



This single vehicle crash claimed the life of a Maryland resident last Monday.

Monday morning accident claims Maryland woman

A single vehicle accident on Monday, July 11 claimed a Maryland woman and injured three others when the late model Ford F-150 in which they were traveling crashed on I-79. A second passenger was life-flighted from the scene by HealthNet helicopter while two others were treated at Braxton County Memorial.

According to investigating officer, Deputy Bradley Pickens of the Braxton County

Sheriff's Department, the truck was traveling north on I-79, near the 74 mile marker, when the driver lost control, crossed the median, southbound lane and struck the hillside.

Patricia Tino, 85, of Adelphia, MD was pronounced dead at the scene as a result of the injuries she received in the crash. Her husband John Marshall Tino, also 85, was transported to Braxton County Memorial Hospital for treatment.

The driver, William Yanssens, 73, of Ohio, was also taken to the local hospital for treatment. His wife, Valerie Yanssens, 72 was life flighted to a Morgantown facility for treatment. No additional information regarding the conditions of the three survivors has been released.

Burnsville and Sutton Volunteer Fire Departments as well as Braxton EMS responded to the emergency.

Sutton Town Council has busy/long meeting

The Sutton Town Council conducted their most recent meeting on July 14. Council member Robyn Dolan was absent.

The first to speak to council was Felisha Watson. She spoke to the body about her concerns with speeding on South Franklin. Council member Steve Facemire stated the town had received new 15 mph speed limit signs and he would see to one being placed in her area. Police Chief Shane Boggs asked to speak with Watson to get more details and that he would have a patrol out in that area.

Steve Facemire discussed the estimate for paving on Birch Street. The initial estimate did not include gravel, ditch work and man hours. Mayor JD Hoover discussed possibly having the road repair completed with gravel only to be more "cost effective." On a motion by Jon Crum with a second by Steve Facemire, council moved to request a second estimate before moving forward.

Chief Boggs gave a brief update to council members. He informed them he has been officially scheduled for the academy. He noted patrols have been active at night and several arrests and citations have been issued. The police are trying to be more proactive and target areas with higher complaints.

Chief Boggs also noted that all county municipalities were down to one officer on staff.

Steve Facemire stated he took part in a work session with the county and he was informed the Braxton

County Sheriff's Department will be more active in the town.

He then submitted a request from Municipal Judge Rodney Jamison for council to approved adding \$30 to the court costs for registered mail or the need to have the process server to serve summons. Municipal Judge Jamison also requested the down payment be increased from 20% to 50%. Both requests were approved on a motion by Steve Facemire with a second by Catherine Hoover.

Chief Boggs discussed with council members about having a police parade sometime in 2023. He asked council to decide on what day they think would be best and he would start the planning for the parade. Chief Boggs stated he was looking forward to promoting unity in the town and finding ways to get more community involvement. Steve Facemire made a motion to form a committee to work on finding a date for the parade.

Council members briefly discussed the status of the property used as the trash collection point behind the Courthouse and the old bank building. It was decided to try to meet with the county commission again about the property and to check with the attorney on the deed transfer for the old bank property.

Council member Jon Crum discussed the need to move forward with the electrical outlet for the farmers market without the second estimate. Council discussed purchasing the materials and having an electrician complete the install.

Council member Beth Atkins informed council the Elk River Trail committee meeting will be August 23 at 6:00 pm in the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Annex (old Fisher Building). This meeting is to discuss the final report from the studies completed by the Elk River Trail committee.

Council will be having a work session to discuss assigning council members to standing committees and to review the ordinances. Jon Crum sent the cleaned up ordinances electronically for council members to review. He also discussed looking into getting the ordinances online once they are complete. The work session will be July 21 at 6:00 pm.

Recorder Laurel Petolicchio addressed the issue of the public town building not being handicap accessible and her concerns. Steve Facemire stated he would look into using the threshold being removed from the house being demoed to use for the entrance of the town building. Council discussed looking into chair lift and elevator options and getting quotes for installation.

Recorder Petolicchio also addressed the distribution of the public utility tax. She had a discussion with the new fire department chief who stated they had received a percentage in the past. Jon Crum stated it is listed in the ordinances for the public utility tax to be used for police and fire protection and should be reviewed.

Catherine Hoover discussed getting brack-

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Routine traffic stop leads to two arrests

On Thursday evening July 14 at approximately 10:30 p.m., Sheriff's Deputies Brad Williams and Andrew Jordan were conducting road patrol in the Flatwoods area near Lloyds Hardware. The officers observed a green Honda Civic which appeared to have defective equipment. When the Deputies ran the license plate, Braxton Control informed them that the registration had expired in March.

When the officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop, on I-79 the vehicle accelerated in an attempt to elude law enforcement. The pursuit, with speeds exceeding 100 MPH, eventually lead to the Honda exiting the highway at the Frametown Exit. The pursuit continued on Route 4 to-



Gibson



Ryan

ward Strange Creek. The vehicle turned onto Tate Creek Road, still traveling at a high rate of speed, before turning onto Potato Run Road where the driver eventually lost control and went into the ditch.

During the chase, officers witnessed the passenger throwing unknown items from the vehicle's passenger side window.

When the vehicle finally stopped the driver attempted to flee on foot. Officers apprehended the driver a short distance from the crash site. Following a

brief struggle, officers secured the suspect. He was identified as Hannibal Taft Ryan IV, 25, of Spencer. He was charged with fleeing with reckless indifference and fraudulent registration. Additional charges may be pending.

The passenger, identified as Haley J. Gibson, 23, of Frametown was also arrested and charged with obstructing an officer.

During their investigation, officers also discovered that Ryan had a warrant for his arrest in Roane County on charges of grand larceny and conspiracy to commit a felony stemming from an October 2021 incident in that county. That charges involved the theft of tools and a generator

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Waterline through Burnsville Lake advances

One of the items on the Braxton County Commission's agenda last Friday at their regular meeting was Burnsville Lake waterline. Shane Whitehair, Executive Director of Region VII Planning and Development Council was on hand to discuss the matter with the Commission. Whitehair explained that his agency on behalf of the Burnsville Water Authority was pursuing funding for the relocation of a waterline that is currently in Burnsville Lake to land along the lake that will service the Bulltown Campground and other improvements in the area.

The representative further explained that the project was projected to cost \$6.6 million. Grant funds, currently on track, would amount to \$4.4 million with \$2.2 million coming from other sources. Whitehair requested that the Commission allocate \$125,000 of their American Recover Plan (ARP) funds, to the project. Following the discussion, Larry Clifton made a motion to approve the request.

Addi Facemire, Director of Braxton County Testing Services was first to appear before the Commission. She gave a report on activities of her agency for the month of June. She told the Commission they BCTS had conducted 100 drug screens and that two individuals had successfully completed the terms of their home con-

finement and had been released.

John Hoffman, OES/9-1-1/EMS Director brought several items before the Commission. He presented monthly reports for both the OES/9-1-1 and EMS. A total of 2,754 calls came into Braxton Control during the month of June. Of those 678 resulted in some type of emergency response. Local law enforcement agency received 183 of those calls; 177 were fire department related; 170 were EMS

McKown will receive full county benefits and \$12.00 per hour. The request drew the unanimous approval of the Commission.

In other business, the Commission approved the short form settlements as presented by the Fiduciary Supervisor for George Dewey Keener Jr., Norma Sue Robinson, John W. Shaw Sr., and Thomas Edward Tichner.

Correction of Erroneous Assessments were

approved for the following: Cynthia Wilson, Russell & Carol Facmire, Jason & Sarah Rexroad, Jeremy Sears, John W. Kennen Jr., and Rebecca Shaver estate.

Three purchase orders were up for consideration.

Before acting on the requests Larry Clifton made a motion to void PO# 744 to Amazon for LED flashlights due to not having a charge account with the company. PO# 752 was the first to be approved. The Sheriff's Law Enforcement Division will purchase 6 LED Stinger Flashlights from Galls at a cost of \$1,170.53.

The Sheriff will also benefit from a purchase order to Evans Auto for \$1,142.21 for 4 tires, brake pads and an oil change to the 2014 Ford Taurus cruiser.

The final purchase order approved autho-

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Pubic meeting regarding Frontier phone service to be held July 28th

Commission President Lisa Godwin announced at last Friday, County Commission meeting that there would be a public meeting to voice concerns regarding Frontier Communications' poor phone service in certain parts of the county. The Commission will host the meeting which is hoped to include both Frontier and Public Service Commission representatives.

This special meeting, which is open to the public, will be held on July 28 at the Braxton County Senior Center beginning at 2:00 p.m. The Commission will also field input from the public by phone. Those who can not attend the public meeting should call 304-765-2835 during regular business hours.

and 2 resulted in field responses by the Office of Emergency Services (OES).

Hoffman also reviewed the month EMS breakdown prepared by EMS Supervisor Kenny Summers.

The Director requested Barbara Adams, Jody Beall and Fred Thompson be reappointed to three-year terms on the Braxton County E-9-1-1 Advisory Board. That request was granted via a motion by Larry Clifton.

Hoffman stated that Telecommunicator Brent Moore was taking his retirement and would like to be changed from a full-time to part-time employee. In lieu of the vacancy, Hoffman requested that Philip McKown be moved from part-time to full-time.

OPINION

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As I See It

By Ed Given



Prices go up... but do they come down?

I get angry every time I think about the price of gasoline. And... you have no choice but to think about it... everyone is adding a “fuel sur-charge” to anything that requires transportation. Even our printer is adding an extra fee to bring us our newspapers. At least they are doing it the right way... they have a teared approach based on the cost of a gallon of gas. When the price goes up we pay a little more. When it goes down the fee is less. In fact, they even have a clause that when the price per gallon reaches a certain point, they will drop the sur-charge all together. While I can’t say I like it... at least the way they administer the fee is fair.

That can not be said in most instances. I saw the extra fees on products I received when gasoline was \$2.00 a gallon. I have certainly come to realize that big oil will use any excuse to jump the price up a few cents. In fact, the Ukrainian/Russian War was a example. They said the war caused the price of crude oil to increase and that created big upward spikes in our cost of gasoline. We saw gasoline jump as much as 20 cents overnight when the price of crude broke \$100 a barrel. Now that the costs have come down... prices at the pumps have fallen only a few cents. My point is that these prices never come down at the rate they go up... nor as fast.

I personally believe there are two major contributors. One, shippers are making extra profit from these fees, particularly when the prices drop. Second, and probably more importantly is the fact that too many people in powerful positions have stock portfolios full of oil and gas stocks. As we all know, these companies are recording record profits and have throughout these troubled years. They figure a way, because they are allowed to by the powerful politicians who personally benefit from these hefty dividends.

Well, for the sake of my blood pressure, I’m getting off this soapbox. It will not get any better until elected officials truly look at what is in the best interest of the citizens as a whole. Unfortunately, I don’t see that happening until the voters manage to get term limits on the ballot. That’s the only way... as I see it... we know how good politicians are at policing themselves!

Every Acre Counts

By Kevin Gregory

Helping Stop the Wild Turkeys’ Decline Part 2 of 2

In part 2 of this article, we will continue to look at how our imaginary 10 Acre Farm stacks up against quality turkey habitat during the fall and winter periods of our 12-month life cycle.

Sept-December – Winter Prep

Property Area Assessment – 4 Acres of Pasture/Old hayfield – Those that have made it this long will enjoy an old hayfield or pasture where insect life will continue to be present until the frost begins to force them into seclusion.

Property Area Assessment – 4 Acres of Mature Woods – With a strong likelihood of oaks being present, White Oaks may be an option for providing early acorns but they don’t last long. Red Oaks should start dropping later in Nov or Dec. These will help the prep for the winter months by adding key fat reserves to the turkeys and growing poultts preparing for their first winter. Closed canopy areas will make it easy for predators to continue to target those turkey not on high alert during this period as Coyotes, Bobcat and Bear are preparing for the winter as well.

Using this simple chart, we can look at where our holes are in our property’s wild turkey habitat.

<u>Time Period</u>	<u>Cover & Nesting</u>	<u>Food</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Mar-May	Minimal	Limited	Spring green up needed for food
June - Aug	Minimal	Yes	Hayfields do not support early poult production.
Sept - Dec	Minimal	Yes	Very dependent on mass production.
Dec - Mar	No	No	Bad all the way around.

December – March – Winter Survival
Property Area Assessment – 4 Acres of Pasture/Old hayfield – No added value if filled with grasses which are likely flattened by the winter snows. This is a weakness in our winter habitat.
Property Area Assessment – 4 Acres of Mature Woods – The closed canopy woods will provide some cover from the snow, but due to the lack of undergrowth thermal cover will be limited. They turkeys will be using a lot of calories staying warm and they will need a consistent source of insect, fruits and nuts or seeds. Occasionally a small mouse or mole may be found. This is a weakness for our habitat during this phase of the year.

Final Assessment - Nesting and Brood Cover - From this chart we can see we are providing, at best, minimal cover, and nesting habitat for our turkey. If we expect to meet the meager national average of a successful nests, 21%, we will need to do some work to provide better nesting cover. Quickly, nest survival leads into poult rearing and our hayfields are thick and dewy morning spell disaster for young poultts if this is their only food or habitat option. For the first several weeks, young poultts can’t thermoregulate therefore death from hypothermia is a major issue – wet grass with cool mornings don’t help. Once the poultts hit 4-5 weeks, they will likely be able to make it unless picked off by a predator so our cover is important through the summer months. Our hayfield is likely cut producing a nice lawn with no cover. Field edges and the open woodlot is their only option which leaves the turkey with very little cover.

Food for the year is adequate in the spring after green-up and then if we have good mass production the turkey will do ok through the winter. Summer food will be insects, mice, and moles where they can find them and new sprouts where available. Even though we continue to see turkey on your landscape, if your property has any of these areas in common with our imaginary 10 acres then you should consider improving your habitat. The turkeys you see today, will not be there tomorrow if we continue to ignore the problem. Like the Bobwhite Quail, by the time we hit the panic button, it will be too late. A 40% reduction in the eastern wild turkey population should be alarm enough – it’s time to act.

In a future article we will apply some basic habitat management principles to our 10-acre property and focus on Please turn to **EVERY ACRE** page 3

Just look at this!

A weekly photo of opinion in Braxton County... sometimes good and sometimes not so good.



Sutton Moose Lodge #825 members recently presented a donation to the Landmark LYTE group towards their trip to NYC. The Landmark Youth Theater Ensemble (LYTE) will be taking a trip to New York City in late July. While there, these young actors and actresses will get to experience the magic of Broadway. Students will stay three nights and watch three musicals.

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News from our Capitol

by Delegate Brent Boggs

As grandkids grow older, the time you get to spend with them as grandparents depend on making the time and effort to work around their increasingly busy schedules. Jean and I had a wonderful week with Carson and Kenzie. Soon to enter their final year of middle school in Hurricane, they wanted to come up and stay with us after the previous week at church camp in Cowen. Helping us work around the property was offset with swimming, fishing, sharing stories and lots of laughter in the house. The golden retrievers stick with them like glue when the kids and grandkids visit, with Waldo and Buddy always watching or listening for their “kids”.

