



Embracing the transition to fall: Do you believe in the Woolly Worm prediction?

Susan Smith-Linton

As summer has gradually faded away, nature has prepared for the magical transition to fall. The landscape has transformed into a kaleidoscope of autumn colors. Among the many enchanting tales that mark the seasonal shift is the legend of the woolly worm. Scientifically known as “PYRRHARCTIA ISABELLA” or “ISABELLA,” these are tiger moth caterpillars. As the temperatures cool, the woolly worms emerge and begin their journey, seemingly searching for a place to hibernate, signaling the change of the season. These fuzzy creatures have distinctive markings; their black and brown bands

have captivated the imaginations of people for generations. According to folklore, the caterpillar holds the secret to predicting the upcoming winter. The more black, the harsher the winter, and more brown indicates a milder winter. This folk belief has been passed down from generation to generation creating anticipation as fall approaches. There is even a Woolly Worm Festival in Banner Elk, North Carolina, held annually on the third Saturday in October. According to their Facebook page, they have attracted over 20,000 people in attendance. There’s a woolly worm race during the festival,

and the winning woolly worm gets the esteemed honor of predicting the weather for the High Country’s winter! Whether its prediction holds true or not, the wonders of autumn and the woolly worm peak our imagination. Although the belief of the woolly worm prediction varies among individuals, it is a light-hearted tradition rather than a scientifically reliable forecast. So, have you spotted a woolly worm lately? Keep an eager eye for the woolly worms’ appearance, for in their delicate crawl lies a tale of the changing seasons waiting to be discovered by those who seek the mystery of nature’s secrets.

Woolly Bear Caterpillar Winter Predictions



Harsh Winter, the more black the more harsh



Moderate Winter



Mild Winter, the more brown the more mild



Winter Begins Harsh, ends mild (more black near the head)



Winter Begins Mild, ends harshly (more black near the tail)

Free Thanksgiving Dinners to be given out in Summers County

SUMMERS COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - As in the past, people in Summers County will be delivering free Thanksgiving dinners to those people who request them. This year, orders can be placed by calling 304-660-7073 or emailing ascensionepiscopalhinton@gmail.com. No orders can be accepted after the last day of October. If you wish to place an order, we must know

your name, address, phone number, number of meals you want and any special instructions for delivery. Hot meals are prepared by the Community Center in Oakhill. They make the turkey and dressing, green beans and mashed potatoes. Those meals are picked up and brought to Hinton, where we add a roll, cranberry sauce and desert. And that is where organizers need help. Any church,

individual or group who would like to provide part of these foods would be greatly appreciated. Call or text Nancy at 304-860-9446 for questions or to volunteer. Organizers will also need people to deliver the meals on the Thursday of Thanksgiving. It is a great time of year to celebrate our blessings and we can do that by sharing them with others. Thank you for your generosity.

Missing Hinton woman found safe

HINTON W.Va. (Hinton News) - Recently, a Hinton woman, Valerie Whittaker was reported missing and added to the NCIC database as a missing person. However, West Virginia State Police confirmed that she has now been found and is safe with her family. According to WVSP’s initial press release announcing the search, Valerie Whittaker had last been seen during the early hours of October 8. The law enforcement agency released the following statement on the investigation. “On Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 4:33 p.m., S/ Tpr. S. K. Weikle received

a call for a welfare check at a residence on Temple Street in Hinton, West Virginia. S/Tpr. Weikle responded and attempted to locate 41-year-old Valerie Whittaker of Hinton. S/ Tpr. Weikle was unable to locate Valerie Whittaker. S/Tpr Weikle spoke with Valerie Whittaker’s sister who advised Whittaker was supposed to catch a Grey Hound bus in Beckley, West Virginia on Sunday, October 8, 2023. S/ Tpr. Weikle also spoke with another individual who advised during the early morning hours of October 8, 2023, he dropped Whittaker off at the McDonalds

on Robert C Byrd Drive in Beckley, West Virginia and had not seen or heard from her since. S/Tpr. Weikle continues to actively investigate this case as a missing person investigation. Valerie Whittaker has been entered into the NCIC system as a missing person. Anyone with information on the location of Valerie Whittaker should call S/ Tpr. Weikle at the Hinton Detachment at 304-466-2800.” Later, on Oct. 21, the WVSP released a statement noting that Whittaker had been located and was “safe with family at this time.”

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Summers County Courthouse News

Marriages

Jackson Edward Butler to Aubrey Madison Follante; Jason Adam Wamsley to Cassidy Elizabeth Berry; Tyler Derksen to Graceann Branham; Hayley Austin Yopp to Cody Lee Coleman.

Fiduciaries

Mckenzie Brant, Administrator of the Rose Marie Massey estate.

Land Transfers

Ona Kay Weiss to Ona Kay Weiss and Shelby D. McBride, Pipestem District; Linda Jeanette Edwards to the Hoskinson Family Living Trust Trustees, 96 acres more or less, Pipestem District; Heather Ann Sprouse and Chelsie Sprouse to John Gilbert and Orrin Gerzema, 19,627 square feet, Talcott District; Jeffrey Hilton and Joseph Karwacki to Steven Michael Sharp, 2 Tracts, Green Sulphur District; Joseph A. Meadows and

Jonathan W. Meadows to Gary Wayne Meadows, 2.008 acres more or less, Talcott District; Norma Lee Lilly to Jimmy Dale Lilly, 4 Tracts, Jumping Branch District; Betty J. Lightner to Laundry Depot LLC, 0.45 acres more or less, City of Hinton District; Timothy Michael O'Farrell (O'Farell) to Heather O'Farrell (O'Farell) and Shannon O'Farrell (O'Farell), 15.93 acres more or less, Jumping Branch District; Charlotte F. Glass and Sarah F. Holliday and Randolph Knipp to William Kevin Thornton and Betty Thorton, 24,200 square feet, Talcott District; Wanda Dotson and Jack Dotson to Eric Case and Misty Case, Lot Number 91, Talcott District; Katrina G. (Smith) Neal to John Adam Gilbert, 0.6 acres more or less, Talcott District; Ocie V. Helton to James Young and Leslie Young, 2.09 acres more or less, Forest Hill District.

Benjamin Earhart found “not guilty” in the death of Daniel Harmon

Rebecca Stalnaker

SUMMERS COUNTY W.Va. (Hinton News) - Daniel Harmon passed away in July 2022 from a gunshot wound following a dispute with Benjamin Earhart that ended in gunfire. Subsequently, Earhart was arrested and charged with murder. Recently, the case went to trial and the jury returned a verdict of “Not Guilty.” After the initial incident, The Hinton News reported that the criminal complaint stated that the argument arose from a property dispute. The same document indicated that two wounds were found on Harmon, one in the back of the neck and one in the back. During the trial, there

seemed to be no dispute regarding the manner of Hamon's death. However, Earhart's lawyer, Robert Dunlap, argued that Earhart shot Harmon in self-defense. According to reports, the prosecution argued against this claim noting the two shots fired and an alleged statement from Earhart claiming he was not sure whether or not Harmon had a gun. Closing arguments were held on Thursday, Oct. 19 after which the jury deliberated for several hours. Once the jury returned, they handed down a verdict of Not Guilty on not only the murder charge but also the lesser charges of involuntary manslaughter, voluntary manslaughter and second degree murder.

GEAR UP SWV Offers Tutor.com to Teachers, Families and Students in Southern West Virginia

ATHENS W.Va. (Hinton News) - Homework help has arrived for families and teachers in five West Virginia counties. Tutor.com is now available to students 13 years or older and their families in 7th or 8th-grade public schools in Wyoming, Mercer, Raleigh, Monroe, and Summers Counties. The service will help bridge the gap between the classroom and learning brought on by the pandemic for the high school classes of 2028 and 2029. Students 12 years or younger in the same named grades can access help at tutor.com if their parents or guardians have returned a signed permission slip.

Tutor.com is a 24/7 resource for students, teachers, parents, and the GEAR UP Southern West Virginia (GEAR UP SWV) team. Students and parents can connect with a live tutor during sessions, drop off writing samples or assignments to get direct feedback on this assignment, prepare for tests and more. It is also a resource to help parents gain confidence while helping their students with schoolwork. “Having grown up in southern West Virginia, I imagine the advantages of having on demand tutoring. The difference that would have made for me as a student, and later as a mom, are immense. To have assistance right at your fingertips will be such an incredible resource for our GEAR UP SWV families,” Kristen O'Sullivan, Director of GEAR UP SWV. In West Virginia, there are several barriers that students

must overcome to succeed in college such as low postsecondary expectations, high teacher turnover, and lack of academic college readiness. Southern West Virginia teachers are answering the call to educate young people, but teachers are only available during the school day. While some teachers go above and beyond to answer emails and messages in the evenings, it is not a sustainable practice. Teachers in 7th and 8th-grade public schools in these five counties can offer tutor.com as a resource of live interaction for students falling behind, wanting to boost their grades or help boost student confidence. The platform will also serve as a form of consistency in the classrooms.

