



### Summers County Board of Education to hold July meetings

The July regular board meetings for the Summers County Board of Education will be held on July 11 and 25 at 6:00 p.m. at the Summers County Comprehensive High School. Agendas and board minutes are available in our office Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on our website at <https://www.scsww.us/page/board-of-education>

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### July meetings in Summers County

John Henry Days Committee - Regular Meeting - July 6 at 5 p.m. in the store (John Henry Museum). Volunteers still wanted. Direct any questions to the John Henry Days Facebook page.

Summers County Board of Education - Regular Meeting - July 11 at 5 p.m. at Summers County Comprehensive High School.

Summers County Commission - Regular Meeting - July 12 at 9 a.m. in the Commission Room in the Courthouse.

Summers County Public Library Board of Directors - Regular Meeting - July 13 at 5 p.m. in the library.

Hinton City Council - Regular Meeting - July 18 at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Three Rivers Democratic Women - Regular Meeting - July 20 at 5 p.m. on the patio at Kirk’s Restaurant.

Summers County Dilapidated Structures Committee - Regular Meeting - July 24 at noon in the Roosevelt Room in the Memorial Building.

Summers County Republicans - Regular Meeting - July 25 at 6:30 in the Memorial Building.

Summers County Board of Education - Regular Meeting - July 25 at 5 p.m. at Summers County Comprehensive High School.

\*This list is subject to change in accordance with changes, cancelations, and additions.

\*\*If you would like to add a meeting to this list, contact [news@hintonnews.com](mailto:news@hintonnews.com).

## Sheldon LeMay Jewelry Repair opens in Hinton



A sign hangs in the front window.



Beautiful photographs are on display inside the shop.



Sheldon LeMay sits at his desk.

Rebecca Stalnaker

HINTON (Hinton News) - In a world where fashion trends come and go, one thing remains constant - the timeless beauty of jewelry. Whether it’s a family heirloom or a cherished gift, jewelry holds sentimental value that transcends time. However, even the most precious pieces can lose their luster or break over the years. That’s where Sheldon LeMay’s newly opened jewelry repair shop comes to the rescue. With his expert craftsmanship and dedication to restoring the brilliance of every piece, this shop is set to become a hav-

en for jewelry enthusiasts in the area.

This shop is owned and operated by Sheldon LeMay and his wife. LeMay’s connection to jewelry repair began in the early 90s. A friend owned a shop, and a series of events led him to the profession.

The LeMays are originally from North Carolina but moved to the area to be closer to family. He noted that visiting family in other areas often brought them through West Virginia. In an attempt to find a middle ground between the various branches, they landed in Summers County. LeMay said he is ex-



The LeMays cut the ribbon.

cited about opening a business in Hinton and that his wife is the one who initially had the idea.

At Sheldon LeMay Jewelry Repair, customers can expect a wide range of services to cater to their jewelry repair needs. From simple repairs like resizing rings and fixing broken clasps to more intricate tasks such as stone replacement and restringing pearls. He understands the sentimental value attached to each piece and treats every item with the utmost care and attention. Additionally, he noted that while he can replace batteries and bands, he does not work on

the mechanics of watches. Whatever your jewelry needs, LeMay is set to help.

The shop held a grand opening and ribbon-cutting on Thursday, June 22. A small group, including one of the LeMay’s daughters, was in attendance. After a prayer, the pair cut the ribbon, officially opening the shop for business. Shortly after the ribbon-cutting, the LeMays had their first customer.

Located in the heart of the city, this business aims to make jewelry repair convenient and accessible. The shop is open Wednesday and Saturday, from 11 a.m.

to 3 p.m., and Thursday and Friday from 5 until 8 p.m. After-hours appointments are available upon request. Customers can rest assured that their precious jewelry is handled with care at all times.

Stop by during open hours to say hi and get a consultation on your jewelry repair. The shop is located directly beside Lucky Rivers Cafe on 2nd Ave. Customers can also view some of the LeMay’s daughter’s beautiful photographs on the wall after walking through the door.

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# The Legend of John Henry: A tale of strength and determination

Rebecca Stalnaker

TALCOTT (Hinton News) - The legend of John Henry is a story deeply rooted in American folklore. It tells the tale of a legendary African American folk hero who became a symbol of strength, determination, and the struggle against adversity. Last year, I dove into the possible truth behind the legend. This year, I want to focus more on the folklore itself.

The story of John Henry continually passes down through the generations, captivating listeners with its powerful message and providing inspiration along the way.

John Henry was said to be a steel-driving man, working on the construction of railroads during the late 19th century. Specifically, it is believed that worked on the Great Bend Tunnel in Talcott. He was known for his incredible physical strength and un-

wavering work ethic. The legend states that John Henry was challenged to a race against a steam-powered drill, to prove that human labor could outperform machines.

The race reportedly took place in the same tunnel, where John Henry swung his mighty hammer against the rock, driving steel spikes into the ground to create a path for the railroad. As the steam drill relentlessly pounded away, John Henry matched its speed and strength, refusing to be outdone. The race was fierce, with both man and machine pushing themselves to the limit.

In the end, John Henry emerged victorious, having completed a greater distance than the steam drill. However, the effort took a toll on his body, and he collapsed and died shortly after his triumph. John Henry's sacrifice and determination became a symbol of the human spir-

it's ability to overcome challenges and achieve greatness.

The legend of John Henry has inspired countless songs, poems, and works of art. John Henry's story represents the fight against oppression and the belief that hard work and determination can lead to success, even in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds.

The legend of John Henry also raises questions about the impact of technology on society. While the steam drill represented progress and efficiency, John Henry's victory highlighted the importance of human labor and the value of individual effort. It serves as a reminder that there are certain qualities and abilities that machines cannot replicate and that the human spirit is capable of achieving extraordinary feats.

