

# Expired registration leads to drug arrests

Deputy A.L. Groves of the Braxton County Sheriff's Department spotted a Chevrolet Suburban with an expired registration just after 5:00 a.m. Sunday, January 23. When the officer stopped the vehicle, he discovered it was occupied by Anthony Paletti of Flatwoods and Melissa S. Thompson of Gassaway. During initial questioning Deputy Groves found the driver, Paletti, to be, what he termed in the criminal complaint "extremely nervous." Cpl. C.E. Westfall arrived on scene and witnessed the same activity. Based on the suspicious behavior, the officers requested that Chief S.L. Brown of the Flatwoods Police Department bring his K-9, Breck, to the scene. When Chief



Brown deployed his dog on the vehicle it gave a positive indication on the driver's door. A search of the vehicle followed and revealed a set of digital scales found in Ms. Thompson's purse. The K-9 also gave a positive indication on Ms. Thompson's person. Questioning by the officers led to Thompson confessing that she had illegal substances in her pants which she voluntarily retrieved. Upon examination, officers found one bag contained a large amount of a brown powdery substance

believed to be Heroin. A second bag contained a crystal-like substance believed to be methamphetamine. The female told the officers that Paletti had instructed her to put the substances in her pants when officers initiated the traffic stop. Officers also confiscated \$716 in cash from the driver's person. Both were arrested on two charges of possession of a controlled substance with the intent to deliver and one count of conspiracy. They were arraigned before Braxton County Magistrate David Singleton who set their bond at \$25,000 cash only for each of them. At press-time both were still lodged in the Central Regional Jail in lieu of that bond awaiting further court proceedings.

# B of E Holds Meeting

The Braxton County Board of Education conducted their most recent meeting on January 18. Evelyn Post opened the meeting thanking Superintendent Kathy Hypes for closing the schools recently due to the inclement weather. Board President DeAnna Whipkey thanked new board member Martha Dean for stepping up to fill the seat left on the park board after the resignation of David Hoover. She also asked the other board members to consider stepping in to fill the other vacancy on the WV Extension Agency Board. She reminded board members the WV School Board Association winter conference will be held on February 18 and 19 in Charleston. Options for attending livestream or in person are available. Deadline is February 10. Evelyn Post discussed issues coming up in the current legislative term concerning school systems. She encouraged board members to provide input to their representatives on these issues that will impact our county. Superintendent Hypes reminded board members starting at the next regular meeting the schools will be coming two at a time to complete their LSIC presentations. She then discussed the new covid guidelines presented by the state. She discussed the isolation and quarantine guidelines for universal masking and how vaccination status affects that. Superintendent Hypes discussed the different symptoms being seen with the omicron

variant including it being more of an upper respiratory issue. She informed the board she is looking into the possibility of starting a county screening program for all schools which will include "test to stay" and "test to play" strategies for students. This will allow students to stay in school with negative testing as an alternative to quarantining at home. Student athletes would also be able to test, if exposed, in order to participate in sporting events. Superintendent Hypes is hoping to be able to find a state approved laboratory to work with on this program to get it started. She also discussed the state started a new practice in which every school must submit confirmed positive cases by 5:00 pm on Sunday for the previous Sunday through Saturday time period into statewide school surveillance. The information will be reported to the health department. She noted that the recent closures of classrooms have been due more to staff shortages than to outbreaks. Only two of the classrooms closed were due to a virus outbreak. Superintendent Hypes briefly reported on the enrollment numbers for the past two fiscal years and per pupil expenditures. The numbers show the expenditures for all funding, local, state and federal, as well as food programs and salaries. Enrollment has been declining every year. She discussed the declining numbers is a combination of the pandemic and a

drop in population. Evelyn Post discussed looking into using local funds to provide optical and dental insurance for employees. Board members noted the budget would need to look 10+ years out to see if it would be an option long term in the budget. That way it would not be something given to employees then have to be removed in just a few years' time due to the budget cuts. The following consent agenda items were approved: approval of January 4 meeting and January 5 work session; approval of transportation requests; payment of bills; and budget transfers and supplements. The board approved the following service and extra-curricular recommendations: employment for Ashley Mollohan, substitute aid, Samantha Davis, preschool supervisory/instructional/transportation aide/ECCAT, Burnsville, and Jamie Given, assistant wrestling coach, BCHS; and resignation for Schannon Dennison, substitute custodian. The board approved the fundraisers as they were presented. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 1 at 6:00 pm. As always, members of the Braxton County community are encouraged to attend regular board meetings. Any parent or concerned community member wishing to speak as a delegate or with public concerns may do so by signing in up to 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

# Burnsville News...

**Veteran's Banners:** The Town of Burnsville is now accepting sponsors for their Hometown Hero Veteran's Banners which will be hung on the street poles in Burnsville. There are a limited number of poles and will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Deadline for orders is

February 15th. For more information, please contact the Mayor's office at 304-853-2605. **Spaghetti Dinner:** The Burnsville Freedom Festival will be hosting a dine-in or carry out Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, February 12th from 3-6pm at the Burnsville Community

Center. Family/kids pictures can also be taken with the Lady and the Tramp backdrop. Menu includes spaghetti, salad, bread, drink & dessert. Price is by donation only. To place a carry out order on the day of the dinner please call Suzanne at 304-402-8853 or Deanna at 304-678-9145.

