at 5:40 p.m., Mrs. Nancy Jane Beverage, wife of Rev. Levi Beverage, departed this life at her home on Clover Creek, in the full assurance of a living and saving faith, surrounded by her family and friends, and was buried at the Beverage graveyard on the 31st with suitable religious services at the home and at the grave by George P. Moore.

Bethel Church, a son.

#### DEATH

Z. S. Smith was notified from Richmond Monday of the death of his father, Zed S. Smith, which occurred in Lee Hospital of that city on June 7, 1924. His age was 87 years. Mr. Smith as a native of Berkeley county. At the beginning of the war, he volunteered in the Confederate army, and was assigned to the staff of General J. E. B. Stuart as a courier and served throughout the war. Much of his married life was spent at the Warm Springs of Bath County...



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