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GBO hosts Garth Newel concert

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

Each summer, talented violists, violinists, cellists and pianists travel from around the country to attend The Emerging Artist Fellows summer season program at Garth Newel Music Center in Hot Springs, Virginia.

The musicians are divided into trios and quartets as they learn chamber music composed by some of the most lauded composers of the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries.

By the end of the summer, they have perfected the pieces and are ready to perform at community concerts in August. Prior to that, however, they make a special trip to the Green Bank Observatory to share excerpts from the pieces they've learned.

Last Wednesday evening, one trio and three quartets performed for an enthusiastic crowd at the GBO.

Garth Newel executive director Steve Wogaman introduced the performers and welcomed the crowd and invited everyone to attend the full performance at the center in Virginia.

"It feels very strange for me to welcome you to the Green Bank Observatory because this is the first time I've ever been here in my life," he said.

"Actually, tomorrow is the two-month anniversary of my first day on the job, so I'm also brand new at Garth Newel."

Speaking of the GBO,



MUSICIANS IN THE Garth Newel Music Center Emerging Artist Fellows summer season program were in concert last Wednesday at Green Bank Observatory. Above, from left, the Lyra String Quartet – Lucy Nemeth, Jessica Tovey, Hudson Maness and Ellamay Mantie perform a movement from the String Quartet No. 3 in F Major, Op. 73 composed by Dmitri Shostakovich. S. Stewart photo

Wogaman admitted he "nerded" out during the tour and enjoyed the technical details he learned about the telescopes and equipment at the observatory.

"It's amazing to discover that such a place exists in the neighborhood," he said. "If you have a similar feeling of discovery when you come and visit us at Garth Newel, we're even."

The evening of entertainment was opened by the trio of Aubrey Williams on violin, Lindsay McKenna on cello and Ashley Lee on piano.

"We're going to be playing for you Anton Arensky's first piano trio," Williams said. "Anton Arensky was a Russian composer who had crossed paths with [Pyotr Ilyich] Tchaikovsky and was also friends with Tchaikovsky, so his writing is influenced by him. He would also go on to mentor composers

such as [Sergei] Rachmaninoff and [Alexander] Scriabin."

The trio performed the third movement of Piano Trio No. 1 in D Minor, Op. 32. The movement is titled Elegia, or elegy.

"Arensky dedicated this to a friend of his, a cellist, who had passed away," Williams explained. "That cellist was Karl Davydov who was the principle cellist at the St. Petersburg Opera. There's a lot of really lush, beautiful cello writing in this trio."

"I think this movement expresses grief, but also really sweet memories and reminiscing," she added.

Next, the quartet of Lucy Nemeth and Aubrey Williams on violin, David Lawrence on viola and Lindsay McKenna on cello, performed two movements from String Quartet in B-flat Major, K. 589 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

"This string quartet is in a set of quartets that Mozart wrote that are known as the Prussian quartets as they were dedicated to the King of Prussia, who was also an amateur cellist," McKenna said. "This quartet in particular has some really beautiful cello melodies that I'm very excited to share with you today."

While the Mozart piece was more lighthearted and airy, the next quartet performance was much more chaotic and somber.

The Lyra String Quartet – Lucy Nemeth and Jessica Tovey on violin, Hudson Maness on viola and Ellamay Mantie on cello presented two movements from the String Quartet No. 3 in F Major, Op. 73 by Dmitri Shostakovich.

"This is a piece that he

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GREG HAMONS RECEIVES the Distinguished Service Award from NACAA President Keith Mickler, at left.

County agent receives award

Greg Hamons received the Distinguished Service Award (DSA) from the National Association of County Agriculture Agents (NACAA) during the 2024 Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference in Dallas, Texas, July 17.

NACAA is a nationwide professional Extension organization established for Extension Educators/Agents and other professionals who work in agriculture, horticulture, forestry and natural resources, 4-H youth development, community development, and related disciplines. The DSA is conferred on members who have worked in Extension for at least 10 years, are held in high esteem by their fellow workers, and have developed and put into effect an outstanding Extension program. Hamons was one of several honorees who represent the top two percent of the membership selected by their peers.

Hamons is an Agriculture Agent with West Virginia University Extension Service in Pocahontas County. Since 2009, Agent Hamons has had a broad array of programs focusing on livestock marketing, quality assurance, forages, livestock grazing, pesticide application, certification, meat science, processing, horticulture, forestry, youth agriculture and 4-H.

He and his wife, Dwan, and their two children, Sienna and RileyAnn, live on their farm in Pocahontas County where they keep 100 head of cattle, horses and sheep.

Bank of Durbin 'Robbed'



A BANK ROBBERY was added to this year's heist on the Durbin Greenbrier Valley Railroad Wild West train excursion. Taking a page from the Jesse James Gang, these robbers set their sights on the Bank of Durbin when they hit town. The train and bank robberies took place last Friday, Saturday and Sunday, leaving passengers and townfolk entertained and penniless. S. Stewart photo



THE SITTING ROOM in the Pearl S. Buck Birthplace in Hillsboro harkens back to the famous author's family's life in Pocahontas County.

Celebrating 50th anniversary of the Pearl S. Buck Birthplace Museum

Jake Hyer
Contributing Writer

The Pearl S. Buck Birthplace Museum in Hillsboro, is proud to announce the commemoration of its 50th anniversary, celebrating a

half-century of preserving the life, work and legacy of Nobel and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Pearl S. Buck.

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MTC discusses reorganization of Housing Authority

Suzanne Stewart
Staff Writer

At Monday evening's Marlinton Town Council meeting, council discussed several issues and swiftly addressed the packed agenda.

Town resident and business owner Crystal Dean approached council with questions about the Marlinton Housing Authority, and said she is interested in working on the authority to help community businesses and residents.

Dean provided a list of seven names of individuals who are also interested in serving on the Housing Authority. Caroline Sharp asked if there was an advertisement in the newspaper asking for volunteers because she did not remember seeing any.

Sharp said she would also like to be considered to serve on the Housing Authority.

Council discussed the issue and said it is important to have a Housing Authority in town, especially now with the influx of new businesses and residents wanting to set-

tle within town limits.

Councilmember Joe Smith said he would place an ad in *The Pocahontas Times* asking for those interested in the Housing Authority to contact the town office.

Council also discussed two issues that were tabled until the next meeting due to a lack of sufficient information to make a decision. The Setback Ordinance was mentioned because when it was revised in 2009, the revisions were penciled in and the ordinance was not re-typed.

While the ordinance was being revised, there were also updates made to the penalties, which were not in hand at the meeting. Council chose to table a vote on the ordinance until all the information was included in the revised version.

Garbage fees were also tabled until September, but council did warn that there will be an increase in fees due to the landfill fees increasing.

In other business, council approved:

- second reading of Ordinance Prohibiting the Use of Recreational Vehicles and Tents as Permanent Dwellings.

• first reading of the Ordinance Amending Business and Occupation Tax.

• first reading of Ordinance Implementing Sales and Use Tax.

• Sewer System Improvement Project agreement with Department of the Army Corps of Engineers, letter of intent, resolution and non-federal sponsor's self-certification of financial capability for decision documents and agreements.

• to pursue selling two lots on 4th Avenue with a minimum bid of \$30,000.

• to purchase cameras for Second and Third avenues pending an agreement with the Marlinton Presbyterian Church on location and tree trimming.

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

The National Debt does not care that it is an election year

U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (I-WV) released the following statement on the United States national debt surpassing \$35 trillion, which equals roughly \$104,000 for every person in the country. "As the Senate continues to work through government funding bills this week, it is important to keep in mind that annual appropriations represent just one-third of the federal budget," Manchin said. "Interest payments on the debt totaled \$659 billion in the last fiscal year, making it the

fifth largest expenditure in the budget – and if we continue at this rate of extreme fiscal irresponsibility, it will soon be our largest expenditure. It is terrifying to think that by the end of this fiscal year, the U.S. will spend more on interest than on national defense or improving the lives of Americans.

