

BOGAL FLAVOR

By Camille Howard
This is the continued story from last week about a recent trip my sister and I took to Ligonier, Pa.

The next morning Claire cooked up a pan of fried potatoes, onions and eggs, and after two cups of coffee we set off.

Downtown Ligonier is called The Diamond, and is centered on a roundabout with a gazebo in the middle. There are shops, boutiques and restaurants all up and down Main Street and on many of the side streets.

Clothing stores, galleries, salons, spas, antique and book shops, along with a place for tea and crumpets and coffee. We tried to hit every single shop just to browse and sometimes buy. I found a lot of nice Christmas gifts and in one gallery we found some artwork we both really enjoyed. The proprietor started talking to us about the artist, who happens to be from Thomas, W.Va.

We had delicious coffee and a giant gob cookie from Abigail's Coffee House and lunch at Carol and Dave's Roadhouse, which was so good we went back for a late supper.

At Carol and Dave's

we both ordered salads — Claire had a steak salad and I had a crispy chicken salad. The waitress asked me if I wanted buffalo chicken. I asked how hot was their buffalo sauce and she said it wasn't too bad, but she liked hot things. Well, so do I, up to a point.

She brought our salads along with a basket of bread (thankfully), and the top of my salad was covered with buffalo chicken. I poured on the ranch dressing and dug in. It was pretty tasty and I was enjoying it, but with every bite it got hotter.

That's usually what happens with buffalo wings, so no big deal. But then my eyes started to get watery and my nose felt like it might start to drip. All along I was eating bread to take out the burn, but finally the salad won and I just couldn't finish it. I think my lips were numb for a few moments. I got most of it down, though.

We went back to the apartment, talked and laughed some more and played cards. Just for the record, I won. What a nice weekend for both of us. A good rest and good company.

The next morning we packed up and were getting

ready to leave when we had another lock box problem. This time the little contraption would not go back together no matter how many ways we tried. So there we were on the porch again befuddled by a little mechanical device. We gave up and left the keys and the front of the lock box with the cleaning lady.

The trip was one we both needed and we plan on having another weekend away sometime in the spring.

We parted company and I thought I had my GPS all set, so I drove down Main Street to where it intersects the highway and nothing happened. No voice said turn right or left. My brain said to turn right, but not trusting myself, I reset the GPS and it told me to turn left (of course).

I still wasn't sure I was going the right way but I thought I would recognize a few landmarks from the trip up on Friday. Nope. I guess I was too busy singing Christmas songs along with Michael Bublé, Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra to remember anything. As long as I was heading east or south I assumed it was OK.

But then things just didn't look right and then I passed a house with a full-size figure of the Jolly Green Giant on the front porch (surely I would have remembered that). Finally I



got to Route 219, so I knew I could find my way back from there.

But what kind of person has a statue of the Jolly Green Giant on their porch? A vegetarian?

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 If you grew up watching TV in the '60s and '70s you probably remember commercials featuring the Jolly Green Giant and the little jingle, "Ho, ho, ho — Green Giant." Some of you are singing it right now.

With Thanksgiving just a few days away, here are recipes from Greengiant.com for side dishes to compliment your meal.

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ORANGE SPICED GLAZED CARROTS 1 package (10-ounce) Green Giant® Roasted Carrots 1/2 cup orange juice 1/4 cup honey 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger 1/4 teaspoon salt	Combine all ingredients in 2-quart saucepot. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to low and simmer 6 minutes or until sauce is slightly thickened and carrots are tender. Serves 6.

RICED CAULIFLOWER CRANBERRY ALMOND STUFFING 2 chicken and apple sausage links, diced (about 1 cup) 2 tablespoons butter 1 stalk celery, chopped 1 small onion, chopped 1 package (12 oz.) Green Giant® Riced Cauliflower 1/2 cup coarsely chopped dried cranberries 1/2 cup chicken broth 2 teaspoons fresh thyme or 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme 2 teaspoons fresh chopped sage or 1/2 teaspoon dried sage	1/2 cup toasted sliced almonds Cook sausage in large nonstick skillet 5 minutes or until browned; remove and set aside. Melt butter in same skillet and add celery and onion. Season with salt and cook over medium heat 8 minutes or until tender. Return sausage to skillet and add riced cauliflower, cranberries and chicken broth and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat and simmer 5 minutes or until liquid is absorbed. Stir in thyme, sage and almonds. Serves 6.
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Union Educational Complex honor roll announced

UEC principal Jenny Woy has released the names of those students attaining honor roll status for the first nine weeks of the 2019-20 school year.

A HONOR ROLL 3rd Grade

Aiden Adams, Aidan Dale, Miles Dewitt, Kaleb Heinrich, John Kitzmiller, Sophie Lambka, Sierra Oberholzer, Adalyn Pugh, Jarvis Reed, Adriana Reynolds, Brady Stahl, Kaylee Summerfield and Kaden Taylor.

4th Grade

Skylar Aronhalt, Alan-na Hanlin, Aleigha Hanlin, Mylee Hartman, Kolton Heinrich, Hunter Jones, Esme Lewis, Alexia Reynolds, Becca Shockey, Mari-bella Simmons, Kiara Taylor and Brylee Tuel.

5th Grade

Jazlyn Dale, Paizlee

Delaney, Ashley McGowan, Bladen Oberholzer and Michelle Tasker.

6th Grade

Chanda Gaither, Kylar Lewis, Brandon Moreland and Lillian Pennington.

7th Grade

Cassidy Aronhalt, Samuel Jones, Haley Judy, Gavin Keplinger, Lexi Stahl, Chanelle Sutton and Jaiden Thomas.

8th Grade

Joshua Burdock, Bailey Evans, Madison Gaither, Katelyn Greaser, McKenzie Howell, Patience Moreland, Andrea Murphy and Bradlee Parrish.

9th Grade

Clarissa Chapman, Xander Cummings, Cody Day, Alena Droppelman, Isabella Harvey, Alexandria Jones, Madison Kitzmiller, Brianna Martin, Laticia Moreland, Victoria Seabolt

and Kaylee Wolfe.

10th Grade

Olivia Bomboy, Willow Cutter, Shawn Getz, Brianna Greaser and Bridgette Knapp.

11th Grade

MacKenzi Arnold, Nathaniel Getz and Kacey Scudder.

12th Grade

Jonathan Collett, Caleb Evans, Leslie Jenkins and Alexia Palmer.

B HONOR ROLL 3rd Grade

Elaina George and Peyton Schwinabart.

4th Grade

Taylor Costello, Ethan Funk and Kinsey Murphy.

5th Grade

Nichlas Palmer and Samuel Strawser.

6th Grade

Megyn Stahl.

7th Grade

Mason Dewitt, Lee Hauser, Chelsee Moreland, Cheyanne Palmer, Kendra Snow, Makayia Thomas and Jacob Wolfe.

10th Grade

Ryan Bennett, Devin Gaither, Joshua Haines, Andrew Miller and Victor Slaubaugh.

11th Grade

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CPR CLASSES: Every first Thursday, RHI training room. 8 a.m.

GMH Gift Shop: MON/TUES/THURS - 10 to 2.

GMH BOARD MEETINGS are the fourth Monday of every month at 5:30 p.m. in the board room at GMH.

Petersburg FFA members recognized at national conference, receive awards

Members from across the nation made their way to Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 29 - Nov. 2, for the 92nd National FFA Convention.

Petersburg FFA officers attending the convention included: Tyler Carr, Tanisha Henry, Hannah Moyers and Tisha Rodgers. A special recognition by the National FFA President, Luke O'Leary, was made during his retiring address recognizing two special friends from Petersburg, Eli and Isaac Nazelrodt, sons of Mark and Teresa Nazelrodt.

Isaac Nazelrodt was chosen to represent the band again this year and was selected to be the National Drum Major. This was a great surprise because no student has ever been selected for this role two years in a row.

Special recognition was given to Andrew Cosner, son of Brad and Jeanette Cosner, who was a bronze winner in his Landscape Management Proficiency.

The highest degree given in Indianapolis for an FFA member is the American Degree. Two members received their American Degrees: Casey Sites, son of Ronnie and Jennifer Sites of Cabins and Skylar Martin, daughter of Steve and Rebecca Martin of Maysville.



FFA members attending the convention (front) Skylar Martin, Tisha Rodgers, Hannah Moyers and Tanisha Henry and (back) Tyler Carr and Andrew Cosner.



American Degree recipient Casey Sites with his parents Ronnie and Jennifer Sites of Cabins and his sister Lacey Kesner who is a former Petersburg FFA member and current ag teacher at East Hardy High School.



