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Kroger to close Gassaway store

After what the Kroger Company terms "several years of poor performance and profitability" Kroger announced last Friday that it will close its store in Gassaway, West Virginia in January 2023, according to a corporate news release.

"Closing a store is a difficult decision and

one that we take very seriously. This store's low financial returns made it unfeasible to continue to operate while still upholding our low-price commitment to our customers," said Lori Raya, president of Kroger's Mid-Atlantic Division.

Opened in 1979, the Gassaway Kroger store is approximately 22,900

square feet, making it the smallest of the 109 stores in the Mid-Atlantic Division. As of today, the Gassaway Kroger employs 52 associates. Throughout West Virginia, Kroger employs approximately 2,900 associates in its 29 stores statewide.

"We're grateful for the service and dedication of the associates at

the Gassaway store," added Raya. "We appreciate their contributions and helping our associates through this transition is our number one priority."

The Mid-Atlantic Division operates more than 100 stores in Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and Ohio. Based in Richmond, Virginia, the

Mid-Atlantic Division employs about 18,000 associates. Kroger is dedicated to eliminating hunger in the communities it serves through partnerships with nine Feeding America food banks and numerous local organizations. Kroger's Zero Hunger | Zero Waste efforts are aimed at ending hunger in

Kroger communities and eliminating waste in stores by 2025. Kroger also supports breast cancer research, the military and their families and more than 4,000 nonprofit organizations. Last year, Kroger Mid-Atlantic donated 16.5 million meals to charity and 3,606,296 pounds of food to food bank partners.

Rachel Fowler is BCSCC 2022 Homemaker of the Year

The Braxton County Senior Citizens Center hosted their Eleventh Annual Homemaker Appreciation Dinner on October 17, at 5:30 PM for all in-home services workers and their guest.

Highlighting the awards given each year is Homemaker of the Year. This special recognition is presented to a Homemaker that has worked for the center for at least 5 years and goes above and beyond in all areas of their job performance. This year's award went to Rachel Fowler. She was presented with a gift card, a beautiful basket filled with lots of goodies, a Certificate of Appreciation as well as her very own Poodle Skirt, sash and tiara.

Additionally, certificates were presented to several Homemakers for their years of service to the agency. The Board of Directors presented five-year certificates to Deanna Rollyson, Jeanette Jarvis, Robin Linger, Kathleen Coombs, Nicole White, Elizabeth Potts, Carla Duffield and Leila Eddie. Ten-year certificates went to Linda Tharp, Margaret Samples, Rachel Fowler, Karen Jarrell, Jennifer Jarvis, Megan Laurentus, Diana Sparks, Barbara Westfall, Diana Frame, Tammy Ratliff, and were presented by the Board



Braxton County Senior Center Executive Director Mary Chapman (left) presents Rachel Fowler with her 2022 Homemaker of the Year awards.

of Directors. Next Homemakers that have worked for 20 years were presented certificates by the Board of Directors. Those were Peggy Hamner and Linda Zackoski. Additionally, homemakers who have worked for 25 years were recognized and are as follows: Mary Currence, Carolyn Beamer and Teresa. Homemakers who have been diligently working for 30 years were recognized and

commended. They were Mescal Rose, Patsy Keener and Patricia Morrison.

Other recognition awards were given in the following categories: Most polite when calling or coming in to the office: Beckie Childress, Most willing to sub: Phyllis Harwell, Least Corrections on paper work: Sherri Marks, Up and coming new Homemaker: Samantha Frame, Most Faithful

Attendance/Least call offs: Ellen White, Most Compassionate: Megan Laurentus, Outstanding Out of County Homemaker: Rhonda Moore, Nicholas Co., Overcomer Award: Peggy Hamner, and the Weekend Warrior Award went to Rebekah Westfall.

"Homemakers are very much appreciated and without their services, a lot of seniors and handicapped individuals may be unable to continue living independently in their homes," said BCSCC Executive Director Mary Chapman. "The staff was honored to be able to serve the homemakers and let them know that they are an important part of the Braxton County Senior Citizens Center" she added. Anyone has questions about the services that are provided by the center, should call 304 765-4090 or stop by the center located at 23 Senior Center Drive Sutton, WV 26601. Operating hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

A 50's Rock and Roll Theme Dinner consisting of a choice between Hamburgers and Chips, or Chicken Patty and Chips, with sides of Macaroni Salad and Baked Beans prepared and served by the Senior Center Staff. An Ice Cream Sundae Bar with a variety of delicious toppings was a welcomed treat. The theme for the

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Lloyd earns All-State Cross-country honors

By Shirley Shuman

Freshman Addison Lloyd finished sixth in Saturday's state cross country meet. The meet included 80 runners. The Braxton girls' team placed fourth out of 10 teams. Commenting on her team's performance, Coach Jennifer Berry said, "I so wanted them to place second as a team, but despite not being runner up, I think fourth at states is great! They have come so far, and we look forward to next year and plan to be back at states again." The coach did mention one factor contributing to her team's slower-than-expected performance. "Our team had some injuries and coped their best," she said.

Placing second among her team-



mates, Laura Cain finished 24th. Bethany Payne followed at 32nd, and Heidi Payne placed 41st. Others and their places were Teagan Huff, 42nd, Lindsay Tetrick 60th, and Nicole Bramble 62nd.

Lloyd, who received All-State honors because of her finishing sixth, remarked that

she was pleased with her placement although she finished one place lower than she had been predicted to finish. She pointed out that she had one of her best times in the state race. Asked what she'll do to improve, she replied simply, "Work hard until next season," and added, "I have a champs race coming up later in November and I plan to run a 15.3 mile race in January 2023."

The Lady Eagles had an excellent season as they won the majority of the races they entered and were Region 2 champions. They will lose only one runner—Heidi Payne, to graduation.



Gassaway Lions Randy Foster (left) and Bob Sowa (right) shown with poster contest award winner John Hamrick of Gassaway.

Lions Club Peace Poster Contest winner announced

The Gassaway Lions Club sponsored a contest for the Braxton County Middle School art students. The theme was "Lead with Compassion". According to Club President Randy Foster, "It encourages young people ages 11-13 to think about peace, creatively expressing

what it means to them and share their unique visions with the world."

The winner of the contest received a \$50 award and the opportunity to move to up to state district competition. All local entrants received a participation award.

This year's local

winner was John Hamrick of Gassaway.

Lions are a volunteer organization made up of 1.35 million worldwide members dedicated to community service. Anyone interested in joining the local Lions should contact any member or Randy Foster at 304-364-5989.



OPINION

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As I See It

By Ed Given



Sad news & the election...

I have to admit that I was caught by surprise last Friday when we received a news release that is the basis for this week's lead story. Kroger's closing is bad bad news for our community and for me personally. I hate to go to Walmart and avoid it like the plague. I only go if I have to have something that I can't find anywhere else.

Walmart is too big. I'm too old for the marathon that navigating from one end to the other takes to shop there. I hate the automation. If I want to self-checkout. I'll do it online from the comfort of my easy chair.

Kroger has been a staple of this community for over 40 years. I liked going there. I could find what I need, plus a few extra's and be out of there in a reasonable time.

I realize times are changing, but I can't help but wonder if closing the Kroger in Braxton County is a prudent business move or corporate greed?

I have a call into their corporate headquarters. As of press-time I have not heard from them. My intention is to ask if anything can be done on the local level to change their mind? While I am not very optimistic, I feel like we have to try. Braxton County needs a local grocery store they can call their own.

A good county commissioner...

This is the last week of early voting, followed by Election Day the following Tuesday. I have voiced my opinion on the amendments. As a reminder, I intent to vote AGAINST Amendments 1,2 and 4. I want to make one other observation. I am going to vote for Lisa Godwin for re-election to the County Commission.

I think Lisa has done a very admirable job. She has always been above board and up front with anything we have inquired about. She makes a very concerted effort to follow the rules particularly in the areas of open meeting and the public's right to know. I respect that approach whether I agree with every decision an elected official makes or not. In addition, Lisa attends meetings both commission and the other boards she is appointed to. She does her homework and makes informed decisions. What more could you ask for?

Now let's face it... no elected official can please all the people all the time. That simply isn't possible with the diverse society we live in. Lisa Godwin will take the time to explain her position and why she feels or votes the way she does. In this day and time that's a rarity.

I commend Lisa Godwin for the way she has represented the voters for the past 5 and ½ years. I feel she deserves to be re-elected and I hope you will join me in voting for her.

Early voting, election day... your choice, but be sure to go vote!

Every Acre Counts

By Kevin Gregory

Deer Hunting the Rut Chase Phase

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.

Last week discussed the “seeking phase” when the white-tail woods are just beginning to heat up. This week we will focus on the “chase phase” of the rut cycle.

The “Chase Phase”

Initially in the seeking phase, bucks are covering ground, typically at night looking for the first does to come into estrous.

Their daily habits have them scent checking ridges and edges near bedding areas, making rubs and scraps cruising. At the rut transitions and we enter November, the chase phase begins. This is the time of year when we see bucks chasing does around the landscape. A doe or is nearing estrous and every buck within a square mile knows it. Running for her life, the doe covers a lot of ground and leads buck everywhere.