"Our debt is the absolute greatest threat America faces today and yet, both political parties continue to choose inaction over pursuing commonsense solutions to restoring fiscal discipline. This Congress alone, I have introduced multiple

bipartisan bills that would immediately get to work finding solutions to decrease our debt, including the Fiscal Stability Act and the Fiscal State of the Nation Act. The national debt does not care that it is an election year – our constituents put us here to lead, and that means putting the interests of the country ahead of political expediency. Every American is personally responsible for the debts they incur and keeping their financial house in order. The federal government must be held to the same standard."

Circuit Court

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

John Stull, 34, of Bartow, pleaded guilty to prohibited person in possession of a firearm, a misdemeanor; and negligent shooting, a misdemeanor. The Court will hold adjudication of the pleas to allow time to add additional information to the pre-sentence investigation report. The court ordered a substance abuse evaluation of Stull. The matter is set for a plea/sentencing hearing September 19.

A hearing on motion to revoke bond was held in the case the State vs Hunter Gabriel Grimes, 30, of Lewisburg, wherein the defendant admitted to allegations in the motion. The State agreed to modify Grimes' bond to allow him to participate in and complete the rehab program in which he is enrolled. Grimes was charged with burglary and entry of a dwelling or outbuilding.

A hearing on motion to revoke home incarceration was held August 2 in the case the State vs Steven K. Bennett, 49, of Green Bank, wherein the defendant waived his right to a preliminary hearing and will remain on home confinement. Final hearing is set for August 23. Bennett pleaded guilty November 1, 2023 to the lesser included misdemeanor offense of driving while license revoked for

driving under the influence of alcohol. He was sentenced to one year in the regional jail but was allowed to spend the sentence on home confinement. On February 28, 2024, a hearing was held to revoke alternative sentence, and the defendant was sanctioned to seven days, then returned to home confinement.

A final hearing on motion to revoke bond was held in the case the State vs Taylor Cook, 37, of Marlinton, wherein the court questioned the defendant as to his competency, and continued the hearing due to the defendant relating that his grandmother is very ill and he doesn't know if she has passed away. The hearing is continued to August 23.

In-person sentencing was held in the case the State vs Skylar Tinchler, 25, of Buckeye, wherein defense counsel asked for alternative sentencing of home confinement. The State asked for incarceration as the crime is serious. The victim in this matter spoke at the hearing of the domestic violence and abuse. The court denied the request for alternative sentencing. Tinchler was sentenced to the state penitentiary for a determinate sentence of five years. He was given 135 days' credit for time served. Tinchler is to have no contact with the victim, physical or verbal, direct or indirect. Restitution

hearing is set for September 25. The defendant was remanded to custody.

In person sentencing was held in the case the State vs Wendell Johnson, 56, of Cass, wherein defense counsel asked for probation. The court denied the request due to the defendant's prior criminal history. Johnson was sentenced to nine months and will be allowed to discharge his sentence on home incarceration with the special term that he submit to a substance abuse evaluation. Johnson was indicted on one count, wanton endangerment involving a firearm; and one count, obstructing an officer.

Joseph Lynn Thompson, 33, of Marlinton appeared by video from a rehab program and waived his right to a speedy trial in this term of court. Thompson is in a long-term rehab program, and the court will have a status review September 26.

Angela Turner, 50, of Marlinton, has completed several certificates as well as the G.O.A.L.S. program. The court modified her sentence and placed her on probation for one year.

Roy Oscar, Jr., 44, of Marlinton, waived his right to a speedy trial during this term of court. A jury trial is set for October 10. Oscar was indicted on one count, strangulation; and one count, domestic battery.

911 Center Report

Pocahontas County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Michael O'Brien provided the following report of the 705 calls received by the 911 center during the month of July:

- Nature of Call/
Total Calls Received**
- 911 ABD, open, hang-up – 26
 - Abandoned vehicle – 5
 - Accidental dial – 2
 - Agency assistance – 5
 - Law, animal control – 15
 - Assault/battery – 4
 - Accident with injuries – 4
 - Auto accident – 12
 - Law, breaking and entering – 4
 - Law, BOLO [Be on the lookout] – 6
 - Fire, brush – 5
 - CAD2CAD – 5
 - Law, citizen assist/non-

- emergency – 29
- Controlled burn – 2
- DNR, violation complaint – 3
- DOA/unattended death – 4
- Law, domestic – 9
- Law, drug complaint – 1
- DVP violation – 7
- Fire, alarm elevator – 10
- Alarm, fire – 9
- Fire, non-emergency – 1
- Law, fraud – 4
- Law, general alarm – 20
- Law, shots fired – 4
- Highway traffic hazard – 20
- Triple I inquiry – 19
- Information/notice – 19
- Law, criminal investigation – 4
- Law, general complaint – 65
- EMS, medical – 75
- Missing/overdue person – 2
- Law, paper service – 10

- Phone outage – 32
- EMS, patient transfer – 53
- Fire, secure landing zone – 6
- Law, sex crime – 1
- Fire, smoke investigation – 1
- EMS, stand-by – 1
- Fire, structure – 1
- Suicide attempt – 2
- System test – 10
- Theft of property or items – 8
- Law, traffic complaint – 15
- Law, traffic stop – 112
- Transferred to other agency – 2
- EMS, trauma – 20
- Law, trespassing – 1
- Fire, vehicle – 2
- VIN verification – 3
- Law, warrant service – 8
- Law, welfare check – 6
- DNR, wildlife management – 11

Magistrate Court

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

In Magistrate Cynthia Broce-Kelley's court:

Stacy Lynn Atkins, 65, of Marlinton, entered a no contest plea agreement July 12 on a charge of possession of controlled substance without valid prescription. Atkins was sentenced to 90 days suspended jail, placed on 90 days unsupervised probation and assessed \$181.48 in court costs and fines.

Jerry Gilpin Schoolcraft, Jr., 62, of Renick, entered a guilty plea agreement July 10 on a charge of obstructing law enforcement with threats of harm. Schoolcraft was sentenced to nine months suspended jail, placed on nine months of unsupervised probation and assessed \$681.48 in court costs and fines.

Adam T. Cook, 23, of Hurricane, pleaded guilty July 30 to charges of operation without certificate of inspection or failure to produce certificate and obstructing driver's view or ability to operate. Cook was assessed \$402.96 in court costs and fines.

Sean J. Macgregor, 19, of Arbovale, pleaded guilty July 22 to a charge of operation without certificate of inspection or failure to produce certificate. Macgregor was assessed \$201.48 in court costs and fines.

Charles J. Peterson, 31, of Marlinton, pleaded guilty July 26 to a charge of expired motor vehicle registration. Peterson was assessed \$206.01 in court costs and fines.

In Magistrate Jennifer Dunz's court:

Kimberly A. Lambert 39, of Riverton, pleaded guilty July 19 to a charge of possession of controlled substance without valid prescription. Lambert was as-

essed \$231.48 in court costs and fines.

Alexander L. Rexrode, 20, of Durbin, pleaded no contest July 16 to a charge of speeding. Rexrode was assessed \$201.48 in court costs and fines.

Brian Keith Swope, Sr., 61, of Renick, pleaded guilty July 2 to a charge of driving without valid driver's license. Swope was assessed \$201.48 in court costs and fines.

Cody Lewis, 18, of Cass, pleaded no contest July 19 to a charge of improper pass-

ing. Lewis was assessed \$201.48 in court costs and fines.