Parents, and many times, grandparents are also stepping in to support students in the region but many lack the resources to help with homework. Tutor.com is just one way that GEAR UP SWV is meeting students, parents, and teachers where they are. “Our students are currently in the 7th and 8th grades, and we will be working with this group through the years until they graduate from high school. One of the many great things about Tutor.com is that not only can students find help with their current studies, but when they reach high school, it will help them study for the ACT and SAT, the tests students take to get into college. Right now, in our area, ACT and SAT study help is limited and this will

certainly help bridge that gap,” Partnership Coordinator Jenn Fram said. Frame coordinates in Monroe, Summers, and Raleigh Counties. GEAR UP SWV students can access Tutor.com by going to www.tutor.com/gearupswv. Students younger than 13 years of age should have their parents/guardians sign and return a paper permission slip before using tutor.com. Parents should allow 2-4 weeks processing after permission slips are signed and returned. GEAR UP stands for Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs and is part of a national grant program funded through the U.S. Department of Education. GEAR UP SWV works with the high class of 2028 and

2029 currently in 7th and 8th graders, in Mercer, Monroe, Summers, Raleigh, and Wyoming Counties to ensure high school graduation. The program also informs students and families of ways to succeed in a postsecondary education and ways to help fund it. GEAR UP SWV supports teachers, administrators, students, and families on this educational journey. GEAR UP Southern West Virginia (GEAR UP SWV) helps students graduate from high school and succeed in postsecondary education. GEAR UP SWV; securing a legacy of strength and resilience in Appalachia. Find more information on GEAR UP SWV social media pages and on our website, conord.edu/gearup.

A.A. meetings held in Hinton

HINTON W.Va. (Hinton News) - A daytime meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous will begin meeting Wednesdays at noon in the lower level of Ascension Episcopal Church, which began on Oct. 25. Entrance to the meeting area is through the rear entrance of the church, which is located at the corner of Temple Street and 5th Avenue (222 5th Av-

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Science Bowl is back: CU hosting 12-county competition Nov 4

ATHENS W.Va. (Hinton News) - Following three years of online virtual competitions, in-person Science Bowl competitions have returned to West Virginia. On Saturday, Nov. 4, Concord University will host a 12-county preliminary competition, which will help determine which high school teams go on to the state competition scheduled for Feb. 3, 2024. Concord will host high school student teams from counties located in the former West Virginia Regional Education Services Agencies (RESA) 1 and 4 areas. The RESA 1 counties include Raleigh, Summers, Monroe, Mercer, McDowell, and Wyoming. The RESA 4 counties are Braxton, Webster, Pocahontas, Greenbrier, Fayette, and Nicholas. Approximately 100 students, teachers, and family members are expected to attend, and another 30 or more Concord volunteers will help the event run smoothly. Teams and coaches are requested to register online in advance at https://apply.concord.edu/register/science-bowl_23 by Oct. 27, if possible. Onsite check-in will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Nov. 4 in the main lobby of the Student Center building on Concord University's

main campus in Athens, WV. The welcome ceremony and orientation will take place in the Ballroom of the same building from 1 to 1:15 p.m. The competition begins at 1:30 p.m. in the nearby Science building. Several additional activities will be available on the same day as the Science Bowl event. A Fall Open House will run from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. with campus tours and opportunities to answer questions about financial aid, student life, academics, and more. Additional information about the open house and advance registration may be found at <https://www.concord.edu/admissions/visit>. Concord's Augmented Reality Sandbox and Raspberry Shake seismograph will be open all day in the Science building. The West Virginia Regional Science Bowl is affiliated with the National Science Bowl, which is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy. Science Bowl is a tournament-style academic competition that tests students' knowledge in all areas of science and mathematics. Five sites across West Virginia, including Concord, will host preliminary competitions in November and December. For the Concord

competition, the top three winning teams in each RESA area competition may advance to state and potentially national competitions. The state-level competition will take place on Feb. 3 in Morgantown. West Virginia Science Bowl information may

be found at https://science.osti.gov/wdts/nsb/Regional-Competitions/High-School-Regionals/WV_West-Virginia-High-Regional--School-Science-Bowl. For additional information about the Nov. 4 competition to be hosted at Concord Univer-

sity, please see <https://www.concord.edu/sciencebowl/> or contact Dr. Stephen Kuehn at skuehn@concord.edu or 304-384-6322.

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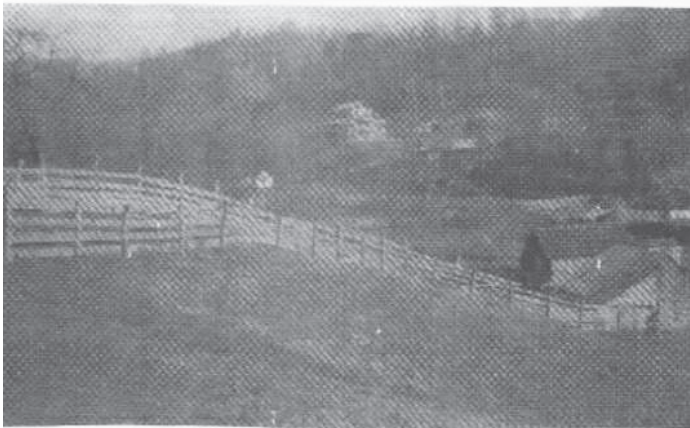
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A Peek into Summers County’s Past: Valley Heights Hotel



Photos provided by William Jones

William Jones

PENCE SPRINGS W.Va. (Hinton News) - It is time for another edition of A Peek into Summers County’s Past. Each week, local history collector William Jones discusses items from his collection and their historical significance. So far, he has detailed businesses, bridges, town names and much more. In this edition, he is discussing the area once known as Valley Heights and specifically, a hotel from the specified area. Here is what he had to say.

“Valley Heights is thought of as part of Pence Springs today. But in its day, it was its own little community. Having had the Bennett’s Store and Post Office, the 1830s Coiner Boarding House (standing), The Mays School (a one-room log school, built in 1868), the Buffalo School (standing), the spring that Pence Springs is named for (standing), the Pence Springs bottling house, the caddy shack for the golf course and lastly the center of topic this week, the Valley Heights Hotel.

“The Valley Heights Hotel was constructed in 1905 by B. E. Carney. It was a very elaborate, late Victorian three-story structure that was eloquently furnished and decorated to luxury standards. It had indoor plumbing and was advertised as the only hotel at the springs where you could enjoy luxury, hot and cold, sulfur water baths.

“Carney began bottling the sulfur water at his hotel. Andrew Pence had already created a successful hotel around the sulfur water spring. He had been bottling the water and shipping it out of Pence Springs by train to various places across the state and the country. The Pence sulfur water was used to make ginger ale and root beer.

“As Carney’s water business gained momentum and he began bottling more water, Pence’s water supply dwindled to where he could not keep up with the demand. Carney had tapped into the water supply that fed Pence Springs. Pence became more and more frustrated with what was happening.

“After a lengthy investigation into the matter, he uncovered what had happened. That Carney was cutting off his water supply by bottling his own at his hotel. The Valley Heights Hotel was on the bank, on the right side of the road, about a quarter of a mile above the Pence Springs. Nearly all the homes in Valley Heights have sulfur water in them today. Even my house, which sits virtually a mile away, occasionally has sulfur water that leaches into our well.

“This resulted in Andrew Pence filing suit against B. E. Carney in 1906. The case was styled Pence vs. Carney. A man by the name of Tripplett was in charge of pumping the water at the Valley Heights Hotel. Tripplett’s business practices were costing Pence, who had already been established and had a very successful sulfur water bottling business in the works.

“Judge Miller, the author of the ‘1908 History of Summers County from its Earliest Settlement to its Present Time,’ sided the case in September of 1907. He determined that Tripplett’s pumping the water at The Valley Heights Hotel was damaging Andrew Pence. Carney and Tripplett argued it would be next to impossible to supply their hotel with sulfur water unless the present rate of pumping is continued. To Andrew Pence’s delight, the court decided that if the pumping at the Valley Heights Hotel harmed Andrew Pence and the Pence Springs it must be shut off. This was a major blow to B. E. Carney. This occurred after Carney’s son Glenn Carney had died in 1905 from injuries he sustained after falling from a hammock on the second-floor porch of the Valley Heights Hotel to the ground below.

