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**Members of the Judy's Garden Club Appalachian District have been recognized by the WV Master Gardeners for their work with native plants at the Sutton Dam.**

## Judy's Garden Club's native WV plant garden thrives

**By Shirley Shuman**

Saturday, members of Judy's Garden Club, Appalachian District, received a plaque from the West Virginia Master Gardeners Extension for their work on the native plant garden near the Sutton Dam. That garden came to be on a proposal from the local Corps of Engineers.

Two years ago, rangers from the Sutton Corps of Engineers approached Judy's Garden Club with a request. Members of that group granted the request; the result is the West Virginia native plant garden in the area of the Sutton dam. The Corps of Engineer asked for the garden as an attraction to bring more people to the area. Lisa Dennison, master gardener and native plant garden coordinator, described the situation and the members' reaction. "We ran with it," she said.

An example of the members' interest can be seen in what Dennison noted she began doing. "I went out in the woods," she said, "and dug up what I thought was common to West Virginia." Others did the same, and the garden reflects their efforts.

The garden, an oval which Dennison estimated measures 30 feet by 20 feet, contains over 100 native plants and pollinators. These include lungwort, wild geranium, rose mallard, obedient plant, witch

hazel, bee balm, and Solomon seal. Some of these were donated by a Braxton-Clay Master Gardener who is also a member of Judy's Garden Club.

Also growing in the native plant garden are more than 12 shrubs, including mountain laurel, along with six ferns. "We thought we'd plant what people might see when they're out in the woods and wonder about. Now they can go to the garden and identify whatever they've seen," Dennison said.

Seeing that the garden succeeds has not been easy. Members of Judy's Garden Club, led by president Pat McPherson, along with Braxton-Clay Master Gardeners face several problems. The area of the garden is shady, and the soil is moist. Most of the plants have survived although a few have had to be replaced. Deer and ground hogs also present a problem, but the members have come up with ways to winterize and prevent most of the damage these animals can cause. They wrap bird netting around separate plants and use metal baskets to protect some.

All this hard work has certainly been noticed. This project by the Corps of Engineers, Judy's Garden Club, and Braxton-Clay Master Gardeners has received many awards. In May 2020, the local garden club received a National Garden Club First Place Community Garden

Club Award. In October of the same year, the Army Corps of Engineers presented a "Power Acknowledgement" to the club for their work creating the site. Also, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' publication, *Castle Comments*, featured the creation of this interesting area.

Among awards given to the group is the recent plaque from WVU Master Gardeners Program. In January 2021, Judy's Garden Club received a \$1000 grant from National Garden Plant Americana to continue the plant and pollinator project. Club members used the funds to purchase educational tools and additional diverse native plants and to print educational brochures. They also bought improved markers and offered site visits and demonstrations.

Members of Judy's Garden Club and the Braxton-Clay Master Gardeners continue to analyze growth of the plants to replace those not growing well and to purchase additional native plants. Currently, they are planning to prepare seed packets to distribute to anyone who wants them in the spring. The garden has proved a "labor of love" as McPherson and Dennison, along with all the others who have worked there, can attest.

*Editor's Note: See additional photographic coverage on Page 9 of this issue.*

## Sutton Council discusses standing committees & more

The Sutton Town Council conducted their most recent meeting on July 28. Absent from the meeting were three council members, Steve Facemire, Beth Atkins, and Jon Crum.

Recorder Laurel Petolicchio asked Mayor JD Hoover if Facemire or Atkins had said anything about the quotes for a chair lift or elevator for the community building. Mayor Hoover stated he had not heard anything from either of them concerning those quotes.

Two community members, Joe Gates and Janet Six, requested the opportunity to participate on one of the standing committees. Under the town ordinances, it is at the discretion of the mayor whether or not to approve local indi-

viduals for committees. He informed them he would like the time to confer with the full council before making that decision.

The standing committees consist of Finance-Recorder Laurel Petolicchio, chair, Beth Atkins and Jon Crum; Roads, Streets, Sewers, and Street Drains-Steve Facemire, chair, Robyn Dolan, and Catherine Hoover; Public Safety and Health-Robyn Dolan, chair, Steve Facemire, Catherine Hoover; Police and Fire Protection and Municipal Court-Jon Crum, chair, Recorder Laurel Petolicchio, and Beth Atkins; Garbage and Recycling-Catherine Hoover, chair, Robyn Dolan, and Steve Facemire; and City Property and Community Building-Beth Atkins,

chair, Recorder Laurel Petolicchio, and Jon Crum. The council approved these committee appointments on a motion by Recorder Petolicchio with a second by Robyn Dolan.

Recorder Petolicchio requested the rental of the community for the second Saturday in December for the WV Bigfoot Museum and Mountain Laurel Country Store Annual Yeti/Christmas Expo. Those council members present stated the use would be acceptable.

Police Chief Shane Boggs provided council members with an update. He has hired Jonathan Sergeant as a town officer. Officer Sergeant is already a certified officer through the state. He is also a certified fire fighter and has

## Meeting regarding poor Frontier service termed "productive"

Nearly eighty local residents attended a meeting last Thursday at the Braxton County Senior Center to hear concerns regarding poor landline telephone service through Frontier Communications. The meeting, hosted by the Braxton County Commission, included commission members, representatives of the West

Virginia Public Service Commission and Frontier Communications and the public.

Frontier was represented by John Tipton, Director of Operations and Local Area Manager Aaron Crowder. Terri Blake and Cindy Delaney represented the Public Service Commission. Commission Presi-

dent Lisa Godwin facilitated the meeting which allowed seventy-eight residents to voice their concerns.

One of the major topics concerns dealt with customers not being able to use their phone service during power outages. Frontier representatives identified

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**Commission President Lisa Godwin introduced Frontier and Public Service representatives at last Thursday's public meeting.**

## New BoE members set goals for coming year

The new members of the Braxton County Board of Education met on Wednesday, July 27 for a special meeting/work session to discuss goals for school system. The board members presented both short-term and long-term goals.

Each board member had the opportunity to present their goals to the public one at a time. Many of the goals presented were comparable in nature, including improving student achievement, updating policies, and school safety. Other items discussed by various members were expanding the CTE program, increasing career and academic readiness, updating sports facilities, getting PRO officers in schools, establishing committees, and collaboration with local businesses.

Board President Evelyn Post noted the goals presented were

very similar. "I believe this board and our new superintendent are committed to making sure that a lot of these goals come to fruition," Post stated. The goals will be compiled and be presented to the public once they are in a more cohesion document. They will also be posted on the Braxton County Schools website.

Under regular business, the board approved the payment of bills on a motion by Dr. Kenna Seal with a second by Larry Hardway.

After an executive session from 6:04 pm to 8:02 pm, the board approved the following personnel recommendations and permission to post for two 1/2 time cook positions on a motion by Kevin Gregory and a second by Lisa Ratliff: employment of Lindsey Morris, preschool special needs teacher, Flatwoods,

Janice Bane, preschool special needs teacher, Flatwoods, Aaron Chenoweth, PE/planning, Flatwoods, Zachary Cyriacks, from 5<sup>th</sup> grade overage teacher, Flatwoods, to 6<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher, BCMS, Lisa Allen, from custodian, BCMS/BOE (2-10 shift) to custodian, part-time BCMS/BOE, Veronica Frame, substitute bus operator, and Addi Facemire, substitute aide.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm. The next regular meeting is set for this evening, August 2 at 6:00 pm. As always, members of the Braxton County community are encouraged to attend regular board meetings. Any parent or concerned community member wishing to speak as a delegate or with public concerns may do so by signing in up to 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

currently has officers from Florida, Georgia, and the Choctaw nation in Oklahoma interested in participating. The training will take place August 22-26 and he has already secured a vacant building as well as some locals to participate in the training. The SWAT training will also take place in collaboration with the Braxton County School System and the Braxton County Office of Emergency Services. At the end of the training, the department will have a fully developed active shooter plan for Sutton Elementary School. The town will have two free spots for officers with being the host town for the training. On a motion by Recorder Laurel Petolicchio with a second by Robyn Dolan, the council ap-

proved his request to move forward with the training.

Robyn Dolan mentioned she had spoken with the gas company concerning the natural gas odor near the Y intersection. They informed her they were aware of the issue and would be correcting the leak.

Council members discussed meeting with the paving company the following week to review the quote for paving of the alley next to Sutton Elementary. Council will make a decision concerning the paving at the next meeting in order to try to get the alley paving down before

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As I See It

By Ed Given

This and that...

Well, we have begun to get a little relief at the gas pumps. Prices have come down, of course not nearly as fast as they went up. Last week I filled up in Nicholas County for 20 cents less a gallon than Braxton County folks are forced to pay. Once again, we find ourselves on the high end of the scale. Gasoline all around us is cheaper.... Must be a transportation issue or some other excuse.

I have watched the news coverage of the Special Legislative Session that the Governor called last week with great interest. It seems almost no one is happy with the way the extra ordinary session was called or what is coming from it.

Of course, everyone likes the idea of a tax cut, but this 10% is a token. I heard a news report that outlined what the cut would mean to various taxpayers depending on their income. The bottom line is that only the rich really see any substantial savings.

The last report that I heard was that the issue is dead, but the Senate may produce their own version... West Virginia politics at its best.

The abortion issue is a whole, much bigger, can of worms. Obviously, there will be lots of people unhappy regardless of what is or isn't done. I'm not encouraging your opinion, nor do I want to debate the issue. I defend your right to disagree with my opinion, but it's still my opinion. So, here are a few things that I think... I believe in women's rights. They should definitely have a voice at this table but obviously those making the decision don't feel that way. I do not believe that abortion should be allowed to be a from of birth control. Either way, there has to be limitations and restrictions.

I could probably live with most of the proposals that have been brought forth in this special session, eventhough they are not ideal in my way of thinking. The exception is the way they have treated rape and incest. I think it is a crime to force a child to have a child. How many lives have to be ruined or lost in these types of situations? Once again, politics is the driving factor. Elected officials are too concerned with supporting their party's platforms... to the letter. Common sense doesn't fit in their equations. Emotions further complicate this issue. I guess I should be glad that I am not one who has to vote on whatever they come up with. One way or another, there will always be those who criticize the outcome and on subjects like these many who find fault, make it personal.



Every Acre Counts

By Kevin Gregory

August Habitat Chores

It is August! 7 weeks until bow season opens and I feel like I am running behind with my hunting preparations. Hopefully you have been shooting all summer getting ready with your equipment tuned up, but what remains in habitat preparations for August and in preparation for bow season.

In the July Habitat Chore article, we discussed on the need for late summer nutrition for your deer herd and other wildlife. Plants which have finished growing are losing nutritional value and this time of year can be one of the most stressful for your deer herd. Everyone looks around and sees mountains of green, but most of the understory has stopped growing and therefore lost its value as food.

In the deer's world, August is a tough month. Hot conditions, flies and gnats swarming the deer and low food quality on the landscape. The bucks are in

prime antler growth season and does are still lactating to feed their fawns. Fawns are learning the way of the whitetail and eating a lot of stuff – good and bad. Nutrition is critical to a healthy deer herd going into the fall and winter.

August chores can be difficult given the temperatures. However, if you can brave the temps, it is a good time to continue your **invasive species treatments**. It is also important to keep your mineral sites filled, start **fall food plots** or prepare the area, and start tracking your whitetail from the **trail camera photos**.

**Invasive species** is still a concern for almost everyone these days doing habitat work. In August, Japanese Stilt Grass begins to seed out and Japanese Knotweed is seeding out now. If you have been following my articles, you know stilt grass is my biggest challenge. To eliminate the seed-



Mature Cereal Grain Head.

ing process, I spray the existing plants with herbicide in mid-August. This takes some work and numerous trips with the backpack sprayer, but I use it as a work-out for my fall hunting endeavors. Autumn Olive, Bush Honeysuckle, Japanese Barberry, respond well to foliar treatments or basal treatments this time of the year. Cut stump treatments can be effective this time of the year but check with your county extension office to verify the best method to use and with the price of

herbicide, save you some time and money.

If you are running a **rotational food plot program**, this is the month to prep for your fall hunting plots. I left two areas in cereal rye to seed out for the turkeys, squirrel, and doves. The wildlife is about done with those plots so it is time to move on to my next planting. I use a no-till planting method so I will roll down the remaining cereal rye after seeding in my early fall mix of turnips and radishes. If I see weed competition, I will use glyphosate in a light dose to add to the thatch layer for my fall seeds.

Finally, with bucks' racks in full velvet, start running your **camera surveys** to see what bucks are on the landscape for the fall seasons. Keeping a couple of the bucks from dispersing with quality habitat is a focus of mine so I stay tuned into their needs on an annual basis.

Make these chores a family endeavor and get your kids out to help you on the projects. Help them identify trees, flowers, plants, and while your out there, see what birds are using your property. You may be assisting vulnerable species such as the **Golden Winged Warbler** or the **Cerulean Warbler** and not even know it!

Remember – **Every Acre Counts!**



Native Weed Mare's tail or Horseweed – Deer keep it pruned.