The does that are coming into estrous are generally separated from their doe clan and one or more bucks begin pursuing her. Fight for dominance begins as

bucks battle for the right to breed the doe in heat.

The Chase Phase lasts anywhere from 5-7 days and then the doe and buck go into the “Lockdown Phase” and that typically sees a major drop in mature buck movement as they hole-up with a doe in a small area until their breeding is complete.

Science vs. Myth

On a side note, I try to speak in terms of generality when it comes to the rut cycles. Some folks believe it is driven by moon phases and some believe weather – science says it is photoperiod which is the amount of light entering the deer's eye. As the daylight dwindles, testosterone builds to the breeding levels and thus the bucks begin their craziness each fall. Science also says that the

breeding occurs during the same time each year based on fetal measurements, so if that is indeed fact, then these phases are the same each year. Yes, there will always be exceptions as nature does have a way of throwing a curve in the system occasionally.

However, I and several other hunters, believe weather plays a part in the level of activity and timing each day. If it is hot weather, more rut activity will take place at night and vice versa if we have cooler temperatures. So, playing on cold fronts, weather changes, temperature tracking is a way to up your odds of being in the right place at the right time.

As of 29 October 2022, I have only had nighttime activity from bucks, however, they have split up and are showing closer and closer to daylight hours – anticipation is high!

Next week we will talk about the dreaded “lockdown” phase and discuss breeding and whether that monster buck following the doe is actually the father of next year's twins?

Until next week – 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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Those wishing to email their letters, may send submissions to: editor@bcn-news.com

Just look at this!

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



On October 18, principals, counselors, and staff from 38 high schools across West Virginia were recognized for their schools' efforts to inform students of higher education opportunities after graduation. The “Champion of College Access and Success” recognition awards are annually presented by the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission to select schools that go above and beyond to help students and their families plan for college. Heather Sodaro, Student Social and Emotional Support Specialist, and Crystal Spaur, Counselor hold BCHS's awards.

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News from our Capitol

by Delegate Brent Boggs

Faith and family are at the core of America, our values, and the freedoms we enjoy, individually and collectively. That's why I've always pointed out at every opportunity that every day is Veterans Day, not just once each year. That said, the actual date of 11/11 is fast approaching with important opportunities being set to honor our esteemed veterans and their families. I'm looking forward to helping honor our veterans this week in Gilmer County and the following week in Braxton County. I'm always in awe of the selfless service and sacrifice of each veteran, their families, and the stories they share. Honoring our Veterans continues the generational connection of service, sacrifice, and what makes our nation great.

Like many of you, I received the distressing news this week that Kroger Co. executives have notified local employees of the closure of our Gassaway Kroger store

in early 2023. As a large employer that provides good wages and benefits, this is yet another gut punch to our local economy in central West Virginia.

As soon as I heard of the proposed Kroger – Albertson mega-merger a few weeks ago, my concerns immediately turned to personal experiences with mergers. In railroad terms, when companies merge, it's usually the little guys – employees, customers, and communities – at the end of the line that tends to get cut loose as companies try to polish up the bottom line. Not only is this conduct shortsighted, but it's also another reason why big businesses seldom have the best interests of the communities they serve at heart.

I lived and worked through several railroad mergers or spin-off transactions during my railroad career and none of them – not one – ever was a good thing for rural communities. Local businesses, shippers, and families at

the end of the line always had to bear the burden of corporate cutbacks. Jobs were lost and the opportunities for young people entering the workforce diminished. In fact, I spent the last decade of my railroad career working on the road or out of town. For me, I was able to compensate for the inconvenience. A younger employee would have relocated out of necessity.

Jean and I have been loyal Kroger customers for over forty years and our families for even longer. Our Governor and our United States Senators need to get actively and forcefully involved in leaning on Kroger executives for a plan to keep the Gassaway store and any other WV locations that are on the chopping block open. Otherwise, we'll have no local competition, which always leads to higher prices and less service.

It is troubling that at the same time some in government are trying to convince voters to approve Amendment 2 – something that was crafted to primarily benefit big businesses and out of state corporations with our tax dollars – that an out of state corporation is about to eliminate some great local jobs, uproot local families, and put a chokehold on local

grocery competition.

Again, I urge everyone to contact Governor Justice (304-558-2000); Senator Manchin (Washington office: 202-224-3954 or Charleston office: 304-342-5855) and Senator Capito (Washington office: 202-224-6472 or Charleston office: 304-347-5372) and respectfully request they exercise the power of their offices to request Kroger to reconsider their store closure decision. Profitable local businesses that have a high impact in our communities should not be allowed to be sacrificed by parent corporations, while at the same time they will be seeking the blessings of Congress in completing yet another mega-merger.

I want to remind everyone that early voting continues this week through November 5th. 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.

Speaking of elections, more and more money is being poured into campaigns while less and less scrutiny is placed on outright lies, deception

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evening was “Rockin’ With BCSCC”. An outside photo booth opportunity with two antique model cars and a motorcycle was available. Two guest Carhops provided entertainment complete with roller-skates. The tables were decorated with white or pink placemats and had either a jukebox or record table toppers. Local businesses and individuals gave generous donations, which were given as door prize drawings throughout the evening. The In-Home Services Program which began in October 1990, serves over 200 members, and employs approximately 100 homemakers.

A special thank you goes to the following businesses and individuals for their generous donations: Auto Zone, Braxton Citizens News, Braxton Democrat-Central, Central WV Animal Hospital, City National Bank, Davis’ Gourmet Pickups, Diamond Nail Spa, El Gallo Mexican Restaurant, Evans Auto, Everything Fiesta, Exxon, Family Furniture, Gassaway Public Library, Jan’s Beauty Shop, Legg’s Beauty Shop, Lloyd’s Ace Hardware, Lloyd’s Restaurant, Main Street Coffee, Maria’s Mexican Restaurant, Mark LeRose Ford, Mountain Lakes Marketplace, NAPA Sutton, Piccadilly’s Flower Shoppe, Pletcher Motors, Rader’s Hair Care,

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Member Appreciation Week and Open House

November 8th, 9th, 10th, and 12th

We will be Grilling each day. There will be refreshments. Also, there will be reduced suggested donations on many items in the warehouse.

We would like to invite our members to stop in, fellowship, eat and check out all the new items we have. Also, we want to invite those who are not members to attend the Open House and see what our organization has to offer.

We are Open:

Tuesday:	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
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and campaign mudslinging. Statewide and national groups are already flooding mailboxes and social media with this type of advertising. Everyone should reject and condemn negative ads. I call on all candidates to reject these efforts, regardless of the source. Whether a negative ad is designed to benefit or hurt a particular candidate, the mere fact that they continue to proliferate is reason enough to object. When voters reject negative campaigning with their votes, everyone wins.

Finally, one final thought for the week. The hammer-wielding assailant that nearly killed the husband of House Speaker Pelosi last week is just the latest in the unacceptable hatemongering and reckless policies espoused by conspiracy theorists and those intent on the demise of our nation. Whether the January 6 mob; those that seek to overthrow the government; or those individuals that seek to intimidate and harm elected officials and their families on the federal, state, and local level, every freedom-loving American needs to condemn this behavior, regardless of political differences. The tone for all this begins in Washington, DC. Once both sides of the political aisle reject and stop tolerating extremism, America can once again breathe a sigh of relief and return to the values we hold dear.

If you need assistance, 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: B r e n t . B o g g s @ WVHouse.gov

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

Christmas from the Heart registration set for Nov. 2nd & 3rd

Fall is in the air, but the spirit of Christmas is already being felt as volunteers are preparing for the Christmas from the Heart Program in Braxton County. Christmas from the Heart is a local program sponsored through the Braxton Community Coalition and staffed by volunteers from various churches and groups who desire to show the love of Jesus by helping meet the needs of children and the elderly at Christmas time.

Gassaway Town Council meets

The Common Council of the Town of Gassaway met on October 27, at 6:00 PM at the Gassaway Community Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Richie Roach, Mayor.

The minutes from previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Alan Boggs.

Beth Simmons presented photos to the council of a huge trash pile in her neighbor’s backyard. Mayor Roach stated that the Sheriff’s Department might be approached for Litter Enforcement.

Herb Cogar reported that in 117 years only one Gassaway police officer has been killed in the line of duty. The Thompson Memorial Fund has been established to honor Thompson’s memory. Donations may be given to Mr. Cogar, City Bank or Rocky Nutter president of GAIC. A plea was made to help with donations or fundraising.

Following as review, the financial statements were approved upon a motion by Jim Criner.

Police Chief Aaron James reported that several parades were happening in the town.

Casey Brammer of the Fire Department reported that a Fire Fighter 1 class is starting and six new members are taking the course. He reminded those in attendance that chimney and woodstove maintenance is important. Two fires have recently been reported due to this lack of maintenance.

Alan Boggs suggested that Sandy Simon may be interested in a council position. The position of recorder is also open.

Jim Criner stated that the position requires a résumé and approval by counsel. Others citizens interested should turn in resumes in the next 30 days.