“The Valley Heights Hotel, its bottling house, and its pump house were destroyed by fire on April 11, 1911. The fire had started on the third floor in one of the guest rooms and was discovered at 6 a.m. The limited firefight-

ing capabilities of the time led to the buildings being a total loss. It is believed that the fire started due to a defective flue on the third floor. The hotel had yet to open for the season, and Carney and his family were the only people staying in the building at that time. A large amount of furniture and effects were saved from the building before the fire gained total control over the complex.

“The building, at the time, was estimated to be worth between \$12,000 and \$15,000. Carney only carried a \$2,000 policy. He had just taken out an additional \$1,000 policy the day before the fire that was scheduled to go into effect on April 12, the morning after the fire. The destructive fire was not only a huge loss to Carney, but to the local farmers of the neighborhood as well. The Valley Heights Hotel housed a farmer’s market for farm and garden products during the summer months. It was here that local farmers could find a sale of almost anything in the eating line.

“A little-known fact about this area is that it did not start as Valley Heights. It was originally formed as Reno, West Virginia when the first post office was established there in the early 1900s. At some point around the same time Carney built the Valley Heights Hotel, the post office was relocated to the Bennetts store. Its name was changed to ‘Valley Heights.’ John Kessler had told me this almost unheard-of fact about

Valley Heights. I believed him because he had been a Summers County historian for decades by this point. But to prove it to other skeptical people, I contacted Senator Byrd’s office and verified that, yes, the first post office in this area was named Reno.

“The aforementioned Coiner Boarding House was constructed in 1830 when the two-story framed structure was built around a 1762 one-room log house. Making this the oldest house in Summers County. Over the years, it was framed around and became what led to a two-story ‘L’ shaped structure. The two-story wings to the right were torn off years ago, and the lumber was used to build one of its early owner’s home in Ballengee, for a wedding gift. Ashby Berkley restored the two-story wing that still stands in the early 2000s. He uncovered and exposed what remained of one of the original log walls from the original house that had been built

over.

“The Valley Heights Hotel had cottages it rented out around the hotel. Three of these cottages still stand today. I had been told by numerous people over the years that before the bridge was built across the creek, the Bennett’s store was built across the creek. You could either drive your wagon through the water or walk across the store’s porch to keep from getting wet.

“The photo of the couple sitting below the Post Office sign on the porch is of the Bennetts Store and Post Of-

fice. The photo with the long wooden fence has the Valley Heights Hotel in the center while it was being constructed. The other two photos and postcards are of the hotel at various times during what time it was open.”

This is the end of another edition of A Peek into Summers County’s Past. Were you familiar with the Valley Heights Hotel?

Anyone wishing to share a story from the area’s history or provide more details on something from this column should send an email to news@hintonnews.com

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Last week, we began looking at how people view the truth in religious matters. We will continue that topic this week.

Do You Love The Truth?

(Part 2)
by David Padfield

Some People Attack The Messenger

Ahab, king of Israel, was a very wicked king. He married Jezebel, a woman guilty of murdering God’s own prophets. He worshipped and served Baal, and even built an altar and a temple for Baal in Samaria. “Ahab did more to provoke the Lord God of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel who were before him” (1 Kings 16:33).

The great prophet Elijah proclaimed a drought as punishment for the sins of Ahab—and it lasted three years (1 Kings 17:1; 18:1). One of the most interesting points of the story is the reaction of Ahab when he met Elijah. “Then it happened, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said to him, ‘Is that you, O troubler of Israel?’” (1 Kings 18:17). Ahab caused the drought in the land of Israel because of his sins, but he blamed the messenger!

John the Baptist lost his life because of his stand on marriage, divorce and remarriage (Matt. 14:1-10). John had informed Herod that he was living in sin because he married Herodias, a woman he had no lawful right to marry. At Herod’s birthday party he promised the daughter of Herodias that she could have anything she wanted. After being prompted by her mother she requested the head of John the Baptist on a platter.

The man who preaches where my parents go to church recently got fired. The circumstances of his firing were rather unusual. I’ve known the man for several years and have always thought highly of him. He was honorable in conduct and sound in teaching. The problem was not that he taught error, but rather that he taught the truth on moral issues—and immoral people just don’t like that type of preaching. So, instead of repenting of their immoral conduct, a few of the men in the congregation decided it would be easier to fire the preacher!

Some People Will Lash Out At Others

Sometimes wicked people lash out at innocent people who just happen to be nearby. Cain took out his anger on his brother Abel. Cain started off bad by offering a bad sacrifice to God (Gen. 4:3-5). Abel had acted in faith at the direction of God and offered an acceptable sacrifice (Heb. 11:4; Rom. 10:17). Cain got depressed when God rejected his sacrifice (Gen. 4:6).

God told Cain that he would feel right when he acted right (Gen. 4:7). In his depression, Cain killed his own brother (Gen. 4:8). What had Abel been guilty of? What sin had he committed? As far as I can tell, Abel just happened to be in the wrong place when a wicked man felt the guilt of his own sins and lashed out. “For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another, not as Cain who was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother’s righteous.” (1 John 3:13).

We will pick up with this same topic next week.

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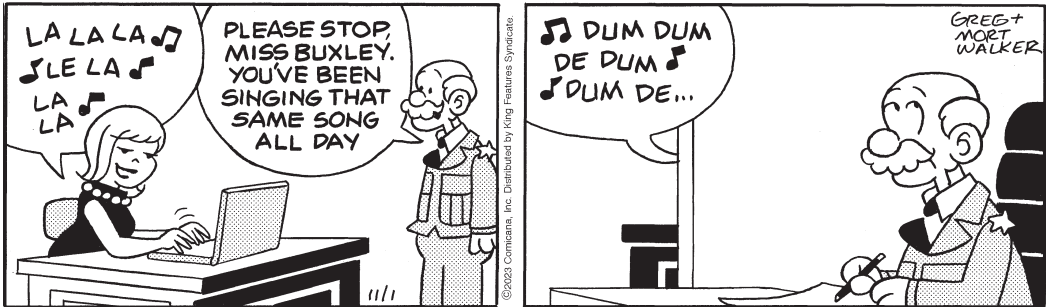
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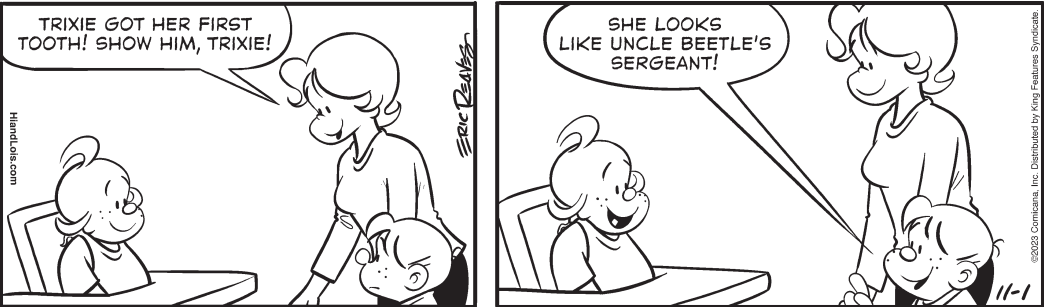