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News from our Capitol

by Delegate Brent Boggs

To begin this week, we need to keep our neighbors in eastern Kentucky in our prayers and be willing to step up with donations and, if possible, boots on the ground. As I write this Sunday night, the rains are still falling, even after record rainfall and flooding has occurred. Already the death and destruction are beyond comprehension, and the waters have yet to recede. When our State experienced a similar event in 2016, rebuilding is still ongoing. Eastern Kentucky will need help for months and years to come, just like we did, to recover and rebuild.

In twenty-six years in the Legislature and having served during the terms of five governors, one long standing axiom has proven to be good advice, time and time again. If you are calling a special session of the Legislature, you need to have some consensus on (a) the agenda and (b) consensus on any bills placed on the special call.

Otherwise, it often becomes unproductive and not the best use of time and taxpayer dollars.

That unwritten bit of guidance was never more relevant than it was last week, when a special session to address one single issue – a slight reduction in state income tax rates – morphed into a six-day debacle that included a bill to clarify abortion law in West Virginia. It ended in the late-night last Friday with no bills sent to the Governor, including his tax reduction bill. The only agreement was a resolution passed by both bodies that adjourned until the legislative leadership determines a date to reconvene.

While the Governor did have a plan on taxes, it was apparently not vetted, or consensus reached beforehand with both houses. His bill (HB 301) was first taken up in the House of Delegates and was passed and communicated to the Senate. Whereupon the Senate opted not to consider the bill, eventually only passing a non-binding resolution in

support of some future tax reduction. Thus, the bill that was the purpose of calling the Legislature into session during July interim meetings was dead.

Meanwhile, late Monday, the Governor amended his original call to include taking up the abortion issue. However, he did not propose a bill, leaving it up to the House and Senate to individually come up with a plan with no advance notice. In hurried fashion, the House Health & Human Resources Committee originated a bill (HB 302) and advanced it to the Judiciary Committee. It passed Judiciary; a public hearing was held on Wednesday and eventually passed the House by a vote of 69-23. The bill was amended in the Senate and passed late last Friday evening, sending it back to the House, which refused to accept the Senate version, predominately over physician liability.

As a result, both the House and Senate adjourned, subject to the “call of the chair”. At some point, we will reconvene, a conference committee will be appointed to attempt to work out the differences in the bills, but there is no guarantee that will occur in a timely manner. Eventually, a bill will pass, but it is not clear at this point what a final version will contain.

Some bills are simple and require minimal debate. Others are more complex and must be researched beforehand to obtain consensus in a timely manner. Still others are both complex and emotionally charged, such as HB 302. These bills are better suited for the regular session, where concerns can be vetted beforehand, all sides can make their case in multiple committees, and members can make informed decisions on amendments, based on the information attained from research, debate, and the principles of each member.

There is no doubt in my mind that a bill will eventually end up on the Governor's desk for his action, whether it's sooner or later. But what happened last week was akin to someone deciding to build a house. Then, with no advance notice or planning they decided to build a high-rise building. They had no specific plan or blueprints; no list of materials; no preliminary preparations. Despite the lack of planning, one hundred thirty-four builders were called in without advance notice to the worksite with no coordination beforehand. Not a productive way to proceed on an important project.

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the problem as being deficient backup batteries that power vital equipment during outages. They assured those in attendance that those problems would be immediately addressed. In fact, some batteries were located and in route to strategic locations before the meeting ended, according to the company representative.

Company officials stated that each person who spoke would be personally contacted with information pertaining to their situation as a follow-up.

Commission President Lisa Godwin summed up the meeting saying it was productive. "I believe Frontier and the PSC have a better understanding of what the problems in our area are. They have stated that corrective action will be taken. Overall, I think the meeting was very productive."

The Commission will summarize the oral testimony given at Thursday's meeting and reduce it to written form along with approximately two dozen complaints that came to the Commission office by phone and forward the documents to both agencies this week.

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school starts.

Recorder Petolicchio brought up the issue with HVAC on the second floor of the town building freezing up and requested bringing in someone to inspect the system.

Municipal Clerk Robin Smith briefly updated the council on the grant process for the corrections to the storm drain issues. The \$150,000 grant through Region VII has been approved, and the matching grant is moving forward to cover the costs the town would have to pay.

The minutes of the July 14 regular meeting and the July 21 special meeting were approved as corrected on a motion by Robyn Dolan and

a second by Catherine Hoover. Also approved was the payment of bills on a motion by Catherine Hoover with a second by Robyn Dolan.

Council tabled the discussion on the ordinance updates on a motion by Laurel Petolicchio and a second by Catherine Hoover until other members could be present.

Council went into executive session at 6:54 pm to discuss possible hiring of another officer and reconvened at 7:16 pm with no decisions made.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm. The next regular meeting will be August 11 at 6:00 pm.

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Legislative session called by the Governor last week was not a productive use of taxpayer funds. Advance notice and planning go a long way.

Meanwhile, while I was at the Capitol last week, I was unable to attend the local meeting with Frontier Communications, the WV Public Service Commission, and local residents regarding the ongoing telephone and internet issues. Central West Virginia residents and businesses continue to suffer from substandard service and lengthy delays in repairs being completed. Coupled with the lack of cell coverage in the area, a non-working landline is a major safety issue, especially for our considerable population of senior citizens.

Thank you, Commission President Godwin and the Braxton County Commission, Braxton Senior Center director Mary Chapman, Evelyn Post, Elaine Harris, representing the Communication Workers of America, and my wife, Jean, attending on my behalf. Most of all, thank you to the large turnout that brought their concerns to the meeting. As a result of the meeting, some of the concerns have already been addressed with more to come.

Now that the session has concluded, please contact me at my home

Way back when...

Long ago in Braxton County



**Road Construction...**  
*Building the road between Sutton to Flatwoods in the early 1930's was no easy task. A large mechanical shovel was the principal way to move large amounts of earth during that period. The reason for this photo and the people in it are unknown. The photo is courtesy of Craig A. Smith collection and is featured*

*in a series of historical books about Braxton County titled "Looking Back". The five volumes are filled with old pictures and county history. These books, The History of Braxton County, The History of Bulltown and Craig's three cookbooks are available for purchase at the Citizens' News/Democrat-Central Office, 501 Main Street, Sutton, WV.*

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- New Load: Interior Door Slabs
- New Load White Paint -Satin, Flat, 5 gal & 1 gal
- New Load: Butcherblock Countertops - Acacia & Beech
- New Load: T1-11 siding 5/8" & 11/32"
- New Load: ¾" Plywood
- New Load: Metal Roofing 8', 12' & 16'
- New Load: Poly ISO Insulation 4'X4"
- New Load: 11/32" Beadboard Siding

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- Mobile Home Doors: 32" & 34"
- Hand Sanitizer - 1 L Glass bottles
- Butcherblock Counter Tops - Beech
- Paint - 1 gal. Satin White
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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Braxton County Senior Center August Activities

Mondays, August 1,8,15,22,29: Choir 10:00 A.M to 11:00 A.M. , Wii Bowling at 12:00 P.M. Tuesdays 2,9,16,23,30: Craft Class 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M., Exercise Class 1:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Wednesdays, August 3,10,17,24,31: Craft Class 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M., Wii Bowling at 12:00 P.M., Afternoon Card Playing. Thursdays, August 4,11,18,25: Live Music Bible Study 10:00 A.M., Embroidery Group, Afternoon Card Playing, Exercise Class 1:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Fridays, August 5,12,19,26: Bingo 10:00

## Braxton County Middle School New Student Enrollment

If you have a child who is in sixth, seventh, or eighth grade that did not attend a Braxton County School at the end of the last school year, staff will be available to help enroll your student on the following dates: August 9 from 9:00 A.M to 11:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. and August 11 during the open house from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

## Sutton Moose Lodge #825 host BCHS Cheer BINGO Fundraiser

Sutton Moose Lodge #825 is helping the Braxton County High School Cheerleaders raise funds for the cost of new uniforms on Saturday, August 6 at 11:00 A.M held at the Sutton Moose Lodge. There will be twenty games for twenty dollars with cash prizes of twenty dollars per game. There will be a one thousand dollar jackpot. Tickets sold by Braxton County High School Cheer family and friends.

## Huffman Reunion

Family and friends of Ernest and Ida Huffman are invited to attend the Huffman Reunion on August 14 at the Burnsville Community Building. Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm. Come on out and join us.

## Cottrell/Cottrill Reunion

The 35th Annual Cottrell/Cottrill and descendants reunion will be held on August 13 at the Gassaway Fire House Multi-Purpose Room in Gassaway. Doors open at 10:00 am. Bring a covered dish and something for the white elephant sale. Everyone welcome.

## McCauley Homecoming

The 89th annual McCauley Homecoming is scheduled for Sunday, August 21. It will be held in the Burnsville Community Building. Doors will open around 10 a.m. Bring a covered dish. No fees or charges. Come and find out if or how you might be related to the first McCauley who came to central West Virginia around 1800.

## Kniceley and Mt. Nebo Homecoming

The Kniceley and Mt. Nebo Homecoming will be held on August 7 at Mt. Nebo Church on Vernon Road. Come and join us with worship, fellowship and great food. Sunday School at 10:00 am. Preaching at 11:00 am and dinner af-

ter. Bring your favorite food and any pictures you have a family and friends or past homecomings. See you there.

## Church Homecoming

The Little Kanawha Independent Church at Burnsville WV will be having their annual Homecoming, August 14, 2022. The day will start with Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. There will be a covered dish dinner at noon in the Fellowship Hall beside the church. After lunch we will gather back to the church for Fellowship and Singing. Featuring The Brighterside Quartet. Pastor Ronzel Roberts. Everyone is Welcome!

## SPL now hiring new assistant

Sutton Public Library is now hiring for a part-time assistant position. This position will pay \$11 per hour and offer 20 hours per week with the possibility of additional hours in the future. Those looking to become a candidate may apply online or submit their resumes directly to the library. The application window will close on Monday, August 1, 2022. Library hours are

Monday: 8am-4pm, Tuesday: 11am-7pm, Wednesday: Closed, Thursday: 11am-7pm, Friday: 8am-4pm

## HUMCC hosts Vacation Bible School

The Heaters United Methodist Church Charge will be sponsoring Vacation Bible School on Saturday, August 13 at Bulltown, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The Bible School will take place at Pavilion #5 near the swimming area. There will be food, painting classes, and arts & crafts. Also we will be doing bleach tie-dying, so bring a piece of clothing. Cookout will be at 5:00 pm for all of the kids and their families.

## Braxton County Middle School Back to School Bash

Braxton County Middle School has announced their Back to School Bash for Thursday, August, 11th from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. Students and families will be able to meet their teachers for the 2022-23 school year, take tours of their classes and the school campus, win prizes and have fun!

## SBC 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 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.

## Gassaway Public Library offers math and reading help

Is your child struggling to keep up in Reading or Math? Gassaway Public Library can help. We have a math tutor and a reading tutor available at the library. We also have Read Alouds each Monday morning at 11:00 am.

The children hear a story and complete a craft project.

If you have any questions call us at (304)364-8292.

## Polemic Run Baptist Church Picnic

The Polemic Run Baptist Church invites everyone to a church picnic August 14. Sunday School at 10:30 am following with a picnic. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the day with neighbors.

## Cathy Pecora's School of Dance 2022-23 Season

Cathy Pecora’s School of Dance announces the start of the 2022-2023 Dance Season. Classes are offered in Tiny Tots, Tap, Jazz, Ballet, and Pointe for students three years of age and up. Mommy-N-Me is available for ages two years of age through six and Mommy. Adult Jazz and Ballet is offered for ladies nineteen years of age and older. Classes begin August 22 in the Dance Studio located at 200 2nd Street in Sutton. To register, call or text (304)644-7623 or (304)765-7621 by August 19th.

## Cathy Pecora's School of Dance Mommy-N-Me

Cathy Pecora’s School of Dance is offering a Mommy-N-Me class for students two through six years of age and their mommies. The class consist of movements and stretching activities using fun props, Tap and Ballet techniques, and lots of fun for mommies and little ones. To register, call or text (304)644-7623 or (304)765-7621. Classes start on August 25th.

## Cathy Pecora's School of Dance Moms Dance 2

Moms Dance 2 is a ladies class offered at Cathy Pecora’s School of Dance. The class meets Thursdays 7:00 to 7:30 P.M., and is a fun class with Jazz and Ballet Techniques. No dance experience is necessary. For more information on how to register, call or text (304)644-7623 or (304)765-7621. Classes start August 26th.

## Copen School Reunion

The Copen School Reunion will be held on September 3, 2022, same place and same time. Come out and enjoy the day.

## Announcement

Facemire/Cruikshanks Family Singers will be performing at the Heaters Methodist Church (across from Weyerhaeuser) on Sunday, August 7 at 9:30 am. Z-Man BBQ and covered dish dinner following the service.

## Hart Reunion

Family and friends of Will and Mae Frame Hart are invited to the Hart Reunion Sunday, August 7. It will be held at the Clem Hart Farm on Tate Creek Road, Frametown. For those with GPS, the farm address is 2153 Dingy Rd, Frametown, WV 26623. Bring a covered dish and dinner will be served around 1:00 pm. Come as early as you like and stay late. We will have an auction that will benefit the Hall-Hart Cemetery Fund. If you have an item that you could donate, it would be appreciated. For more information, contact Thelma Samples at 304-880-0004 or email thelmasamples@gmail.com.