Today, the legend of John Henry continues to resonate with people from

all walks of life. It serves as a reminder of the power of perseverance, the importance of hard work, and the belief in one's own abilities. John Henry's story is a testament to the indomitable human spirit and serves as inspiration for generations to come.

To sum up, the legend of John Henry is a powerful tale of strength, determination, and the triumph of the human spirit. It has captivated audiences for generations and continues to inspire individuals to overcome challenges and strive for greatness. The story of John Henry serves as a reminder that with hard work, perseverance, and belief in oneself, anything is possible.

To learn more about the legend, check out John Henry Days this weekend, July 7, 8 and 9, in Talcott. The John Henry Museum is open all weekend and the Visitor's Center is available in the John Henry Historical Park.



John Henry statue



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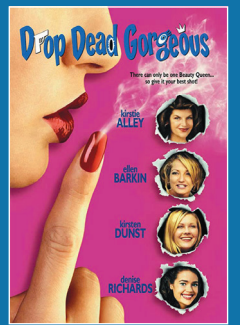
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# Memories of the past: Misadventures in the great outdoors

Lisa Abshire

SUMMERS COUNTY (Hinton News) - My Mom was never one to want to go camping or swimming, while my Dad was very much into outdoor activities. Somehow Dad convinced Mom it would be a good idea to set up a camp on the riverbank and spend the night. Several of her siblings decided to join them, and they thought they were prepared for anything. That is until they fell asleep and the fire went out. It was cold and dark when a horrible scream awakened everyone. Dad soon discovered that the screech came from several Bobcats trying to get in their stash of food. They had no weapons and the fire had gone out, so there was only moonlight. My Mom was terrified. She said they started making

noise with the pots and pans they had brought, trying to scare the bobcats off. Apparently, they were extra hungry because it wasn't working. It did buy them enough time to get the fire going again, which did scare off the hungry bobcats. Mom said you had never witnessed people pack up a camp so fast. They even left the biggest items and took a chance on coming back to get them the next day. All that mattered was getting everyone up the hill and home to safety. Mom never let Dad talk her into camping again, although that wasn't the last time they would have a run-in with bobcats. My Aunt Ruth was staying with Mom and Dad for a while. She was asleep on the couch one night when

suddenly she woke up by what sounded like a woman's high-pitched screaming. I remember Ruth saying she sat straight up on that couch. She ran to wake up Mom and Dad. Dad always said he remembered looking out the front window and seeing big, bright cat eyes staring back at him. Without giving anything much thought, he grabbed the broom off the porch and took out after the bobcats! Mom said she had never been so scared. After she and Ruth calmed down, they asked Dad what made him take a flimsy broom after several full-grown bobcats. Dad always laughed when he said it was the first thing he could get his hands on. He always figured it was all the noise he made rather than the broom that scared



The author and her aunt Ruth.

them off. Right after that, Ruth stopped staying the night with Mom and Dad. Mom said that the bobcats never did make another appearance. While Mom never did get a love for hunting or camping, she did love to fish. I spent many happy hours on the riverbank with Mom and Aunt Ruth. We loved to go to John's Dairyette and get corn dogs to take or make no-bake cookies and a big thermos of piping hot coffee. Mom and I never could stand to touch the worms, so Ruth did all the leg work for us. More important than the number of fish we caught, was the memories we were making. Now they have to last a lifetime, but it is more than enough.

# Summers County 4-H Camp 2023

Lesley Woodrum

SUMMERS COUNTY (Hinton News) - Summers County 4-H held its annual camp June 12-16, 2023 at Camp Summers in Forest Hill, WV. With a crowd of enthusiastic campers and mostly beautiful weather, it was a great week. This year's theme was 4-H for All Seasons. On Tuesday, Cloverbuds came to 4-H Camp for the day. Cloverbuds are 5-8-year-olds who are interested in seeing what 4-H camp is all about! While there, they made crafts, toured the camp, sang songs, and enjoyed a pizza party. This year, tribes were full of 4-H spirit. They were enthusiastic and hard-working throughout the whole week. The Delaware tribe won the Spirit Stick for the week for their outstanding energy, teamwork, tribal duty performance, and enthusiasm. During the week, the tribes

compete for points based on cleaning, sports, swimming, sportsmanship, bed checks, songs, skits, and teamwork. All of the tribes did a great job! The chiefs and sags for the 2023 4-H Camp were: Cherokee: Marissa Ruff, Chief and Sydney Farrish, Sagamore; Delaware: Chloe Lester, Chief and Brandon Helms, Sagamore; Mingo: River Hatcher, Chief and Ryan Oliveros, Sagamore. Seneca: Madison Rollyson, Chief and Jessica Oliveros, Sagamore. The chiefs and sags are responsible for leading their tribe and setting a good example. All of the chiefs and sags worked hard and did a great job during camp. Each H of 4-H represents something important. The Head H is for clearer thinking and making good decisions. The Heart H is for loyalty and caring. The Hand H stands for helping others while the

Health H is for better living. Many well-deserved awards were given during camp. The winners were: Health H: Amelia Scott and Dylan Galloway, Hands H: Logan Osborne, Heart H: Rhyann Cayley Mitchum, and Head H: Chloe Lester. The Mary Grace Surbaugh Return Scholarship was awarded to Abby Yancey and the Bob Baber Return Scholarship went to Canyon Persinger. The Outstanding First Year Male Camper was Jace Caudill and Outstanding First Year Female Camper was Maddie Yancey. The Camper of Character Scholarship was awarded to Rhyann Eerenberg and the Trey Bennett Memorial Scholarship went to Drew Mansfield. Finally, for embodying head, heart, hands and health, the Spirit of Camp was awarded to Colsen Elkins. Thank you to all of the campers, counselors, chiefs and sags who made the 2023

4-H camp such a big success. 4-H wishes to thank the following businesses, individuals, and organizations for contributions to camp: Aetna, Big Four Drug Store, Christy Kenna Fox DDS, City National Bank, community members and individuals, First Community Bank, Fox Photographics, Health Plan, Hinton Area Foundation, Hinton Hope Foundation, Jarrell's Exxon, Mountain-Heart Community Services, Petrarca Family, Pivont Funeral Service, Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlor and Cremation Care Center, RT Rogers, State Farm - Regina Eckle, Safe and Sound, Summers County Appalachian Regional Hospital, Summers Concrete Supply Inc., Summit Community Bank, T-Mobile, United Way of Southern West Virginia, and Ziegler & Ziegler, Attorneys at Law.