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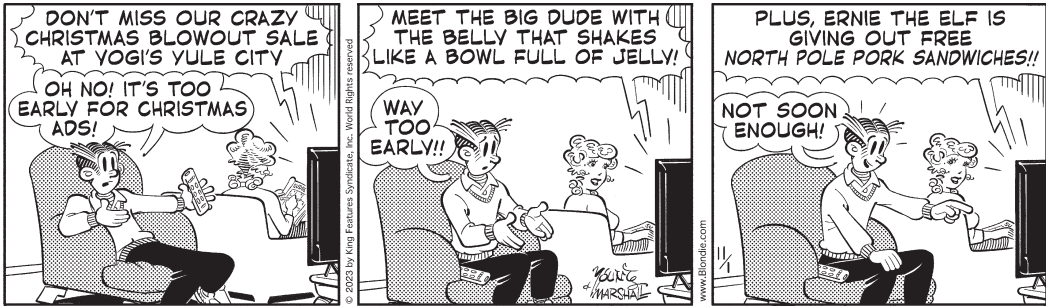
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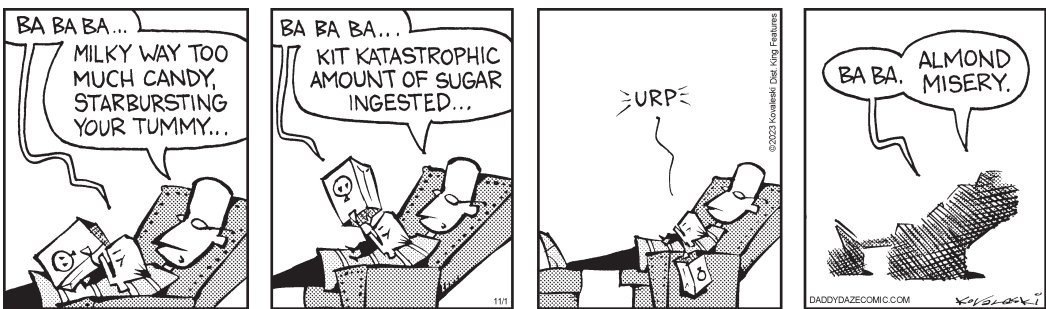
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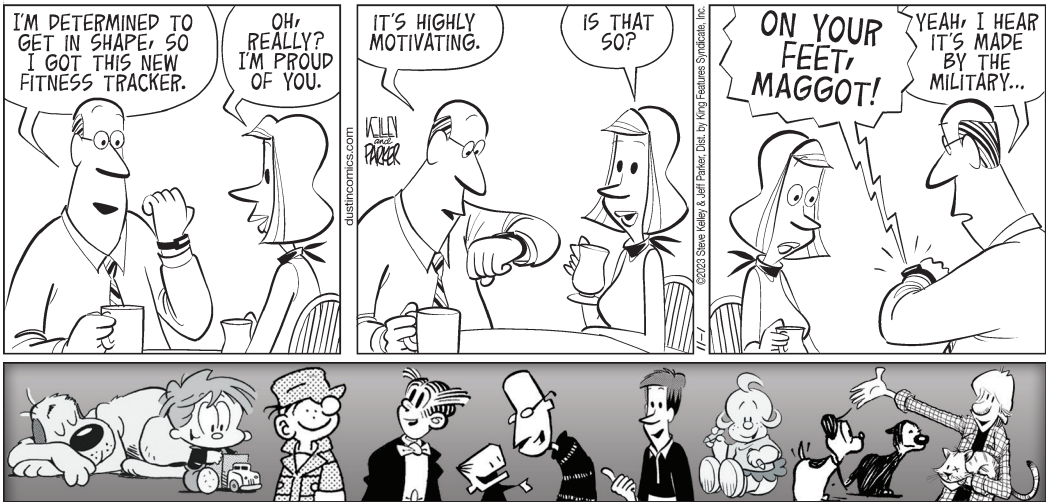
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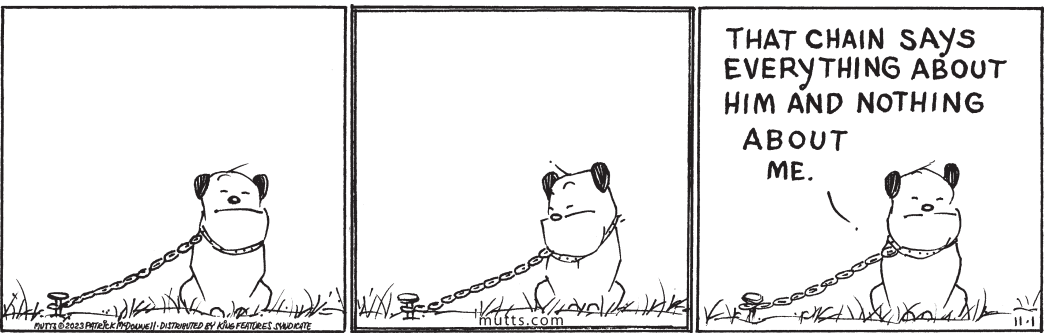
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BY GEORGIA NICOLS

MOON ALERT: Caution: Avoid shopping or making important decisions from 8:15 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. EDT today (5:15 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. PDT). After that, the Moon moves from Gemini into Cancer.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2023:

You are dynamic, active and passionate. You like things to be happening! This is an exciting year for you, because it's the beginning of a new nine-year cycle, which means you need to keep an open mind, be adventurous and be ready to explore new directions! Travel is likely.

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)

2★ Tread carefully, because today is full of confusion and indecisiveness. Therefore, recognize these limitations and postpone important decisions for another day. Don't agree to anything important. If you want to shop for anything other than food and gas, check the Moon Alert. Be smart. Tonight: Family discussions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

2★ Most of this day is a Moon Alert, which means things are too loosey-goosey for important decisions. For your sign in particular, there

will be confusion about financial matters, earnings and even purchases. Don't shop for anything other than food and gas during the Moon Alert. Just hang out and relax. Tonight: Study.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

3★ For most of this day, there's a Moon Alert taking place in your sign, which is why you will feel wishy-washy, indecisive and ready to goof off. Work will not really appeal to you. However, your creative imagination will be excellent! Don't hesitate to explore creative projects, but wait until the Moon Alert is over to act. Tonight: Budget.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

3★ This is a playful, creative day. It's a great day to socialize with others. It's also a wonderful day to explore imaginative, original ideas, especially in the arts. Do your research, but don't agree to anything important until the Moon Alert is over. Enjoy sports and fun times with kids. Tonight: Serious talks.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

3★ This is a great day to socialize with others! Enjoy hanging out with friends as well as groups and organizations. You also might entertain at home. Keep things light and go with the flow. Don't volunteer for anything, and postpone important decisions until after the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Solitude.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

2★ This is a poor day for important discussions with parents, bosses and authority figures. Don't volunteer for anything. Don't agree to anything important. Don't pitch new projects. Wait until the Moon Alert is over. In the meantime, get your facts. Tonight: Get advice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

3★ This is a wonderful day to play, explore new ideas and

travel. Keep things light. Go someplace you've never been before. Talk to new people, especially from different backgrounds or different cultures. There's an exciting sense of something "new" in the air. Tonight: Show respect.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

2★ Avoid important financial discussions today, especially regarding how to divide or share something, like an inheritance. Also, avoid important agreements or discussions with the government or issues about taxes, debt or shared property. Wait until the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Study.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

3★ This is a good day to goof off and have fun. Enjoy the company of others, especially close friends and partners. Feel free to build creatively upon ideas; however, do not finalize anything or agree to anything important until the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Check your finances.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19)

2★ Expect shortages, delays and confusion at work today. On one hand, people will be imaginative and creative; however, efficiency will be

compromised. Do the best you can and work with what you've got, but wait until the Moon Alert is over to finalize anything. Tonight: Keep the faith.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

3★ This is a creative day! Your imagination is heightened, plus you can think outside the box. Write down your clever ideas to check later. Enjoy schmoozing with others. Commit to nothing important until after the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Work.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

2★ Avoid important financial decisions and certainly purchases until after the Moon Alert is over today. Instead, relax at home. Enjoy casual get-togethers with others. Explore potential travel plans, but agree to nothing during the Moon Alert. Tonight: Creative projects.

BORN TODAY

Actress Toni Collette (1972), actress Daniela Melchior (1996), actor Penn Badgley (1986)

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SHEFFER CROSSWORD

ACROSS

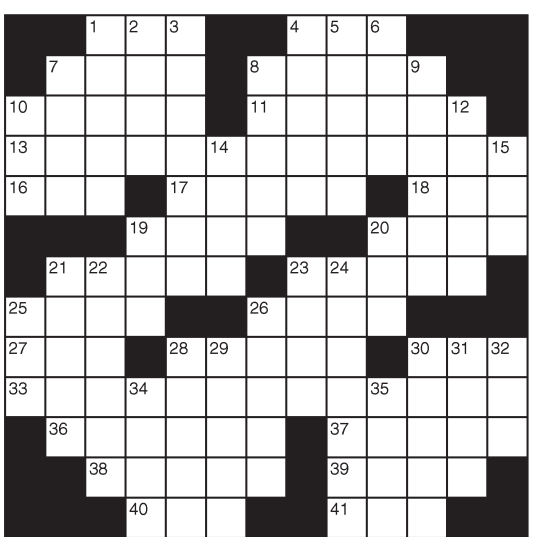
1 Hake's relative
4 "Planet —" (album by Doja Cat)
7 "Abso-lutely!"
8 Italian physicist
10 Disney deer
11 Francis or Dahl
13 "I Wanna Rock" heavy metal band
16 Tax form ID
17 Cornell and Yale, e.g.
18 Anger
19 Appear
20 Battery fluid
21 Bridge support
23 Hand-bag
25 Para-phernalia

DOWN

1 Curry spice
2 Spheres
3 Pantheon members
4 Equine
5 Designer Perry
6 Numbered
7 "— Theme" ("Doctor Zhivago" tune)
8 "Bar-barella" director
9 Capers
10 "Mic Drop"
11 Homer's neighbor
12 Haunting
13 Valuable
14 Holiday lead-ins
15 Flushed
19 California's Big —
20 Curator's concern
21 Eye drops
22 Five stars, e.g.
23 Hammer part
24 Letter after tau
25 Econ. statistic
26 Place for a watch
28 Untamed
29 Church cries
30 Violin
31 Bell
32 MGM motto start
34 Stallion's mate
35 Goalie's goal

Solution time: 23 mins.