American Degree recipient Skylar Martin with her father Steve Martin of Maysville.

Mother, daughter are newest 4-H All-Stars



Grant County 4-H's newest All-Stars are mother and daughter, Savanna Wilson and Hope Watts. They were inducted on Nov. 16, in Morgantown at the Erickson Alumni Center. They were brought in during the 100 anniversary of the West Virginia 4-H All Stars Association and join the other Grant County 4-Hers and leaders who have achieved this award.

Step-Ahead 4-H news

The Lahmansville Step-Ahead 4-H Club held their monthly meeting Nov. 6. The meeting was called to order by the club president, Ashly Rohrbach, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H pledge. There were 13 members present.

Members discussed upcoming events for the 4-H year. A trip to Maple Farms, ski trip and a hay ride were among the list. The hay ride is scheduled for Dec. 1, at 2 p.m.

A holiday party will be held during the next club meeting on Dec. 4, with crafts, decorating a snowman to auction as a community project to benefit Toys for Happiness and popcorn stringing.

Refreshments were served by Ally Hagerty and

Remington, Reece, Shania and Skylar Rohrbach.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ty Kesner
Reporter

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Grant County Schools Levy Feedback Survey

The Grant County Board of Education will be placing a levy proposal on the upcoming May 2020 ballot. The Board of Education is interested in gaining insight into what items within a levy the voting public would be willing to support. It is hoped that the feedback obtained by this survey will assist with the process.

- Please state your gender.**
 - Male
 - Female
- Please state what age range you fall within.**
 - Under 18
 - 18 - 25
 - 26 - 55
 - Over 55
- Please identify your highest level of education achieved.**
 - Some High School (Non-Graduate)
 - High School Graduate
 - HS Graduate & Some Post-Secondary Education/Training
 - College Graduate (Undergraduate Degree)
 - College Graduate with Advanced Degree (Masters or Higher)
- How would you identify yourself? (Mark All That Apply)**
 - Grant County Resident
 - Non-Grant County Resident
 - Grant County Schools Service Employee
 - Grant County Schools Professional Employee
 - Parent/Grandparent
 - Grant County Student
 - Post-Secondary Student
- What Grant County Community (if any) do you most associate?**

Select your answer

 - Bayard
 - Mt. Storm
 - Scherr
 - Maysville
 - Cabins
 - Petersburg
 - Dorcas
- What timeframe for a levy would you be willing to support?**
 - 5 Years
 - No Preference (would support any term)
- What methods do you find to be the best way to publicize a levy proposal?**
 - Mailings
 - Advertisements in local newspapers
 - Social Media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)
 - Radio advertisements
 - Billboards on major roadways in the county
 - Signage posted in prominent locations in the community
 - Public meetings at school sites or other public buildings
 - Automated call messages
 - Informational pamphlets (paper-based)
 - Informational pamphlets (web-based)
 - Television advertisements on local stations

This survey will be available online at GCS website at: grantcountyschools.org; Twitter at: Grant County Schools @grantschoolswv; Facebook at Grant County School District and also published in the Grant County Press. Please complete one survey electronically or paper copies can be picked up and dropped off at each school, the Grant County Press office, Moomau-Grant County Public Library and the Allegheny Mt. Top Public Library. You may also return your paper copy to the Superintendent's Office, Grant County Schools, 204 Jefferson Avenue, Petersburg, WV 26847. The deadline to submit a survey is December 2, 2019 at 4 p.m.

The survey is anonymous, however, you have the option of signing.

8. What is the most important factor in your consideration of support of a levy?

- Provision of documentation verifying how the money has been spent
- Funding targeted for the schools in your community
- Level of tax increase associated with the levy
- Provision of student-centered uses for levy funds
- Provision of levy funds for maintenance of existing buildings & grounds

9. Which of the following items would you be willing to support in a possible school excess levy?

- Security/Safety (i.e. upgrades to door access systems, security camera systems, emergency communication devices, "man" traps entrances, interior doors, common locking systems for all schools, needed training sessions, etc.)
- Building Maintenance (i.e. HVAC upgrades, roof projects, needed carpet & tile replacement, painting, custodial equipment/supplies, repair/replace maintenance equipment, emergency repairs, & other preventive maintenance projects, etc.)
- Computer/Equipment purchases, software upgrades, student device insurance, repair and contracted services, etc.
- Trips (funds will be prorated based on school enrollment)
- Student/Staff/Residents Athletic Admission (admission costs for all GCS students, staff and residents to athletic events)
- Supplies (paper, copying expenses, textbooks and library materials, & other related expenses)
- Funding to offset utility, custodial & food service personnel fees, and other related expenses related to the community use of BOE-owned property.
- Student Accident Insurance (policy covering all GCS students while in school or on school activities)
- Athletic Facility Maintenance (funding to maintain district athletic facilities, address Title IV compliance, etc.)

10. Please provide additional comments on any items of support for a school levy in Grant County and any additional feedback to assist in preparations for the levy proposal.

Thankful

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W.Va. shared editorials

It is not Freedom FROM Religion!

By Liz Beavers, Editor
Mineral Daily News-Tribune - Keyser

On our front page today (Nov. 21) you undoubtedly saw a story about a complaint that a “concerned parent” has filed with the Mineral County Board of Education.

It seems that the “concerned parent” complained after he or she found out that the Frankfort football team and coaches joined together with the Hampshire team and coaches in midfield following their game Oct. 25 at Falcon Stadium. Their purpose: To say a prayer together.

Now I have been following local high school football long enough to know that it is a very rare occurrence for rival teams to join together for anything. When they do, it is usually attached to some tragedy or mishap, like the generous gestures made by Keyser and Moorefield a couple weeks ago when Petersburg lost their field house and everything in it.

I saw a photo of the joint prayer on Facebook, and it gave me a genuinely warm, good feeling about the caliber of the young people and coaches representing our schools.

Apparently not everyone’s heart was warmed, however, and that’s OK. I have my opinions and my faith and thanks to the First Amendment, I am free to exercise that faith.

Also thanks to the First Amendment, everyone else in this country can exercise the right to their own religion ... or the lack thereof.

I would defend the “concerned parent’s” right to their personal beliefs to the end ... but I will be just as quick to remind them that “Freedom of Religion” does not in any way mean someone can force me to abandon my beliefs.

It is Freedom OF religion, NOT freedom FROM religion.

How interesting that the organization that wrote the letter to the board of education in representation of the “concerned parent” is called the Freedom FROM Religion Foundation.

I’m sorry, but that’s just not what the First Amendment says.

I don’t know the Hampshire coach at all, but I am told by my sports contacts that it is not uncommon for the team to pray together following a game.

I have spoken to Frankfort’s Coach Whiteman on several occasions, however, and I have found him to be very professional and certainly well respected among his players and peers.

And I would never, ever even begin to suspect that he in any way “forced” any of his players to participate in that prayer session if they hadn’t wanted to.

You see, that is what Freedom OF Religion is. In simple terms, no laws can be made to force anyone to subscribe to any certain religion, and no person can force their religion upon another.

And that includes those who don’t have any religion at all.

I am not making assumptions about the “concerned parent.” He or she may indeed be religious too. But their so-called defense of Freedom OF Religion is terribly misguided.

They have a right to their beliefs, but they have NO RIGHT to try to interfere with anyone else’s beliefs.