# County 9-1-1 call volume drops slightly in 2021

At last Friday's Braxton County Commission meeting OES/9-1-1 Director John Hoffman presented a report that detailed the number of times individuals called the emergency communications center during the calendar year of 2021. Those numbers reflect a slight decrease in the total number of calls received. Hoffman stated the decline was a reflection of decreased activity due to the COVID pandemic and an 8.5% decrease in the

county's population that was reflected in the latest census. Braxton Control handled a staggering total of 29,779 during 2021. That equates to an average of 81.5 calls during every 24 hours period. Of that call volume, 8,707 were 9-1-1 type calls. A break down of those calls reveal 2,791 pertained to the various law enforcement agencies in the county. The seven fire departments in the county received 1,298 calls during the pe-

riod. Two thousand ninety-four of those calls were relayed to the Emergency Ambulance Service. The Office of Emergency Services handled 9 calls. Though the total number of calls may be down slightly that doesn't translate into less work for the two-person teams of dispatchers that work around the clock. In time of major or multiple emergencies it is not uncommon for the communications center to receive hundreds of calls in a single hour.

# Braxton included in FEMS emergency funding

On Tuesday, U.S. Senator Joe Manchin, member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, announced \$2,134,042 from the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has been allocated to counties across West Virginia as part of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program. Braxton County is among the areas receiving the funding. This funding will be used to provide food and housing to West Virginians experiencing food insecurity and homelessness. The American Rescue Plan provided \$1,611,995 through FEMA and the remaining \$522,047 was allocated through annual appropriations. "Every West Virginian should have access to quality, affordable food and a roof over their head at night. Addressing food insecurity and housing instability continues to be one of my top priorities, and I am pleased FEMA is investing more than \$2 million across the state to provide food and housing assistance to West Virginians in need. Three

quarters of this funding is allocated through the American Rescue Plan, which has been a lifeline for many West Virginians currently experiencing homelessness," said Senator Manchin. "I will continue to advocate for funding and resources to support West Virginians experiencing homelessness." Braxton County will receive \$15,813 in funding through the American Rescue Plan. The county will also receive \$5,116 in additional funding through annual appropriations.

# Magistrates Report

**Magistrate Beth Smith January 18:** Charles R. Allen of Burnsville, possession of meth, guilty plea, transportation of prohibited items onto jail grounds, no probable cause found, possession with intent to deliver, no probable cause found, officer no longer with department, 90 days of jail with credit for time served of 18 days, remainder suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed; Carrie Nicole Brown of Sutton, obstructing an officer, guilty plea, obstructing an officer, dismissed per plea, battery on government employee, dismissed per plea, domestic assault, dismissed per plea, domestic battery, dismissed per plea, 30 days of jail with credit for time served of five days, remainder suspended and placed on seven months unsupervised probation, fine/court costs assessed. **January 19:** Fnu Mohibulla of Rockwell, TX, obstructing an officer x4, fleeing on foot, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$7500 cash or surety. **January 23:** Jerry Ray Hart of Sutton, possession with intent to deliver x2, meth and fentanyl, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only.

rest, bond set at \$35,000 cash only; Bridgette Jayne Bender of Frametown, possession with intent to deliver x2, meth and fentanyl, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$35,000 cash only. **Magistrate David Singleton January 23:** Anthony Paletti of Flatwoods, possession with intent to deliver x2, meth and heroin, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only; Melissa S. Thompson of Gassaway, possession with intent to deliver x2, meth and heroin, conspiracy, warrantless arrest, bond set at \$25,000 cash only.

# Sutton Town Council holds work session

The Common Council of the Town of Sutton met for a work session on Tuesday evening, January 11, 2022 in the Council Chambers on the first floor of the Municipal Building. Mayor JD Hoover called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Present were council members: Marsha Lloyd, Catherine Hoover, Robyn Dolan, Steve Facemire and Beth Atkins. Recorder Laurel Petolicchio was absent due to illness. Also present were Becky and Randy Conrad. The council discussed the SCDC- Sutton Community Development Corporation's plans for the city. Becky Conrad gave a brief history of the SCDC, how it was formed and what they are working on. They request a liaison be ap-

pointed from the council to attend their meetings to promote more cohesion between the two organizations. They presented a list of projects that they are considering. They wanted the council's input so that they could finalize their projects at their planning meeting on January 20th. The council decided not to go further with the community park on Main Street in the burned out building that Craig Smith donated to the town. All other projects the council was in support of. The council discussed holding a public auction. It will be called a surplus sale to be held on January 29, 2022 10:00am - 2:00pm, at the old Act II building on the corner of Main St and Haymond Ave. All items in the building will be sold.

A notice will be put in the paper, flyers will be displayed throughout the community and surrounding areas, and notification will be placed on the town webpage. Also town council would like to encourage the community to use the town webpage, www.Suttonwv.com, for notifications and information. Council members also discussed fixing all the plumbing in the community building using the American Cares Act Funds. The Town of Sutton has several applicants to interview at the next regular meeting which was briefly discussed. The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.



OBITUARIES

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at a later date.

(In lieu of flowers) Contributions can be made to the Kuhn/Woodring fund at the Community Foundation of Washington County, 37 S. Potomac Street, Hagerstown, MD 21740, or the Pavilion Fund at Cornerstone Community Church, 20510 Beaver Creek Road, Hagerstown, MD 21749.

**Charles Robert Garvin “Chuck”**  
Charles Robert Garvin “Chuck”, age 90 of Flatwoods, WV passed away peacefully on January 15, 2022 he was born January 13, 1932 in Centralia, WV to Jarvis and Ona (Clutter) Garvin. Charles enjoyed spending time with his family, grandchildren, and friends.