Matthew Ryan Anderson, 28, of Arbovale, pleaded guilty July 31 to charges of operation without certificate of inspection or failure to produce certificate and seat belt violation. Anderson was assessed \$216.48 in court costs and fines.

Coty Scott Halterman, 33, of Cass, entered a guilty plea agreement July 16 on a charge of speeding. Halterman was assessed \$201.48 in court costs and fines.

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Community group invites you to join

Judy Fuller
Contributing Writer

The residents of Bar-tow, Frank and Durbin have been a close-knit community for many years and that was no different when a group of citizens got together in 2003 to talk about improvements that could be made in the upper end of Pocahontas County. A former group, NCAT, had just disbanded and this new group was looking to further the work that had been started and to continue to help the area thrive. Thus, was born the Upper Pocahontas Community Cooperative (UPCC).

The group set lofty goals and succeeded over the years by holding classes in Quick Books, CPR/First Aid, water monitoring, as well as craft classes and cooking classes. In 2005, the group obtained the old railroad grade between Durbin and Frank, upgraded it and then turned it over to Pocahontas County Parks and Rec. They were responsible for the smoke testing in Durbin to show the amount of rainwater entering the Durbin sewer system and encouraged the town to upgrade the system. The Greenbrier Watershed Association worked closely with UPCC to monitor the water quality of the

Greenbrier River. UPCC started the Durbin Community Park by building the horseshoe pits and encouraged Parks and Rec to improve the ball field at Widney Park. The children were included in the goals with specific events for them. The Durbin Community Library has always been an important focus, helping to move the library into a better building on Main Street and culminating in extensive fundraising to complete and furnish the existing new building in 2012.

Most recently the group erected 12 historical markers in Durbin and is currently doing oral history videos of the former Howes Leather Tannery workers. Water testing of the Greenbrier River also continues each month.

The last 10 years' work has been organized by a group of four people who are aging each year, and, sadly, we lost one of those this summer.

We are a group who would like to continue the improvements to our area, but we need help.

We meet the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Durbin Community Library.

We welcome everyone.

For more information, contact Judy Fuller at 304-456-4994.

Library Lines

by Joe Miller,
Director of Development

By the time you're reading this, we'll have just about wrapped up the first week of August. I'm going to level with you: I'm tired of sweating the moment I step out the door. I'm ready for some of those crisp mornings, where the air is clear and the sky is a deep blue.

I get this way every August.

This year, I decided to combat my August blues by diving into some beach reads.

"Beach read" is a relatively new term—it started appearing in book trade publications around 1990, entering the popular lexicon shortly afterward. But the idea of the summer read dates back over a century before that.

After the Civil War, the US industrialized rapidly. The middle class grew larger and wealthier, allowing them to take advantage of the trains and grand hotels that were popping up. The summer vacation was born. Publishers soon began releasing books aimed at vacationers.

I've devoured three beach reads over the past week.

The 6:20 Man is a 2022 thriller from the prolific David Baldacci. The eponymous 6:20 man is Travis Devine, a West Point graduate and former Army Ranger who traded in his combat boots for a suit and a junior position at a prestigious Wall Street investment firm.

Devine is quickly recruited into a secret government organization, where he is tasked with investigating a web of murders and potential corruption at the firm that employs him.

The pacing is good and the plot is a lot of fun—just enough turns to keep you guessing, but nothing so complicated that you need a flow chart to figure out what

happened. My only complaint is with Devine, who is something of a Mary Sue (a term used to describe characters who are good at everything, extremely attractive, and largely lacking in character flaws).

Devine is one of the Army's most respected Rangers, turns on a dime to become a brilliant Wall Street analyst, is somehow a competent hacker and solves two separate crimes without ever having trained as an investigator. Along the way, he has relationships with a series of women, each more beautiful than the last.

Devine is Roger Moore-era James Bond.

System Collapse (2023) is the seventh entry in Martha Wells' *The Murderbot Diaries*, a science fiction series that details the adventures of a part-human, part-robot Security Unit (SecUnit), who has privately given themselves the name "Murderbot."

SecUnits are all built with a "governor module," which is nice way of saying that they are enslaved. If a SecUnit ever fails to follow an order, the governor module will send an electrical signal that instantly wipes their mind.

Murderbot has hacked its governor module, allowing

them the freedom to choose their own course of action.

The series begins with *All System Red* (2017) and is written entirely from Murderbot's point of view. There's enough corporate intrigue and murder to satisfy fans of thrillers and enough regular shoot-outs for those who prefer action/adventure.

Murderbot is every bit as competent as Devine. But Murderbot's inner life is another story.

Murderbot exhibits signs of being on the autism spectrum. They have difficulty making eye contact, dislike being touched and generally avoid social interaction because they don't understand how to interpret humans.

Oh, and Murderbot has a pretty severe case of post-traumatic stress disorder.

A throughline across the series deals with Murderbot learning how to make friends and to interact with other people.

The Murderbot Diaries is a bit like Christopher Nolan's *Batman* trilogy—plenty of popcorn-movie moments, but also a little bit there to think about for a couple of days afterward.

If you're in the mood for something that's a bit more of a slow burn, *Reykjavik* (2023) is a great choice. The book is a collaboration between Ragnar Jonasson, author of the bestselling *Dark Iceland* series, and Katrín Jakobsdóttir, the then-Prime Minister of Iceland.

The novel is mostly set in 1986 and revolves around

the disappearance of Lára, a 14-year-old girl who went missing 30 years earlier. Early chapters introduce us to the case and trace the toll it takes on those who fail to solve it.

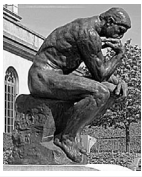
By 1986, up-and-coming journalist Valur Robertsson has opened his own investigation and seems to be on the verge of some new breakthrough evidence.

Reykjavik moves slowly through its opening sections, but at around the 40% mark, you get the first—and most shocking—of two big twists. The novel picks up the pace after that point. After spending three days getting to the first big twist, I raced through the rest in an afternoon. It's a fun mystery that also examines the ways that people process guilt and grief.

Reykjavik is a deliberate homage to Agatha Christie and should be of interest to anyone who enjoys classic mysteries. And there's just enough historical background (1986 was the bicentennial of Reykjavik's founding and also the year the city hosted a summit between Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev) to really bring the setting alive.

Plus, the scenes featuring cold rain in August made the heat feel a lot more bearable.

Speaking of weather, the forecast at present calls for a few more hot days. Beat the heat by stopping into one of our (air conditioned!) branches and picking up a beach read or two.



TRIVIA – a little something to think about

1. Who was the first Boy Scout to become President of the United States?
2. What percent of Russian males born in 1923 survived World War II?
3. Who said, "The buck stops here?"
4. Who led over 900 followers in a mass suicide in 1978?

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Marlinton Mayor's Corner

By Sam Felton

How did the flushing of municipal fire hydrants become such a legitimate concern of the Marlinton Volunteer Fire Department?

That is a good question, and I will try to answer it.

The water-sewer-storm-water project that the Town has been working on for the last five years includes the replacement of 24 fire hydrants. For various reasons, that project is about 18 months behind where it should be.

After the MVFD brought

these same concerns to the Town Council during the summer of 2023, the Town sought a solution by seeking a critical needs application. The idea was to replace or repair the 24 hydrants, already planned for in the ongoing project, referenced above.

However, in the weeks after the Charleston fire, where as many as three hydrants had failed, and additional homes were lost because of these failures, many other similar requests were presented for funding. Marlinton was said to be at

the front of the list, but was denied funding last fall. Another request was made and denied in the spring of this year.

Consequently, during the July Town Council meeting, when the MVFD came forward again, it was decided that the town crew would begin weekly flushing of hydrants, utilizing overtime hours, if necessary. That decision was made without regard to water levels in Knapps Creek, which is the town's water source.