Rodney Pritt from Flatwoods Canoe Run PSD asked for a hold harmless agreement from the city so that the sinkhole close to the depot and the trail could be repaired. He stated that the condition of the closest building is questionable. The mayor asked for time to review the agreement.

Tom Brown, a retired engineer employed by the town, was requested by the mayor to review drainage issues in Gassaway. Brown reported that several authorities has been contacted about drainage and sewer issues. He will continue meetings with parties involved.

Mayor Roach stated he had talked to Senator Manchin’s office and was informed that America Rescue Funds can be used for the water/sewer problem. The fund’s balance currently is approximately \$211,000. Region VII has suggested retaining \$100,000. Five businesses in town are frequently flooded. Four of these properties have

This program is available for children or the elderly who would not otherwise have a Christmas. Therefore, “if you or your family will receive from another organization or be able to purchase Christmas gifts, you will not qualify for this particular program,” explained a representative.

Guidelines for the program:

- Children must live in Braxton County and be no older than a 12th grader

been addressed. This is a long-term project that will take time and coordination to complete.

Marsha Boggs, representing Gassaway High School Alumni Association, told of her agency heading a project to reframe GHS class photos. The town and GHS Alumni had discussed sharing the cost of reframing. 43 photos have been cleaned and reframed by a professional framing company at a cost of \$5054.38

Michael Corlis and Kenna Seal have been asked for assistance in mounting the photos. Roach thanked Marsha and her committee for their work. On the motion by Cathy Shuman and a second by Alan Boggs, council unanimously agreed to split the cost.

Mayor Roach suggested a \$500 donation be given to the Girl Scouts for their service of the community. This will encourage young people to get involved. Motion by Alan Boggs and second by Lynn Jeffries.

John King, WV Department of Environmental Protection, was present to answer questions and perhaps help

enrolled in Braxton County Schools or Home S c h o o l e d .

- A parent/Legal Guardian/Foster Care Parent is required to fill out applications for children.
- Elderly must be 65 or older and live in Braxton County.

Applications will be taken November 2nd from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm and November 3rd from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at the Flatwoods Community Building.

Individuals, churches

or organization that would like to volunteer or would consider sponsoring a child or elderly individual should contact Amanda Criner at the Braxton Community Coalition (304) 644-2828. Anyone interested in making a financial donation or sponsorship please make payment payable to: Braxton Community Coalition (indicate Christmas from the Heart Sponsor) and mail to PO Box 76, Flatwoods, WV 26621.

Margaret Moore reported huge holes adjacent to her property. These are a hazard that she has been trying to resolve for many years. The owner of the property and who should be asked to fix the problem is an issue.

Marsha Boggs asked that letters for cleanup be presented to violators. Jim Criner said the Chief of Police and the committee need to get together to set fines according to city ordinances. Jean Boggs asked for a time and the mayor said in the next 30 days.

Mary Dobbins from the fire department stated that their fire chief has repeatedly asked for funding for the fire department. They are doing fundraising themselves and are asking the city for support. The Fire Dept has answered 800 calls so far this year and have not been supported financially by the town. Personal vehicles are being used to answer calls. Alan Boggs asked for a budget from the fire department. No decision was made.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

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Surviving are her children Donald Mollohan, Susan Underation, Nancy (Mike) Swan, and Salina (Jerome) Greene; stepchildren, David (Margaret) Payne, Kathy (Dale) Huls and Jennifer Wood; brother Bill (Ella) Gibson of Pennsylvania:

She is survived by her sister Marie (Dana) Brooks of Webster Springs; nieces and nephews Gary (Angie) Brooks of Collierville, TN.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, John Sablotny, Sofia Swope, and Sonia

Bob graduated from high school and headed to the military. He was a U.S. Army Special Forces Veteran of the Vietnam War. He often

Anna Lee Allen, 91, of Gassaway, passed away on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at Clay Health Care Center.

Her funeral service was 1 P.M. Saturday, October 29, 2022 at Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway with Rever-

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Sutton Public Library week of events

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Flatwoods Monster fundraising Holly Jolly Dinner

You are invited to come enjoy a Holly Jolly Dinner at the Flatwoods Community Building on December 10th from 12:00 to 4:00 P.M. Dinner will consist of Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Stuffing, Roll, Cake, and drinks. For additional information please call 304-678-7334.

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

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.

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 sflint@frontier.com

“The Journey”

“The Journey” of Hope and Restoration helps with life-controlling problems that you could be facing on a daily basis. These studies are done in a small group setting that meets each Monday at 6:00 PM. We have taught lessons about Grief, Anger, Committed Couples, and Depression. We are currently starting a class dealing with anxiety, and fear it is a 10-week class. These studies are from the “Living Free” program curriculum and it is a biblically-based study and everyone is welcome to participate. We serve food at 5:30 PM each Monday at 602 Elk Street, Gassaway, WV. We have many areas that we are able to minister to others as well such as the areas of destructive behaviors, negative attitudes, unhealthy relationships, and substance abuse. To register or if you have questions you can call Pastor Eric Veltre at 304-689-0000.

Always Blessed Connections Co updated pantry days

Always Blessed Connections Co will open our pantry on the 3rd, 4th and 5th (if applicable) Friday of each month from 1pm to 5pm. Fresh produce, pantry staples and now USDA foods available. Feel free to call (912) 398-3244 to ensure you and your family are included in what our pantry is offering.

Public Notice

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

AA - Recovery Meetings

AA – Recovery Meetings will be held on Tuesdays, 7pm at Spruce Grove Church, 44 Spruce Grove Rd., Frametown, WV 26623.

Contact: Ed Rollyson
304-435-9333

Sutton Public Library Create to Donate

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

Burnsville Public Library Board of Trustees meetings

Burnsville Public Library Board of Trustees meets the second Monday of each month at 5:00 pm at the library. Meetings are open to the public. During the pandemic, if you would like to attend but don’t feel comfortable attending in person please reach out. We could arrange a way for you to attend virtually.

Burnsville Community Center event bookings

Are you looking for a place to host an event? If so, the Burnsville Community Center is available for bookings. Reasonable rates with or without kitchen. For more information or to book your event, please call 304-853-2605 Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.

Public Sevice Announcement

Since the outbreak of Covid 19 in the US, both addiction and alcohol use are on the rise. Alcohol sales showed a tremendous increase as on line alcohol sales skyrocketed. While short term alcohol abuse can have its own serious consequences, regular, heavy use of alcohol can result in long term damage to the body. Learn more about alcohol addiction and what can be done by visiting: <https://www.narcononnewlife-retreat.org/blog/signs-that-alcohol-use-is-getting-dangerous.html>

Addiction Screenings

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end Rich Demastus officiating. Burial followed in the Reip Cemetery, Frametown.

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.

Worshipping God

Matt 5:23-24
23 Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;

24 Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

According this text our worship could be hindered if we have a problem with a brother that we haven’t resolved, we are told to resolve this problem and then go to worship God.

Idolatry is most offensive to our God, why? It is because we are putting something or someone before our God. Ex 20:3-6 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments. Anything or anyone that we put before God is considered an idol. It could be a car, it could be a job, it could be sports, it could be money so we have to ask ourselves am I putting this before serving God.

Here are a few examples of idols that we put before God. 2 Tim 3:4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Matt 6:24

24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Phil 3:9
9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

Wrong attempts in trying to worship God. Heb 11:4

4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh. Gen 4:3-5

3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

Lev 10:1-2

10:1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.

2 And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.

1 Sam 15:23-24

23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

24 And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.

Matt 15:9
9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

Four different kinds of worship. Matt 15:9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

Acts 17:23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you. Col 2:23 Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.

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John 4:23

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Acts of worship of the early Church: Acts 20:7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight. 1 Thess 5:17 Pray without ceasing.

Eph 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

1 Cor 16:2

2 Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

Questions for thought
Which is more important to God to be exact or sincere? What about being both?

What is wrong with the attitude: I like the way they worship, if it is not God’s way will God accept the worship? And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not. It is important to be scripturally right and be sincere in worship for God to accept our worship.

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COUNTY STORIES

BY: JEANETTE RIFFLE

So Many Sick People Right Now

We have never heard of so much sickness as there is right now and so many different things. Flu has started early, there's RSV, Covid variants, strep throat, and head colds that sometimes go on down into secondary complications. My husband has had an upper respiratory thing that is like a real bad head cold. He has been in all week doctoring and sleeping. He went to our primary care doctor Tuesday, when he got up congested, hoarse, coughing and sneezing. She put him on a couple prescriptions to keep it from getting any worse. I took a mild case of it and so far my home remedies are working. I have been sleepy and tired but I will try to get a story together. I am drinking organic

Throat Coat Tea and I'm not coughing as much as I was. We stay home when we are sick so as not to spread it and I have to be careful anyhow. I got a severe allergic reaction to the last flu shot I got. I did alright when they were growing the vaccine in egg whites but my body was sure fighting whatever they grow it in now. I usually stay away from crowds when the flu starts. We have been having some beautiful blue sky days lately and warm by afternoon. We have had a few hard frosts though. One morning when we got up, the frost was so white it looked like a light covering of snow on everything out there. The Burning Bushes show up a brilliant

burgundy in white frost or snow. I am finding hard copies of stories that I have written through the years and I might start using one of them now and then. I debated this time whether or not to write about my first year at school. That would be first grade to Miss Charlotte James. In 1951, I was in first grade at Normantown High School. We didn't get any Trick or Treaters this year. We left the porch light off. That is supposed to be the sign that you aren't participating. We were afraid of children coming into sickness and really, we didn't feel like opening the door and letting cold night air in. I will wrap this up for this time. Everyone be careful and continue to be safe. Take care and God bless!