It was sad news to learn of the passing of Virginia “Gigi” Manchin, First Lady of Glenville State University, and wife of GSU President Dr. Mark Manchin. Mrs. Manchin passed away on July 13 after an ex-

tended illness. Gigi was a wonderful lady, and her passing is a tremendous loss to family, friends, the GSU community, and all West Virginians. Gigi and Mark marked 50 years of marriage last month. Jean and I extend our deepest condolences to Mark, their children and grandchildren, and the entire Manchin and Mastroguiseppe family during this time of sadness.

The monthly interim legislative meetings for July will be held July 24 – 26 at the Capitol. Below is the complete schedule for each of the meetings next week. Also built into the schedule appears to be potential time for the special session mentioned by Governor Justice several days ago. However, as of this writing on Sunday night, legislators have yet to receive official notification or proclamation normally issued by the Governor, including any special session agenda items.

Tax income cuts remain the mystery item if a

session is called in conjunction with the interim meetings. More studies and articles emerge daily and the example of what happened in Kansas several years ago when cutting taxes leads to raising other taxes and fees. What’s worse, most of these tax cuts tend to strongly favor the top earners, while the low- and middle-income folks bear the burden. I hope details emerge this week so the public can weigh in on any proposal. Otherwise, it gives me pause for concern.

Sunday, July 24
1:00 PM Joint Commission on Economic Development - House Judiciary
1:00 PM Post Audits Subcommittee - Senate Finance
2:00 PM Select Committee on PEIA, Seniors and Long-Term Care - House Gov. Org.
2:00 PM Agriculture and Rural Development - Senate Judiciary
3:00 PM Legislative Oversight Commission on Education Accountability - Senate Finance
3:00 PM Joint Legislative Committee on Flooding - Senate Judiciary
5:00 PM Joint Legislative Oversight Commission on Dept. of Transportation Accountability - Senate Judiciary

6:00 PM Naming Resolutions Subcommittee - Senate Judiciary
Monday, July 25
8:00 AM Joint Standing Committee on Pensions and Retirement - Senate Finance
9:00 AM Joint Standing Committee on Finance - House Chamber
9:00 AM Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary - Senate Chamber
1:00 PM Forest Management Review Commission - Senate Finance
1:00 PM Joint Committee on Children and Families - Senate Judiciary
3:00 PM Commission on Special Investigations - Senate Finance
3:00 PM Select Committee on Infrastructure - Senate Judiciary
4:00 PM Select Committee on Veterans’ Affairs - Senate Judiciary
5:00 PM Joint Committee on Government Operations - House Chamber
5:00 PM Joint Standing Committee on Government Organization - House Chamber
5:00 PM Joint Standing Committee on Education - Senate Chamber
Tuesday, July 26, 2022
9:00 AM Joint Committee on Health - House Gov. Org.
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from a residence on Dessie Clem Road near the county line.

Ryan was arraigned before Braxton County Magistrate David Singleton before being lodged in the Central Regional Jail in lieu of a \$25,000 cash only bond to await additional court proceedings.

Gibson was also arraigned before Magistrate Singleton where she was released on a \$1,500 personal recognizance bond.

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alized Bay Diesel Corporation to repair a generator at the 9-1-1 Center at a cost of \$639.72

Following a brief discussion, Larry Clifton made a motion to proceed with gathering prices toward purchasing bullet proof vests for the Animal Control Officer and the Process Server.

The Commission voted to raise the mileage reimbursement rate to 62.5 cents per mile for county employees and office holders in light of the rising gasoline prices. That process will be monitored and adjusted if the price at the pumps falls significantly.

Melvin Gum made a motion to renew the agreement with Global Science & Technology Inc. to license, maintain and support the County's website for one year, beginning July 1, 2022, at a cost of \$1,995.

The Commission approved the purchase of a new riding lawnmower for the Animal Shelter not to exceed \$2,500.

Commission President Lisa Godwin outlined an upcoming public meeting to voice concerns and complaints regarding Frontier phone service. (See accompanying article for details.)

Following a review Melvin Gum made a motion to approve the county and EMS invoices.

A separate motion approved the minutes of

the Commission's July 1 meeting.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Braxton County Commission will convene at 9:00 a.m. on August 5.

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ets for the flags for the poles along Main Street.

Council discussed the parking meter poles. Steve Facemire stated the 2 hour free parking signs have been received and will be strategically placed throughout town. Mayor Hoover received an email from Lisa Conant from City National Bank asking about options to getting the old poles painted and decorated to present a more uniform look in town.

Under regular business, council approved the minutes from the June 23 meeting on a motion by Steve Facemire with a second by Catherine Hoover. Also approved was the payment of bills by a motion by Steve Facemire and a second by Beth Atkins.

On a motion by Steve Facemire with a second by Recorder Petolicchio, council approved the demolition permit for 502 Main Street with the request the equipment is moved in during the evening hours or weekends to keep business traffic unobstructed.

Council approved to advertise the panel truck for sealed bids on a motion by Steve Facemire with a second by Jon Crum.

Council discussed the employee paid holiday schedule, specifically in reference to part-time employees. It was noted the dates were listed as part of the ordinances and should be reviewed.

Council went into executive session at 7:38 pm to discuss personnel issues with employees. They reconvened at 8:20 pm. On a motion by Beth Atkins with Catherine Hoover's second, the council approved with Jon Crum and Recorder Laurel

Petolicchio voting against, to give a pay raise to Brittany Fowler and for it to be retroactive to June 1. Jon Crum noted the pay raise was not mentioned in prior minutes and was not agreed up on by council members. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

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improving our habitat for the turkeys and some areas for our whitetail. Other species will benefit from this work as well – stay tuned and remember – ***Every Arce Counts!***

Kevin Gregory is the owner of Eagle Land Transformation, LLC, specializing in wildlife habitat management and can be reached at eagleland2019@gmail.com if you have questions on his articles.

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1:00 PM Labor and Worker Safety Issues - House Judiciary

2:00 PM Legislative Oversight Committee on Regional Jail and Correctional Facility Authority - Senate Judiciary

2:00 PM Joint Committee on Government and Finance - Senate Finance

4:00 PM Joint Committee on Natural Gas Development - House Chamber

4:00 PM Joint Standing Committee on Energy - House Chamber

4:00 PM Legislative Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources Accountability - Senate Finance

Now that the session has concluded, please contact me at my home office at: 151 Park Street, Gassaway, WV 26624. The phone number is 304-364-8411. For those with Internet access, my legislative email address is: Brent.Boggs@WVHouse.gov

Remember to thank a Veteran every day for their service and remember our troops - at home and abroad - and keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Until next week, take care.

Cliff diving at lakes prohibited

The Huntington District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers would like to remind the public that cliff jumping/diving at all Huntington District managed lakes remains strictly prohibited. These lakes, in addition to Burnsville Sutton Lakes are as follows: Alum Creek, Deer Creek, Delaware, Dillon, North Branch of Kokosing and Paint Creek Lakes in Ohio; Beech Fork, Bluestone, , East Lynn, R.D. Bailey, Summersville, and in West Virginia; Dewey, Fishtrap, Grayson, Paintsville and Yatesville Lakes in Kentucky; and John W. Flannagan in Virginia.

Cliff diving is a reckless and dangerous activity with the potential to cause serious injury and death. Public safety is of the highest importance to the Corps of Engineers. Prompted by several recent water-related accidents and fatalities, the Huntington District is releasing this public reminder as to the danger and consequences of cliff diving.

Failure to heed to regulations may result in citation under Title 36, which may result in a penalty of up to \$5,000 or even federal imprisonment.

Braxton County Firefighters Association's to host first Elimination Dinner

The Braxton County Firefighters Association is now selling tickets for their first Elimination Dinner sponsored by the Sutton Moose Lodge #825.

The event will be held at the Braxton County High School September, 10, 2022 from 5-9 pm.

The dinner prepared by Sutton Moose Lodge #825 will be ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, dinner roll, drink and selection of desserts.

There will be a Chinese Auction, 50/50 drawings every half hour, raffle tickets and much more.

The proceeds raised will be equally divided between Braxton County's volunteer fire departments in Burnsville, Chapel, Gassaway, Flatwoods, Frametown, Servia and Sutton after expenses.

All volunteer fire departments have been limited in normal fundraising endeavors the last two years because of COVID.

Door will be open at 4:30 pm, dinner will be served at 5:00 pm, followed by the beginning

of the elimination process when someone will be the lucky winner of \$1000.

Tickets are \$25 each that includes one dinner and one chance on the grand prize, and you need not be present to win.

The tickets are available from Braxton County Firefighters, Sutton Moose Lodge #825, Mountain Laurel Country Store in Sutton, The Spot Restaurant in Flatwoods, Peoples Bank in

Letters to the Editor: Our policy...

We would like to remind readers that we welcome letters to the editor.

We would like to reiterate our policy of not publishing letters that do not contain the author's identification. You must enclose a phone number for verification purposes. The number will not be published.

We reserve the right to edit and/or refuse any letter. We do not accept letters refuting or endorsing candidates for any upcoming election.

Letters should be

Gassaway, and City National Bank in Sutton.

Members of the Braxton County Firefighters Association are accepting donated items for the auction and for prizes. Any and all donations are appreciated.

For more information or donation pick up or delivery call fundraiser coordinators Shelly Sutphin 304-644-8441, secretary Sierra Hall 304-704-3299 or treasurer Debbie Westfall 304-644-1956.

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- New Load: 3/4" Plywood
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- New Load: Tub/Shower units
- New Load: Pre-Hung Exterior Doors
- New Load: Interior Door Slabs
- New Load: Ceiling Tile
- New Load White Paint -Satin, Flat, 5 gal & 1 gal
- New Load: Butcherblock Countertops – Acacia & Beech
- New Load: Vinyl Flooring
- New Load: T1-11 siding 5/8" & 11/32"
- New Load: Ceiling Tile
- New Load: ¾" Plywood
- New Load: Metal Roofing 8', 12' & 16'
- New Load: Poly ISO Insulation 4'X4"
- New Load: Sliding Patio Doors
- New Load: 11/32" Beadboard Siding

Materials available:

- Windows, Various sizes
- House Wrap
- Treated Decking
- Mobile Home Doors: 32" & 34"
- Hand Sanitizer - 1 L Glass bottles
- Butcherblock Counter Tops - Beech
- Paint - 1 gal. Satin White
- Kitchen & Bathroom Faucets
- Flooring Laminate, Vinyl & Underlayment
- Floor Tile: 12x12, 18x18, 6x24, 12x24
- Tile Setting Materials & Tools
- Fiberglass blow-in insulation - machine for rent
- Roofing Shingles
- Toilets
- Wood Frame Mirrors
- Selection of Vanity Tops
- Granite/Stone Slabs
- Door panels (interior)
- Door Knobs
- Tub/Shower units

Other items too numerous to mention

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OBITUARIES

Roy Lee Knight Sr
Roy Lee Knight Sr, 66, of Clarksburg, WV passed away in his home on Tuesday, July 12, 2022.

He was born February 8, 1956 in Sutton, WV. Roy became a painter at 16 years old and spent the next 45 years perfecting his trade. He spent 20 years working with his son, who he passed down his craftsmanship.

Roy was preceded in death by his father, William "Sunny" Knight; mother, Virginia May Utt Grillbortzer, and sister, Violet Marie Knight Miller. He is survived by his longtime partner and caretaker, Ruth Bonner of Clarksburg, West Virginia; son, Roy Knight Jr. and wife, Tammy, of Manassas, Virginia; three daughters, Jeanine Ruppel and husband, Keith, of Haymarket, Virginia, Lisa Haney of Orlando, Florida, and Amanda Kapps and husband, Alex, of Palouse, Washington; son, Kenneth Knight and wife, Ericka, of Rockledge, Florida; brother, William Knight of Martinsburg, West Virginia and sisters, Ellen Baldwin of Alexandria, Virginia, Patricia Knight of North Point, Florida and Lisa Billings of Manassas, Virginia. Roy is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

In keeping with his wishes he was cremated and a memorial service will be held at a later day.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations be made to a charity of your choice.

Arrangements by Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway, WV.

Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at www.roachfuneralhome.com.

James Roger Marsh
James Roger Marsh, 69, of Gassaway, passed away on Saturday, July 9, 2022 at Braxton Memorial Hospital, Gassaway.

He was born on August 3, 1952 in Tesla, WV, the son of the late Clarence Chester & Eva Lucille Berry Marsh. Also preceding him in death were his sisters, Clara Parsons, Shirley Long, Marella Shaw, Virginia Long; brothers, David Marsh, Eddie Marsh, Roy Marsh.

James was a machinist and served his country in the US Marine Corp.

He is survived by his companion, Velda Joan Markley Marsh; sons, Roger Marsh of Jacksonville, FL, David Marsh of Ohio; daughter, Cheryl Brewster of Cleveland, OH; brother, Cam Marsh of Sutton; sister, Margie Elizabeth Tate of Canton, OH.

Memorial services in James's honor were held 1:00 pm, Saturday, July 16, 2022 at Greene-Robertson Funeral Home, Sutton.

Greene- Robertson Funeral Home is humbled to be serving the Marsh family.

Online condolences may be sent to: greene-robertsonfuneralhome.com

Wanda Lee (Clowser) Randles-Harrold
Wanda L. Randles-Harrold, 89, formerly of Brewster, more recently of Massillon, passed away peacefully, while attended by family, early Monday morning, July 11, 2022. Born April 7, 1933, in Knapp, West Virginia, a daughter to the late Ernest L. and Wanda (Boone) Clowser, Wanda had been an area resident most of her adult life. She worked as an LPN for the former Massillon State Psychiatric Hospital and area nursing homes until her retirement in 2001, following 50 years of caring and compassionate service. A faithful member of Massillon Baptist Temple, Wanda was a true matriarch, actively devoted to her family and her faith community, placing them at the center of her life. Strong-willed and intrepid, she faced life's challenges head-on. She loved fully and unconditionally and with her spirit of self-sacrifice, gladly placed the needs of others ahead of her own. She lived the words written in James 1:22 – "But be ye therefore doers of the word, not hearers only..."

In her leisure time Wanda traveled the world. But the hills of West Virginia always held a special place in her heart, and she needed to be there every so often. She also took an interest in photography, especially when generations of the family got together.

Predeceased by her parents; her husband, Leroy Dale Harrold; and a sister, Sandra (Clowser) Keaton, Wanda is survived by her daughter, Darlene M. (Robert) Oney, of Malvern, Ohio; and step-son, Bryan (Lori) Harrold, of Louisville, Ohio; grandchildren, Trent (Corine) Britton and Stacey (Joseph) Urbas, all of Massillon; grandchildren, Kayla and Tyler Britton and Emilee Urbas, Brianne (Chris) Steffen, Taylor (Dylan) Tucker and Drew (Ashley) Elliott; and five great-grandchildren; a great-great-grandson; and her sister, Mrs. Wilma Jean (Clowser) Frazier, of Vienna, West Virginia.