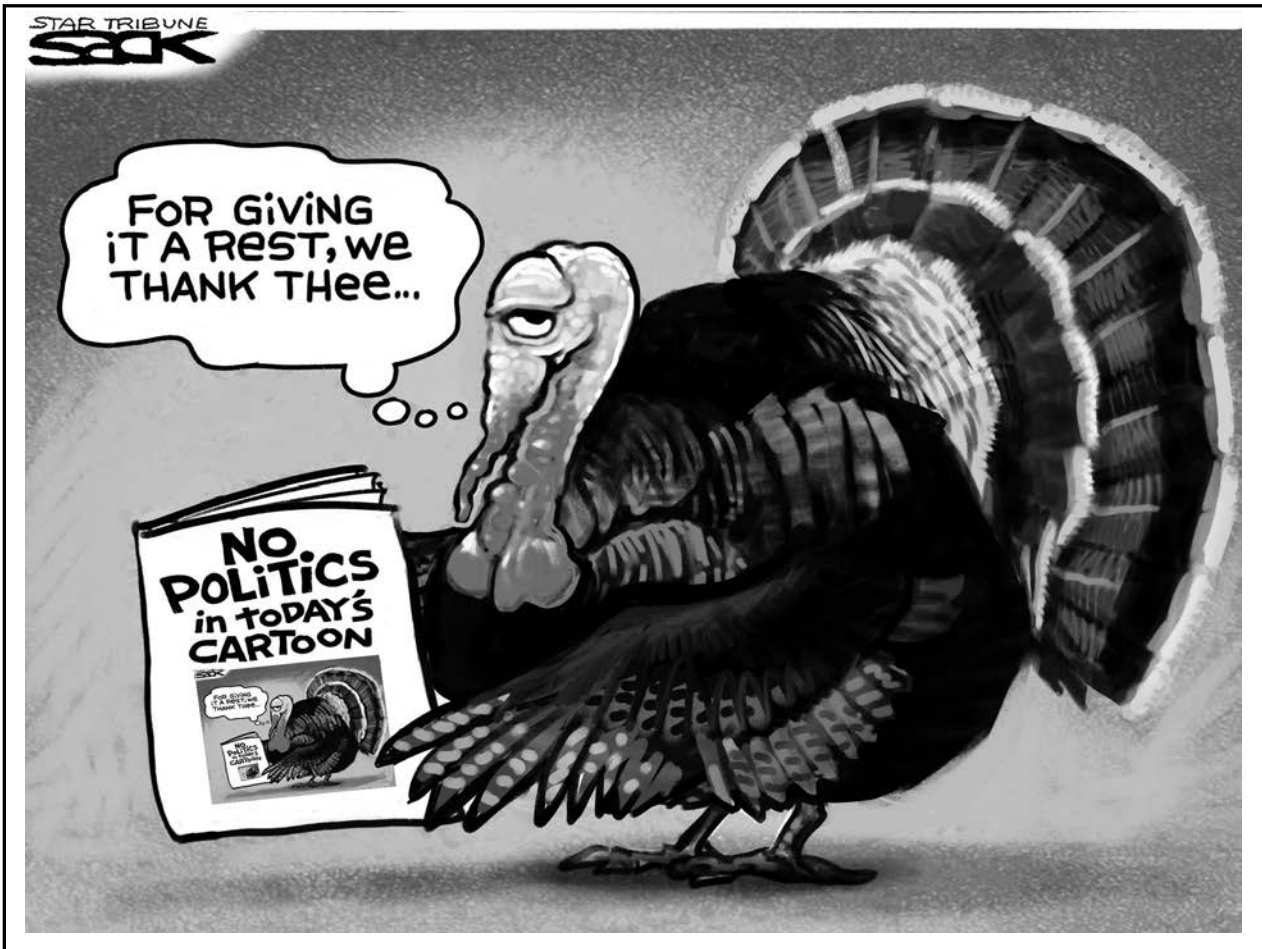
Separation of Church and State has been misinterpreted for far too long. It is time to follow the true intention of our First Amendment and quit using it as an excuse to take someone else’s rights away.

I commend Coach Whiteman and his staff and players, and Hampshire’s coaches and players as well.

I also understand it is not uncommon for Keyser to have a pre-game prayer and I commend them.

This is America. They have the right.

Before we start taking everyone else’s rights away because it might offend someone, how about let’s stand up for everyone’s right to practice what they believe in!



Psychiatrists, impeachment and justice



By Jane M. Orient, M.D.

After a period of silence, Dr. Bandy Lee and her committee of mental-health “experts” have again burst onto the scene, angling to participate in the impeachment of President Trump. They are defying the Goldwater Rule, which holds that it is unethical for physicians to diagnose patients they have not personally examined. They claim that President Trump is a such a serious threat to the nation that they are allowed to violate rules.

“We don’t believe there is the need for any further evaluation, and we are making ourselves available for the impeachment hearing because we believe that mental health issues will become critical as pressures from the impeachment hearings mount,” Dr. Lee told the Washington Examiner.

“In other words, the more successful the impeachment proceedings become, the more dangerous the psychological factors of the president will become.”

Obviously, the thing to do is to increase the psychological pressure on a person you declare to be unstable.

Dr. Lee’s “medical assessment” of the president’s “mental capacity to fulfill the duties of his office” includes the examination of tweets, public appearances, and the 448-page Mueller report. “There is very little that a personal examination will add,” Lee said.

She denies that she is actually making a diagnosis. Indeed, “unfitness for office” is an opinion, a conclusion that is not in the DSM, the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of currently defined psychiatric diagnoses.

Regardless of one’s opinion about President Trump, this self-appointed “Independent Expert Panel for Pres-

idential Fitness” should concern all Americans. Where does a group of academic experts get the ability or the authority to determine whether the president is “capable of keeping the country safe”?

The U.S. Constitution provides several methods of “regime change,” which is what Congressional Democrats, the mainstream news media, and this panel seem determined to achieve. The first is elections. In 2016, Americans voted for a change from the policies of Obama and Clinton and the imbedded bureaucracy. Ever since then, the losers have been seeking to nullify this result.

Attacks on the president by the press have been unrelenting. Unlike Abraham Lincoln or Woodrow Wil-

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son, this president has not imprisoned any journalists or shut down any newspapers. But he does make sarcastic remarks—and his opponents would like to deny him the forum of social media.

Second is the 25th Amendment, which provides for the removal of a president for incapacity. This might have removed Woodrow Wilson after a devastating stroke had it been in existence at the time. It requires action by the vice president and a majority of executive officers or a body appointed by Congress—not a few activist academics. This has so far been a non-starter.

Finally, there is impeachment, for “high crimes and misdemeanors.” In American jurisprudence, proceedings are supposed to be triggered by a crime—not by the Soviet KGB method of “show me the man, and I will

name his crime.” Or worse, “KGB Plus”—show me the man, and I will invent his crime.

In a world where there are so many ever-changing rules that everyone might be inadvertently committing “three felonies a day,” anyone could be prosecuted. But one is at least supposed to have certain rights: confronting the accuser, assistance of counsel, access to all the evidence, the right to call and cross-examine witnesses. And knowing exactly what the charges are.

Why should psychiatrists be intruding themselves into this legal process? Are there Thought Crimes that they have a special ability to discern?

Ordinary Americans should be very concerned. If this can happen to the president, it can happen to them. And it does.

One alarming example is the “fitness for duty” evaluations to which physicians may be subjected by people who for some reason want to destroy them. There are virtually no due-process rights. The examiner has the status of a physician, but no obligation to act in the “patient’s” (target’s) best interest.

Some psychiatrists may presume to have god-like power to judge a person’s emotions, intentions, and capacity—asserted in the name of safety or “security.” “Red flag” laws are another example.

President Trump may be right in saying: “They’re not coming for me. They are coming for you. I’m just in the way.”

Bandy Lee and associates are showing us a method to remove undesirables if legal process fails.

Dr. Orient is the executive director of the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons and is a policy expert with the Heartland Institute. The Heartland Institute is one of the world’s leading free-market think tanks.



By Bob Hansen

West Virginia has the highest overdose death rate and the lowest workforce participation rate in the country. It is no coincidence that joblessness and hopelessness coincide with high rates of substance use. Unfortunately, across the nation and especially in West Virginia, the hopelessness of unemployment has exacerbated the substance use disorder crisis.

Hope is the catalyst for change. Luckily, West Virginia’s hope for a better tomorrow rests in many of the values that give us pride in the Mountain State today: our tradition of hard work and self-sustainability.

Many West Virginians have worked hard to recover from addiction and are prepared to become self-sustaining. For too many, opportunities for work seem out of reach. Earlier this year, Governor Jim Justice unveiled a vision for the recovery of individuals suffering from substance use disorder through a new and unique program called Jobs & Hope West Virginia.

When an individual is working to treat their illness, the prospect of a job can provide them with hope. Through the Jobs & Hope program, individuals in recovery can be linked with a transition agent with the West

Jobs & Hope West Virginia catalyst for change

Virginia Department of Education for a needs assessment resulting in the development of an education and career plan.

West Virginians, like Kristie Sellers, have succeeded with recovery and are excited to provide for their children. “I’ve been living in Charleston while I finish this recovery program, but I want to move back home to Parkersburg. I have a job lined up when I get home, but I’m looking for a career,” Kristie said.

Like many others, Kristie was able to fill one of the approximately 16,000 job vacancies in West Virginia, but she is ambitious and wants a career. Kristie and other residents can now enter the Jobs & Hope program which will assist with finding a vocation or training as well as guide them toward career-track employment.

Finding employment for participants in the Jobs & Hope program and ensuring they attain the training and skills needed is vital to securing a bright future.

