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War Ridge Free Will Baptist Church to hold revival

The War Ridge Free Will Baptist Church in Wayside will be holding a revival each evening starting on Monday, August 8 at 7 p.m. and continuing through Friday, August 12. The evangelist for our five-day revival will be Reverend Gary Dean from the New Life Free Will Baptist Church in Kissimmee, Florida. Special music will be provided each night. All are invited to attend.

Rudisill family reunion scheduled in Summers County

For immediate release: Summers County (Hinton News) - The Rudisill family reunion will be held on Saturday, August 6 at the Oak Grove Methodist Church in Oak Grove, WV. Family and friends will gather at noon, with a catered dinner being served shortly after. Please call Lois at 304-445-7318 with the number of persons attending. There will be door prizes, an auction and possibly bingo. Please spread the word.

Helping Hands Mini Mart scheduled for Back to School

BY THE MINISTRY PLACE

Just in time for school, The Ministry Place will be having their "Helping Hands Mini Mart" on August 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We have a lot of Men's, Women's and Children's clothing and shoes. It's all in great shape and it's FREE. In addition to clothing, we will have perishable food that is free as well. Plan to come out on August 14 and receive a blessing of "Good Stuff, Free". We look forward to seeing you.

Backyard Ministry to hold Pray at the Park

BY KRIS KELLAN

Backyard Ministry along with local churches will be holding a prayer service at Hinton City Park (across the street from Big Four) on Friday, August 12 at 6:00 p.m. Together we will pray for the children and staff for the upcoming school year. The first 50 children will receive a goody bag. Backyard Ministry is a new group formed by local individuals striving to follow the two golden rules: Love God and love your neighbor as yourself. The group has members of all ages, backgrounds, denominations, etc. and invites anyone and everyone to join and help make our community stronger. For more information, please contact Kris Kellan at kristina.kellan@gmail.com or 304.445.1270

Amanda Wheeler named Summers County Teacher of the Year

BY REBECCA STALNAKER

There are few things as noble as teaching the next generation. It is teachers that shape the future and inspire future leaders. Recently, the recipient of the Summers County 2021/22 Teacher of the Year Award was announced. Talcott Elementary School Kindergarten teacher Amanda Wheeler received the honor. Recently, she spoke about her journey to becoming a teacher and what the award means to her. Additionally, Wheeler talked about the process of becoming Teacher of the Year.

Wheeler's journey did not originate on a path to being an elementary school teacher; however, her passion and dedication to her students are evident when speaking about her class and goals. Initially, Wheeler attended New River Community and Technical College, where she completed an Associate's Degree in Marketing. After spending some time working at the Greenbrier County Chamber of Commerce, she went to Concord University, through which she holds a Bachelor's Degree in Education with an emphasis in Business Education and a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership and Supervision. As

part of gaining her Education Degree, Wheeler spent time student teaching. Specifically, she worked in the business class that once existed at Summers County High School.

While Wheeler was student teaching at SCHS, her mentor planned to retire. She hoped to apply for the position of teaching the business class as soon as it became available. Sadly, the program ended when that teacher retired.

At that point, she spent a few years subbing at the various schools within the county. She said her husband noted a marked difference in her demeanor when she subbed at an elementary school versus the middle or high school. He told her she seemed happier after working at one of the elementary schools. Eventually, she decided to get certification to teach elementary education and landed a full-time job at Talcott Elementary School.

While at Talcott, Wheeler said she found her teaching niche, helping kids learn to read. She said, "I finally found my niche of teaching, and it's teaching kids to read. I love that." This subject was the focus of one of the essays Wheeler had to submit before being chosen as Teacher of the Year.

In her essay, Wheeler

said, "Over the past few years, we (early education teachers) have been teaching students to read using a whole language reading approach with leveled readers and having students memorize sight words, with little phonics instruction. Covid aside, the data that we are seeing from our first through third graders is inadequate. If we encourage teachers to use the Wilson Language programs such as Foundations and provide Heggerty's Phonemic Awareness curriculum, I guarantee our data will raise in the right direction."