Funeral services was conducted at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, July 14, 2022, at Atkinson Feucht Hare Funeral Home in Massillon, Ohio. Dr. C.E. Thayer, pastor of Massillon Baptist Temple officiated, and burial followed at Granville Union Cemetery in Strasburg, Ohio. The family received condolences one hour prior to the services, from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

Yvonne Marie Moore
Yvonne Marie Moore, 87, of Vale, NC went home to be with her Lord, Friday, July 15, after a sudden illness. Yvonne, known as Vonnies, to friends and family, was born December 28, 1934 to Homer B. and Elva Jane Walker at their home in Duck, WV. She was a 1952 graduate of Gassaway

High School. She was particularly proud that she typed the yearbook her senior year. Although primarily a homemaker, Vonnies held several different jobs throughout her life, including school cook and teacher's aide at Servia Elementary School and later as a licensed CNA and then Central Sterile Tech at Gassaway Hospital, Gassaway, WV.

Yvonne was a member of Risen Church, Lincolnton, NC. She was devoted in her faith and wrote a devotional, "Good Thoughts for Everyday Living." It was a compilation of everyday occurrences in her life used to illustrate a Biblical principle. She loved people and gave away more than she sold. She learned to crochet as a young person. It was a lifelong hobby. Although she sold a lot of her baby blankets, she made gifts of her scarves to countless people. She was admired by many for her generous spirit.

On August 9, 1952 she married John William Moore of Servia, WV. They were married 33 years before his passing in 1985. She was also predeceased by one grandson in 2003.

She is survived by two children, James L Moore, Duck, WV and Jeanette Kokochak, Vale, NC; three siblings, Jo Ann Truman, Servia, WV, Ella "Duke" May, of Big Chimney, WV and James A. Walker, Frametown, WV. Other surviving family members include seven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren.

A graveside service will be 11 A.M. Saturday, July 23, 2022 at the Moore Cemetery, Servia, WV with Pastor Joseph Robert Truman officiating.

Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at www.roachfuneralhome.com.

Ronnie David McCraw, Sr.
Ronnie David McCraw, Sr., 66, of Gassaway, passed away on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at Select Specialty Hospital in Charleston, WV due to a long illness.

He was born in Steubenville, Ohio on July 8, 1956 to the late Fred Lee and Wanda Jane Stump McCraw.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brothers, Fred Lee "Joe" McCraw, Jr., Winifred "Butch"

McCraw, Jimmy Ray McCraw, and Jackie Lee McCraw; and two sisters, Nancy Shaw and Mary Sue Weese.

Ronnie truly enjoyed watching WWE Wrestling on the television. His hobbies included camping and fishing. He enjoyed walking his two dogs in downtown Gassaway. A fun day for him was spending time with his grandchildren teaching them to cook. He loved his family and he never met a stranger.

He is survived by his two sons, Ronnie McCraw, Jr and boyfriend, Sherman Knight of Crown Hill, WV and Bobby McCraw and wife, Kassandra, of Summersville; sister, Linda Hensley and husband, David, of Gassaway; six grandchildren, Trinity Fry, Ayla Fry, Ruby Denname-McCraw, Kayden McCraw, Carl Cooper and Bobby McCraw, Jr.; and several nieces and nephews.

In keeping with his wishes he was cremated and a Celebration of Life Service will be held for him at a later date.

Arrangements by Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway.

Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at www.roachfuneralhome.com.

Delmas Eugene Sartin
Delmas Eugene Sartin, 71, of Little Birch, passed away on Thursday, July 14, 2022 at Braxton Memorial Hospital, Gassaway.

He was born August 27, 1950 in Sutton, the son of the late, Robert Limroe & Lula Gay Rhodes Sartin. Also preceding him in death was his brother, Darrell Junior Sartin.

Delmas worked as a Coal Miner for 15 years and was a Baptist by faith.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby Lynn Rollyson; daughters, Melissa Sue Sartin Rose (Oliver) of Burnsville, Chrystal Gayle Sartin Rose (Ordie, II) of Sutton; grandchildren, Tyler Creston Sartin, Tiffany Nicole Rose, Corie Eugene Rose, Tara Lynn Sartin, Sarah Grace Rose, Dakota Joe Rose; great grandchildren, Otto Sartin, Zavin Tarla, Eden Rose, Kenzieleigh Claypool; brothers, Daniel Sartin, Harold Lee Sartin, Gary Sartin all of Little Birch; sisters, Ruth Bender of Erbacon, Edna Tonkin, Ellen Brown both of Little Birch, Melvina Tonkin, Patsy Collins both of Tesla, Darlene Sartin of Sutton.

Funeral services were held 1:00 pm, Monday, July 18, 2022

at Greene-Robertson Funeral Home, Sutton. Burial followed at Bill Rose Cemetery, Birch River. Family received friends one hour before the service at the funeral home.

Greene-Robertson Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Sartin family.

On line condolences may be sent to: greene-robertsonfuneralhome.com

Cloe G. Thomas
Cloe G. Thomas, 92 of Summersville passed away Saturday, July 16, 2022 at Summersville Extended Care.

Cloe was born July 13, 1930 in Webster County and was the daughter of the late Virgil and Thelma Williams Phares. Along with her parents she was also preceded in death by her husband Harold Thomas and five siblings.

Cloe enjoyed playing bingo with with the others residents at the nursing home.

Surviving are her sisters; Karolyn Boyer, Harriet Waggy and Brenda Phares.

Graveside service will be 11:00 AM, Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at Miller Cemetery, Webster Springs with Pastor Larry Gawthrop officiating. Burial will follow alongside her husband.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.doddreedfh.com.

Dodd & Reed Funeral Home, Webster Springs is honored to be serving Thomas/Phares family.

Richard Earl Strader
Richard Earl Strader, 91, of Pennsylvania, passed away on July 10, 2022 at his residence. He was born in Orlando, WV on April 1, 1931, a son of the late Linzy Earl and Mae Elizabeth (Posey) Strader. On Oc-

tober 27, 1962, Richard was united in marriage to Wanda Sue (Wilson) Strader and together they shared a loving 59 years.

In addition to his wife Wanda, cherishing the memories of Richard are 1 daughter; Susan Strader of Crescent Township, PA, 1 grandchild and hunting buddy; Melissa Strader of Virginia, 5 brothers; James Strader of OH, John Strader of WV, Ray Strader of WV, Franklin Strader of WV, and Junior Strader of OH, 3 sisters; Mina Luzader of WV, Shirley Williams of WV, and Ivy Gibson of WV, and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Richard was preceded in death by a son Brian Keith Strader, 2 brothers; Wesley Riffle and Herbert Lane Strader, and 2 sisters; Glenna Lipps and infant Louise Strader.

Richard had retired as a Machinist from the Caliq Steel Drum Company of Neville Islands, PA. He also had a Lawn Service from the years of 1985 to 2020. Richard enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid hunter, gardener, bee keeper, canner and jelly maker. He was a great storyteller and kids loved him. Richard will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Family and friends gathered at Hardman Family Funeral Home 730 N. Main Avenue of Weston, WV on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 from 4PM-7PM. The funeral service was held on Thursday, July 14, 2022 at the Orlando United Methodist Church in Orlando, WV at 11AM with Pastor Bryon Bukovesky officiating. Mr. Strader lied in state at the church from 10 am until 11 am. Interment followed services at the Posey Cemetery in Orlando, WV. Online condolences and life stories in memory of Richard may be expressed at hardmanfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Hardman Family Funeral Home of Weston considers it an honor and a privilege to serve the family of Richard Earl Strader.

From the family of Aerwanna Frame

We would like to thank all that helped in any way during the heartbreaking time of our loss, to those that helped with the dinner, the nephews that carried her one last time and the ones that

were at the hospital the night she passed. A special thanks to Dr. Leveaux and staff and to Greene Robertson Funeral.

God Bless you all, David Frame, Avonda Stewart and family

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- The deceased should be a current or former resident of the newspaper's coverage area (Braxton County and the surrounding areas), or have family members who have lived or are living in this area.
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- Obituaries may be edited to conform to the newspaper standards and deadlines.
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In Memory of

Christina Weaver

July 19, 1978 to
March 8, 2005

You have
been gone
but not forgotten.

We love and
miss you.

Happy Birthday,
Christina!

Love, your
Mother & Brother

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sutton High School Alumni Meeting to be held at Senior Center Pavilion

A “third” meeting has been scheduled for July 22, 2022 at 6PM. We will be meeting at the Senior Center Pavilion. Please bring a chair as there is limited seating. This meeting is to “once again” discuss the interest in SHS graduates continuing with some sort of get together and hopefully make a final decision on whether we can continue. Questions, please call Marsha Lloyd 304-765-2414, Charlotte Chidester 304-765-2192, Dairell/Sally Browning 304-364-8293

Flatwoods Community Yard-sale

July 30th 9:00am-3:00pm Setup anytime between these hours If your not in town of Flatwoods and Want to setup call (304)678-7334

All Aboard Gassaway

When: July 21@ 5:30 Where: Gassaway Community Building Seeking community minded people with ideas, concerns, and solutions who want to be involved. Please bring your positive ideas and talents! Be there or call Lori Dittman, (304) 644-8912 for more information.

Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area looking for public comments

Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area has a Management Plan on review for the public at our library on the front desk. The public is welcome to submit any comments to the library until Thursday, July 21 and we will submit them on your behalf to the AFNHA.

Always Blessed Connections Co updated pantry days

Always Blessed Connections Co will open our pantry on the 3rd, 4th and 5th (if applicable) Friday of each month from 1pm to 5pm. Fresh produce, pantry staples and now USDA foods available. Feel free to contact me direct to ensure you and your family are included in what our pantry is offering.

BCHS Lady Eagles Basketball Team host first annual Ballerina 5K Night Run/Walk

Braxton County High School Lady Eagles Basketball team presents the first annual Ballerina 5K Run/Walk Night Run. Everyone is invited to come out to Holly Gray Park in Sutton, WV on July 30th with your tutu’s, glow in the dark gear, and run the park at night. Registration is happening now. The cost is \$25.00 to preregister online at aptimingcom. The cost will be \$30.00 on the night of the race starting at 7:00 P.M. with the race starting at 9:00 P.M. All proceeds will go to the Braxton County High School Lady Eagles Basketball Team. Free race shirts to the first fifty registrants. Glow sticks and other goodies available while supplies last.

Healthy Rowing Kayak Trip July 20th

Join Burnsville Lake, US Army Corps of Engineers at Falls Mills to learn more about how to stay safe and

healthy with Kayaking. Learn something while working out for fun. The kayaking trip will be on Wednesday, July 20th. Please arrive by 9:00 if you are interested in this trip. Pre-register by calling the Bulltown Historic Area Museum at (304)452-8170 or stopping in. Trip will not happen if there is no one registered. Bring a friend, some water and healthy snack and get ready to start learning and rowing.

Vicky Murphy, State Farm Agent hosts Back 2 School Supply Collection Drive

Looking to give back to students this summer? Vicky Murphy, State Farm is excited to kick off a Back 2 School Supply Collection Drive! It’s a simple way to help kids in our community, and for every item donated, our office will match that with a supply kit! 1 Supply Kit includes: A Folder, Paper, Crayons, Colored pencils, Washable markers, Scissors, A highlighter, Erasers, Pencils, A glue bottle, A glue stick, A composition book, A pen, and a pencil bag! Donations will be collected at the State Farm office in Gassaway, WV, from July 5th to July 22nd. All items are donated directly to the schools of Braxton County this August. Make your donation today!

Braxton County Farm Bureau

Braxton County Farm Bureau will meet on Monday July 25, 2022 at 5 PM at Holly Gray Park for their annual picnic. Please plan to attend and bring a covered dish.

Sutton Eagles Family Reunion

Sutton Eagles Family Reunion Saturday, August 6th at the Flatwoods Community Center at 11:00 A.M. Bring a covered dish. Everybody welcome.

Burnsville Elementary School hosts Outdoor Open House

Burnsville Elementary School will host an outdoor open house on Tuesday, August 17th from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. in front of the school. We have fun for everyone including books, backpacks, school supplies, games and face painting. There will also be free gifts for parents/guardians that participate. We hope to see you there.

Braxton County Senior Center July Menu

Menu subject to change due to food availability. 2% milk served with each meal. Tuesday 19 Chicken Ala King, Rice, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Wednesday 20 Lasagna, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit. Thursday 21 Breakfast Bake, Hash browns, Biscuit, Spiced Apples, Juice Friday 22 Hamburger Steak with Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Spinach, Fruit. Monday 25 Cornish Pasti, Peas, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Tuesday 26 Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Garlic Bread, Fruit. Wednesday 27 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Corn Pudding, Dinner Role, Fruit. Thursday 28 Hot Dog with Chili, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Fruit. Friday 29 Garlic Tomato Shrimp Pasta, Garlic Bread, Honey Glazed Carrots, Fruit.

MFB Volunteer Opportunities

Are you looking for an impactful way to give back this summer? MFB has you covered! Join us for our monthly Volunteer Saturday and spend time helping pack senior food boxes at our Sutton Branch. We’re happy to accept groups or if you want to join us solo, that’s great too! Our next date is August 13th from 8am-4pm. Lunch will be provided courtesy of Little Caesars Pizza! Give our office a call at 304-364-5518 to schedule a time that works for you!

SPL free summer tutoring

In partnership with the Braxton County Board of Education, the Sutton Public Library is offering free tutoring this summer for elementary through high school students during library hours. Qualified tutors are available to provide individualized assistance to students in a variety of subjects, and educational goals are up to parents! Tutoring sessions are flexible in time and day to best fit you and your child’s schedule. If you are interested in this service, please let the library know by contacting (304) 765-7224 during business hours for more information. Library hours are Monday: 8am-4pm, Tuesday: 11am-7pm, Wednesday: Closed, Thursday: 11am-7pm, Friday: 8am-4pm.

Gassaway Public Library Summer Reading Program

The Oceans of Possibilities dates last date is August 1. Time 11:00 a.m. Story Time Exciting Activities Lunch Kits Provided by Mountaineer Food Bank Something for all age groups: Toddler – 18 years of age

Sutton Cemetery Town Hill

Any donations toward the upkeep of the Sutton Cemetery located on Town Hill are greatly appreciated. Decorations or flowers left 60 days past Memorial Day should be removed to make mowing easier. Mark payments to “Sutton Cemetery Trust” and mail to: Catherine Hoover, 292 N. Baxter Street, Sutton, WV 26601. Thank you, Sutton Cemetery Trustees

Public Notice

The Central West Virginia Hunting Dog Association has closed for business, and will no longer host canine hunts, activities or events under this club name or FEIN # 20-8653001. We appreciate those who have attended events and supported the club throughout the years, and it has been a pleasure to serve our community.

