



Lady Eagles Cross-country takes Regional Championship

By Shirely Shuman

The Lady Eagles won the Region 2 cross-country championship at Elkins last Thursday with an impressive team score of 39 compared to Liberty of Harrison's second place score of 53. This was the second straight regional championship for the Braxton team. Three Braxton girls finished in the top 10, and six finished in the top 20.

Leading the way for the Lady Eagles, freshman Addison Lloyd crossed the finish line in third place with a time of 22:43.40. Braxton's next finisher, Bethany Payne finished sixth, and Laura Cain

placed seventh. Payne's time was 24:95.18 and Cain's was 24:14.80. Teagan Huff placed 11th, Heidi Payne 12th, Lindsay Tetrick 16th and Nicole Bramble 22nd.

Braxton's girls are excited about the challenge of running in the state meet. Lloyd, the Eagles' first finisher in regionals, said that after she realized they had won, she was excited because they "had put so much hard work into [preparing for the regional meet]." Lloyd went on to say that she wasn't sure at first that her team had won because they "had run neck and neck with West Liberty all the way." She is natu-

rally excited about running in the state meet. "This is my first year of running high school cross country so I'm not sure exactly what to expect at a state meet." Lloyd does have a definite goal. "I want to at least finish in the top 10," she said.

Bethany Payne had a different reaction to the regional victory. "I felt relieved," she said, "because I'd been anxious about it all week." Payne attributes the Lady Eagles' win to "the hard work we've put in and the mindset of running as a team." In preparing for the state meet in the

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Local author signs book deal with professional publishing company

By Shirley Shuman

When she was 12, Hannah Linder wrote and self-published her first novel. She has since written 15 books and has self-published all except the last one. Linder explained how that has changed. "My dream was to see my books traditionally published and in the hands of readers across the country. Ten years and 15 books later, I signed with a literary agent from Books and Such Literary Management which then led to a three-book contract with Barbour Publishing.," she said.

Her novel, *Beneath His Silence*, a Gothic-style Regency Romance, will be released October 31. The book tells the story of Ella Pemberton, daughter of a baron, in search of the truth of her sister's death. In that search, Ella pursues a position as governess in the home of Lord Sedgewick. Definitely not a governess, the young woman realizes that the pretense is necessary if she is to discover what happened to her sister. Exposing the man who killed her sister is all that matters.

Lord Sedgewick realizes "there is blood on his hands." He recognizes that lies have been told, but he also recognizes "the power of truth would be too great." Now, he has "only his son and his hatred." However, the

governess's intrusion into his home begins to cause a tearing away of his cover of bitterness. The question here is: "Could Ella, despite the



Author Hannah Linder and her new book.

lingering question of his guilt, fall in love with such a man? Or is she falling prey to him?"

Those are the questions which face readers and which the young writer hopes will draw them into the novel. She is proud of her latest book and hopes her audience will find it spell-binding. H

Linder's past work has earned two 2021 Selah Awards and the 2022 Selah Award. As her latest book shows, she currently writes Regency romantic suspense novels and said, "[she feels so blessed to have the opportunity to share [her] stories with the world." She added, "I can't wait until my debut hits the shelves."

Not only does Linder write, she also has her own business of cover

designing. She explained, "Ever since I was young, another near-to-my-heart dream was to design book covers. In 2019 that dream

became a reality as I launched my own cover design business. With an associate's degree in graphic design, she designs for both traditional publishing houses and individual authors such as *New York Times*, *USA Today* along with national and international bestsellers.

Linder, born and raised in Braxton County, stressed the importance of following one's dreams. "I believe my journey will encourage other young West Virginians to pursue their dreams. After 10 years of waiting, with many tears and rejections along the way, what a blessing it was to finally sign a contract with a publisher who believed in my books," she said.

She continued by directly addressing those young people pursuing dreams. "Your dream may take waiting," she noted. "It may take tears. But all of us can learn from the lesson that good things come to those who wait. Just keep on dreaming—until you see that dream come true."

Linder will be available for a book-signing from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Nov. 5 in the Mountain Lakes Marketplace in the Flatwoods Outlet Mall.

Brooke Woods crowned Homecoming Queen

Jackson Short named King

Highlighting last Friday's Eagles/Lincoln football game was Braxton County High School's 53rd Homecoming Coronation. Brooke Woods and her escort for the evening Jaxson Short were ultimately bestowed the honor of being named 2022 BCHS Homecoming Queen and King.

Halftime festivities began with the introduction of the Homecoming Court. Freshmen princess Gracie Dyer lead the way. She is the daughter of Casey Dyer of Little Birch. Her escorted for the evening was fellow freshman Jamie Nettles, son of Matt Nettles and Allison Given-Nettles of Frametown.



Also representing the freshman class was Grace Harper, the daughter of Tim and Carrie Harper of Little Birch. She is escorted by Aidan Crockett, son of Johnny and Amy Crockett of Gassaway.

Alyssa Luzader headed up the sophomore class princesses. She is the daughter of Greg and Shannon

Luzader of Sutton. Her escorted was Shawn Toler, son of Chris and Jennifer Toler of Sutton.

Also representing the sophomore class was Piper Tonkin. She is the daughter of Scott and Tonya Estep of Frametown. Her escorted Alex Steele, son of Bill and Gina Kammer of Duck.

Siena Gwynn represented the junior class representative. She is the daughter of Brian and

Connie Gwynn of Napier. Her escort was Nickolas Brown, son of Shane and Pamela Brown of Sutton.

Also representing the junior class was Mayson Shingler. She is the daughter of Hannah Shingler of Sutton. Her escort was Skylar Davis, son of Larry and Crystal

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Queen Brooke Woods, King Jaxson Short and the 2022 BCHS Homecoming Court.

BCHS Student Council takes honors at Fall Convention

By Shirley Shuman

BCHS student council advisor Lisa Vaughan praised her student council members for the honors and awards they received at the 89th Annual WV Student Council Fall Convention. "It truly was a great day to be from Braxton County," she declared.

The Braxton County Student Council as a group earned three awards. They received the President's Theme Award for the class competition food and clothing drive which they had held during the year. In that drive, 2,891 items were collected to benefit the Communities in School clothing closet and food pantry. The BCHS group's scrapbook won gold level award—

the highest possible award. The council also received a platinum level Honor Council Award, again the highest ranking possible.

Several individuals, both students and adults, were also honored. The Dale Hawley Award went to Kaylee Criner as one of the premier student leaders in West Virginia. Criner and Addison Grindo, who have served as state officers for the last year, received recognition for their service as well as for their ability to guide and advise the 2023 officers.

Receiving certificates for the workshop—Zentangle Goal Setting—which they presented to both middle and high school students

were Madison Duffield and Kendall Bender. Emma Hardway and Jackson Davis also received certificates for what Advisor Vaughan called "being awesome leaders."

Susan Kearns, co-advisor to the BCHS group, was elected to the Executive Board. She will serve as the board recorder. Vaughan will serve as chairman of the Executive Board this year.

Two special awards went to Vaughan and Lori Stover-Williams. Vaughan, who has served as student council advisor for 15 years, was named West Virginia Student Council Advisor of the Year. Stover-Williams received the Principal of the Year award.

Stover-Williams, assistant principal and CTE director at BCHS, was pleased with the award. "I am honored that my students and staff nominated me," she said. "I have the best team at Braxton County High School. My staff is always willing to go the extra mile, and my students are the absolute

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BCHS Student Council (Front L to R) Advisor Lisa Vaughan, Bianca Grindo, Maddison Duffield, Kendall Bender. (Back L to R) Cooper Baldwin, Jackson Davis, Emma Hardway, Advisor Susan Kearns.

OPINION

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As I See It

By Ed Given

Early Voting Starts Wednesday...

Early voting for the November General Election starts Wednesday, October 26th through November 5th. The special polling place is the Fire Department Annex, (The Old Fisher Building) across from the Courthouse on Main Street, Sutton. Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. Of course, Election Day is Tuesday, November 8. Make your voice heard... go vote!

I want to talk about the amendments but first let me say that I did not present as much information to the readers as I had hoped. As I did my research, I developed strong feelings and therefore did not feel I could present a truly objective article.

So, here is my 2 cents worth. I intend to vote NO on 3 of the 4 proposals. I will vote FOR Amendment 3. West Virginia is the only state in the union that doesn't allow churches to incorporate. All 49 states can't be wrong.

Amendment 1 would eliminate any appeal of Senate and House actions dealing with impeachment. In my opinion, there needs to be an appeal process. Everyone can't be right, all of the time. Any public servant to be deprived of their right to serve in a position that he or she was duly elected to, should have the right to make sure the steps taken conform to the letter of the law. I will vote AGAINST Amendment 1

You have probably already guessed that I am adamantly opposed to Amendment 2. The Legislature is saying trust me... They want to create a big hole in our state budget that funds education and other vital services. Their defense is that we have a budget surplus. The legislature, the Senate in particular, want to give big tax breaks to large corporations and WV's top earners. They sweeten the pot by throwing in the removal of taxes on personal vehicle. They say "trust us" we have a plan to replace those funds, but they won't tell us what it is. I didn't fall off the turnip truck yesterday and I simply don't trust them. Their aim is to exercise more control over the educational system in retaliation for the teachers' strike. They obviously want to do that by financially gutting public education. They are well on their way with the HOPE Scholarship Program. This amendment offers a little good, but presents a looming cloud and a mountain of gloom for our children, and future generations. I ask every parent and grandparent to join me in voting AGAINST Amendment 2!

And... don't forget Amendment 4. By the way it is the only thing that is on the back of the Braxton ballot so it could easily be overlooked. This proposal will give the legislature the final word on all rules and policies set forth by the State Board of Education. Folks, allowing this degree of political involvement in our educational system is downright scary. The legislature, under this amendment, would review, approve, amend, or reject, what is taught in our educational system, what textbooks are used, how and when teachers work. As far as I am concerned this is simply crazy. This would be a huge step backwards when we need giant strides forward. Join me in voting AGAINST Amendment 4. Here again, we do not need political agendas involved in the education of our children.

Regardless of whether you agree with me or not... go vote! Don't let someone else make the decisions for you!



Every Acre Counts

By Kevin Gregory

Deer Hunting the Rut

It's almost here – the RUT! Moon calendars, barometric pressure charts, photoperiod triggers, and many other theories drive hunters to the woods each year during late October and November to catch a buck looking for a new girlfriend.

We will spend the next couple of weeks looking at the rut cycle and how we can take advantage of this important period in their annual life cycle.

What is the Rut!

The rut cycle is actually an 8–10-week period when the doe comes into heat for breeding by the buck. However, what most hunters call the rut is the “seeking phase” and “chase phase” of the rut cycle when bucks are cruising the woods looking for does who come into heat first.

The “Seeking Phase” of the Rut

As the date ap-

proaches October and the leaves begin to change, the first signs of the rut cycle begin. Throughout the summer and early fall, the bucks have been in bachelor groups and as we near October you begin to see the young bucks starting to spar. As October progresses, the sparring continues and bucks begin to separate from their bachelor groups mature bucks head for their fall/winter core area. The mature bucks then begin to leave their sent in areas by making rubs and scrapes to let the local does know they are around and ready for breeding (the Rut). Many hunters will wonder where the bucks they had seen all summer disappear to, well generally as they lose their velvet, they head for thick cover and seclusion.

Around my property in Northern Braxton that happens the first week in September. I



Young Buck Covering Ground During the Seeking Phase of the Rut.

can watch them lose their velvet and within 3 days they are gone. I generally don't see those mature bucks again until the last week of August – the “seeking phase”. The mature bucks will cruise the ridges and field edges “winding” doe bedding areas for signs of a doe in heat. This is one of my favorite times of the year, hard to pattern, but you never know what buck will show up next. Last year I had 17 deer pass my stand in 3 hours – 7

were bucks scent checking the saddle I was setting in.