When the decision was relayed to the water-plant staff, we found out that water-plant operators had already used directional maneuvers at the intake, to keep the water supply flowing to the

see Mayor's pg 10

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor;

I recently spent a few days in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital. The care and attention I received was superb – from the emergency room, throughout my stay, to my discharge.

The hospital staff was very professional and caring.

After my discharge, my follow-up appointments for the next two weeks at the Rural Health Clinic were equally superb.

It is very comforting and rewarding to have facilities such as PMH and the Rural Health Clinic in our community.

Everyone should be proud that we have these excellent facilities and capable health-

care workers available when a need for medical care arises.

I would like to thank my family and friends for the many visits, cards and well wishes I received during my illness. Your concern will never be forgotten.

I especially want to thank the staff of PMH and the Rural Health Clinic – you should be very proud of your work in your profession.

You provide great care to those in need.
Joseph W. "Joe" Smith
Marlinton

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Community Calendar

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

MEETINGS

Allegheny Post 117 Annual Picnic Saturday, August 10, noon, at Donnie Waybright's, 2713 North Fork Loop in Green Bank. Hamburgers and hot dogs provided. Bring a side dish. RSVP to Donnie at 304-456-4738.

Upper Pocahontas Community Cooperative Monday, August 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Durbin Community Library. Everyone welcome.

Dunmore Community Center Board of Directors Monday, August 19, 6 p.m. at the center. Members of the

community are invited.

Pocahontas County Democratic Executive Committee Monday, August 19, 6 p.m. at McClintic Library in Marlinton. Contact Jay Miller at jvmiller2008@gmail.com for the Zoom connection info.

Open Sew with Library Quilters of Marlinton, second Monday of each month 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at McClintic Library. Everyone welcome.

EVENTS

Watoga Dark Sky Party, Perseid meteor shower, Saturday, August 10, at Watoga Dam. Viewing begins at 9:15 p.m. Small telescopes will be available. No pets, please.

99th Annual State Fair of West Virginia opens Thursday, August 8, at 8 a.m., with carnival rides opening at 11 a.m. The 10-day fair will celebrate 99

years of "Mountain Memories" August 8 - 17.

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, 1 p.m. for ages 6 to 10; and 2:30 p.m. for ages 11-18. Call 304-799-7386 to register.

Performance Conditioning – toning, stretching, cardio, strengthening, using only body resistance. Taught by Haylee Hayhurst. Tuesdays at GBO old tour center and Wednesdays at the Wellness Center through August 7. 4:30 p.m. both locations. \$5 per class.

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What's Cookin'?

With Sally Cobb

Zucchini and Cheese Casserole

3 pounds zucchini, unpeeled, cut into 1 inch chunks

1 cup cottage cheese
1 cup shredded Monterey Jack

2 eggs
1 tsp. dill seeds
1/4 tsp. salt or to taste
1/2 cup dried bread crumbs

1 Tbsp. butter, cut up
Simmer zucchini in salted water to cover for 5 minutes. Drain well

In large casserole dish, combine zucchini with cottage cheese, Monterey Jack cheese, eggs, dill seeds and salt.

Bake the casserole, uncovered, in preheated 350-degree oven for 15 minutes. Remove from oven, sprinkle the bread crumbs on top of zucchini mixture and dot with butter.

Bake casserole another 5 minutes.
Serves 4-6.

Hermits
2 cups flour
2 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1/4 tsp. cloves
1/4 tsp. salt
1/2 cup shortening
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup packed brown sugar

2 eggs
1 cup raisins
3/4 cup chopped walnuts
Sift together flour, baking powder, spices and salt.
Cream shortening, sugars and eggs together.
Blend in flour mixture.
Add raisins and walnuts; mix well.
Drop by teaspoonful onto greased baking sheets.
Bake at 350 for 12-15 minutes or until lightly browned.
Makes about 3 dozen cookies.

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Acct 201	Principles of Accounting I	T	4-5:15 p.m.	Math 109E	College Algebra Enhanced	M, W	12:30-2:45 p.m.
Acct 202	Principles of Accounting II	TH	4-5:15 p.m.	Mgmt 210	Principles of Management	T	4-5:15 p.m.
Acct 215	Managerial Acct	WEB	WEB	Mgmt 226	Human Resources	WEB	WEB
Biol 105	Intro to Anat./Physiology	T, TH	5:30-6:45 p.m.	Psyc 103	General Psychology	T, TH	12:30-1:45 p.m.
Biol 231	Human Anat./Physiology I	WEB	WEB	Psyc 103	General Psychology	WEB	WEB
Biol 232	Human Anat./Physiology II	WEB	WEB	Soci 210	Principles of Sociology	TH	5:30-6:45 p.m.
Comm 208	Fund of Public Speaking	M, W	2-3:15 p.m.	Socs 161	Intro to Social Work	M	4-5:15 p.m.
Comm 208	Fund of Public Speaking	WEB	WEB				
Comm 212	Interpersonal Comm	WEB	WEB				
Crmj 151	Intro to Crim Justice	M	5:30-6:45 p.m.				
Crmj 210	Correctional Manag	WEB	WEB				
Econ 211	Principles of Economics I	WEB	WEB				
Econ 212	Principles of Economics II	WEB	WEB				
Engl 101	Composition I	M, W	12:30-1:45 p.m.				
Engl 102	Research	W	7-8:15 p.m.				
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Hist 105	American History	M	9:30-10:45 a.m.				
Mast 105	Medical Terminology	T	5:30-7:45 p.m.				
Math 101	Quantitative Reasoning	T, TH	3:30-4:45 p.m.				
Math 101E	QR Enhanced	M, W	9:30-11:45 a.m.				
Math 109	Algebra	M, W	12:30-1:45 p.m.				

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Obituaries

Lois Beard

Lois Knight Beard, 97, of St. Marys, peacefully passed away Sunday, August 4, 2024, at Camden Clark Medical Center in Parkersburg.

Born March 30, 1927, in Fairmont, she was a daughter of the late Sarah Alta Reeves and Dorsey G. Knight.

A brilliant scholar, Lois graduated as valedictorian from East Fairmont High School in 1945. She was not only academically gifted but also a talented musician. After years of dedication to piano practice, she performed at numerous recitals, concerts and competitions, including a prestigious summer workshop at Juilliard School in New York. Lois continued her education at West Virginia University, earning a degree in music education in 1949.

Lois and her husband, Robert "Bob" Beard, began their married life on a family farm near Hillsboro in Pocahontas County. In 1961, they moved to St. Marys when Robert became the manager of the farm at the Colin Anderson Center. Lois joined him there, initially as a music instructor and later as the director of Social Services, a role she held for more than two decades. Her musical talents also found an outlet as she served as the choir director and organist at Oak Grove Presbyterian in Hillsboro and Grace Episcopal in St. Marys. In recent years, she attended the United Methodist Church in St. Marys, the denomination of her youth. She contributed her creative skills while working alongside her beloved husband in their florist business in St. Marys.

An avid reader, Lois had a passion for newspapers, magazines and books. She loved traveling, both domestically and internationally, and had a great affection for her grandchildren and little dogs.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her older sister, Rosemary.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 75 years, Robert Beard; their three children, Nancy (Bill) Ingram, of Kingsport, Tennessee, Suzanne (Rob) Evans, of St. Marys, and Matthew (Luanne) Beard, of Hannibal, Ohio; seven grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren, all of whom brought immense joy to her life.

Lois Knight Beard will be remembered for her intelligence, musical talent, dedication to family and love for life. Her legacy lives on through the many lives she touched.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to the Pleasants County Humane Society, P. O. Box 110, St. Marys, WV 26170.