## Vacation Bible School

The Heaters Unit-

ed Methodist Church Charge will be sponsoring Vacation Bible School on Saturday, August 13 at Bulltown, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The Bible School will take place at Pavilion #5 near the swimming area. There will be food, painting classes, and arts & crafts. Also we will be doing bleach tie-dying, so bring a piece of clothing. Cookout will be at 5:00 pm for all of the kids and their families.

## Render the Hearts in concert

August 6, 6 PM at the Sue Morris Sports Complex, Outdoor Stage- Join us for an evening of contemporary Gospel Music with “Render the Hearts”. The evening will include fellowship by the firepit with hot dogs and s’mores. Bring a lawn chair or listen from your car on the short-range station, 96.7 FM. Admission is free. For more information call The First Baptist Church of Glenville (304) 462-7015.

## The Isaacs in concert

August 26, 7 PM at the Sue Morris Sports Complex, Outdoor Stage- Join “The Isaacs” in concert with the opening by “The Putnam Family”. Bring a lawn chair or listen from your car on the short-range station, 96.7 FM. Admission is free. For more information call The First Baptist Church of Glenville (304) 462-7015.

## 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 call (912) 398-3244 to ensure you and your family are included in what our pantry is offering.

## 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/guarians that participate. We hope to see you there.

## 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.

# Thankfulness:

Is it possible that in America today the problem is that people are too busy looking at what they do not have and want that, rather than looking at what they have and appreciate what they do have? It is not wrong to strive for something that we may not have because it may help us to better our lives such as a better job, maybe a more reliable automobile or even a better home but in our quest we need not to forget the blessings that we do have and appreciate those, and do not try to live out in the future because you will miss the life that is happening here and now.

Being thankful is an admirable trait, it helps us to become better people which in turn will help us to be better citizens, better fathers or mothers, better servants in the master’s kingdom. We will be better equipped for the things that life throws at us, remember it is better to be humbly grateful than to be grumbly hateful.

Heb 13:5

5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

1 Tim 6:8-10

8 And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. 9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. 10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

Phil 4:11

11 Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

Conditions of thankfulness

Humility, realize just where you are at on the food chain

Matt 23:12

12 And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

Rom 12:10

10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

Appreciation, be genuine to yourself and to others, ask your self if you truly appreciate what you just received or are you offering lip service.

I have had some things in my life that have caused me to really be thankful in life for things that I have received because someone thought enough of me to give me something.

Once when I was younger maybe 7 or 8 years old it was my birthday and for what ever reason I was in one of those moods where nothing I received was satisfying me I complained about everything that I got for my birthday and my older brother by 10 years had bought me a pair of blue jeans, and this was back in the 1960’s where money did not grow on trees as we might say. He gave them to me expecting to see me be happy that he had took the time and money to get me a present, but I started complaining about them, I found everything in the world wrong with them and my brother tried to be gracious to me and patient while I was being unthankful and complaining about them. It was at that moment that I realized what it meant to push someone over the edged, my brother lashed out at me and made me feel lower than a snakes belly in a wagon rut, he really lit me up with scathing words that hurt my feelings and it was then that I realized some wonderful things, the things that he said to me were all true. I asked myself why did he get me a present in the first place it was because he loved me and he wanted to demonstrate it with a gift from him to me, he took the time and money to think about me and low the years have passed from that day I have never forgotten the lesson that I learned that day and have tried my best to be thankful and appreciate everything that someone does for me.

Application: to bring into action, use or employ

1 Tim 2:1-3

2:1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; 2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;

1 Thess 5:18

18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Luke 17:12-19

12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: 13 And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. 14 And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. 15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, 16 And fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. 17 And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? 18 There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. 19 And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

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# COMMUNITY CORNER

COUNTY STORIES

By: JEANETTE RIFFLE

## Antique Corn Sheller

We were watching Modern Marvels on big screen TV and saw an antique corn sheller this past week.

My husband said he had shelled a lot of corn on one of those. When he was growing up, that was one of his jobs. He used it to shell field corn that was grown on their farm for the livestock. I asked him if he liked that job and he said he didn't mind doing it. It was just another job. It had a crank on one side of it and a heavy fly wheel on the other side. That crank turned the fly wheel. The fly wheel turned the shelling mechanism on the inside. You dropped an ear of corn in the top of it and the cob came out on the side. The corn came out in a bucket or whatever you had to catch it in on the bottom. He said the biggest job was trying to keep chickens out of the corn crib when he was trying to shell corn. I

asked him where that antique came from and he said it was there as far back as he could remember. He doesn't know who it had originally belonged to. The first people to live on the farm were Alexander and Eliza Stump Shock. We heard that they built the Shock cabin in 1838. There were many others who lived there through the years.

I was fascinated by all the antiques that were there and still in use, when I married him. The old time Victrola that you had to crank up to hear the records was amusing. When it started winding down and needed cranked up again, it sounded like the singers were dying. We all got a laugh out of that. I wish I had a picture of the corn sheller but I don't. We just saw it on TV. It was a show of how equipment has been improved through

the years.

Dad had to shell his field corn by hand. He grew white corn for meal and took it to a grist mill up at Normantown. Audey Turner had one and Audey took what they called a toll of the meal for his pay. Some folks took a half gallon jar and filled it up out of your meal and that was their pay. They didn't have to buy cornmeal if they ground for several people. So, we had our own cornmeal for cornbread. It sure was good. People used the yellow corn to feed their livestock and made their own cornmeal out of the white corn. Funny how things change. We prefer the yellow cornmeal for our cornbread. There is still more white in the grocery stores than yellow.. I will close for this time.

Until next week, please continue to be safe and take care. Those viruses are still going around. May the Lord bless and keep you in his care.

## Do you need help providing school clothes? Encore can help ease the burden!

Finding the funds to outfit your children for school can be an anxiety laden burden to already stretched thin budgets. For all parents that do not qualify for West Virginia School Clothing Vouchers are struggling with the economy and are falling between the cracks.

Encore can help with five outfits of your choice, a pair of shoes, and back-

pack for each child you have.

Come in during normal store hours on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. and see Laura or Christy. Please bring our Id, the names ages and approximate size and name of the school each child is attending. That is all you need!

Items are to be chose from Encore racks. Specialty items are excluded.

Encore is a non profit Thrift store selling clothing, housewares, Knick

knacks, furniture and linens at nominal prices. Friendly and dedicated all volunteer staff. Proceeds stay in the community to help with basic needs. Donations accepted per guidelines from 11:00 A.M. -2:00 P.M. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.



American Legion Post 33 conducted a ceremony at the gravesite.

## World War I Vet Grave Found

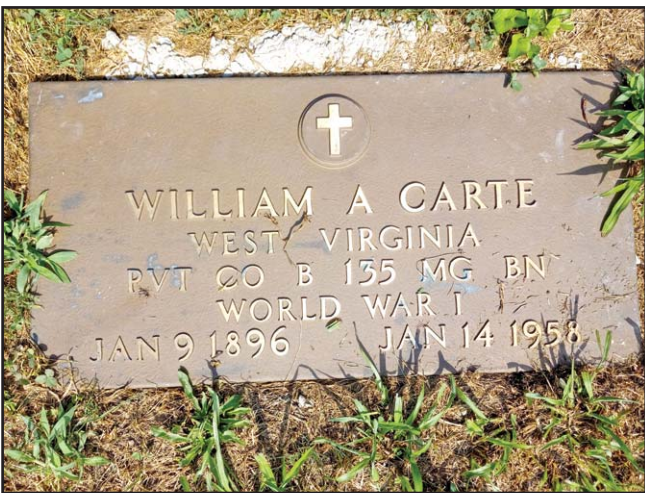
The grave of a World War I veteran has been located and honored by the American Legion Braxton Post 33. The four-month project of finding the grave of William A. Carte was spearheaded by American Legion Service Officer, Art Moore.

Post 33 Commander Paul Gillespie and Honor Guard conducted a solemn ceremony at Carte's gravesite in the Sutton Cemetery on Town Hill.

Carte's new military marker contains the following information: William A. Carte, Pvt. Co. B, 35 MG BN.

Carte was born January 9, 1896 and died January 14, 1958.

Commander Gil-



William A. Carte's grave marker was placed after the grave was properly identified.

lespie noted: "Until our Post 33

Service Officer Art Moore led the search, the location of Carte was unknown to the U.S. Army. It was our

honor to place a military marker at his grave to properly identify a World War I veteran of West Virginia.

## BCMS Soccer tryouts

BCMS Soccer tryouts will be on Aug 8-9th from 4:30-6:45pm at the Weyerhaeuser field located in Heaters.

Athletes must have a current physical and dressed in soccer gear (shin guards, soccer socks, and cleats). Please bring your own water bottle and size 5 ball. NOTE: There will be a parent/player meeting on August 1st from 5:30 to 6:15 at the Sutton Dam picnic shelter area.

Anyone that is planning on trying out is encouraged to attend the meeting.

## FSBC hosts Annual Homecoming

The First Southern Baptist Church of Sutton will hold its annual homecoming on Sunday, August 14th, starting at 10:00 AM. The message will be presented by Seth Osborne, Special music will be provided by The Face-mires's. We'll round out the day with a covered dish fellowship dinner. Everyone is welcome to come out and join us, and we look forward to seeing former church members and new visitors. The church is located on the hill above the Braxton County Senior Center.

## Polemic Run Baptist Church Picnic

The Polemic Run Baptist Church invites everyone to a church picnic August 14. Sunday School at 10:30 am following with a picnic. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the day with neighbors.



Lilly Hoover.

## Meet a Mountaineer Food Bank Food Banker

This week the Mountaineer Food Bank is highlighting Lilly Hoover!

Lilly serves as a Mobile Food Pantry Assistant. She has been employed with the food bank for just under a year, but has been a volunteer since childhood with local 4-H clubs.

Lilly and her husband are starting a family in Birch River and enjoy kayaking, fishing, gaming, and spending time with loved ones in their free time.

Thank you, Lilly, for all you do from all of here at the Mountaineer Food Bank.

## MEET THE CANDIDATE

Kevin Carpenter, Democratic Candidate for the West Virginia House of Delegates 63rd District will be holding a Meet the Candidate event **Wednesday, August 17th, 2022** at the **Elk River Hotel and Café** at 616 Main St Sutton WV 26601 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

Light hors d'oeuvres will be served. The new 63rd District replaces the 34th District represented by retiring Delegate Brent Boggs that encompasses Braxton and eastern Gilmer Counties. Bring your questions, concerns and ideas on how best to move our district and state forward. Please call Kevin at 304 765 5960 or visit [www.kevincarpenter.us](http://www.kevincarpenter.us) for more information.

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## West Virginia school clothing allowance application period extended

Due to a statewide system outage affecting multiple state agencies and services, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources' (DHHR) Bureau for Family Assistance has extended the deadline for accepting School Clothing Allowance applications for eligible children enrolled in West Virginia schools.

Families may apply online at [www.wv-path.org](http://www.wv-path.org). Applications through WV PATH must be received by 5:00 p.m., on August 12, 2022. A paper application may be requested by contacting a local DHHR office or by calling 1-877-716-1212. Paper applications must be postmarked by August 12, 2022 to qualify.

Each eligible child will receive a \$200 benefit that may be used toward the purchase of school clothing or piece goods for families who sew clothing for their children.

The following groups will automatically receive School Clothing

Allowance benefits for each school-age child in the home by the end of June:

Families with school-age children who currently receive WV WORKS cash assistance Parents or guardians of children in foster care Children ages 4-18 who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, are enrolled in school and whose household income is under 130% of the Federal Poverty Level

Families who received School Clothing Allowance in 2021 and currently have Medicaid coverage should have received a School Clothing Allowance application by U.S. Mail in late June.

Others may be eligible for School Clothing Allowance benefits based on the monthly income limits by household size as listed below. Verification of income for July must be submitted with the application.

Monthly Income Limits for the School

Clothing Allowance Program for 2022:

Number of Persons in Household Income Limit

1 \$1,396, 2 \$1,888, 3 \$2,379, 4 \$2,871, 5 \$3,363, 6 \$3,855, 7 \$4,347, 8 \$4,839, 9 \$5,331, 10 \$5,823

School Clothing Allowance recipients will receive an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card in place of the traditional paper voucher. This system change was implemented in 2021 to allow for both online transactions and increased choice of vendors when purchasing school clothing or piece goods. The EBT card will operate like a debit card and can be used at any retailer who accepts EBT cash transactions. If the merchant does not accept EBT cash transactions, the benefit can be withdrawn as cash at a QUEST ATM to complete the purchase. Parents or guardians of children in foster care will receive the School Clothing Allowance benefit as a check.

## WV Sales Tax Holiday August 5-8

When is West Virginia's Sales Tax Holiday?

If you're needing to buy back-to-school supplies or just want to stock up on some clothes or electronics, you might want to put it off just a little longer until West Virginia's tax-free weekend.

According to the West Virginia State Tax Department, the Sales Tax Holiday in 2022 will begin at midnight on Friday, Aug. 5, and continue until 11:59 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 8. West Virginia's sales tax is 6%, so while you won't be saving a huge amount on the dollar, you can expect to save \$30 on \$500 worth of purchases.