Last Wednesday's Answer
(Answers Next Wednesday)



JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

MSUNI
DEALG
TBNATE
NCORUC

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THE MARATHONER'S ONGOING TALLY OF HER MILES WAS A --

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

(Today's Answers Next Wednesday)

Last Wednesday's Answers: Jumbles: EXERT BRASH GROWTH TIPTOE Answer: Proving that heavier-than-air aircraft could fly just took the -- "RIGHT" BROTHERS

SUDOKU PUZZLE

King Classic Sudoku

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

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:

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

Difficulty: ★★★

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SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION									
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS									
FYE JUNE 30, 2023									
	11	61	65	71	21	31	41	51	
	General	Special	Special	Special Revenue	Debt	Bond	Permanent	Capital	Total
	Current	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Service	Construction	Improvement	Projects	Governmental
	Expense	Fund	School Activity Fund	ESSERF Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES									
Assets:									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,544,253	\$ (52,140)	\$ 370,629	\$ (794,756)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,029,960)	\$ 1,038,017
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inventory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Taxes receivable, net	178,894	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	178,894
Deposit with Retirement Board	375,862	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	375,862
Prepaid Workers' Comp	21,077	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,077
Food service receivable, net	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lease Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other receivables	87,625	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,025,399	1,113,024
Other prepaid expenses	37,946	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37,946
Due from other governments:									
State aid receivable	66,341	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66,341
PEIA allocation receivable	222,086	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	222,086
Reimbursements receivable	-	706,775	-	794,756	-	-	-	-	1,501,531
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	3,533,893	654,626	370,629	-	-	-	-	(4,561)	4,554,587
Deferred outflows of resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS PLUS DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	3,533,893	654,626	370,629	-	-	-	-	(4,561)	4,554,587
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES									
Liabilities:									
Salaries payable and related payroll liabilities	\$ 1,235,970	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1,235,970
Other post employment benefits payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PEIA premiums payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accounts payable & Payable to others	90,612	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90,612
Due to other fiscal agents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	1,326,581	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,326,581
Deferred inflows of resources	101,539	457,286	-	210,953	-	-	-	-	769,778
Total deferred inflows of resources	101,539	457,286	-	210,953	-	-	-	-	769,778
Fund Balances:									
Nonspendable	434,684	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	434,684
Restricted	-	197,340	370,629	(210,953)	-	-	-	(4,561)	352,455
Committed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,671,088	(0)	0	(0)	-	-	-	0	1,671,089
Total fund balances	2,105,772	197,340	370,629	(210,953)	-	-	-	(4,561)	2,458,228
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	3,533,893	654,626	370,629	-	-	-	-	(4,561)	4,554,587
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position differ due to:									
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds									26,082,067
Right of use assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds									-
Other deferred charges are not reported in the funds									-
Property taxes receivable and food service billings receivable will be collected this year but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures, and are therefore deferred in the funds									-
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds									
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions									777,623
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions									(157,131)
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB									283,021
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB									(307,295)
Some liabilities, including net pension and OPEB obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds									
Bonds payable, due within one year									-
Bonds payable, due beyond one year									-
Unamortized bond premium									-
Accrued interest on bonds									-
Accrued sick leave payable									-
Compensated absences									-
Net pension liability - proportionate share									(751,532)
Net OPEB liability - proportionate share									(57,921)
Asset Retirement Obligation (ARO) Liability									-
Finance lease liability, due within one year									-
Finance lease liability, due beyond one year									-
Financed purchases and other, due within one year									(214,524)
Financed purchases and other, due beyond one year									(688,000)
SBTA liability, due within one year									-
SBTA liability, due beyond one year									-
Net position of governmental activities									\$ 27,424,536

See Notes to Financial Statements

SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION									
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES									
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS									
FYE JUNE 30, 2023									
	11	61	65	71	21	31	41	51	
	General	Special	Special	Special Revenue	Debt	Bond	Permanent	Capital	Total
	Current	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Service	Construction	Improvement	Projects	Governmental
	Expense	Fund	School Activity Fund	ESSERF Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	
Revenues:									
Property taxes	\$ 3,844,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,844,250
Other Local sources	45,661	8,966	-	-	-	-	-	-	54,626
State sources	9,639,419	484,800	-	-	-	-	-	4,529,434	14,653,453
Federal sources	-	3,001,511	-	4,082,421	-	-	-	-	7,083,933
Miscellaneous sources	256,249	135	411,482	-	-	-	-	-	667,865
Total revenues	13,785,578	3,495,212	411,482	4,082,421	-	-	-	4,529,434	26,304,127
Expenditures:									
Instruction	7,394,527	1,657,733	-	1,259,780	-	-	-	-	10,312,039
Supporting services:									
Students	665,304	54,148	415,391	265,068	-	-	-	-	1,399,909
Instructional staff	161,402	410,446	-	444,077	-	-	-	-	1,015,925
General administration	544,333	-	-	60,666	-	-	-	-	604,999
School administration	618,423	158,363	-	29,399	-	-	-	-	806,184
Central Services	228,574	-	-	190,210	-	-	-	-	418,783
Operation and maintenance of facilities	1,432,890	20,855	-	138,674	-	-	-	-	1,592,418
Student transportation	2,268,656	-	-	281,862	-	-	-	-	2,550,518
Other support services	77,015	136,200	-	27,910	-	-	-	-	241,126
Food services	-	1,205,927	-	21,500	-	-	-	-	1,227,427
Community services	18,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18,500
Capital outlay	302,410	-	-	1,403,152	-	-	-	4,511,502	6,217,064
Debt service:									
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finance Leases:									
Principal payment expense	201,269	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	201,269
Interest Expense	14,679	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,679
SBITAs:									
Principal payment expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	13,927,982	3,643,671	415,391	4,122,295	-	-	-	4,511,502	26,620,841
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(142,403)	(148,459)	(3,910)	(39,873)	-	-	-	17,932	(316,713)
Other financing sources (uses):									
Proceeds from disposal of real or personal property	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from the sale of bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Premium on sale of bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from finance lease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from financed purchases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from SBITAs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	332,709	275,007	39,200	-	-	-	-	-	646,916
Transfers (out)	(341,866)	(133,970)	-	(171,080)	-	-	-	-	(646,916)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(9,157)	141,037	39,200	(171,080)	-	-	-	-	(0)
Extraordinary Item:									
Other post employment benefits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	(151,561)	(7,422)	35,290	(210,953)	-	-	-	17,932	(316,713)
Fund balances - beginning	2,257,333	204,762	335,339	-	-	-	-	(22,493)	2,774,941
Prior period adjustments - (See Note __)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund balances - beginning, as restated	2,257,333	204,762	335,339	-	-	-	-	(22,493)	2,774,941
Fund balances - ending	\$ 2,105,772	\$ 197,340	\$ 370,629	\$ (210,953)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4,561)	\$ 2,458,228

See Notes to Financial Statements

VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT OF CHECK
A-Z SPEECH THERAPY, LLC	165,165.00
AAA SEPTIC TANK SERVICES,INC	1,700.00
A.D.SUTTON & SONS,INC	1,020.00
ADVANCE AUTO PARTS	1,103.96
ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM	4,266.80
AT&T	1,213.08
AIRGAS USA LLC	3,281.90
ALABAMA CHILD SUPPORT PMT CNTR	2,800.00
ALG VACATIONS CORP	6,339.54
AMAZON.COM CORPORATE CREDIT	381,127.19
AMBER STOVER	1,130.85
AMBER LILLY	15,500.00
AMERICAN FILTER SERVICES INC	10,525.00
AMERICAN RED CROSS	374.07
AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY SECURITY	1,455.36
AMTRAK-STATION BUILDING	1,484.70
AMY SMITH	259.28
AMY JUSTICE	1,068.62
ANDREA HELMS	338.46
ANDREW HALSTEAD	618.57
ANGELA GUMM	330.79
ANGELTRAX	8,380.60
APPLE INC	34,040.95
APPTGY, INC.	9,850.00
AQUALITY POOL,SPA & STOVES	28,740.00
ARAMARK UNIFORM & CAREER APPAR	4,404.92
ASCEND LEARNING HOLDINGS, LLC	1,175.00
ASHCO A CORPORATION	681.83

VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT OF CHECK
AUDIO VIDEO SOLUTIONS, INC	16,652.00
AUSTIN BOWER	324.55
AUSTIN ROMINE	4,000.00
BRIDGEPORT EQUIPMENT AND TOOL	450.00
BJS SOLUTIONS,LLC	9,911.97
BARNES & NOBLE	2,739.00
BARBARA TURNER	450.00
BAUDVILLE	309.24
BECKLEY NEWSPAPER	1,025.37
BEST LIFE THERAPY, LLC	25,425.00
BGT PASTA HOUSE INC	1,015.00
BFG	3,404.34
BIG ASS HOLDING,LLC	4,188.00
BIG BEND PSD	4,311.75
BIO COMPANY	1,423.23
BLUE RIDGE ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY	593.75
BLACKOUT EZ LLC	613.01
BOBBIE SHAWN TREADWAY	1,150.00
BOOKS A MILLION,INC	599.25
BOWLES RICE LLP	55,907.40
BRABBLE & SHORES,LLC	75,320.00
BREWER & CO	2,400.00
BRENT JONES CONTRACTING	29,400.00
BRYAN BOONE	503.48
BSN SPORTS LLC	843.12
BUD HYPES PLUMBING & SEWER	7,550.00
CC'S TRUCKING INC	1,235.00
C.A.S.E.	9,413.59

VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT OF CHECK
C.ADAM TONEY DISCOUNT TIRE INC	43,795.04
CANAL ALARM DEVICES 123SECURIT	571.72
CAROL RENAE JONES	504.05
PINNACLE WHOLE LIFE SERVICES	18,550.00
BLUELAVA AUDIO	1,200.00
CAROWINDS	1,068.00
CENGAGE LEARNING	25,061.25
CENTRAL POINTE, INC	483.00
CHAD MEADOR	1,976.76
CHARLESTON ACOUSTICS	7,578.95
CHARLESTON NEWSPAPER	1,077.31
CONNIE RICHMOND	495.40
MICHAEL A WADE ENTERPRISES,LLC	609.85
CHRISTIE SHAFER	2,849.05
CINTAS	1,717.99
CITY OF HINTON	296.00
CITY SIDETRACK	523.00
CINCINNATI FLOOR COMPANY	1,830.00
CLAY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	4,000.00
CLEARLY IP, INC	383.35
COMPLETE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	29,802.50
CONCORD UNIVERSITY	9,946.00
CONTRACT PAPER GROUP INC	11,761.00
COOLE SCHOOL	1,470.60
COPIER WORD PROCESSING SUPPLY	359.61
CREATIVE AUDIO VISUAL GROUP	26,102.22
TERESA CONNER	263.69
THE WEBSTAUANT STORE, INC	3,086.15
CRISIS PREVENTION INSTITUTE	7,097.50
CROWN AWARDS	1,340.19
CRYSTAL RICHMOND	1,791.64
CUSTOM SERVICES INDUSTRIES,LLC	760.00
DAIMLER NORTH AMERICA CORP	66,859.30
CYNTHIA LYNN WILSON	15,750.00
DANIEL ALAN HUDGINS JR	890.52
DANIEL YOST	3,140.47
DANIEL C BONTEMPO	2,520.00
DAVID G. ALLEY	850.00
DAVID PACK	1,438.89
D & M RECYCLING INC	297.64
DENNIS ALDER	1,850.00
WV DIVS NATURAL RESOURCES	1,371.00
DISCOVERY EDUCATION,INC	395.00
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES	640.00
DK ENTERPRISES LTD	99,385.16
DOUGLAS ALLAN AMTSBERG	2,162.00
DOUGLAS EQUIPMENT	1,502.78
DSO MECHANICAL LLC	1,292.28
E3 DIAGNOSTICS INC.	4,377.00
EASTERN FIRE & ALARM TECH,LLC	1,274.30
EDGENUITY INC	10,375.00
EDUCATIONAL FUNDING GROUP	3,900.00
EDUTEK SOLUTIONS, LLC	1,995.00
EDWARDS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES,I	118,900.00
EKON-O-PAC LLC	1,748.00
ACEDEUCE 2, LLC	883.50
ERNEST LONG	2,784.00
ENVIRONMENTAL OPTIONS, INC.	801.00
EWELL EDUCTIONAL SERVICES INC	335.00
EXHIBITION COAL MINE	304.00
FACILISERV, INC	495.00
FERGUSON ENTERPRISES,INC	1,926.92
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	12,905.31
FIGTREE TECHNOLOGIES INC	281.25
FIRE SAFETY PRODUCTS INC	1,503.50
FISHER PARTS	12,886.76
FLEETSOFT, LLC	4,574.00
FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC	612.73
FOX PHOTOGRAPHICS	4,125.00
FRANKLIN COVEY	28,580.50
FRANKLIN FLOOD	839.85
GEORGE STEVEN PEER	1,525.00
GOODHEART WILCOX	21,403.20
GORDON FOOD SERVICE,INC	283,775.08
GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES	508.00
GREAT MINDS PBC	1,250.00
GREENBRIER DAIRY, LLC	6,603.00
GREENBRIAR COMMUNICATIONS, INC	4,987.58
GUEST HOUSE ON COURTHOUSE	826.00
GUITAR CENTER STORES INC	380.00
HAND2MIND,INC	3,667.32
HETTIE BLAIR	1,551.69
HINTON AREA ELEMENTARY	8,400.00
HINTON HARDWARE	3,810.32
HINTON NEWS	1,880.44
HINTON SANITARY BOARD	54,138.79
ANDREWS FOOD EQUIPMENT,LLC	2,499.13
HOTSY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	1,926.23
HPS LLC	2,696.65
HOWARD INDUSTRIES, INC	18,656.97
ILLUMINATE EDUCATION, INC	405.00
IMAGINE LEARNING LLC	13,550.00
IMAGESTUFF.COM	262.20
INSTITUTE FOR MULTI-SENSORY ED	7,863.95
INTERIM HEALTHCARE OF PITTSBG	430.50
INTERSTATE BATTERIES	4,304.45
IXL LEARNING INC	2,462.00
J L MASSIE INS CO	10,225.00
J & M HEATING & AIR CONDITION	5,000.00
J&L GENERAL STORE	1,834.55
JACQUELINE RICHMOND	300.00
JACQUELYN PERSINGER	478.81
JAMES GREGORY MINTER	15,400.00
JC CONTRACTING & EXCAVATING	2,500.00
JAMES & LAW CO	6,129.52
JAN-CARE AMBULANCE, INC	1,180.56
JENNIFR JONES	300.00
JENNIFER FOX	300.00
JESSICA PACK	383.52
JO-ANN STORES, LLC	1,287.64
JOHN D. SPANGLER, JR.	18,170.00
JOHN HODGENS	541.98
JONES SCHOOL SUPPLY CO INC	993.68
JOSHUA S VASS	1,283.59
JOSTENS	1,432.00
JOY BOWLING	3,416.65
JUMPING BRANCH SCHOOL	4,000.00
K2SHARE, LLC	3,520.00
KAREN EAGLE	1,319.80
KATHERINE L. KILCOLLIN, DDS	5,653.10
KATHY DUFFIELD	546.69
KATHY LAMB	767.27
KAYLA KINCAID	806.32
KENT GILKERSON	2,104.00
KEV GROUP,INC.	1,000.00
KEVIN GREEN	1,222.08
KEY TELEPHONE AND SECURITY	24,916.88
KIMBERLY COX	1,497.69
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	1,097.07
KROGER	16,402.88
KRISTIN M RICHMOND	1,274.15

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SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

FYE JUNE 30, 2023

Governmental Activities

ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Assets:

Cash and cash equivalents

Investments

Inventory

Taxes receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible taxes

Deposit with Retirement Board

Food service receivable

Lease receivable

Other receivables

Prepaid Workers' Compensation

Other prepaid expenses

Due from other governments:

State aid receivable

PEIA allocation receivable

Reimbursements receivable

Capital Assets:

Land

Land improvements

Buildings and improvements

Furniture and equipment

Vehicles

Construction in process

Less accumulated depreciation

Total capital assets, net of depreciation

Right-of-Use Assets:

Land

Buildings

Equipment

Vehicles

Subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs)

Less accumulated amortization

Total ROU assets, net of amortization

Total assets

Deferred outflows of resources:

Pension

Other post employment benefit (OPEB)

Other

Total deferred outflows of resources

Total assets and deferred outflows of resources

Governmental Activities

LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION

Liabilities:

Salaries payable and related payroll liabilities

PEIA premiums payable

Compensated absences

Accounts payable

Other post employment benefit payable

Due to Other Fiscal Agents

Long-term obligations:

Due within one year:

Bonds and contracts

Accrued interest

Accrued sick leave payable

Finance lease liability

Financed purchases and other

SBITA liability

Due beyond one year:

Bonds and contracts

Accrued sick leave payable

Finance lease liability

Financed purchases and other

SBITA liability

Asset retirement obligation (ARO) liability

Net pension liability - Proportionate Share

Net other post employment benefit (OPEB) liability - Proportionate Share

Total liabilities

Deferred inflows of resources:

Pension

Other post employment benefit (OPEB)

Other

Total deferred inflows of resources

Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources

Net Position:

Net Investment in Capital Assets

Restricted for:

Debt service

Special projects

Capital projects

Unrestricted

Total net position

SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FYE JUNE 30, 2023

Program Revenues

Operating Grants and Contributions

Capital Grants and Contributions

Net (Expense), Revenue & Changes in Net Position

Functions

Expenses

Charges for Services

Operating Grants and Contributions

Capital Grants and Contributions

Governmental Activities

Governmental activities:

Instruction

Supporting services:

Students

Instructional staff

General administration

School administration

Central services

Operation and maintenance of facilities

Student transportation

Other support services

Food services

Community services

Interest on long-term debt/finance leases

Total governmental activities

General revenues:

Property taxes

Unrestricted state aid

Unrestricted investment earnings

Unrestricted grants and contributions

Extraordinary item - other post employment benefits

Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets

Gain (loss) on termination of ROU assets

Transfers in

Transfers (out)

Total general revenues, extraordinary items and transfers

Change in net position

Net position - beginning

Prior period adjustments - (See Note __)

Net position - beginning, as restated

Net position - ending

See Notes to Financial Statements

VENDOR NAME

AMOUNT OF CHECK

KRISTI SCOTT

1,950.00

NATHAN L SMITH

1,456.21

KURTZ BROS

18,852.91

NATIONAL ASSC OF SECD SCHOOL

494.49

LAKESHORE EQUIPMENT CO

6,507.88

NATIONAL CENTER FOR CONSTRCTON

426.25

LARRY COCHRAN

793.02

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY

2,650.00

LAUREN CROOK

1,162.28

NALCO COMPANY LLC

2,745.31

LAWSON PRODUCTS INC

498.35

NATIONAL UNION FIRE INS COMPAN

5,426.59

LEARNING ALLY, INC

4,896.40

NATIONAL RESTAURANT ASSN

4,814.90

LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS, LLC

26,668.50

NATIONAL SCHOOL FORMS

679.21

COMPTON OFFICE MACHINE

1,440.00

NEW HORIZON LANDSCAPING ADAMS

1,153.86

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY,INC

708.00

NEW RIVER VALLEY BOWLING CTR

1,320.00

LIBERTY DISTRIBUTORS

31,142.40

NICOLE BOSTIC

900.00

LINDA KNOTT

1,359.67

NICUSA, INC

250.00

LISAMARIE CROPPER

271.77

NICHOLAS PRINTING, INC

4,873.00

LITERACY RESOURCES, LLC

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LOWE'S

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NVB PLAYGROUNDS, INC

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OTC BRANDS, INC

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MARRIOTT HOTEL

1,387.22

ORKIN EXTERM

3,168.00

MARJORIE CRAWFORD

351.80

PACE ANALYTICAL SERVIES, LLC

3,118.83

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

7,950.00

PAMELA HAMRICK

267.25

MARTHA MANN

2,693.81

PAPI CRABTREE

323.90

MARY KATE ELKINS

817.69

PARCHMENT INC

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MATHENY MOTOR TRUCK COMPANY

406,664.95

PARTS & MORE INC

647.92

REUBEN RAJ

2,500.00

PATRICIA WARD

4,950.00

MCGRAW-HILL CHILDRENS PUBL

74,183.18

PEARSON EDUCATION

110,053.76

MCKINLEY ARCHITECTURE &

360,250.15

PHILLIPS SUPPLY

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PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE

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MON POWER

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MOUNTAINEER FOOD BANK

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PROHATI INC

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MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY

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1,279.93

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AMOUNT OF CHECK

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RADFORD & RADFORD,INC

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REBEKAH WARD

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REGENCY WEST VIRGINIA VENTURES

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STANLEY UNROE

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STAPLES

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STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE

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STATE CHEMICAL

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STATE ELECTRIC

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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, November 1, 2023
Claim Deadline: Sunday, December 31, 2023
ESTATE OF: RUSSELL RAY FITZWATER
ADMINISTRATOR: VIRGINIA R. FITZWATER
ESTATE OF: CLAUDE RAY FLESHMAN JR.
ADMINISTRATOR: DREMA K. CYRUS
ESTATE OF: DOLORES J. KEATON
CO EXECUTOR: RACHEL D. MCPHERSON
CO EXECUTOR: JOHN MCPHERSON
ESTATE OF: HARRY EDWARD KEFFER
ADMINISTRATOR: DORA JEAN KEFFER
ESTATE OF: WILLIAM JAMES LANIER
ADMINISTRATOR: LUTHER D. LANIER
ESTATE OF: HOPE LARSEN
ADMINISTRATOR: ERIK JENS LARSEN
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ADMINISTRATOR: DONNA JEAN BRAGG
ESTATE OF: BETTY IRENE MITCHELL
ADMINISTRATOR: LARRY

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ESTATE OF: STEVEN PAUL SCOTT
ADMINISTRATOR: ERIN K. STENNETT
ESTATE OF: VIRGINIA CATHERINE SNIDER
ADMINISTRATOR: BETTY JANE HENDRICK
ESTATE OF: SHIRLEY LOU WHEELER
ADMINISTRATOR: CHRISTY WRIGHT

Subscribed and sworn to before me on October 24, 2023.
Donald R. Basham Jr.
Summers County Fiduciary Supervisor
(1,8no)

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 8th day of November, 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: DAVID EDWARD BOLLING
Fiduciary: MARY LOU BOLLING
Estate: GLADYS ETHEL FITZPATRICK
Fiduciary: AMY L. MANN
Estate: JONATHAN DAVID FOX
Fiduciary: REGINA PERSINGER
Estate: ROSE MARIE MASSEY
Fiduciary: MCKINZIE BRYANT
Estate: VIRGINIA DARE PETT-
RY (PROPOSED)
Fiduciary: DAVID PETTRY
Estate: CAROLYN ADKINS
SHERWOOD
Fiduciary: RICHARD CRISP
Estate: BARBARA ANN SMITH
Fiduciary: RONALD SMITH
Estate: PAUL THOMAS WOOD-
RUM
Fiduciary: MICAH WOODRUM

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 24th day of October, 2023.
Donnie Basham
Fiduciary Supervisor
(1no)

Manchin joins West Virginia Economic Development Organizations to discuss jobs and investment from Appalachian Regional Hydrogen Hub

Washington, DC (Hinton News) — Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV), Chairman of the U.S. Senate Energy and Natural Resources (ENR) Committee, joined the Charleston Area Alliance Board of Directors meeting and the North Central West Virginia Business Summit to discuss the recent selection by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) of the Appalachian Regional Clean Hydrogen Hub (ARCH2) to develop a hydrogen hub with a focus on counties in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Kentucky.

“West Virginia and ARCH2 have been given an exciting opportunity to help develop the hydrogen market right here in the Mountain State. Today, I had the chance to meet with the community and economic development leaders that will play a large role in guiding the new businesses, families, and workers that this hydrogen hub will bring to West Virginia. This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our state,

and I will continue to work with local leaders to ensure that we are able to fully realize the benefits this hydrogen hub will bring to West Virginia,” said Chairman Manchin.