A celebration of life will be held at Ingram Funeral Home, St. Marys, Saturday, August

10, 2024, at 2 p.m. with Reverend Clare Sulgit officiating.

Friends may call from 1 p.m. until time of service.

Lance Eads

Lance Austin Eads, 37, of Hillsboro, unexpectedly passed away at his home.

Born September 20, 1986, at Lewisburg, he was a son of the late Larry Austin and Beverly Jean Snodgrass Eads.

Lance was a pipefitter and welder. He loved motorcycles and his dogs, Cotton and Clutch. He was artistic, and he loved his family.

He is survived by his wife, Jasmine Shearer; son, Lenox Austin Eads; sisters, Mikki Guthrie, of Orgas, and Michelle Sharp, of Hillsboro; and several nieces and nephews.

The body was cremated.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Ronald Madison

Ronald "Ronnie" Allen Madison, 67, of Hillsboro, lost his courageous battle with cancer Sunday, August 4, 2024, at his home.

Born August 4, 1957, in Marlinton, he was a son of the late Lewis and Oleta Madison.

Ronnie enjoyed playing softball and bowling in his younger years. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and enjoyed camping and spending time with his family.

He was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He loved all his family and friends, but most of all his grandchildren. He enjoyed being able to attend as many of their activities as possible – from tennis to school plays, band concerts, basketball, track meets as well as helping them with their 4-H project animals. One of his biggest goals in life was to see all his grandchildren graduate high school, which he was able to accomplish. He was extremely proud of them and all of their accomplishments.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Johnnie Madison.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Frances Madison; daughters, Toni Luke, and partner, Ken Sapp, Jr., of Weston, and Tonja Armstrong, and husband, David; four grandchildren, Kelsey Luke, Justin Luke, Ethan Armstrong and Jessica Armstrong; brother, Wayne Madison, and wife, Diana, of Hillsboro; sister, Connie Williamson, of Lewisburg; many nieces and nephews and other family members and friends whom he deeply cared for.

Funeral service was held Wednesday, Au-

gust 7, 2024, at Wesley Chapel Church in Hillsboro with Pastors Tim and Pete Scott officiating.

Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery.



Frances Malick Howard Malick

Frances Ann Malick and Randy Howard Malick, of Charles Town, tragically passed away together Friday, August 2, 2024, while en route to their beloved homestead in Cass.

Randy, born May 15, 1966, in Fairfax, Virginia, was the son of the late Ralph and Phyllis Malick.

Fran was born July 14, 1967, in Bethesda, Maryland, and was a daughter of the late Glenn and Neal Gilkey.

Together for more than 20 years, Randy and Fran proudly owned and operated Tradewinds Floors, Inc. in downtown Charles Town. When not working, which was not often, Randy had a deep passion for music, steam trains, history and tinkering, while Fran found joy in reading, relaxing by the creek, gardening and spending time with her grandchildren.

They were preceded in death by a sister, Susan Gilkey; and brother, Michael Malick.

They are survived by their son, Douglas Malick, of Middletown, Virginia; daughter, Cindy Maher, and husband, Sean, of Clayton, North Carolina; grandchildren, Christian, Jackson and Alisha; siblings: Brenda Hall, of Manassas, Virginia, Evelyn Roeder, and husband, Jack, of Tallahassee, Florida, Christine Delaney, of Laurel, Maryland, and Eugene Gilkey, and wife, Jennifer, of Fairfax, Virginia; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to family, Randy and Fran had a deep connection to the community and never seemed to be strangers to anyone.

Family and friends are invited to visit from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m., Friday, August 9, 2024, at Jefferson Chapel, 114 North Mildred Street in Ranson. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 10, 2024, coinciding with what would have

been their 39th wedding anniversary. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Friends of Cass.

Online condolences may be shared at BrownFuneralHomesWV.com



Eva Warren

It is with heavy hearts that the family announces the death of their beloved mother and grandmother, Eva Lee "Sis" Warren, 99.

"Sis" departed this life Friday, August 2, 2024, surrounded by her loving family.

Born January 29, 1925, at Marlinton, she was a daughter of the late Eva Rider Shearer and William Shearer.

On December 18, 1946, in Williamsburg, Virginia, she married Ray Price Warren, who preceded her in death.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Richard; granddaughter, Lis Raye; grandson, Richard Lee Warren, Jr.; great-great-grandson, Silas Hammock; and a brother, William "Buck" Shearer.

She is survived by her son, Ray P. "Buddy" Warren Jr., and wife, Brenda, of Manteo, North Carolina; daughters, Eleanor Jane Moore, of Abingdon, Virginia, Brenda L. Griffiths, of Beverly, and Karen J. Kelley (Blaine Stevens), of Harman.

Forever cherishing their grandmother's love are Stephen Poage, of Beverly, Melissa Sparks (Timmy), of Buckeye, Brian Warren (Jennifer), of Greenville, North Carolina, Lori Cole (Jason), of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, Joe Moore, of Wanchese, North Carolina, Stephanie Moore, of Nashville, Tennessee, John Moore, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and May Moore, of Pulaski, Virginia; 16 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family honored Sis' request for cremation.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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Letters, from page 4

Editor:

I'm glad Joe Miller (no relation) wrote a commentary in last week's edition of *The Pocahontas Times* on the ethical issues related to death and dying – specifically, whether it is ethical to help a dying person to hasten their death if that is the dying person's true desire, or, in other circumstances, to allow someone to die without intervention, knowing that such actions, if taken, would prolong the patient's life – even if that goes against the wishes of the person who will soon die, regardless. Whose choice should it be? The patient, the caregiver, other family members, hospital lawyers and ethicists – or politicians in Charleston?

Voters will be asked to weigh in on this matter in November when considering whether or not to approve Amendment 1 to the West Virginia Constitution that would, in essence, criminalize the hastening of (by "forcing") someone's death against their wishes. Joe Miller did not say whether he supports the amendment – leaving it to readers to decide.

For me, this is not a complicated issue, not because the issues are uncomplicated, but because the proposed amendment seems to be some politicians' solution to a problem that does not really exist. It is already a crime to cause someone's premature death against their wishes even if they are suffering under an incurable disease or medical condition. It's called voluntary manslaughter; some would say homicide.

To prohibit "forced" assisted suicide or mercy killing by medical practitioners would be to create doubtful and strained interpretations of those involved – in a manner similar to the confusion caused by the Dobbs decision two years ago regarding when doctors can intervene to terminate a pregnancy when non-viable conditions threaten the life of the mother.

I consider myself fortunate in that each of my parents died suddenly one day. They were up to greet the morning sun one day and were dead before the sun rose again. The death of my mother-in-law last summer was another matter. My wife and I were visiting, playing cards at the kitchen table, when we heard her fall. She hit her head on the floor causing a massive brain bleed. She was taken to a renowned medical center in the Baltimore area where she was stabilized by a team of trauma specialists. We were shown images of the bleed and were told she probably would not survive the night.

After a couple of days, she regained consciousness and was able to engage with a startled team of specialists who saw her during morning rounds. She had lost the ability to swallow but was able to communicate with her family and hospital staff about her wishes regarding pain management and her opposition to a feeding tube or resuscitation, should they be indicated. She wanted to die on her own terms. After five days, she slipped into unconsciousness and died four days later.

She died in a hospital in what amounted to a medically unassisted suicide. The hospital's ethical rules for end of life treatment meant she would be allowed to die. What we don't need is a gaggle of politicians gathered around a death bed conjecturing about whether the family and medical staff are making the correct legal decision.

For me, the choice is simple: If know-it-all politicians are in favor of this constitutional amendment, I'm against it. Vote NO.