Charles served in the United States Army for five years during the Korean War. He received his purple heart and a bronze star; however, this was something he rarely spoke of. He was a very dedicated worker and was most recently employed as a full-time security guard up until his retirement in August of 2021 at the age of 89. He never met a stranger and he always went above and beyond to help others. Charles was a devoted member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

He is preceded in death by his parents Jarvis and Ona (Clutter) Garvin,

his brothers Woodrow Garvin, Adren Garvin, his sisters Emma (Garvin) Parker, Cleo (Garvin) Williams, Lorraine (Garvin) Lunceford, and an infant son Charles Brewster. His survivors include his sisters Louise (Garvin) Hines, Marjorie (Garvin) McCourt, brother in law and best friend James Lunceford, seven children Janet Quick, Javis Brewster, Candy Leach, William Garvin, Andrea Ramona, Sophronia Liplin, Crystal Pequignot, 17 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, and several step children. Charles was very loved and will be greatly missed.

As per his request there will be no services.

**Ruby Francis (Jones) Butcher**  
Ruby Francis (Jones) Butcher, 96, of Glenville, WV; formerly of Troy, WV; passed away in the afternoon of January 17, 2022 at the Genesis Health Care Glenville Center.

She was born April 4th 1925 near Cox’s Mills, WV. Her parents were Adam Jones and Edna (Shackelford) Jones. She was preceded in death by her husband, Uriu Butcher, who died at the age of 96 in 2000. They were married for 56 years. She was the last surviving member of a family of 19 children.

She is survived by her son David Butcher and wife Beverly (Seckman) Butcher of Washington, WV and her daughter Virginia (Butcher) Heater and husband Louie Heater of Huntsville, Alabama.

She has four grandchildren; Danny Heater (Christy) Jennifer Butcher, David Butcher and Dawn Butcher (Peter). She has four Great Grandchildren; Susan Heater, Dakota Ellison, Derrick Ellison and Emma Grace Butcher

and one Great Grandson, Kaden Ellison.

She was preceded in death by four brothers Ray Jones, Raymond Jones, Don Jones and Claude Jones and five sisters Nellie Woofter (Jim), Ellenora Horner (Darrel), Bonnie Williams (Russell) Brenice Young (Ross) and Mary McCartney (Willard). Also preceding her were nine half brothers and sisters.

Ruby was a Christian of Faith and a 70+ year member of the Troy United Brethern/United Methodist Church. For many years she was a Sunday school teacher and leader of the church youth group. She loved working with children.

She was a very hard worker, a homemaker, farmer, carpenter, and could make about anything. After her kids were grown she worked doing home health care and worked for several years at Sommerville’s Store in Linn, WV.

Her joys in life were caring for her grandchildren and playing with them on the farm. She liked gardening, quilting, sewing, taking care of her herd of sheep and most of all visiting people and helping anyone she could.

A funeral service was conducted at the Ellyson Mortuary, Inc., 2 Vanhorn Drive, Glenville, WV; 26351 at 1:00 PM; Saturday, January 22, 2022 with Rev. Bill Hunt officiating. Burial followed in the Troy IOOF cemetery in Troy. Friends were received from 12:00 Noon -1:00 PM Saturday at the mortuary in Glenville.

Ellyson Mortuary, Inc., is honored to assist the family of Ruby F. Butcher with arrangements.

**Ronald Eugene Conner**  
Ronald Eugene Conner, 57, of Sutton, went home to be with his Lord on Saturday, January 15, 2022 at his residence.



He was born July 24, 1964, in Elyria, OH, the son of the late, David William & Lois Ann Garrettson Conner. Also preceding him in death was his daughter, Latasha Shey Wood-Conner.

Ronald was a Barber in the Braxton County area for many years and a member of Polemic Run Baptist Church.

He is survived by his son, Justin Garrett Conner of Sutton; brothers, Rodney David Conner of Martinsburg, WV, Robert Alan Conner (Lora) of Sutton; nieces, Brittany Conner, Amber Conner, Chyenne

Conner; nephew, David Conner; and Ronald’s loving dog, Elvis.

Memorial service in his honor was held 12:00 pm, Saturday, January 22, 2022 at Polemic Run Baptist Church, Polemic Run Rd. Sutton, with Rev. Chip Rose officiating.

Greene-Robertson Funeral Home is humbly serving the Conner family.

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

**Bettie Lou Jarvis**  
Bettie Lou Jarvis, 82, of Gassaway, passed away on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at the WV Caring Hospice Center, Elkins, WV.



She was born February 16, 1939 at Duck, WV to the late Jessie J. and Lucretia Tanner Paintiff.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her grandson, Adam Rollyson; brothers, Grover, Richard, Walt, Tom, Roy, and Russell; and sisters, Blanche, Ruby, and Stella.

Bettie was a homemaker and also worked for a while at Jim’s Roller Rink. She truly enjoyed taking care of her yard and loved the outdoors. Birdwatching was one of her hobbies. She liked to watch the Walker Texas Ranger TV Show and liked to listen to bluegrass music. Bettie was an avid quilter. She was a Christian by faith and was ready to go to her heavenly home. She was a problem solver who had high standards. Bettie loved her family and she will truly be missed.

Left to cherish her memories are her sons, Chelsie “Bud” Rollyson and companion, Renee Rollyson, and John Jarvis and wife, Vicki, all of Gassaway; grandchildren, Amber Francis and husband, Mike, Kristie Arbogast and husband, Bryant, Joshua Brown, Chelsea Sartin and husband, Danny, and Samantha Scarff; and sister, Bessie Rice. She is also survived by several great and great great grandchildren and her dog, Scooter.

