

Monongahela **National Forest** makes history providing two Christmas trees to the Nation

ELKINS W.Va. (Hinton News) - This year Monongahela National Forest had the honor of providing Christmas trees to two iconic federal buildings in Washington, D.C. – the U.S. Capitol and the White House.

A 40-foot Norway spruce was delivered to the White House Tuesday, Nov. 14 to serve as the 2023 National Christmas Tree in collaboration with the National Park Service. This is the first time the USDA Forest Service and National Park Service has partnered to provide the National Christmas Tree at the White House. The Norway spruce was harvested from the Cheat-Potomac Ranger District in Parsons, West Va., Nov. 13.

The tree is located on the Ellipse at The White House and President's Park and can be viewed by the public beginning December 2. The National Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place November 30 in President's Park in Washington, D.C. Tickets are required. Learn more at the National Park Service's website.

Monongahela National Forest also delivered the U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree, a 63-foot Norway spruce, to the U.S. Capitol this Friday, Nov. 17, wrapping up a two-week tour around West Virginia and surrounding states. tree was harvested from the Greenbrier Ranger District in Randolph County Nov. 1.

Each year a different national forest provides what is known as the People's Tree, a tradition since 1970. The U.S. Capitol tree lighting ceremony is scheduled for November 28 at 5 p.m. at the U.S. Capitol. Tickets are not required, and it is open to the public. Learn more about the history of the ceremony at the Architect of the Capitol's website.

"Supplying these Christmas Trees to the White House and the U.S. Capitol marks a significant moment for Monongahela National Forest and we are honored for these trees be featured in our nation's most iconic holiday displays," said Forest Supervisor Shawn Cochran. "Christmas trees, adorned with the spirit of the state of West Virginia and Monongahela National Forest, will serve as a symbol of unity and joy during the holiday season.'

Spirit of Hinton 2023 honoree announced



The Public Works Department Employees with Senator Manchin

their community in Gill.

HINTON W.Va. (HIN- city employees are road TON NEWS) - The City no less deserving of and more - the Pub- community. of Hinton is proud to recognition for what lic Works Depart- A celebration for this Danny Gill, John Colannounce this year's they are doing for ment personnel have year's Spirit of Hinton lins, Geoff Stephens, Spirit of Hinton Hon- our City. Please join become true public Honorees (as well as Derrick oree for 2023. Histor- me in thanking this servants. With the the Snow King and Brady Petrey, Dale ically the city has cho-year's Spirit of Hinton variety and volume Queen) will be held on Starks, Jason Robinsen a local community Honorees, the City of of projects going on Saturday, Dec. 2 from son and Isaiah Adkins. volunteer who has no- Hinton's Public Works in Hinton currently, noon to 1:30 p.m. A "Thank You City of tably given back to Dept led by Billy Dan the need for a skilled small reception and Hinton Public Works

workforce is essen- the Christmas Parade Department for all some way. This year's From town clean- tial. These men meet were also held in hon- you do for us!" -Mayor recipients, although ups, sidewalk repairs, the challenge time or of Billy Dan Gill, Jack Scott

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Summers County Christmas Toy Fund 2023 Drive Underway

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ton Ruritan Club and the Summers County to PO Box 217 Hinton, for your donation.

SUMMERS COUNTY ilies. It's a huge un- child please contact, in the memo. You can ton, WV. The deadline W.Va. (Hinton News) - dertaking and they Darrell Lilly at 304- also donate online at to apply will be Nov. For over 30 years the couldn't do it with- 466-0476 or Stacy Ford, hintonareafoundation. 30. The program can org and use the Donate assist Summers Coun-If you are unable to Now Button. If you ty residents with chilbring smiles to the fac- We invite you to help adopt a child but would prefer you can also dren from newborn es of children during keep the magic of the like to donate there are contact co-chairs, Dar- to twelve years old. Christmas. Originally season alive, says Dar- several ways you can. rell Lilly or Stacy Ford All applications are sponsored by the Hin- rell Lilly, Co-Chair of You can mail a check to make arrangements reviewed and vetted to establish eligibility. then at the lead of Dar- Christmas Toy Fund. WV 25951, or drop off If your family lives in The program can assist rell Lilly, the Toy Fund The Summers County a check to the Hinton Summers County and with clothing and toys has assisted thousands Toy Fund is seeking in- Area Foundation lo- is in need of assistance but please, no bicycle of families throughout dividuals, businesses, cated at 104 James St. for Christmas, you request. All approved the years. Each year civic groups, churches Please make checks may pick up an appli- applicants will be notithe Toy Fund helps etc. to adopt children payable to Hinton Area cation at the Summers fied by mail and given over 200 children and for Christmas. If you Foundation and put County DHHR office at information regarding impacts over 100 fam- would like to adopt a "Christmas Toy Fund" 322 Summers St. Hin- the gift giveaway.