Jay Miller
Hillsboro

Dear Editor;

The cult of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, DEI, the progeny of Affirmative Action, needs to be consigned to the dustbin of history. The only beneficiary of this insane policy is to those that peddle it for financial benefit or for self-promoting political reasons. The policy by its very nature it the epitome of racism since it uses race, sexual orientation and other non-relevant characteristics in hiring and other actions. Fixing past cases of racism with racism against individuals who have no guilt in this matter unifies and benefits no one to include those it claims to help.

Let's look at college admissions to Ivy League schools, admitting individuals based on race who lack the academic ability to succeed at these institutions is a lose lose for everyone. Many DEI admissions who might have done well at less rigorous colleges fail, and academically qualified individuals are denied admittance. No one wins.

Let's look at some jobs that have been open to women that have realistic strength and height requirements that are ignored. The standards for female firefighters in many cases have been lowered to account for their lower strength as a group. One part of most tests

to become a firefighter is to drag a dummy simulating a victim a certain distance. The requirement for one department I know of is 220 pounds for male applicants and 90 pounds for females. So, if you are a large person and the female fire person is your only hope – good luck.

Another example can be seen in the assassination attempt against former President Trump. At one point the agents surrounded him to protect him with their own bodies, as he stood up. The problem was that to his front the agent protecting him was a short woman exposing much of his upper body to potential fire. It's time that standards and requirements reflect real world needs. Any woman who can meet these standards should be eligible, but the standards should not be lowered in the interest of DEI.

The impact that DEI is having on the military is also significant. I served as an Army NCO, Commissioned

Officer and then as a Senior Civilian and saw the negative impact of Affirmative Action and the beginnings of DEI. Seeing poorly qualified individuals promoted or their criminal conduct ignored based on race or sex is a corrosive act to morale and retention and needs to be stopped. It makes the military less capable in a dangerous world. I believe DEI is also a major cause of significant shortfalls in recruiting that has exceeded over 41,000 recruits last year. This number should terrify you in this current world.

In all matters, we need to get back to selecting individuals on their abilities and character based on real world requirements and not this cult of unfair wishful thinking.

So how do we address the problems of many inner cities with populations of

color that face poverty? Let's fix the crime problem in these communities by removing the bad actors, local residents and the police know who they are. Let's also address the terrible school systems serving these communities by encouraging competition from Charter Schools as well as intact family units with fathers in the home.

This country is very divided, and DEI just makes it worse, it is time for all our citizens to be treated fairly and the same standards need to apply to all with ability and competence being the only factors in selection, hiring and promotion systems.

The education system needs to achieve excellence in all communities.

It is not too late to fix this mess, but it needs to be fixed.

Joe Kaffl
Hillsboro

A Special Thank You

I would like to thank all the people who visited, called, sent cards, money, food or just prayed for Debra Colaw.

Her doctors at Valley Health Care and UHC were very caring and compassionate. She liked for friends to come by and visit her.

So if you were a part of her world in her fight for life, thank you for all you did. You will not be forgotten, I promise.

*Sadly missed by her husband,
Douglas Colaw*

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Pitching Horseshoes at the County Fair - 1926



A CROWD GATHERED for the horseshoe pitching contest at the Pocahontas County Fair in August 1926. The grandstand can be seen in the background. The county fair was held on the west side of the Greenbrier River just north of Marlinton from 1922 until 1957. (Pocahontas County Historical Society Collection; ID: PHS001766)

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Seventy-Five Years Ago

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, August 11, 1949

FIELD NOTES

This being dog days, it is the time when rattlesnakes do their traveling around. One day last week, one big rattler started across this town of Marlinton and got himself killed at the corner of 9th Street and 3rd Avenue by Mrs. Charles Roman.

Arnold McLaughlin was in from Akron with home people about Dunmore last week. The hot weather brought up the subject of the cold winter of 1910-11. Arnold worked that year on the Horton Line under the late Jesse McLaughlin, the woods foreman. How cold it got there was never really known as all the available thermometers froze up and

burst at 25 degrees below zero. The coldest day, Jessie had to go and call him in as the last man and team out. Ears, cheeks and chin were frosted a bit. That year, he stayed in camp over 100 days. He said he was just a little nervous about walking over the mountains home as five men froze to death on Horton Line that winter... One year, on Cheat Mountain, he attended his team of horses for five months without missing a single day.

J. E. Buckley saw one able varmint on the west side of Back Creek Mountain while returning from a trip in Virginia one day last week. This was in the day, the light was still good, and the varmint trotted across the road something more than 100 feet in

front of the car. If it saw the people in the car, it paid them no mind. Bay in color, it had all the marks of a wild cat, but what a wild cat! Any ordinary wild cat could walk under this varmint with room to spare. Nearly 30 inches high at the shoulders, its legs were long, its body able, its tufted and bewhiskered head massive and its tail short. All these bear out the book description of the Canada lynx — the great big cousin of the bay lynx, our common wild cat. Once in a long while, a Canada lynx is killed in these mountains.

The only peace of mind disturbing element in Mr. Buckley's report is the fact that on this same road, and about the same place, three reports have come of panthers being seen and heard.

WEDDINGS

On Sunday, August 7, 1949, in Elkins, Miss Hildreth Virginia Townsend, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Clyde Townsend, of Huntersville, became the bride of Mr. Rudolph L. Meadows, son of Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Meadows, of Marlinton. After a wedding trip to Canada, the couple will reside in Marlinton, where Mrs. Meadows is deputy county clerk and Mr. Meadows is employed by Moses and Meadows.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Gray, a daughter, Joyce Ann.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Delbert Cassell, a daughter, Judith Ann.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Robert Beverage, a son, Jerry Kenny.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Grimes, a daughter, Naomi Lavonna.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Andrew Murphy, a daughter, Joyce Ann.

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100-Years-Ago in The Pocahontas Times

Calvin W. Price, Editor

Thursday, August 7, 1924

This week will finish dismantling the railroad track of the Warn Lumber Corporation from above Dunmore to Frost. C. P. Adams, section foreman at Sitlington, has charge of loading the steel leased from the C. & O. Railway Co. about 20 miles of rail, and shipping it to points on that line. Only a few more days cutting remain for this company which has been in operation at Raywood for the past nine or ten years.

The weather report for the month of July by S. L. Brown, local weather observer, is as follows: Mean temperature for the month of 64.2 degrees; hottest 84 on the 24th and 30th; coldest 42 on the 18th; greatest daily range, 32 degrees on the 30th. Total rainfall, 5.06 inches...

Paul Overholt is getting material on the ground to build a brick store room on his lot adjoining Paul Golden's building on Main Street. Withrow McClintic bought the office building on this lot and moved it to his lot on Upper Camden.

The small Ford trucks in use on the surfacing of the

Price Hill road at Marlinton have demonstrated their practical use in this kind of work. They are making from 30 to 40 loads of rock per day on a mile haul.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Cutlip, of Marlinton, a son.

Denny M. Callison, of Beard, met with a peculiar accident last week while attending a limestone crusher on his farm. His shirt was caught in the end of the shaft of the fly wheel and every particle of his clothing was torn from his body, and he was badly, but not seriously, hurt.

Charley and Hamp Carpenter came over from their home on Beaver Dam to the Greenbrier between Buckeye and Denmar one day last week to try their hand at bass fishing. Although it was their

first experience, they did a good business and got a lot of nice ones. The largest was eighteen and a half inches and weighed four and a half pounds. They also had several fifteen and sixteen-inch ones.

Alfred Dean, who lives in Beaver Lick Mountain, was severely injured Saturday evening while working on a scaffolding repairing his barn. A log fell from the eaves of the barn striking and breaking his shoulder blade and collarbone, knocking him to the ground a distance of about 12 feet. Mr. Dean was able to come to town Tuesday to have his wounds dressed.