The announcement that ARCH2 will develop a hydrogen hub makes available up to \$925 million in federal support under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law that will bring a hydrogen hub to West Virginia. Chairman Manchin’s Bipartisan Infrastructure Law included \$8 billion for Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs to jumpstart the production, transport, and use of clean hydrogen across the U.S. As a Hydrogen Hub selectee, ARCH2 will develop a network of hydrogen-based energy and products manufacturing in West Virginia. The Hub is projected to create over 20,000 jobs, with the majority of those in West Virginia. The \$925 million in federal funding is expected to unlock up to \$6 billion in additional private sector matching funding.

Sweet Springs Turnpike Trail officially opens

SWEET SPRINGS W.Va. (Hinton News) - On Sunday, Oct. 15, the first phase of the Sweet Springs Turnpike Trail officially opened to hikers. On Monday, Oct. 16, a ceremony was held with the designers of the trail and three representatives of the Allegheny Trail to officially open the West Virginia section of this historical Stagecoach Turnpike Trail. Their work and efforts put into the designing, planning and physical work in getting the trail open is what made this such a success. A lot of time, phone calls, geographic studies, historical studies and more went into the trail long before the actual work began, and three of the persons who put forth that effort were:

Zen Clements - Developer, professional trail designer, and professional mountain biker. Clements has developed trails throughout the state including skiing, biking, hiking and more. Clements’ family are natives of Wayside in Monroe County, and he has a deep heart when it comes to developing outdoor activities for his “home county.”

Dale McCutcheon - McCutcheon is one of the few experts in trail design, historic trail design, history of the trails, laws involved with trail design, trail safety and an avid hiker. His guidance and knowledge are invaluable to this project.

Roseanna Sacco - Owner of Sweet Springs Institute, Vice President of the Sweet Springs Watershed Association, Researcher for Sweet Springs Resort Park and Project Manager for the annual Sustainability Forum. Sacco is active in saving our clean water and protecting our ecosystem. She has done much research for the development of the Sweet Springs Turnpike Trail, set up meetings and helped with physical labor.

All three of these fine folks are donating their time to this project.

The other individuals who worked with Clements, McCutcheon, and Sacco are three brilliant people from the Allegheny Trail: Mark Mengeley - Historian for Virginia and West Virginia Trails; Brian Hurt - Officer and Researcher for the Allegheny Trail; and Doug Wood - Trail expert, avid hiker, trail designer and former President of the Allegheny Trail Committee.

Greenbrier Economic Development hired an out-of-state professional consulting company, insiteconsulting, to give advice on Economic Development in Monroe County. According to insiteconsulting, Sweet

Springs Park is one of the best Economic Development Projects not only in Monroe County, but also in West Virginia and the East Coast. With the clean, pure waters, the warm water healing pool, the planned recreational activities, colonial style Country Inn, extended stay apartments, business offices, and over 250 jobs/careers, it is insiteconsulting’s opinion that Sweet Springs Park will offer the “heartland” of Southern West Virginia a taste of uniqueness that will pull people into the county and the state.

Well, the recreational activities have begun. This Turnpike Trail project has been at the top of the list for Sweet Springs Resort Park as our first recreational development project; however, as the Park Project Manager, Ashby Berkley, explained many times, the roofing on all the historic buildings had to be completed first, and now that the buildings are “in the dry,” the trail development started in August 2023. The first phase is now open and ready for use by anyone wishing to enjoy hiking. Of course, there is more work to do (maintenance, more clearing, etc., and the completion of phase 2 of the trail which is already mapped out and ready for construction to begin - planned to begin within the next 2 weeks).

Arietta DuPre, Administrative Specialist for the Park, Secretary/Treasurer for The Sweet Springs Watershed Association, registered Lobbyist in the state of Wesr Virginia, and a Doctor of Theology and Christian Teaching, said, “Things have moved slowly for several reasons such as (1) Receiving grants - the Park has no paid employees; we are all volunteers; so over the last couple of years the Park was not eligible for any COVID relief grants. Once grants start coming in, the Park will begin hiring staff for the Park, and hope many hired will become permanent paid employees of the Park. (2) COVID hurt the Park’s Fundraisers as the attendance was very low, and some events had to be canceled, and (3) The Park wants NO LOANS. Taking out a big loan you cannot pay is usually the biggest problem with small businesses. While it is taking time, the Park is proceeding as planned. The golf driving ranges are already designed and ready to start construction Phase 1 of the historic Jeffersonian hotel is in the works - preparation for demolition and collection of needing furniture items has begun, The Sweet Springs

Watershed Association is now a fully licensed group developed to protect the natural springs on the farm property along with several national groups The Park stays in contact with and is a member of the Choose Clean Water Coalition which is a five-state group. The volunteers at the Park are very excited about the future.”

This is the Park Management’s fifth major restoration project. Others include:

1. The Riverside Inn, built by Governor Hatfield, was restored into a 5-star restaurant dedicated to colonial perfection. This was a 7-course dinner which took at least 1 1/2 hours to enjoy the great meals such as Colonial Meat Pie, 1/2 Baked Glazed Chicken stuffed with country ham and glazed with a special fruited glaze, Fruit Stuffed Duckling for 2 carved at the table and the famous Scalded English Slaw. The Riverside Inn was INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED
2. The Pence Springs Historic Hotel, began as a hotel run by Mr. Pence and was considered one of the most elegant hotels of its time. It then became a School for Appalachian Women established by Eleanor Roosevelt. After becoming the State Prison for Women, the state closed the facility and Mr. Berkley purchased the property and restored the facility back into a historic hotel that ran in the black for several years.
3. The Old Pence Springs Water Co. building. The

buildings were secured, with the railing still inside ... the water spring was cleaned and cared for, and the famous Pence Springs Flea Market was run on the property which for more than 28 years was/has been a huge success.

4. And more.
The same success can happen here at Sweet Springs Resort Park with the support of the county and the fact that the trail, promised by The Park, is now open.

The trail is free to hike. The park just asks that visitors sign in on the front porch of the office, and then sign out when they leave as a necessary safety requirement.

The Trail is closed to individual hikers from Nov. 15 - March 1, (just one person) however groups are welcome anytime with advance reservation. This is for the safety of individual hikers.

- There are a few rules:
1. Absolutely no drugs or alcohol on the trail - this causes accidents.
 2. Only smoke in designated areas. Do not smoke along the trail.
 3. You must sign in and sign out so we know you left safely.
 4. Bring all of your trash out when you come. No trash is to be left on the trail.
 5. Unless advance notice is given that you intend to camp, all hikers must be off the trail by dark, again, this is for the safety of all.
 6. All hikers must take water with them on the hike. Please, take any medications that you may need as well.

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Carnegie Hall’s winter art exhibits open Nov. 3



(clockwise from top left) Work by Sean O’Connell, Thomas Ruggiero, Dennis Ott, and Pat Cross

LEWISBURG W.Va. (Hinton News) - Carnegie Hall’s three rotating galleries open Friday, November 3, with winter exhibits by Pat Cross (Old Stone Room), Thomas Ruggiero (Lobby Gallery), and Dennis Ott and Sean O’Connell (Museum Gallery). There will be opening receptions at 6 p.m. in conjunction with Lewisburg’s First Fridays after 5.

The Old Stone Room, located on the ground floor of Carnegie Hall, will feature “Inviting the Outdoors In” by Pat Cross. Over the years, her work has been displayed in more than 150 fine art exhibitions, including Realism New York, Bosque Art Classic, and Salon International. For her

opening, she will host a family friendly, live, sketching demonstration.

Thomas Ruggiero will be featured in the Auditorium Lobby Gallery. He is an artist and fashion designer native to Lewisburg, WV. As a resident of Lee Street Studios, he crafts handmade one-of-a-kind garments and will be showcasing his original impasto ink fashion illustrations.

The Museum Gallery (adjacent to the Hamilton Auditorium) will house a collaborative exhibit of work by Dennis Ott and Sean O’Connell. Dennis Ott started woodturning as part of the new

partnership between Carnegie Hall and the WV Woodturners Assoc. in Spring 2022 and has used this new artistic medium as another way to express his love of nature and the connection to the greater world around us. Sean O’Connell is a ceramic artist originally with a private studio at Lee Street Studios.

The exhibits are free and open to the public, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The exhibits will run through December 29. For more information, please visit carnegie-hallwv.org, call (304) 645-7917, or stop by the Hall at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg, WV.

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Annual Christmas Walk Scheduled - Save the Date

HINTON W.Va. (Hinton News) - The annual Christmas Walk along the candle-lit streets of Hinton will be held on the second Saturday of December, Dec. 9, starting at 6 p.m. Mark your calendars to join organizers for an evening of coming together, celebration and peace.

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