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December meetings Community Obituaries in Summers County

W.Va. (Hinton News) - 14 at 5 p.m. in the library. Here is a list of meetings County during December at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

of Education - Regular Meeting - Dec. 5 at 5 p.m. the patio at Kirk's Restau- Meeting - Dec. 27 at 7 p.m. Call the Board Office for rant. more information.

mission - Regular Meeting mittee - No December changes, - Dec. 13 at 9 a.m. in the meeting. Commission Room in the Courthouse.

Library Board of Directors Call the Board Office for news.com.

COUNTY - Regular Meeting - Dec. more information.

Hinton City Council -

Three Rivers Democrat-Summers County Board ic Women - Regular Meet- County Public Library ing - Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. on Book Group - Regular

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Summers County Board Summers County Public Meeting - Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. contact

Summers County Republicans - Regular Meetoccurring in Summers Regular Meeting - Dec. 19 ing - Dec. 26 at 6:30 in the Memorial Building.

> Friends of the Summers in the library.

> *This list is subject to cancelations, and additions.

**If you would like to of Education - Regular add a meeting to this list,

Summers County Courthouse offices announce closure for annual luncheon

County Courthouse of- employee

HINTON W.Va. (Hinton 12-2 p.m. on Dec. 13 for accordingly. Regular op-News) - The Summers the annual courthouse erating hours will be in fices will be closed from luncheon. Please, plan this time.

Christmas effect before and after

FINAL REMINDER: the Grinch in Hinton for a Wholicious pancake breakfast

County Council on Aging, a \$5.

W.Va. (Hin- pancake breakfast with the ton News) - The Grinch is Grinch will be held on Dec. menu that includes pancoming to Hinton to have 2, between 8 and 11:30 a.m. cakes, sausage, milk, juice breakfast with the commuat the center. The cost is \$7, and coffee. All of the pronity. According to Summers children aged 6 or under is ceeds from the event will

benefit the senior center.

Summers County Toy Fund Accepting Applications

- If your family lives in Summers County and is in need of assistance for Christmas, you may pick up an application at the Summers County DHHR office at 322 Summers St. Hinton, WV. The deadline to apply is Nov. 30. The program can assist Summers County residents with children from newborn to twelve years old. All applications are reviewed and vetted to establish eligibility. The program can assist with clothing and toys but please, no bicycle request. All approved

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 Avenue). The format of the meeting will be an open discussion of a weekly topic related to alcohol use/abuse.

For more information, please call 304-660-7073.

SUMMERS COUNTY applicants will be noti- information regarding W.Va. (Hinton News) fied by mail and given the gift giveaway.

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Virginia Catherine **Thompson Snider SNIDER**

Catherine Virginia Thompson Snider, age 89, was born in Hinton, WV, on December 3, 1933. She was the daughter of the late Fred and Mae Mann Thompson. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Francis Snider.

Ginger is survived by her sister, Jane E. Thompson of Old Hickory, TN; her two sons, Richard Steven Taylor, wife, Patty, and daughter, Victoria, of Eagle, CO, and Jeffrey Elliott Taylor, companion, Jennifer, and her grandchildren, Aylen, Fawna, and Brandon, Jr. of Parkersburg, WV; her niece, Kelly Rae,

Shane, and Juliana Large of Spring Hill, TN; her nephew, Andy Maxwell; her very special granddaughter, Leslie Hamilton and her husband, Andrew of New Hudson, MI; granddaughter, Katie Lewis, husband, Ben and sons, Noah and Liam of South Lyon, MI; and son, Jim Snider, Jr. of Highland,

She graduated from Hinton High School in 1951 and kept in touch with most of her classmates, helping to organize many class reunions. She was a proud member of the Red Hatters Club, First United Methodist Church in Hinton, Friends of the Summers County Library, Summers County Historical Society, Ballengee Farm Club and Neighborhood Association, Hinton Woman's Club, the Wednesday Club, and the Advisory Council for Children's Home Society in Lewisburg.

In later years, she had so many wonderful people in her life. Special among them is her cousin, Kent Bartgis, and his ton, WV.

husband, Mike, Seth, wife, Anna Lou, who helped her so much. They have been with her all along this final journey, along with cousins, Tom and Donna Conway. The most precious gift anyone gave her is the love and care that Betty and John Hendrick have bestowed on Ginger after her return to Hinton, especially during her surgery this year and after care.

> At Ginger's request, no funeral was held at the time of her passing. However, on December 2nd, the day before her 90th, a Memorial Birthday Party is being held at the First United Methodist Church, 312 Ballengee Street, Hinton, WV, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. to celebrate her life. All are welcome for food, a slide show, music by her sister, Jayne, and a remembrance tree.

> Gifts in her memory may be sent to Children's Home Society, 9579 Seneca Trail S., Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Services by Pivont Funeral Home, Hinton, WV. Interment at Restwood Cemetery, Hin-

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The Grace Of God

(continued from last week)

by Gene Taylor

Some have erroneously concluded from Romans 6:14-15 that we are "not under law but under grace" and that law and grace are mutually exclusive. However, the fact we are under grace does not mean we are not subject to law and that it is not essential for us to keep divine law.