BOY SHOT

Lewis, 14 year old son of D. J. Weatherholt, at Sitlington, was shot and fatally injured by a shot gun in the hands of his grandfather, Amos Kline, Tuesday evening. The shooting was purely accidental. Mr. Kline was trying a new shot gun and the boy ran in front of the gun just as he was pulling

the trigger. Dr. Moomau was hastily summoned but it was found he was bleeding internally and nothing could be done to stop the flow of blood. The boy lived but a few hours, dying about 11 o'clock the same evening.

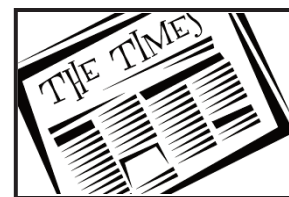
He was a very bright young boy and the accident is a sad blow to his parents.

DIED

Charles N. McComb died at his home on Beaver Creek Monday, July 28, 1924. Just one week to the day before his death, he was thrown from a load of hay. He was 72 years old. His body was buried on his farm Tuesday afternoon.

The deceased was the son of the late James Price McComb and his wife Eliza Moore McComb, daughter of Aaron Moore and Elizabeth Johnson Moore...

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Fifty Years Ago

Jane Price Sharp, Editor

Thursday, August 8, 1974

Foodland Store

Worledge Construction Company broke ground Monday for a building to house the Pocahontas Foodland, Inc. This new corporation was formed by Denzil Totten and Charles Fisher, and they will open a Foodland Store as soon as possible, probably in about three or four months. The building will be built by Fred Burns, Sr., and leased for the Foodland Store. It will be a steel building with 8,000 square feet of floor space.

Denzil Totten has been employed 22 years by the A & P Store in Marlinton. Mr. Fisher, formerly of Summersville, has been working for Smith's Transfer Company. He and his wife, the former Mary Margie Kramer, live below Buckeye on the Kramer Farm, which they recently purchased.

WEATHER

Minimum temperature: 33 degrees.

Maximum temperature: 89 degrees

Average high temperature: 81.1

ABOUT THOSE SNAKES

Shades of the tradition of *The Pocahontas Times*, champion of conservation, and educator in ecology, long, long before the words became a part of the national

vocabulary. My most interesting education in this was from the Field Notes of *The Pocahontas Times*; I used a scrap book of your father's Field Notes for a class my first year of college in 1939...

I don't know Peter Hauer, but that was a really fine letter about black snakes; I saw one today and for the first time in my life, I looked at a snake as a graceful, non-frightening creature.

Now, I would like for the good old Times to help get me educated even more on snakes. Last summer, West Virginia hill girl that I grew up as, I had my first encounter with a real live out in the open rattlesnake. The rather large snake made no aggressive move at all. I felt torn between a feeling of obligation to kill it as a dangerous creature, and wanting to let it alone. I had no weapons or instruments, so did not try.

I recently did the leg work for a sister buying an old farm which had been used as a camp by a hunting family. The wife told me she had shot six blacksnakes on the place (against her husband's wishes). One apparently had been catching mice and starlings in a porch loft of the rarely used house. I was appalled at her shooting her own very best rat trap... ~ Virginia Steele

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Footsteps through History

The Pocahontas Times
Andrew Price, Editor

Thursday,
August 10, 1899

The terrible drought was ended by fine rains last Sunday.

Uriah Hevener has sold his large tract of land near Linnwood for over \$19,000.

William Hornbeck, of Valley Bend, was struck by lightning and killed July 22nd, while standing in his front door.

In some sections of Virginia, the drought has been so bad that all vegetation has burned up and the people are on strictly winter diet.

IN 1900

We have been taken to task by a number of men for criticizing Bryan in a way which reminds us how we got into trouble in 1893 by similar treasonable utterances concerning Grover Cleveland, with the same single-minded Democrats. Cleveland was even more of a popular idol then with the party than Bryan is now...

The party should reunite and the delegates to the National convention sent unfettered from an allegiance to any particular candidate or ism.

Bryan has laid himself open to criticism by his extreme views, by his dividing the people of this country into classes and endeavoring to array them against each other, and by other mistakes in his four years' campaign. We believe that he will be defeated, if nominated... Many of Bryan's admirers

admit that it is expedient that a crown of thorns be pressed down on his brow for the good of the party.

BUILDING RAILROAD

The firm of Julian, Carzza and Co. commenced work on their section of the Greenbrier Railway last Saturday.

The writer went down to the river at Burnsides to see what was going on. Just where the road crosses the river the first camp is situated. It is a building 60 x 16 and separated into two compartments...

The contractors are natives of Italy, and Mr. Julian was found at the camp. He said he wanted teams and hands from this section if he could get them. The wages they offer are \$1.25 for 10 hours' work... They are preparing to build another camp or two on their section. A Baltimore firm, J. Levizi & Co., has two miles above their work. The seven miles extends from Isaac McNeel's land to above the mouth of Stamping Creek...

The earth that was plowed up was being hauled and dumped to form the roadbed. The height of the fill gradually rose to make the roadbed perfectly level, the centre line of stakes gradually rising in height to indicate the height of the fill.

When one sees a gang of men picking at the mountainside for hours and mak-

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Zumba Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 5 p.m.
Yoga at Durbin Library Tuesdays at 5 p.m. and at Linwood Center Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
Taekwondo, Wednesdays, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

REUNIONS

Harry Cain Family – Saturday, August 10, noon, second entrance (South) to Droop Mountain State Park. Covered dish.
Wilfong Reunion – Saturday, August 10, Stillwell Park. Covered dish. Bring your drinks.
Ryder Reunion – Saturday, August 10, noon, at Stillwell Park. Covered dish.

Everyone welcome.
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.

CHURCH NOTICES

Central Union United Methodist Church, Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m.
Marlinton Presbyterian Church – Bible Study 9 a.m. Worship 10 a.m.
Arbovale United Methodist – Worship 11:15 a.m. Sundays; Bible Study 6 p.m. Thursdays.
New Hope Lutheran – Minnehaha Springs – Worship 8:45 a.m.
First Baptist Church –

Huntersville – Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:45 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 Services Sundays, August 11 and 25, 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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His first wife was Miss Mary E. Alderman, daughter of Soloman Alderman. To this union were born seven daughters, all of whom survive... Mr. McComb died seven years to the day after the death of his first wife...
 His second wife was Lelpha Schoolcraft. Their children are Elizabeth, Gladys and Eldridge...

 Henry T. Gum died at the Marlinton Hospital Wednesday night, July 30, 1924, from the effects of a shotgun wound received in a general fight between Gum and his

family on one side and C. M. Shields and his family on the other side near Burnside's station.
 Charles Shields, aged 23, is in jail charged with the shooting of Mr. Gum. He is the son of C. M. Shields. The Gums and Shields live on adjoining farms, parts of the old Burnside's estate.
 The deceased was 63 years old. He was raised in Highland county but has been a resident of Pocahontas county for many years. He is survived by his wife and three children, Clark Gum, Floyd Gum and Mrs. Annie Cordell.
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Civil Action No. 24-D-41

DAVID LEE ENGLE, Petitioner
vs
KELLY OLIVIA ENGLE, Respondent

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE

To the Above Named Respondent: **KELLY OLIVIA ENGLE**

It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that the address of Kelly Olivia Engle is unknown. **The Court orders the parties to appear on the 20th day of August at 2:30 p.m. at the location of Family Court, 818 10th Avenue, Marlinton, WV,** where a hearing will be held on the Petition for Divorce, at which time you may appear to protect your interests.

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

Entered by the Clerk of said Court July 31, 2024.