In the past, West Virginians like Lisa Goodnite found that balancing recovery, school, and housing require difficult compromises. Lisa said, “I want to go back to school to be a lab tech, but it’s too expensive to pay for school and housing while working and trying to learn how to live in the real world.”

The Jobs & Hope program can alleviate some of these burdens by helping clients find transportation,

childcare resources, and reducing other barriers to training, education, and employment.

Transition agents will help program participants access all the state and federal resources they will need to gain employment and lead fulfilling lives. While the target population is individuals in recovery from substance use disorder, Jobs & Hope is open to any eligible participant who wishes to eliminate barriers to employment. As of today, Jobs & Hope has received 481 referrals and currently has 300 participants.

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State projects don't help local tax revenue

By Steve Allen Adams

The Intelligencer | Wheeling News-Register

Cities and towns in West Virginia are being stiffed on tax revenue by subcontractors working on state projects, according to the Legislative Auditor's Office.

In a letter released (last) Tuesday to Senate President Mitch Carmichael and House Speaker Roger Hanshaw, Post Audit Division Director Justin Robinson said his office was following up on a 2017 report that found that out-of-state subcontractors working on state projects were not registering with local municipalities where the work was being done. By not locally registering, the municipalities were missing out on tax revenue.

"This report underscored the fact that the primary cause for cities' inability to collect taxes owed for projects under state contract is that they were unaware of the contract itself or that the contractor or subcontractor was performing this work in their area," Robinson wrote. "To the best of the Legislative Auditor's knowledge neither the agency through which the contract is executed, nor the Purchasing Division, is required to notify the municipalities of the contract after it is awarded."

According to a fiscal year 2018 report from the Purchasing Division, the state entered into 22,065 new contracts awards worth more than \$490 million. Each contract was worth on average more than \$175,000, with 54 percent of in-state vendors receiving contracts.

However, the total financial value of the out-of-state contracts was more than \$364 million.

Robinson said factoring in a 2 percent Business and Occupation tax rate many cities have, the amount of taxes due was approximately \$4,510 per contract.

"A conservative estimate of the (B&O) taxes, potentially due from all state contracts in 2018, assuming 50 percent of those contracts are subject to ... tax at a rate of 2 percent, would have totaled approximately \$4.9 million," Robinson said.

Since 2017, Robinson said the Purchasing Division has modified its terms and conditions to require contractors to inform all subcontractors to register with local governments. However, there are no state laws requiring either the state agency doing the work in the municipality or the Purchasing Division itself to notify the city or town that work is going on. While the Purchasing Division's terms and conditions require the contractor and subcontractor to notify the cities, there is no enforcement.

To remedy the issue, the Legislative Auditor believes the agency executing the contract, which is aware of the work to be performed and where it will be performed, should be required to provide formal notice to the municipality where Business and Occupation taxes ... are applicable," Robinson wrote. "It is the opinion of the Legislative Auditor that the entities contracting on behalf of the state have a fiduciary duty to notify those municipalities that work through a state contract is being performed."

Another enforcement mechanism recommended by the Legislative Auditor's Office includes requiring a \$1 million surety bond for state contracts to ensure that contractors and subcontractors pay taxes to local municipalities.

"The Legislative Auditor recognizes there are multiple ways to accomplish this goal; however, a surety bond for local taxes would be the least cumbersome option for the state to incorporate into the purchasing process, while also removing the financial burden of noncompliance from the state and local governments," Robinson wrote. "While this may be burdensome for smaller contractors, this recommendation can be applied in a practical manner using a predetermined threshold that would trigger such a requirement, such as imposing this requirement for state contracts that exceed \$1 million in value or greater."

Timberline ski resort sold at auction

A bankrupt West Virginia ski resort has been sold at auction.

The Charleston Gazette-Mail reports Perfect North Slopes Inc. of Lawrenceburg, Ind., plans to reopen Timberline Four Seasons Resort in Tucker County for the 2020-21 ski season.

Perfect North Slopes was the second-highest bidder at an auction, but high bidder First Asset Holding LLC agreed to assign its bid of \$2.2 million to Perfect North Slopes in exchange for \$30,000 cash.

Timberline cut short its ski season last February and filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in April. It had been family operated since 1987.

West Virginia Ski Areas Association executive director Joe Stevens says in a news release that the purchase "is great news for the ski industry in West Virginia."

WV reports record voter registration

West Virginia election officials say a record 8,020 people registered to vote in September.

Secretary of State Mac Warner on Thursday said the figure set a new state record for voter registration transactions in a single month. The tally was boosted by the registration of nearly 3,000 high school students.

A national group of secretaries of state deemed September as national voter registration month to encourage election participation.

The state has set up an online portal where eligible voters can register at govotewv.com.

Warner says more than 150,000 West Virginians have registered since he took office in 2017.



November 23, 1949

Pvt. Marshall Kimble, 26, of Laurel Dale, stationed with the 7th Division in Company G, Camp Schimmelpfennig, Japan, had nearly completed their summer maneuvers with the 2nd Battalion, which started in July and was to end in November.

Ralph Welton was elected president of the Petersburg Kiwanis Club for 1950.

Three new teachers, Barbara Babb, Gaynelle Crosier and Elinor Kiser, replaced three teachers who resigned - Agnes Mathaney, Ruth Dyer and John McNeill.

The new PHS cafeteria, which seated 150 students, opened.

Steve Roby was elected president of the senior class.

PHS had an enrollment of 421, the largest in the history of the school.

Births at Veach's Clinic included: Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Strawderman of Moorefield, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baldwin of Moorefield, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis See of Rada, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Secrist of Lahmansville, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Evans of Rig, a son; and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest See of Baker, a son.

Births at Potomac Valley Hospital, Keyser included: Mr. and Mrs. Lester Markle of Scherr, a daughter, Nov. 20; and Mr. and Mrs. Norris Alt of Keyser, a son, Nov. 20.

Pvt. Dewey Cosner Jr. was to be stationed at Tampa, Fla.

November 25, 1959

Bayard High School was admitted to membership in the Potomac Valley Conference.

Remember When



Grant Memorial Hospital births included: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Alt of Brushy Run, a son, Nov. 17; Mr. and Mrs. Willis Rohrbaugh of Petersburg, a daughter, Nov. 19; Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Stonestreet of Moorefield, a son, Nov. 23; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Van Meter of Cabins, a son, Nov. 22; and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hedrick of Maysville, a daughter, Nov. 22.

Elizabeth Weimer, a pre-education major, led the sophomore class at Potomac State College with a 3.765 average, with Jo Ann Snyder of Lahmansville, second in the class.

Mrs. Burl Kisamore entertained Nov. 14, in honor of her daughter, Nancy Lee's, sixth birthday.

A marriage license was issued in Cumberland, Md. to Woodrow Allen Vance and Dorothy Lee Mallow, both of Petersburg.

November 26, 1969

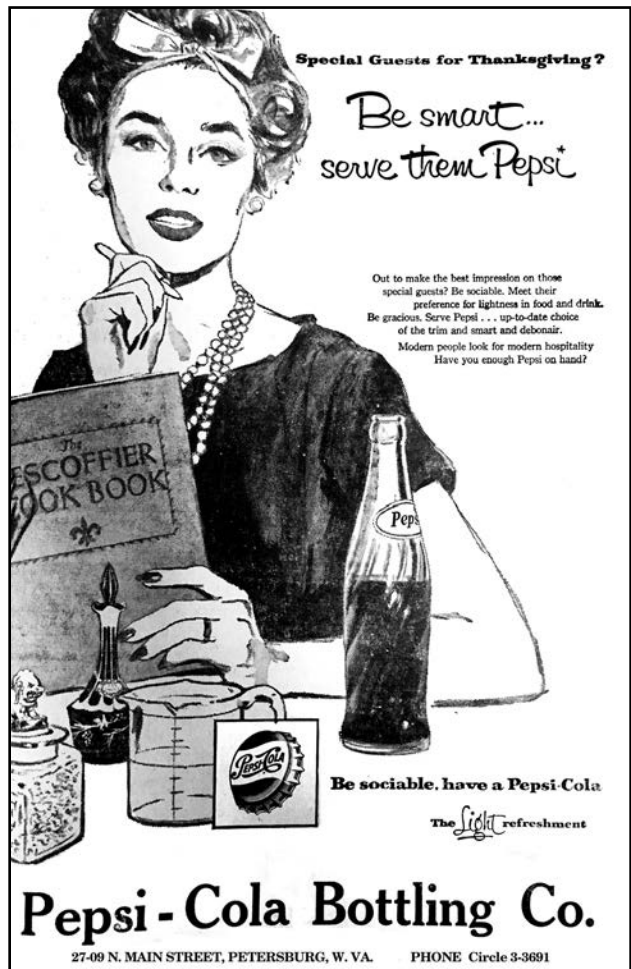
There were 225 bucks killed opening day of deer season.