You will also begin to see more bucks hit on the highways as the “seeking and chase phases” heat up and moves into the “chase phase” of the rut – so if you are ready to go with your bow in hand – buckle up the next 3-4 weeks will be a blast!

Next week we will talk about the “chase phase” and then the dreaded “lockdown” phase.

Until next week – get out doors and enjoy this fall weather and the changing of the seasons and remember - ***Every Acre Counts!***

Letters to the Editor: Our policy...

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

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



The Gassaway train is back on track. Thanks to the input from citizens who spoke up and supported the train, it is out of harms way and on its own pad just outside the community playground. Caring citizens are in the process of repairing minor damage and painting the train. Hopefully, children can enjoy the train again soon.

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News from our Capitol

by Delegate Brent Boggs

The string of great October weather continues. Frosty mornings, mild days and low winds add up to perfect squirrel hunting weather or just a great walk in the woods with Waldo and Buddy. They're great squirrel chasers but too easily distracted. When you stop, they immediately come back and jockey for position as close as they can get to me. While they are beautiful, healthy golden retrievers, they are more descriptively, golden leaners. If you take a step away, they'll topple over. People dogs, for sure.

This is the first time since 1994 that I've not been on the ballot, so it still seems unfamiliar not to have a truck bed full of signs and tools in the spring and fall. We'll see what the future holds down the road. In the meantime, I'm working diligently every day to move projects forward that have been in the works and to set up opportunities for next year and beyond that will benefit Braxton and

Gilmer Counties.

I want to remind everyone that early voting begins this week, October 26 through Nov. 5. Election Day is Tuesday, November 8. With all the options available for casting your vote – including traditional Election Day voting – there are few excuses for failing to exercise your right to select your county, state, and federal elected officials.

It's been a busy highway maintenance season in both Gilmer and Braxton Counties; crews fixing slips and slides, resurfacing, routine maintenance and tending to weather-related emergencies. Hopefully, the weather will continue to cooperate, and even more projects can be completed this year.

Meanwhile, after several months of delays in relocating utility lines and a major gas main that required a bore under Elk River, the upper Gassaway bridge replacement project is underway. The cooperative autumn weather has thus far allowed late season construction on both sides

of Elk River. Expect delays periodically as the project gears up to accomplish as much as possible before winter weather sets in.

Likewise, the Burnsville T-Beam bridge replacement is now out for bids. This is great news for residents in town and around the Burnsville vicinity, including down Rt. 5. This project does not require land acquisition and as I understand it, the same contract recipient will demolish and rebuild the new structure in the same location.

Also, the Flatwoods, Gassaway-Sutton, and Rt. 19 intersection at Coon Knob on I-79 will be receiving updated, high-tower LED lighting in 2023. This is long overdue to make these interchanges more user and visitor friendly. I know the upgraded lights at Burnsville have been a great help for Exit 79, serving Burnsville, Glenville, Glenville State University, Burnsville Lake, and many other motorists that expect a well-lighted and safe interchange. These upgrades need to extend to Frametown and Servia, too.

Sadly, central West Virginia experienced yet another tragedy recently with the loss of two of our friends and neighbors because of a crossover accident on I-79 in Lewis County. A few months ago,

a similar accident occurred between Flatwoods and Burnsville. The extremely narrow separation between north and south lanes in many locations highlights the urgent need for cable barriers all along the I-79 corridor. I've made multiple requests to DOH over the years for the cable barrier installation to be expedited. Likewise with guardrails on our state routes and secondary roads. This expansion is coming our way, but it must be better prioritized by federal highway officials to allow for accelerated installation and directed funding.

I will again call on the Governor's office to help DOH leverage any and all federal funds – while adding surplus funds from the general revenue budget surplus – in order to make this happen as soon as possible. Unfortunately, accidents like the most recent tragic event will continue to occur until the median areas have safe and secure separation installed on our interstate highways.


Finally, a personal note that made my day last Thursday evening. A few years ago, our family donated the 1948 International Cub tractor that originally belonged to my grandparents, J.B and Mattie Westfall, to the BCHS FFA program. The idea

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Davis of Sutton. The senior class, from which the Queen and King were selected included Ryleigh Groff, the daughter of Justin Groff and Danielle Bennett of Exchange. After graduation, Ryleigh plans to attend New River Community Technical College to pursue a career in trauma nursing. She was escorted Michael Tamburello, son of Michel and Debbie Marcum of Sutton. Michael is a barista at Starbucks. After graduation, he plans to attend Arizona State University as a nursing major. Christyona Rhodes, the daughter of Marquita Harrison and John Rhodes of Sutton was also a senior attendant. She is a member of FBLA and participates in ESports. After high school, Christyona is attending West Virginia Junior College for Business Marketing and Human Resources. Her escort was Tyler Cox. He is the son of Bryan and Flora Cox of Sutton. Tyler is a member of the BCHS football and wrestling teams. After graduation, Tyler plans to go to college and study Engineering. Brooke Wood is the daughter of Jon and Kristy Wood of Gassaway. Brooke is a student council member and this year's yearbook editor. After graduation, Brooke plans to attend to WVU to be a Dental Hygienist. Her escort was Jaxson Short, son of Nathan and April Short of Frametown. He is a member of the school's football and basketball teams. After graduation, Jaxson plans to either go to a trade school or go to work as a journeyman electrician. This year's flower girl was Logan Helmick, daughter of Matt and Mackenzie Helmick of Exchange. The crown bearer was Bryce Gregory, son of Eric and Macy Gregory of Sutton. King Jaxson was crowned by Assistant Principal Lori Stover-Williams. Queen Brooke received her crown from 2021 Homecoming Queen, Mazzy King. She was presented with flowers and the traditional green Braxton Homecoming cloak by Principal Tony Minney.



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best. They bring an upbeat positive attitude each day. They are proud Eagles," she noted, adding "I am blessed to lead such a great group and to be part of an outstanding community that supports us." Braxton students attending this year's fall convention included Kaylee Criner, the high school student council president and state vice-president; Addison Grindo, the high school student council secretary and state secretary; Emma Hardway, high school vice president; Jackson Davis; Madison Duffield, historian; Kendall Bender; Braelyn Criner; Cooper Baldwin; and Bianca Grindo.

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stemmed from conversations with work friends in the upper Ohio River area. In that area, families donated older tractors; refurbished them; and raffled them off to raise funds for FFA and other vocational programs. After a few years of the old tractor being in the dry and secured on the BCHS campus, the overhaul, repainting, new decals reached final completion late last school year. It was such a successful and educational venture, I'm pleased to report that it is now in good use with the FFA program, transporting greenhouse materials and other supplies on campus and used in parades and special events. Josh Porto drove it up to our home prior to the BCHS Homecoming parade in Gassaway for a preview. I look forward to going for a ride in upcoming parades and events. The last time it was used at its home at Bonnie was when I plowed my grandparents garden in 1973, a few months before my granddad's death. I am so thankful to see it now have a meaningful and permanent home, working for our FFA students as a tribute to our Papaw and Mamaw Westfall. If you need assis-

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

abroad - and keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Until next week, take care.

Way back when... Long ago in Braxton County



Anderson Mill...
This 1900 photo shows the Anderson Mill at Falls Mills or Falls on Little Kanawha as it was often referred to. The mill was operated by a water wheel, the water flowing from the top of the falls, or road side to the river. For many years people first found their way into this Bulltown section for salt at Haymond's Salt Works and later, when this mill was built, they carried wool here to be carded so it could be woven into cloth. One trail led from Weston and Gauley Bridge Turnpike,

up Knowls Creek, and over Pigeon Roost. The photo is courtesy of Craig A. Smith and one of many contained in his collections that are featured in a series of historical books Smith authored 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.

Tai Chi program returns to Braxton Senior Center

A new revitalizing Tai Chi program will be offered at the Braxton County Senior Citizens Center beginning Tuesday, November 1. Classes will continue for 6 weeks on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00-2:00 pm. Mary Given is the instructor. -All Classes are FREE. This beginner Tai Chi for Health program will focus on increased energy, and who wouldn't want that during the November/December season?

Tai Chi for Energy combines movements from Chen and Sun tai chi styles. This program is meant for the beginner tai chi student, but the powerful synergy of the movements will be worthwhile for a practiced student as well.

With regular practice, and in a relatively short period of time, this program will help participants acquire health and wellness, internal energy, and ability to manage stress.

Exercises are designed for any skill level and advance at the participant's own speed.

All tai chi exercise can be done from a seated or a standing position.

Tai Chi for Health Institute (taichiforhealthinstitute.org) exercise classes are evidence-based and complement any walking or physical therapy program.

A private, walled-off exercise space is provided in the Braxton Senior Center Dining Hall for Tai Chi participants (see photo).

As with any new exercise program, individuals should check with their health care provider before beginning.

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OBITUARIES

Harry Vinton Dean, Jr.



Harry Vinton Dean, Jr., 71, of Sutton passed away on Thursday, October 13, 2022 from injuries sustained from a motor vehicle accident.

He was born November 27, 1950 in Gassaway to the late Harry Vinton Dean Sr. and Ida Belle James Dean.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his daughter, Crystal Rose Lenox; and two sisters, Tammy Jones and Gloria Jenkins and brother, William Dean.

Harry was baptized and was a Christian by faith. After graduating from high school, he went to the Job Corp. Next, he began his journey in the military and was truly a traveler around the world. Harry was a United States Army Infantry Veteran who did 88 MIKE work as a truck driver. He was a West Virginia National Guard 1092nd Army Engineers Veteran and he also worked in the Reserves. He and his wife, Ruth, began their courtship in 1964 and were married in 1971. He enjoyed 51 years of marriage to his best friend. They enjoyed traveling on road trips to sightsee at different times of the year. Taking meticulous care of his lawn and garden was his most time-consuming hobby but he loved doing it. He was a proud grandfather and great grandfather that enjoyed poking fun with all his grandkids. Being outdoors, listening to all types of music, and putting together wooden model cars were some of his other favorite pastimes.

He is survived by his son, Emery Dean and wife, Crissy, of Centralia; daughter, Michele Johnson and husband, Chris, of Sutton; son-in-law, Mark Lenox, of Virginia; brothers, Terry Dean and wife, Linda, of Burnsville, James Dean of Flatwoods, and Jimmy Dean of Ohio; grandchildren, Harry Franklin Bolser, Tamara Evans, Heaven Brown, Morgan Michele Gregory, and Emery Franklin Dean, Jr.; great grandchildren, Avery Erin, Axl, Konnor, Eli, Karliah, Hayden Scott, Astred, and one expectant great grandchild; and his Dachshund, Robo.

His funeral service was held at 1 P.M. Sunday, October 23, 2022 at Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway with Pastor Danny Lambey officiating. Burial followed in the Tichenel Cemetery, Heaters.

Ruth Ann Dean



Ruth Ann Dean, 72, of Gassaway, passed away three days later on Sunday, October 16, 2022 from injuries sustained from a motor vehicle accident

She was born on July 13, 1950, in Pennsylvania to the late Frank Benjamin Henderson and Anna Elizabeth Snyder Henderson.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband and best friend of 51 years, Harry Dean, Jr.; daughter, Crystal Rose Lenox; brothers, Frank Harvey Henderson and Tommy Henderson.

Ruth had the most caring heart. She was a CNA and caregiver for many people for different agencies. She was Harry's number one fan and she enjoyed going on traveling trips and spending time with him. Ruth enjoyed baking peanut butter cookies and fudge for her husband. Ruth was baptized and was a Christian by faith. Her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren were her pride and joy. You could find her sometimes playing the card game, Rummy, with her grandchildren. She also liked to crochet and quilt. She was truly the epitome of the wife who kept all her husband's doings organized. In her spare time, she liked to watch Hallmark movies. She also was a huge Elvis music and movies fan.