Items that are tax exempt during the week-end include:

- Clothing items (\$125 or less per item)
- School supplies (\$50 or less per item)
- School instructions material (\$20 or less per item)

- Laptop and tablet computers (\$500 or less per item)
- Sports equipment (\$150 or less per item)

While there is no limit on the total amount of tax-exempt purchases during the weekend, the West Virginia State Tax Department compiled a list of items that are not included, so you don't have a realization in the checkout line.

No items purchased for use in trade or business are tax-exempt on the holiday.

Clothing items that will not be tax-exempt include:

- Clothing accessories (Such as bags and hair accessories)
- Protective equipment (Such as breathing masks, ear and hearing protectors, face shields, hard hats, helmets, paint or dust respirators, protective gloves, safety glasses and goggles, safety belts, tool belts and welder's gloves

and masks)

- Sewing equipment and supplies
- Sports or recreational equipment (Such as sport-specific shoes, goggles, etc.)
- Belt buckles sold separately
- Costume masks sold separately
- Patches and emblems sold separately

Some unconventional items such as wedding apparel and diapers are also included in the tax exemption, but keep in mind that tax will be applied to items that cost more than \$125. Tax-free purchases can also be made online during the weekend. See the West Virginia State Tax Department website for more information about online purchases or for answers to other FAQs.

You can also do your back-to-school shopping in neighboring states during their Sales Tax Holidays, although the requirements are different from West Virginia.

## Braxton County Senior Center August Menu

Menu subject to change due to food availability. 2% milk served with each meal.

Tuesday 2 Taco Salad with Chips, Black Beans, Corn, Fruit. Wednesday 3 Pot Roast, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Honey Glazed Carrots, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Thursday 4 Salmon Patty, Stewed Tomatoes, Macaroni Salad, Fruit. Friday 5 Creamed Tomatoes, Biscuit, Sausage, Roasted Potatoes, Fruit. Monday 8 Beef Vegetable Soup, Cornbread, Broccoli Casserole, Fruit. Tuesday 9 Annual Picnic Pork BBQ Sandwich, Sweet Potato Fries, Cole-slaw, Fruit. Wednesday 10 Roasted Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Roll Fruit. Thursday 11 Cold Cut Sandwich with Lettuce and Tomato, Baked Beans, Fruit. Tuesday 12 Pepperoni Roll, Tomato Soup with Cheddar Cheese Crackers, Fruit. Monday 15 Chicken Enchilada, Pepper Strips, Black Beans, Rice, Fruit. Tuesday 16 Tuna Salad on Lettuce, Pasta with Peas, Stewed Tomatoes, Fruit. Wednesday 17 Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes Gravy, Dinner Roll, Pea Salad, Fruit. Thursday 18 Spaghetti with Meatballs, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit. Friday 19 Pin-

to Beans, Cornbread, Beets, Fruits. Monday 22 Chili, Sweet Potatoes, Crackers, Fruit. Tuesday 23 Chicken Ala King, Rice, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Wednesday 24 Cornish Pasti, Peas, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Thursday 25 Breakfast Bake, Hash Browns, Biscuit, Spiced Apples. Friday 26 Lasagna,

## Sutton Eagles Family Reunion August 6

Sutton Eagles Family Reunion Saturday, August 6th at the Flatwoods Community Cen-

ter at 11:00 A.M. Bring a covered dish. Everybody welcome.

## Holly Gray Park announces second yard sale of 2022

Holly Gray Park will be hosting a community yard sale on Saturday, August 13th. Set up begins at 7:00 A.M. while the sale begins at 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

The sale will be held in the barn, rain or shine. It will cost fifteen dollars to set up and tables are available to rent for five dollars a

table. Preregister to have to opportunity to setup the night before.

Helpful items for vendors to bring are small bills to make change, chairs, a canopy for rain or sun, and grocery bags for clothes and other small items.

Come on out and find great deals before school starts.

## Rader family note of gratitude

The family of Shorty Rader would like to express sincere gratitude for all the support, prayers, and food provided for our family during our time of grief and loss. A special thanks

to the hospice team, Becky, Amy, Angie and Ric who helped get us through this. I couldn't have done this alone.

Shorty will be greatly missed. Sherry Rader

## MAGISTRATE COURT R-E-P-O-R-T

### Magistrate Beth Smith's Court

July 23: Steven De-wayne Thayer of Copen, domestic battery-2nd offense, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$5000 cash or surety; Clarence Burmen Burgess of Cross Lanes, possession of controlled substance x2-meth and fentanyl, warrant issued, bond set at \$6000 cash or surety.

July 26: Stephanie Amber Dawn Chen of Craigsville, trespassing asked to leave, dismissed.

### Magistrate David Singleton's Court

July 20: William Charles Wright of Sutton, prohibited person in possession of firearm, possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver x2-meth and heroin, preliminary hearing waived, transferred to circuit court.

July 22: Trinity Tattionna Franklin of Flint, MI, obtaining goods by false pretenses, conspiracy, preliminary hearing waived, transferred to circuit court.

July 25: Hannibal Taft Ryan, IV of Spencer, conspiracy, grand larceny, fleeing with reckless indifference, fraudulent registration, preliminary hearing waived, transferred to circuit court; Donald Bowers of Napier, burglary, grand

larceny, warrant issued, bond set at \$10,000 cash only; Christina D. Cutlip of Sutton, no operators, guilty plea, fine/court costs assessed.

July 26: Lucas Michael Sartin of Sutton, no proof of insurance, obstructing an officer, no operators, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$1500 cash, surety, or 10% to the court; James Denver Criner of Gas-saway, worthless check x2, warrant issued, bond set at \$400 personal recognition; Lisa Deal of Webster Springs, trespassing asked to leave, dismissed, case withdrawn by officer; Cheryl Ann Wine of Burnsville, assault, dismissed, battery, dismissed, both defendant and complainant failed to appear for trial; Heather D. Bender of Sutton, possession with intent to deliver, preliminary hearing waived, transferred to circuit court.

July 27: Elijah C. Wellman of Kenova, expired MVI, dismissed proof provided, no proof of insurance, dismissed proof provided; Meaghan Nichole Lyke of Webster Springs, driving suspended-general, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed and paid.

July 28: Nicholas C. Fleming of Irwin, PA, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs

assessed; Eric Lee Myers of Duck, no proof of insurance, dismissed proof provided, driving suspended-general, guilty plea, fine/court costs assessed; Russell Lee Kirk of Fairmont, assault, battery, unlawful restraint, conspiracy, warrant issued, bond set at \$2500 personal recognition; Clarence Burgess of Cross Lanes, possession of controlled substance x2, guilty plea, 180 days of jail with credit for time served of six days, remainder suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed; Hardy Willis Arner of Little Birch, domestic battery, domestic assault-2nd offense, destruction of property, warrant issued, bond set at \$5000 cash, surety, or 10% to the court; Dusten Brice Stewart of Sutton, no proof of insurance, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$5000 cash or surety; Hardy Willis Arner of Little Birch, domestic battery, domestic assault-2nd offense, destruction of property, warrant issued, bond set at \$5000 cash, surety, or 10% to the court; Dusten Brice Stewart of Sutton, no proof of insurance, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$5000 cash or surety.

## BCHS Eagle Football Eagle Combine

The Braxton County High School Eagles Football Team invites friends, family, and fans out for an exciting afternoon as players test their abilities on the field.

The Eagle Combine

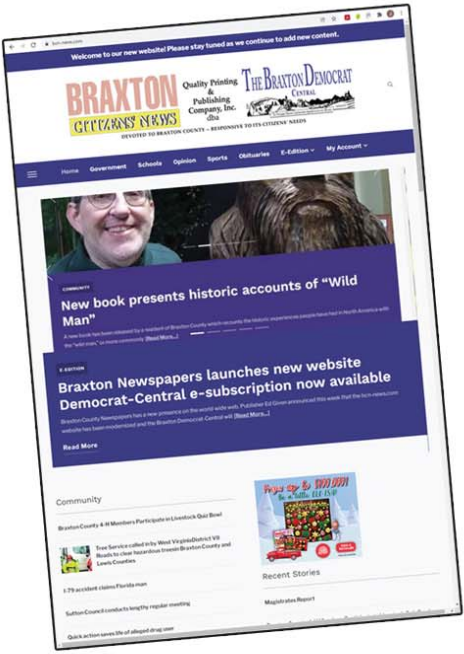
tests athletic skills including speed, power,

strength, and agility of athletes. Combines are most commonly known in the football world. It is an opportunity for athletes to showcase their

abilities.

The Eagle Combine will take place on Saturday, August 6. Door opens at 12:00 P.M. at the BCHS Gym. Concessions will be available and admission is by donation.

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Wendy Perrone, Executive Director of the Three Rivers Avian Center, presents Hoolie, a Great Horned Owl. Hoolie was hatched in 2006, weighs four pounds, has a wingspan of five feet, and favorite food? Skunk!



Harlan, a beautiful male Red-Tailed Hawk makes a grand entrance, trying to take off with Ron's arm. Red-Tailed Hawks are the most common raptors seen in our West, by God, Virginia skies and possess the ability to focus each eye independently and keep peripheral vision in focus.

# Raptors Visit Holly River State Park



Holly River State Park's WV Master Naturalist Jane Birdsong prepares the audience to welcome the Ambassador Raptors in ways to not frighten the birds.

By Fernando Rodriguez

Wendy Perrone, Executive Director, and Ron Perrone, Education Director of the Three Rivers Avian Center brought their Wings of Wonder: WV Birds of Prey program to a well attended event at Holly River State Park. The free program, which travels to many different State Park venues, aims to familiarize

the audience with West Virginia raptors, namely owls, hawks, falcons, and eagles. By the end of the presentation, we learned about the habitat, diet, and behavior of each bird presented, common causes of injuries to each species, and the laws protecting these unique birds. The visiting birds are non-releasable into the wild due to varying

degrees of injuries. The Three Rivers Avian Center provides emergency care, surgery, hospitalization, and physical therapy treatments for over 110 species of non-game and endangered wild birds. A State-wide network of veterinarians, volunteers, and on-site staff provide care of the birds. The Raptor Ambassadors, as the birds are called, hope to instill an appreciation of the wild birds' priceless and crucial contribution to our ecosystem as well as educating the public on how to help wild birds.

In addition to Environmental Education and Veterinary and Rehabilitative care, TRAC also provides data for research and conservation projects focused on native bird populations and avian habitats, including location found, blood samples, feather and tissue samples, cause of injury or illness, and observed physical and behavioral details. Since their founding in 1990,

the TRAC has treated more than 5,500 patients representing over 110 native wild bird species through 2021. Bear in mind, that, according to a study by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, the population of all birds has gone down by more than three billion birds since 1970, and forty percent of all songbirds have disappeared within the same time span! how can you help?

The Three Rivers Avian Center is a non-profit, non-governmental organization and relies on donations of concerned individuals and groups and memberships to be able to function. Send your tax-deductible donations to: Three Rivers Avian Center, 2583 Brooks Mtn. RD. Hinton, WV 25951 or donate online at [www.tracwv.org](http://www.tracwv.org). Follow TRAC on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Three-Rivers-Avian-Center-172300332483>

For information about Holly River State Park, West Virginia's second largest state park, visit their website: <https://www.wvstateparks.com/park/holly-river-state-park/> and their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Holly-River-State-park/106043192760818>



After the event, Ron feeds mealworms to a rescued Robin fledgling, using a hemostat to mimic a mother bird's beak



The official mascot for the National Eagle Scout Association and America's National Bird, Regis, a Bald Eagle hatched in 2008, wows the audience by just being there. Bald Eagles are found only in North America, and it's the only eagle with a white head and tail. Regis has a six-foot wingspan.



TRAC Education Director Ron Perrone introduces the first raptor, Benny, a Barn Owl. Barn Owls have big families, sometimes six chicks at a time. Barn Owls are quickly losing their habitat and rodents, their main source of diet.



Ron introduces Dori the Peregrine Falcon, a species that was almost annihilated by the use of DDT in the 1950s. Peregrine Falcons are bird hunters, sometimes reaching attack speeds of two hundred MPH. Dori was found with a broken wing under the New River Gorge bridge.



The smallest raptor in North America, an American Kestrel, weighing in at an amazing four ounces, and sporting a wingspan of 18" Gimli likes to feed on small rodents, lizards, snakes, and bugs. Curiously looking at the audience perched on Wendy's arm.

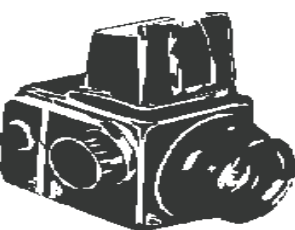


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Photos courtesy  
of Janet Six and  
Pat McPherson

## A Photographic Look at...

### Judy's Garden Club's native West Virginia plant garden thrives



Addition of sign about the Native Plant Importance by US Army Corps. Fall 2020. JGC members Catherine Hoover, Christi Boggs, Mary Jacobsen, Pat McPherson, Marian Agostiono, Melissa Dennison



The original garden site with Judy's Garden Club members and Corps ranger, Tesia Gnagney -Feb.2020



Braxton Master Gardeners/JGC members maintaining the garden Spring 2022.



Efforts to control deer damage to the tender plants Fall 2021.