# SCCOA activities list for July

Monday, July 3 - BINGO at 10 a.m. followed by Patriotic Candy Dice Game at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 4 - Center closed for Independence Day. Wednesday, July 5 - Beaded American Flag pin at 10 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Butch Honaker at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 6 - BINGO at 10 a.m. followed by Tai Chi at 10:45 a.m. Friday, July 7 - Red, White and Blue special birthday party with games and fun at 10 a.m. Monday, July 10 - Canvas painting at 10 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Robbie Rodes at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 11 - Singing and music (bring your instruments) at 10 a.m. followed by speaker Jan Adkins with the Medicare Minutes for July at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 12 - Walking at 9:45 a.m., Summers County Senior Center Quilters at 10 a.m. and speaker Monica Harman with a Medicare presentation at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 13 - Picnic at Sandstone Falls. Friday, July 14 - Movie and Popcorn at the center at 9:45 a.m. Monday, July 17 - Coffee and muffins social at 10 a.m. followed by speaker Lesley Woodrum on Active for Life at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 18 - Blood pressure and gluco check with Jennifer Garrett and Liz Goodson at 9:30 a.m. followed by Aetna Beat the Heat Ice Cream Social at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 19 - Cornhole at 10 a.m. and BINGO at 10:45 a.m. Thursday, July 20 - Tai Chi at 10 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Ernie Moye at 11 a.m. Friday, July 21 - Clothespin wreath at 10 a.m. Monday, July 24 - BINGO at 10 a.m. followed by bible study with pastor Nate Ward at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 25 - Visit Water Festival activities at 10 a.m. and an SCCOA site meeting at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 26 - Firecracker Deco craft and Summers County Senior Center Quilters, both at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 27 - Visit Lilly Bridge Swing at 9:30 a.m. followed by Tai Chi at 10:30 a.m.

Friday, July 28 - Morning at the Ritz at 9:30 a.m. The bus

leaves the center at 9:15 a.m. Monday, July 31 - Cornhole at

10 a.m. and noodle ball at 11 a.m.

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We are continuing the topic of The Suffering Servant. Last time we looked at one of Isaiah's prophecies concerning Christ and the fact He had a mission.

## The Suffering Servant (Part 1)

Section B

by David Padfield

One demonstration of the delight the Father would have in Him was the coming of the Holy Spirit upon His Servant. This was fulfilled at the baptism of our Lord. John the Baptist bore witness of this and said, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and He remained upon Him. I did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God." (John 1:32-34). Jesus Himself said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord" (Luke 4:18-19).

The Suffering Servant of Isaiah 42:2 stands in sharp contrast with worldly conquerors—His demeanor is different from that of ordinary men. Jesus did not enter into violent disputes with false teachers, but rather used the power of words and reason. Even His enemies had to admit, "No man ever spoke like this Man" (John 7:46).

Christ would have pity on their low estate (Isa. 42:3). Matthew tells us that when Jesus "saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd" (Matt. 9:36). The Servant of the Lord would not crush men, nor quench their spirit. He would not bind burdens hard to bear (Matt. 23:4; Acts 15:5, 10). In view of these words we have to recall the kind and tender invitation of our Savior to sinners (Matt. 11:28-30).

Isaiah 42:4 also contains an implied difficulty, i.e., the possibility of the Suffering Servant growing weak (Isa. 42:4).

His mission is to the "coastlands" or the "islands" (Isa. 42:4), "and in His name Gentiles will trust" (Matt. 12:21). The kingdom of Cyrus was limited to one section of the earth. The Law of Moses was for the nation of Israel alone. The Suffering Servant would be of benefit to all mankind.

Continued next week.