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 7 Spaghetti with Meatballs, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit. Tuesday 8 Holiday Center Closed. Wednesday 9 Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dinner Roll, Pea Salad,

Fruit. Thursday 10 Pepperoni Roll, Tomato Soup with Cheese, Crackers, Fruit. Friday 11 Holiday Center Closed. Monday 14 Pot Roast, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Broccoli Casserole, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Tuesday 15 Chicken Corn Chowder, Boiled Cabbage, Cornbread, Fruit. Wednesday 16 Hot Dog with Chili, Tater Tots, Coleslaw, Fruit. Thursday 17 Thanksgiving Dinner Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Sweet Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Cranberry Sauce. Friday 18 Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Garlic

Bread, Fruit. Monday 21 Chili, Sweet Potatoes, Crackers, Fruit. Tuesday 22 Pork Riblet on Bun, Tater Tots, Coleslaw, Fruit. Wednesday 23 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Peas, Dinner Roll, Fruit. Thursday 24 Holiday Center Closed. Friday 25 Holiday Center Closed. Monday 28 Garlic Tomato Shrimp Pasta, Garlic Bread, Glazed Carrots, Fruit. Tuesday 29 Breakfast Bake, Hash Browns, Biscuit, Spiced Apples. Wednesday 30 Board Meeting Hamburger Steak with Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn Pudding, Dinner Roll, Fruit.



Characters of all sorts enjoyed the Annual Halloween Spooktacular at Riffle Run Campground

Annual Halloween Spooktacular held at Riffle Run Campground

Lots of ghosts and goblins showed up at the Annual Halloween Spooktacular at Riffle Run Campground on Saturday, October 29. Following the costume judging, the children walked through the campground to Trick or Treat. Campers were invited to participate in the activity as well. The children had fun playing witch hat ring toss, tic tac toe, guessing games and a very popular "Are You Afraid" game. Cotton candy and hot chocolate was available to all participants. This is an annual event sponsored by the Friends of Burnsville Lake in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Burnsville Lake.



Its just a bunch of Hocus Pocus!


The Burnsville Town Council holds October meeting

The Burnsville Town Council meeting was held on October 10. The meeting called to order at 6:03pm by Mayor, Paul Bragg. Members in Attendance: Steve Wine, Tom Crutchfield, Becky Jackson, Paul Bragg and Angela Morgan. Kisha Verton and John Verton attended by phone. Citizens in Attendance: Sherry Ratliff. Steve made a motion to approve the minutes and financials, seconded by Tom, motion carried. Sherry Ratliff told council that the majority of her lawn has been mowed. She stated she has had a lot of health issues which is why she hadn't been able to keep up. She was also upset because she feels she is being harassed by her

neighbor. Under Communications from the Mayor, the following items were discussed: WV Attorney General, re: Allergan Opioid Settlement.; WV Attorney General, re: CVS Opioid Settlement; WV Attorney General, re: TEVA Opioid Settlement; WV State Treasurer, re: Statement of Account; BC Sheriff, re: Property Tax Distribution; BC Assessor, re: Dog Taxes; WV State Treasurer, re: Oil & Gas; and WV State Auditor, re: Delinquent & Non-entered Land Sale. Billie Linger told Pam that she was no longer interested in serving on the Park and Recreation Board. Steve made a motion to remove Billie from the board and appoint Angela Morgan, seconded by Becky, motion

carried. Steve made a motion to approve the WV Local Government Election and Release Forms for Allergan, CVS and Teva, seconded by Becky, motion carried. Steve made a motion to approve Grant Amendment #2 to extend the contract period for the sewer project, seconded by Tom, motion carried. October 25th from 12:00-4:00 has been set to interview Engineers for the landslide remediation project. Steve, Angie and Paul will conduct the interviews. Steve made a motion to approve the payment of bills as submitted, seconded by Becky, motion carried. Tom made a motion to adjourn at 6:57pm, meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting was on October 24.


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Families at Burnsville Elementary School decorated pumpkins to create a character from their chosen book for the Pumpkin Literature Display.

Burnsville Elementary School families participate in Pumpkin Literature Display

Thank you to all of the Burnsville Elementary School families that participated in our Pumpkin Book Character Project. Students were asked to choose a favorite book and read it with their family. After reading, families were to create a character from the book using a pumpkin. These amazing projects were on display in the front hallway for families and staff to enjoy.

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

Magistrate Beth Smith

October 24: David J. Button of Tonawanda, NY, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Chester Craig Hamrick of Gassaway, expired registration, dismissed proof provided, no proof of insurance, dismissed proof provided; Ervin L. Mitchell of St. Petersburg, FL, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed.

October 25: Francis S. Garcia Carranza, District Heights, MD, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Justin L. Whitaker of Marydel, DE, speeding, guilty plea, fine/court costs assessed and paid; Robert Hearn of Venetia, PA, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Carl Otis Dawson-Moore of Gassaway, no seatbelt, guilty plea, fine assessed; Franklin Delano Thomas, III of Barrackville, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Clinton R. Dalton of Daniels, failure to obey stop sign, dismissed, DUI, dismissed, evidence does not support charges beyond a reasonable doubt.

October 26: Donnie Lee Gosling of Gem, driving suspended, no contest plea, no seatbelt, no contest plea, fines/court costs assessed; Martin Luther Wrack of St. Albans, prohibited person in possession of a firearm, preliminary hearing waived, transferred to circuit court.

October 28: James Wayne Legg, Jr. of Ivydale, petit larceny, conspiracy, warrant issued, bond set at \$4000 personal recognizance; Tabitha Renea Knight of Sutton, petit larceny, conspiracy, warrant issued, bond set at \$4000 personal recognizance;

Amber L. Allanique of Erie, PA, speeding no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Ethan C. Perrine of Weaver-ville, NC, no seatbelt, guilty plea fine assessed and paid; Christina L. Carter of Sutton, cell phone violation, guilty plea, fine assessed and paid; Sierra H. Jenkins of Little Birch, no seatbelt, no contest plea, fine assessed and paid; Ashley Ewald of Union-town, AR, cell phone violation, no contest plea, fine assessed; Hunter L. Vittone of Canonsburg, PA, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; Kevin Don Drake of Burnsville, sexual abuse by a parent, guardian or custodian, first degree sexual abuse, preliminary hear-

ing waived, transferred to circuit court.

Magistrate David Singleton

October 23: Scott Ogorman of Onandaga, NY, possession of cocaine with intent to deliver, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; Josephine Benedetto of Onandaga, NY, possession of cocaine with intent to deliver, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only.

October 25: Joel Thomas Parsons of Elkview, unlawful hunting, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed; James Michael Nichols, Jr. of Wallback, speeding, no contest plea, fine/court costs assessed and paid.



1st place City Bank

GAIC announce City National Bank Gassaway winners of fall decorating contest

The Gassaway Area Investment Council fall decorating contest was quite colorful and entertaining. Most businesses decorated windows, added pumpkins, fall flowers and all sorts of autumn decor to their windows and street fronts.

LUCAS to offer lung cancer screening in Burnsville Nov 23

LUCAS, a first of its kind, state-of-the-art mobile lung cancer screening unit, will visit Braxton County offering low-dose computed tomography (LDCT) scans. LUCAS

A service of WVU Medicine-WVU Hospitals and the WVU Cancer Institute, LUCAS will be at Mike and Ikes Plaza in Burnsville from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Nov. 23. For an appointment, call 304-266-7029.

Patient and staff safety is a top priority, and extra precautions will be taken during the pandemic. These include staff wearing masks, patients waiting in their car until their appointment time, and thorough sanitization between patients.

The lung cancer screenings are billed to private insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare. Uninsured patients living in West Virginia who meet screening criteria can receive their lung cancer screening on LUCAS through the generosity of grant funding and donations. A physician's order and prior authorization from insurance are required to get screened. Appointments must be made 14 or more days in advance of the visit to allow time for insurance pre-authorizations.

LUCAS, an acronym for Lung Cancer Screening, builds upon the success and infrastructure established by Bonnie's Bus. In West Virginia, more people die of lung cancer than colorectal, prostate, and breast cancer combined. LUCAS travels to the 42 counties in the state without easy access to lung cancer screening.

Similar to mammography, regular lung cancer screening can detect cancer early, when it is easier to treat and cure. Both units are part of the WVU Cancer Institute Mobile Cancer Screening Program and work in collaboration with a statewide partnership of clinicians, public health professionals, and other community leaders to reduce the number of deaths from breast and lung cancer in West Virginia.