She leaves behind her son, Emery Dean and wife, Crissy, of Centralia; daughter, Michele Johnson and husband, Chris, of Sutton; son-in-law, Mark Lenox of Virginia; sister, Sue Henderson Hinkle and husband, Charlie, of Bug Ridge; grandchildren, Harry Franklin Bolser, Tamara Evans, Heaven Brown, Morgan Michele Gregory, and Emery Franklin Dean, Jr.; great grandchildren, Avery Erin, Axl, Konnor, Eli, Karliah, Hayden Scott, Astred, and one expectant great grandchild; and her Dachshund, Robo.

Her funeral was also held at 1 P.M. Sunday, October 23, 2022, at Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway with Pastor Danny Lambey officiating. Burial followed in the Tichenel Cemetery, Heaters.

Ruth's visitation was two hours prior to the service at the funeral home.

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

Wilda "Wink" Marie Stout Vargo



It is with great sadness, the family of Wilda "Wink" Marie Stout Vargo of Marshallville, OH announces her passing into the hands of our Lord on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at Akron City Hospital, Akron, OH. She was 88 years old.

Born to Warder Lee Stout, Sr. and Eliza Ann Davis Stout in Sutton, Wink and her family moved from Sutton to Webster County as a young child. She attended Kovan School on Fairview. Wink grew up in the Great Depression and spoke frequently of not having much as a child and teenager. She went through cold winters with just a sweater to wear to school, having her two sisters block the wind as they walked. Frequently, the family would have only the unsweetened blackberries for supper the family had picked and canned during the previous summer months. Her father was a coal miner when there was work for him and her parents raised 13 children, including Wink.

She moved to Medina, OH as a teenager where she gained employment at Madison's Pickle Plant and worked many years as a pickle packer. Wink was always a conscientious employee and took pride in her work ethic. She also worked for National Solvent where she met and later married her second husband, Michael Vargo.

Wink had many interests and activities she enjoyed. She enjoyed going to garage sales and auctions. She loved to have a garden and then can or freeze what she raised. She loved to cook and bake. Wink never tired of sharing with others original, new and heirloom recipes handed down from her mother and grandmother. Her many interests included the love of flowers...pink roses being one of her favorites. She would grow different types of house plants and flowers outside to decorate her yard. Wink always appreciated God's beauty in nature and bird watched daily. She was interested in the Stout family genealogy and worked with a close cousin on some projects. Wink was baptized in WV and was a born-again Christian. Wink read the Bible cover to cover and

tried to encourage others to do right and live in ways God would approve.

Wink is survived by her husband of 17 years, Michael Vargo and family of Marshallville, OH and beloved sister Wanda Stout Miller of Lodi, OH. She leaves behind many nieces and nephews, great-nieces and nephews, great-great-nieces and nephews, and life-long friends and neighbors that will miss her generous and thoughtful ways.

Wink will be reunited with the following loved ones that preceded her in death: Parents Warder and Eliza Stout; siblings, infant sister Mary Stout, Ida Pauline Stout Knight, Cecil Edward Stout, Jacob Livingston Stout, William J. Stout, Floyd Carl Stout, James Stanley Stout, Henry Howard Stout, Warder Lee Stout Jr., Shirley Sue Stout Cogar, and Frances Jean Stout Lambert.

A visitation is planned at Dodd & Reed Funeral Home on Friday, October 28, 2022 from 11:00 to 1:00. Funeral Services will begin at 1:00 PM. Final interment will be at the Stout Family Cemetery, Webster Springs.

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

Dodd & Reed Funeral Home is honored to be serving Wink's family.

Gloria Bosley Conrad



On Monday, October 17, 2022, Gloria Bosley Conrad peacefully passed away in Charleston, WV. She was 72. Gloria was born on March 16, 1950 in Baltimore, MD to Marvin "Doc" Bosley and Mary I. Bosley.

She was preceded in death by her father "Doc" Bosley, mother Mary Bosley and son, Everett Conrad.

Gloria moved to West Virginia when she was a teenager and attended Burnsville High School. Gloria was a homemaker and wonderful mother to her two children, Everett and Jolena. She had many friends and was well-loved in her community. Gloria was active in her church and taught Sunday school. She loved gardening, canning, sewing, birdwatching and spoiling her grandson. Gloria will be missed by many.

Gloria is survived by her daughter Jolena Brown Fonke (Steve), grandson Landon Fonke, sisters Cynthia Gibson, Phyllis Fox (Lindon), Lisa Utt and brother Tony Bosley as well as several nieces and nephews.

Service will be held at Mid-State Church of God in Gassaway, WV, on Saturday, October 22nd at 1:00 PM. Friends will be received at the church one hour prior to the service from 12:00 PM-1:00 PM. Burial will follow the service at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Exchange, WV. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mid-State Church of God in Gassaway.

Stockert Funeral Home & Cremation is honored to serve the family of Gloria Conrad.

Roger "Greenie" Alveno Greene



Roger "Greenie" Alveno Greene, 74, of Sutton, WV formally of St. Paul, KY went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, October 15, 2022. He passed away at home with family by his side.

 He was born September 3, 1948 in St. Paul, KY to the late Elijah Alveno and Jennie Mae Arthurs-Greene. He is preceded in death by his sister, Lillian Lois Lewis.

Roger graduated from Sutton High School in 1966. He joined the National Guard in 1968. Roger was a lifelong carpenter; he not only worked the trait but loved it! Roger started his passion for working in the carpentry trait in the 1970s. He owned a business locally for many years and not only built thing in this community, but around the state as well.

During Roger's lifetime he was owner of Greene Contracting, co-owner of Greene-Flint Construction, employed at Dayton Tire & Rubber, Flint Construction, and John Skidmore Inc. Roger's passion and skill for carpentry not only touched him, but is something he passed down to his children as well. Roger worked with many people not just in this county but in the state as well.

He was a hard working man, with tons of knowledge and passion for carpentry, but loved nothing more than his favorite job of being a husband, father and grandfather to his wife, three children, and a grandpa to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Nothing put a smile on Roger's face more than his grandchildren.

Roger enjoyed many hobbies hunting, fishing, mowing, grass, going to car shows and feeding animals. Roger had a friendly, lovable, contagious personality and touched so may lives during his blessed life.

Roger is survived by his loving wife of 55 years Linda Sue Flint-Greene, married December 16, 1967, of Sutton, sons, Roger Greene II (Sandy) of Sutton, Keith Greene (Marcey) of Sutton, daughter, Tina Martin (Jeremy) of Sutton, grandchildren, Jamie (Holly), Cassie (Jerry), Nathan (Ally), Mackenzie (Dylan), Garrett, Rylee, Chase, great-grandchildren, Natalee, Brady, Jansen, Alyssa, Maddix, Cooper, Khole, Drew, Stryder, Watson, Conway, Jennings, brother, Ronald Greene, sisters, Marcella Nelson, Paulette Greene, and many nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

A celebration of Life was held at the Sutton Moose Lodge, Sunday, October 23, 2022. Friends called from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm with Rev. Robey Godfrey officiating the Celebration of Life at 4:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to his wife Linda Greene to help with medical expenses. Linda Greene 172 N. Baxter St. Sutton, WV 26601.

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

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

Homer "Scott" Cutlip



Homer "Scott" Cutlip, 83, passed away October 10, 2022 at the Crestview Manor in Jane Lew, WV.

He was born on April 10, 1939 to Walter and Eva Cutlip at Birch River WV.

He was a United States Army Veteran.

In addition to his parents Scott was preceded in death by sisters Myrtle Rose and Daisy Carpenter and brothers Stanley and Cam Cutlip and a granddaughter Michelle Rose Bradfield.

He is survived by daughters Gennie Williams of Bridgeport, OH, Brenda Singleton (Jeff) of Frametown, WV, Pam Harless of Lawrenceville GA and Scott Cutlip (Marsha) of Nicut, WV.

Grandchildren Steve Murphy of So. Charleston, WV, Kayla Cutlip Norvell of Gassaway WV, Alexandria "Ali" Cutlip of Frametown WV, Nate Cutlip of Nicut WV, Natasha Patterson of Nicut WV and Clayton Patterson of Clay WV.

Great grandchildren Logan Bradfield and Aaron Bradfield, both of Lawrenceville GA, Meredith Murphy and Joe Murphy, both of So Charleston WV and Tyrion Brown of Frametown WV.

Scott donated his body to WVU School of Medicine.

Josephine Brown



Josephine Brown, 83, of Oil Creek Road, Walkersville, WV passed away on October 18, 2022. She was born in Glenville, WV on January 31, 1939 to parents Lewis Harper and Gladys Lansberry Harper.

Josephine is preceded in death by her parents; husband: Homer L. Brown; 10 brothers and 2 sisters. Three of her siblings

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

BVFD to host Soup Buffet

The Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department will host a Soup Buffet on November 5 at the Burnsville Community Building. “Enjoy the fall season with your favorite homemade soups and all the fixings,” says a representative. The menu will consist of soups, cornbread, Italian bread, deserts, iced tea and coffee. The buffet will be served from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Eat-in or take-out. Payment is by donation only. “Thank you for supporting your volunteer fire department. We look forward to seeing you.”

The American Legion Post #33 Veterans Day Parade

The American Legion Post #33 Honor Guard would like to invite all Veteran’s to participate and walk in the Veteran’s Day Parade on Friday November 11th at 11 am in Gassaway. Line-up for any Veteran wishing to walk will be at 10 am near the bridge coming in to Gassaway. Please stop near the Bridge and Mayor Roach will assist you in the exact location that the Honor Guard will be meeting.

Christmas Sale

The ladies of St. Thomas Church will hold a Christmas Sale in the Parish Hall at 624 Kanawha St. in Gassaway on November 3rd & 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on November 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lots of Christmas items including trees, wreaths, table decorations and lights! We also have crafts, baked goods, children’s toys, winter and Christmas clothes and furniture such as a roll-top desk and TV cabinet plus too many other items to mention.

The American Legion Post #33 Christmas Cash Raffle

The American Legion Post #33 is currently holding a raffle for Christmas Cash. Prizes awarded will be \$300, \$200, and \$100 in cash for first, second, and third place drawings. For more information or to buy tickets for the drawing contact an American Legion Post #33 member. Tickets will also be sold during the Veteran’s Day Reception to be held on Friday November 11, 2022 at the Braxton County Armory.

Sutton High School Alumni Association November meeting

The Sutton High School Alumni Association has taken on the task of planning to resume the groups Annual Alumni Banquet. The next meeting will be held at 2:00 on November 6, 2022, at the Alumni Building (the old Bowling Green School Building) on Airport Road. All interested Alumni are invited to attend and to assist with plans and preparations.

Paint Class for Burnsville Freedom Festival

The Burnsville Freedom Festival in partnership with the Tiny Sparrow Art Studio will be hosting a painting class on November 4th at 6pm at the Burnsville Community Center. All supplies will be furnished and refreshments will be served. Cost is \$30.00 per person. This is a fundraising event for the festival. Call 304-853-2605 for more information

Burnsville Trick

or Treat

The Town of Burnsville’s Trick or Treat will be held on October 29th 5:30-7:00pm followed by the party in the park with costume contest, cake walk, bonfire, concessions and hayrides. Have a safe and happy Halloween.