Wheeler also had to submit an essay detailing her greatest contribution to the teaching profession. Her opening statement says, "My greatest contribution to the teaching profession is that I have continued to learn outside of my formal college education. Unfortunately, teachers are not being taught the true science of how children learn to read. According to Emily Hanford of APM Reports, the science has shown that systematic, explicit phonics instruction is the necessary foundation for successful reading." She goes on to say, "This fall when I returned to the classroom, I made it my mission to ensure that this year's students would



receive the most systematic, hands-on, explicit phonics instruction that I could provide!"

When talking about her students, Wheeler's love for teaching shines through. She spoke about her student's progression since entering her classroom. She said, "[From] September to February, there was just huge growth, massive amounts."

After teaching Kindergarten for the past four years,

Wheeler is making a change in the coming term. She connected with her students this past year so much, that she decided to move to First Grade with them. Instead of getting a whole new class this coming term, she will reunite with last year's class to guide them through a new year of learning.

When not teaching, Wheeler resides on a farm in Summers County with her husband Shane and their two sons.

NRGRDA convenes July 21 meeting to discuss New River Gorge infrastructure, seeking solutions and funding to address critical priorities

BY NEW RIVER GORGE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Hinton, W.Va. (Hinton News) - The New River Gorge Regional Development Authority (NRGRDA) convened a July 21 meeting at the Summers County Courthouse in Hinton to prioritize regional environmental concerns and seek solutions among the broad-based federal, state, and local officials in attendance.

Jina Belcher, NRGRDA executive director, said the meeting to discuss infrastructure priorities throughout the communities adjacent to the nation's newest national park was driven by the availability of Adam Ortiz, Director of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Region III. "Mr. Ortiz's visit to Summers County offered a ripe opportunity to convene key stakeholders to delve into barriers to implementation of infrastructure projects and explore reworking existing tools so that the unprecedented amount of infrastructure funding is more easily accessed."

NRGRDA staff and Ortiz were part of a group of 29 individuals from the following federal, state, local,

non-profit, and private sectors:

- U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (Ben Spurlock);
- U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (Todd Gunter);
- Chris Brazell, Appalachian Regional Commission Program Manager;
- National Park Service;
- West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection;
- WVU Outdoor Economic Development Collaborative;
- Marshall University;
- Summers County Commission;
- Raleigh County Commission;
- City of Beckley;
- Region 1 and 4 Planning & Development Councils;
- Greenbrier Environmental;
- Mountaineer Gas;
- Steptoe & Johnson; and
- Dig Deep Appalachian Water Project.

Belcher said "NRGRDA has the relationships and credibility to convene key players such as EPA, ARC, NPS and other funding agencies to learn about and

address significant opportunities. The volume and size of proposed projects and needs in the New River Gorge are astronomical, requiring no less than a quarter billion dollars of improvements before we can expect to attract new manufacturers, including outdoor manufacturers, and truly grow the region's economy."

She added that infrastructure in the nation's newest national park is paramount.

"Economic development and sustainable tourism must be preceded by infrastructure maintenance and upgrades at the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve, including water quality."

Leaders of EPA and ARC shared that the two federal agencies are working collaboratively to develop joint programs to address local and regional needs. They praised the New River Gorge local governments and organizations for communicating priorities to state and federal agencies and pledged to keep an open dialogue.

Belcher said it is imperative local regional planning and development councils and economic development



The New River Gorge Regional Development Authority convened a stakeholder meeting with the director of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and key stakeholders July 21 at the Summers County Courthouse to address regional infrastructure priorities. Photo by NRGRDA.

authorities proactively collaborate. "Time and time again, we see organizations providing technical assistance best succeed when they are engaged in local conversations and work alongside community leaders to identify and prioritize projects."