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Trick or Treat in the Town of Sutton



Big Foot was seen passing out candy in front of Mountain Laurel Country Store.



Families made their way through the streets of Sutton looks for tricks and treats along the way.



Members of the community passed out candy to Trick or Treaters on Saturday, October 29th.



Even the adults join in on the Halloween fun!

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Advisory Council members spend productive evening with CTE faculty and students at Braxton County High School

By Shirley Shuman

Sections of Braxton County High school were abuzz with enthusiasm the evening of October 26 as the CTE director, CTE teachers and students interacted with their Advisory Council members in a biannual event. Those Advisory Council members expressed high approval of the high school's CTE program, and Director Lori Stover-Williams has the statistics to show that the program deserves that approval.

In a short address to the group following dinner prepared by women of the Stump Chapel Church, Stover-Williams cited some accomplishments of Braxton's CTE students. She noted that, in the required annual state assessment last year, BCHS students "scored 94% higher than the state and national average of all other students who took the same test." She also reported that the program "went from 66 completers the year before to 110 last year." Continuing, the director said that three students completed the electrical program as journeymen, 60 were certified in first aid and CPR training, and 50 certified in OSHA 10 training. In addition, the welding program produced 17 state-certified welders, and four other students participated in the FBI Academy Day.

A highlight of the evening was advisory-council members' interaction with students and teachers in classrooms. Several of them expressed their appreciation of the work being done and the results. One enthusiastic council member, Benny Toler, a vice-president of People's Bank, described what he learned visiting instructor Sarah Dennison's classroom. "What I learned was very impressive," Toler said. "Kids clock in, get paid for what they do in class, and use 'Dennison money.' They run a company store and keep financial records." Here, Toler indicated that he believes these students participate in life experiences. "Mrs. Dennison is doing a great job with the CTE program," he noted.

Observing and evaluating the agricultural program at BCHS, Dr. Kenna Seal expressed approval. "Being a former Vo-Ag teacher many years ago allows me to have some historical perspective," Dr. Seal said. "I am much like Rip van Winkle as I awake to a new reality of a new and expanding definition of agriculture. No longer is it just about crops and livestock. Agri-business related course offerings and pathways expand opportunities to match student interests to

a future career that has agriculture as a foundation," he noted. "Girls have equal standing with boys as they pursue a career in ag. I am pleased that Mr.[Josh] Porto has established a variety of opportunities for students, including a modern greenhouse."

Lee Given's Criminal Justice program was the highlight of council member Chris Shortall's evening. Shortall, a National Guard recruiter and career counselor, observed, "Lee's program is extremely effective. He has a lot of virtual training options he can use. These are especially effective for those wanting to go into law enforcement. These options are building blocks for them." Shortall added that he's convinced Given's program "provides a really good foundation for those students who plan to go into law enforcement." The fact that three of Given's students qualified for and recently attended the FBI Student Academy gives further evidence of the success of the Criminal Justice program.

Keith Greene, instructor of the electrical program, expressed pride in his students who had passed the journeyman's test and mentioned a student who will be among those taking it in the spring." I'm hoping that Anthony Currence will move on to electrical engineering," Greene said. He enjoys hands-on experiences and has the drive for an engineering program. The instructor continued to say that members of the advisor council from the indus-

try coming into contact with students "gives them opportunities to learn what jobs may be available and possibly finding jobs coming right out of high school." He mentioned his appreciation for the members of his council—Rick Cutlip, Shane Oney, Ray DeNuzzo, and Dustin Huffman, and their willingness to help by keeping him informed when they see opportunities for his students.

Similar to Dr. Seal's experience, Evelyn Post spoke from having taught in the area she evaluates. Post, Executive Director of Central West Virginia Aging Services, commented on the change. "Braxton County High School's Career and Technical Ed programs have progressed tremendously since I was there in the '70s as a business education teacher," she said. "Our school is doing a great job with the CTE programs that it offers. Our students compete on the state level and do very well." Post added, "Many are job ready and go to work immediately after graduation." As an advisory council member, Post works with Human Services mainly and said that Health Care is her second cluster.

One of the most enthusiastic of the Advisory Council members, engineer Kevin Gregory spoke highly of the CTE efforts as he concentrated on the still-young engineering program. After noting how impressed he is with the entire CTE program at the high school and the opportunities it provides, Gregory spoke about

the career cluster he advises. A BCHS graduate, he noted that what is happening with CTE was unavailable when he attended the school. "I took a tour of the new engineering classroom," he said. "Dr. [Ethan] Backus and Mr. [Shawn] Crow and a few students showed the equipment they use throughout their classes. A few examples are 3D printers, laser printers, remote controlled robotics, and survey equipment. Within the classes, students are learning the basics of engineering, and Dr. Backus teaches AutoCAD, surveying, and other applications to the advanced classes." Gregory added, "I can't speak highly enough of Dr. Backus and Mr. Crow because the insight they are providing will allow the students to be more prepared with an early path to succeed in college. Overall, I love the program and can't speak highly enough about it."

Crow explained that the new engineering program, known as Eagle Engineering, began three years ago because of "many BCHS students showing an interest in engineering as post-secondary goals. He noted that through the four courses they take "students are given a taste of the various challenges an engineer would tackle on a daily basis." He

added, "The advisory night was a huge success this year for the entire CTE program. It gives us a chance to showcase our kids and their potential to our many community sponsors." Crow also pointed out the success of the program and mentioned that through CTE director Lori Stover-Williams, "our programs have grown by leaps and bounds!" and added, "Now students are able to get a taste of what they want for their futures."

Commenting on the remainder of the evening, Director Stover-Williams pointed out that as Advisory Council members visited the classrooms they completed Business and Industry Reviews. Following that, each council member also visited a second classroom where they "took part in activities in that class with those students" and had the opportunity "to see what other areas of CTE are doing."

To summarize the activities, the director noted, "We always look forward to these evenings when we get together to highlight our programs. We enjoy having those who support us come in and [interact] with us. They are living examples to our students that they do matter, and that they will prosper with the skills they are learning here in CTE."



Dog Tales: Stories from the Braxton County Animal Shelter

Half Price Adoption Days

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

Half Price Adoption Days start on October 31st through November 4th. Come find your new boo!

Because the BCAS has multiple litters of puppies who are growing up here, and the kennels have been at capacity with a waiting list for a few months now, the BCAS s cutting the adoption fee in half to help find loving new homes for our furry friends.

Adoption fee for a male is \$75.00 while a female will be \$85.00. No dog will leave the shelter unfixed and we are very willing to work with reputable 501c3 rescues.

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

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



Hansen and Zip are both four and a half year

old boxer/hound mix brothers who are the last of their litter. These boys have been with the BCAS a little over a month and would love to have families to call their own.



Flicka, Tatum and Elsie: These three, six month old pit mix sisters have been with the BCAS a month and a half and are ready to break loose into their brand new family homes! Their personalities range to both ends of the spectrum.



Flicka is outgoing, social and fun loving, Elsie is shy, sweet and affectionate, falls somewhere in between and loves all people.

Check out the BCAS Facebook for information on a Mossberg Silver Reserve raffle being held through the end of November.

KITTY KORNER: Affordable, Adoptable, Fixed Feline Friends

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

BC Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting

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. Please advise us if you plan to attend.

If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please feel free to email at braxtonlepc@gmail.com

City National Bank hosts Christmas Toy Drive

City National Bank is accepting donations toy donations until Thursday, December 8th.

Drop off locations will be located at City National Bank in Sutton and Flatwoods.

For additional information, please contact Lisa Conant at (304)765-7333.

This event is in partnership with Braxton Community Coalition and Braxton County Schools.

OFFICIAL BALLOT

	A	BRAXTON COUNTY, WV	B	GENERAL ELECTION	C	NOVEMBER 8, 2022
	INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER		COUNTY TICKET		BALLOT ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS	
	1. To vote you must darken the oval () completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.		FOR CIRCUIT CLERK (Vote For ONE)		Amendment No. 1: Clarification of the Judiciary's Role in Impeachment Proceedings Amendment	
	NATIONAL TICKET		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED REP		Summary of Purpose: Clarifying that courts have no authority or jurisdiction to intercede or intervene in or interfere with impeachment proceedings of the House of Delegates or the Senate; and specifying that a judgment rendered by the Senate following an impeachment trial is not reviewable by any court of this state.	
	FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote For ONE)		SUSAN (FRAME) LEMON DEM Gassaway		Instructions to Voters: To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".	
	CAROL MILLER REP Huntington Cabell Co.		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED LBN			
	MR. LACY WATSON DEM Bluefield Mercer Co.		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED MTN			
	NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED LBN		Write-in, If Any			
	NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED MTN		FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote For ONE) Not more than one resident of any magisterial district may be elected.		FOR	
	BELINDA FOX-SPENCER IND Peterstown Monroe Co.		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED REP		AGAINST	
	Write-in, If Any		LISA MACE GODWIN DEM Burnsville Northern Dist.		Amendment No. 2: Property Tax Modernization Amendment	
	STATE TICKET		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED LBN		Summary of Purpose: To amend the State Constitution by providing the Legislature with authority to exempt tangible machinery and equipment personal property directly used in business activity and tangible inventory personal property directly used in business activity and personal property tax on motor vehicles from ad valorem property taxation by general law.	
	FOR STATE SENATOR 11TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote For ONE)		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED MTN		Instructions to Voters: To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".	
	BILL HAMILTON REP Buckhannon Upshur Co.		GARY D. HERNDON IND Flatwoods Northern Dist.		FOR	
	NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED DEM		Write-in, If Any		AGAINST	
	NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED LBN		FOR COUNTY CLERK (Vote For ONE)		Amendment No. 3: Incorporation of Churches or Religious Denominations Amendment	
	NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED MTN		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED REP		Summary of Purpose: To authorize the incorporation of churches or religious denominations.	
	Write-in, If Any		SUE (SINGLETON) RUTHERFORD DEM Sutton		Instructions to Voters: To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".	
	FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 63RD DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote For ONE)		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED LBN		FOR	
	LORI COWGER DITTMAN REP Gassaway Braxton Co.		NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED MTN		AGAINST	
	KEVIN CARPENTER DEM Sutton Braxton Co.		Write-in, If Any			
	NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED LBN					
	NO CANDIDATE(S) NOMINATED MTN					
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POLL CLERKS