Flatwoods United Methodist Church Pumpkin Fall Fest

Come out and enjoy Trick or Treating and have some fun at Flatwoods United Methodist Church Pumpkin Fall Fest on October 29 from 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. Trick or Treat with free snack bags from 5:30 to 7:00 P.M., free face painting , balloon animals and tattoos from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. There will be nachos and cheese, popcorn and drinks for a small fee.

Sutton Public Library Annual Baked Steak Dinner

Tickets to the Sutton Public Library Annual Baked Steak Dinner fundraiser hosted by Sutton Moose Lodge are available now! The dinner will be held at the Braxton County Middle School from noon to 2:00 P.M. on November 5th. Each dinner donation will cost \$10.00 and cash prizes will be awarded every thirty minutes.

BC Senior Center Food Menu

2% milk served with each meal. Menu subject to change due to food availability. Tuesday 25 Pork BBQ Sandwich, Sweet Potato, Fries, Cole-slaw, Fruit. Wednesday 26 Garlic Tomato Shrimp Pasta, Garlic Bread, Glazed Carrots, Fruit. Thursday 27 Fall Festival Stuffed Green Peppers, Scalloped Potatoes, Dinner Roll Fruit. Friday 28 Breakfast Bake, Hash Browns, Biscuit, Spiced Apples. Monday 31 Hamburger Steak with Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Dinner Roll, Fruit.

Flatwoods Cemetery Donations 2022

Mowing the Flatwoods Cemetery this summer has been a chore since we had so much rain that the grass overdid itself. However we are hoping it has slowed down so that we can call it quits for this season. So far we have had it mowed 10 times. Those who have donated for this 2022 season are: Herb Floyd; George Butcher Family; Dick Bright; Nancy Butcher Fowler; Shirley Lloyd; Marlin Butcher; Greg & David Butcher; Carolyn Butcher Barber; Brian Delaney and Linda Brown. Please keep us in mind for 2023. Thanks again and we greatly appreciate the donations; without them we could not keep going. Any further donations, please send to Linda Brown 1353 Stone Run Rd. Flatwoods, WV 26621. Linda Brown/ Treasurer

Annual Veteran’s Day Parade

Central West Virginia Aging Services and C.A.R.E., Inc. is pleased to announce that we will be hosting the Annual Veteran’s Day Parade and Reception this year. We are currently looking for participants for the Annual Veteran’s Day parade which will be held in Gassaway on Friday November 11th. If you or your organization would be interested in participating, please contact Shelly by calling (304)765-3271 or e-mailing sfliint@frontier.com

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lings passed at infancy. She enjoyed reading, making floral arrangements for the cemetery, traveling, visiting with friends and family, gardening, and loved watching Gunsmoke. Josephine was the last surviving member of her immediate family. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Pat Harper and several nieces and nephews. Josephine’s wishes to be cremated will be honored by her family. No services are planned at this time. Stockert Funeral Home & Cremation is honored to serve the family of Josephine Brown.

Carolyn “Carol” Louise Riffle

Carolyn “Carol” Louise Riffle, 75, of Heat-ers, WV passed away on October 21, 2022. She was born on July 31, 1947

to parents Jesse James Conrad and Lizzie Edith McCauley Conrad who preceded her in death.

Carol was also preceded in death by her lifelong love and husband of 45 years, Robert Riffle; brothers: Dale Cayton, Paul Cayton, Denzil Cayton, Delbert Conrad and Eugene Conrad and sister: Glenna Mae Smith.

Carol attended Glen-ville State College and received a teaching degree and also obtained a master’s degree. She was a member of Delta Kappa Phi. Carol was a teacher for several years in Braxton County and worked at Davis Elementary School. She was a Christian by faith and attended the Orlando Methodist Church. Her hobbies were making crafts, reading, painting, drawing, cooking and gardening. Carol loved to spend time with her family.

Those left to cherish her memory are brothers: Earl Cayton and John Cayton; sisters: Leila Gae Blake and Brenda Conrad who loved her dearly and was by her side throughout her illness; and several nieces and nephews.

She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 from 11:00 AM—2:30 PM. Grave-side service will be held after visitation at Little Kanawha Memorial Gardens, Heaters, WV with Pastor Delmas Singleton officiating the service.

Stockert Funeral Home & Cremation is honored to serve the family of Carol Riffle.

Larry Joe Hayhurst

Larry Joe Hayhurst, 91, of Sun City Center, Florida, formerly of Gassaway, passed away on Monday, October 10, 2022 at his home in Florida.

He was born on June 26, 1931 in Gassaway to the late Earl “Peanuts” Hayhurst and Carrie Gunter Hayhurst.

In addition to his parents he was preceded by his wife of 35 years, Theda Haymond Hayhurst; sisters, Karen Hayhurst Chenoweth and Laura Hayhurst; and grandson, Joshua Taylor.

Larry was a United States Army and Air Force veteran. He worked as a postal worker and retired after 30 years. Earlier in his life he played football at Marshall University for a while. He was a wonderful husband and family man.

He is survived by

this daughter, Lee Christensen, of Sun City Center, Florida; sister, Janet Hayhurst Gentry of Belpre, Ohio; grandchildren, Traci Mills, David Christensen, and Katrina Sellers; six great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

Graveside service with military rites was 1 P.M. Friday, October 21, 2022 at Sugar Creek Cemetery, Gassaway, WV with Pastor Jim Criner officiating.

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

Arrangements by Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway, WV.

Linda “Sue” Hall

Linda “Sue” Hall, 72, of Frametown passed away on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at Glen-ville Center.

She was born on September 30, 1950 in Gassaway to the late Floyd Parsons and Madge Wise Parsons.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her first husband, Cecil McCoy; her second husband, Kenneth Hall; brothers, James Hart, Hayden Hart, and George Hart; and her sister, Reva Short.

Sue was an interesting, one-of-a-kind person. A homemaker, she also enjoyed visiting with her family and friends. Sue was really close with her granddaughter, Jess. You could find her playing cards or Dominos in her spare time. Sue like to go antiquing too. She will be missed.

She will be remembered by her daughter, Rose McCoy and wife, Julie; granddaughter, Jessica Hartley; brother, Raymond Hart; sisters, Ruth Carr, Mary Nicholas, Margaret Moore, Retha Cottrill, and Faye Sexton; and several nieces and nephews.

Her funeral service was 1 P.M. Saturday, October 22, 2022 at Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway with Pastor Rick Hart officiating. Burial followed in the McCoy Cemetery, Tate Creek.

Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

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

Sarah Lorrain Sartin

Sarah Lorrain Sartin, 53, of Little Birch, passed away on Friday, October 21, 2022 at home.

She was born December 24, 1968, in Sutton to Rosemary Riffle Wyne of Gassaway and the late Jessie B. King.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her brother, Jessie W. King; maternal grandparents, Madeline and Omer Riffle; and special aunt, Sarah Shaffer.

Sarah was a homemaker. She loved the outdoors and loved to sit on the porch to watch and hear birds. She enjoyed crocheting.

In addition to her mother she will be forever remembered by her husband, Harold Sartin of Little Birch; son, Ricky Harper and fiancée, Leilani Suttner, of Little Birch; daughters, Ashley Harper

and companion, Billy Sparks, of Burnsville; Madeline Rose and fiancé, Thomas McCumbers of Gassaway, and Samaria Harper of Cowen; sisters, Mary Riffle of Gassaway, Sandra Sartin and husband, Marvin, of Little Birch, Bonnie Ross and husband Michael, of Birch River, Genelda Brown of Frametown, and Pam Hawks of Pennsylvania; grandchildren, Ashlyn Richardson, Sarah Rose, Ethen Rose, Aduim Rose, Kristian

Chapman, and Zoey Chapman; aunt, Retha Miller and husband, Charles, of Exchange; uncle, Olen Riffle and wife, Barbara, of Gassaway; and 12 nieces and nephews.

In keep with Sarah’s wishes she will be cremated and no service.

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What is heaven like?

Will family life and relationships continue in heaven? Matt 22:23-30

23 The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,

24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:

26 Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the seventh.

27 And last of all the woman died also.

28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.

29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

What kind of body will we have in heaven? 1 John 3:2

2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

1 Cor 15:38

38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

What about loneliness? Rev 21:3

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

What about grief? Rev 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;

What about suffering? Rev 21:4 and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

What about being thirsty? Rev 21:6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

What about fear? Rev 21:25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.

Heaven shall be blessed by the absence of these things.

Rev 21:27

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

Rev 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Eph 5:27

27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

What symbols show heaven’s beauty and value?

Rev 21:18

18 And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.

Rev 21:19-20

19 And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald;

20 The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

Rev 21:21

21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls

Rev 21:21

street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

Rev 21:23

23 And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

We will have a great privilege in heaven that we will be with God our father who loves us beyond our comprehension. Revelation 21:3

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

Paul sums up the glory of Heaven in this way

1 Cor 2:9

9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

What will be our aim in life after this mortal life will end? The answer rests with each one of us and the choice that we make. We will either serve and love God or we will reject him, what choice do you make?

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COUNTY STORIES

By: JEANETTE RIFFLE

My Grateful Tablet

I was sorting through some things to clear out my wicker basket here by my chair and found a Steno Pad that I had started writing in clear back in April of 2016. I had been jotting down things to be grateful for. I read over the whole tablet and brought it up to current. It really lifted me up to read all those positive stories of blessings that had come my way and it reminded me that we should count our blessings every day. Look for the blessings and they will out weigh the bad. Romans 8:28 tells us that all things work together to

the good, to them that love God, to them that are the called according to his purpose. I had gone through a serious knee joint replacement surgery, where muscles had to be pulled over to line my leg up straight with the new joint. I had to learn how to walk again. Muscles were stiff, tight and very painful. It required a lot of physical therapy. I had jotted down all the things that I was thankful for and all that I was able to accomplish each day. You can't just sit and let someone wait on you after a knee surgery or you will never be able to walk right again. I

got a good report when I went for a check up but in recent years, arthritis has set in. My back, feet and ankles are the worst. It is causing difficulty now in getting around. I can do light house work, laundry, cooking and baking. I have hobbies to keep up with when I come to my chair to get off my feet. I like to work with my hands.

I have tons of afghans, throws, chair covers and baby blankets that I need to start selling. I like to crochet.

We are having another beautiful, sunny, blue sky day. Rosedale Baptist Church is into revival starting this evening at 7:00 and will run through next Friday. Everyone welcome. We have Drive In Church for those who cannot handle the steps up into the church. Just tune into 101. 9 FM to hear what is going on inside. This started with the Covid pandemic so people could come to church and feel safe. Those that went inside to conduct the service wore a mask. We are still hearing of people coming down with this virus but it is slowing down. The vaccines help.

I will close for this time. Everyone take care and enjoy these nice days we are getting. It is 85 degrees out in the sun right now. Remember to count your blessings. God bless!

American Legion Post #33 Veteran's Day Parade

The American Legion Post #33 Honor Guard would like to invite all Veteran's to participate and walk in the Veteran's Day Parade on Friday November 11th at 11 am in Gassaway.

Line-up for any Vet-

eran wishing to walk will be at 10:00 am near the bridge coming in to Gassaway.

Please stop near the Bridge and Mayor Roach will assist you in the exact location that the Honor Guard will be meeting.

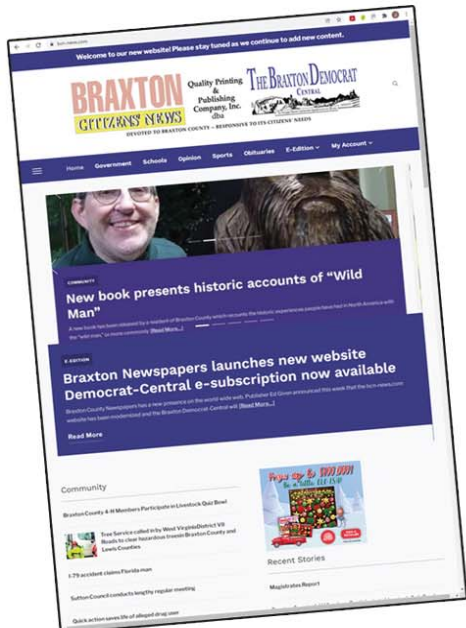
BC Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting Nov 11

Please be advised that the next meeting of the Braxton County Local Emergency Planning Committee is scheduled on 11/08/22 at 12:00 noon at 3 Girls Dinner Restaurant.