The NRGRDA executive director praised the West Virginia Congressional delegation and state leaders for listening carefully, offering suggested solutions, and actively helping with funding from multiple sources to address the New River Gorge

region's priorities.

"We need large sums of money to spend on single projects that will allow us to drive impact," emphasized Belcher. "We also need streamlined systems to capital stack resources in unique and effective ways."

The EPA regional leader's visit concluded with a tour of one of NRGRDA's property redevelopment projects -- the Hinton Ice House -- which is underway. NRGRDA's Director of Strategic Redevelopment Andrew Davis led the tour of the property

Memories of the past: Summer of the Anaconda

BY LISA ABSHIRE

Have you experienced something in childhood that was so bizarre you feared nobody would believe you? Yeah, me too. This is my story.

It was the summer when I was 11 years old. A creek flowed through the land where we lived. On the other side of the creek was land owned by relatives. My Dad's family had lived there for many years, and we all enjoyed doing things together. One particular relative, Great Aunt Letha, and I enjoyed spending time together picking the blackberries that grew at the end of Mom and Dad's property. They were all tangled up in the fence that separated our property from the neighbor's. Many happy hours were spent picking those berries. Until the evening one warning from my Dad changed everything.

My Dad saw us taking our usual stroll out to the berry patch. It had been a couple of days to allow more berries to ripen. "You better be careful when you get out there," Dad said, "I've been seeing a giant snake twisting through the branches of the berries



Letha Hodge (left) and Denver Abshire (right). Photo by Lisa Abshire.

and trees."

Of course, we thought he was trying to scare us because my Dad was known for pulling pranks. We laughed and asked him to describe it to us. "It's kind of a medium brown with black markings. Real thick like it's huge. I think it's an anaconda".

Even I, who was terrified of snakes, knew anacondas didn't live in West Virginia, so I knew Dad was pulling our leg. We went on out to pick berries as usual.

About 10 minutes into picking, we heard rustling in the branches. We didn't see anything but decided to call it a day.

A few days later, curiosity

got the best of Letha and me, so back to the berry patch, we went, half hoping to see something and half scared at the same time. No sooner had we gotten there than we saw the fence start to shake. As we peered into the foliage, a huge snake body was undulating. It was probably 3-4 inches thick, brown with black markings, and very long because we never saw a tail or head. This was obviously the anaconda my Dad had warned us about! We took off running fast as we could. As we went by my Dad's work building, I swear I heard a giggle.

And that's the story of my anaconda summer.

August Activities for Summers County Council on Aging

Monday, Aug. 1 - BINGO at 10 a.m. followed by Drums Alive at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 2 - Canvas painting at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 3 - Summers County Senior Center Quilters meet at 10 a.m. There will also be live music at the same time.

Thursday, Aug. 4 - Group singing at 10:30 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Butch Honaker at 11 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 5 - Rag wreath crafts at 10 a.m. and special birthday party with singing by Faron Young at 11 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 8 - BINGO at 10 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Scott Ross at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 9 - Games at 10 a.m. and The Price is Right Gameshow at 11 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 10 - Blood pressure clinic by Liz Goodson at 10 a.m. and birdhouse painting at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 11 - BINGO at 10 a.m. followed by speaker Jan Ad-

kins, Medicare Counselor on the topic Medicare Minutes for August at 11 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 12 - Movie and popcorn at the center, Facing the Giants at 9:45 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 15 - BINGO at 10 a.m. and sharing life stories chit chat at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 16 - Senior's trip to the West Virginia State Fair. Must sign up to go.