SAMPLE BALLOT DISCLAIMER

I, the undersigned County Clerk of Braxton County, West Virginia, do hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct Official Sample Ballot for the November 8th, 2022 General Election, containing all of the candidates and issues to be voted for. I certify this Official Sample Ballot this 6th day of October, 2022 by affixing my signature hereto.

Original Signed

Sue Ann Rutherford Braxton County Clerk



Friends of Burnsville Lake Campsite decorating winners announced

The Friends of Burnsville Lake held its last contest of the season for Bulltown and Riffle Run Campgrounds.

Campers were invited to decorate their sites in their spookiest décor.

The winner of the Bulltown Campground contest was Carolyn Priestley of Fairmont and the Riffle Run winner was Ann Coleman of Mannington. Congratulations!

Each winner received a specially designed campsite flag as a prize.

Thanks for participating and we hope to see everyone back next year!

Carolyn Priestley of Fairmont with her Bulltown Campground display.



After a two year hiatus, Burnsville Elementary School students enjoy parading in their Halloween costumes.

Burnsville Elementary School held Annual Halloween Walk



Bobber the Water Safety Dog made an appearance.

Burnsville Elementary School brought back their Annual Halloween Walk after a two year hiatus due to Covid-19 restrictions.

It was a beautiful day for the event and the students, staff, and parents had a great time modeling their costumes, visiting, and collecting treats.

The following organizations and businesses contributed to

the success of the walk: Burnsville Fire Department, Burnsville Public Library, Huffman Electric, Friends of Burnsville Lake, the Corps of Engineers, Little General Store, Dollar General, Willy's Auto, NAPA, Town of Burnsville, and Burnsville Post Office.

A special thank you
to Officer Matt Kesling
for providing a safe day
for everyone.

Gassaway Farmers and Flea Market

The Gassaway Market at the Depot will host two Sunday events per month, the 1st and 3rd, starting at noon at the Train Depot.

Bring your homegrown goods, homemade crafts, and yard sale items. Take advantage now of your first year as a vendor for free. Come join friends and neighbors every third Sunday monthly to shop and sell in one centralized area.

For more information, please contact Nik and Beth Salvo at (304)853-0002 or on Facebook at facebook.com/gassawaymarket

**Always
Blessed
Connections
Co Updated
Pantry Days**

Always Blessed Connections Co will open our pantry on the 3rd, 4th and 5th (if applicable) Friday of each month from 1pm to 5pm.

Fresh produce, pantry staples and now USDA foods available.

Feel free to contact me direct to ensure you and your family are included in what our pantry is offering.

**Ladies of
St. Thomas
Church host
Christmas
Sale Nov 3&4**

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.

OFFICIAL BALLOT					
D	BRAXTON COUNTY, WV	E	GENERAL ELECTION	F	NOVEMBER 8, 2022
BALLOT ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS					
Amendment No. 4: Education Accountability Amendment					
<p>Summary of Purpose: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that the rules and policies promulgated by the State Board of Education, are subject to legislative review, approval, amendment, or rejection.</p> <p>Instructions to Voters: To vote in favor of the Amendment submitted, darken the oval next to "FOR". To vote against the Amendment, darken the oval next to "AGAINST".</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST</p>		VOTE BOTH SIDES			

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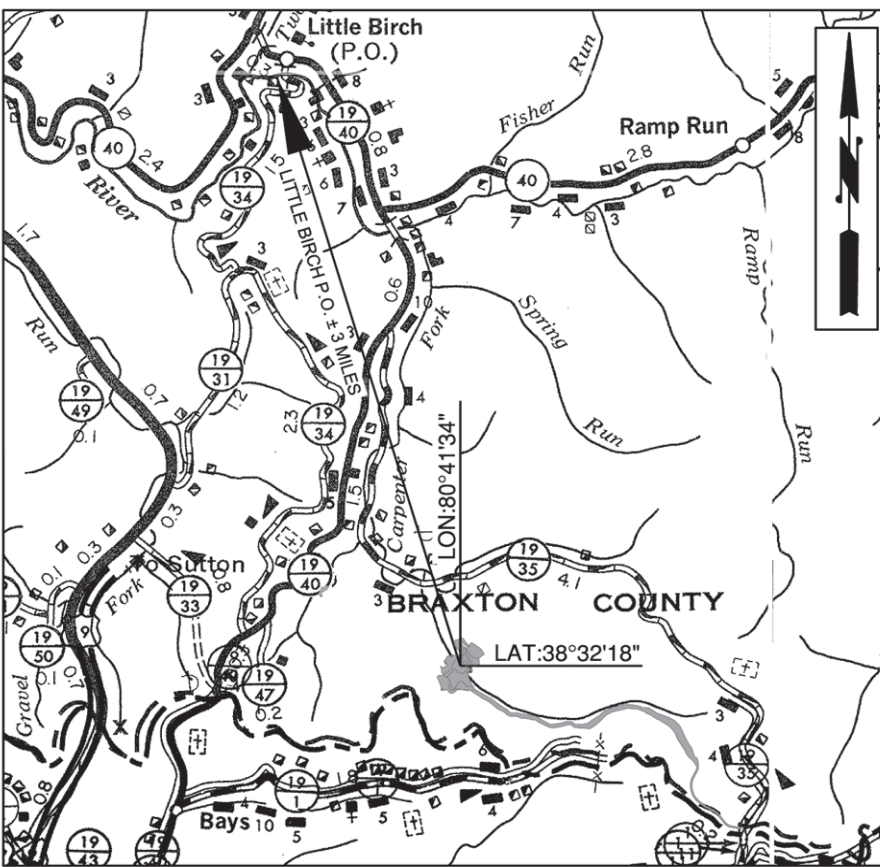
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November 1, 2022

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN THAT BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY, LLC, 2691 LITTLE BIRCH RD, SUTTON, WV 26601-6536 has submitted an application for the reissuance of Article 11/WVNPDES Permit No. WV1018078 to the Department of Environmental Protection, 47 School Street, Suite 301, Philippi, WV, 26416-1150, in order to maintain, monitor, and operate a haulroad and three deep mines in the Lower Freeport and Lower Kittanning seam/mineral bed. The operation will discharge Treated Storm Water into unnamed tributary of Carpenter Fork of Little Birch River of Birch River of Elk River and is located 3.0 miles, south of Little Birch in Holly District of Braxton County, Longitude 80°41'34" and Latitude 38°32'18" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

The Department of Environmental Protection is seeking information on private surface water intakes for human consumption located in the above listed receiving streams and located down stream of this operation. Please provide your name, phone number, mailing address, the name of the stream being with the intake, and the physical location of the intake. This information needs to be submitted to the address above. An anti-degradation review has been conducted. Tier 1 protection is afforded because effluent limitations ensure compliance with water quality criteria for all designated uses. Where applicable, a full Tier 2 anti-degradation review has been conducted. Comments on the Article 11 WVNPDES application or requests for a public hearing regarding the Article 11/NPDES application shall

be in writing and if a public hearing is requested shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Such written comments or requests should be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) at the address above, and must also reference the Article 11/NPDES permit number shown above. Comments received by December 1, 2022, or thirty (30) days from the date of publication, will be considered. A copy of the Article 11/WVNPDES application, draft permit, rational page, and fact sheet (if required) will be available for inspection and obtaining copies during normal business hours at the DEP Regional Office located at the address above. DEP Telephone No. 304-457-3219
Article 11/NPDES Permit No. WV1018078 11-1b



GENERAL LOCATION MAP

BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY, LLC
25 LITTLE BIRCH ROAD, SUTTON, WV 26601
PERMIT NO.: WV1018078, REISSUANCE
ASSOC. ART: U-2010-05, U-2014-00, U-2011-05
BRAXTON COUNTY HIGHWAY MAPS
SEE USGS - TOPO MAP (7.5' SERIES) SCALE: 1" = 1 MILE
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NEAREST POST OFFICE - LITTLE BIRCH, WV
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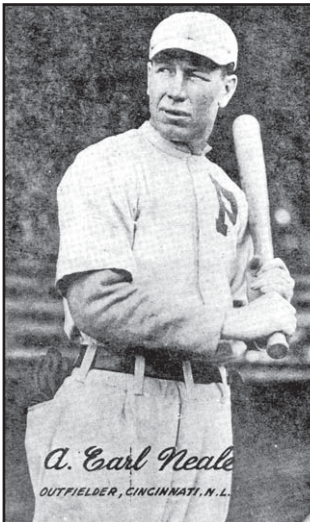
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FOR
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COUNTY
COMMISSION

Paid for by the Candidate Gary Herndon

THIS WEEK IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY



Nov. 4-5, 1985: Heavy rains led to devastating floods in parts of West Virginia. Forty-seven people were killed, and several towns were severely damaged.