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“Christmas in October” helps the Pleasant Hill Waterline Association reach a new plateau in fund-raising

Nettie's Niece from New Haven, Indiana, came in to visit while the Christmas Sale to raise money for Pleasant Hill Waterline Association was being held. They drove the 7-hour trip just to help Nettie at her sale. Frank is retired from Steel Dynamics, Columbia City, Indiana. Sue retired from Community Harvest Food Bank in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

The Ladig's are Parents of 4 children and 16 grandchildren. They were a big help to Nettie while she was working at the sale house, and they worked together and raised over \$817 on Friday the first day of the sale.

Nettie said, “One of the interesting things that happened at the sale was we had an older (antique) style Ceramic Christmas tree that unique lights. Our local rural mail carrier, Brenda Watson saw the picture of the tree on Facebook and asked if she could have it because her mother had made one like its years ago and she had tried to find one like it but to no avail.” Brenda said, “I have tried to buy similar ceramic Christmas trees over the years, but they were either too small, different colors, or had no lights like the ones my mother made.”

The tree was sold to another woman from



Frank and Sue Ladig Helped Nettie Gregory Raise Funds at their “Christmas in October Sale.

Ohio who also saw it on Facebook and had asked for it ahead of Brenda. As luck would have it, the first woman decided not to buy it after all, and Brenda ended up with the antique ceramic tree. It was pure happiness on her face when she came and picked it up at Nettie's home on Rabbit Hill Road.

“It was interesting,” said Nettie, when two men came into the sale house about the same time on Friday. The second man went into another room looking at some items and in meanwhile the first guy bought our gas fireplace and I helped him pack it and load it into his truck.

Then 2nd guy came into the room and asked if she could help him, and he said he was interested in the fireplace. Nope, it was gone I told him. You have to make

decisions fast at Christmas in October sales I told him with a smile.”

“Well on Saturday we raised another \$406 which gave us a total of \$1,223 for the Pleasant Hill Waterline Association, continued Nettie. And when I told my daughter-in-law Gabby Gregory she said wow, mom that means you have raised a total of \$10,929 with all your yard sales over the last 3 years when that is added to this this years “Christmas in October” sale.”

“But that's not all Mon continued Gabby, when you add this \$1,223 to the total, we have raised for the Pleasant Hill Waterline over the past 4 years since we started that puts us over \$75,012 and \$75,000 was our plateau goal for 2022 and you helped us make it. Amazing.”



As guests made their way through the haunted trail, spooky scenes and characters were waiting with delight.

Bulltown Historical Association hosts 2022 Haunted Trail



There were three hundred and thirty four people total at the 2022 Haunted Trail while there was and endless supply of screams to go around!

There were three hundred and three people that came out to take part in the 2022 Haunted Trail put on by the Bull-

town Historical Association on Saturday, October 22, 2022.

Guest made their way through the haunted trail, an early walk for a less scary experience while a more haunted thrill was put on later in the evening for scream seekers, there was something for the whole family!

A special thank you to the thirty one volunteers that helped to make this event successful! Thank you to everyone that participated in the 2022 Haunted Trail!

Watch the Bulltown Historical Association Facebook page for future events.

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Randy and Linda (Hughes) Minney celebrate fifty years together October 27th.

Randy and Linda Minney are Celebrating Their 50th Wedding Anniversary October 27

Randy and Linda (Hughes) Minney will celebrate their 50th anniversary on October 27, 2022. They met on a blind date in Braxton County and were married at Charity Baptist Church. They have shared the adventures of love ever since; while following Christ together. They will celebrate quietly with their three children Matthew Minney, daughters Lori (Minney) and husband Jonathan; and Amber (Minney) Moyers and husband Adam. They also have three grandchildren; Joshua, Ethan, and Tyler Carrender. They currently reside in Gilmer County.



Braxton County Senior Center lunch menu for November

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

Tuesday 1 Lasagna, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit. Wednesday 2 Red Beans and Rice, Smoked Sausage, Boiled Cabbage, Cornbread, Fruit. Thursday 3 Salmon Patty, Pasta with peas, Stewed Tomatoes, Fruit. Friday 4 Sausage Biscuit with Gravy, Roasted Potatoes, Fruit. Monday 5 Spaghetti with Meatballs, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit. Tuesday 6 Holiday Center Closed. Wednesday 7 Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dinner Roll, Pea Salad, Fruit. Thursday 8 Pepperoni Roll, Tomato Soup with Cheese, Crackers, Fruit. Friday 9 Holiday Center Closed. Monday 10 Pot Roast, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Broccoli Casserole, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Tuesday 11 Chicken Corn Chowder, Boiled Cabbage, Cornbread, Fruit. Wednesday 12 Hot Dog with Chili, Tater Tots, Coleslaw, Fruit. Thursday 13 Thanksgiving Dinner Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Sweet Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Cranberry Sauce. Friday 14 Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Garlic Bread, Fruit. Monday 15 Chili, Sweet Potatoes, Crackers, Fruit. Tuesday 16 Pork Riblet on Bun, Tater Tots, Coleslaw, Fruit. Wednesday 17 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Peas, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Thursday 18 Holiday Center Closed. Friday 19 Holiday Center Closed. Monday 20 Garlic Tomato Shrimp Pasta, Garlic Bread, Glazed Carrots, Fruit. Tuesday 21 Breakfast Bake, Hash Browns, Biscuit, Spiced Apples. Wednesday 22 Board Meeting Hamburger Steak with Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn Pudding, Dinner Roll, Fruit.

Burnsville Community Educational Outreach Service Club October meeting

Burnsville Community Educational Outreach Service Club met October 12 at the Mayor's office in Burnsville with Shirley Kelley Hostess. The meeting was called to order by President Betty Carson with roll call and pledge by all. For Meditation Margie Crislip read a poem "Harvest Time" by Chris Zamernard. Shirley Kelley read the minutes from previous meeting and reported on the worth of the club. Both were approved. There were no committee reports but it should be noted that end of year reports are due in November. They should be filled out and given to the proper chairperson on time. Cards were sent to Jackie Samples and Bobbie Bragg. Hope they are feeling better. Beverley Monroe ordered literature to give out for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Thursday, the 20th of October is Achievement Day at Heaters Club. The officers for next year will be presented at that time. Having a covered dish lunch. Braxton County CEOS will be having a BINGO on October 22 at the Braxton County Jamboree in Chapel. Doors open a 5pm and games start at 6pm. Pat Drake presented the lesson this month on SUCCULENTS 101. Succulents are becoming a favorite due to their minimal care and variety of shapes, colors and sizes. They are known for improving the air quality in your home and reducing stress, lowering blood pressure and many other medicinal properties. Our next meeting will be November 9 with Diane Hosey Hostess and Pat Drake devotions. We meet in the Burnsville Mayors Office at 10am. Those present and not mentioned above are: Jeannette Dean, Sharon Helmick, Janis Young, Jessica Vandernick and Sandy Samples, We had a guest today-Betty Pitt and she dismissed us with prayer.

MAGISTRATE COURT

R-E-P-O-R-T

Magistrate Beth Smith

October 19: Gerald Michael Stump of Gassaway, driving suspended, no contest plea, fine/court cost assessed.

Magistrate David Singleton

October 10: Harry Anderson Sprouse of Maidsville, fugitive from another state, transferred to circuit.

October 17: Caleb Anthony Dennison of Weston, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed and paid; Ronald N. Dexter of Wellsboro, PA, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed and paid; Kasey Erin Vickers of Alkol, cell phone violation, fine assessed.

October 18: Rachel Mollohan of Flatwoods, failure to register as sex offender, dismissed, officer failed to appear; Brandie Leigh Arnett of Napier, possession of marijuana, guilty plea, petit larceny, dismissed per plea, 90 days of jail with credit for time served of five days, remainder suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed; Thomasina Marie Bennett of Gassaway, disorderly conduct, guilty plea, obstructing an officer, dismissed per plea. fine/court costs assessed; Jason Matthew Rose of Sutton, petit larceny, guilty plea, obstructing an officer, dismissed per plea, 90 days of jail, suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed; John Bigger, IV of Chloe,

no seatbelt, no contest plea, fine assessed and paid; Kelly Ann Mace of Chloe, no seatbelt, no contest plea, fine assessed and paid.

October 19: Kevin Don Drake of Burnsville, sexual abuse in the first degree, sexual abuse by a parent, guardian or custodian, warrant issued, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; Keith Meadows of Rosedale, trespassing asked to leave, no contest plea, 30 days of jail with credit for time served of eight days, remainder suspended and placed on eight months unsupervised probation, fine/court cost assessed.

October 20: David Allen Carper of Gassaway, domestic battery-2nd offense, dismissed, victim does not wish to pursue charges; Corey Mark Agosti of Bob White, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Christopher Loren Lacy of Burnsville, no proof of insurance, dismissed proof provided, no registration, dismissed proof provided; Tyler Helmick of Little Birch, no seatbelt, no contest plea, no proof of insurance, dismissed proof provided; Cody M. Hacker of Gem, no proof of insurance, no contest plea, improper registration, dismissed proof provided; Jason Lee Turner of Strange Creek, failure to pay for gas, guilty plea, driving suspended, guilty plea, fines/court costs assessed; Lukas M. Sartin of Erbacon, obstructing an officer, guilty plea, dismissed per plea, no operators, dismissed

per plea, 60 days of jail with credit for time served of 17 days, remainder suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed.

October 21: Gary Lou Ramsey of Gassaway, possession of meth with intent to deliver, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$15,000 cash only; Joshua McCourt of Sutton, domestic battery, domestic assault, warrant issued, bond set at \$1800 cash or surety; James Denver Criner of Frametown, fraudulent use of access device x8, driving revoked for DUI, preliminary hearing waived, transferred to circuit court, petit larceny, guilty plea, conspiracy, guilty plea, worthless check x2, guilty plea, obstructing an officer, dismissed per plea, credit for time served, fines/court costs assessed; Carli E. Ryan of Sewickly, PA, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed and paid; Tony Franklin Burdette, II of Sutton, no proof of insurance, dismissed proof provided, expired registration, dismissed proof provided; Lisa Utt of Sutton, disruption of school, no contest plea, 30 days of jail with credit for time served of seven days, remainder suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised, probation, fine/court costs assessed; Shannon A. Farrow of Mount Hope, speeding, guilty plea, fine/court costs assessed; William K. Keener, II of Burnsville, possession of meth, guilty plea, fine/court costs assessed.

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October events for Judy’s Garden Club

In October most gardening chores are wrapping up, so Judy’s Garden Club, Appalachian District, has preparing award applications from all the club’s activities this past year. Karen Huffman, award chairperson, has prepared 12 applications ranging from beautification projects to projects involving non-gardening groups, such as the US Army Corps to submit to the West Virginia Garden Club Inc. JGC members enjoy the diversity of projects in different parts of the county.

A major focus of JGC is involving the youth in gardening and environmental issues which led to 4 award applications involving the youth. Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl posters were collected this week and the sculpture in the photo was created by a student using recycled materials. View it on display at the Sutton Library!