Joe Mohr made the cut with the Cincinnati Bearcats and was a member of the 11-man traveling freshmen basketball squad.

TM2 and Mrs. Doron Haslacker announced the birth of their first child, a daughter, Steffie Lynn, Nov. 10, at Lawrence Memorial Hospital in New London.

Births at Grant Memorial Hospital included: Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sites of Petersburg, a son, Nov. 19; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roby, a son, Nov. 20; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Simmons of Petersburg, a son, Nov. 20; and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sturgill of Petersburg, a son, Nov. 23.

Miss June Cosner and Stanley Waybright were



A 1959 Pepsi advertisement from the Press.

married Nov. 22, at Locust Grove Church of the Brethren.

November 28, 1979

The Petersburg City Police Department was to move to 23 Virginia Avenue, in the same building as the city office. The police department was formerly located in the Grant County Public Library basement.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Parsons of Dorcas announced the birth of a daughter, Pamela Sue, Nov. 23, at Hampshire Memorial Hospital, Romney.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hill of Petersburg announced the birth of a daughter, Sandra Lee, Nov. 16, at Rockingham Memorial Hospital, Harrisonburg, Va.

Five PHS Viking grid-

ders - Tom Prunty, Jerry Evans, Mike Peters, Rocky Ludwick and Dea Puffenbarger were awarded all-conference recognition.

Matt Geary was selected the all-conference golf team and golf coach Greg Dorn was a co-winner of Coach of the Year.

Tim Cosner was named to the all-conference baseball.

Hardy County residents turned in force to denounce plans to link Grant and Hardy counties nursing home plans in a single "service area" under the Health System Agency and convinced four of five members of an HSA Task Force that the proposal lacked public support.

Magistrates court report

The following cases were heard in the Grant County Magistrates Court between Oct. 25 and Nov. 22:

Steven Leo Goff Jr., 44, of 4612 Pleasant View Dr., Patrick Springs, Va., was charged as a fugitive from another state. His bond was set at \$25,000 and he was fined and assessed \$10 for the charge to be moved to the Grant County Circuit Court.

Miranda Claire Mongold, 30, of 223 7th St., Moorefield, was charged with conspiracy to violate. Her bond was set at \$10,000 and she was fined and assessed \$10 for the charge to be moved to the Grant County Circuit Court.

William Jonathan Turner, 39, of 934 Brushy Run Rd., Seneca Rocks, was charged with conspiracy to manufacture an illegal substance and manufacturing, delivering or possessing with intent to deliver an illegal substance. His bond was set at \$40,000 and he was fined and assessed \$10 for the charge to be moved to the Grant County Circuit Court.

Krysten Hope Phares, 21, of 70 Prosperity Ln., Moorefield, was charged with manufacturing, delivering or possessing with intent to deliver an illegal substance. Her bond was set at \$10,000 and she was fined and assessed \$10 for the charge to be moved to the Grant County Circuit Court.

Kevin Ray Arbaugh, 26, of 213 Bull Frog Ln., Riverton, pleaded not guilty on charges of manufacturing, delivering or possessing with intent to

deliver an illegal substance. His bond was set at \$25,000.

Cindy Harris, 39, of 8 Rig St., Petersburg, was fined and assessed \$246 after pleading no contest to charges of compulsory education offenses.

Jamie Rebecca Johnson, 42, of 263 Big Sky Dr., Petersburg, was fined and assessed \$246 after pleading no contest to charges of compulsory education offenses.

Brittany Nicole Smith, 28, of 1748 Welton Orchard Rd., Fisher, pleaded not guilty to charges of driving with a suspended or revoked license and unlawfully taking a vehicle. Her bond was set at \$1,350.

Nicholas Cody Chamberlain, 35, of 401 Broadway St., Cumberland, Md., was fined and assessed \$1,171 after pleading no contest to charges of operating a vehicle without insurance.

In separate charges, Chamberlain was fined and assessed \$751 after pleading no contest to charges of operating a vehicle without an inspection or failure to produce certificate and knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid prescription.

Kenneth Swick Jr., 45, of 156 Lake View Dr., Lahmansville, was fined and assessed \$221 after pleading guilty to charges of compulsory education offenses.

Ricky Allen Reel, 41, of 199 Turkey Foot Ln., Petersburg, was fined and assessed \$181 after pleading no contest to charges of operating a ve-

hicle without a certified inspection or failure to produce certificate.

Briana Maria Kesner, 28, of P.O. Box 205, Petersburg, was fined and assessed \$181 after pleading no contest to charges of operating a vehicle without a certified inspection or failure to produce certificate.

Diana Jean Youngcourt, 29, of 2258 Greenland Gap Rd., Maysville, was fined and assessed \$321 after pleading no contest to charges of shoplifting or concealing goods. She was ordered to pay restitution to the store in which she was charged.

Olga V. Bondisky, 49, of P.O. Box 1173, 58 Brynner Dr., Petersburg, pleaded not guilty to charges of unlawful injury to or destruction of property. Bondisky's bond was set at \$5,000.

Jennifer Ann Howell, 40, of 110 2nd St., Misty Terrace, Moorefield, was charged with knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid prescription. Her bond was set at \$1,000.

Trenton Edward Reed, 20, of 103 Strip Job Rd., Mount Storm, was fined and assessed \$181 after pleading no contest to charges of speeding.

Charles Justice Swan, 41, of 2971 Marion Ave., Bronx, N.Y., was fined and assessed \$1,352 after pleading guilty to charges of operating a vehicle with an expired registration certificate of title and operating a vehicle without insurance.

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Local and area obituaries

KITTY LOU BARR

Kitty Lou (Hull) Barr, 82, of Petersburg, W.Va., passed away Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019 at Grant Memorial Hospital, Petersburg.

Born April 12, 1937, in Lahmansville, W.Va., she was the daughter of the late Albert H. Hull and Odessa (Frye) Hull. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Roland P. Barr on Oct. 27, 2012; and two sisters, Delona Crites and Anna Lee Reid.

She is survived by one daughter, Cynthia V. Strosnider and husband Clifton of Petersburg; two sons, Perry A. Barr and wife Tina of Moorefield, W.Va. and Jay M. Barr of Annapolis, Md.; three grandchildren, Dr. Heather Strosnider of Atlanta, Ga., Kara J. Riggleman and husband Bill of Petersburg and Adam R. Strosnider and wife Sarah of Petersburg; and three great-grandchildren, Lucas W. Riggleman, Matthew L. Riggleman and Stella E. Strosnider.

Kitty Lou was a graduate of Petersburg High School Class of 1955. She retired as an administrative assistant at South Branch Vocational Center in Petersburg. She served on the board at Lahmansville Cemetery for several years and was a member of



Grove Street United Methodist Church, Petersburg.

A celebration of life service will be Sunday, Dec. 22, 2 p.m. at Grove Street United Methodist Church with the Rev. Larry Hakes officiating. There will be a private graveside service in Lahmansville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Grove Street United Methodist Church, 11 North Grove St., Petersburg, WV 26847; Petersburg High School Scholarship Fund, c/o Terry Mongold, 89 River-view Dr., Petersburg, WV 26847; or Grant Rehabilitation and Care Center, 127 Early Ave., Petersburg, WV 26847.

Arrangements are by the Schaeffer Funeral Home, Petersburg. Condolences to the family may be left at www.schaefferfuneral-home.com. (11-26-19)

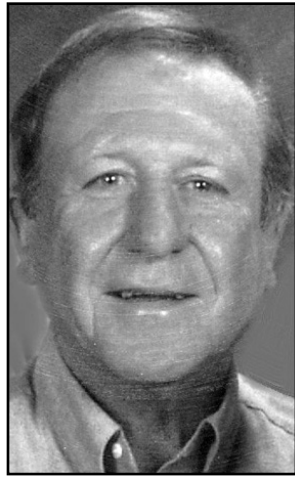
WENDELL E. WARNER

Wendell E. Warner, 73, of Franklin, W.Va., passed away Thursday, Nov. 21, 2019, in Huntington, W.Va. after a lengthy battle with kidney disease.

He was born September 24, 1946 at Riverton, W.Va. and was the son of the late Mona C. Warner.