Harris Cemetery

Mowing season is upon us. Donations are needed and appreciated for the mowing and upkeep of the Harris Cemetery, Bug Ridge WV. All donations should be sent to the Harris Cemetery c/o Cindy Gaston 2936 Old Turnpike Road, Sutton WV 26601. A special thank you to all who donate.

Gibson Cemetery donations needed

Money is needed for mowing and upkeep of Gibson Cemetery. Thank you to the ones that paid last year. Please send to: Deborah M. Campbell, 888 Gibson Road, Flatwoods, WV 26621-8104.

Tesla Cemetery Donations needed

Donations are needed for the upkeep of Tesla Cemetery. Please send donations to: Jim Morris, 5506 Appalachian Corridor, Sutton, WV 26601.

Fairview Cemetery

If you have family buried in one of the cemeteries at Fairview, please donate to the cost of mowing and maintenance. Checks need to be made out to Fairview Cemetery and contributions mailed to Sharon Craft, 48 Nicholas Run Rd, Gassaway, WV 26624. We very much appreciate your help.

Donations needed

Donations are needed for the mowing and upkeep of the Otter Hill Cemetery. In care of: Revelea Lemon, 1125 Cutlip Fork Road, Gassaway, WV 26624. Thank you for the ones who have already paid.

Elizabeth Chapel

Its spring again and time for mowing and upkeep of the cemetery. Thank you to all that donated last year. Please mail donations to Ronald L. Facemire, 910 Two Lick Road, Sutton, WV 26601. For questions, call 304-765-7824.

Hoover Cemetery

Its spring again and time to start mowing and working to upkeep the cemetery. Thank you to all that donated last year. Please mail donations to Rhetta May Facemire, 910 Two Lick Road, Sutton, WV 26601 (304-765-7824) or Harold Batton, 8078 Bug Ridge Road, Sutton, WV 26601 (304-765-2360).

AA - Recovery Meetings

AA – Recovery Meetings will be held on Tuesdays, 7pm at Spruce Grove Church, 44 Spruce Grove Rd., Frametown, WV 26623. Contact: Ed Rollyson 304-435-9333

Jackson Cemetery Little Birch

It is time to start mowing and working to upkeep our cemetery. Thanks to those who donated last year: Cecil and E. Lynn Rose, Nancy Friend, Herb and Becky Cogar, Anna Dodrill, Shelby Bowyer, and Bernard and Patty Mollohan. Send your donation to: Patty Mollohan, PO Box 61, Little Birch, WV 26629.

Braxton County Cemetery donations

The Trustees of the Braxton County Cemetery located on route 15 near Holly Gray Park are accepting donations for mowing and upkeep of the cemetery. Please mail donations to Braxton County Cemetery Association, PO Box 342, Flatwoods, WV 26621. Thank you for your support.

Jacob Shaver Memorial Cemetery meeting

Donations for cemetery maintenance greatly appreciated.

“The Journey”

It is called “The Journey” of Hope and Restoration, these studies are through the “Living Free” program curriculum. These studies are done in a small group setting that meets each Monday at 6:00 pm. The lesson that we are currently studying is “Coping with Losses of Life”. This is a biblically-based study and everyone is welcome to participate. We serve food at 5:30 PM each Monday at 602 Elk Street, Gassaway, WV. We have many areas that we are able to minister to others as

well such as the areas of destructive behaviors, harmful emotions, negative attitudes, unhealthy relationships, and substance abuse. To register or if you have questions you can call Pastor Eric Veltre at 304-689-0000.

Sutton Public

Library Create to Donate

Don’t forget that our Create to Donate drop-in class has restarted! Join us every Thursday from 12:30-2:30pm. All the materials are provided, just show up! No previous experience required.

America’s problems

As we all sit and ponder the problems of this land that we live in and all the ills that plague this nation we are told that we have gun violence problems that we have drug problems that we have theft problems that we have a catalog of problems and there is no end in sight. I grew up in a country that stood for the National Anthem, we said the Pledge of Allegiance, burning the flag was a disgrace, people left their keys in the car and the screen doors were only latched at night. When I was allowed to go visit one of my friends his mom became my mom and if I got out of line she was allowed to give me a whipping. Parents let their children go outside and play without fear of someone taking their child, the news only came on two times a day at 6:00 pm and 11:00 pm.

Today we live in a society that cannot discipline their children, criminals only get their hands slapped, the work ethic has left for parts unknown with no forwarding address and people are stressed out because of all the wrongs that are going on in our land. The problems that we have just discussed are not the problems the real problem is SIN, we have a sin problem in this great land that we live in. People are looking for some political party to solve the problems, the president cannot solve our problems, congress cannot solve our problems, the house cannot solve our problems so who do we turn to? The only way to save this great nation that we live in is turn to the one who can solve our problems and that is God the Father.

2 Chron 7:14
14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Our part is to humble ourselves in the sight of God, realizing that we are nothing but dust and ashes in his sight.

Gen 18:27
27 And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes: Without God we truly are nothing, without God this world would cease to exist. There is so much talk about global warming and man is trying to solve this problem, we cannot solve the problems of society let alone trying to solve something that God is the only one who can solve this problem. We need to seek God out through prayer

Ps 5:1-8
Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation. 2 Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray. 3 My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up. 4 For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee. 5 The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity. 6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful man. 7 But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple. 8 Lead me. O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies, make thy way straight before my face.

KJV
Phil 4:6-7
6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. 7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

We need to turn from our wicked ways and turn to God because God is the answer for all the ills that we face

Luke 15:11-19
11 And he said, A certain man had two sons: 12 And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living. 13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living. 14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want. 15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. 16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. 17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father’s have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, 19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

In this reading of the scripture sin did three things for this young man and it will do the same to everyone that follows sin and those three things are this

Sin will take you farther than you want to go, it will keep you longer than you are want to stay and it will make you pay more than you are willing to pay. This nation will get better if we do like this prodigal son did, And when he came to himself. This is what we as the United States of America need to do, we need to turn back to the God of heaven.

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COMMUNITY CORNER

COUNTY STORIES

By: JEANETTE RIFFLE

My First Vacation Bible School

Many churches are into Vacation Bible School right now. This evening was the first night of VBS for Rosedale Baptist and it will run through this Thursday with a program on Friday evening. I remember my first experience with VBS. I was five years old and my brother, Brock Stewart, was two. Dad came home from the country store at Normantown, with the exciting news that Rev. Fell Kennedy was going to start a VBS at the Lockney community building. Dad's mother, Grace Stewart, would go and we could ride down to Lockney with her. Also, we had a neighbor, Bess Moore, that could take us if Grandmother didn't go every day. When the time came for the first day of it, Mom got my brother and I ready and she told me to look out for him as

he was so young. There was a good attendance and I remember the action songs and the refreshments. My brother learned that song about, "I'm in the Lord's Army." That one is still used at VBS. We sing it at Rosedale Baptist. Brock sang it for Mom one day and she was so surprised that a two year old could remember all the verses. Her usual expression was, "Well, I swan." I also remember going to VBS at my childhood church, Mt Pisgah Baptist, of Stumptown. Dad's aunt, Bess Smith Vanhorn, and her husband, Onnie Vanhorn, had the ministry there in later years when they came back to WV from out west. I was saved during VBS one summer when I was eleven years old. Great uncle, Onnie Vanhorn, baptized me in

the creek that runs by the church. There was a missionary woman there that time and she helped with the teachings. My husband can't remember any VBS up this way at Shock where he grew up. He remembers going to Sunday School at the one room school house when Homer Samson and Katie Twyman taught children's classes on Sunday afternoons after they had gone to their church. That building was used as a community building for whatever was needed. Elder Rodney Minney preached some of his first sermons there when he was called to preach. That building was in sight of us just a ways up the Tanner Rd. here by the bridge. It fell down in recent years. I will close for this time. I hope everyone is well and enjoying summer. Until next time, be safe, take care and God bless!

PAT'S CHAT

By: PAT RIDPATH



When I wrote Pat's Chat last week I mentioned that Seventh-day Adventists are interested in helping with matters that have to do with physical and mental health. Our congregations often have classes in some subject to do with those areas of our lives, along with the spiritual teachings. I saw a sweet story on Facebook that got my attention. I hope you will enjoy it as much as I did. Here it is, copied straight from Jane Wine Freshour's facebook: "Jane Wine Freshour is with Linda Buck Wine. 9h · "Folks I'm sure most of you know this dirty, rotten, low down scoundrel that I love with all my heart. "This is my Uncle Leroy Gail Wine with me at my grandma Wine's house at Copen. He was always so good to me. Took me fishing down by the Church next to Mary Childers' house and I got a fishhook in my finger. I think it about scared him to death. It didn't take him long getting me to the house. "I wasn't in school yet and he took me to a play at Burnsville School along with a date. I sat between them in the car and at the play. I wasn't letting her sit beside my Uncle.

"I still have a little pearl necklace he sent me when he was overseas in the Air Force. You don't forget those things. "He would always tease me and ask me what I was going to get him for Christmas. Why I came up with the answer I'll never know but I told him I was getting him a pig's tail. Well, when one of the neighbors butchered mom got the pig's tail and put it in the freezer. Guess what he got? He was flabbergasted, he couldn't believe I even remembered that from months before. Got him good that time. "I loved doing things to him to get him fired up, it didn't take much, lol. Just mention Merle Haggard, politics, etc. and that's all it took. He always called me Storma Jane. "Family referred to him as 'The Boy' and that he was. Now to get to the reason I'm posting this today. "My Uncle Leroy is 45 years sober today and I am so proud of him. I know it couldn't have been easy, but he did it. He has stayed in AA and speaks to different groups. If he could do it, anyone can. Just wish he didn't live in Colorado so we could be together. "I love you B-tweet!" The Bible is filled with many warnings about drinking, and I am sure drugs would be included. Proverbs 23, the whole chapter tells it like it is. Verses 29

through 32 says "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentious? who hath babbling? who hath redness of eyes? Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder." Most people do not hesitate to drink, many of them do not know what it can do to you. Like Mr. Leroy Wine above, he learned the hard way and has tried ever since to warn others of the danger. Hollywood doesn't pay any attention and even Hallmark (the innocent romantic icon for young people) proudly displays the use of a toast, a drink of liquor on every occasion. This same chapter, Proverbs 23, gives other serious warnings, but still we go on our merry way destroying God's temple, our bodies. See verse 2 in this chapter. It says "put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite. (That steps on my toes!!) I did not change Jane's note except added a few spaces between sentences and a couple of apostrophes. God has given us an amazing body and promises to live in us by His Holy Spirit. How can we dare to abuse this gift He has given to each of us! Yet, in spite of all of our failings, He has promised never to leave us or forsake us (Deuteronomy 31:8). Maranatha

Central West Virginia Mule and Donkey Show comes to Holly Gray Park

28th Central West Virginia Mule and Donkey Show The Central West Virginia Mule and Donkey Show, sponsored by Holly Gray Park, will be held on Friday, September 9 at 6:00 P.M. (Exhibitors Dinner, bring a covered dish), Saturday, September 10 at 2:00 P.M., and Sunday, September 11 at 10:00 A.M. Rain or shine. Camping will be

available with Primitive sites and Camper hookups. There will be restrooms and showers, concessions and vendors on the park grounds. No alcoholic beverages allowed on the premises. Requirements include a negative Coggins Test and out of state health papers. This event is for all ages. For more information including stall rentals and reserva-

tions, etc. please contact Darrell and Karen Shaffer at (304)864-0526, Tim and Stacy Smith at (304)532-5306, and Ross and Chris Young at (304)644-8135. You can find more information leading up to the event on Facebook at Central West Virginia Mule and Donkey Show. Show volunteers or Holly Gray Park will not be responsible for accidents.

Dixie Highway to play Friday at the Braxton County Jamboree

The Braxton County Jamboree music schedule for the remainder of June includes: July, 22 Willie D and No Regrets and July, 29 Dixie Highway. August dates include: August, 5 Retro Country, August, 12 Frank Conn and The Partners, August, 19, Sincerely Country, August, 26, Dixie Highway All shows played at the Braxton County Jamboree will be played from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Friday. Concessions will be available for purchase. No Alcohol Permitted at any event. The Braxton County Jamboree is Handicap-Accessible. For more information and to follow the Braxton County Jamboree please visit Facebook or online at <http://braxtoncountyjamboree.WebStarts.com/> You may also con-



Willie D & No Regrets



Dixie Highway
tact Lena Parsons at email at e-mail--lpar- (304) 364-5577 or by sons804@gmail.com

Three Rivers Avian Center presents "Wings of Wonder - Birds of Prey"

Three Rivers Avian Center will present their "Wings of Wonder - Birds of Prey" program at Holly River State Park Saturday, July 30 at 2pm. The program will take place in The Anderson Activity Building. Chairs are provided, photography is permitted. The hour long program is free and open to the public. As each bird is presented and its case history explained, the audience may ask questions, allowing the handlers to tailor the content of their program to the age and interest of those attending. Three Rivers Avian Center will usually

bring six birds which they have rehabilitated, all of which represent Hawks, Falcons, and Owls. They also discuss with the audience some possible ways that people can help wild birds as they try to adapt to the changing world around them and their loss of habitat.

EFFECTIVE
FRIDAY, JULY 29TH 2022

After 42 wonderful years of service to Braxton County and surrounding areas, the time has come for me to retire.

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God Bless, Doc Lohr, D.C

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West Virginia approved to issue Summer P-EBT in 2022

DHHR and WVDE have received approval from USDA to issue Summer P-EBT benefits to eligible student and non-student populations. This will be a one-time Summer feeding benefit valued at \$391 per eligible child. Summer P-EBT will be deposited onto the child's WV P-EBT card. The state will not utilize the Mountain State EBT card for Summer P-EBT.

Eligible students are those that were enrolled during school year 2021-2022 in a school that participates in the National School Lunch Program as of May 31, 2022 and qualifies for free or reduced-price school meals.

Eligible children not yet enrolled in school are those that are under the age of 6 and reside in a household that receives SNAP.

Any child under 6 who becomes eligible for SNAP, or any individual student who becomes eligible for free or reduced-price meals (during the covered Summer period) will be deemed eligible for Summer P-EBT and will be issued the full benefit in an exception process at the end of the covered Summer period.

Students at participating schools who did not qualify for free or reduced-price meals during 2021-2022 school year and have experienced a change in status that could deem them eligible for free or reduced-price meals, should contact their county or school child nutrition contact to complete a free/reduced-price meal application before July 31, 2022.

Households can expect to receive the one-time benefit during the month of August 2022. An exact date will be announced at a later time.

All eligible households will receive a letter with important information before the benefit is issued.

West Virginia estimates Summer P-EBT will be issued to approximately 255,000 children, drawing down nearly \$100 million in additional federal funding.