We are subject to law from God. The teaching of Christ is called "law" (1 Cor. 9:21; 1 John 3:4; Isa. 2:1-3). We are required to obey that law (1 John 3:4; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; John 4:24; 1 Pet. 4:11). Whenever God has spoken to man or given a law. He has expected strict obedience and the utmost respect for His word (Deut. 4:2; Lev. 10:1-2; Rev. 22:18-19).

Grace does not mean we are not subject to law, rather, it means that we have a means of forgiveness when we violate that law, if we meet the divine conditions. The teaching of the apostle Paul in Romans 6:14-15 is that we are not under a system of mere law without grace as a means of justification. Depending on mere law would require perfect law-keeping for justification. Such would make one a legalist. Our justification is by grace through faith.

Though salvation is by grace (Eph. 2:8), it is not by grace alone. Some teach otherwise: "We believe the scriptures teach that the salvation of sinners is wholly by grace" (Standard Manual for Baptist Churches, ch. 8, art. 4). Actually, one is saved by nothing alone. The many factors of salvation include: faith (Rom. 5:1); repentance (Acts 11:18); blood (Rom. 5:9-10); works (Jas. 2:24); baptism (1 Pet. 3:21); the gospel (Rom. 1:16); confession (1 John 4:2); and grace (Eph. 2:8-9).

Salvation by grace is through the teaching of the gospel, God's "power unto salvation" (Rom.1:16). It is called "the word of His grace" (Acts 14:3) and "the gospel of the grace of God" (Acts 20:24). It is by the gospel that the kindness of God redeems man and provides him all spiritual blessings. The word is the medium of His grace (Titus 2:11-12). The word of His grace is able to build up and strengthen the Christian so that he might grow in Christ, grow unto salvation (Acts 20:32; 1 Pet. 2:1-2).

But God's grace is conditional. It is conditioned upon obedient faith made perfect by works (Eph. 2:8-9; Rom. 5:1-2; Jas. 2:17-26; Matt. 7:21). The obedient works upon which salvation is conditioned do not nullify grace for they do not earn salvation. The examples of Naaman (2 Kings 5) and the blind man (John 9:6-7) show that these gifts were given by grace but conditions had to be met to receive them.

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We meet at 3293 Tug Creek Mountain Road Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:15 Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 We would love to have you come and study with us.

304-466-5907, 304-445-5115, 304-860-7179



Bryce Taylor announced as Snow King | Alyssa Niday announced as Snow Queen



Bryce Taylor

ton News) - Bryce Taylor Award recipient. Bryce is the son of Kristi Taylor enjoys hunting, fishing, tion at the Hinton Historof Jumping Branch and farming, playing with his ic Freight Depot at 509 the late Michael L. Tay-lor. He is a senior at Suming time with his friends. day, Dec. 2, from noon to mers County High School. Following graduation, he 1:30 p.m. to honor Bryce, He is on the High School plans to attend New River The Snow King, as well as football team, in the 1,000 Community and Techni- the Snow Queen, and the

HINTON W.Va. (Hin- He is also a Dickie Noel Lineman.

There will be a celebralb. Club and Fishing Club. cal College and become a Spirit of Hinton honorees.



Alyssa Niday

ber of 4H and is the vice ing. president of Key Club.

She is now enrolled in bration reception at the Hinton honorees.

HINTON W.Va. (Hin- SCHS's PCT program Hinton Historic Freight ton News) - Senior with the goal of becom- Depot at 509 Commer-Alyssa Niday attends ing an MRI technician cial St on Saturday, Summers County High in the future. She likes Dec. 2 from noon to School. She is a mem- to go hiking and draw- 1:30 p.m. to honor the Snow Queen, The Snow There will be a cele- King and the Spirit of

Summers County Courthouse News

Marriages

Nicole Cook;

Adham to Zineb Akargad. **Fiduciaries**

None.

Land Transfers

Deputy Commissioner of Greenbrier Rural District; Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of Summers County C. Nichols to Mildred M. and Agnes Mae Meredith Nichols-Ross, 2 acres, Pipeto Hartwell Construction stem District; LLC, 72 Poles more or less, Michael C. Wright and 4.05 acres more or less, Jumping Branch District;

Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of Summers County and Brentmore Robert Carl Ratterree and LLC to Hartwell Construction LLC, 2 acres, Jumping Branch District;

Lot. Talcott District:

IJN Enterprises LLC to Branch District; A C Wallace Holdings LLC, District;

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Karen E. Adams to Steve District: G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. Graham, 0.2849 acres,

Mary E. Hill and Bobby

Shannon L. Wright to Mi-G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. chael C. Wright, 0.23 acres Deputy Commissioner of more or less, Jumping Branch District;