Wendell was a 1964 graduate of Circleville High School and a 1969 graduate of Shepherd College. His teaching career began at Highland County Schools, where he was also a basketball coach. He also taught at Franklin Elementary and North Fork Elementary schools before he retired. He was a farmer and enjoyed watching old westerns. Wendell was a member of the Franklin Moose Lodge #769.

On August 15, 1965, he married Marcia Combs Warner, who survives. He is also survived by one daughter, Andra Keister (and husband, Jack) of Harrisonburg, Va.; one son, Michael Warner (and wife, Cindy) of Harrisonburg; three grandchildren, Pearce Keister, Cody Warner and



Reaghan Warner; one aunt, Gladys Harper of Pendleton Manor in Franklin; and numerous cousins.

A celebration of life service was Saturday afternoon, at the Kimble Funeral Home chapel with Pastor Mike Loudermilk and Pastor David Morris officiating.

Memorials may be made to Grant Rehabilitation and Care Center, 127 Early Ave., Petersburg, WV 26847 or Pendleton Manor, P.O. Box 700, Franklin, WV 26807.

Online condolences may be shared at www.kimblefuneralhome.com. (11-26-19)

WILDA G. BENNETT

Wilda Grace Bennett, 93, of Seneca Rocks, died Thursday, Nov. 21, at her home.

Born Oct. 19, 1926, in Cherry Grove, she was the daughter of the late Troy and Elsie (Byrd) Lambert. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Eli Henry Bennett, on Dec. 3, 1974; one brother and five sisters.

Mrs. Bennett was a homemaker. She was a member of Brushy Run Mennonite Church.

She is survived by five daughters, Francise Arbaugh of Wardensville, Rosalee Kimble of Linden, Va., Elaine Turner of Circleville, Jacqueline Bennett of Seneca Rocks, and the Rev. Rebecca Bennett of Seneca Rocks; two sons, David G. Bennett of Seneca Rocks and Teddy Lee Bennett of Cresaptown, Md.; one sister, Etta Catherine Shifflet of Millersville, Md.; one brother, Forest Ray Lambert of Baker; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be today (Tuesday) at the Basagic Funeral Home chapel, Petersburg, at 11 a.m. with Pastors Tom Shaum, Fred Miller and John Swartz officiating.



Interment will be in North Fork Memorial Cemetery, Riverton. Memorials may be made to any Pendleton County Volunteer Rescue Squad or Seneca Rocks Volunteer Fire Company.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home. (11-26-19)

PVCD meeting

Board meeting of the Potomac Valley Conservation District will be Thursday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. at the Ponderosa Restaurant in Moorefield. The agenda will be available three days prior to the meeting and a copy may be obtained at the district office, 500 East Main St., Romney or call 304-822-5174. The public is invited to attend.

Grant County Health Department and WIC December schedules

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Dec 24 - Open 8 a.m. to noon
Dec 25 - Closed - Christmas Day
Dec 31 - Open 8 a.m. to noon

Local women educators hold fall meetings

Alpha Kappa Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met at the Duffey Memorial United Methodist Church in Moorefield On Oct. 19. A brunch was catered by the Duffey Women's Circle. The project of the month was to add inspirational quotes to journals for the nursing students at Potomac State College.

The World Fellowship Committee hosted the annual auction for Delta Kappa Gamma International for scholarships and projects and raised \$441 during the auction of items donated by the members present.

Peggy High of Hampshire County won the raffle. Susan Garrett of Hardy County received the Recognizing Our Star Educators (R.O.S.E.) award.

A Founder's Day Celebration was the focus of the Nov. 9 meeting at the Candlewyck Inn in Keyser.

In celebration of the 90th anniversary of the organization, a skit, "Hats Off to Our Founders" was presented by Gayle Allen, Ann Bennett, Donna Bodkins, Pamela Boggs, Amber Champ, Garrett, Rosanne Glover, High, Marianna Leone, Mia Leone, Beverly Mathias, Robin McDowell and Donna See.

Delta Kappa Gamma was founded in 1929 at



Delta Kappa Gamma members presented a skit for the organization's 90th anniversary at their November meeting.

the Faculty Women's Club of the University of Texas in Austin. Dr. Annie Webb Blanton conceived the idea for an honorary organization for women educators and selected 11 other Texas women to help her found the organization.

The November project was to prepare a baby basket for the newest member, Becky Heavner from Pendleton County. The R.O.S.E. award was presented to Ruby Alvaro of Mineral County. Mary Gunter (Hardy), Pamela Boggs (Pendleton), Robin McDowell (Mineral) and Ann Bennett (Pendleton) won raffle items.

The next meeting will be held in March at the South Branch Inn in Romney and will be the last joint meeting with Eta Chapter.

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Food

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through a season in my life where I did not have food, so that I could find my passion and use it to help others.”

But these faith-based organizations are not alone in their goal to feed the community, with programs like Knock for the Needy, the Boy and Girl Scouts, the Healing Waters Veterans Program, Grant County Schools as well as multiple other donation events and groups all working hard to ensure no one in Grant County goes hungry.

Living Water Ministries opens their doors once a month, providing boxes of food, hygiene and household supplies to those who need them. Their goal is to ensure those who pick up food are able to feed their family for a few weeks off of the supplies, helping them get through the month.

Like the Petersburg Interfaith Food Pantry, Living Water Ministry is a faith-based effort driven by a local congregation. They receive a large portion of their food donations from a church donor in Virginia and their household donations from World Vision out of Phillippi.

“One really important thing for many people is furniture,” B. Sisson said. “To build a home, to fill it for your family. World Vision and the church in Virginia play a huge role in our ministry by allowing us to help people in a way we know we couldn’t afford without that outside help.”

PIP receives a majority of their supplies from local donations and through the Mountaineer Food Bank.

“There are counties in West Virginia where they have six food pantries and

a soup kitchen, but we don’t have that here,” Kimble said. “We don’t have access to those services every day, but we do what we can. It is so important for people to know there are resources out there, that they know they have somewhere to turn. I have been blown away by the generosity of this community. The people of Grant County are amazingly giving and caring. And we aren’t

Agency, a government program that provides vouchers to those in need for use at the pantry. Kimble also says they see donations through companies such as Shop ‘N Save and Walmart.

“Community Action is a great partner,” Kimble said. “They are funded, in part, by the number of people they see and help. So we can help direct people in need through them with

supplies each month. Living Waters is open every third Wednesday of the month, seeing nearly 300 families come through their door. PIP is open three days a week, seeing 170 people in their most recent day of giving.

“I do think some people don’t realize the level of need in our community,” B. Sisson said. “And I really feel that if you want to see a change in our communi-

partment chief Darius Stark saying they have played an important role in immediate intervention for those in need during his investigations - especially in situations involving children.

“I am so glad we are able to help in those situations,” B. Sisson said. “Every child is loved and I want them to know they have somebody and someplace they can go to feel safe. And that’s what I want our ministry to be, someplace people can go when they need help. I want them to know this is a place that is going to feed them, to help them, never judging or putting them down. They aren’t going to talk about me, they are just going to help me. I will have times I see kids wandering out on the street and we will invite them in, ask if they are hungry, see if they need something to eat and make a difference in the moment.”

Another issue faced by both groups is ensuring the food they give goes to people who genuinely use it, and struggle with the occasional issue of donation reselling.

“We try very hard to balance it,” Kimble said. “We try to be very careful stewards of the trust we have been given. We see donations of both food and money and we need to be responsible to our donors. We keep good records, keep a close eye on things but we always try to err on the side of feeding people. Thankfully the voucher system, requiring referrals makes that a lot simpler.”

The Sissons have also faced this issue and have signs up at the church outlining the rule that all items given cannot be sold.

“Since we give out clothes and furniture, we have to be careful, we just

want to make sure the people who are in need get what they need,” B. Sisson said. “The thing that we have had problems with a few times is selling the household items. So when I found out about it I just go to them when they’re in the line the next time and pull them aside and explain they aren’t allowed back in. It is difficult but it is a balancing act. I want to help everybody but sadly some people will abuse that.”

The Sissons said that while they are not struggling with food donations, they are working to expand their kitchen with the goal of offering more frequent giveaways.

“Our biggest need right now is financial aid to help up purchase a walk-in freezer,” A. Sisson said. “That will help so much with storage and ensuring we are able to provide more as we grow.”

The Interfaith Pantry says their biggest need is volunteers.

“As far as the needs of the food pantry, our community is very generous but also very busy,” Kimble said. “We are struggling with finding volunteers, especially younger volunteers. Nowadays teens have so much going on between school and extracurricular activities, they are just trying to juggle everything. But we would love to have younger people volunteer their time at the pantry, it’s a great opportunity to get involved and help the community.”