Wednesday, Aug. 17 - Summers County Senior Center Quilters meet at 10 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 18 - Group singing at 10:30 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Gary Adkins at 11 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 19 - BINGO at 10 a.m. followed by speaker Julie Key, Social Worker at Summers County ARH on the topic, Reducing Stress at 11 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 22 - BINGO at 10 a.m. Speaker Lesley Woodrum, Extension Agent for Summers County on the topic, Ac-

tive for Life at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 23 - Gluco check by Robin Chianuba, Director of Nursing at Summers County ARH at 9:30 a.m. followed by noodle hockey at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 24 - BINGO at 10 a.m. and Drums Alive at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 25 - Group singing at 10 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Robbie Rodes at 11 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 26 - Morning at the Ritz at 9:30 a.m. Will leave the center at 9:15 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 29 - BINGO at a.m. and speaker Kelly Elkins, Community Development Manager on the topic, Knowing and Understanding the Signs of a Stroke at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 30 - Trivia by Richard Plumley at 10 a.m. and SCCOA site meeting at 11 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 31 - Summers County Senior Center Quilters meet at 10 a.m. and corn hole at 10:30 a.m.

August Menu for Summers County Council on Aging

Monday, Aug. 1 - Baked steak with peppers and onions, cooked rice, yellow sweet corn, fruit medley, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Tuesday, Aug. 2 - Roast chicken, cauliflower polonaise, marinated green beans, apricot halves, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Wednesday, Aug. 3 - Seasoned pinto beans, chopped onions, cornbread with margarine, herb-seasoned spinach and peaches. Milk to drink.

Thursday, Aug. 4 - Sliced ham, whole wheat bread, light mayonnaise, looseleaf lettuce, red tomato, baked beans, low-fat vanilla ice cream and strawberries. Milk to drink.

Friday, Aug. 5 - Roast beef, creamy mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple chunks, and whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Monday, Aug. 8 - Macaroni cheese and chicken casserole, chopped spinach, marinated beets and onions, watermelon, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Tuesday, Aug. 9 - Seasoned baked fish, baked potatoes, green beans, pineapple, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Wednesday, Aug. 10 - Fiesta burgers on whole wheat buns, red tomato, iceberg lettuce, oven-browned potatoes, margarine and banana. Milk to drink.

Thursday, Aug. 11 - Turkey à la king, whole wheat biscuits with margarine, broccoli and fruit cocktail. Milk to drink.

Friday, Aug. 12 - Oven-crisp chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, zucchini and tomatoes, grapes,

whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Monday, Aug. 15 - White beans, chopped onions, cooked cabbage, mandarin oranges, baked custard, cornbread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Tuesday, Aug. 16 - Seasoned oven-baked chicken, long-grain brown rice, spinach, mixed fruit salad, fruit salad dressing, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Wednesday, Aug. 17 - Baked flounder with lemon sauce, springtime pasta salad, stewed tomatoes, grapes and whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Thursday, Aug. 18 - Vegetable cottage cheese salad, baked potatoes, spiced peaches, whole wheat biscuits with margarine. Milk to drink.

Friday, Aug. 19 - Sloppy Joe on a whole wheat bun, raw vegetable salad with oil and vinegar dressing, peach. Milk to drink.

Monday, Aug. 22 - Spaghetti and meat sauce, tossed green salad, reduced-fat Italian dressing, pear halves, whole wheat garlic toast. Milk to drink.

Tuesday, Aug. 23 - Light chicken salad, whole

wheat bread with margarine, cream of spinach soup, watermelon. Milk to drink.

Wednesday, Aug. 24 - Meat loaf, scalloped potatoes with parsley, broccoli and carrots, purple plums, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Thursday, Aug. 25 - Seasoned baby lima beans, cornbread with margarine, cucumbers & onions in sour cream dressing, peach crisp. Milk to drink.

Friday, Aug. 26 - BBQ chicken, dill potato salad, green beans, pineapple, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Monday, Aug. 29 - Salmon patty, parsley noodles, mixed field greens, reduced-fat Italian dressing, orange, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Tuesday, Aug. 30 - Breaded pork chops, oven-browned potatoes, broccoli, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

Wednesday, Aug. 31 - Roast turkey breast, cornbread stuffing, green beans, canteloupe, whole wheat bread with margarine. Milk to drink.