Bettie’s graveside service was 1 P.M. Saturday, January 22, 2022 at Walnut Grove Cemetery, Strange Creek with Reverend Linn Schiefer officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Roach Funeral Home, 708 Braxton Street, Gassaway, WV 26624

to assist with funeral expenses.

Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at [www.roachfuneralhome.com](http://www.roachfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements by Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway, WV.

**Donald Ray Chapman**  
Donald Ray Chapman, 93, of Gassaway, WV, went home to be with the Lord on January 15, 2022 at WV Caring, Elkins, WV, with his loving, devoted wife of 67 years, Bessie, at his side.



Due to Covid-19 protocols, his daughter, Sheila, was not permitted to stay with him.

Donald was born on November 18, 1928.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil Ray and Elva Gay Chapman; brothers, Calvin Chapman, Robert “Jack” Chapman, Eugene “Gene” Chapman, and sister, Elsie Greene.

He is survived by his wife, Bessie, Gassaway; daughter, Sheila (Bill) Powers, Gassaway; granddaughters, Dawn Rae (David) Smith, Athens, WV and Allison (Doug) Beall, Normantown, WV; great-grandchildren, Kennedy Smith, Athens; Brody, Joel, Brooklyn, and Baby Beall on the way, all of Normantown; and several nieces and nephews. Also surviving is a sister, Anna Blair Reed, Clarksburg; and brother-in-law, Ronald “Don” Sears, Florida.

Donald was a self-employed painter for several years until he started working for Columbia Gas until he retired. He was a proud Air Force veteran. One of his assignments as an MP was a personal chauffeur for a general in Italy. At one time, Donald was a member of Engel Chapel, Gassaway.

Donald was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He loved his family and was always excited when he knew the grandchildren and great-grandchildren were coming to visit. Donald was a big fan of WVU basketball and football. He looked forward to watching the games until macular degeneration took his eye sight. After that, he continued to enjoy WVU games with the assistance of his son-in-law, Bill, telling him what was happening in the course of the

games. Family Feud was another TV show he enjoyed. Donald was especially fond of his Pomeranian, King. He was a great guitarist (Chet Adkins style) and enjoyed playing with friends until he could not play any longer. His favorite song to play was the hymn, “In the Garden”.

Donald endured several debilitating health issues of which he never complained leaving him blind, with very limited ability to walk, talk, or hear. Now he can do them all and we are so thankful for that.

The family would like to thank the doctors and staff at the VA hospital, Clarksburg, WV; the Braxton County Senior Center; WV Caring, Elkins, and the nurses who came to the house for care Donald received. Thanks for all who gave prayers, sent cards, called, and brought food. May god bless you all.

A private graveside service with military rites was held at the Sugar Creek Cemetery, near Gassaway, with Pastor Joe Bob Truman officiating. The family would like to thank Pastor Joe Bob Truman for presiding over the graveside service and to Roach Funeral Home, Gassaway, WV, for handling the arrangements.

Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at [www.roachfuneralhome.com](http://www.roachfuneralhome.com).

**Teresa Elizabeth Wentz**

Teresa Elizabeth Wentz, 52, of Easley, SC, formerly of Webster Springs, West Virginia, passed away on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at home.



She was born February 18, 1969, at Webster County Memorial Hospital to Sherley Ilene Simmons Wentz and the late George Wentz.

Teresa was a 1987 graduate of Webster County High School, and then went on to obtain a Journalism degree from West Virginia University and her Masters degree from the University of South Carolina.

In addition to her loving mother of Easley, SC, she is survived by brother, David Wentz (Donna) of Fountain Inn, SC; two nephews, Jeramey Wentz (Melissa), Joshua Wentz (Constance); and niece, Jessica Wentz (Justin Armitage).

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Ezra and Leafie Simmons and paternal grandparents, Richard and Sarah Ina Wentz.

A visitation will be held Wednesday, January 19, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. until 6:45 p.m. at Thomas McAfee Funeral Homes, Southeast, with the funeral service to follow at 7:00 p.m. in the Southeast Chapel.

A visitation will also be held 1pm- 2pm, Saturday, January 22, 2022 at Dodd & Reed Funeral Home, Webster Springs. Graveside service will follow upon our arrival to Hacker Valley Cemetery, Hacker Valley, WV; at approximately 2:45pm.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.doddreedfh.com](http://www.doddreedfh.com)

Dodd & Reed Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Wentz family.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-00000048 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC  
To: DEBORAH ANN WASLYK, OCCUPANT, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT BIRCH MAP 3J PARCEL 0005 0000

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000048, 35AC STEER CREEK, located in BIRCH, which was returned delinquent in the name of WASYLYK DEBORAH ANN, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$868.75

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$695.83

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,107.29

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$129.39

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$2,801.26

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return to: WV State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2 1-27 2-10b

## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000056 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC  
To: CAMDEN FOX HRS, FRED FOX, JANE CUTLIP, ROY CUTLIP, JOAN SHRIVER, JOHN HALL, JOHN HALL, EARL FOX, HERMAN FOX, JENNIE HALL, AUGUSTA CURVY, ANNA FAST, GORDON FOX, JOHN FOX, GEORGE FOX, AGNES JANE FOX, REBECCA DUFFIELD, ELLE DUFFIELD, ANNA JEAN GREENE, FRED FOX II, KELLEY ANNHALL, LEAH FOX, LEAH FOX MORRISON, MARY ANN HALL, HOLLY ANN HALL CONRAD, ROBERT R HALL, ROBERT A HALL, LELAND SHRIVER,