Town of Flatwoods Council holds meeting June meeting

The Town of Flatwoods Council meeting was held on June 21, at the Flatwood Municipal Building. Mayor Dale Ball called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Opening Prayer was led by Councilman Luke Malensek.

Members present: Mayor Dale Ball, Treasurer/Recorder Lisa Hamrick, Council Members: Brenda Ball, Jake Hamrick, Dennis Miller, and Luke Malensek.

Citizens present: Linda James, Lorie Brown, and Danny Lee Smallwood Jr.

Lisa Hamrick read the minutes from April 19, 2022, meeting. Luke Malensek made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Jake Hamrick seconded. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Lisa Hamrick read the Treasurer's Report. Luke Malensek made the motion to approve the report as read. Keith Long seconded. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Under Citizen's Concerns the following items were discussed: Miracle Street has holes in the road that are becoming deeper. Depot Street has 2 potholes and the road is turning into river when it rains.

Luke Malensek said that there are cats running loose around Flatwoods Baptist church. Lorie gave an update on 4th of July. Kowboyz is coming to perform, there will be chips, cookies, and drinks. The Police Department will have a giveaway for Project Child Safe.

Dennis Miller was recognized for helping with 4th of July entertainment.

Motion was made by Keith Long for the following new business license, The Shoppe. Dennis Miller seconded. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Motion was made by Luke Malensek for the following renewal business licenses: Braxton Community Coalition; Connie's Creations, LLC; Evolution Fitness; Flatwoods Monster Fest; Keith's Alignment and Mechanical; Kellington Protection Service, LLC; Kniceley's Insurance Agency; L & K Car Wash; Link Media Outdoor; Schwan's Home Service; Stockert Funeral Home and Cremation; The Spot; and Triplett Business Services, Inc.

Jake Hamrick seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

New Business: Lisa Hamrick read the bill list; Luke Malensek made a motion to approve the bill list as read. Dennis Miller seconded. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Dennis Miller made a motion to have the town side by side to be looked at for repairs. Luke Malensek seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Jake Hamrick made a motion to purchase active shooter Armor Kit and helmet in the amount of \$2000 to be purchased out of American Rescue Plan Funds. Luke Malensek seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Dennis Miller made a motion to table salt spreader purchase until the side by side is repaired. Jake Hamrick seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Jake Hamrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Luke Malensek seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Burnsville Public Library hosts Of Cats & Prey Inc Adoption Event

Of Cats & Prey Inc will be having an Adoption Event at the Burnsville Public Library on the Friday, July 22.

Of Cats & Prey Inc is a cat and small animal rescue located in Glenville, WV. We rehome cats, small animals like rabbits, chinchillas, and sugar gliders as well as reptiles and arachnids.

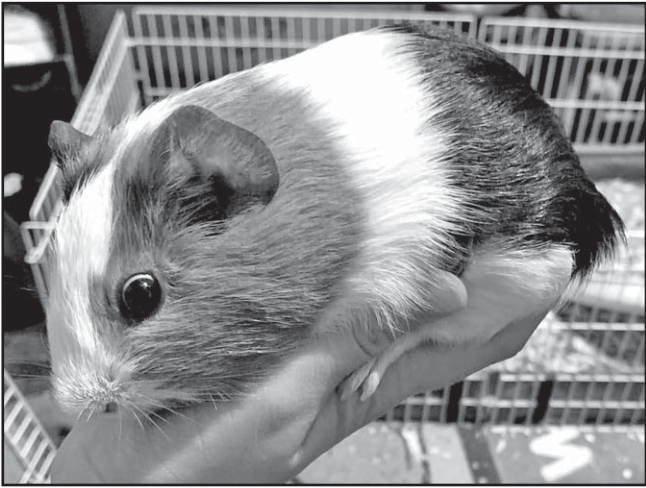
It will be birthday themed in honor of Runt's birthday, so there will be a bake sale and special things for kids to feed the guinea pigs (pumpkin etc.).

We will also have the two kittens, Angel Kitty, Sammy, guinea pigs and the rats with us.

Because not all vets are open on Friday we recommend filling out adoption applications before hand if you plan on adopting there.

If you would like to donate, checks can be made out to Of Cats & Prey INC and mailed/delivered to 3951 US Highway 33 E Glenville, WV 26351

Physical donations can be mailed/delivered to the same address. We have wishlists on Amazon and Chewy and we use the following items from Walmart: Special Kitty Dry Food, Cat's Pride Unscented Triple Odor Guard Litter.



Come visit with Guinea pigs at the adoption event and feed them special snacks.

Citizens' NEWS

MAGISTRATE COURT

R-E-P-O-R-T

Magistrate Beth Smith's Court

July 8: Desiree Grace Phillips of Frametown, shoplifting-2nd offense, guilty plea, fine/court costs assessed.

July 11: Jeffrey Franklin James of Sutton, fugitive from another state, transferred to circuit court.

Magistrate David Singleton's Court

July 11: James Harlen Roupe of Little Birch, DUI-controlled substance, no proof of insurance, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$2500 cash, surety, or 10% to the court; Saladi M. Mohamed of Charlotte, NC, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Alfonzo Lamar Johnson, Jr. of Flint, MI, obtaining goods by false pretenses, conspiracy, preliminary hearing waived, transferred to circuit court; Lucas Mark Jones of Kincaid, fishing without license, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed and paid.; Darius Davis of Gas-saway, improper registration, no contest plea, no proof of insurance, guilty plea, fines/court costs assessed.

July 12: Megan Marie Haynes of Sutton, possession of meth with intent to deliver, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; Heather Dawn Bender of Sutton, possession of meth with intent to deliver, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; Jerry Lee Stevens of Erbacon, possession of meth with intent to deliver, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; William Charles Wright of Sutton, possession with intent to deliver x2-meth and heroin, prohibited person in possession of a firearm, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; Howard Douglas Stout of Heaters, driving suspended-general, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed.

July 13: Amy Lynn Jenkins of Burnsville, shoplifting, no contest plea, petit larceny, guilty plea, receiving/transferring stolen goods, dismissed, 180 days of jail, suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed; Malissa Ann Marsh of Sutton, child abuse resulting in injury, dismissed.

July 14: William Lee Surwilo, Jr. of Duck, obstructing an officer, battery on an officer, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$2500 cash, surety, or 10% to the court; Justin Michael Brown of Bickmore, no proof of insurance, no contest plea, expired MVI, no contest plea, fines/court costs assessed; Jesse Ryan Tharp of Sutton, possession of meth, no contest plea, public intoxication, no contest plea, fines/court costs assessed; Jordan L. Metheney of Grantsville, possession of controlled substance, dismissed, defendant completed drug rehab program; Delbert D. Fisher, Jr. of Burnsville, obstructing an officer, guilty plea, battery on an officer, guilty plea, assault, dismissed per plea, assault on an officer x2, dismissed per plea, driving suspended, dismissed per plea, leaving the scene of an accident, dismissed per plea, 180 days of jail with credit for time served of 15 days, remainder suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed.

July 15: James Denver Criner of Frametown, obstructing an officer, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$2000 personal recognizance, driving revoked-3rd offense, warrant issued, bond set at \$10,000 cash only; Haley Jeanine Gibson of Frametown, obstructing an officer, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$1500 personal recognizance; Hannibal Taft Ryan, IV of Spencer, grand larceny, conspiracy, warrant issued, fleeing with reckless indifference, fraudulent registration, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; Hardy Arner of Little Birch, possession of meth, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$2000 personal recognizance; Charlie R. Allen of Burnsville, petit larceny, dismissed, receiving or transferring stolen goods, dismissed, evidence is inconclusive of defendant's participation; Andrew McKinley Brooks of Indian Island, SC, cell phone violation, no contest plea, fine assessed and paid; Ronnie Jack Thayer, Jr. of Burnsville, driving suspended, guilty plea, fine/court costs assessed; Timothy Joseph Cooper of Swiss, reckless driving, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Howard Douglas Stout of Sutton, driving suspended, no contest plea, fraudulent MVI, no contest plea, no proof of insurance, no contest plea, fraudulent registration, no contest plea, fines/court costs assessed; Teresa Mae Perry of Normantown, no proof of insurance, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed.

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Multi-instrument musician and vocalist Bo McMillion plays one of his many original songs.



Members of sANCdEFY Scott Arnold, (right) Pete Snider, (center) and Bo McMillion, filling in as lead guitar player.

Bo McMillion’s “Adrift” Album Debut at Landmark with Guest Musicians

By Fernando Rodriguez

Bo McMillion, the “Appalachian Hurricane,” grew up in Summersville. A long-time songwriter-vocalist-musician introduced his first album since 2016 titled “Adrift” to a lively Landmark Studio for the Arts’ audience on Saturday evening, July 16, 2022.

Preceding Bo’s solo performance was a band “sANCdEFY,” consisting of Scott Arnold on vocals and guitar, bassist Pete Snider, and Bo McMillion on lead guitar, filling in for the band’s lead guitarist. Scott is the voice of Acute Mania Live, a live visual podcast based in West Virginia USA, featuring musicians and bands worldwide, and the podcasts are streamed to the Acute Mania Live YouTube channel.

Next up was Stefan Cotter, a singer/songwriter from Morgantown, now living in Charleston. Stefan lived in Tyler, TX, for 10 years or more playing with many diverse groups whose music genres included Funk, Boogaloo, Soul, Reggae, Jazz, Rock n Roll, Country, old time, country, rockabilly, Bluegrass, and anything between Willie Nelson and the Beatles. Stefan’s music may be streamed at <https://www.reverbnation.com/stefancotter> and check out the Stefan

Cotter Music FB page at <https://www.facebook.com/stefancottermusic>.

Bo wrote, and sings all the songs, with collaboration from Brit-tany Jane Myers on the song “Borderline,” and plays all the instruments on “Adrift,” with help from Skyler Humphrey, lead guitar on “Can’t Recall,” Fil Pate, mandolin on “A Stained Soul,” and Todd Hines, Steel guitar on the album’s title track “Adrift.”

Speaking with Bo prior to the show, I asked Bo how “Adrift” came to be. “In 2017” says Bo, “I started realizing my kids were getting older, and my parents were getting older, and wondered what’s going to happen to me? I’m going to be all by my self, you know, and one day I woke up and that word “Adrift” was seared across my frontal lobe, just kept going “Adrift,” “Adrift,” “Adrift,” and I kept blowing it off because I knew a new project was going to take over my life, so, I kept blowing it off.”

A photo taken by friend Anne Johnson of a sunken boat at the bottom of Summersville Lake motivated Bo to use as the album cover and to begin the project. Bo claims that the title track “came to me,” “I almost can’t say I wrote it, because it just came to me. It was

as if God had sprinkled it down.”

I asked Bo which song had more meaning to him. His reply: “It’s a mystery track on the album titled “Fait Accompli,” a nine and a half minute long instrumental that purposefully fades all the instruments into barely playing.

There are thirteen tracks on the CD, including: “Taking Flight,” Ivory Tower,” “Who Knows Bo,” “Borderline,” “Stained Soul,” and “As the Bird Flu.”

Information on Bo is found at <https://www.reverbnation.com/artist/video/16201440> and on Bo’s Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/bo.mcmillion.3/about_work_and_education

The Landmark Studio for the Arts has been hosting stage performances, musical performances, historical characters reenactments, workshops, etc. for the community for over three decades. An all-volunteer Board of Directors manage it, and it’s always in need of donations, volunteers, and creativity. Donations can be mailed to PO BOX 74, Sutton, WV 26601-0074, or at the donation box inside the Landmark. Visit our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Landmarkstudioforthearts/>



Bo McMillion loops the tracks for many musical instruments.



High-energy, eclectic song mix entertains the Landmark Studio audience.

Gassaway Farmers/Flea Market hosts first monthly event of the year

The Gassaway Farmers and Flea Market hosted their first event on Sunday, July 17th at Noon at the Gassaway Train Depot!

Participants are encouraged to bring their own home grown goods, homemade crafts, and yard sale items.

Come join friends

and neighbors every third Sunday monthly to shop and sell in one centralized area. Spots are free for all vendors for 2022!

For more information, please contact Nik and Beth Salvo at (304)853-0002 or on Facebook at Gassaway Farmers Market.



Jerad and Bethany Williams of Woodyard Creations LLC made custom patches and hats right on the spot at the Gassaway Farmers and Flea Market.



Many local small businesses, organizations, crafters, and more enjoyed the first monthly event hosted by Gassaway Farmers and Flea Market. A great first Sunday made for a busy market with friends and neighbors alike.



Vendors were set up inside and outside of the Gassaway Train Depot for shoppers to enjoy.



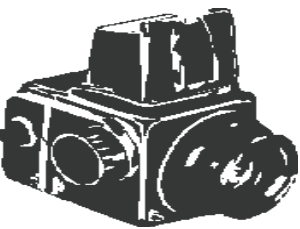
Nik Salvo preps food for the event.



Free coffee and plenty of seating is available in the air conditioning inside the Gassaway Train Depot.



July 19, 2022



Photos courtesy
of Janet Six

A Photographic Look at...

2022 Elk River Float



Over 300 individuals participated in this year's Elk River Float held on Saturday, July 16, 2022.



The Sutton Dam provided a scenic backdrop for the beginning of the float.