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Community Obituaries



**Pauline
Grimmett Angell
ANGELL**

Pauline Grimmert Angell, 82 years old, born May 23, 1940, to the late Harry and Ida Fox. She was formerly of Hinton, WV. Polly passed away peacefully at her residence in Casselberry, FL,

surrounded by her loving family, on July 14, 2022.

She is survived by her husband, Jennings Angell. Her surviving children are Joan (Art) Abbott of Florida, Wayne (Deborah) Grimmert of North Carolina, Teri Baldwin of Florida, Robert (Martha) Grimmert of Colorado, Sammy (Marge) Grimmert of Texas; and step-daughter, Connie Carden of Ohio. Polly has a twin brother, Paul (Nancy) Fox of Hinton, WV; and one sister, Judy (Arnold) Bennett of Florida; 5 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her first husband, Robert Grimmert; two grandsons, John Robert Grimmert son of Wayne (Deborah) Grimmert, Christopher Grim-

mett son of Robert (Martha) Grimmert; and 7 brothers and 7 sisters.

Polly was a loving mother and wife. She was kind, considerate, and faithful in Christ. She will be missed and remembered by her family, relatives, and host of friends, and all the lives she touched. Forever in our hearts.

The family would like to mention and say a thank you to her two special lifelong friends, Norma Shumate and Janice Fox of Hinton, WV.

Please feel free to share memories of Polly by going to www.banfieldfuneralhome.com.

Information submitted by Banfield Funeral Home & Crematory of Winter Springs, FL.



**Kathryn Day Hill
HILL**

Kathryn Day Hill, 66, of

Jumping Branch, passed away Friday, July 22, 2022.

Kathryn was born February 14, 1956. She loved her family dearly. Kathryn enjoyed fishing, gardening, and taking in all the beauty God gave us.

She leaves behind a husband and soulmate of 28 years, Bobby Hill Jr.; two beautiful daughters, Breeze Wills and Echo Hines; four grandchildren, Patience, Seth, Annika, and Skylar Dawn Hines Gilbert, that were especially dear to her

heart; one sister, Sharon of Phoenix, AZ; and one brother, Stanley Day and wife, Betty of Nimitz.

At Kathryn's request, there will be no services.

The family would like to thank Dr. Jenny, Alisa Lane NP-C, Hospice of Southern WV, and the staff at Bowers Hospice House.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.ronaldmeadowsp.com.

Information submitted by the Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlors of Hinton.

Summers County Historical Society erects road sign marker for Brown's Chapel Cemetery



Photo by Summers County Historical Society.

BY SUMMERS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On June 14, Summers County Historical Society installed a sign marker to Brown's Chapel Cemetery. The cemetery is located next to Brown's Chapel Church at Pipestem on Lick Creek Road.

After the installment, Each person was given a tour of the Brown log home.

Taken from The History of Summers County West Virginia 1984, page 102. Submitted by William Brown VI.

"William Brown III donated to the Hotsten Conference a tract of land from the Brown Farm on Simmons Fork to erect a church. Con-

struction began in 1896 on the church which as named in or of William Brown and was known as the Brown's Chapel Methodist Church South. Now known as the Brown's Chapel United ME. Church. Friends and of the community all joined in the planning of the community all joined in the planning of the lumber to be used. The first services were held in the church for Sira Brown, son of William III, in 1897. The church had not been finished. Boards were laid down on which to walk. The people sat on the sills while the services were conducted. First pastor was G. W. Johnson. Services were held twice a month on the third

Sunday and Saturday night before. Total membership since the building of the church is about 500."

Several years later after the first burial, Frank Brown gave the land to the trustee of Brown's Chapel which was being used as a cemetery since 1896.

Everyone was invited to a BBQ at the Brewster/Brown Farm.

Bill Brewster, Bobby Cox and Chip Neely head the committee for the placement of sign markers with 911 for cemeteries in Summers County.

If you would like information about a cemetery road sign marker, call Bill Brewster @ 304-466-6179.