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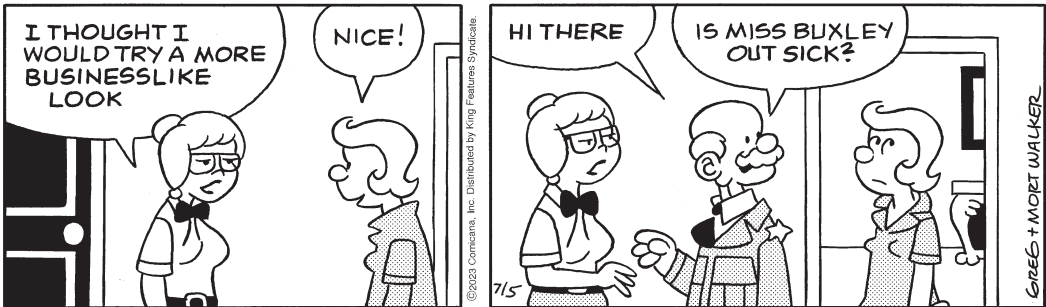
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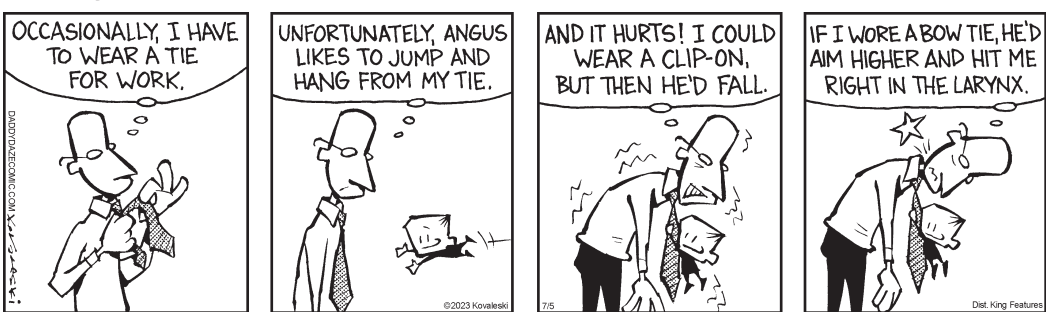
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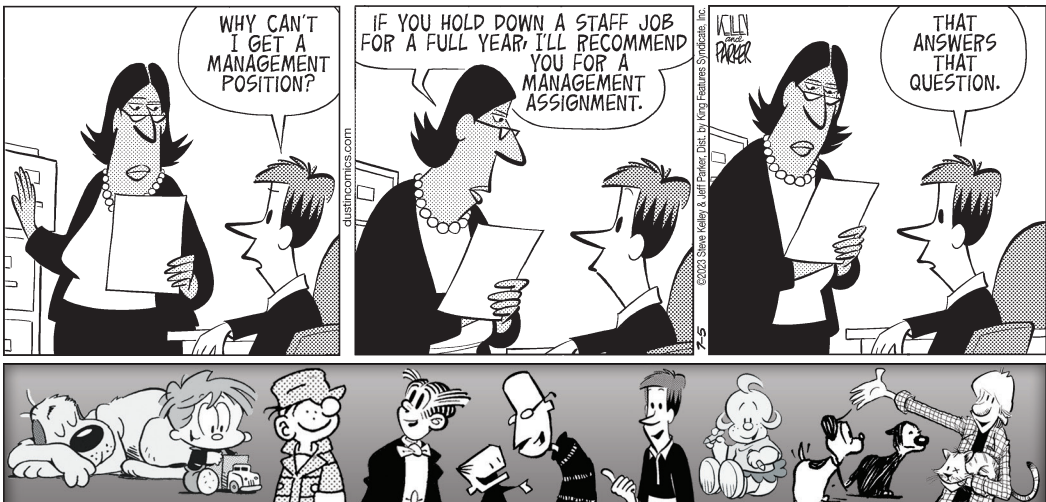
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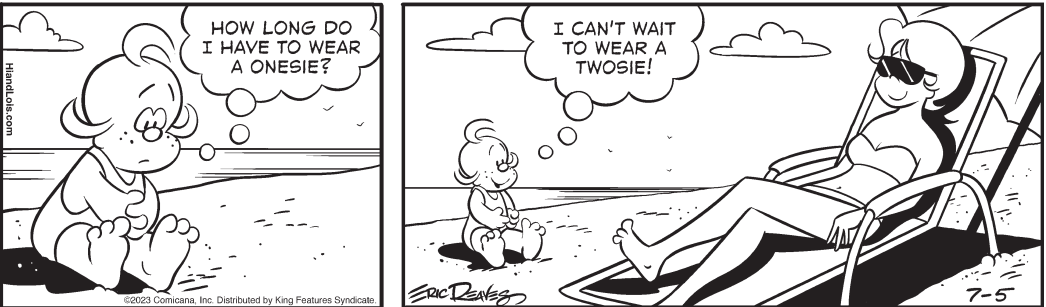
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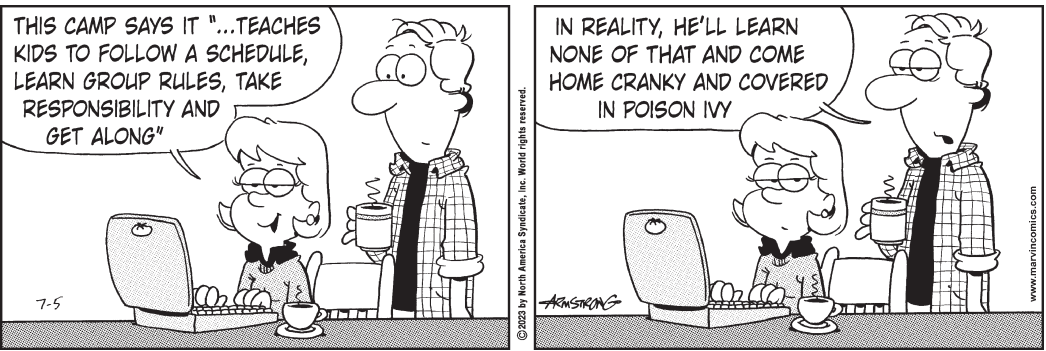
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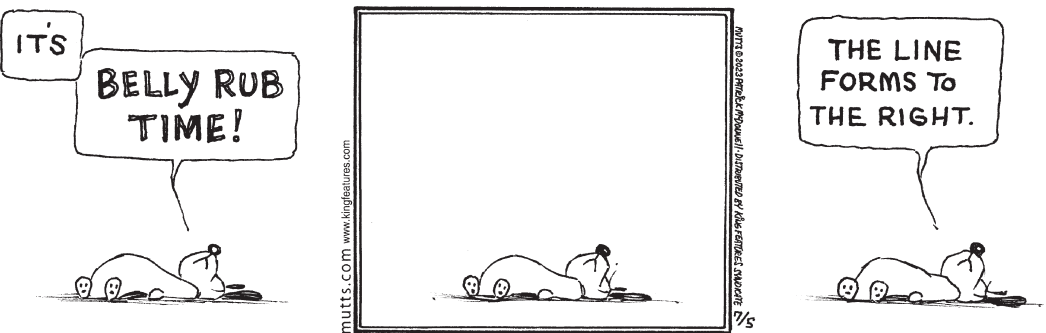
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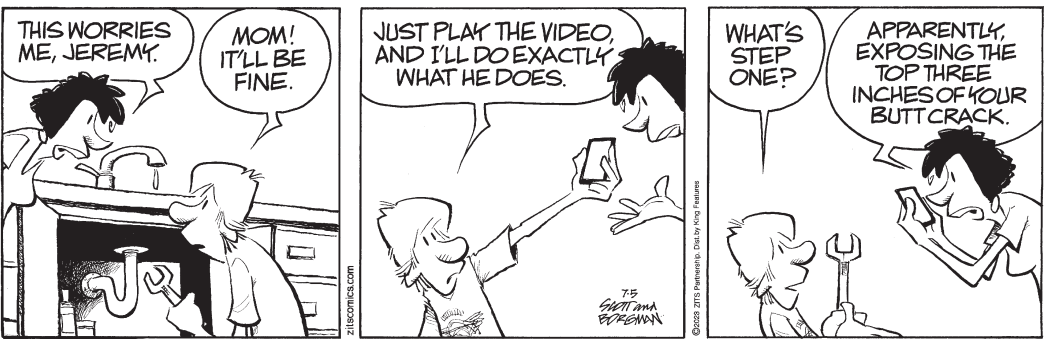
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# ROYAL STARS HOROSCOPE