Another focus of Judy’s Garden Club is having high school and college students in the areas of forestry, landscape, environmental concerns, etc. apply for the scholarships available. These applications are due

February 1 and can be located at wvgardenclub.com/Scholarships or by contacting a member. Judy’s Garden Club would be proud to sponsor applicants for these valuable scholarships!

Brittany Butcher, JGC member, Appalachian District created the Carveless Creation which is on display at City Bank. Check it out and vote! There is a lot of talent in Braxton County from youth to adult that needs to be celebrated and Judy’s Garden Club is fortunate to showcase some of these talents!



Emma with “Tree of Life”, emphasizing overuse of plastic in the environment.



Brittany Butcher with Pepo Monstrum (pumpkin monster).



Students at Little Birch Elementary learned about goals, decisions, and actions.

Little Birch Elementary students take part in Overcoming Adversity Presentation

Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade at Little Birch Elementary enjoyed an engaging presentation about setting positive goals, making good decisions, and the importance of following through with their actions. The presenter, Mike Taylor spoke to students about how life is often unfair, they may experience hardships that are not their fault, and that no obstacle, including negative words, should determine who they become.

By setting goals, making good decisions, and following through with action, it is possible to overcome the challenges of life. All students in attendance



Mike Taylor breaks three boards in the lesson.



Mike Taylor discusses looking beyond the problem. received a custom the importance of their “Breakthrough” Brag goals, decisions, and Tag as a reminder of actions.



Davis Elementary School September Students of the Month.

Davis Elementary School Announces September Students of the Month

Davis Elementary School is proud to recognize our students of the month for the month of September. Each month we recognize a student from each home room in grades PREK-5th who are considered a “Distinguished Drag-

on”. These students go above and beyond in many ways be it academics, behavior or effort; they are leaders in their classrooms and our school. Thank you for helping to recognize our Distinguished Dragons for the Month

of September! Our Distinguished Dragons for the Month of September are: PREK -Eleanor Harman, K-Layla Gump, 1st -Savanna Pham, 2nd -Xaviana Gump, 3rd -Sydney Jackson, 4th -Aurora Davis, 5th -Cas Wright.

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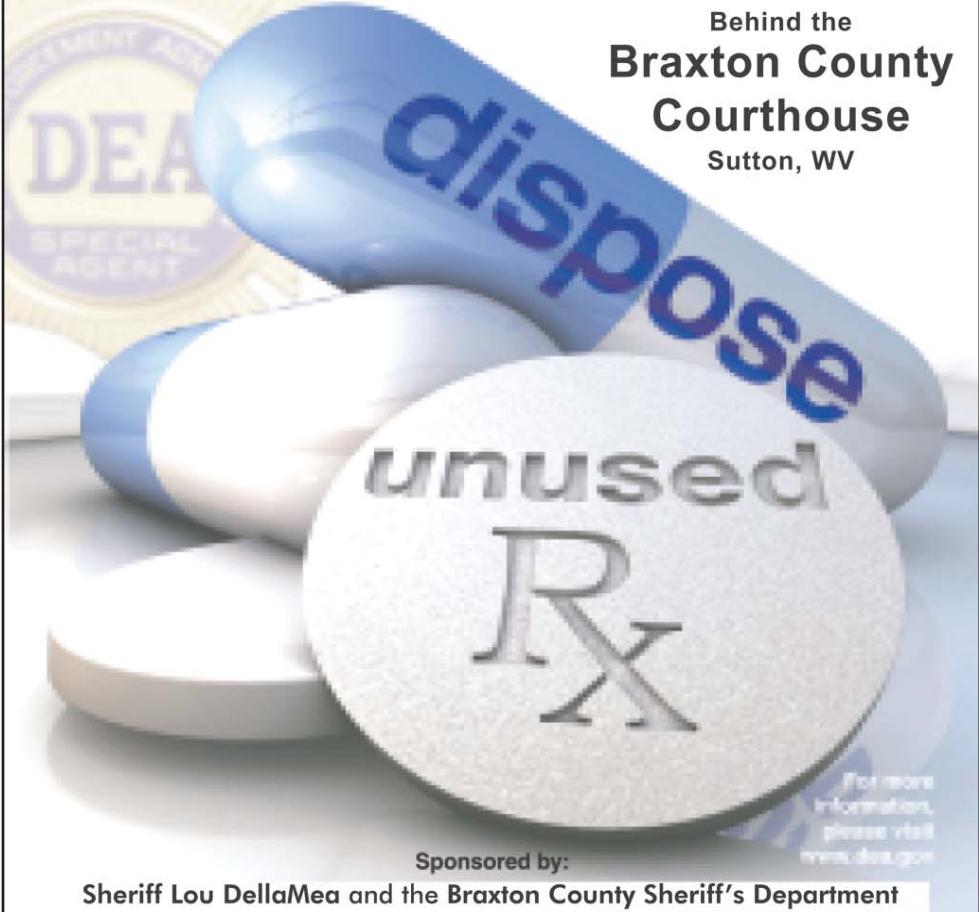
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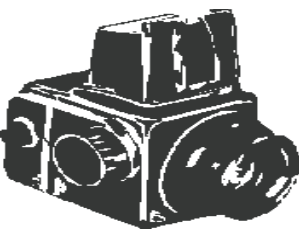
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A Photographic Look at...

BCHS Homecoming 2022



A Volleyball Buff game was put on by Mrs. Gum in the Braxton County High School gym. Students and teachers formed groups to play in the event. The Sophomores took the win!

Eagle Pride Day was put on at the Braxton County High School Football Field. All Braxton County Schools joined in on the fun. Congratulations to Flatwoods Elementary for taking home the spirit stick.



The Braxton County Homecoming Parade was held on Thursday, October 20th. Community members, businesses, and schools took over the streets of Gassaway for a celebration that led to Kenton Meadows Field.



Eagle Fest followed the Homecoming Parade at Kenton Meadows Field where everyone enjoyed a bonfire, food, cheers from the cheerleaders, and a band performance.



LEGAL NOTICES

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Accepting Bids

Burnsville Public Utility Board is accepting bids for a roof replacement/repair to the main plant located at 54 Buckeye Alley, Burnsville, WV. Bids will be received via mail at PO Box 306 Burnsville, WV 26335 or by email at bpuboard@frontier.com. Interested individuals wanting to view the site may call 304-222-8684. Bids will be received through cob November 5, 2022. 10-25 11-1b

NOTICE TO REDEEM

2021-S-00000095 - Braxton County – RELLA B CVETICAN To: OCCUPANT, GILBERT C FRIEND, GLEN H FRIEND, JEAN B FRIEND, CLIFFORD G FRIEND, MARY FRIEND, WILLIAM C GARRETT, ANN W GARRETT REVOCABLE TRUST, MARQUIS GARRETT, WILLIAM C GARRETT C/O LINDA GARRETT, MARQUIS GARRETT C/O LINDA GARRETT, ANN W GARRETT REVOCABLE TRUST C/O LINDA GARRETT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT OTTER MAP 7N PARCEL 0020 00003001

You will take notice that RELLA B CVETICAN, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000095, BUFFALO 5/7 OF 22.75AC, located in OTTER, which was returned delinquent in the name of FRIEND GILBERT C ET AL, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 26th day of October, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2023 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2023. -\$169.90

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since

the sale, with interest to March 31, 2023. -\$73.83

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$421.64

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$130.71

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$796.08

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return to: WV State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2 10-11 10-25b

NOTICE TO REDEEM

2021-S-00000097 - Braxton County – RELLA B CVETICAN To: CLARENCE HURST HEIRS, JENEVA HURST HEIRS, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT OTTER MAP 9999 PARCEL 0129 0001

You will take notice that RELLA B CVETICAN, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000097, 29AC OG TRIPPLET, located in HURST CLARENCE & JENEVA, which was returned delinquent in the name of, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 26th day of October, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to

him or her on or after April 1, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2023 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2023. -\$100.47

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2023. -\$6.33

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$405.89

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$287.14

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$799.93

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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2021-S-00000100 - Braxton County – RELLA B CVETICAN To: ROBERT BURTON WESTFALL AKA R B WESTFALL, EULAH RUTH WESTFALL MARKS PATRICK, ICIE VIOLA ELIZABETH WESTFALL, GRACIE MERLE WESTFALL, BERTHA WESTFALL, CHARLES HENRY WESTFALL, LAWRENCE G MARKS, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT SALT LICK MAP 13H PARCEL 0003 00003001

You will take notice that RELLA B CVETICAN, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000100, 4/5 OF 34AC PUZZLE RUN, located in SALT LICK, which was returned delinquent in the name of WESTFALL R B HRS, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 26th day of October, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2023 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2023. -\$318.53

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2023. -\$217.80

Amount paid for Title Examination

and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$394.90

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$128.57

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$1,059.80

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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NOTICE TO REDEEM

2021-S-00000101 - Braxton County – RELLA B CVETICAN To: MELVINA ETNEY KNICELEY AKA M E KNICELEY, M E KNICELY, NETTIE KNICELEY PERRINE, ZELAH MAD-ELINE KNICELEY JOHNSON, LULU DIEU KNICELEY HAMRICK, GARRETT BEECHER KNICELEY, LOTHROP SUMMERS KNICELEY, SEWARD GUY KNICELEY, EULA FOREST KNICELEY GIBSON, IZA COLUMBIA KNICELEY LUNSFORD, TALL TREES & LAND LLC, M E KNICELY HEIRS C/O SUSAN LUNCFORD BAKER, M E KNICELY HEIRS C/O LISA JANE LUNCFORD, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT SALT LICK MAP 13K PARCEL 0009 00003001

You will take notice that RELLA B CVETICAN, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000101, KANAWHA LAUREL RUN 16/48 OF 52.5 AC, located in SALT LICK, which was returned delinquent in the name of KNICELY ME HRS, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 26th day of October, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2023 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2023. -\$247.75

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2023. -\$149.28

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$416.88

Amount paid for other statutory

costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2023. -\$180.71

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$994.62

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00

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PUBLIC HEARING

The Braxton County Commission will hold a public hearing on Friday, November 4, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. in the County Commission Courtroom located on the third floor of the Main Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Sutton, West Virginia. The County Commission is con-

sidering an adoption of a County Ordinance governing Commercial Dog Breeding operations in Braxton County in accordance with West Virginia Code. West Virginia Code §19-20-26 directs applicable Permit Types and Annual Permit Fees. Annual Permit fees are not expected to exceed \$250.00 for Class I Commercial Dog Breeder (possessing 10-30 unsterilized dogs over the age of one (1) year at any one time for the exclusive purpose of breeding), \$500.00 for a Class II Commercial Dog Breeder (possesses more than 30 unsterilized dogs over the age of one (1) at any time).

The purpose of the hearing is to obtain information and public input on the Commercial Dog Breeding needs of Braxton County. All interested persons are urged to attend. Written comments will be received by the Braxton County Commission, P.O. Box 486, Sutton, WV 26601, until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 2022, for those unable to attend. For more information, please contact the office of the Braxton County Commission (304)765-2835.

Lisa Mace Godwin, President 10-25b

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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. Our ability to take in new cats and kittens is very limited. If you have thoughtfully considered pet ownership, NOW may be the time to add a feline friend to your family. Our program 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. Today we offer photos of LAST CHANCE ADOPTIONS. These are kittens that will be sent to out-of-state rescues if they are unable to find loving and forever homes in this area. To encourage placement, our adoption fee has been reduced to \$40 each or two for \$70. Additional photos of these and other available cats and kittens can be seen on petfinder.com by entering a search for CATS at location 26623 or on the Just One Generation Facebook page. Contact Sally Stewart for additional information at 304-364-4136.