US Army Corps of Engineers Logan White on the left and Elijah Dick on the right pictured with members of Judy's Garden Club.



Cupp plant in the native garden



Identification tags for the native plants-spring 2022.



Meandering rock pathway to easily access the native plants through the garden.



Larger identification markers and view of the garden-late spring 2022.



JGC members mulching the garden-spring 2021 - Beth Atkins ,Melissa Dennison, Lois Cole, Christi Boggs, Pat McPherson.



JGC members mulching the garden-spring 2021 - Mary Redman, Lois Cole Mary Jacobsen, Jake Jacobsen.





# LEGAL NOTICES

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## 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 170 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 H047100 to operate a haulroad in the Not Applicable seam of coal.

The operation is discharging into Grassy Creek of Left Fork of Wolf Creek & Lick Creek of Laurel of Creek all of Elk River and is located 4.1 miles, northwest of Little Birch in HOLLY Glade District of Braxton Webster County, Longitude 80° 38' 18" and Latitude 38° 35' 53" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

Surface of the area associated herewith is owned by:  
Brooks Run Mining Company, LLC 2691 Little Birch Road, Sutton, WV 26601  
The Sun Lumber Company P.O. Box 590 Weston, WV 26452  
Peter Silitch Rt. 1. Box 27, Strange Creek, WV 25063

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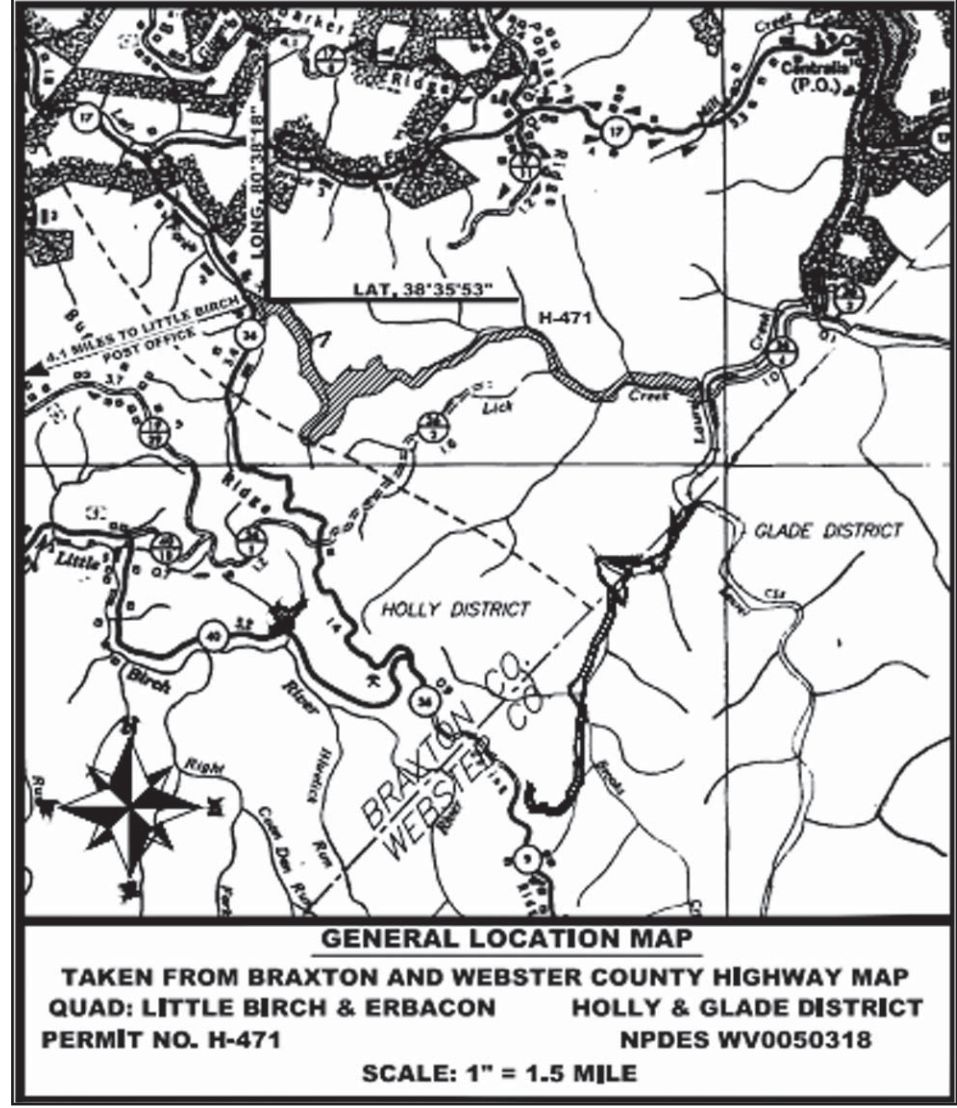
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Virginia Carol Morris Wolf Creek Route 2, Sutton, WV 26601  
WV Dept, of Transportation 1900 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25305  
Carnie L. Davis 1042 WOLF CREEK RD, SUTTON, WV 26601  
The Sun Lumber Company P.O. Box 590 Weston, WV 26452

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 September 8, 2022, or thirty (30) days from the date of final publication. A copy of the application will be available for review until September 8, 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](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: H047100 \*These items are to be completed only for operations involving mineral removal. Include location map in accordance with 38-2-3.2(b)(2)

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## 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 27 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 H056200 to Operate a haulroad in the N/A seam of coal. The operation is discharging into Panther Run of Little Birch River of Elk River of Kanawha and is located 4.0 miles, west of ERBACON in HOLLY District of Braxton County, Longitude 80° 39' 34" and Latitude 38° 32' 46" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

Surface of the area associated herewith is owned by:  
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MARGARET S CUSTIS LIVING TRUST 2691 LITTLE BIRCH RD SUTTON, WV 26601  
TALL TREES & LAND LLC P O BOX 39 INDUSTRIAL PARK SLATYFORK, WV 26291

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M-B, LLC P.O. Box 390 Forsyth, GA 21029

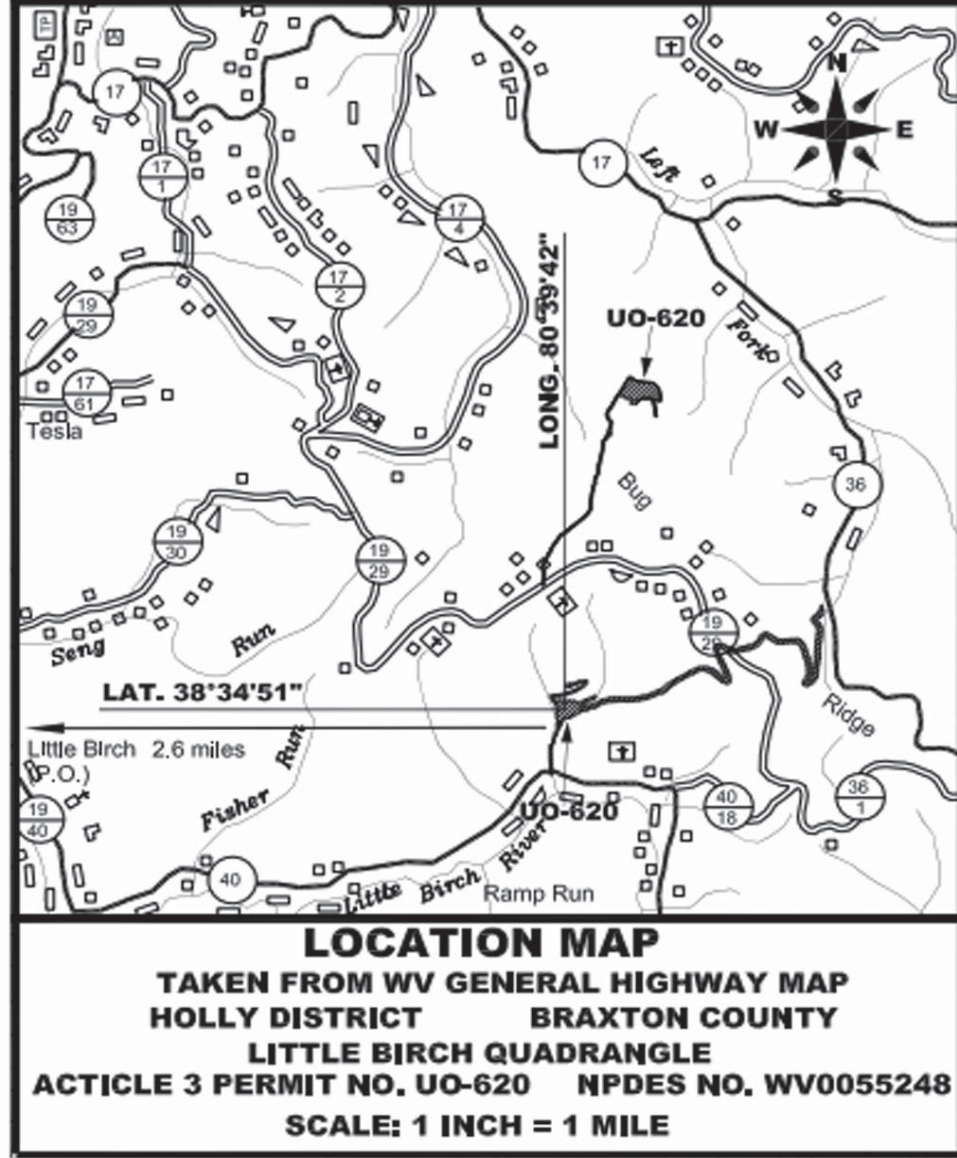
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Written comments and/or requests for an informal conference of the permit renewal application shall identify the applicant and application number and will be received by the Permit Supervisor at the DEP address above until September 15, 2022, or thirty (30) days from the date of final publication. A copy of the application will be available for review until September 15, 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](http://apps.dep.wv.gov/WebApp/_dep/Search/ePermitting/ePermittingApplicationSearchPage.cfm).

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## 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 45.71 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 U062000 to Operate an under-ground coal mine. in the Lower Kittanning seam of coal. The operation is discharging into John's Hollow of Little Birch and Left Fork of Wolf Creek, all of Elk River of Kanawha River and is located 2.6 miles, east of LITTLE BIRCH in HOLLY District of Braxton County, Longitude 80° 39' 42" and Latitude 38° 34' 51" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

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BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY LLC  
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P O BOX 230, ELKINS, WV 26241  
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2691 LITTLE BIRCH RD,  
SUTTON, WV 26601  
11156 BUG RIDGE SUTTON, WV 26601  
10947 BUG RIDGE RD SUTTON, WV 26601  
4062 WILSON RIDGE RD DUCK, WV 25063  
11156 BUG RIDGE SUTTON, WV 26601

2691 Little Birch Road Sutton, WV 26601  
BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY LLC  
2691 LITTLE BIRCH RD, SUTTON, WV  
602-D Ashland Avenue  
Santa Monica, CA 90405

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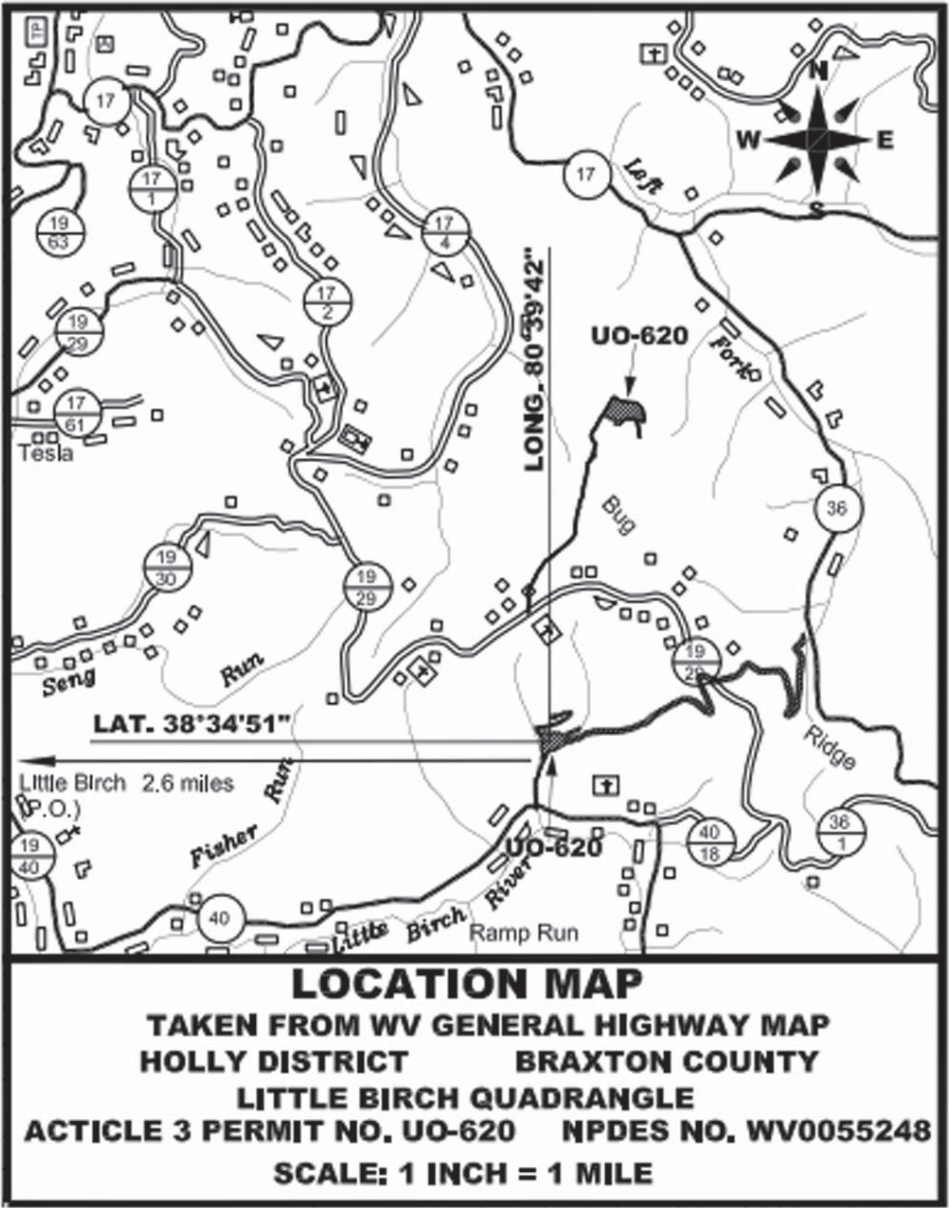
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Written comments and/or requests for an informal conference of the permit renewal application shall identify the applicant and application number and will be received by the Permit Supervisor at the DEP address above until September 16, 2022, or thirty (30) days from the date of final publication. A copy of the application will be available for review until September 16, 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](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: U062000 \*These items are to be completed only for operations involving mineral removal. Include location map in accordance with 38-2-3.2(b)(2)