JUDY TULLY, JUDY TILLY, JUDITH TULLY, GEORGE FOX, SUSAN FOX, THE HEIRS OF CAMDEN FOX, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CAMDEN FOX, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT BIRCH MAP 9999 PARCEL 0001 9910

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000056, OG 1/2 OF 81 AC TATE, located in BIRCH, which was returned delinquent in the name of FOX CAMDEN HRS, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$103.30

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$8.86

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,522.11

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$4,565.81

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$6,200.08

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return to: WV State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2 1-27 2-10b

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2020-S-000000057, OG 1/2 OF 73 AC N S ELK, located in BIRCH, which was returned delinquent in the name of FOX CAMDEN HRS, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$102.30

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$7.96

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,537.35

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$4,708.94

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$6,356.55

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000058 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC  
To: CAMDEN FOX HRS, FRED FOX, JANE CUTLIP, ROY CUTLIP, JOAN SHRIVER, JOHN HALL, JOHN HALL, EARL FOX, HERMAN FOX, JENNIE HALL, AUGUSTA CURVY, ANNA FAST, GORDON FOX, JOHN FOX, GEORGE FOX, AGNES JANE FOX, REBECCA DUFFIELD, ELLE DUFFIELD, ANNA JEAN GREENE, FRED FOX II, KELLEY ANNHALL, LEAH FOX, LEAH FOX MORRISON, MARY ANN HALL, HOLLY ANN HALL CONRAD, ROBERT R HALL, ROBERT A HALL, LELAND SHRIVER, JUDY TULLY, JUDY TILLY, JUDITH TULLY, GEORGE FOX, SUSAN FOX, THE HEIRS OF CAMDEN FOX, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT BIRCH MAP 9999 PARCEL 0001 9930

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000058, OG 1/2 OF 32 AC N S ELK, located in BIRCH, which was returned delinquent in the name of FOX CAMDEN HRS, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$97.37

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$3.43

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,522.11

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$4,565.81

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$6,188.72

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000061 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC

To: MAURICE K BEARESE, ANNE L BEARESE, MAURICE BEARESE, ANNE BEARESE, ANNE L BEARESE, MAURICE BEARESE, JAMES DOUGLAS, ELAINE DOUGLAS, BEARESE MAURICE, BEARESE ANNE L, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT BIRCH MAP 9999 PARCEL 0571 0001

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000061, 71 ACRES OG UPPER MILL RUN UNDER 4T-14, located in, BIRCH

which was returned delinquent in the name of BEARESE MAURICE K, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$111.20

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$16.10

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,140.95

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$717.56

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$1,985.81

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000062 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC

To: DOROTHY SHOLES FRITZ, JOHN SHOLES, DOROTHY SHOLES FRITZ, DOROTHY SHOLES FRITZ, OCCUPANT, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT BURNSVILLE CORP MAP 4 PARCEL 0142 0001

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000062, .5AC BURNSVILLE, located in BURNSVILLE CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of FRITZ DOROTHY SHOLES, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$498.89

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$390.46

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the

sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,101.25

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$258.78

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$2,249.38

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000064 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC

To: COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, LARRY METZ, ANR COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, LARRY METZ, LARRY METZ, BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY LLC, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT HOLLY MAP 9Q PARCEL 0102 0000

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000064, 1.10 AC WOLF & BUCKEYE 1780, located in HOLLY, which was returned delinquent in the name of COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$119.69

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$24.96

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,173.97

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$345.04

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$1,663.66

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000070 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC

To: COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY LLC, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT HOLLY MAP 9T PARCEL 0019 0001

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000070, 9.5AC BIRCH, located in HOLLY, which was returned delinquent in the name of COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$198.76

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31,

2022. -\$98.75

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,143.47

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$258.78

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$1,699.76

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000072 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC

To: COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY LLC, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT HOLLY MAP 10Q PARCEL 0024 0003

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000072, 21.96AC WOLF CREEK, located in HOLLY, which was returned delinquent in the name of COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. -\$291.63

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2022. -\$186.63

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$1,174.81

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. -\$258.78

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Lou Dellamea, Sheriff and Treasurer of Braxton County. -\$1,191.85

Cost of Certification of Redemption – cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor. -\$35.00 You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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## NOTICE TO REDEEM

2020-S-000000073 - Braxton County – WVTL LLC

To: COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, BROOKS RUN MINING COMPANY LLC, IRS, ATTN: TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP MANAGER, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all unknown heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. DISTRICT HOLLY MAP 10Q PARCEL 0032 0001

You will take notice that WVTILLC, the purchaser of tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-000000073, 22.21AC WOLF CREEK 1785B, located in HOLLY, which was returned delinquent in the name of COASTAL COAL-WEST VIRGINIA LLC, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Braxton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 20th day of October, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The

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## Meet a Food Banker

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## Town of Sutton Surplus Sale

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Hannah is ready to be a part of your family, give her a good home

## Flatwoods Elementary Town Hall meeting

On February 1 at 6:00, Flatwoods Elementary will host a Town Hall Meeting for the Local School Improvement Council, in the school cafeteria. Safety and Covid protocols will be followed during the meeting. This is a great opportunity to find out what is going on at the school, and express any concerns you may

have. Community members, parents, staff, and families are welcome to attend, to discuss topics such as data, goals, and needs for overall school success. This meeting, and team of individuals will be used to continue the growth of Flatwoods Elementary School in the Local School Improvement process.