For more information on the Petersburg Interfaith Food Pantry, contact Kimble at karnsyk@gmail.com. For more information on Living Water Ministry Helping Hands Food Pantry, contact 304-257-5029 or visit their Facebook page at Living Water Ministry.



As part of Maysville Elementary’s Pre-K CSO “Knowledge of Family and Community” Amanda Thorne-Dye’s class, with co-teacher Tammy Barger and class grandmother Darlene Berg, learned the importance of caring for the needs of those in their own community. The students collected food for the Petersburg Interfaith Food Pantry to make sure that others would have a great Thanksgiving meal just like the meals they would soon be enjoying. Their first goal was 50 items which they achieved in just three days. The next goal was 100 food items. By the end of their two week collection period the students celebrated gathering 130 items for their cause.

photo courtesy of amanda thorne-dye

talking about people that have excess. Sometimes they are given at a sacrifice of their own comfort. We have people that want to help, and without a food pantry there is no system in place to do that.”

The Petersburg Interfaith Food Pantry is also partner of the Community Action

our voucher system. They handle the records and paperwork for us.”

The Community Action Agency also provides services such as Warm the Children, a local clothing and coat drive.

Between the two programs, hundreds of families receive food and home

ty we all have to work at it together. There is a great need and we have seen it first hand.”

Living Water recently hosted a Thanksgiving meal for the community, serving 526 visitors. The group has also been praised by local law enforcement, with Petersburg Police De-

School (436 students).

This announcement is on par with concerns voiced by the Grant County Board of Education, who has pointed to the school’s declining attendance over the past decade, seeing a nearly 20% drop in student enrollment.

This means the Vikings will now officially compete

in the same class as the Union High School Tigers, who sit at 52nd in Class A with an enrollment of 46, above Paw Paw High School with 44 and Pickens Elementary and High School with an enrollment of 8.

As far as statewide rankings, the new enrollment numbers leave Class

A as the largest class with 56 teams, 45 teams in Class AA and place 32 teams in Class AAA.

These classifications will begin in the 2020-2021 academic year and will remain in place until the conclusion of the 2023-2024 academic year.

These classifications apply to all WVSSAC

sponsored sports with the exception of basketball, which will receive an updated classification system to accommodate private schools. The new four-class basketball classifications have yet to be released.

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Class AAA.

This moves PHS from the second smallest Class AA to the sixth largest Class A. This change will likely impact the Vikings schedule, seeing the team drop larger schools from

the schedule and pick up teams from similar population areas.

The largest school in Class A is Ravenswood High School with an enrollment of 450, followed by James Monroe High School (449 students), Moorefield, River View High School (444 students) and Ritchie County High

Suit

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dangerous releases.”

In his release, Walls went on to conclude that the potential leak could present a danger to the

health of the waterway spreading from the North Branch of the Potomac River.

“RCRA permits PRKN to commence a civil suit against Verso for any solid waste that may present an imminent and substantial

endangerment to health or the environment. In this case, this endangerment is caused by the discharge of solid and/or hazardous waste from the paper mill to the North Branch of the Potomac River which has been ongoing since at

least April. Verso has both a legal and a moral obligation to clean up this mess,

which threatens public health and aquatic life in the Potomac.”

Under RCRA, Verso now has 90 days to respond PRKN’s allegations.

U.S. attorney applauds drug house ordinances similar to the one recently passed in Petersburg

The U.S. District Attorney’s office recently released a report applauding the work of the Martinsburg Police Department and other law enforcement partners on the success of the city’s Drug House Ordinance.

This ordinance uses the same language as the ordinance recently passed by the Petersburg City Council.

In the U.S. Attorney’s statement, he pointed to a report issued by Martinsburg Police Chief Maury Richards showing that over the past three years, the ordinance has been utilized 59 times, resulting in a dramatic decrease in violent

crime, drug-related calls, and drug overdoses.

“Job number one for law enforcement is the protection of our citizens. Martinsburg has made great strides in this regard. Violence and other crimes often go hand in hand with drug operations. We must remain constantly vigilant for those who seek to have our neighborhoods made part of their illegal activities. This is especially true for landlords who have the ability to identify those who pose a danger to us and our children. We are proud of our partnership with Chief Richards and the law enforcement community to rid our commu-

nities of “drug houses,” said U.S. Attorney Bill Powell.

Earlier this year, the U.S. Attorney’s office offered further support of this ordinance, stating that landlords with multiple citations under the drug house ordinance could face federal charges. Landlords who continue to allow drugs on their rental properties could face criminal prosecution, as well as federal seizure of the house or apartment building.

Berkeley County has the highest number of drug overdoses in the Northern District of West Virginia.

Grapes was then arrested for possession with the intent to deliver methamphetamine, a felon in possession of a firearm, possession of marijuana and defective equipment.

operable scales, four individual baggies of a white crystalized substance and approximately \$613 of U.S. currency.

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SBCTC spotlight student for November



Lena Grillo

South Branch Career and Technical Center staff have selected Lena Grillo as the "Spotlight Student" for November.

Grillo is a junior at East Hardy High School and participates in the therapeutic services program at SBCTC.

She is a model student and a natural leader in her program and demonstrates this ability in her role as vice president of HOSA, the Future Health Professionals organization.

In addition to serving as vice president, Grillo also played a key role in the recent blood drive sponsored by the therapeutic service classes. She managed a roster of students and teachers who signed up to provide blood donations and ensured that each had obtained the correct paperwork and identification before proceeding to the donation facility. Because of their hard work, 31 units of blood were secured.

Grillo plans to continue her education to become a registered nurse.



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PHS students of the month



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Tri-County Wool Pool set for Dec. 10

Alexandria Straight Extension Agent

The Tri-County Wool Pool take in has been scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 10, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Tri-County Fairgrounds in Petersburg.

There will not be a market for black wool, lamb wool, or dirty wool so please do not send it or put it in the bags with clear wool.

Please do not bring your

wool in feed sacks. All wool received in feed sacks will be paid as reject wool.

If you mark your wool bags, please do not use paint as this goes through the bag into the wool also making it rejected.

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Sunday, Dec. 15th at the Petersburg Volunteer Fire Company at 2-4 p.m.

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This year's hottest toys

There are many, many lists of this year's "hottest" toys for girls and boys with every store and online retailer promoting their ideas.

According to the site Hip2Save, it's time to get your hands on these toys before they're all gone. They've listed the top 30 toys starting with those for toddlers up through age 8 and over.

It's interesting to see that LEGO, NERF, Mr. Potato Head and Barbie are still on the top lists.

Starting with the toddlers and going up:

1. Fisher-Price Linkimals Smooth Moves Sloth
2. Baby Shark Official Dancing Doll
3. LeapFrog Smart Sizzlin' BBQ Grill
4. Skyrocket Blume Dolls

5. Disney Toy Story 4 Walking Buzz Lightyear
6. Kindi Kids Snack Timke Friends Dolls
7. CuteTitos Mystery Stuffed Animals
8. Barbie Dreamplane Playset
9. Pets Alive Boppi the Botty Shakin' Llama
10. Playskool Mr. Potato Head Movin' Lips
11. Paw Patrol 2-in-1 Mighty Jet Command Center
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23. Lucky Fortune Blind Collectible Bracelets
24. Sphero 2 Ring Specdrums
25. L.O.L. Surprise! 2-in-1 Glamper Fashion Camper
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27. Artie 3000 The Coding Robot
28. My Robotic Pet Tumbling Hedgehog
29. LEGO Hidden Side Building Kits
30. NERF Fortnite SP-L Dart Blaster

Lots of what kids have always been interested in - dolls, animals, cooking, building and robots, just newer or updated versions, although #18 is a little off the wall. Must be the updated version of the whoopee cushion.

No matter what the online lists say, it's what's on your little person's wish list that counts. Good luck!

What is Giving Tuesday?

Designed to serve as the unofficial kickoff to the holiday charitable giving season, Giving Tuesday is celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving in the United States.

While events like Black Friday and Cyber Monday have become incredibly popular among holiday shoppers looking for great deals on gifts for their loved ones, Giving Tuesday aims to capitalize on the holiday spirit of giving

by celebrating philanthropy and promoting charitable giving.

Giving Tuesday began in 2012 and was the brainchild of the team at the Belfer Center for Innovation & Social Impact at New York City's 92nd Street Y, which has brought people together around the values of service and giving since 1874.

Nonprofits, civic organizations, for-profit businesses and corporations,

individuals and families have participated in Giving Tuesday since its inception.