LEGAL NOTICES

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MR-17 Renewal ADVERTISEMENT

Notice is hereby given that BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY, LLC, 2691 LITTLE BIRCH RD, SUTTON, WV 26601 has a permit on file with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for the surface mining of approximately 51.96 acres and has submitted an application to the DEP, 47 School Street, Suite 301, Philippi, WV, 26416-1600, for renewal of Article 3 Permit Number R062000 to Operate a Refuse Area in the Not Applicable seam of coal. The operation is discharging into Left Fork of Wolf Creek of Elk River of Kanawha River and is located 4.11 miles, southwest of Little Birch in HOLLY District of Braxton County, Longitude 80° 38' 3" and Latitude 38° 35' 53" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

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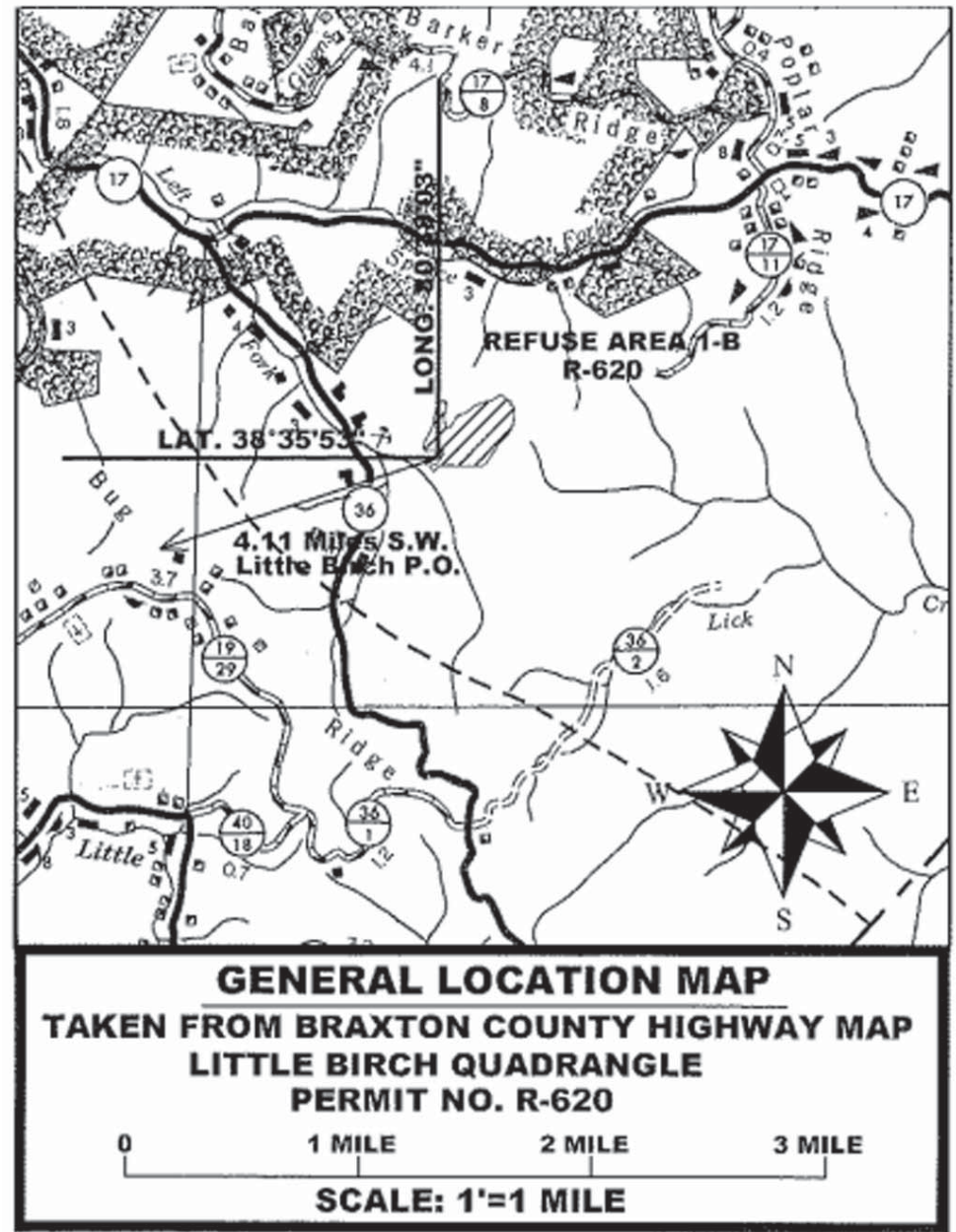
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Written comments and/or requests for an informal conference of the permit renewal application shall identify the applicant and application number and will be received by the Permit Supervisor at the DEP address above until August 26, 2022, or thirty (30) days from the date of final publication. A copy of the application will be available for review until August 26, 2022, or thirty (30) days from the date of final publication in the DEP Regional Office located at the address above and is available at: http://apps.dep.wv.gov/WebApp/_dep/Search/ePermitting/ePermittingApplicationSearchPage.cfm.

The above link can be accessed from a computer at all West Virginia public libraries. DEP Telephone Number: 304-457-3219 Permit Number: R062000

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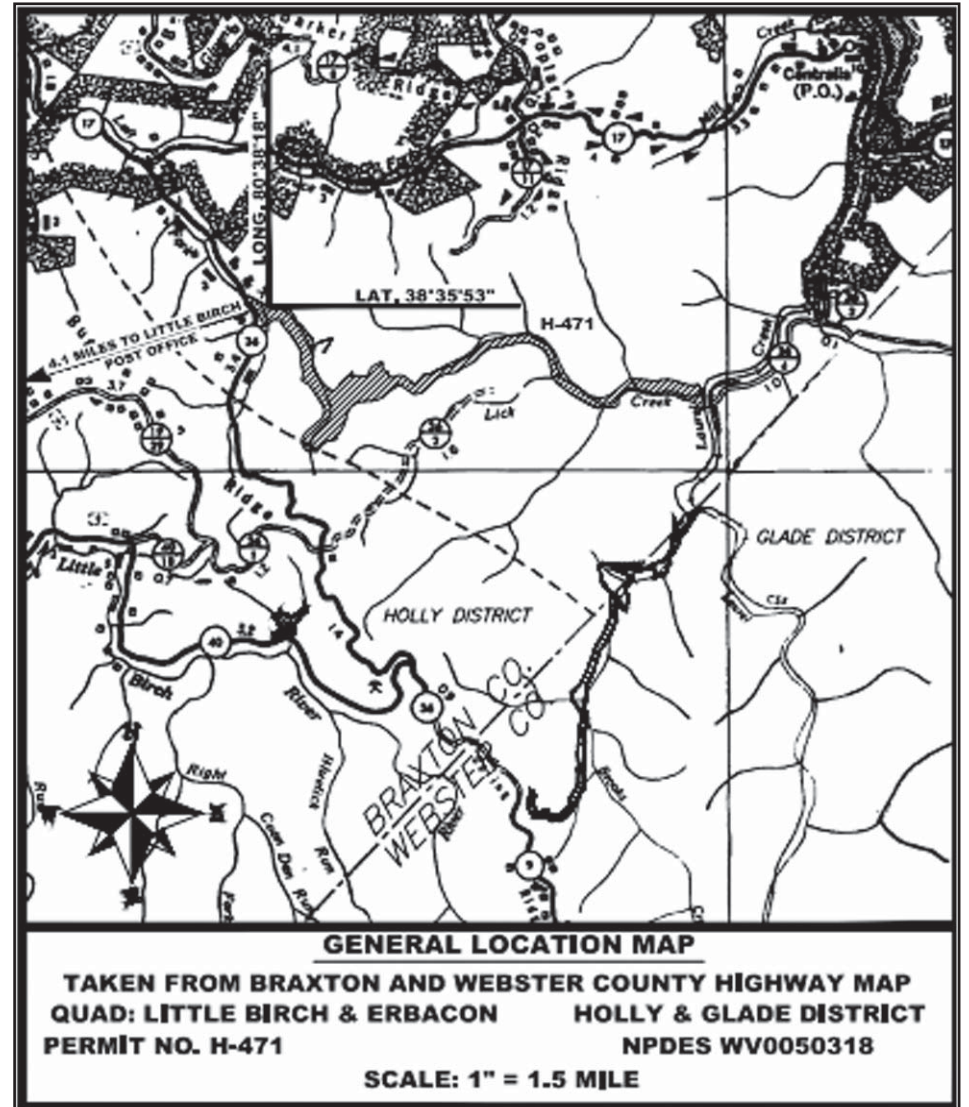
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NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA
CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 22-0495-G-390P

HOPE GAS, INC., dba

DOMINION ENERGY WEST VIRGINIA

Annual Pipeline Replacement and Expansion Program ("PREP") Application, pursuant to W. Va. Code § 24-2-1k

On May 27, 2022, Hope Gas, Inc., doing business as Dominion Energy West Virginia (Hope) filed its Annual Pipeline Replacement and Expansion Program (PREP) Filing with revised PREP Rates, pursuant to W. Va. Code § 24-2-1k, which authorizes the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (Commission) to approve cost recovery of projects to replace, upgrade, and expand natural gas utility infrastructure that are deemed to be just and reasonable and in the public interest.

In its Application, Hope projects PREP capital investment for calendar year 2023 of \$63 million as part of its General Program (core distribution system) and Gathering Program (gathering facilities) under multi-year plans. The Application also contains a true-up for actual versus projected 2021 calendar year PREP capital investment activity for both the General Program and the Gathering Program. The PREP covers several categories of plant asset replacements and improvements, including mains, service lines, regulator stations and other plant equipment. These plant investments are proposed to be made in Hope service territories throughout the State. These projects are identified in the Application, which is on file and available for public inspection at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. Hope proposes to recover costs associated with these investments through an increment within the fixed or volumetric, base rate component of its rates depending on the applicable rate schedule under which service is rendered, to be effective on November 1, 2022. Hope projects that if the program and rate increments are approved as requested, the average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be exchanged on November 1, 2022, as follows:

Hope Proposed		
TYPE OF CUSTOMER	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
Residential	\$2.61	3.66%
Commercial	\$34.80	5.36%
Large Commercial	\$119.38	1.66%
Industrial	\$531.72	4.69%
Resale	\$445.85	1.67%
Gathering (PGAS)	\$803.52	2.04%

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes. Each class may receive an increase greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increase or decrease) by the Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Commission.

The Commission set a procedural schedule, including a hearing on the Application, if necessary, that will begin at 9:30a.m. on September 22, 2022, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. If the Commission receives no opposition to the Application within one week of the hearing date, the hearing may be waived, and the Commission may issue a final Order within 150 days of the Application filing date. Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene within 20 days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission Order. All requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments and requests to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public Comments may also be filed online at http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/online_comments/default.cfm by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

HOPE GAS, INC., dba DOMINION ENERGY WEST VIRGINIA 7-19b

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT
OF BRAXTON COUNTY, WEST
VIRGINIA

Civil Action No.: 22-M04C-00088

Citizens Bank of West Virginia

PO Box 129

Slatyfork, WV 26291, Plaintiff

v.

Brian Scott Fellure

219 River St

Gassaway, WV 26624, Defendant

The object of the above entitled action is for the plaintiff to obtain an order of judgement for \$1,174.57, plus court costs, at an annual rate of 4%, as requested in civil action 22-M04C-00088.

And it appearing by an affidavit filed in this action that Brian Scott Fellure failed to perform obligations of the original contract made with the Plaintiff, contract signed and dated 10/08/2015. Plaintiff has exercised due diligence to ascertain the residence or whereabouts of the Defendant, having twice served the Defendant, both having been returned without execution.

It is ordered that Brian Scott Fellure do serve upon Braxton County Magistrate Court Beth Smith, magistrate, whose address is 307 Main St., Sutton, WV 26601, an answer or other defense to the complaint filed in this action within 1 month after the date of the first publication, otherwise judgement by default will be taken against Brian Scott Fellure at any time thereafter. A copy of said complaint can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office. Entered by the Clerk of said Court Braxton County Magistrate Clerk Sharon Yost, D. Clerk Magistrate Court Clerk

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES

The Burnsville Public Utility Board (BPUB), Braxton County, West Virginia is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide accounting services for its water extension project. A list of services required are included in the complete copy of the Request for Proposal and may be obtained by visiting www.Regionvii.com/resources or by contacting Dylan Johnson, Office Manager: bpuboard@frontier.com or (304)853-2516, or Carrie Wallace, Region VII Project Coordinator: cwallace@regionvii.com or (304)472-6564.

An electronic copy of each proposal

must be marked "Proposal for Accounting Services" and must be received by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, July 29, 2022. Submissions shall be sent to: Burnsville Public Utility Board c/o Dylan Johnson, Office Manager and Region VII Planning & Development Council c/o Carrie Wallace, Project Coordinator via the email addresses above.

The BPUB will afford full opportunity to small, disadvantaged and minority business enterprises that submit a proposal in response to this solicitation and will not discriminate against any interested firm or individual based on race, creed, color, age, disability, nor national origin in the contract award. The BPUB is an equal opportunity employer.

Selection criteria will include expertise, experience, personnel, references, and cost (which must include the hourly fee and proposed contract cost). The BPUB will review all proposals and rank, based upon such criteria, the firm that will provide the services that are most advantageous to the BPUB. The BPUB reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

Jerry McPherson, Chairman
Burnsville Public Utility Board
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NOTICE

Braxton County Schools is accepting proposals for local ground beef from July 13-22, 2022. The BID must be time stamped via email by 4pm EST July 22, 2022. The RFP is for the 2022-2023 school year only. The request is for 8 deliveries of 800 pounds of ground chuck. Preference will be given to vendors within a 100 mile radius of Braxton County School's central storage. Proposals must be written and include the following details to be accepted as a valid proposal:

1. Vendor must have a license to operate as a Meat and/or Poultry Distributor for the West Virginia Department of Agriculture (15 points of 100 possible)
2. Beef must be ground chuck (80/20) (15 points of 100 possible)
3. Delivery to our central storage on monthly dates established by customer. The projected dates will be the first Thursday of October, November, December, January, February, March, April and May unless it is a holiday. (15 points of 100 possible)
4. Beef must be packages in 10lb packages four packages to a case.

This is essential for ordering and delivery to schools. (15 points of 100 possible)
5. Cost (40 points of 100 possible)
The first delivery of beef must occur on or before the first Thursday in October or bid will be awarded to the next vendor.
Submit to: Dr. Leatha Williams via email listed below
Subject Line: Local Beef Bid
98 Carter Braxton Drive
Sutton, WV 26601
Email: lgwillia@k12.wv.us
Bid Format: The bid must be either a word document or a PDF and sent as an email attachment. Each of the five criteria above must be specifically address in the bid. A copy of the vendor's license must be submitted for criteria 1. Bid will be award between July 27th and July 29th, 2022, via email notification.

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ESTATES

TO THE CREDITORS AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE WITHIN NAMED DECEASED PERSONS:

I have before me the estates of the following deceased persons and the accounts of the fiduciaries of their respective estates:

DECEDENT: GILBERT P. RIFFLE
FIDUCIARY: DARLENE RIFFLE
3869 GEM RD

BURNSVILLE, WV 26335

DECEDENT: RICHARD LANE WILSON

FIDUCIARY: CRYSTAL D WILSON
258 FLETCH DR.

FRAMETOWN, WV 26623

DECEDENT: SHANNON MARKLE

FIDUCIARY: JENNIFER MARKLE
3203 CHAPEL RD.

GASSAWAY, WV 26624

DECEDENT: DIANNA K CHAPMAN

FIDUCIARY: MICKEY CHAPMAN
216 LOWER SLEITH ROAD

DUCK, WV 25063

DECEDENT: BROOKLIN PAIGE MOORE, INFANT

FIDUCIARY: 1048 ROAD RUN ROAD
SUTTON, WV 26601

DECEDENT: JAMES LEE MITCHELL

FIDUCIARY: JAMES LEE MITCHELL JR

1893 UPPER O'BRIEN RD.

FRAMETOWN, WV 26623

DECEDENT: NUMAN LACO MACE

FIDUCIARY: CARRIE MACE
441 UPPER MILL CREEK RD.

FRAMETOWN, WV 26623

DECEDENT: MARGARET ANN REXROAD

FIDUCIARY: AMANDA GUM
835 GAULEY TURNPIKE RD.

FLATWOODS, WV 26621

DECEDENT: VIOLET MARIE MILLER

FIDUCIARY: JAMES MILLER
206 SOUTH CHESTNUT ST.