As the holiday approached, we remind you that pets are a lifetime commitment, and not just a present for under the tree on Christmas morning.

Just One Generation recommends that new pets NOT be introduced to a household on or at Christmas morning, but rather several weeks before or after the event.

This gives all the best chance for the pet to adapt to its new environment.

Just One Generation cat rescue was formed in 2013 to help address the severe feline overpopulation problem in our area.

All of our adoptable cats and kittens are looking for indoor homes, and are litter box trained, social, have been vaccinated, dewormed, and received topical flea protection.

Spay/neuter/rabies is included with our modest adoption fee of \$35, and older kittens and cats may already be done at the time of placement.

This week we feature two current residents in our program who are currently looking for homes. More adoptable animals can be viewed on petfinder.com by entering a search for CATS at location 26623, or by LIKING our Facebook page. Additional information can be obtained by calling Sally Stewart at 304-364-4136.

DJ: Three year old male. Tuxedo. Neutered. Short-haired. Very gentle and submissive but intimidated around larger male cats.

HANNAH: Three month old female tortoiseshell. Has received all basic medical care including testing for feline leukemia. Spay/rabies vaccine scheduled.



Braxton County Middle School Wrestlers

## Braxton Middle wrestlers place second in Quest in the Nest

Braxton Middle School's wrestling team consists of seven wrestlers, short of a full team. Saturday, that team wrestled in the East Fairmont tournament, Quest in the Nest, and placed second. Knights' coach Tyler Moore noted that the success of his athletes depended upon their pinning their opponents. Basically, that's what they did.

The Knights, despite their small number, began by winning their pool and advancing to the championship rounds. In round one of pool matches, Braxton defeated North Marion 30-12 with six Knights collecting pins instead of decisions. In round two, Braxton outwrestled South Morgantown with five Knights winning by pins. In round three of pool play, the

Knights, with six wrestlers pinning their opponents, defeated Gilmer County.

In the championship rounds, Braxton faced East Fairmont, host of the tournament, and Mountaineer Mon. In the first round of the championships Mountaineer Mon, whom Coach Morlan described as "a solid team from top to bottom and each match is a fight," defeated Braxton 75-12. He continued to explain that his wrestlers "were able to to go the distance in that match and improve on a couple of the matches."

In round two, all seven Braxton wrestlers won by pins to defeat East Fairmont 42-36. "Before the match, we discussed how the only way we could beat East Fairmont was for everyone to get

pins in their matches, and that's exactly what they did," Coach Morlan explained.

Going undefeated for the day were Eliah Moore and Dylan Foster. Paxton Smith, Hunter Short, Landon Mays, and Bradyn Morris were 4-1 for the tournament, and Gabriel Hacker finished 3-2.

Coach Morlan commented on his wrestlers' accomplishment Saturday. "I am happy with how the boys wrestled," he said. "With two tournaments being cancelled last week and only being able to practice one day this past week, the boys pushed themselves to finish on top"

This week, the Knights wrestle at Gilmer Wednesday. They will compete in WSAZ's Tournament Friday and Saturday.