BY GEORGIA NICOLS

**MOON ALERT:** There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in Aquarius.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, July 5, 2023:

You need variety. You energize whatever situation you're in with sparkle and dynamic verve. You are a charming conversationalist. This year is the beginning of a fresh new cycle for you. Stay flexible. Be courageous. Now is the time to take action, initiative and define your goals.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

4★ Focus on getting things done today. Home repairs might be an excellent choice, along with DIY projects. Anything to do with home and family has your attention now. Nevertheless, sports and fun activities with kids will appeal to you. Tonight: Someone unusual.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

3★ This is a busy, fast-paced day! You're eager to talk to others, especially siblings, relatives and neighbors. You are equally eager to learn something new. Meanwhile, redecorating ideas and renovations on the home front might appeal to you. Tonight: Busted!

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

4★ Your communication skills are excellent today. You'll be charming and persuasive. Meanwhile, travel plans or something that will help you break free from a predictable routine is what you are looking for. You need a change of scenery! Tonight: Plans change.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

4★ You're no fool when it comes to money. You are certainly not extravagant (unless you're fooling around). Today you might see ways to work harder to boost your income, which is a good idea, because you definitely have ideas about how to spend it. Something special appeals to you. Tonight:

Check your finances.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

3★ Be cooperative with others today. This is the easiest way for you to deal with the middle of the week. Use your diplomatic skills to get what you want. However, don't push things. Ideally, let them unfold at their own pace. This means you can pick the low-hanging fruit. Tonight: Patience.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

3★ Whatever task that you set for yourself today, including your work and your job, will very likely have to come second to the needs and wants of someone else. It looks like you might have to perform a service for someone. Fortunately, this is something you know how to do! Tonight: Interruptions.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

4★ Once a year for four weeks, the Sun is at the top of your chart casting you in a flattering spotlight. This is still happening for you, which means it's important to know that you have the advantage! Go after what you want; you might get it. Doors will open for you. Tonight: Avoid children's accidents.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

3★ You'll find it rewarding if you have a chance to study and learn something new. You will also enjoy travelling or talking to others about heady subjects like philosophy, religion, politics or astrology. Meanwhile, someone might ask for your advice about how to make something look better. Tonight: Home surprise.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

4★ This is the perfect day for some lively conversation with others. The trick is to find someone who is interesting to talk to. They have to have something to bring to the table. The way to get the ball rolling is for you to bring up a fascinating topic. Ideas? Tonight: Detours.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

4★ You have a strong focus on money, cash flow and your personal wealth today, including your possessions. Fortunately, this is a time when you can actually attract money to you. You might benefit from the wealth of others, especially a partner. Tonight: Protect your assets.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

4★ With the Moon still in your sign, you have an edge over all the other signs. Knowing this, you can use this to your advantage. Ask for what you want. You want to be productive today, which is why you're willing to roll up your sleeves and dig in. You want results. Tonight: You're excited.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

4★ You're in play mode! If you can escape on vacation or play hooky today, you will enjoy doing so. Having said that, two planets indicate they're willing to help you work hard. They will even guarantee support and cooperation from co-workers. Go figure. (It's your choice.) Tonight: You're restless.

### BORN TODAY

Singer-songwriter Huey Lewis (1950), baseball player Shohei Ohtani (1994), musician Robbie Robertson (1943)

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# SHEFFER CROSSWORD

**ACROSS**

1 Diplomacy  
5 Bikini top  
8 Applications  
12 Vogue rival  
13 Verse by Pablo Neruda  
14 Skater Lipinski  
15 Regatta entry  
17 Rembrandt works  
18 Gulp down  
19 Italian port city  
21 Drunkard  
22 Europe's neighbor  
23 Vigor  
26 Oscar winner Kingsley  
28 Peddles  
31 Turkish officials  
33 TV pioneer  
35 Hammer target  
36 Rich cake

**DOWN**

1 Della's role on "Touched by an Angel"  
2 "There oughta be —!"  
3 152, in old Rome  
4 Goes public  
5 Rocket stage  
6 Vitamin stat  
7 Health insurance  
8 Perfect  
9 Leave on a catamaran  
10 Writer Gardner  
11 Lip  
16 Sci-fi villain  
20 Blond shade  
23 Bit of butter  
24 Conceit  
25 Fly over a beach, say  
27 Sgt., for one  
29 Sportage maker  
30 Devious  
32 Orchestra section  
34 "Atlas Shrugged" author  
37 Brain scan (Abbr.)  
39 Chop —  
42 Photographer Adams  
44 No-frills  
45 Assess  
46 To be, in Tours  
48 Juan's home  
49 Level  
50 Coaster  
53 Aunt, in Acapulco