SUTTON, WV 26601

DECEDENT: LOLA RUTH JACKSON

FIDUCIARY: WILLIAM JACKSON
2650 CUTLIP FORK RD

GASSAWAY, WV 26624

DECEDENT: CHRYSAL ROSE BURNS

FIDUCIARY: DOTTIE BURNS
1124 PICKLES FORK RD

HEATERS, WV 26627

All persons having any claims against the estate(s) of any of the above-named persons whether due or not, are notified to exhibit the same with vouchers thereof, legally verified, to the fiduciary of such deceased persons as shown herein within 60 days from the first publication or on or before the 10th day of September, 2022, otherwise any or all such Claims may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate(s). All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear either before the above-named fiduciary by the date first above shown or thereafter before the Fiduciary Supervisor by the date last above shown to examine said claims and otherwise protect their respective interests.

Given under my hand this the 12th day of July, 2022.

TAMERA FACEMIRE

Fiduciary Supervisor 7-12 7-19b

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated June 15, 2009, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Braxton County, West Virginia, in Document No. 2009003329, in Book No. 212, at Page 628 and re-recorded in Document No. 2018004241 (MOD), in Book No. 250, at Page 793, Danny L. Crispil did convey unto Bernard R. Mauser, Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by MidFirst Bank to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Braxton County Courthouse in Sutton, West Virginia, on

August 10, 2022 at 10:30 AM the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 05 - Holly District, Braxton County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:
All of his right, title and interest in and to the following described real estate together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate on the waters of Laurel Fork of Granny's Creek in Twin Oaks Subdivision as Lot 8, in Holly District, Braxton County, West Virginia, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:
BEGINNING at a 6 foot metal fence post set by a stone, corner to Loretta Nell and Sandra Dawn Cogar (W.B. 17771) and in line of Gary L. and Judy K. Cogar (489/358), thence leaving Loretta Nell and Sandra Dawn Cogar and with Gary L. and Judy K. Cogar, S 30 degrees 42' 47" W passing a 6 foot metal fence post

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ROSE

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Bulltown Historic Area holds Annual Heritage Weekend at Burnsville Lake

On Friday, July 15th through Sunday, July 17th the Bulltown Historic Area Kicked off Heritage Weekend at Burnsville Lake! This event was a success and brought several visitors to the Historic Area.

The annual event that takes place in the Bulltown Historical Area, located at the entrance to Bulltown Campground in Napier, West Virginia off Millstone Run Road, offered visitors a chance to experience farm life in

West Virginia through demonstrations and exhibits. This area includes several log structures that predate the Civil War. These buildings were reconstructed in a village setting along a section of the Weston &

Gauley Turnpike. One of the structures is the Cunningham House, which belonged to Moses Cunningham, the only civilian injured in the Battle of Bulltown on October 13th, 1863. There were also a few hands-on activities for

visitors to participate in throughout. This free event was sponsored by The Bulltown Historical Association in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. For more information about Heritage

Weekend or the Bulltown Historic Area, contact Volunteers at the Bulltown Historical Area Museum, phone: 304-452-8170, or Park Ranger Lisa Hess at the Burnsville Lake Project Office, phone: 304-853-2371.



A Wood Spinning demonstration was put on for guests to view.



Demonstrations included Civil War, Cooking and Camp Life. Civil War living historians were also be on hand to provide information about life at Bulltown during the War Between the States.



The Sutton Strumalongs entertained the crowds during the Heritage Days event.

LEGALS

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set at 69.69 feet in the edge of a 30 foot right of way, in all 84.69 feet to a point in the center of said right of way, corner to Lot 7, Angela L. Cogar (507/145); thence leaving Gary L. and Judy K. Cogar and with center of said right of way and Angela L. Cogar for eight lines, N 85 degrees 17' 29" W 8.28 feet to a point; thence S 85 degrees 07' 18" W 24.20 feet to a point; thence S 72 degrees 34' 41" W 37.31 feet to a point; thence S 61 degrees 43' 58" W 43.83 feet to a point; thence S 44 degrees 38' 04" W 42.36 feet to a point; thence S 28 degrees 43' 20" W 36.53 feet to a point; thence S 7 degrees 19' 04" W 42.52 feet to a point; thence S 6 degrees 23' 46" E 54.70 feet to a point, corner to Lot 13; thence leaving said right of way and Angela L. Cogar and with Lot 13, N 51 degrees 29' 28" W passing a 6 foot metal fence post set at 24.00 feet, in all 301.57 feet to a 6 foot metal fence post set, corner to Lot 12, John H. and Judith Marilee Bright (505/532) and corner to Lot 9 and John H. and Judith Marilee Bright (505/528); thence leaving Lot 13 and with Lot 12 and with Lot 9, N 31 degrees 46' 30" E 285.24 feet to a 6 foot metal fence post set in the line of Loretta Nell and Sandra Dawn Cogar (W.B. 17/771); thence S 57 degrees 39' 33" E 327.06 feet to the point of beginning and containing 1.99 acres, more or less, as surveyed by Brackenrich & Associates, Inc. of Sutton, West Virginia, in June 1995.

And being the same tract of land conveyed to Danny Lee Crislip, by James D. Singleton and Leigh Ann Singleton, his wife, by deed dated the 18th day of May, 2009, not yet of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Braxton County, West Virginia, but is intended to be record simultaneously herewith. There is RESERVED and EXCEPTED from this conveyance, that portion of that certain 30 foot right of way which crosses the tract herein conveyed, as the same is currently located, for the purpose of ingress, regress and egress to other lots being developed in Twin Oaks Subdivision, said right of way being :shown upon the map or plat of said subdivision. There is GRANTED unto the party of the second part, the right to use that certain 30 foot right of way as the same is currently located for the purpose of ingress, regress and egress from W. V. Secondary Route 15 and the Old Weston Gauley Turnpike across the residue tract of the first parties herein to the tract of land conveyed. The grantors covenant and represent that the property herein conveyed contains no underground storage tanks which are being actively used for storing and regulated substance, and they have no actual

knowledge or reason to believe that such real property or substrata contains and underground storage tank or was ever used for the storage, treatment or disposal of hazardous waste. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 126 White Oak Estates, Sutton, WV 26601. The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes. The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property. TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale. FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer. Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale. SENECA TRUSTEES, INC. 5000 Coombs Farm Drive, Suite 104 Morgantown, WV 26508 (304) 413-0044 (304) 292-2918 Toll free: (888) 534-3132 Reference File No. 81520 7-12 7-19b ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS The Town of Sutton is currently accepting sealed bids to a 2001 Ford F450 Truck, VIN #1FDXF46531EA33135. Vehicle is being sold as is and where is. The Town of Sutton reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. Please submit sealed bids to the Town of Sutton, PO Box 366, Sutton, WV 26601 no later than 4:00 PM on Friday, July 29, 2022. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact our office at 304-765- 5581. 7-19 7-26b



Team work helped create the Jacobs Ladder craft set up during Kids Days.



Hannah Linder sold copies of her books during Heritage Days.



The Annual Heritage Days event sponsored by Bulltown Historical Area was deemed a success by all.

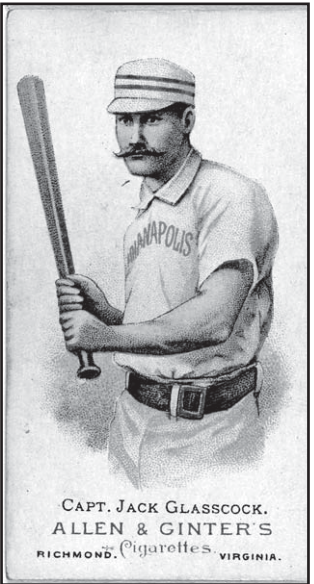
THIS WEEK IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY

The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

July 20, 2010: Carte Goodwin became the nation's youngest senator when he took the oath of office. Goodwin was appointed to fill Robert C. Byrd's seat in the U.S. Senate following Byrd's death.



July 21, 1924: Don Knotts was born in Morgantown. Knotts will be forever remembered as Barney Fife on the "Andy Griffith Show."

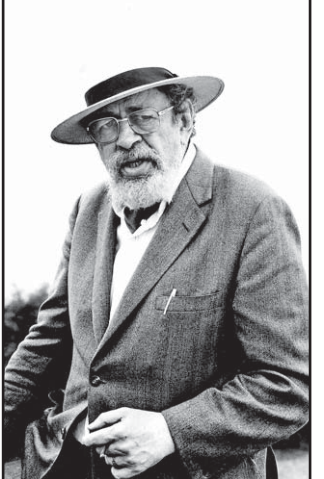


July 22, 1859: Athlete John Wesley "Jack" Glasscock was born in Wheeling. Glasscock, who played bare-handed, became one of baseball's premier shortstops in the 19th century.

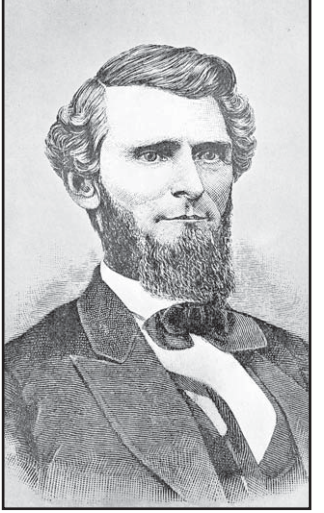
July 22, 1937: Musician Tommy Thompson was born in St. Albans, Kanawha County. Through his group the Red Clay Ramblers and a career that spanned four decades, Thompson played a major role in keeping old-time music alive.



July 23, 1863: Financier and industrialist Isaac Thomas Mann was born in Greenbrier County. As president of the Bank of Bramwell and president of the Pocahontas Fuel Company for three decades, "Ike" Mann held vast holdings in coal, timber, and especially financial institutions.



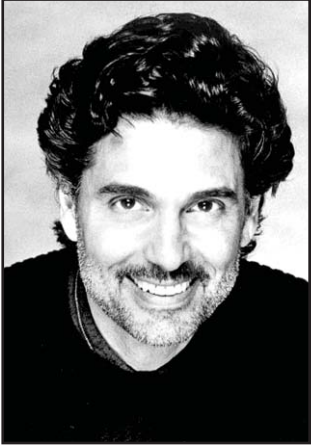
July 23, 1919: Novelist Davis Grubb was born in Moundsville. His renown came with his first novel, *Night of the Hunter* (1953), a gripping suspense story adapted to film in 1955 and for television in 1991.



July 24, 1823: Arthur Boreman, West Virginia's first governor,

was born in Waynesburg, Pennsylvania. Boreman's family moved to Middlebourne, Tyler County, while he was still an infant.

July 24, 1919: Sam Taylor of Mercer County took the oath to become a member of the West Virginia State Police, the first person to do so. During his tenure with the State Police, Taylor tracked moonshiners and bootleggers, and helped to set up new state police detachments.



July 24, 1942: Actor Chris Sarandon was born in Beckley. A film, stage and television performer, some of his credits include *The Nightmare Before Christmas*, *The Princess Bride* and an Oscar nomination for *Dog Day Afternoon*.

July 25, 1864: A colony of eight Catholic nuns set out from Washington, D.C., and Frederick, Maryland, for Parkersburg. The sisters, who created a monastery there and named it DeSales Heights, ran a boarding school for young women for 75 years.

July 26, 1942: Camp Washington-Carver was dedicated and opened to the public. The camp, located at Clifftop, Fayette County, was the first 4-H camp for African-Americans in the country. The camp's great chestnut lodge is the largest log structure in West Virginia.

e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia is a project of the West Virginia Humanities Council. For more information, contact the West Virginia Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25301; (304) 346-8500; or visit e-WV at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Dog Stories from the Braxton Tales: County Animal Shelter

Are you looking to add a four legged, tail wagging member to your family? Rescues from the Braxton County Animal Shelter are looking for their final "Furever" homes and are anxious to meet you.

There is a reason we call them man's best friend. We can learn so many things from a dog's behavior, personality, demeanor, resiliency, and most importantly, the willingness to provide their family members with unconditional love, loyalty, and companionship down to their very last breath. BCAS is open Monday through Friday from 10-3.

There is no charge to surrender a dog, but donations toward their care are appreciated. Adoptions are \$99.00 for male dogs and \$119.00 for female dogs, and include spay/neuter, rabies vaccination, parvo/distemper vaccination, kennel cough vaccination, flea treatment and deworming. No dog will leave the shelter unfixed and we are very willing to work with reputable 501c3 rescues.

Please call the shelter for vet pricing and ask for our adoption/rescue coordinator Megan at (304)765-2200



Honey is a five to six year old, thirty-five pound female Redtick Hound mix that was picked up as a stray by animal control. We don't know much about her, but we do know she's given the name honey because she's as sweet as they come. Honey acts timid to be touched at times but is learning fast that she enjoys loving pets. She's dog friendly and gentle and loves a soft voice talking to her. She walks great on a leash. And doesn't bark a lot in her kennel.



Rascal This sweet boy is ten months old. His momma is a Great Dane and we can't be sure the breed of the father. He has lived mainly outdoors and was very timid when he came to the shelter but he is warming up to our staff quickly. This guys has been around children and is very gentle, do not jump up at all. He is also dog social and has been around chickens and rabbits as well.



Meet Josie, She is a four year old female

Black and Tan who came to our shelter as a stray from the Burnsville city limits area. We believe she has only ever lived outdoors. She walks excellent on a leash and is in great physical health. She has dog tested great here in the shelter and is a very gentle personality. We think she would be good with children bc she does not jump up and is very laid back. Josie does have that hound dog howl but we don't hear it often.



Phoenix was found on a farm as a stray in a hay field and the land owner took her home for a week. He brought her to us because he could not keep her, and he paid her adoption fee for her future adopter. We know that Phoenix is friendly with other dogs but hasn't been around kids or any other animals while he/we have had her. She walks well on a leash. We're guessing her to be one to two years old weighing about forty pounds. Phoenix loves all the butt scratches and attention she can get. She gravitates more to people than dogs so we call her a "people dog". When she gets really happy she gets low to the ground with her front legs stretched out and bounces.



Meet **Blue**. He's a seven month old male Catahoula Leopard/Cur mix who weighs approx 60lbs. He was surrendered and is now looking for a family to call his own! Blue has lived inside and out but is not completely housebroke. Blue does not jump up and is not super energetic like a puppy but he has been known to chew. He was gentle with children he has lived with other dogs of various breeds and sizes and is very dog social. He has also been around cats, birds and horses. Blue has a very sweet, eager to please disposition.



This cracker jack is **Bernie**. He's got the fun-

niest personality and the most beautiful brindle stripes. He loves the sun on his face and a good roll in the grass and does not have time for our photo shoot bc he needs to relax. Bernie was found walking on the interstate at Frametown and picked up by a Good Samaritan and brought to our shelter. We think he's young, one to two years old, and he's neutered! We love this goofy guy and he loves all other dogs. Walks great on a leash, not a big barker, and weighs around 40lb.