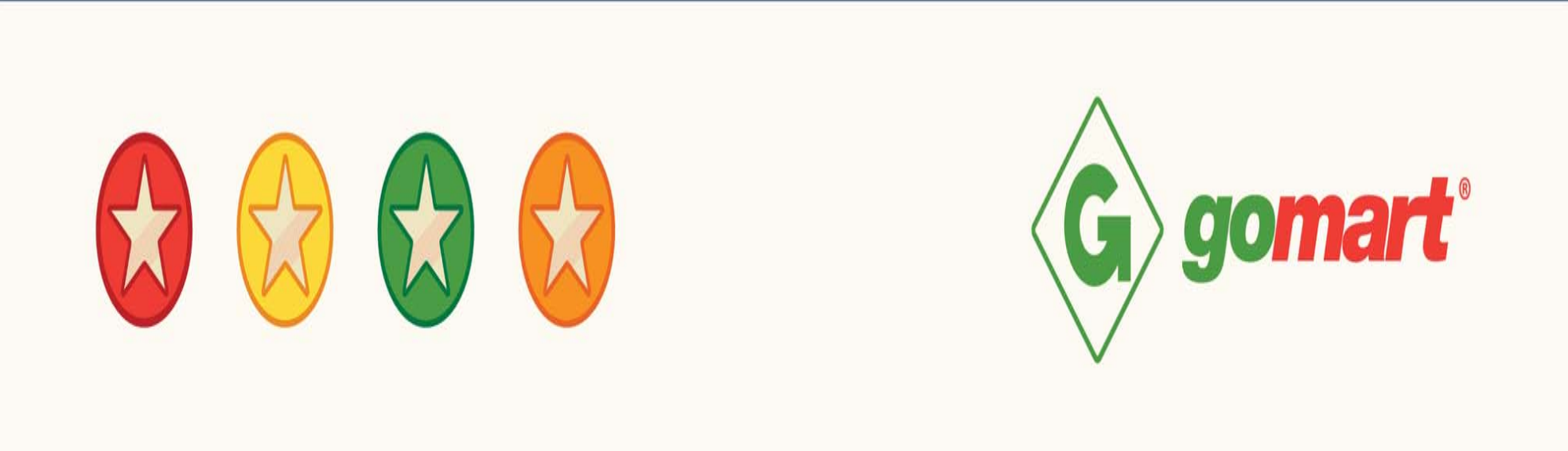


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Thinking of our long time of little or no visiting due to Covid and then the extreme weather. As of next weekend, I will have lived 88 years. Things have really changed when I think of how we fill in our hours during these stay-at-home days. I have this computer and can catch up on some correspondence more easily than I did in the past. In those days it was either a written note or an expensive long-distance call. We had no T.V. in those days. We played games, but not electronic ones. We did listen to the radio and had special ones we learned to love in those years. Our imagination was our “television”! We could “see” the people and the happenings. I wonder if that was a stimulant to our brains, our imagination. I found the following memories in some things written by my brother, Sonny. My younger brother, Sammy, drew pictures of things he thought of, remarkable pictures which led him to a career in advertising ads back before computers, so his ads were hand drawn for the newspapers in D. C.. Following is a letter written from somewhere Sonny was living or working and he is obviously

very homesick: From a letter written home (Harry V. Wiant, Feb. 18, 1962) “I can see the two maples, bare of leaves at this time of year, the long steps, and the house so full of good memories and love. The river flows as it did when I probed its secrets with Toby, the old shop kind of misses being used as a saloon for cowboy games, the ashes of many a campfire where we slept could still be found in the fields and woods. I miss the special sound of the wind around the eaves of the house when one is snug under many quilts, sounds that can never be duplicated elsewhere. The best the world has ever seen envied the foxes, for the Son of Man had no place to lay his head. Man, the smartest of the creatures, leaves the fields of home, driven by the need for success and fortune. Life that is less wise stays on familiar trails. In this respect is man the wiser? He searches through the world for he knows not what and forever dreams of the fields of home. “Mid pleasures or palaces” he fails to find what he left. That will only be found again in the better land.” Then in another letter from Sonny, he is again lonely and homesick, I

## Finding happiness in hard times

**By: Jeanette Riffle**  
I was reading an article in the AARP Magazine that came in this past week that got me to thinking. It was written by Sari Harrar. Sari has written on health and science for over 25 years and writes frequently for AARP. Three strategies from her course and from other experts have been proven to increase happiness: Connect. Human connection is the classic recipe, the chicken soup for happiness. Good relationships keep us happier and healthier. A sense of joy can reduce inflammation and stress that over time can break down joints, your cardiovascular system and your brain. It is not the number of friends we have but the quality of our relationships that matter. Move... and Breath. Physical activity can boost your happiness by reducing stress and releasing the feel-good brain chemicals. Some

people get a real mood lift from exercise while others might enjoy spending time in nature. I remember the advice that my specialist, Dr. Courtney, of UHC gave me after my last joint replacement surgery. He said to get up, get dressed up and show up and that was exercise. I have followed his advise as much as possible and it does help to get out of the house on nice days for a change of scenery, fresh air and sunshine, even if I stay in the vehicle. Take a moment to savor. Take a moment to enjoy a sunrise, the morning’s bird song and the joy of our pets. These are a few suggestions or you can recall a cherished memory, play music or linger over some old photos. A regular savoring habit can increase happiness for longer periods of time. Older people who keep themselves physically, mentally and so-

think: From a letter to the folks at home (Sonny, Jan. 14, 1961) “It’s one of those rainy, foggy days, the kind of day one should do no more than throw a chunk of coal on the fire, give the dog a gentle stroke, and go to sleep curled up in the old rocking chair. After a good, long nap, one could make his way to the supper table and the thick slices of homemade bread with big chunks of butter, fresh milk, and everything else that makes a perfect meal, including a man-size serving of apple cobbler. Then, Pat or Mary would play from “The Golden Book of Favorites”, Carry Me Back to Old Virginia, Juanita, and Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes, while we’d sing in happy, if not beautiful, voices. That night, one could snuggle in the big armchair with a good book and a big pan of popcorn. In the still of the night, when the town and the surrounding green hills are at rest, it was good to go out on the porch and take a deep breath of the damp but pure mountain air, then slip off to the big, comfortable bed and heavy, homey quilts. Ah! Home! The memories are burned so deep that neither time nor distance can erase one wonderful detail.” I hope you have enjoyed these thoughts of “HOME” in those wonderful, long-ago days. You can understand why I miss my brothers so much. Maranatha

cially active, don’t get as upset when things go wrong. They focus on the positive, on people and connections. People feel great when they have a sense of purpose. Reaching out to others gets us out of ourselves. This Covid-19 virus has altered our lives in many ways and some people are dealing with fear and anxieties more than ever before. It is vital that we find ways to be happy. Happiness comes from within. The joy of the Lord is my strength and seeking His will each day brings happiness. Many people are depressed after Christmas. We need to reach out to them. I get on the phone and I can connect with relatives and friends on FB. When the weather gets decent so I don’t have to worry about falling on the ice, I can do Drive In Church , again. Until next time, continue to be safe and stay well. God bless and keep you in his care!

## Grow This: West Virginia garden challenge

The Grow This: West Virginia Garden Challenge provides free seeds to anyone in West Virginia who fills out a short survey. Sign-ups for the 2022 season began January 1, 2022. This year’s crops will be Roma tomatoes, cucumbers and Brussels sprouts. Visit the link to sign up here <https://wvu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/>

SV\_0va9aEcMFvgYdGS The program launched in 2018 and, for the first few years, had a few hundred participants statewide. But in 2020, as a result of COVID-19 lockdowns, more than 25,000 people signed up to receive seeds. Many were first-time gardeners. Family Nutrition Program staff also held events around the state

## American Rescue Plan Funds

The Sutton Town council invites anyone interested to attend an open meeting to discuss the funds that were given to the town of Sutton from the American Rescue Plan.