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## PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

There will be a public meeting for residents of North Main St. and Oak St., Burnsville whose properties are potentially threatened by landslides on Monday, August 8th, 2022 at Burnsville Town Hall at 5:30pm. A representative from FEMA will be on hand to give residents information on help through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. 7-26 8-2b

## REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS – REROOFING AND RELATED WORK - CRAIGSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY, NICHOLAS COUNTY, WV

The Craigsville Public Library is soliciting bids for reroofing all or portions of the Library building located at 63 Library Lane in Craigsville, WV, 26205. The building is about 4,200 square feet in area and consists of several adjoining sections with a complex roof structure. Based on the successful bidder's evaluation of the existing roofing and on that bidder's recommendations, the job may include tear-off and replacement of all existing roofing materials, or tear-off and replacement of only certain portions of the roofing. If damaged or deteriorated roof sheathing is found on any part of the structure, the job will include removal and replacement of that sheathing. The job will include repair as needed, or removal and replacement, of an existing powered roof vent which is believed to not be operating, along with the addition, if feasible, of other moisture venting provisions such as a ridge vent and/or a second powered vent. The job will also include such ancillary and detail work as is necessary to assure an acceptable and professionally completed job. The "BID INSTRUCTIONS AND BID PACKAGE" will be available at the front desk of the Library on and after July 27, 2022. Each bidder is required to obtain and read the Bid Instructions And Bid Package, to provide the information required thereby, and to include the completed package as part of their bid.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at the Library on Friday, August 5, 2022 at 1:00 PM. Attendance at the pre-bid meeting is not mandatory, but is suggested for all interested potential bidders. All bids must be marked "Sealed Bid – Roofing" and must be received by the Library on or before August 25, 2022, at 5:00 PM. Bid opening is expected to take place at a special meeting of the Craigsville Library Board on August 25, 2022, at 6:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as a quorum of the Board shall meet (the date will be announced if different).

The Craigsville Public Library may waive any informalities or minor defects, may reject any and all bids, and may request additional information from any bidder. Bidders must be licensed and insured and must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Contract Work Hours, Safety Standards Act and the West Virginia Division of Labor Wage Rates. The Library does not discriminate due to race, creed, color, national origin, gender or age.

To obtain a copy of the Bid Instructions And Bid Package, contact the Library office at 304-742-3532, or call 304-880-6481 or 304-880-5501 if calling outside Library operating hours. You may also email your request to: [craigsvillepubliclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:craigsvillepubliclibrary@gmail.com)

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE  
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Successor Trustee, in accordance with the provisions of that certain Deed of Trust dated and recorded on December 11, 2017, made by Mabel M. Fitzwater and Earl Flint ("Grantor"), and Michael L. Allen, as Trustee,

in favor of Premier Bank, Inc., of record in the office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Braxton County, West Virginia, in Trust Deed Book 248, at page 110 (Instrument No. 2017005360) (the "Deed of Trust"), securing repayment of indebtedness evidenced by that certain Promissory Note, dated December 11, 2017, from Grantor and payable to the order of Premier Bank, Inc., in the original principal amount of Forty Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Two and 52/100 Dollars (\$40,552.52) (the "Note"), plus interest thereon, and all other indebtedness arising under the Deed of Trust and the Note. Pursuant to authority granted in the Deed of Trust, Premier Bank, Inc., appointed C. Seth Wilson, a resident of Monongalia County, West Virginia, to serve as Successor Trustee, by that certain Notice of Appointment of Substitute or Successor Trustee, dated May 23, 2022, and recorded on June 3, 2022, of record in the aforesaid Clerk's office in Trust Deed Book 4, at page 535 (Instrument No. 2022001502). On or about September 17, 2021, Premier Bank, Inc. merged with and into Peoples Bank, an Ohio corporation, the surviving corporation. Peoples Bank, successor by merger to Premier Bank, Inc., the owner and holder of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, has notified the Successor Trustee that Mabel M. Fitzwater and Earl Flint are in default under the terms of the Deed of Trust and the Note, and has requested, in writing, that the Successor Trustee sell the property described in the Deed of Trust at public auction, in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust and applicable law. TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned Successor Trustee will offer for sale at public auction on the 25th day of August, 2022, at 11:00 a.m., prevailing Eastern time, at the front door of the

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



APT Timing Results Below.

The Braxton County High School Lady Eagles Basketball team presented their first Annual Ballerina 5K Run/Walk Night Run. Every-

one was invited to come out to Holly Gray Park in Sutton, WV on July 30th with their tutus, glow in the dark gear, and running/waking



Z-Mans BBQ fed the crowd before the run. A portion of each sale went to the BCBS Basketball Team.



Locals enjoyed the "Ballerina" theme wearing their tutus.

partner. All proceeds went to the Braxton County High School Lady Eagles Basketball Team. Overall Winners went to Laura Cain with a time of 21:17.9, Tammy Liplin with a time of 21:53.1, and Elijah Armes with a time of 22:23.8. Male Winners were Elijah Armes with a time of 22:23.8, Holden Lloyd

with a time of 24:19.4, William Garrett with a time of 24:49.5. Female Winners included Laura Cain with a time of 21:17.9, Tammy Liplin with a time of 21:53.1, Addison Lloyd with a time of 23:32.4. Congratulations to all participants. More information can be found at <https://apting.com/race/results/1420>



Runners/Walkers registering at the event before the race began.

Place/Name	City/State	Time
1 Laura Cain	Napier, WV	21:17.9
2 Tammy Liplin	Conneaut, OH	21:53.1
3 Elijah Armes	Bomont, WV	22:23.8
4 Addison Lloyd		23:32.4
5 Holden Lloyd		24:19.4
6 William Garrett		24:49.5
7 Teagan Huff	Sutton, WV	25:03.5
8 Cooter Thorne		25:15.5
9 Bailey Pritt	Orlando, WV	26:39.3
10 Leo Thomas		26:54.7
11 Robert Lloyd		27:05.7
12 Lauren Pritt	Burnsville, WV	27:48.9
13 Mike Holstein	Clay, WV	27:55.4
14 Deklan Meadows	Sutton, WV	28:09.2
15 Lurenda Allison	Sand Fork, WV	28:51.5
16 Kyle Whitney		29:41.9
17 Josie Bush	Jane Lew, WV	32:21.1
18 Amber Lunceford	Hacker Valley	32:34.8
19 Charley Spaur		34:13.8
20 Burton Spaur		34:13.8
21 Alex Wine	Sunnyside, NY	36:40.7
22 Brantley Lindale		42:44.5
23 Hollie Frame-Lindale		42:47.6
24 Barry Conley	Burnsville, WV	43:54.6
25 Shannon Huff	Sutton, WV	44:12.6
26 Kelly Pritt	Burnsville, WV	44:17.3
27 Amy Taylor	Flatwoods, WV	45:16.3
28 Nancy Stewart	Birch River, WV	47:07.8
29 Robin Reeder	Gassaway, WV	47:07.9
30 Jody Taylor		47:44.8
31 Laura Young		50:07.5
32 Robert Brown		50:08.9
33 Shannon Wyne	Birch River, WV	52:20.2
34 Haylie Lynch	Sutton, WV	52:20.4
35 Sammie Cogar	Sutton, WV	52:20.4
36 Kelly Hamon	Gassaway, WV	52:23.3
37 April Lloyd		52:47.1
38 Becky Davis		52:47.4
39 Bryan Huff	Sutton, WV	1:00:53.3
40 Melinda Gillespie	Sutton, WV	1:01:44.3
41 Kara Conley	Burnsville, WV	1:01:45.5
42 Beth Atkins		1:01:55.8
43 Rachelle Atkins		1:01:56.4
44 Connie Skidmore	Sutton, WV	1:01:56.8
45 Ellen Anne Wine	Sunnyside, NY	1:02:03.1
46 Lora Chapman	Burnsville, WV	1:02:03.2
47 Lori Dittman	Gassaway, WV	1:02:03.2
48 Carla Nelson	Charleston, WV	1:02:03.5
49 Becki Chaffins	Ceredo, WV	1:02:03.5

## Rangers are keeping water safety cool at Burnsville Lake!

The earth is 71% water, your children are 100% curious. One Sunday, July 24th, the Ranger Team at Burnsville Lake, took to the Campgrounds, the Lake and the Beach to share the Water Safety Message with youth and adults alike. They did a water safety relay at the beach, teaching kids how to use a throwable life saving device and the importance of wearing a life jacket. Afterwards, since all the kids learned how to save a life, they enjoyed a cold popsicle and some water safety goodies. Later in the day while on boat patrol, Rangers continued to spread the water safety message by handing out popsicles and water safety promotional items along the bank of Bulltown Campground. Drowning is the second leading cause of unintentional injury death for children ages 1 to 14 years, and the fifth leading cause for people of all ages. More children ages 1-4 die from drowning than any other cause of death except birth defects. Now that you know the Facts take caution with yourself and any children you are recreating around water with.



Kids participated in a water safety relay at the beach, teaching kids how to use a throwable life saving device and the importance of wearing a life jacket. But always remember, Children who have had swimming lessons still need close and constant supervision when in or around water. Pictures provided by Ranger Lisa Hess.

## Free Back to School movie night held on August 12th

Join West Virginia Caring and West Vir-

ginia Prevention Solutions for free Back to School outdoor movie night on Friday, August 12th at 8:30 P.M. at the Mike and Ike Plaza in Burnsville, WV playing Middle School - Worst Day of My Life. Bring camping chairs, blankets and enjoy an evening under the stars with kids. The resale store will also be open up until 8:00 P.M. with special back to school sales. So, get there early, save your seats, and take advantage of huge discounts. Concessions will be for sale to benefit WV Caring Hospice. No large coolers, alcoholic beverages or tobacco products allowed.



Bobber the Water Safety Dog is excited to see all of his friends from last year and more at this Jungle themed birthday party!

## Gather 'Round, Jungle Friends, Its Bobber's Birthday

The Friends of Burnsville Lake cordially invites you to join them for some sweet birthday treats to celebrate Bobber the Water Safety Dog's Birthday! Come in your best safari-themed costume on Saturday, August 13th from 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. at the Bulltown Interpretive Shelter at 1 Burnsville Lake Rd, Burnsville, WV 26335. The Kowboyz will be providing musical en-

tertainment from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. after. This event is sponsored by Friends of Burnsville Lake. Follow the FOBL on Facebook for more information or call (304) 853-2371.

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Braxton County Courthouse, 300 Main Street Sutton, WV 26601, West Virginia, certain real estate situate in Braxton County, West Virginia, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows (hereinafter, the "Real Property"):

All of the 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 O'Brien's Fork of Salt Lick Creek, in Salt Lick District, Braxton County, West Virginia, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a stake in Campbell line on the east side of the Heaters-Burnsville Road; thence with Campbell line up the hill, S 70 E 225 feet to a stake; thence N 25 W 109 feet to a stake; N 88 W 99 feet to a stake on the east side of said road; and thence up said road S 15 W 222 feet to the beginning, containing 1 1/4 acres, more or less.

Being the same tract or parcel of land conveyed by Mabel Marlene Fitzwater and Earl Flint to Mabel Marlene Fitzwater and Earl Flint, by deed dated the 10 day of July 2013, which deed is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Braxton County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 596, at Page 172.

There is RESERVED and EXCEPTED from this conveyance, all the coal in, on and underlying said tract or parcel of land, the same having been reserved and excepted in prior deeds in the chain of title to this tract or parcel of land.