Piper is a five month old female Chow mix. She and her sister were found stray and living in what looked to be a groundhog hole. This girl was feral and did not enjoy human touch when she came to the shelter in early June but she has come such a long way in the last month. Piper loves adventuring around outdoors and now loves a pet on the head and a kind voice. She has learned to walk on a leash and gets along with other dogs here in the shelter. She is smart and very treat motivated so she would be easy to teach new tricks.



Trouble would like to give a thank you shout out to our June/July donors on behalf of all of our shelter pups! Than you Connie Messenger, Betsy Cogar, Peggy Rhodes, Paul and Betty Krashoc, Elk Valley Salvage, Dave and Kerri Lemon, Jeanette Dean, Kim Miller and It Fits To A Tee, Central WV Riding Club.

BCAS has been given the opportunity to provide five free dog spay surgery vouchers per month, to low-income Braxton County families. (One per household) These vouchers may be obtained by completing a Spay Assistance Application, which can be picked up and submitted at the animal shelter during business hours. Vouchers will be good for 30 days. BCAS reserves the right to deny financial assistance for any reason.

These free spay surgeries must be scheduled by the voucher recipient at Central WV Animal Hospital.

Braxton County Farm Bureau meeting July 25

Braxton County Farm Bureau will meet on Monday July 25, 2022 at 5 PM at Holly Gray Park for their annual picnic. Please plan to attend and bring a covered dish.

KITTY KORNER: Affordable, Adoptable, Fixed Feline Friends

Just One Generation cat rescue was started in 2013 in response to the severe feline overpopulation in this area. Our initial emphasis was on the Trap, Neuter, and Release (TNR) of feral cats as well as to facilitate the spay/neuter of domestic cats. Adoption of ownerless cats and kittens came later, as was incorporated with the program because there was no place else for these animals to go.

But, due to previously made travel plans and family commitments, Just One Generation will NOT be available to take in new animals or to adopt cats and kittens until after Labor Day.

Our spay/neuter assistance program will continue during this time. For information and registration for Spay/Neuter Assist, you can contact Diane Ratliff at 978-317-1941. If you have thoughtfully considered pet ownership, NOW may be the time to add a feline friend to your family.

Our program still has several healthy, social cats and kittens that are available for a modest adoption fee. Adoption fees include immunizations, deworming,

flea protection, as well as spay/neuter and rabies vaccine when the kittens are four -five months old. Featured today are several of our kittens still looking for someone to open their home and heart to them. Our usual adoption fee has been reduced to \$40 each of two for \$65, which includes the spay/neuter/rabies vaccine at Central WV Animal Hospital in Gas-saway when they reach appropriate age. Additional photos of these and other available cats and kittens can be seen on petfinder.com by entering a search for CATS at location 26623 or on the Just One Generation Facebook page. Contact Sally Stewart. as 304-364-4136 to arrange a visit or for additional information.

Sutton Baptist Church hosts Annual Block Party

Join the Sutton Baptist Church for our annual block party on Saturday, August 20 at 5:00 to 7:00 P.M.

We will be giving out one hundred free backpacks with school supplies. We will have carnival games, free food, and a fun time



PETE: Male, 7-8 weeks, orange and white short-haired, very social and playful.



ARLO: Male, 10- 12 weeks, tuxedo short-haired, very handsome and loving guy!

for the whole family. All are welcome.

Sutton Baptist Church exists to worship God, teach people to grow spiritually, provide opportunities to serve others, and encourage one another in fellowship while reaching the community for Jesus Christ.

Mon Health System announces new Board changes

Mon Health System, Mon Health Medical Center, and Mon Health Marion Neighborhood Hospital have recently announced the newest changes to their governing bodies.

The Mon Health System board has elected their new Chair, Ed Boyle, and Vice Chair, Kathy McNeil.

“We are thrilled to welcome Ed as our new Board Chair and Kathy as Vice Chair,” said David Goldberg, President and CEO of Mon Health System. “Their leadership on our Board the last several years has helped advance our mission and we look forward to working alongside them to make a profound impact in the health of our region. We thank Ron Stovash for his faithful service to the community and Mon Health as our Mon Health System Chairman and honored he will continue to serve on the System Board and Mon Health Marion Neighborhood Hospital Board.”

Dr. Robert Hull recently joined the Mon Health Medical Center board after years of service as a leading electrophysiologist at Mon Health Heart & Vascular. Mon Health Medical Center has also announced several elections to the current members of the board, including new Board Chair, Kimberly Moyers; Vice Chair, Natalie Stone; Secretary/Treasurer, Perri DeChristopher; and President of Medical Staff, Dr. Joseph Blatt.

Mon Health Marion Neighborhood Hospital, which opened its doors in December 2021, has announced that Senator Roman Prezioso has joined their Board of Directors.

“Such respected community leaders serving on our boards is an asset for us,” said Ed Boyle, Mon Health System Board Chairman. “Our newly elected board leaders and board members will assist Mon Health in driving best-in-class, community-focused care right here in North Central West Virginia.”

These Board changes are effective immediately and each of their terms will continue through 2023. To learn more about Mon Health, visit MonHealth.com.

Braxton County Soccer Club Fall Registration

Braxton County Soccer Club’s Fall 2022 Registration has opened! Registration is for age groups U4 to U12 (birth year 2019-2011.)

Registration cost for U4 players will be \$35. Registration cost for U6-U12 players is \$55.

To register, use the “sign up” button at the top of our Facebook page or this link: <http://clubs.bluesombrero.com/braxtoncountysc>

You will be required to upload a copy of the player’s birth certificate and a photo of the player at registration.

***Coaches! Please ask us about the Volunteer discount before you register your players!!!

If you have questions, please contact Lindsey Casto or Krystle Morris



The last day of registration will be Saturday, July 30th.

Free Cybersecurity Workforce Training coming to Glenville State University

Glenville State University will be offering free cybersecurity training as a part of the Cybersecurity and Safety Workforce Development Initiative. The Initiative aims to create a more vibrant economic future for the coal-impacted North Central region of West Virginia.

The training will lead to certifications and national industry-recognized credentials for high paying and in-demand jobs.

“There is no better time than now to get certifications in cybersecurity. Job demand for employees with cybersecurity skills, in West Virginia and the United States, has seen a precipitous climb in recent years and is expected to continue this trend for many years to come. With the development of these free boot camps that provide each participant with all training materials and exams at no cost to the participant, central West Virginia residents have a unique opportunity to receive training and eventual certification in cybersecurity-related fields at little to no cost,” said Tim Henline, Project Director for the Cybersecurity and Safety Workforce Development Initiative.

All necessary materials and certification exams will be provided at no cost in addition to the training. Classes do not require any prior coding or cybersecurity training and will take place over the course of three to five days. Day, night, and weekend classes will be offered to accommodate a variety of schedules.

Training courses will consist of a three-to five-day weekday or weekend boot camp where an instructor guides and trains students to receive industry-recognized certification in a cybersecurity-related field. Current base level certifications ongoing are CompTIA A+ and CompTIA Network+ with higher-level cybersecurity certification training planned in the coming months.

For more information about the courses or to be added to the waitlist, contact Henline by email at Timothy.Henline@glenville.edu or by phone at (304) 462-6119. You may also register for upcoming courses by visiting <https://workforce.glenville.edu/>.

This project was developed collaboratively with many diverse stakeholders and made possible by the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) POWER Initiative Grant. To learn more about ARC’s POWER Initiative, visit <https://www.arc.gov/arcs-power-initiative/>.

A total of \$1,402,408 in local and federal funding is being provided for the project, 80% of which, (\$1,120,995) comes from the Appalachian Regional Commission while 20% (\$281,413) comes from the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation and Glenville State University.



Students in cybersecurity training course as a part of the Cybersecurity and Safety Workforce Development Initiative at Glenville State University. (GSU Photo/Kristen Cosner)

College of Business & Aviation to launch adult degree completion program in Fall

Fairmont State University’s College of Business & Aviation has been granted approval to offer a new adult degree completion program. Beginning in the fall of 2022, students will have the opportunity to enroll in the Bachelor of Science in Strategic Leadership program to complete a four-year degree through online delivery methods.

The Strategic Leadership program is designed to provide a specific concentration to offer students a credential for workplace readiness, and was introduced to boost career advancement opportunities for adults currently engaged in the workforce in the State of West Virginia.

“According to a study by JobsEQ, in the past year nearly 70 percent of job postings which specified a degree credential as a minimum qualification required a bachelor’s degree of some type,” said Fairmont State University College of Business & Aviation Dean, Timothy Oxley. “Clearly, of these job postings in West Virginia which require a college education, a bachelor’s degree is still a strong entry-level or career-boosting credential.”

To be eligible for acceptance into the Strategic Leadership program, students must possess an associate degree from a regionally accredited institution or have 60 or more transferable credits from one or more regionally accredited institutions. The program also allows for individuals with an associate degree in a technical or applied field where there is no corresponding baccalaureate option to complete a four-year degree, including areas in Applied Manufacturing Technology, Applied Design, Emergency Medical Services, Industrial Technology, Paralegal Studies, Welding Technology or Veterinary Technology.

“We know that more than a quarter of a million West Virginians hold some college credit or have completed an associate degree,” Oxley said. “The B.S. in Strategic Leadership is designed to give these individuals an opportunity to complete a bachelor’s degree without having to commute to campus for classes.”

Students enrolled full-time may complete the entirety of the 30-hour curriculum in an 11-month period, from August through July. The Strategic Leadership program format includes a minimum of 10 three-credit hour core online courses in strategic leadership, offered in seven-week half terms on a static rotation each semester. The accelerated design allows for students to complete up to 12 credit hours in the fall and spring semesters, with the remaining six hours to be offered during a 12-week summer term.

“The online, accelerated format of the Strategic Leadership program will enable those who are working full or part-time, or are otherwise place-bound, to obtain a useful credential and add value to the college credit they already have completed,” Oxley continued. “Not only am I proud that the College of Business & Aviation at Fairmont State University is delivering this program in a format that is convenient to working adults, but I believe that offering such opportunities is our duty in order to support educational needs throughout the state and our communities.”

The Bachelor of Science in Strategic Leadership program is similar to and complements the existing Regents Bachelor of Arts program offered at the University. However, students desiring to pursue the RBA degree may benefit from the specialized concentration made available through Strategic Leadership curriculum.

“Having coordinated the RBA program for over a decade, I have witnessed firsthand the benefits of providing online courses in a compressed timeframe, which allows students to fit the completion of a college degree into their already full lives,” said Regents of Bachelor Arts Director, Pamela Stephens. “While the RBA program offers students maximum flexibility in meeting their learning objectives, the Strategic Leadership degree is ideal for students who aspire to gain the knowledge and skills relevant to advance into mid and upper-level management in today’s dynamic organizations.”

Program coordination will be assumed by the Dean of the College of Business & Aviation, with program oversight, admissions and advising to be coordinated through the Director of the Regents Bachelor of Arts program.

The deadline for the Fall 2022 application is August 1. The online application may be accessed at www.fairmontstate.edu/apply. For more information, contact Pamela.Stephens@fairmontstate.edu.

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Representatives from Aramark Collegiate Hospitality and Glenville State University pose with a presentation check for dining renovations taking place at Glenville State; pictured (l-r) are Alicia Gaul, Lisa Smarr, Brett Ridgway, Rita Hedrick Helmick, and Bert Jedamski. (GSU Photo/Kristen Cosner)

Dining services upgrades coming to Glenville State University

In August 2021, Glenville State University renewed its campus food services contract with Aramark Collegiate Hospitality, extending the partnership for the next 15 years.

Last month, Glenville State received \$1.5 million from Aramark to renovate and upgrade the cafeteria and snack bar areas inside the Mollohan Campus Community Center. The renovations include updates to the cafeteria serving and dining room areas, an updated grill, and an express convenience store area. The upgrades also include the addition of a national brand – Freshens – which bills itself as a “fresh casual” restaurant offering made to order food crafted with fresh ingredients. Work has been ongoing throughout the summer and is expected to be completed for the beginning of the fall semester.

A “We Proudly Serve” Starbucks coffee shop will be opening this fall as well. The coffee shop is located on the main

floor of Louis Bennett Hall, adjacent to the Pioneer Campus Store.

“From the cafeteria and snack bar to the new Starbucks, these renovations will provide a better dining experience for everyone. We are pleased to see this investment in our campus coming together and I look forward to seeing the new spaces completed. We appreciate our Aramark partners for their work in making this happen,” said Glenville State University President, Dr. Mark A. Manchin.

“Our goal is to continue driving student retention and the overall student experience at the institution. In addition, we want to see our students excel inside and outside the classroom and we feel that food is a big component in that success. Furthermore, we would like to continue to drive and support the Glenville State University mission, vision, and strategic plan. We look forward in continuing to strengthen our relationship at Glenville State

and continuing to help drive the success of the institution. Our future is very bright and we look forward in celebrating the success of the college over the next 15 years,” said Aramark Collegiate Hospitality District Manager, Brett Ridgway.

“I’m very grateful to our campus Physical Plant employees and the other contractors who have been working tirelessly this summer. They’ve battled supply chain issues and delays to keep these renovations on track so things will be ready for our students. We have a talented, dedicated workforce and I really appreciate them,” said Glenville State University Vice President of Administration, Rita Hedrick Helmick.

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Braxton County Eagles HSTA Club.

BCHS HSTA Club volunteers at MFB

The Braxton County Eagles HSTA club had great day volunteering at the Mountaineer Food Bank!

These students gave up a day of their summer vacation to pack six hundred and forty food boxes to help feed senior citizens in West Virginia!

Ms. Lemon and Mr. Crow report that the students had a great CAMP experience this week, and can’t wait to volunteer again. Braxton County High School is very proud of their efforts.

The Mountaineer Food Bank is still searching for individuals or groups to join them at the Sutton Warehouse for Volunteer Saturday on August 13th. Whether its for the full day or just a couple hours, the Mountaineer Food Bank could use your



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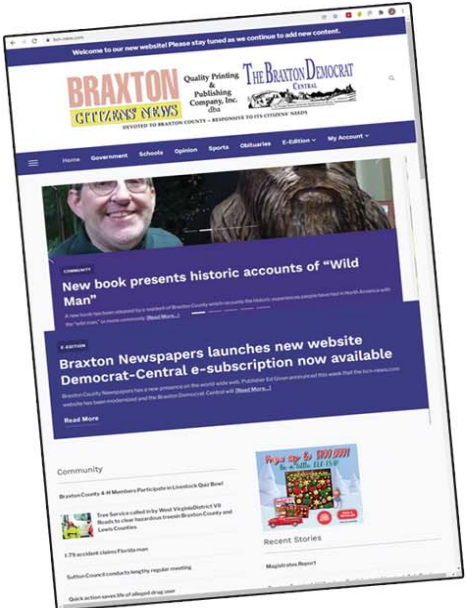
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