Roberta D. Wolfe and David R. Duncan and Sharon Duncan Smith and Karen G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. Duncan Craig and Nancy Deputy Commissioner of A. Okes and Charlene O. Jumping Branch District; Delinquent and Nonen- Stinson and Carolyn Jean tered Lands of Summers Mills and Linda J. Okes and County and David White Brenda M. Szpakowski and and Ellis White and Diane Orlan E. Okes II and Judith B. Shannon and John W. Esther Ballard and Jane A. Shannon to Landglide LLC, Okes and Ernest Lee Skaggs Jr. and Emerson Scott Okes and Marcia Green to WVTJ IJN Enterprises LLC to Sr. to James W. Stinson and LLC, Part of Lot 3, City of A C Wallace Holdings LLC, Charlene Okes Stinson, 18 Lot, City of Hinton District; acres more or less, Jumping

Mark S. Ross and Mat-Real Estate, City of Hinton thew E. Ross and Andrew LLC, 2 Parcels, Talcott Dis-W. Ross to Larry M. Bet- trict.

32.93 acres more or less, Greenbrier Rural District;

Brandi N. Reel and Johnny W. Reel Jr. ro Edward R. Nathan E. Adams and Lilly II, Lot, City of Hinton

> Orin Justin Long to Kelli Harrah, Lot 22, Jumping Branch District;

> James L. Farmer to Joyce (Sears) (Tickle) Farmer,

Jumping Branch District;

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. Appointee of the Honor-Julan A. Ratterree Jr. and able John B. McCuskey State Auditor and John B. McCuskey State Auditor and Jessica Williford Barker to WVTJ LLC, 86 acres,

> G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. Appointee of the Honorable John B. McCuskey State Auditor and John B. McCuskey State Auditor Hinton District;

Melanie Deem and C. Basel Thompson to Snake Run

Summers County Toy Fund Seeking Donations

News) - The Sum- You can also donate co-chairs, mers County Toy Fund is seeking individuals, businesses, civic groups, churches etc. to adopt children for Christmas. If you would like to adopt a child please contact Darrell Lilly at 304-466-0476 or Stacy Ford, at 304-575-7026.

If you are unable to adopt a child but would like to donate there are several ways to do so. You can mail a check to PO Box 217 Hinton, WV 25951 or drop off a check to the Hinton Area Foundation located 104 James St. Please make check payable to Hinton Area Foundation

SUMMERS COUN- put "Christmas Toy Button. If you prefer

TY W.Va. (Hinton Fund" in the memo. you can also contact online at hintonare- Lilly or Stacy Ford to afoundation.org and make arrangements use the Donate Now for your donation.





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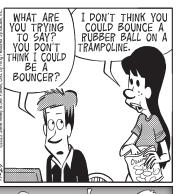




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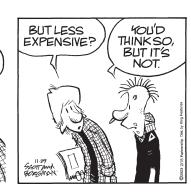












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MOON ALERT: After 2 a.m. EST today, there are no reis in Cancer.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023:

You are courageous about challenging the status quo. You have an aura of excitement and energy about you that people can feel. This is a slower paced year. It's OK to rest. Take time to rejuvenate your energy. Focus on business and personal relationships that benefit you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

4★ This is an excellent day strictions to shopping or im- for important family discusportant decisions. The Moon sions, especially with a female family member. It's also an excellent day to explore real es- your moneymaking ideas. Trust tate opportunities or ways to expand where you live through renovations, redecorating projects or relocating. Tonight: Re-

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) 4★Today you have a lovely balance of optimism and realism, which is why this will be an effective day for you. Your optimism will allow you to see opportunities and act on them. Meanwhile, your strong sense of reality will keep you for you, which is why friends

It's a good day to make money!

Tonight: Learn. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

5★ This is an excellent day for business and finance. Trust your ability to impress bosses and important people with your suggestions. You're ready to think big and you know what you're doing. Bravo! Tonight: Check your money.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

4★ Today the Moon is in your sign dancing beautifully with both Saturn and lucky Jupiter, which gives you a lovely balance of realism and optimism. It's a popular day grounded and out of trouble. and members of groups will

Basically, you will toe the party mired. line. Tonight: You're strong.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

4★ Your ability to get things done will be most effective if you work alone or behind the scenes today. Like a puppet master, you will still be able to impress those in power, including your boss. You will also secure the financial and practical support from others that you need. Tonight: Privacy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

3★ Relations with groups and organizations, as well as individual friends, will be positive and upbeat today. Likewise, your relations with partners and close friends will be rewarding. Explore travel plans or opportunities in publishing, the media, medicine, the law and higher education. Tonight: Check your finances. Schmooze!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

4★ You are high-viz today, which is why people notice you more than usual. Fortunately, because you make an excellent impression on everyone, they respect you. Because of this, you can expect financial and practical support from others, which you will use in an orga-

respect what you have to say. nized way. Tonight: You're ad-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

scenery, and today is the perfect day to make travel plans not afraid to think big. You're or to actually get out of town. Friends and partners might ever, when it comes to finanencourage you. Some will be involved with publishing projects or working with children. Either way, you'll get what you want. Tonight: Study.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