Nov. 5, 1891: Alfred Earle "Greasy" Neale was born in Parkersburg. He was one of West Virginia's greatest all-around athletes.



Nov. 5, 1922: Cecil Underwood was born at Josephs Mills in Tyler

County. Underwood, West Virginia's 25th and 32nd governor, served as the state's youngest and oldest chief executive.

Nov. 6, 1863: Confederate troops led by Brig. Gen. John Echols were defeated at Droop Mountain by a larger federal force led by Brig. Gen. William W. Averell. This was one of the most important Civil War battles fought on West Virginia soil.

Nov. 6, 1923: A methane gas explosion killed 27 men inside the Glen Rogers coal mine in Wyoming County. The mine, which opened in 1921, became one of the state's largest. A total of 160 fatalities over a 31-year period occurred at the mine before it was closed.

Nov. 7, 1775: The historic Forks-of-Cheat Baptist Church was organized about six miles north of Morgantown. It is the oldest church with continuous records west of the Alleghenies in West Virginia.

Nov. 8, 1936: "It's Wheeling Steel," a half-hour musical variety radio program, debuted over WWVA in Wheeling, West Virginia. The program was an instant success with local audiences and later became a nationwide sensation.

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

Braxton Books for Babies continues in November

Braxton Books for Babies is gearing up for November. For the past five school years, Braxton Books for Babies have been working with parents to increase literacy skills from birth to school-enrollment. Books for Babies provides parents with tips that encourage preliteracy skills, along with engaging and educational activities for children. The focus of the program is to instill at an early age the importance of literacy. Parents can register each month to receive a packet that contains books for toddlers. The packets also contain early literacy and math activities for parents to complete with their babies.

Parents can register their child for the program each month, packets are picked up at the Board of Education, followed by a Facebook live event, where the parents and their children participate in toddler-focused activities, such as song and dance videos and a read aloud of one of the month's book selections. This year's themes include: fall, farm, opposites, healthy habits, peek-a-boo, emotions/kindness, sharing and spring.

This program provides an opportunity to build a connection



The ladies were ready for the farm in October at Braxton Books for Babies event!



Toby Morrison pretend to be a scarecrow.

with the families of future Braxton County students. The program runs from September to April. For more registration information, please see our Braxton Books for Babies Facebook page.

Students went to the farm in October. In No-

vember students learn about opposites. Registration starts on November 1, 2022. Packet pickup is on November 15 from 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. at the Braxton County Board Office. The Facebook Live will be on Friday November 18.

BC Jamboree November lineup

The Braxton County Jamboree music schedule for November is as follows:

November 4 Frank

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

Conn and the Partners, November 11 Nebo Mountain Bluegrass, November 18 Daniel Lilly and the Lilly Mountaineers, November 25 Dixie Highway.

All shows played at the Braxton County Jamboree will be played from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Friday.

Concessions will be available for purchase. No Alcohol Permitted

at any event. The Braxton County Jamboree is Handicap-Accessible. For more information and to follow the Braxton County Jamboree please visit Facebook or online at <http://braxtoncountytjamboree.WebStarts.com/>

You may also contact Lena Parsons at (304) 364-5577 or by email at e-mail--lparsons804@gmail.com

SPORTS

Reporting Braxton County's sports action

- Youth
- Middle School
- High School

South Harrison Hawks defeat Eagles on Braxton's home field

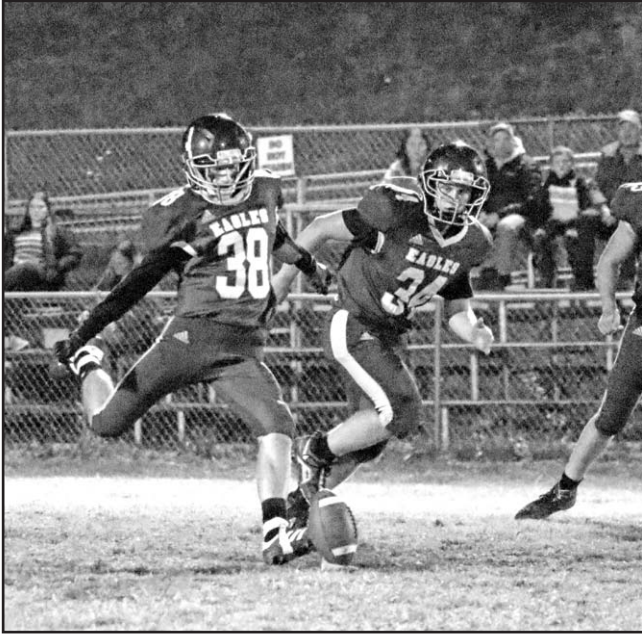
By Shirley Shuman

After a 28-7 defeat by South Harrison Friday night, Braxton's record dropped to 1-8. Once again the Eagles' penalties played an important role in their loss. On one drive alone, Braxton aided South Harrison by giving them 30 yards on Eagles' penalties.

Except for the points on the board, statistics did not differ greatly between the two teams. South Harrison did dominate on the ground with 198 yards rushing compared to Braxton's 121, but overall Braxton's 200 total yards were not that much less than the Hawks' 254.

Leading rusher of the game was the Eagles' Bryce Leegan who gained 136 yards and scored Braxton's only touchdown Matthias Garavaglia's successful PAT attempt was good and Braxton took an early lead.

South Harrison scored in each of the other three quarters



Mathia Garavaglia kicks off for the Eagles in the game against South Harrison.

behind the running of Noah Burnside with 129 yards on the ground. Three different runners scored for the Hawks, and quarterback Caden Davis passed for the fourth. For Braxton Logan Bennett threw for 76 yards and Brett Bender for three. Tyler Cox caught three passes for 48 yards, and Matthias Garavaglia caught

three for 25 yards. Defensively Cox had five tackles, and Eliah Moore, Andrew Brandt, Ryder McLaughlin, Jamie Nettles, Kaden Nottingham each recorded four. Moore had one tackle for loss, and Bryce Leegan had a sack.

This week the Eagles finish their season as they host the Clay Panthers..



Eliah Moore stripping the ball from a South Harrison player.



Bryce Leegan runs for his 136 yard gain.

Photos courtesy of Janet Six.




Tyler Cox gets the Hawks runner into his grip.



Andrew Brandt brings down the South Harrison player.



Brett Bender looks for an open Eagle to gain some yardage.




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FOR
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Elect Kevin
CARPENTER
House of Delegates

Residents of Braxton County and Gilmer County,
People of the Elk and Little Kanawha Rivers:

Braxton and Gilmer Counties have lost almost sixteen percent of their residents, mostly due to the lack of job opportunities and other infrastructure related factors. The citizens of the 63rd District and West Virginia are hardworking, independent, and resilient people with a long history of working hard to succeed and have so much to offer. Working families, small businesses, and industry are the backbone of our economy and I am committed to helping families prosper, businesses thrive, and improve our infrastructure.

I will work hard to make the 63rd District and West Virginia a place to stay and live, work, raise a family, and prosper.





Get the most up to date sports coverage.
Check out the
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High School Eagles sports

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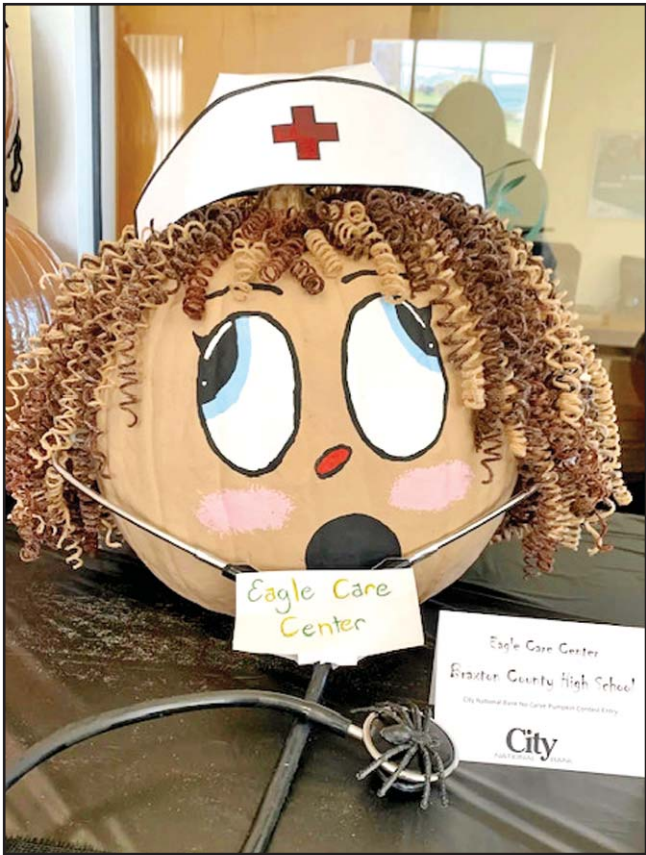








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Braxton County High School Eagle Care Center – 1st place Flatwoods Office



Maria's Mexican Restaurant – 1st Place Sutton Office.