Summers County Schools provide meals to students at no cost

HINTON, W.V. (Hinton News) - Students in Summers County will have the opportunity to eat a no-cost breakfast and lunch at school through the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program. The CEP was enacted as a result of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act and provides universal meal service to children in high-poverty areas. This is the fourth year for the option.

The CEP serves as an alternative to collecting, approving and verifying household eligibility applications for

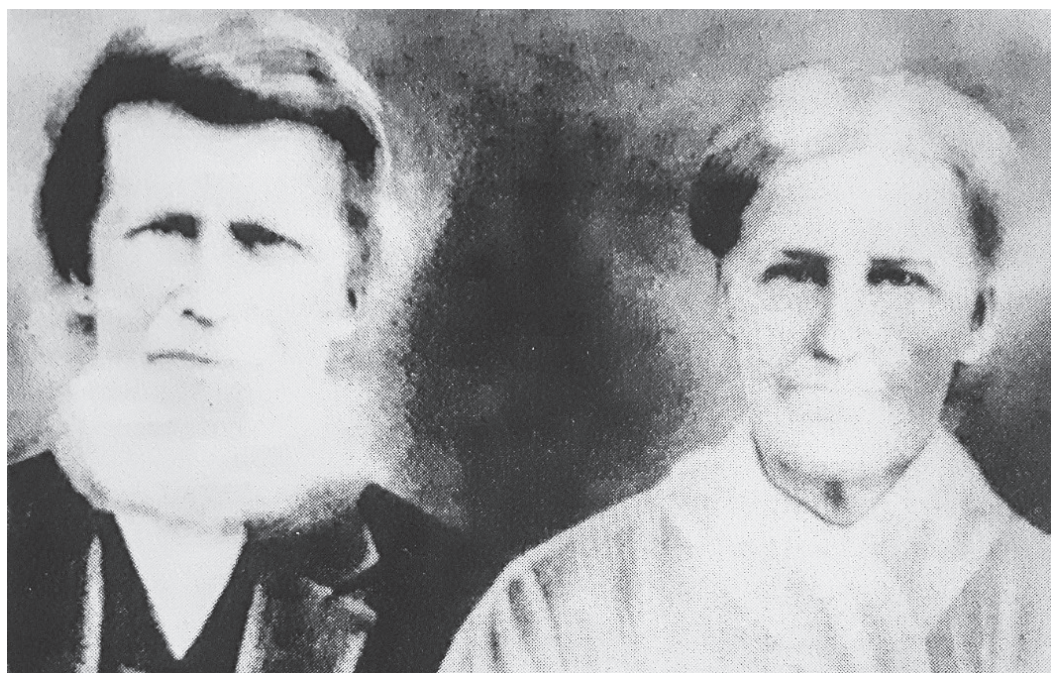
free- and reduced-price eligible students in high-poverty Local Education Agencies (LEAs). If at least 40 percent of a school's student population is directly certified for free meal benefits, the entire school qualifies for the option.

"I am proud that Summers County Schools will be participating in the CEP program to help meet a crucial need for many students in our county," said, Mr. David Warvel, Superintendent of Summers County Schools. "We know academic

achievement increases when our students are well-fed and ready to learn, and we must provide secure and reliable access to nutritious meals so all students have a chance to achieve at the highest level possible."

Summers County expects to have 4 schools participate in the CEP. These schools include Summers County Comprehensive High School, Hinton Area Elementary School, Talcott Elementary School, and Jumping Branch Elementary School. The program allows the school sys-

Harvey Reunion held in Forest Hill



The parents of Austin Ballard Harvey; Michael Williamson Harvey and wife, Nancy T. (Harvey) Harvey who were married in Monroe County, Virginia (now West Virginia) in 1833. Michael was a son of Joshua Harvey, Sr. and Sarah Ann (Swope) Harvey. His maternal grandfather was Michael Swope. Nancy was a daughter of Richard Harvey and Dorothy "Dolly" (Gentry) Harvey.