4★ This is a good day for financial discussions, including ways to approach how to share or divide something like an inheritance. Whatever happens, you will be realistic and, at the same time, generous to all parties concerned. It's a good day to sign contracts. Tonight:

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19)

3★ Be prepared to go more than halfway when dealing with others today. That's how you'll be more successful. People are willing to help you, especially in matters related to the entertainment world, show business and the hospitality industry, as well as sports. Enjoy fun activities with kids! To-

night: Listen.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) 4★ You will be productive 4★ You need a change of today at work or with any task that you set for yourself. You're the picture of optimism! Howcial matters, you'll be careful and accountable for everything that you do. A winning combi-

nation! Tonight: Get organized. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

4★ This is a lovely day to socialize with others, especially someone older, perhaps a parent. Alternatively, you might be involved with children as well. Accept invitations to party. Likewise, explore the arts and creative projects. These could turn into practical opportunities for you, personally or through speculation. Tonight: Party!

BORN TODAY

Film director Joel Coen (1954), actress Anna Faris (1976), actor, filmmaker Don Cheadle (1964)

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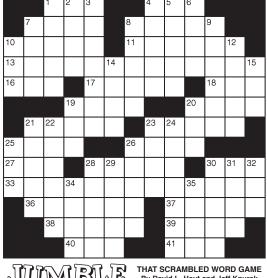
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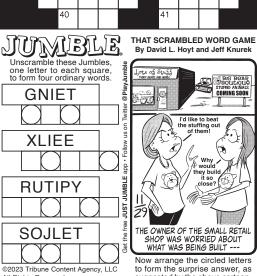
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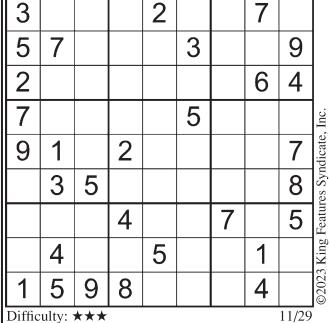






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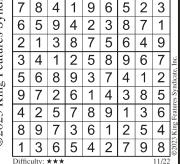
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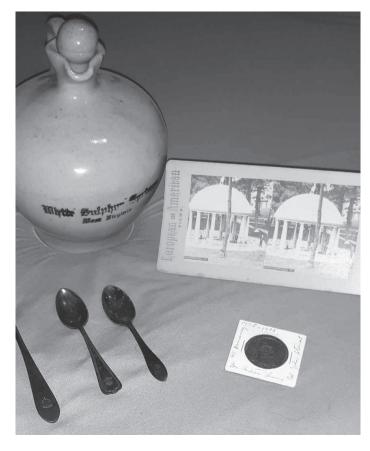
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(Today's Answers Next Wednesday)

Answer To Last Wednesday's Puzzle:



A Peek into Summers County's Past: The Greenbrier



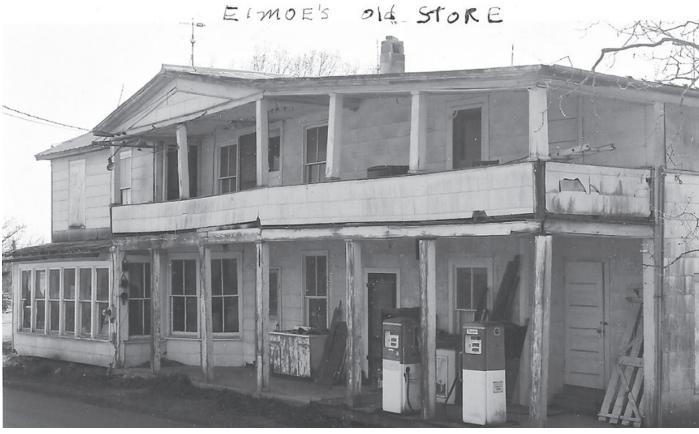


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William Jones

SULPHUR WHITE SPRINGS W.Va. (Hinton News) - Editor's note: Each week, William Jones, a local history collector, discusses pieces from his collection and their historical significance. In this edition of A peek into Summers County's Past, Jones talks about a connection between Summers County.

Since Veterans Day was Nov. 11, I felt compelled to write about something military-related to Summers County. The Greenbrier is over 30 miles from the county line but, oddly enough, has incidental ties to it. First, I will briefly delve into the over two centuries of this resort in White Sulphur Springs history.

Greenbrier's be-The gan in 1778 when the first guests came to White Sulphur Springs to partake of restore their health. By the time the 1830's rolled around The Greenbrier was already booming and had guests from every part of life. This included judges, lawyers, publishers, diplomats, planters, shopkeepers to well-known politicians of the day.

had traveled and staved 1860s. The resort could only be reached by way of stagecoach, and it was only the cottages at that time. Several of which are still in use today. The resort's of some of the nation's top Civil War.