Braxton County Middle School 1st place - Sutton Office.

City National Bank hosts Annual No Carve Pumpkin contest

City National Bank is excited to announce the winners of the Second Annual No Carve Pumpkin Contest. This year CNB had an incredible turnout with fifty-seven entries between both our

Sutton and Flatwoods locations representing businesses and organizations as well as Braxton County Middle School and Braxton County High School. City National Bank reached 2,749 likes

on Facebook with 213 comments, 87 shares and 313 views of our pumpkin videos via Social Media. Thank you to our corporate sponsors: Country Charm Floral, Elk River Hotel and

Café, Freedom Flag, Friends of Burnsville Lake, Garnet Moon Boutique, Gomart, Little Caesars, Maria's Mexican Restaurant, McDonald's, The Villa - Linda Lou Ellyson, Walgreens, Wendy's

Thank you to all of the participants in the Second Annual No Carve Pumpkin Contest. Winners were chosen by votes from lobby customers.

Thank you to City National Bank No Carve Pumpkin Contest corporate spon-

sors: County Charm and Floral, Elk River Hotel and Café, Freedom Flag, Friends of Burnsville Lake, Garnet Moon Boutique, GoMart, Little Caesars, Maria's Mexican Restaurant, McDonalds, The Villa – Linda Lou Ellyson, Walgreens, Wendys.



WV Farm Charm – 1st place Flatwoods Office



Braxton County High School BCHS Welding – 2nd place Flatwoods Office.



Braxton County Circuit Clerk's Office – 2nd place Sutton Office



Elk Theater – Honorable Mention Sutton Office



Stockert Funeral Home – Second Place Flatwoods Office



Judy's Garden Club – Honorable Mention Sutton Office.



Braxton County High School Flower Patch Kids – 3rd place Flatwoods Office



Braxton County Middle School 2nd place – Sutton Office



Sutton Moose Lodge #825 – 3rd Place Sutton Office

Attention

All Legal Notices/Ads are due by Deadline on Thursday at 3:00 PM each week.

Please send all legals to

Email: editor@bcn-news.com

Mail: 501 Main St. Sutton, WV 26601

Phone: 304-765-5193

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BRAXTON

CITIZENS' NEWS

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**HELP WANTED**

HELP WANTED: Charleston Filter Service, a locally owned and operated business located in Gassaway, is taking applications for a full-time service technician for changing out filters in HVAC units and body shops. This position does not include any type of repairs on HVAC units so no special certifications are required. We are looking for someone who is hard working that is wanting to stay and learn and grow with our company. A clean driving record is required. This position is Monday through Friday with competitive pay, benefits and insurance available. Resumes may be sent to charlestonfilter@hotmail.com and anyone interested can call Jeff at 304-546-9703, please leave a message if you get voicemail and your call will be returned. 11-01b

HELP WANTED: Camden Family Health, a Federally Qualified Health Center has an opening for a full time Family Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant to work at our Richwood Clinic. Applicable WV License and Board Certification required. Camden Family Health offers a competitive salary and benefit package. If interested apply at camdenfamilyhealth.com We are an EOE 10-25 11-1b

**FOR RENT**

FOR RENT: Three Bedroom Trailer For Rent in Frametown. No pets. \$400 month \$400 Deposit. Call 304-678-0621. 11-01 11-22p

FOR RENT: One bedroom apartment in Gassaway. \$650 per month, includes utilities. \$325 deposit. Call 681-839-8742. 10-25 11-1p

FOR RENT: Single family, 2 bedroom mobile home in Nebo. Nonsmoking unit. Absolutely no pets FIRM. \$600 per month, plus utilities. \$600 security deposit. References required. Background checks performed. 10-25 11-1p

No illegal activities. Now taking applications. Dalmatian Trailer Parks & Properties, LLC. Call 304-765-5071. 10-11 11-1b

BURNSVILLE TRAILER PARK: Trailer lots for rent only, NO trailers for rent! Background check required. Trash & sewer included. Absolutely NO pets! Call (304)853-9103 today. tf

**???? MISC.**

YARD SALE: Saturday, November 5th from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Flatwoods Community Building. Lots of Christmas Décor, New items for gift giving, Kitchen Wares, Home Décor, Blankets, Towels, Sheets, Shoes, Boots, Purse, and much more. Please come! 11-01p

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. 10-25 11-1p

ABSOLUTELY NO TRESSPASSING, HUNTING, HIKING, CAMPING, FISHING AND/OR STOPPING AT ANY TIME ON THE PROPERTY OF TIM AND DAWN LUCAS LOCATED AT 3342 LEATHERWOOD ROAD ON THE BIRCH RIVER IN FRAMETOWN, WEST VIRGINIA. THE PROPERTY IS POSTED AS PRIVATE AND SPRAY PAINTED PURPLE FOR NO TRESPASSERS OR HUNTERS. PRIVATE ROAD IS CLOSED DUE TO PEOPLE DOING DRUGS AND LEAVING TRASH BEHIND. IF YOU ARE ON THE PROPERTY WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM TIM OR DAWN, THERE WILL BE NO WARNINGS. THE POLICE WILL BE CALLED AND CHARGES WILL BE PRESSED. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACCIDENTS OR DEATHS ON THE PROPERTY. EFFECTIVE: OCTOBER 2022-OCTOBER 2023 10-20 11-10p

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WVU Medicine Braxton County Memorial Hospital Employees Recognized for years of service

On Tuesday, October 25th WVU Medicine Braxton County Memorial Hospital Administration, along with assistance from the Employee Engagement Committee hosted an Employee Appreciation event to honor employees who had reached a milestone for years of service or retired in 2022. This event was planned by the Employee Engagement Committee and was hosted at Days Inn and Suites Conference Center in Flatwoods, WV. The event kicked off with words of appreciation from CEO, Louis

Roe. Roe thanked those present for joining him in showing appreciation to team members for their years of dedication to both BCMH and their communities. He thanked them for remaining steadfast and unfaltering, particularly during the past few years which have been difficult given the pandemic. He commented that it was the employees who make BCMH a success; stating that it was an honor for him to recognize them for their efforts.

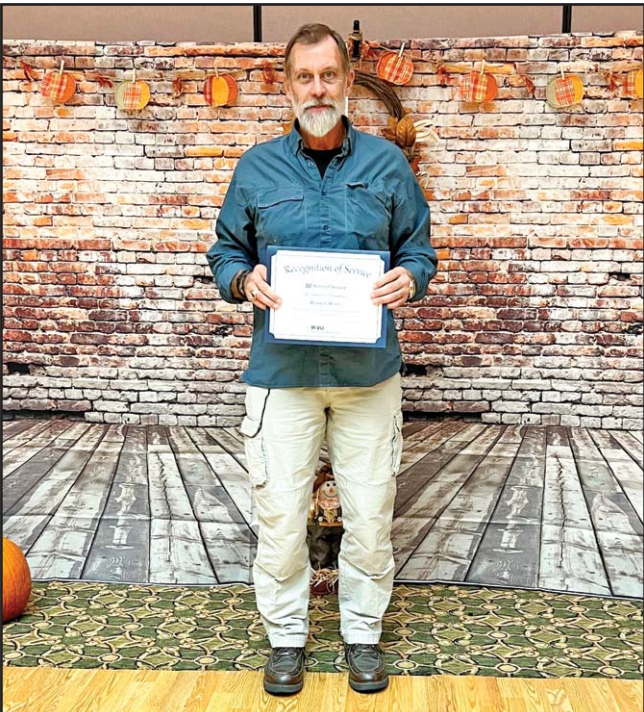
Following opening remarks, the invocation

was provided by Delegate Brent Boggs who has served on the Board of Directors for the past several years. Prior to offering prayer, Brent thanked the award-ees for their service to the community and to BCMH as well. After invocation, attendees were treated to a meal and enjoyed some fellowship time prior to the issuance of awards. The awards portion of the evening included honoring twenty-eight team members for milestones ranging from 5 to 40

years of service, as well as six retirees. The hard work and dedication of an entire team is vital to the success of any organization. Because of the commitment of the entire BCMH team, the hospital has been successful in providing the community with quality healthcare since it's inception more than four decades ago.



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