**Solution time: 23 mins.**

**Last Wednesday's Answer (Answers Next Wednesday)**

**RODS TSA SCAM**  
TIDE BAS PASO  
COMEBACK INTO  
ERODE SORDID  
ETAS DEY  
RECD SLED BIG  
OVO CHARS ADA  
BEL BENT PRAY  
DIE GEAR  
LABORS NOMAS  
SLEW CORNBELT  
ASEA ARE ERIE  
TORN BOO SEAM

**JUMBLE**

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

**GICIN**

**BLMUA**

**TLILET**

**SKYTIC**

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**THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME**

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

You look like you're on a mission tonight.

I've always wanted to lose a dozen riders, and tonight's the night!

FOR THE RODEO BRONCO, "THROWING OFF AS MANY RIDERS AS POSSIBLE" WAS ON HIS MIND.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Today's Answers Next Wednesday)

Last Wednesday's Answer: Jumbles: ELECT FLEET SHOULD ODDST Answer: A new all-you-can-eat buffet restaurant opened, and people were enjoying it — TO THE FULLEST

# SUDOKU PUZZLE

King Classic Sudoku

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

Difficulty: ★★★

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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:**

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION TO CREDITORS, DISTRIBUTEES & LEGATEES

Notice is hereby given that the following estates have been opened for probate in the Summers Fiduciary Supervisor's Office at 120 Ballengee Street, Suite 100, Hinton, WV 25951-0097. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code § 41-5-11 – 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file written notice of an objection with the County Commission through the Summers County Fiduciary Supervisor's office within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code § 44-2 or 44-3A.

Settlement of the estates of the following named decedents will proceed without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

**First Publication Date:** Wednesday, July 5, 2023

**Claim Deadline:** Sunday, September 3, 2023

**ESTATE OF:** DOROTHY JANE COX  
**EXECUTRIX:** DEBORAH SUSAN LILLY

**ESTATE OF:** BOBBY JOE SMITH

**ADMINISTRATRIX:** KRISTIN RENEE YORK  
**ESTATE OF:** WESLEY LE-ROY WESTFALL

**ADMINISTRATRIX:** BARBARA KAY WESTFALL  
**ESTATE OF:** ALMA JEAN WILLEY

**EXECUTOR:** DAVID K. WILLEY

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**ADMINISTRATRIX:** SE-LANE ANN GILL

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the June 23, 2023.

Donald R. Basham Jr.  
Fiduciary Supervisor of Summers County  
(5,12jl)

Notice To Creditors, Distributees, and Legatees Proposed / Short Form Settlements

To the Creditors and Beneficiaries of the within named deceased persons:

I have before me the Final settlements and Proposals for the estates of the following deceased persons, which shall be presented to the County Commission of Summers County, at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Hinton, West Virginia on the 12th day of July, 2023, at or near 10:00 a.m. These proposed settlements and short form settlements have been presented to me by the fiduciary of such estates which settlements I have approved as indicated below:

**Estate:** JAMES HAWLEY FORD  
**Fiduciary:** JOHN RODNEY FORD

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**Estate:** ADAM MATTHEW FREEMAN  
**Fiduciary:** DAVID LEE ADKINS

**Estate:** TWILLA DARLENE FREEMAN  
**Fiduciary:** DAVID LEE ADKINS

**Estate:** MICHAEL WAYNE PALMORE  
**Fiduciary:** DONNA PALMORE

Any person having any interest in the estate of any such deceased person, may appear before the County Commission at the time and place hereinabove specified and thereupon protect his interests as they may appear or else may be forever thereafter barred from asserting such interests.

Given under my hand this the 22nd day of June, 2023.  
Donnie Basham  
Fiduciary Supervisor  
(5jl)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JEFFREY NEAL COLEMAN

CIVIL ACTION NO. CC-45-2022-P-1

Judge Robert A. Irons  
NOTICE OF HEARING

To all creditors of Jeffrey Neal Coleman, deceased, including those holding liens by judgment or otherwise on his real estate, or any party thereof.

In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of the County of Summers County made in a cause therein pending, to subject the real estate of said Jeffrey Neal Coleman to the payment of his debts, including those which are liens on such real estate, or any part of it, you are hereby required to present your claims to the undersigned for adjudication, at the Courtroom, Summers County, Hinton, West Virginia, on the 18th day of July, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., otherwise you may by law be excluded from all benefit of such real estate.

Given under my hand this 22nd day of June, 2023.

/s/ Amy L. Mann  
Amy L. Mann, Commissioner  
104 Ballengee St.  
Hinton, WV 25951  
WV State Bar No. 9084  
(5,12jl)

# WVU Board approves 2024 budget, tuition rates

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (Hinton News) — The West Virginia University Board of Governors, after two days of meetings, approved on Friday (June 23) a balanced budget for the coming fiscal year aimed at streamlining and strengthening the WVU System for the future.

The estimated \$1.2 billion FY 24 budget also acknowledges and seeks to address the financial hurdles WVU and many other universities are navigating through an estimated \$33 million in increased revenues, including one-time-use resources from the WVU Foundation, and reduced expenses totaling nearly \$10 million, \$7 million of which comes from a reduction in the number of employees.

Under the plan, housing and dining fees will see modest increases to help offset inflation and a rise in the cost of goods and services. Tuition and fees will increase slightly less than 3%.