Railroad opened the resort's doors to the nation. Its ability to handle such an increase of guests from the Lomer and Allie Davis. newly formed railroad was Elmo spent quite a long made feasible by the addition of "The Old White" in 1858. It soon became the leading social destination of America after this very large hotel was completed in addition to the existing cottages. It was capable of accommodating upwards of 1,800 guests in a season.

way acquired the property after an injury he received and the "new" Greenbrier in the service. Bone from Hotel. It opened on Oct. his leg was "grafted" in his 1, 1913. The Old White arm. He had to make nugolf course was then rede- merous trips and stays at signed in 1914. Typical of Ashford for this procedure

the "roaring 20s," business to be completed. John Henboomed, and thousands of dricks of Ballangee, who is guests came from all of the 85 now and is Elmo's nephlargest cities around the ew recently told me that as country by rail. The Green- a child he would go to the brier's distinction as a golf store to get his hair cut for destination was further in- just a "pennies on the dolcreased when Sam Snead, a lar." Storekeepers during in 1936.

The 1940s brought a The Greenbrier Resort and new chapter to The Green- ership of The Greenbrier brier when the U.S. Army was returned to the railacquired the hotel after road, Dorthy Draper, who the U.S. State Department was known for her lively had leased the hotel complex for seven months to house diplomats from var- ular furnishings and marious countries. The U.S. ble floors during the time Army purchased the hotel after 1941 and turned it look and feel of the hotel. into a 2,000-bed hospital to be used by soldiers who were injured in WWll. Its name was Ashford General Hospital. 24,148 soldiers were admitted and treated during its four years of operation as a war hospital.

the waters thought to have many others from Summedicinal properties and mers County, but one of We had a little chat on the commemorative coin in the these soldiers was Elmo Davis from Ballengee. The locals like my grandfather Bernard Thompson, who had known him since they were children always referred to Davis as "Elmo". Davis is best known for his store that he ran near Oak Grove Church. The store Five sitting presidents had a long history of owners, Its first owner was a at The Greenbrier by the man by the name of L.C. "Losee" Davis. The date of construction is not known. It was then run by Whitlock who long practiced the bartering system with butter and eggs provided by the reputation as a prominent women of the community. high-season meeting place Then came Frank and Bonnie Nelson who later owned socialites was set before the and ran what is now The John Henry Museum in The mid to late 1800s Talcott. It was later owned brought about a greater by Buddy Light and run by influx of guests after the his brother Jack. Light sold construction of the C&O it to Elmo and Gertie Davis who carried on its operation for many years.

Davis's parents time in the hospital. He would hitchhike back to Ballengee, where he would stay until he was called back for yet another surgery to be performed. He received new and cutting-edge surgery, unheard of in the 1940s in White Sulphur Springs. He had In 1910, the C&O Rail- a bone missing in his arm

case, the local barber.

Following the war owncolors, excessive patterns, lavish wallpapers, spectacwas hired to revamp the Soon, the "Draper Style," as it became known, was carried on by her succes-

auction we were holding.

as it always looked when I has an image of The Greenwas growing up and was brier reverse stamped on 1940s. torn down in 2016. I reprofessional golfer was em- that time wore many hats in ing what was inside of it 1930s. ployed by The Greenbrier small communities, in this and the vintage gas pumps After it was torn down the Ballengee Farm Club and of built a little communihad stood.

ginia" in Old English font. There are many artifacts sor, Carleton Varney, until in all of my decades of he passed away in 2022. I "willing and dealing" in had the great pleasure of antiques and local memmeeting Mr Varnev in 2014 orabilia I had never seen when my mother and I were one of these. It was used I am sure there were organizing The John Henry to promote the water from Museum Restoration Gala. the spring that it held. The street outside of a shop in holder is a 1938 Anniver-Lewisburg, which led to sary Metal of Greenbrier him mailing me four bottles County. It reads, "Greenof his home fragrance to be brier County 160th Anniauctioned off in the silent versary 1778 - 1938". It was

the back side of it. You can

that stood in front of it. a rare pre-June 20, 1863 card depicting the famous Springs, Va." So this card ty park where the building is from when Greenbrica 1900 crock jug with a away when West Virginstopper that reads "White ia was formed on June 20, Sulphur Springs West Vir- 1863. The little spoons and fork you see here have the famous spring house the area's past to share, from The Greenbrier but stamped on the handle and "The Greenbrier" stamped hintonnews.com.

dug up by Gemma Leftwich on the reverse of the han-The first photo in this se- in her yard on James Street dles. My grandmother, Bea ries is of the store building, in Hinton in the 1990s. It Thompson, acquired them while working there in the

All sides of my famimember always admiring not help but wonder how it ly have a long history of this old building, wonder- ended up in Hinton in the having been employed at The Greenbrier from the The stereoview card is 1900s to the present. Many of them were residents of Summers County. I have spring house at The Green- a few other artifacts from Neighborhood Association, brier. I say pre because the The Greenbrier and see Inc., which I am a member card says, "White Sulphur others pop up from time to time, but the ones I am showing here are my favorer County was still part of ite and certainly the oldest I Next is the antique cir- Virginia before breaking have seen. I have never run across anything else like the card that predates West Virginia becoming a state.