The descendants of Austin Ballard Harvey and his wife Mary Ann (Ellison) Harvey met at the Summers County 4-H Camp near Forest Hill on June 18, 2022, for an annual reunion.

After preliminary opening remarks, Lacy Lynn Miller was called on to offer prayer and Henry "Hank" Harvey to lead the flag salute. Greetings and other remarks were made to all those present Myrtle Harvey, age 96, was recognized as the oldest person present. Loren Douglas Harvey, age 86, was recognized as the oldest man in attendance. Mary Allen Harvey, age 89, was noted as the second oldest in attendance.

Those who traveled the longest distance to attend the reunion were Rhonda Harvey Treadaway of Austin, Texas and Charlene Harvey Walker of Midway, Utah.

The youngest present were the Webb children.

During the memorial service, some of the deceased mentioned were Glenna Harvey Saunders, Timothy Dean Harvey, Lancy Leroy Harvey and Larry Harvey who had passed since our last reunion. It was noted that Glenna was 102 years old at the time of her death and was prior to her death the oldest living descendant of Austin and Mary Ann Harvey. She loved to attend the reunion when she was able and enjoyed talking family history. The memorial service concluded with a period of silence followed by prayer and singing of Amazing Grace

A short business meeting was conducted and it was decided that we would erect new gravestones for Austin's infant daughter and three of his siblings who are all buried at the same location. This will be done as soon as we can financially.

Basil G. Adkins, Jr. was called on to ask a blessing on the food that was prepared and catered by Oak Grove Church. After the blessing, each and everyone resorted to the dining hall and all seemed to enjoy the food. Certain precautionary measures were followed in respect to COVID-19.

After lunch, Hank Harvey gave an interesting talk on his experiences as a Civil War reenactor.

The following list may not be a complete list of all those family and friends present, because of some failing to sign the attendance register or else the oversight of this writer. The following family and friends were present:

Myrtle Harvey of Hinton, WV; Marilyn Carroll of Peterstown, WV; Charlene Harvey Walker of Midway, Utah; Douglas Wayne Harvey of Hinton, WV; Phillip Harvey of Nimitz WV; Karen Foster and Greg Foster of Fredericksburg, VA; Susan and Lauren Fletcher of Fredericksburg, VA; Rhonda Harvey Treadaway of Austin, Texas; Henry J.B. and Aleeta Harvey of Kingsport, Tennessee; Regina and David Farris of Canal Winchester, Ohio; Basi G. Adkins of Shady Spring, WV; Jayden Parker of Huntington, WV; Samuel L. Miller of Hinton, WV;

Mary Allen Harvey of Ashford, WV; Mark and Thelma Wylie of Ashford, WV; Medeta and Wannie Lusk of Justice, WV; Jody Bevins of Huntington, WV; Lacy L. and Margaret Miller of Cool Ridge, WV; Victor Link of Newport, VA; Haleigh Myers and Debbie Harvey of Newport, VA; Shirley Cales of Hinton, WV; Gail O'Day of Greenville, WV; Doug Harvey of Christiansburg, VA; Kacie, Owen, and Kara Webb of Covington, VA; Phyllis and Sandy Comer of Nimitz, WV; Tyler Wylie of Charleston, WV; Peggy Williams of Newport VA; Tami and David Lind of Ashville, Ohio; Roger Wayne and Shirley Mann of Vinton, VA; Jack and Cathy Harvey of Nimitz, WV; Vaden Tabor of Talcott, WV; Linda Iddings of Forest Hill, WV; Nova and Sara Rudisill of Ballengee, WV; Michael Tabor of Wayside, WV; Diane Warner of Forest Hill, WV.

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...WHICH BODES WELL FOR ME, ACTUALLY

ADAMS

WE SHOULD'VE GOTTEN HERE YESTERDAY.

MIKE PETERS

9/3

WHAT SHMAKES A CLAM SO HAPPY?