“We take every tuition increase very seriously, but we work diligently to leverage federal, state and externally funded financial aid to our students so the cost is manageable,” said Paula Congelio, vice president and chief financial officer. “The University has also increased the amount of unfunded institutional aid provided to students and expects this amount to exceed \$134 million in 2024.”

One example is WVU Pledge, the new last-dollar-in scholarship program announced earlier this

year that assists qualifying Promise scholars who have an expected family contribution of zero with their cost of tuition, fees, University housing and a meal plan.

With these measures, the University remains competitive among its Big 12 and regional peers. Importantly, average student loan debt for May 2022 WVU graduates earning bachelor's degrees was well below the national average, and 41% graduated with zero debt.

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Maryanne Reed provided an update on Academic Transformation efforts which began in 2021, noting her office has completed the graduate portfolio review resulting in 12 programs being recommended and approved by the Board for discontinuation.

A second phase of Academic Transformation launched this spring and is designed to help the University navigate its current structural budget deficit.

“Our second review of all academic programs is well underway, with the added goal of creating a smaller and more focused program portfolio — aligned with student demand, career opportunities and market trends,” Reed said.

A July 27 virtual Campus Conversation will provide additional updates on the University's transformation initiatives. An in-depth timeline, FAQ and other resources are available at transformation.wvu.edu.

A list of academic pro-

grams tagged for further review will be shared the week of July 10, along with data, analysis and details on the decision-making process.

WVU Tech in Beckley and Potomac State College in Keyser will follow a separate timeline and process, according to Reed.

President Gordon Gee shared his thanks to Provost Reed and her team for their work.

“This process is obviously challenging and at times painful for the University community. It is, however, necessary that we reposition ourselves today to be a responsive, relevant university system of the future,” Gee said.

The Board approved a resolution approving an application for state funding for more than a dozen deferred maintenance projects on the Morgantown, Beckley and Keyser campuses.

Administrators received approval to secure a vendor agreement for the Enterprise Resource Planning System, part of the WVU Modernization Project, addressing needs to upgrade to a new cloud-based system for finance, human resources and student information systems.

Among the items on its consent agenda, the Board of Governors:

· Approved leasing Willowbend Farm in Monroe

County.

· Renewed authorization to transfer buildings and property in Montgomery related to the former WVU Tech campus.

Chairman Tom Jones, who will become immediate past chair as Taunja Willis Miller was elected to serve as the new Board chair, ended the meeting with thanks to outgoing Board members Ben Statler and Marty Becker, immediate past President of Student Government Association Chloe Hernandez, Classified Staff Representative Lisa Martin, and Faculty Representative Ashley Martucci.

The next regular BOG meeting is scheduled for July 31.

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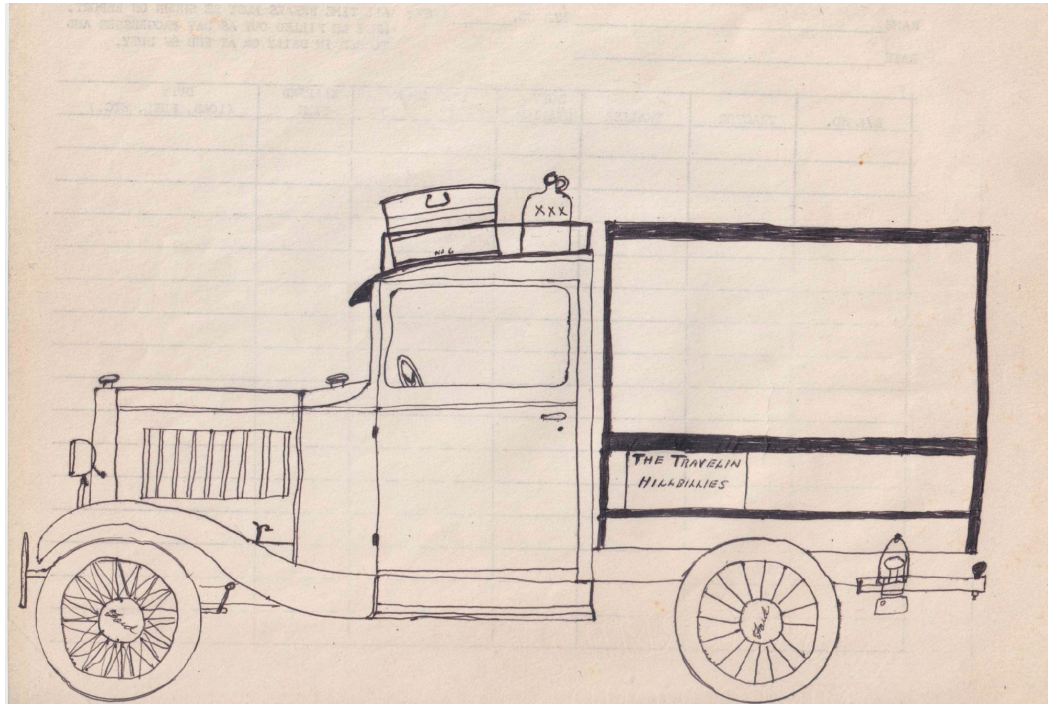
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# A peek into Summers County’s past: The Travlin Hillbillies



A drawn depiction of the Model A Ford used for the Travlin Hillbillies. Photo Provided by William Jones.



A photo of the original version of the truck. Photo provided by William Jones.

Rebecca Stalnaker and William Jones

SUMMERS COUNTY (Hinton News) - It is time for another edition of A Peek into Summers County’s Past. Every week, a local history collector, William Jones, talks about historically significant pieces from his collection. Most items pertain directly to the area, while some are more tenuously connected. In this edition, he discusses The Travlin’ Hillbillies.