Gatsby: 9 week old male, long-haired tuxedo



Puffin: 9 week old female, medium-hair tuxedo (sibling to Gatsby)



Hazel: 10 week old white female with black spots, rescued from parking area by McDonalds in Flatwoods.



Bandit: 10 week old gray/white male, short-haired

NOTICE

Flatwoods-Canoe Run PSD has scheduled a water outage for the following areas from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on October 26th:

From the old Mid-State Marina and Cycle building to 2898 Sutton Ln. This includes Fisher's Auto Parts, McCourt and Sons Construction, Laurel Court Motels, Laurel Court Gomart, Burns. Dr., and anyone in the area who experiences low/no water pressure or cloudy water.

A boil water advisory will be issued immediately following the outage. Customers will be notified on the company's website and through the WENS system.

Call the office at 304-765-2300 if you have any questions.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

BRAXTON COUNTY TRICK OR TREAT

CASSAWAY OCTOBER 29TH 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.
BURNSVILLE OCTOBER 29TH 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.
SUTTON OCTOBER 29TH 6:00 - 7:30 P.M.
FLATWOODS OCTOBER 29TH 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.
NEWVILLE OCTOBER 29TH 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.
LITTLE BIRCH OCTOBER 28TH 6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

TRUNK OR TREATS IN BRAXTON COUNTY

WALMART OCTOBER 27TH 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.
BRAXTON COUNTY JAMBOREE OCTOBER 28TH 5:00 - 8:00 P.M.
LUZADERS 3 GIRLS DINER OCTOBER 29TH 4:00 - 6:00 P.M.
TOWN OF FLATWOODS OCTOBER 29TH 3:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

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TRICK OR TREAT SMELL MY FEET!

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Lincoln County Panthers diminish Braxton Homecoming hopes



Elijah Moore brings down the Panther runner.



Jaxson Short gets inside for the tackle.

By Shirley Shuman

Lincoln County's football squad won its first game of the season with a 38-14 win over the Braxton Eagles Friday night. Both teams now stand at 1-7.

The Panthers' offense was led by quarterback Blake Adkins, who accounted for three of his team's scores. Lincoln came up with 346 yards of

fense with 244 of those in the air. The Eagles had 102 total yards.

Lincoln built a 30-0 halftime lead and added one touchdown late in the game. Bryson Leegan, who gained 104 yards on the ground, scored both of Braxton's touchdowns and the two-point conversion. His first touchdown came on a 63-yard run and the second from seven

yards out.

Tyler Cox led the Eagles' defense with 14 tackles, including one for loss. Jackson Short had two tackles for loss and was in on a sack along with Justin Bishop. Ryder McLaughlin got a sack with an 11-yard loss.

The Eagles have another home game Friday night as they take on South Harrison.



Logan Bennett and Bryce Leegan work together for the tackle.



Bryce Leegan looks for an opening to advance the ball.



Brett Bender sets up for a pass.



Tyler Cox moves the ball down the field.

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He thinks the sweetest people live on Sugar Creek.
He thinks our lakes should be free.
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Addison Grindo



Matthias Garavaglia

Two Eagles make Little Kanawha Conference soccer first team

Garavaglia named LKC Soccer Player of the Year

By Shirley Shuman

Recently announced Little Kanawha Conference honors included five BCHS players from the boys' soccer team. First-Team All-Conference honors went to Addison Grindo and Matthias Garavaglia. The 2022 LKC Player of the Year went to Ga-

ravaglia, who led the team in both goals and assists.

Garavaglia scored 33 goals and had 17 assists on the season. In points, his coach noted, he ranks high among soccer players in the state. Grindo scored 14 goals and had 14 assists.

LKC Second-Team honors went to Richard Westfall, Owen McCallister, and Nick Brown. During the season, Westfall scored 12 goals and had five assists. Brown, who as a defender isn't expected to score many goals, had three goals and three assists. As goalie, McCallister recorded 81 saves and allowed only 13 goals to be scored against him.



Bre Smarr



Erica Nicholson



Heidi King



Lauren Pritt



Bailey Pritt



Ava Gerwig

LKC All-Conference honors go to seven Lady Eagles soccer players

By Shirley Shuman

As 2022 LKC soccer champions, Braxton's girls received several conference honors. Four members of the team earned First Team LKC honors and three made Second Team LKC.

Bre Smarr was named LKC Player of the Year and First Team LKC. Smarr led the team in goals with 19 and had eight assists. In goal, she also recorded 54 saves. Coach Nate Smarr pointed out that as a two-year team captain she helped to develop younger players.

Second in goals scored with 18, Erica Nicholson was also named First Team LKC. Nicholson added five assists. Coach Smarr said she "has a non-stop motor and created a lot of scoring chances for our team with her hustle and speed." She scored both goals in Braxton's LKC championship win.

Also making First Team LKC, Heidi King had three goals and five assists but her coach noted that stats don't show her importance to the team. "She controlled the middle for us and most games

went head-to-head with the opponent's best player."

The only freshman on First Team LKC, Lauren Pritt "stepped into the keeper role and played great." Pritt had 135 saves on the season. She faced quite a few highly ranked opponents, and her coach noted, she "stepped up to the challenge each time."

Freshman Bailey Pritt, who made Second Team LKC, led the team with nine assists and set up both goals in the team's LKC championship game. Coach Smarr said that Pritt "played all over the field and was key both offensively and defensively late in games."

Another Second Team LKC, Erica Hart, was the team's defensive leader, according to the coach. She scored only one goal on the season but played primarily on the back line and mid. "Her speed saved quite a few goals and her effort was great every game," Coach Smarr noted.

Ava Gerwig, Second Team LKC, scored the team's first goal of the season and finished with three goals on the season. Coach Smarr called her "our best utility player," and said, "She played forward, midfield, and back line. She always had a good attitude and was willing to do whatever to help our team."



Erica Hart

Loss to Elkins in sectional play ends Lady Eagles' soccer season

By Shirley Shuman

Last week the BCHS girls' soccer team lost 9-0 in the first round of sectional play. In that loss, Lauren Pritt had 18 saves in goal. Coach Nate Smarr stressed that his girls "played really hard the entire game and as a team played better than the first time they played Elkins a few weeks ago."

Smarr commented on his team's sea-

son and the accomplishments. "I hate to see the season end," he said, "but we accomplished a lot during the season, and I am very proud of each member of the team. Winning the LKC championship was awesome not only for these girls but for our school." The coach continued to point out that several of the girls made the All-Conference. The coach continued to

point out that the coaches' association is currently working on all-region and all-state voting and added, "Hopefully we'll get a few girls on those teams as well."

The coach gave "a big thank you to our seniors who have led us all year." He added, "Hopefully all the [other] girls will come back next year and we get a good eighth grade class to step in and help right away."

Lady Eagles' volleyball team plays in tri-match at Gilmer

By Shirley Shuman

In a tri-match played at Gilmer last week, the Lady Eagles volleyball team lost to both Buckhannon Upshur and Gilmer. Coach Melissa Keener explained that the girls "worked well and played hard against both opponents."

During the 2-0 loss to Gilmer, Skylynn Abraham had an ace, five kills, three digs, and one assist. Zoey Moore had a kill, two digs, and an assist while Emalee Jarvis recorded one kill and one dig. Laura Cain contributed an ace, a kill, and a dig.

Mayson Shingler and Natalie Toler each had an ace, and Toler made some assists. Anna Wyne had a few digs.

The team has their last game Thursday at St. Marys. The following week they will begin sectionals, matching off with Lewis.

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Central WV Riding Club holds last show of the 2022 season

The Central WV Riding Club held its last show of the 2022 season on Saturday, October 8, at Holly Gray Park in Sutton. The weather was a little chilly but several riders and spectators were on hand for the show. The following is a list of the classes and their winners:

Lead Line: (1) Vivianne Bruffey—Gracie, (2) Payton Mace—Dragon in the Dollars, (3) Ellie Huffman—Charlie Brown, (4) Pax Perrine—Miss Mickey, (5) Olivia Wilfong—Huck, (6) Coleson Wilfong—Erins High Cotton

Open Halter or In Hand Class: (1) Haven Bland--Finally, (2) Garalea Fulks--Pippi, (3) Kylee Stout--Sugarfoot, (4) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (5) Samantha Frame--Sampson, (6) Clay Miller—Kenny the Mini

48" and Under Halter or In Hand Class: (1) Ellie Huffman—Charlie Brown, (2) Port Perrine—Payton Mace--Willow

Pee Wee Pole Bending: (1) Emma Sparks—Reys Sly Cat, (2) Natalie Tanner--Fury, (3) Maria Wayne--Annie, (4) Emma Sparks—Sheza Shining Pearl, (5) Carter Wayne--Tuey, (6) Landon James--Patches

Youth Pole Bending: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Lillie Fitzwater--Skippy, (3) Elizabeth

Cunningham—Drifter, (4) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (5) Kensley Wilson--Brownie

Pole Bending Open: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Amber Frame--Wyatt, (3) Garalea Fulks--Peppi, (4) Elizabeth Cunningham--Drifter, (5) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (6) Jo Ferguson--Flame

Pee Wee Barrels: (1) Emma Sparks—I'm Quick Rascal, (2) Maria Wayne--Annie, (3) Natalie Tanner--Fury, (4) Emma Sparks—Reys Sly Cat, (5) Carter Wayne--Tuey, (6) Emma Sparks—Sheza Shining Pearl

Open Barrels: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Amber Frame--Wyatt, (3) Garalea Fulks--Pippi, (4) Jo Ferguson—Flame, (5) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (6) Natalie Tanner--Fury

Youth Barrels: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Lillie Fitzwater--Skippy, (3) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (4) Elizabeth Cunningham—Drifter, (5) Kensley Wilson—Brownie, (6) John Childers--Maximus

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Open Trail: (1) Jo Ferguson--Camille, (2) Elizabeth Cunningham--

-Drifter, (3) Makahla Case--Shadow, (4) Haven Bland--Finally, (5) Jody Blankenship--Whiskey, (6) Tasha Pennington--Clover

Stick Horse: Annabelle Miller—Drifter, Jeffrey Miller-Thunderbolt, Jaycob Davis—Sonic, Cleve Lynn Westfall—Two Face, Clay Miller—Gator, Port Perrine--Dino

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

Juvenile Open Pleasure: (1) Jayla Hamric--Lightning, (2) Jo Ferguson—JT Superstar, (3) Gavin Lindenthal—It's Her Time, (4) Madison Duffield--Rock, (5) Mahaliegh Mearns—Blue Eyed Hillbilly Girl, (6) Lila Fitzwater—Ranger

Gaited English Pleasure: (1) Carrie Mace—Encore's Shakin Lady, (2) Kassidy Heavner—Dollars Chump Change

Slow Pace: (1) Larry Wilson—Saddletramp, (2) Gavin Lindenthal--Sharky, (3) Lorrie Smith—Jumbo Jett, (4) Kim Miller--Fireball

Pee Wee Pony Pleasure: (1) Landon James--Fancy, (2) Peyton Mace--Willow, (3)

Emma Sparks—Sheza Shining Pearl, (4) Jody Blankenship—Whiskey, (5) Ethan Mace--Kiwi

Juvenile Pleasure: (1) Lila Fitzwater--Ranger, (2) Jo Ferguson—JT Superstar, (3) Jayla Hamric—April, (4) Gavin Lindenthal—It's Her Time, (5) Grace Jordan--Blaze, (6) John Childers--Maximus

Open Driving: (1) Port Perrine—Miss Mickey

Style Pace: (1) Larry Wilson--Saddletramp, (2) Lorrie Smith—Jumbo Jet, (3) Gavin Lindenthal--Sharky