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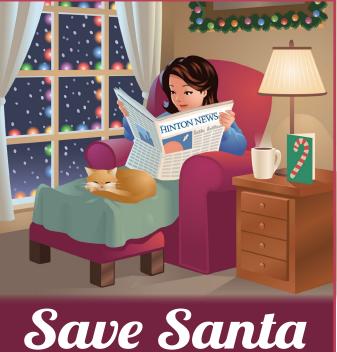
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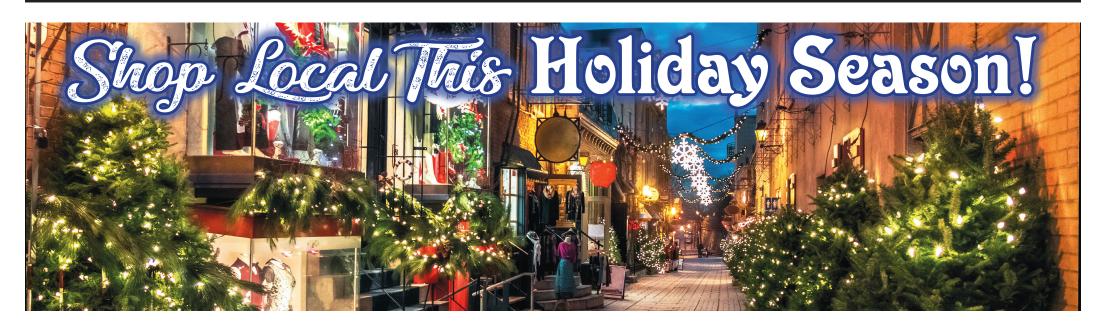
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Christmas event schedule in Summers County



The top of the 2022 Hinton Christmas Tree.

One of the decorations adorning downtown Hinton in both 2022 and 2023 (photo from 2022)

- Here is a list of holi- Council on Aging. day-related activities as follows:

Grinch, at The Ritz.

a.m. - Pancake Break- District.

SUMMERS COUNTY fast with The Grinch W.Va. (Hinton News) at Summers County Christmas Movie Elf at Mrs. Claus Market (for Hall closed.

Dec. 2 - 1:30-7 p.m. happening in Sum- Hometown Christmas REACHH's Milk & Movie Polar Express at mers County during Holiday Food and Craft Cookies with Santa at The Ritz. the season. This list is Vendors, Santa Photos, Memorial Building. Horse Carriage Rides, Dec. 9 - 10 a.m.- cott Fire Department Christmas Vacation at com. Nov. 30 - 7 p.m. - Free Spirit of Hinton reveal, 2 p.m. - Art Walk Parade of Lights. Christmas Movie: The Kids Activities, (6 p.m.) and Cookie Express; Dec. 21 - 7 p.m. - Free Parade and Tree Light- 6 p.m. - The Christmas Christmas Movie How Dec. 2 - 8-11:30 ing at Hinton Historic Walk starts at Ascen- the Grinch Stole Christ-

The Ritz.

sion Episcopal Church. mas at The Ritz.

Dec. 7 - 7 p.m. - Free Dec. 14 - 5-7 p.m. kids!) at The McCreery; Dec. 8 - 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.-FREE Christmas CHRISTMAS!

Dec. 23-Dec. 24 - City The Ritz

Dec. 25 - MERRY closed.

Jan. 1, 2024 - City Hall

*If you would like to Dec. 28 - 7 p.m. - add an event to this Free Christmas Movie list, send an email to Dec. 16 - 6 p.m. - Tal- National Lampoon's news@hintonnews.

Hinton's Hometown Christmas Festival schedule

HINTON W.Va. (Hin- St. ton News) - The 2023 • Vendors: McCreery Hinton's Christmas Festival is Center (320 2nd Ave) scheduled for Satur- plus along Temple St day, Dec 2, 1:30-7 p.m. between 2nd and 3rd in Downtown Historic Ave Hinton. The schedule • Free Photos with is as follows:

- Parade: 6 p.m.
- Tree Lighting: After the Parade at City
- Free Carriage Rides: Between the Post Office and Courthouse, 1:30-4:30 pm (Will end Grinch Cake Walkpromptly at that point Summers County Hufor Parade Prep)
- Food Vendors: Hinton Railroad Museum Parking lot on Temple

- Hometown Conference and Event
 - Santa: 306 2nd Ave, 1:30-5 p.m. (Old Boho Building)
 - Grinch Fest 2023 • Watch for the Grinch roaming around Hinton.
 - Pet Photos and mane Society/ACWP Booth
 - Free activities for kids: Summers County

Public Library and at County Council on 306 2nd Ave (Old Boho Aging for Pancakes Building)

- Photo ops around town!
- Stop by Summers

with the Grinch (8-11:30 a.m.) and local businesses for more Grinchy fun!