To begin, Jones said, “This week’s piece is a bit different in that it is not one single item but yet has become an icon in Summers County. The Travlin Hillbillies, the Model A Ford truck you see [in the photo], was built by my grandfather Bernard L. Thompson and his dad O.D. Thompson in Talcott in 1967.” He continued, “Granddad, as I called him, was always interested in antique cars, having grown up in Thompsons Garage, especially the Model A. He had a few good ones in the 1960s and tried showing them and entering them in local parades during that time. He could not win a trophy after having his heart set on one for several years. Because, at that time, the Model A was so prevalent, they had to be in superb condition to win anything.”

The tradition began in Alderson during the annual July 4 festivities in 1968. According to Jones, “The Travlin Hillbillies first made their debut in the Alderson 4th of July parade in 1968. Granddad was known as ‘Uncle Jake’. I have told the sto-

ry before about his grandmother calling him and his cousin Gene Wallace ‘the two jakes’ when he was a child, it stuck with him all of his life. Grandma; Bea Thompson was known as Aunt Bea. And the two children in the photo are my mother, Cheryl Thompson Jones and her brother Robert Thompson.”

The truck and its occupants became a staple at car shows and parades across the southern part of West Virginia and the northern area of Virginia. Jones stated, “He showed the truck at various car shows and participated in parades all over southern West Virginia and northern Virginia. From its first showing in the Alderson 4th parade, the truck has been in Railroad Days, Pioneer Days in Marlinton, The Water Festival, Farmers Day in Union, car shows at the state fair and the WV Capitol and John Henry Days. Nascar driver Tiny Lund rode on the truck at Ona Speedway in West Virginia. It has also been at Cass Scenic Railroad, to name a small selection of the many appearances made over the years.”

“My all time favorite one moment involves John Stanly, a famous Native American actor, who starred in the John Wayne movie McIntock in 1963. Mr Stanly was better known as Running Buffalo, and had the simple but famous line ‘where’s the whisky?’ rode on the truck while granddad had it in northern Virginia at a wild west attraction. He played a drunk in the movie, which is why he enjoyed laughing about the moonshine still on

top of the truck; according to my mother. And if you are familiar with this movie and the character he played in it, you know why haha.”

Speaking about the included photos, Jones said, “The photo of granddad and the ‘lady’ is with Eugene ‘Shaddy’ Lipscomb. This was at the Water Festival in Hinton in 1968. They would stop during the parade, get out of their vehicles and dance together. Lock arms, dance down the street pretending to be a couple. They put on quite a show, from what I’ve heard. They continued doing this through the 1970s, entertaining the crowd.”

Jones’ grandfather continued to vie for a coveted ribbon over the years. His efforts paid off with a handsome collection. Jones noted, “Granddad’s scheme to win a trophy more than paid off. By the time he passed away in 2018 he had won 118 trophies (many of which were first place or best of show), 33 wall plaques and 100s of ribbons and dash plaques. There were also countless newspaper articles. I always found it humorous when granddad would take this beat up rusty Model A Ford with bras on the tires to car shows like the one they used to have at Tamarack in Beckley. And people would enter their perfect condition muscle cars. And they would spend the whole day cleaning and shining on them. Then, at the end of the day, it would come time for the trophies. The announcer would call out, ‘and first place goes to Bernard Thompson with his 1930 Travlin Hillbillies truck’.”



Another look at the Tavlin Hillbillies. Photo provided by William Jones.

The truck and the experiences created many fond memories for Jones and his family. He said, “After Granddad passed away in 2018, and mom was having to transfer the title to the truck to her name. While she was in the process, she had to have an error corrected by the sheriff of Summers County to complete it. I went with her to do so. While in his office, he casually asked her what she was going to do with the truck if she intended to sell it. I saw her grin and lean back in her seat. She then said, ‘No! But I would sell that first!’ Then pointed at me. We all had a good laugh, and I have to say I would probably sell myself before I sold that truck. Growing up in hillbilly clothes and being in parades and car shows with it over the last 37 years has become a huge part of my life.”

To sum up, Jones said, “Everyone I have ever talked to in this part of the state about antique cars remembers seeing it in the Alderson 4th of July parade or at Hinton in the Water Festival parade. Granddad’s last time having it out was in the parade in Alderson in 2015. The festivities

were canceled due to the flood that struck on June 23, 2016. We intend on putting it in the parade this year for the first time since Granddad passed. It is just fitting that this will be the 55th anniversary since The Travlin Hillbillies was started in 1968 in that very parade. We are carrying your legacy on and trying to make you proud granddad!”

We have come to the end of another edition of A Peek into Summers County’s Past. Have you seen the Tavlin Hillbillies at local events? Come back next week for another glimpse into the area’s history.

Anyone interested in sharing a story from Summers County’s history can reach us by email at [news@hintonnews.com](mailto:news@hintonnews.com).

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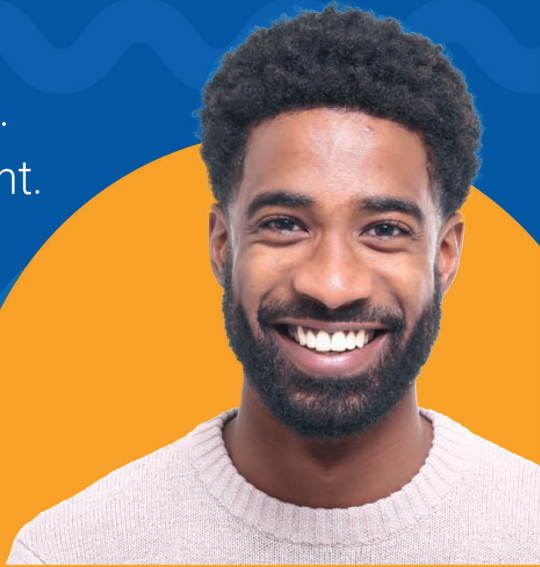
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