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

Double Rider: (1) Danny Gross & Karen Westfall--Cyanide, (2) Brylynn Scarbro & Carrie Mace—I'm Just An Illusion, (3) Pat Shafer & Amanda Shafer—Smoke-E-Robinson, (4) Haven Bland & Lola Brown--Finally, (5) Sarah Dudley & Jayla Hamric--Lightning, (6) Emma Sparks & Jo Ferguson—Sweet Baby Ray

Country Pleasure Rack: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—Lightning's Summer Love, (2) Kassidy Heavner—Dollars

Chump Change, (3) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (4) Colton Smith—Mr. Made In America, (5) Savanna Moore—Great American Blowout, (6) Roy Parks—Miss Snapshot

Egg and Spoon: (1) Jo Ferguson—JT Superstar, (2) Meredith Murphy--Vegas, (3) Emma Sparks—Reys Sly Cat, (4) Madison Duffield--Rock, (5) Samantha Frame--Sampson, (6) Veronica Frame—Blue Eyed Hillbilly Girl

Ladies Pleasure: (1) Carrie Mace—Encore's Shakin Lady, (2) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (3) Mandy Shafer—Smoke-E-Robinson, (4) Megan Bruffey—The Java Jazz, (5) Courtney Stalnaker—We Are Bama, (6) Savanna Moore—Bella of the Ball

Western Pleasure: (1) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (2) Meredith Murphy--Vegas, (3) Emma Sparks—Reys Sly Cat, (4) Amber Frame—Ima Blue Eyed Rocket, (5) Jo Ferguson--Flame, (6) Lillie Fitzwater--Skippy

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

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Open Pleasure: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—Lightning's Summer Love, (2) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (3) Kassidy Heavner—Dollars Chump Change, (4) Courtney Stalnaker—We Are Bama, (5) Haven Bland—Finally, (6) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed

Men's Pleasure: (1) Pat Shafer—Smoke-E-Robinson, (2) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (3) Roy Parks—Miss Snapshot, (4) Hunter Lipps—Blue Eyed Hillbilly Girl

Gaited Western Pleasure: (1) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (2) Kassidy Heavner—Dollars Chump Change, (3) Savanna Moore—Great American Blowout, (4) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (5) Olivia Patterson—Harley's She's a Golddigger, (6) Hunter Lipps—Blue Eyed Hillbilly Girl

Juvenile Walking Pacing or Racking: (1) Gavin Lindenthal—It's Her Time, (2) Lila Fitzwater--Ranger, (3) Jayla Hamric--Lightening, (4) Mahaliegh Mearns—Blue Eyed Hillbilly Girl, (5) Jo Ferguson—JT Superstar

Amateur Pacing Rider: (1) Leanna Blankenship—Jumbo Jett

Walk Trot Open: (1) Hunter Lipps—Ima Blue Eyed Rocked, (2) Sarah Dudley—Make It Rain, (3) Lillie Fitzwater—Skippy

Open Park Pleasure Specialty: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—Encore's Shakin Lady

Spotted Horse Pleasure: (1) Roy Parks—Elvis the Heartbreaker, (2) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (3) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just An Illusion, (4) Jayla Hamric—Lightning, (5) Veronica Frame—Blue Eyed Hillbilly Girl

Open Fast Pace or Rack: (1) John Given—Peach Cobbler, (2) Larry Wilson—Saddletramp, (3) Kathy Given—Cruze, (4) Lorrie Smith—Jumbo Jett

Trail Pleasure Rack: (1) Brylynn Scarbro—I'm Just An Illusion, (2) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold (3) Kassidy Heavner—Honey, (4) Savanna Moore—Bella of the Ball, (5) Gavin Lindenthal—It's Her Time

Jack Benny and Lucille Ball: (1) Amber Byrd—Cuervo Gold, (2) Harley Mace—I'm Armed and Charmed, (3) Veronica Frame—Blue Eyed Hillbilly Girl, (4) Roy Parks—Elvis the Heartbreaker



Jo Ferguson and Sarah Dudley present the colors before the show begins.



Carter Wayne and Tuey completing their run in Pee Wee Pole Bending



Maria Wayne and Annie in Pee Wee Pole Bending.



Samantha Frame with Sampson in the Open Halter Class.



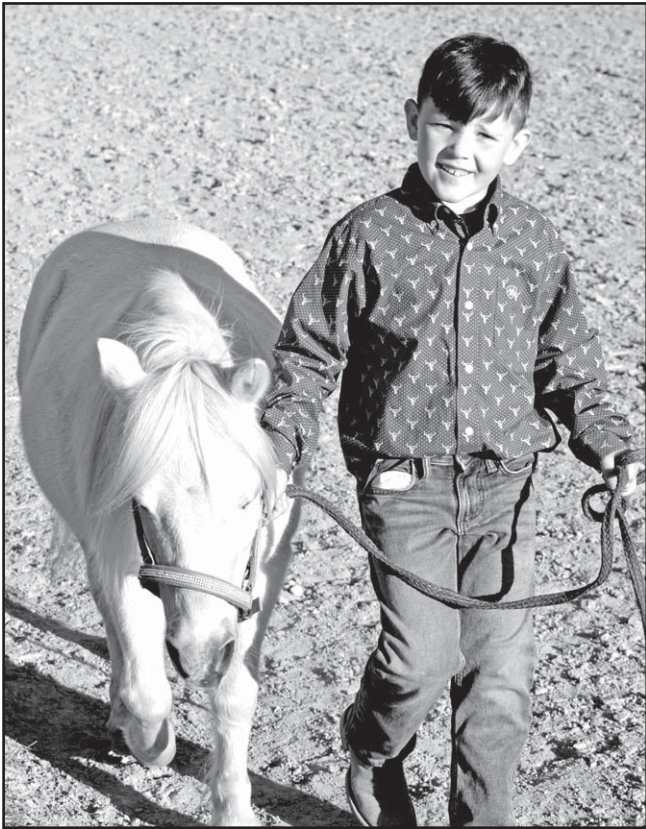
Briar Rexroad on Buttercup in the Lead Line Class.



Krislynn Forbush riding Wyatt in the Lead Line Class.



Iris Miller with Pip in Open Halter.



Clay Miller with Kenny the Mini in Miniature Halter Class

BCHS girls' cross-country team wins Region 2 meet

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few days she has, this runner plans “to work on [her] speed.” She explained, “My endurance is good. I just need to work on keeping up my speed.” About running in the meet itself, Payne feels “definitely blessed but also very nervous.” She, too, has a goal. “I want to have a faster time than I have seen yet,” she said.

Laura Cain, who led the team in most races this season, feels that this year’s championship came because of “hard work, dedication, and perseverance.” Cain wasn’t surprised at the win since the team had won last year. For the state meet this year, she hopes to get healthy again. She ran both the LKC and regionals with

a hip injury and has been working to get that corrected. “This week I plan on stretching and hydrating a lot,” she said. “I plan on working on some interval training to increase speed and some speed workouts in general.” Excited and grateful about running at the state meet again, Cain expects the team “to give it everything they have at states this year to get us first overall as a team.” Her goal is to be in the top 10 and “to score the lowest point for the team in order to help us win states.”

Regarding her team’s accomplishment, Coach Jennifer Berry, who has now coached the team to two regional championships, said, “As always, I am so very proud of everyone! I am so thankful we had our whole girls’ team to run, too. They have all worked so hard this season.”

Assistant coach Robert Lloyd discussed some concerns going into the state meet. Looking at the fact that some AA runners have times as low as 19+ minutes, he explained, “Most of the courses we run have hills in them, so our times are not quite as low as some of the higher ranked girls. A few of the girls have been working on speed workouts which should make a difference at states.”

Discussing the times the girls had for the regional meet, Coach Lloyd noted that most “ran the race with a lower time” and added “Lindsay Tetric knocked off the most time. Hers was around one minute 40 seconds from earlier in the year.”

About the state meet itself, Lloyd answered with confidence in the Lady Eagles. “Our girls’ team has been ranked number two basically all year with Winfield out



Nicole Bramble, Laura Cain, Addison Lloyd, Heidi Payne, Bethany Payne, Teagan Huff, Lindsay Tetric.

in front,” he said. “Yes, Winfield has a great team but so do we. We just to need to show up and run as hard as we can and get in their heads. I think if that happens, we stand a great shot at the state title.”



Teagan Huff



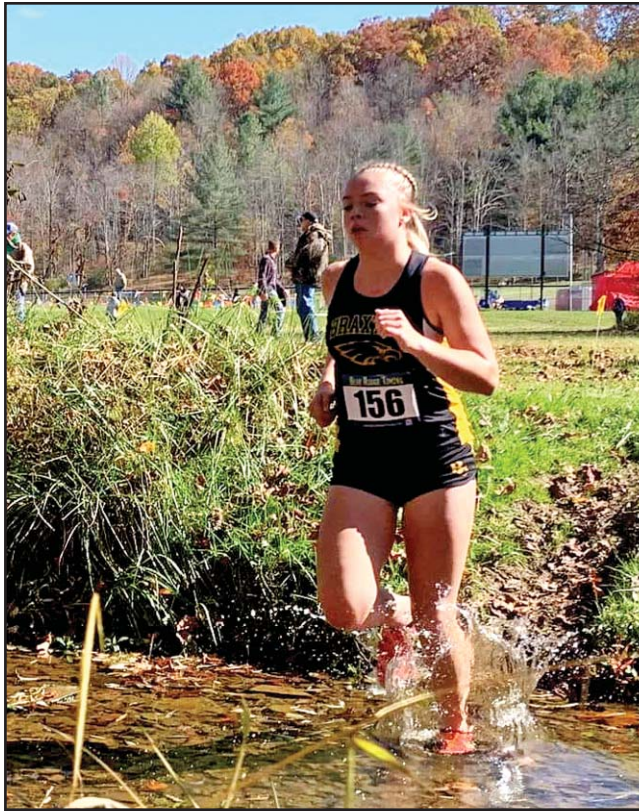
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Boys' soccer season ends with loss in sectional play

By Shirley Shuman

In sectional soccer play, the Eagles won the first round by defeating South Harrison 6-0 last Monday night. On Tuesday, Lewis outscored Braxton 10-2 to end the season for the Eagles.

In the win over South Harrison, Addison Grindo and Matthias Garavaglia each scored two goals and had two assists. Ryken Rutherford scored the other two goals for the Eagles. Richard Westfall and Aaron Anderson had assists in that win.

Coach Rick Garavaglia said his team played

hard. “They passed well, and had a really good game. It was a good way to end the season at home,” he said.

On Tuesday, Lewis outscored the Eagles in the second round of sectionals. Coach Garavaglia pointed out that Lewis “played a really good game.” At halftime the Minutemen led 5-0. In that game, Garavaglia scored on an assist from Westfall, and Westfall scored on an assist from Garavaglia for the Eagles’ only goals.

Braxton had seven shots on goal against

Lewis. In goal, Westfall recorded 20 saves while allowing nine goals to be scored against him. Anderson allowed one goal to be scored.

Assessing the season, Coach Garavaglia observed, “Overall we had a season to be proud of, given that we had only 11 players [on the roster] and often played with only 10. Our record was 12-6-2, and it could probably have been a better season.” The coach noted that Owen McCallister, goalie for most of the season, kept the team in games several times.

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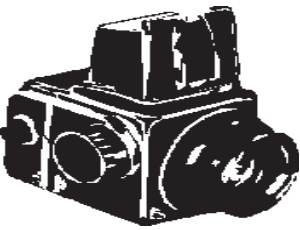
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Holly Gray Park and Braxton Community Coalition hosted their Annual Halloween Trunk or Treat on Saturday, August 22, 2022. This free event included fall games and activities, a Monster Mash Dance Party and a Drive-In Movie. Everyone had a "spooktacular" time and the event was yet again another success.

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