If you have any suggestions for how this money should be spent to benefit the town of Sutton please attend the regular town council meeting Thursday, January 27th 6:00pm.

# On the Other Side of the Mountain

**By Verena Sava**  
My gardening advice is firmly based on organic methods. There is no reason why we can’t raise organic vegetables in a home garden. It is more challenging for a commercial grower or an organic farm operation, but people who decide to go this way have an interest in growing healthy food, raising meat and dairy animals without antibiotics and chemicals and giving them access to pasture and outdoor exposure. With raising our food organically, we make a small contribution to a healthier environment. To make changes, we have to start with tiny steps. By mulching and adding compost and organic matter every year, we prevent loss of topsoil and add to the soil content. There is no big obstacle to replacing chemical fertilizer with organic compounds. Once you have the results of your soil test, all you have to do is try to fix the shortages of nutrients. Chemical fertilizers come with 3 numbers, like 10-10-10. The first number is always the amount of nitrogen available to the crop, the second one is phosphorous and the last one is potash. Each of these nutrients is available in organic form. There are also organic fertilizers that use the three numbers to indicate their content. With a soil test one can easily determine what is needed and we can use single nutrient fertilizers, like bloodmeal, fishmeal, feather meal to fix a lack of nitrogen. Chemical phosphorous is replaced by bonemeal and rock phosphate while potash is supplied with green sand, kelp meal and wood ashes. Alfalfa meal is also a very balanced organic fertilizer. Alfalfa pellets as a livestock feed might be cheaper and easier to find, they can be ground up. However they are not organic, unless they are labeled as such. For small gardens, adding your banana peels and coffee grounds to your compost increases the potash in the pile. Keep in mind that all chemical fertilizers need water to become available to the plant. Water dissolves the fertilizer, and it is the only way to make it work. In drought conditions it would have no benefit to the crop. You question why bother with all the different organic amendments if chemical fertilizer will cover all the needs. This is where the small impact on our surroundings comes in place. Chemical fertilizer only needs to dissolve in water, and it is readily available. The parts that are not used by the crops will run off underground and end up in creeks and rivers that carry the excesses eventually to the ocean where it will lead to algae bloom and pollution. Of course, the run-off from one home garden is not the main culprit, but there are many gardens, many huge farms, all operating on the same premises to apply as much fertilizer as possible, maybe even a second or third application, should big rainfalls have carried away the goodies. Organic fertilizer acts differently. It needs to be broken down by soil microorganisms in order to be available to the plant. They have to essentially decompose before the nutrients become available. This process might take anywhere from 2 to 6 weeks depending on the soil temperature. You can-



Sun over the hill.



Sun behind tree.



Red-bellied Woodpecker

not harm any crops with organic fertilizers because they are slow release and last longer than chemical ones. They are also water insoluble, so there is no contamination to our water sources. They bind soil particles together and give structure to the soil. Healthy soil structure is light and porous, dark in color, has an extremely high capacity to hold water. Crops in such soils can withstand dry periods better. Let me point out that the plant does not make any difference between chemical and organic fertilizers, but when the soil is alive, it does not only provide the three main nutrients, nitrogen, phosphorus and potash but it adds many micro-nutrients to the plant that we desperately need for good health. Never use fresh manure in your garden. It contains harmful bacteria that can be transmitted to us, has some acids harmful to soil dwellers and it robs the soil of nutrients while it decomposes. Compost all animal waste before use. Even big organic farms operate with preserving water sources, practicing biodiversity instead of monocultures that deplete the soil over the years. They, like the home gardener are concerned about keeping the insect population intact by planting pollinating flowers in strips or patches along main crops. It is all about keeping soil alive, creating a balance in our complex environment. A Cornell study finds that soil (crop land) disappears 10 x faster in the US than it can naturally be replenished, estimating that we lose 1.7 billion tons of farmland every year. Add to this flooding, deforestation, change of land use and it amounts to 36 billion tons. It is impossible for me to imagine what this really means. Just think that “making” an inch and a half of topsoil would take 1000 years. We

better take care of the soil that feeds us! Conventional and organic farming will exist side by side. We always hear about the higher cost of organic methods, but nobody ever mentions the damage incurred by pesticides and herbicides which kill insects, microbial life in the soil, fish and the negative impact on human health (cancers). The cause is clear when we suffer damage from an accident, but environmental influences are harder to prove than the effects of an accident. However, looking at farm workers who deal with these chemicals, it is well known that their poor health conditions are closely linked to their jobs. It has become increasingly harder for us to share knowledge. We insist on our own convictions and values even if we don’t conduct any science experiments. We feel threatened and challenged if somebody follows a different path from our own. Everything we undertake is a matter of choice, just like getting vaccinated to protect oneself, one’s family and the people we encounter. We go to the dentist when our tooth gets infected. We get an anesthetic to keep us from feeling pain while our mouth has unpleasant encounters with a drill. We visit our primary care provider, if we feel ill and we have confidence in them and the medicines they prescribe. Science is a tool that allows us to live longer, to live healthier, to know about plant and tree growth, about animal health and behavior, about our planet that is just a tiny spot in our galaxy and seeing the picture of Rising Earth, taken by astronaut Bill Anderson onboard of Apollo 8, this blue, magic marble buzzing with life, we should try our best to protect it, even on a minuscule, personal level.