Connie M. Carr
Circuit Clerk of Pocahontas County
By Cindy D. Beverage, Deputy
8/8/2c

Greenbrier Valley Economic Development Corporation

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

Receipts and Disbursements

In accordance with WV Code 7-12-12, provided below is the organization's receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024

	Jul '23 - Jun 24
Receipts	
Federal Sources	908,000.00
State Sources	95,454.00
Local Government Sources	66,527.50
Investment Income	32,492.56
Administrative Fees	2,767.29
Insurance Claim Reimbursement	26,983.43
Events	19,654.84
Program Income	9,509.32
Property Rentals	655,112.31
Micro Loan Repayment	2,796.32
Pass Through Income	27,593.64
Total Receipts	1,846,891.21
Disbursements	
Bank Fees	6,934.84
WVCoRP Insurance	22,172.00
Contract Services	
Accounting Fees	16,001.00
Legal Services	5,280.00
Consultants	102,000.00
Facility Maintenance	97,418.06
Utilities	102,816.77
Operations	22,833.54
Marketing	7,538.44
Membership & Dues	877.5
Events	12,157.73
Salaries & Wages	212,319.92
Payroll Expenses	16,616.83
Employee Benefits	60,884.72
Travel and Meetings	7,929.94
Micro Loan Disbursements	12,000.00
Loan Principal	14,438.46
Interest Expense	19,136.24
Pass Through Expenses	27,593.64
Other Expenses	151.19
Total Disbursements	767,100.82
	8/8/1c



WANTED TO BUY

WANTED TO BUY - Land adjacent to the Greenbrier River and River Trail, developed or undeveloped. No more than 1/3 should be floodplain. Contact dave@segar engineering.com Subject line: WV property. 8/8/10p

WANTED TO BUY - Rock root, Black Cohosh, Goldenseal (tops), Bloodroot, and all other roots. Jesse Sams, 304-645-4047 or (cell) 304-667-6398. 8/1/5p

HOUSES AND REAL ESTATE

HOUSES AND REAL ESTATE - 1978 Homette 14x70 mobile home. Three bedroom, 1.5 bath, washer/dryer, gas cook stove, new propane heater, all new windows. Durbin area. Must be moved. \$4,000. Call 304-456-4972. 8/8/2p

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED - Automotive/small engine repair technician. Needs own tools. Call Fred at 304-653-4988. 8/8/3c

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

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POSITION AVAILABLE ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK

The office of the Pocahontas County Sheriff's Department is now accepting résumés for the position of Administrative Clerk. Résumés will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Thursday, August 15, 2024.

Job Description:

The position of Administrative Clerk will require clerical duties for and under the supervision of the Executive Assistant of Law Enforcement. These duties consist of answering the telephone, assisting the public, processing concealed weapon permits, processing accident report requests and civil process. Also, provide clerical support to the department officers and other duties that may be assigned.

Qualifications:

Applicant must have a high school diploma or equivalent. 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. Applicant must be able to travel for training and willing to attend classes. A background check and drug test will be required prior to employment.

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 submitting a résumé to the Pocahontas County Sheriff's Department Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. or by mail or email:

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from your friends across the street

Mayor's, from page 4

water plant. Water-plant operators asked that flushing be held off until we see a rise in Knapps Creek water levels.

This Mayor's Corner is to notify residents, and all involved, as to why the flushing of hydrants has not taken place yet. Also, to assure residents that you will be notified two weeks in advance of hydrant flushing. Sam

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BIRTH
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Grimes, a son, named Randall Allan.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Beverage, of Marlinton, a son, named Johnnie Steve, Jr.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Workman, of Hillsboro, a daughter, named Amy Ellen.

DEATHS

Mrs. Hannah Jennie Heckler, 60, of Marlinton; funeral from the Big Spring Presbyterian Church with burial in the Gibson Cemetery.

John Randolph (Bull Dog) Kenney, 66, of Pontiac, Michigan. Born at Marlinton, a son of the late John L. and Carrie Mundy Kenney. A veteran of World War II, having served with the U. S. Navy as a hospital corpsman. Burial in Perry Memorial Park in Pontiac.

Mrs. Hulda Flerenda Huffman, 63, of Ravenna, Ohio; born at Mill Point, a daughter of the late John Coleman and Almada Sturges Coleman. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery in Ravenna.

Keith Allen Starks, age 14, died from accidental drowning. He was laid to rest in the Garden of Faith Cemetery in Baltimore, Maryland. He was a son of Jerry and Carol Starks, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Shue and Mrs. Neva Starks, of Droop.

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ing a hole hardly big enough to bury a horse in, he realizes something of the stupendous task it is to construct a railway.

THE WESTON ASYLUM

The charges of gross immorality preferred against the superintendent of the Weston hospital for the insane seem in a fair way to be substantiated. The affidavits of four of the female attendants of the hospital have been secured to the effect that Mr. Superintendent is a mulierose man with a great desire to violate the seventh commandment, and he is a married man with three children. If the charges against him be true, he should be re-

lieved of his position as head of the greatest humane institution of the State. The affidavits mentioned seem to point to his early retirement into private life.

YELLOW FEVER

One of the most dangerous and dreaded diseases is yellow fever. Its occurrence at the Soldier's Home at Hampton brings it close to us, and the main danger lies in the fact that when it was known that yellow fever had broken out, the people of the town of Phoebus, Hampton, Newport News and Old Point scattered to the four winds. The inmates of the Home are privileged old veterans who are abroad a great deal, and nearly all of them patronize the saloons. They belong to the indigent class, and it is an interesting coincidence that so many old vet-

erans who have failed to provide for old age have been liquor drinkers. Nothing would be more natural than when the first chilliness and languor were felt for the old soldier to seek a stimulant and visit a saloon and spread the disease.

The section visited had a terrible scourge in 1855. One out of every three cases proved fatal... In the epidemic in Norfolk in 1855, not enough able bodied men were left to nurse the sick and bury the dead...

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DEATHS

Mrs. Lucy McNeill Overholt, aged 73 years, wife of Albert S. Overholt; funeral held from the home with burial in Mt. View Cemetery. The deceased was a daughter of the late William and Susan Buckley McNeill, of Swago...

Okey Ward Walton, aged 43 years, a son of Mrs. Laura Walton Miller and the late H. A. Walton. Funeral service was held from the Marlinton Presbyterian Church with interment in the family plot in Mt. View Cemetery with Masonic Honors.

BITS AND PIECES

"My son went to the

United States 10 years ago to make his fortune."

"And, what is he worth now?"
"I really don't know for certain, but the State of New York is offering \$20,000 for information about him."

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MORE LISTINGS

6523 - Mill Point. Lot C-2. Little Mountain Retreat. 2.5 acre lot close to national forest, Highland Scenic Highway, Greenbrier River and Trail. Near Cherry, Cranberry and Williams rivers. - \$14,000

6585 - Bartow. 3BR/1BA with basement, two-car detached garage on 1.6 acres. Three outbuildings. Borders Recreation Park. Close to Greenbrier River and Trail. Durbin and Cass railroads. - \$169,900

6622 - Dunmore. 3BR/2BA chalet-style home with full basement and two-car detached garage on 50 very private acres. Surrounded by national forest. - \$550,000

6628 - Marlinton. Well-maintained, 3BR/2BA home with large front porch on 0.22 acre. Handicapped accessible. Just minutes to restaurants, recreation and entertainment. - \$150,000

6617 - Cass. 1.56 acres bordering Greenbrier River and Allegheny Trail. Sloped to steep land with building site out of floodplain. Electric, phone, spring. Near Cass Scenic Railroad - \$34,000

6698 - Hillsboro. Lot A-1. Offering 2 wooded acres in restricted development of Little Mountain Retreat with easy access. Near national forest and fishing. Owner financing available. - \$15,000

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