Together with: (a) all right, title and interest of Peoples Bank, an Ohio corporation, successor by merger to Premier Bank, Inc. (hereinafter "Peoples") in and to any and all estates, rights, tenements, hereditaments, privileges, easements, reversions, remainders, rights of way, and appurtenances of any kind benefiting or appurtenant to the real property described above; all means of access to and from the real property described above, whether public or private; all streets, sidewalks, alleys, passages, ways, common areas, water courses, water and mineral rights relating to the real property described above; and all other claims or demands of Peoples, either at law or in equity, in possessions or expectancy of, in or to the real property described above, improvements or all or any other portion of the real property described above; (b) all right, title and interest of Peoples in and to all rents, income, receipts, revenues, issues and profits derived from the real property described above; and all right, title and interest of Peoples in and to all existing and future contracts, purchase agreements, tenancies, leases, subleases and licenses relating to the real property described above, and any amendments, extensions, modifications or revisions thereto, together with all rentals, income, profits and other monies due and which are or become due to Peoples thereunder, (c) all right, title, and interest of Peoples in and to all goodwill and general intangibles; and (d) all right, title, and interest of Peoples in and to all works, buildings, structures, properties, facilities, replacements, furnishings, fixtures, fittings, and other improvements and property of every nature, kind and character now affixed or attached or hereafter located or erected on the real property described above, and owned by Peoples, including, without limitation, all heating, electrical, lighting, power, plumbing, air conditioning, refrigerating, and ventilating equipment.

TERMS OF SALE

The Real Property will be sold for cash in hand on the date of sale plus a 10% buyer's premium (with the option of a 10% deposit plus a 10% buyer's premium payable at the time of sale provided payment in full within 30 days), or under any different, other, or additional sale terms as the Successor Trustee, in his reasonable discretion, determines to be appropriate or advisable. The sale shall be further subject to the following:

1. Various rights of way and leasehold interests, whether recorded in aforesaid Clerk's office or unrecorded, and to the extent any of the foregoing is still valid, in effect, and enforceable at the time of sale;
2. Real estate taxes delinquent, due or payable or to become due and payable, all of which shall be the responsibility of the purchaser;
3. Any statutory lien or liens that may affect the Real Property;
4. All covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, easements and rights-of-way appearing of record in the chain of title to the property, or which may be visible from a physical inspection of the subject property;
5. All liens and encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges, having priority over the deed of trust referred to herein.
6. The purchaser at the sale shall be responsible for paying the costs of recording the Successor Trustee's Deed and the tax imposed by the State of West

Virginia on the privilege of transferring Real Property (the cost of the tax stamps to be affixed to the Deed).

7. All of the Real Property to be sold will be sold "AS IS, WHERE IS" in the present condition and with all faults and defects, if any, and without any warranty or representation, express or implied. The Successor Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the Real Property to vacate said property. The Successor Trustee will deliver a trustee's deed to the purchaser without any covenant or warranty (express or implied) in the form prescribed by W. Va. Code § 38-1-6. The Successor Trustee makes no representations and warranties about the title to the real estate to be conveyed. If the Successor Trustee is unable to convey insurable or marketable title to the purchaser for any reason, purchaser's sole remedy is return of deposit.

8. In the event that there are federal tax liens against the Real Property, the United States would have the right to redeem the Real 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.

9. The undersigned Successor Trustee expressly reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and the right to adjourn the sale from time to time without notice other than oral proclamation at the time and place appointed for the sale. Such adjournment may be for a period of time deemed expedient by the beneficial owner, and shall not be construed to be a waiver of the right to make the sale contemplated by this Notice.

10. The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and holder of the Note thereby secured reserves the right to submit a bid for the Real Property at the sale, which bid may be in the form of a credit bid.

11. The successful bidder will be required to execute a memorandum of sale upon the acceptance of the successful bid by the Successor Trustee.

12. The Trustee reserves the right to act by agent and/or attorney, as permitted by the Deed of Trust.

13. Risk of loss will pass at the time of sale. All risks of casualty pass to successful bidder at conclusion of bidding.

14. The rights of parties in possession of such Real Property, if any.

15. The undersigned Substitute Trustee shall have the right to offer such Real Property for sale and to sell, grant, convey, transfer, and dispose of such property as separate and independent lots, parcels and/or tracts or as a whole, as the Substitute Trustee shall determine, and in such order as the

Substitute Trustee shall determine.

16. If the highest bidder at the auction fails to consummate the transaction, the Successor Trustee may offer the Real Property to the next highest bidder, and may proceed to do the same for each next highest bidder until one consummates the transaction, all in the Successor Trustee's discretion and all without the need for the Successor Trustee to notice and hold a new sale.

Additional terms of sale may be announced prior to the sale. Any inquiries regarding this sale may be directed to undersigned at Bowles Rice LLP. University Town Center, 125 Granville Square, Suite 400, Morgantown, V 26501.

DATED this 21st day of July, 2022.

C. Seth Wilson, Substitute Trustee 8-2 8-16b

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF HEARING**  
CASE NO.: 22-P-22  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BRAXTON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, ex rel,  
WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE,  
Petitioner,  
v.  
U.S. CURRENCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,700.00  
SEIZED FROM Philip Mace and Cynthia Ellis,  
Respondents.

TO ANY CLAIMANT TO THE WITHIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

You are hereby notified that a petition for forfeiture has been filed in the Circuit Court of Braxton County in the above-styled action which prays for an order of the Court directing forfeiture of the hereafter described property to the State of West Virginia, and vesting ownership of such property in the State of West Virginia. You are hereby notified that all persons having a claim upon said property, either as owner, lien holder or holder of a security interest, have a right to file such claim clearly stating the identity of the claimant; the nature of the claim; and an address where the claimant can be served with legal process. Such claim must be filed in writing with Jasmine R.H. Morton, Prosecuting Attorney for Braxton County at P.O. Box 118, Sutton, West Virginia 26601 no later than the September 15, 2022.

1. The property seized and sought to be forfeited in this action is:

(A) \$ 3,700.00 in U.S. currency  
You are hereby notified you have the right to file an answer to this Petition, setting forth your title in, and right to possession of, the

property, within thirty days of this order and notice. If you fail to file an answer, a final order forfeiting the property to the State will be entered, and such order is not subject to appeal.

You are further notified that a hearing has been set in this matter for the October 11, 2022 at 10:45 a.m. in the Circuit Court of Braxton County, at the Braxton County Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Sutton, West Virginia.

Susan Lemon  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Braxton County  
Braxton County Courthouse  
300 Main Street  
Sutton, West Virginia 26601  
8-2 8-9b

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY  
REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
Rye Sutton Hydroelectric, LLC  
Project No. 15278-000  
NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS (July 28, 2022)

On June 6, 2022, Rye Sutton Hydroelectric, LLC, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower at the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Sutton Dam located on the Elk River in Braxton County, West Virginia. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission. The proposed Sutton Dam Hydroelectric Project would consist of the following: (1) a new 40-foot-wide, 60-foot-long powerhouse to be located downstream of the Corps dam along the southern bank; (2) a new multiple-port intake structure against the upstream face of the dam; (3) a new 12-foot-diameter, approximately 300-foot-long steel penstock; (4) two turbine-generator units with a total generating capacity of 6 megawatts; (5) a new 100-foot-wide by 300-foot-long tailrace; (6) a new substation with a step-up transformer; (7) a new 550-foot-long, 12-kilovolt transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generation of 24,000 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Michael Rooney, Rye Development, LLC, 100 S. Olive Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401; phone: (412) 400-4186; Erik Steimle, Rye Development, LLC, 100 S. Olive Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401; phone: (503) 998-0230. FERC Contact: Monir Chowdhury; phone: (202) 502-6736.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/> FEROnline.aspx. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/> search. Enter the docket number (P-15278) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary 8-2 8-23b

**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: MELVIN KEITH JENKINS  
FIDUCIARY: AMY S. FRAME  
287 BUFFALO RD.  
SUTTON, WV 26601  
DECEDENT: JERALD DAVID HOOVER  
FIDUCIARY: CATHERINE ANN HOOVER

292 BRAXTER ST.  
SUTTON, WV 26601  
DECEDENT: HELEN M. MOORE  
FIDUCIARY: BRENT MOORE  
4789 OLD TURNPIKE RD.  
SUTTON, WV 26601  
DECEDENT: ORLAND LEE RADER  
FIDUCIARY: CHARLENE JO RADER  
4109 CHAPEL RD.  
GASSAWAY, WV 26624  
DECEDENT: KENNETH C. HALL  
FIDUCIARY: ROSE MCCOY  
1290 UPPER O'BRIAN RD  
FRAMETOWN, WV 26623  
DECEDENT: FAITH KIDD  
FIDUCIARY: JAMES E. KIDD  
2885 REEVES RD.  
WILLOUGHBY, OH 44094  
DECEDENT: ARTLEY BOYD DUFFIELD  
FIDUCIARY: RANDY DUFFIELD  
3881 ELK RIVER RD.  
GASSAWAY, WV 26624  
DECEDENT: SANDRA MAE DUFFIELD  
FIDUCIARY: RANDY DUFFIELD  
3881 ELK RIVER RD.  
GASSAWAY, WV 26624  
DECEDENT: MARGARET ANN WILLEY  
FIDUCIARY: CYNTHIA WARREN  
734 3RD ST.  
NEW MARTINSVILLE, WV 26155  
DECEDENT: GARY WAYNE LOYD  
FIDUCIARY: MARTHA PUGH  
P O BOX 15 FORT  
ASHBY, WV 26719  
DECEDENT: BOBBIE HARPER  
FIDUCIARY: BOBBIE HARPER JR  
302 CRITES MOUNTAIN RD

LITTLE BIRCH, WV 26629  
DECEDENT: AUDREY IRENE CUNNINGHAM  
FIDUCIARY: RANDAL CUNNINGHAM  
68 AFFIRM DR.  
EVANS, WV 25241  
DECEDENT: LENA J. MARTIN  
FIDUCIARY: DAVID D. MARTIN  
P O BOX 231  
SUTTON, WV 26601  
ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATIONS:  
DECEDENT: DELORES H. BUSS  
FIDUCIARY: VIRGINIA L. HARRISON  
595 SUMMERHILL DRIVE  
MYRTLE BEACH, SC 29579  
DECEDENT: MICHAEL DAVID SMITH  
FIDUCIARY: DAVID JOSEPH SMITH  
276 S STREET  
FRAZEYSBURG, OH 43822  
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 2nd day of October, 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.

**Tariff Form No. 8-C  
(Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C))  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION**

NOTICE is hereby given that MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY, a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing increased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 220,000 customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2022, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will increase revenue approximately \$90,914,544 annually, an increase of approximately 73.8%.

The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY will be changed as follows:

	INCREASE	INCREASE
Residential	\$ 25.08	34.67 %
Commercial	\$ 125.40	42.35 %
Industrial	\$ 28,212.95	117.09 %
Resale	\$ 2,404.00	55.78 %

Resale customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY include Canaan Valley Gas Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company Northern Division (formerly known as Lumberport-Shinnston Gas Company and Blacksville Oil & Gas Company, Inc.), Consumers Gas Utility Co., Dominion Energy WV, Megan Oil and Gas, City of Philippi, and Southern Public Service.

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. 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 increased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. If a hearing is conducted, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing. A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:

Mountaineer Gas Company Office  
• 501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Rule 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate increases and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All interventions must be mailed or hand-delivered and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Protests may be filed online through the Commission website using the "Submit a Comment" link or may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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# 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



**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.



**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



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** is still available for adoption! She is a two year old female Chi who’s siblings have all found their forever homes and now it’s her turn. She came with her name but as her name indicates, she was stubborn and timid when she first came to us. She would bark out of fear when someone entered her kennel and it took time to gain her trust, but as you can see Trouble just wants to be someone’s lap pup and soak up the love. She still doesn’t love to be pet on the head but she’s gaining trust daily. She has never been around children but she lived in a home with eight dogs so she is dog friendly and loves having doggy siblings. Trouble has also lived with cats.

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.

## 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, Sally Stewart, program director of 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 \$45 each of two for \$70, 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 Art or Muriel Lewis at 304-765-5071 for additional information.



**BAYLEE:** 8 week old dilute calico, female, short-haired.



**EVEREST:** 8 week old white male, medium-haired.



**JOLENE:** 8 week old tabby female, short-haired.

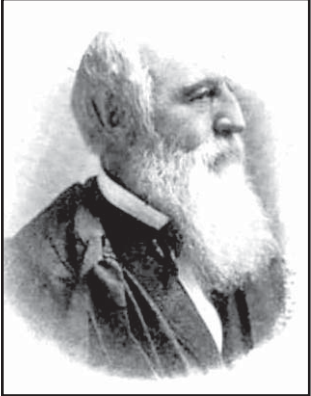
## THIS WEEK IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY

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](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

Aug. 3, 1897: Fire destroyed much of downtown Lewisburg. The town rebuilt and evolved in the next century into the hub of one of the state’s major farming areas and a center for education and the arts.



Aug. 3, 1907: Harley Orrin Staggers Sr. was born in Keyser. Staggers served in the U.S. House of Representatives for 32 years.