WELL...

I FIND MOST FOLKS ARE AS HAPPY AS THEY MAKE UP THEIR MINDS TO BE.

DONE!

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A cartoon illustration by Gaston Borgesan. It depicts a boy and a girl running towards the right. The boy, on the left, is wearing a striped shirt and shorts, and has a speech bubble that says "OOH! BUMPER CARS! I'LL DRIVE!". The girl, on the right, is wearing a tank top and shorts, and is also running. In the background, there is a sign that says "BUMP CARS". The cartoon is signed "GASTON BORGESAN B3" at the bottom.

WELL, YOU CAN BE KIND OF COMPETITIVE.

WHY DO PEOPLE ALWAYS SAY THAT?

POW! RATHON

GAMED UP!

BY GEORGIA NICOLS

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

4★ Today the Moon is in your sign dancing with stern Saturn. This promotes a more sober and realistic perspective of things from your point of view. It also gives you the ability to put up with adversity and strain, because you have the patience to deal with what-

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

3★ Discussions with bosses, parents and perhaps the police will be sober but hopefully practical and worthwhile today. In fact, people are willing to put up with discomfort today because they have the patience and perseverance to wait for the results they want. Tonight: Avoid power struggles.

FOOTBALL quarterback Tom Brady (1977), actress Evangeline Lilly (1979), guitarist, singer-songwriter James Hetfield (1963)

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SUDOKU PUZZLE

Concept is Sudoku

By Dave Green

	3	4	8				1	7
		8	1	3		5	9	
				6		3		
			6	1	3			
		2				6		
1	9		2				3	

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 grid contains the digits 1 through 9. That means that no number is repeated in any row, column, or box.

(Today's Answers Next Wednesday)

Answer To Last Wednesday's Puzzle:

5	3	9	1	6	4	2	7	8
2	4	6	7	8	9	5	1	3
1	7	8	3	5	2	6	9	4

Gov. Justice: Workers Compensation insurance rates drop for 18th straight year, more good news for West Virginia businesses

CHARLESTON, WV (Hinton News) – Gov. Jim Justice announced that the National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI), West Virginia’s rating and statistical agent, has filed a proposed workers’ compensation loss cost decrease of 7.2%, effective Nov. 1, 2022.

This premium reduction results in a projected \$14 million in savings to West Virginia employers.

“This is just more great economic news in West Virginia,” Gov. Justice said.

“Not only does this money represent enormous savings for businesses across the state, but it will also allow these very businesses to use the money to reinvest in our economy.”

“We’re making our state better and better, which is going to bring more people and businesses into West Virginia,” Gov. Justice added.

Since the workers’ compensation program was privatized in 2006, the market has experienced



the Insurance Commissioner.

Attorney General Morrisey files appeal from Injunction against Hope Scholarship Act

CHARLESTON (Hinton News) – West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey on Tuesday filed an appeal with the state’s Intermediate Court of Appeals, asking the court to overturn the preliminary and permanent injunction issued against the Hope Scholarship Act.

“We are continuing to fight for the Hope Scholarship Act, an important law that gives parents the right to choose the education they see fit for their children,” Attorney General Morrisey said. “We know this law is constitutional. So, we urge the court to act because thousands of families who were supposed to receive educational funding for their children remain in limbo—with the school year just around the corner.”

The Legislature passed and the Governor signed the Hope Scholarship Act into law in 2021. It provides money for a variety of educational expenses, including tuition

and fees at participating private schools and other extracurricular activities.

Recently, a Kanawha County Circuit Court judge enjoined the state from implementing the program, finding, among other things, it violates a provision of the state Constitution that requires the state to provide a thorough and efficient system of free

public schools.

The Attorney General wrote in the appeal “the injunction will irreparably injure the public, including more than 3,000 students already approved for scholarships. With just over a month until school starts, the blessing of the Hope Scholarship these students’ families planned around has been ‘pulled out from under’ them.”



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