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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in it by that certain Deed of Trust dated July 13, 2012, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Summers County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 262, at Page 490, Benjamin M. Toney, Sr. and Katherine Toney did convey unto Otis L. O'Connor, Trustee, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pill, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Summers County Courthouse, in Hinton, West Virginia, on

December 5, 2023, at 10:00 AM

The following described real estate, with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the Green Sulphur District, Summers County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All of that certain lot, tract, or parcel of land, together with the buildings thereon, and the easements, rights of way and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Green Sulphur District, Summers County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as fol-

BEGINNING at a point on the northerly right of way of West Virginia Secondary Route 44/3, the same being a corner to Jeffery Mills; thence leaving said Mills and continuing with said right of way N. 58° 22? W. 33.28 feet; thence continuing with said right of way N. 51° 56? W. 76.28 feet to a point, set with 5/8" rebar, on said right of way; thence leaving said right of way and through the survey N. 43° 37? E. 299.30 feet to a point set with 518" rebar; thence S. 44° 1 9? E. 104.99 feet to a point set with 5/8"rebar, and being a corner to said Jef- signed Clerk's Office. fery Mills; thence with Jeffery Mills S. 71° 30? W. 4.08 feet Court on November 13, 2023. to a point set with 5/8" rebar; thence continuing with Jeffery Mills S. 42° 30?W. 272.64 feet to a point set with 5/8" rebar; thence continuing with Jeffery Mills S.42° 30? W. 5.04 feet to the place of BEGINNING.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 49 Duncan Branch Road, Meadow Bridge, WV 25966.

AND BEING the same real estate which was conveyed to Benjamin M. Toney, Sr. and Katherine Toney, by Deed dated July 13, 2012, from Randy Mills and Debra Kay Mills, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Summers County, West Virginia in Deed Book 242 at Page 444.

The above-described property will be sold subject to any covenants, restrictions, easements, leases and conditions of record, and subject to any unpaid real estate taxes.

The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Civil Action No. FC-45-2023-D-62

IN RE: The Marriage of: Keith A. Niday, Petitioner,

Erica Niday, Respondent **ORDER OF PUBLICA-**

TION THE OBJECT OF THIS **SUIT IS TO OBTAIN** A DIVORCE. THIS IS A PUBLICATION BY CLASS II LEGAL

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A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the under-

Entered by the Clerk of said /s/ Stacy D. Ford Clerk of the Court (22,29no)

NOTICE

Please be advised that the Summers County Commission in Regular Session on September 13, 2023, ordered that the polling place location for Precinct #4 Riverview be changed from City Garage to the Middle School Gym. The physical address of the new polling place is 418 Temple Street, Hinton, WV 25951. This change will be effective with the May 14, 2024, Primary Election and all elections thereafter. All affected voters in this precinct will be notified by First Class Mail. By order of the Summers **County Commission** Charles W. Saunders, Presi-

(29no6de)

Sweet Springs Turnpike Trail and Sweet Springs Resort Park update



A view of the Sweet Springs Turnpike Trail. Photo provided by Sweet Springs Resort Park Foundation

tinuation of the trail is wards the final destina- completed Mountain.

SWEET SPRINGS, WV ercise, the views and were pegged in place. be held on Saturday, (Hinton News) - The the experience of hiking Parts are being ordered Dec. 16, at 11 a.m. The Sweet Springs Turnpike where famous people to repair the sewer plant, Park will provide all pa-Trail is moving forward used to travel. Please sign week by week. This past in at the office (a sign-in week the gate was set to sheet is on the porch) beensure the fencing stays fore you begin your hike ternet is being placed in secure, signs have been and sign out when you made and some placed, return. This is for safety with more to be placed reasons. Signs direct you guests that wish to use this week, and the con- where to go from there.

The Sweet Springs still moving forward to- Resort Park has almost the tion - the top of Peter's down of a building that was not repairable and A tree fell across the kept much of the inside trail, and within 48 timbers to use for restohours, the volunteer ration purposes. Some of maintenance team had the timbers were incredthe tree cleared. The ible hand-hewn timbers Sweet Springs Turnpike ranging in various siz-Trail is free to anyone es from four-by-four to wanting to enjoy the ex- four-by-six, and up, and

and once completed, wa-Jeffersonian Hotel. Inthe Historic Lewis House Bed & Breakfast for the internet services and the Jeffersonian Hotel will have more internet as well.

The Sweet Springs Watershed Association is moving right along. More meetings and forums are planned - grant applications will be submitted to help protect the spring areas from damage, maintenance and media genres.

NOTE: To everyone volunteered Sweet Springs in 2023 - The Annual Volunteer Christmas Brunch will

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