Aug. 4, 1824: John Jay Jackson Jr. was born near Parkersburg. Jackson was a prominent judge who became notorious among those trying to organize labor unions in West Virginia. He blocked an effort by Mother Jones and United Mine Workers leaders to organize the miners of northern West Virginia.

Aug. 4, 1897: Musician William Jennings “Billy” Cox was born near Charleston. Cox, known as the “Dixie Songbird,” ranked as



one of West Virginia’s premier country music vocalists and songwriters during the 1930s.



Aug. 5, 1958: Jennings Randolph defeated former governor William Marland in the Democratic primary for U.S. Senate. Randolph went on to become the senior senator from West Virginia.



Aug. 6, 1864: Delayed three times by the Civil War, Sisters of the Visitation of Holy Mary finally arrived in Parkersburg, where they later founded DeSales Heights boarding school for young women.

Aug. 7, 1864: In what became known as the Battle of Moorefield, Union troops under Gen. William W. Averell attacked the headquarters of Gen. Bradley Johnson. The Confederates were routed and

fled south into the town; the Union captured 500 men and 400 horses.

Aug. 7, 1877: West Virginia voters chose Charleston as the state capital over Clarksburg and Martinsburg.



Aug. 8, 1915: Businessman Alex Schoenbaum was born in Richmond, Va. After settling in Charleston in 1943, he went into the restaurant business. His restaurants were named Shoney’s when Schoenbaum’s nickname was selected in an employee contest.

Aug. 9, 1916: A storm front from the northwest dumped nearly six inches of rain in less than five hours on the headwaters of Cabin Creek in eastern Kanawha County. 71 people died and 900 homes were destroyed in the flood.

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](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

## Huffman Family Reunion

Family and friends of Ernest and Ida Huffman are invited to attend the Huffman Reunion on August 14 at the Burnsville Community Building.

Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm.

Come on out and join us.





Thirty-two participants attended the Annual Chalk the Walk event at Bakers Run Campground on Saturday, July 30th.

# Bakers Run Campground hosts Annual Chalk the Walk event at Sutton Lake

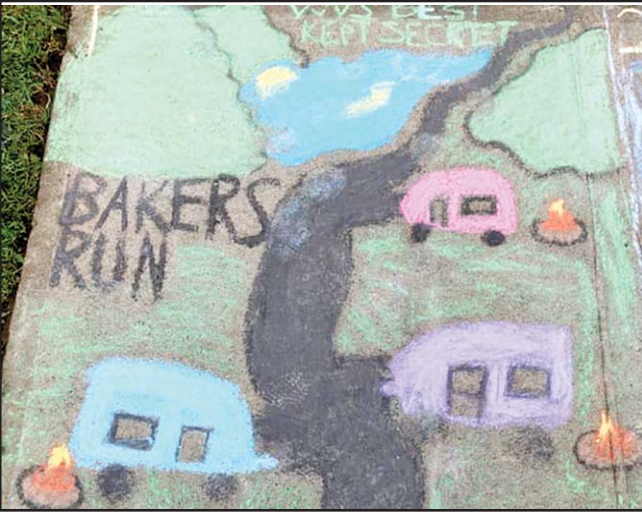


COE Employees Ben Coulter, Daniel Hoard, Elijah Dick and Logan White along with COE Baker's Run Campground Volunteers Ralph and Patty Sharp, Mark and Debbie Boucher, and Linda Williams hosted the Annual event at Bakers Run Campground. There were thirty-two participants ranging

from ages three to sixteen years of age. Everyone was able to create their own illustration and receive a prize from local community members or business partners, gathered by volunteers. All present also received water safety educational materials and heard the water safety message.



Children of all ages ranging from three to sixteen showed off their creative abilities with colorful chalk.



Illustrations from the Annual Chalk the Walk event.





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# Central WV Riding Club holds regularly monthly horse show

The Central WV Riding Club held its regularly monthly horse show on Saturday, July 23, at Holly Gray Park in Sutton. Several exhibitors and spectators were on hand to enjoy the day and cheer on their favorite horse and rider. The following is a list of the classes entered and their winners:

Lead Line: (1) Ellie Huffman—Charlie Brown, (2) Whittley Mohr—JT Superstar, (3) Vivianne Bruffey—Gracie Lou, (4) Payton Mace—Dragon In The Dollars, (5) Coleson Wilfong—Erins High Cotton, (6) Klay Meadows—Ranger

Open Halter or In Hand Class: (1) Garalea Fulks—Pipi, (2) Vivianne Bruffey—Gracie Lou, (3) Makahla Case—Ronas on Red Money, (4) Madison Hall--Dolly, (5) Haven Bland--Finally, (6) Briar Rexroad--Buttercup

48" and Under Halter or In Hand Class: (1) Peyton Mace--Willow, (2) Whittley Mohr—JT Superstar, (3) Ellie Huffman—Charlie Brown, (4) Ethan Mace--Kiwi, (5) Maddox Huffman—Huck, (6) Briar Rexroad--Buttercup

Pee Wee Pole Bending: (1) Carter Wayne--Tuey, (2) Maria Wayne--Annie

Youth Pole Bending: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Lillie Fitzwater--Skippy, (3) Sophia Bennett--Waylon, (4) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (5) Makahla Case--Shadow

Pole Bending Open: (1) Garalea Fulks--Pipi, (2) Amber Frame--Wyatt, (3) Sophia Bennett--Waylon, (4) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (5) Bobby Wayne—Colton, (6) Jo Ferguson--Flame

Pee Wee Barrels: (1) Carter Wayne--Tuey, (2) Landon James--Patches, (3) Maria Wayne--Annie, (4) Kalab

Wayne—Doc, (5) Moriah Wayne--Tank

Open Barrels: (1) Jo Ferguson--Flame, (2) Garalea Fulks--Pipi, (3) Amber Frame--Wyatt, (4) Sophia Bennett—Waylon, (5) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (6) Carmen Hambrick--Phoenix

Youth Barrels: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Lillie Fitzwater--Skippy, (3) Sophia Bennett--Waylon, (4) Carmen Hambrick--Phoenix, (5) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (6) Makahla Case--Shadow

\$100.00 Barrels: (1) Garalea Fulks--Pipi, (2) Lillie Fitzwater--Skippy, (3) Amber Frame--Wyatt, (4) Carmen Hambrick—Phoenix, (5) Bobby Wayne--Colton

Open Trail: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just An Illusion, (3) Kaleb Wayne--Doc, (4) Lola Brown--Duke, (5) Haven Bland--Finally, (6) Meredith Murphy--Vegas

Stick Horse: Cleve Lynn Westfall—Two Face, Harley Sothen--Major

Pee Wee Walking, Pacing or Racking: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just An Illusion, (2) Haven Bland--Finally, (3) Landon James--Fancy, (4) Heath Groff--Denali, (5) Emylee Jordan—Fancy, (6) Ella Groff--Majesty

Juvenile Open Pleasure: (1) Lila Fitzwater--Ranger, (2) Madison Hall--Bearacuta, (3) Jayla Hamric--Lightening, (4) Maggie Meadows--Matilda, (5) Jo Ferguson--Sara, (6) John Childers--Maximas

Gaited English Pleasure: (1) Carrie Mace—Encore's Shakin Lady, (2) Savanna Moore—Bella of the Ball, (3) Kassidy Heavner—Dollars Chump Change

Slow Pace: (1) Larry Wilson—Saddle Tramp, (2) Kim Miller--Fireball, (3) Lorrie Smith—Jumbo

Jett, (4) Lila Fitzwater—Nuttu Buddy, (5) Gavin Lindenthal--Sharky, (6) Elizabeth Cunningham—Ocean Motion

Pee Wee Pony Pleasure: (1) Landon James--Fancy, (2) Emma Sparks—Sheza Shining Pearl, (3) Peyton Mace—Willow

Juvenile Pleasure: (1) Lila Fitzwater--Ranger, (2) Jo Ferguson--Flame, (3) Sophia Bennett—Gold Digger, (4) Madison Duffield—Rock, (5) Maggie Meadows--Matilda, (6) Jayla Hamric--April

Open Driving: (1) Port Perrine—Miss Mickey

Style Pace: (1) Kim Miller--Fireball, (2) Larry Wilson—Saddle Tramp, (3) Lorrie Smith—Jumbo Jett, (4) Lila Fitzwater—Nuttu Buddy, (5) Amber Frame—Rock N Roll Special

Pee Wee Pleasure: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just An Illusion, (2) Emma Sparks--Sweet Baby Ray, (3) Haven Bland—Finally, (4) Landon James--Fancy, (5) Heath Groff--Denali, (6) Emylee Jordan—Fancy

Double Rider: (1) Danny Gross and Karen Westfall--Cyanide, (2) Brylynn Scarbro and Carrie Mace—I'm Just An Illusion (3) Lila Fitzwater and Lillie Fitzwater—Ranger, (4) Emma Sparks and Jo Ferguson—Sweet Baby Ray, (5) Lola Brown and Haven Bland--Finally, (6) Sandy Hayes and Kim Miller—Ruby 2 Socks

Country Pleasure Rack: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—Lightning's Summer Love, (2) Savanna Moore—Great American Blowout, (3) Colton Smith—Mr. Made in America, (4) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (5) Kassidy Heavner—Dollars Chump Change

Egg and Spoon: (1) Jo Ferguson—JT Superstar, (2) Jayla Ham-

ric--April, (3) Madison Hall--Bearcuta, (4) Meredith Murphy--Vegas, (5) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain (6) Madison Duffield--Rock

Ladies Pleasure: (1) Megan Bruffey—The Java Jazz, (2) Carrie Mace—Encore's Shakin Lady, (3) Lola Brown--Duke, (4) Robin Meadows--Vegas, (5) Amanda Shafer—Smokee Robinson, (6) Wilma Underwood—Royal

Western Pleasure: (1) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (2) Jo Ferguson--Flame, (3) Wilma Underwood--Royal, (4) Lille Fitzwater--Skippy, (5) Emma Sparks—Reys Sly Cat, (6) Sophia Bennett--Waylon

Country Fast Pace: (1) Kathy Given--Cruze, (2) Larry Wilson—Saddle Tramp, (3) John Given—Peach Cobbler, (4) Lorrie Smith—Jumbo Jett

Plantation Pleasure Lite Shod Specialty: (1) Carrie Mace—Encore's Shakin Lady, (2) Megan Bruffey—The Java Jazz, (3) Lola Brown--Duke

Open Pleasure: (1) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (2) Priscilla Jarvis—50 Shades of Bay, (3) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just An Illusion, (4) Kas-

sidy Heavner—Dollars Chump Change, (5) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (6) Madison Hall—Bearacuta

Men's Pleasure: (1) Colton Smith—Mr. Made In America, (2) Sam Mace—Lightning's Summer Love, (3) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (4) Pat Shafer—Smokee Robinson, (5) Danny Gross—Cyanide, (6) Tre Jordan—Apple Jack

Amateur Pacing: (1) Amber Frame—Rock N Roll Special

Gaited Western Pleasure: (1) Kassidy Heavner—Dollars Chump Change, (2) Carrie Mace—Encore's Shakin Lady, (3) Sam Mace—Lightning's Summer Love, (4) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed (5) Savanna Moore—Great American Blowout, Christina Baker—Jen's High Dollar

Juvenile Walking Pacing or Racking: (1) Jayla Hamric--April, (2) Sophia Bennett—Gold Digger, (3) Lila Fitzwater—Ranger, (4) Maggie Meadows--Matilda, (5) Elizabeth Cunningham—Ocean Motion, (6) Grayce Jordan—Blaze

Amateur Pacing Rider: (1) Amber Frame—Ocean Motion

Walk Trot Open: (1) Jo Ferguson--Flame, (2) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (3) Makahla Case—Roans On Red Money, (4) Lillie Fitzwater--Skippy, (5) Melissa Brown--Heath, (6) Emma Sparks—Reys Sly Cat

Spotted Horse Pleasure: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just an Illusion, (2) Danny Gross--Cyanide, (3) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (4) Robin Meadows--Queen, (5) Ella Groff—Majesty, (6) Emma Sparks—Sheza Shining Pearl

Open Fast Pace or Rack: (1) John Given—Peach Cobbler, (2) Kathy Given--Cruze, (3) Larry Wilson—Saddle Tramp, (4) Amber Frame—Ocean Motion, (5) Lorrie Smith—Jumbo Jett

Trail Pleasure Rack: (1) Priscilla Jarvis—50 Shades of Bay, (2) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just An Illusion, (3) Savanna Moore—Bella of the Ball, (4) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold

Jack Benny and Lucille Ball: (1) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (2) Lola Brown—Duke, (3) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (4) Machel Bennett—Bayja Vu



Meredith Murphy with Vegas, Madison Duffield with Rock and Sarah Dudley with Make It Rain make a trip around the ring in the Cake Walk.



Madison Duffield and Rock in the Open Trail Class.



Cleve Lynn Westfall and Harley Sothen in the Stick Horse Class.



Jo Ferguson riding Camille and Lillie Fitzwater riding Skippy.



Amber Frame on Ocean Motion in the Amateur Pacing Class.



Elizabeth Cunningham and Ocean Motion enjoy a ride in the Cake Walk.



Sam Mace, Carrie Mace and Amber Byrd wait for the judge's decision on their class.