In 2015, with the cooperation of donors, volunteers and organizations in 71 countries, the Giving Tuesday movement raised nearly \$117 million.

More information about Giving Tuesday is available at www.GivingTuesday.org.

The most downloaded holiday songs

Music is integral to many celebrations during the holiday season.

Whether you're planning an office party, hosting friends and family at home or simply looking to get in the holiday spirit, you might want to explore this list of the most downloaded Christmas/holiday songs on iTunes.

In The Holiday Mood

1. All I Want For Christmas Is You - Mariah Carey
2. Mary, Did You Know? - Pentatonix
3. Christmas / Sarajevo 12/24 (instrumental) - Trans-Siberian Orchestra
4. Mistletoe - Justin Bieber
5. Christmas Canon - Trans-Siberian Orchestra
6. Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree - Brenda

7. Believe - Josh Groban
8. Last Christmas (single version) - Wham!
9. Jingle Bell Rock - Bobby Helms
10. It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year - Andy Williams
11. Hallelujah - Pentatonix
12. Wizards in Winter (Instrumental) - Trans-Siberian Orchestra
13. Winter Song - Sara Bareilles & Ingrid Michaelson
14. Hallelujah - Lindsey Stirling
15. Last Christmas - Taylor Swift
16. Feliz Navidad - José Feliciano
17. Santa Tell Me - Ariana Grande
18. A Holly Jolly Christmas - Burl Ives
19. The Christmas Song (Merry Christmas to You) - Nat "King" Cole
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Newest addition to the lineup of historical society ornaments

The Grant County Historical Society has for sale their newest Christmas ornament for sale to help raise funds for the restoration of the Grant County old courthouse.

You can purchase one at South Side Depot or at the Grant County Press.

If you didn't have an opportunity to acquire the ornaments from 2018 (Grant County Courthouse) and 2017 (Davis House Museum), they are also available.

This year's ornament features St. John's Academy — Petersburg High School.



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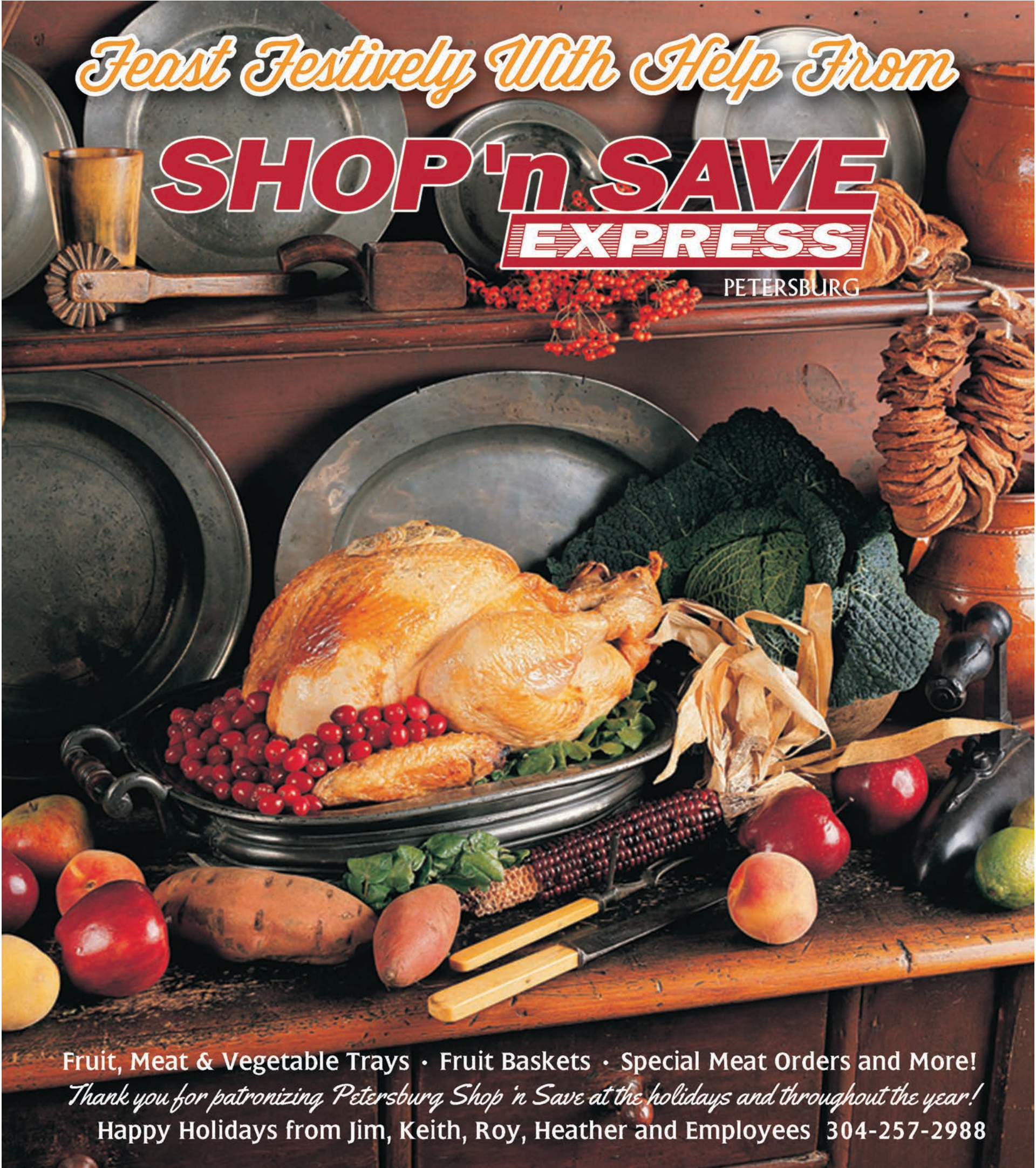
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West Virginia Theater East will be presenting "Disney's Frozen Jr." for one weekend only, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 13-14 at 7 p.m. at then a matinee Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 14-15 at 2 p.m. The produc-

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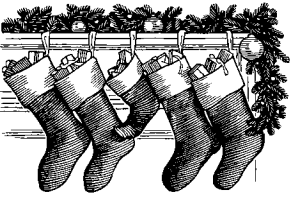
The event will feature the Community Chorus under the direction of Rosanne Glover and accompanied by Teddy Ketterman. The

chorus will sing your favorites - some with a twist. Santa and Frosty the Snowman will make an appearance to visit with children, so bring your camera for pictures. The audience is invited to refreshments following the program, sponsored by Grant Memorial Hospital. Admission is free and the doors will open at 6:30 p.m. The Arts Center is located at 18 Mt. View St., Petersburg, next to the library.

The tradition of Christmas stockings

The holiday season is rife with tradition. Some holiday traditions, such as holiday lighting displays, are impossible to miss, while others are more subtle and possibly even unknown to many celebrants. One tradition that falls into the latter category involves the placing of oranges into Christmas stockings. The origins of Christmas stockings are rooted in legend, and one of the more popular tales involves a widowed father of three beautiful girls. According to Smithsonian.com, this father was

struggling to make ends meet and was concerned that his financial struggles would affect his daughters' ability to find a spouse. As the legend goes, St. Nicholas was wandering through the man's town and heard of his concerns. Recognizing that the man was unlikely to accept charity, St. Nicholas slid down the chimney of his house and placed three gold balls in the girls' recently laundered stockings, which were hanging by the fire to dry. The value of the gold balls, which were discov-



ered the following morning, was enough to ensure the girls could eventually wed. So what does that have to do with oranges? Those who wanted to replicate the tale could not so easily come upon gold balls to place in stockings, so they chose something similar in appearance: oranges.

The song is an English Christmas carol that was written in 1720. While it references plenty of gift-giving, it's easy to assume the song is about giving Christmas gifts. However, the 12 days in the song actually refer to the birth of Jesus Christ. The 12 days of Christmas, also known as the Twelvetide, refers to the festive Christian season that celebrates the Nativity of Jesus. In fact, the start of these days occurs on Dec. 25 and extends until

the evening of Jan. 5, the day before the Epiphany, known as Twelfth Night. Each day corresponds to a remembrance of different religious events or people. Christmas celebrants can celebrate well into the new year. Commemorating the 12 days of Christmas can include small festivities from Dec. 25 to Jan. 5. On Twelfth Night, historically known for parties, modern-day fanfare can mark the culmination of the Christmas season — with the last of gift-giving occurring on the Epiphany.

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Sports

Three PHS Vikings sign to play college athletics next year



Petersburg Viking golf athlete Nick Fleming signed last week to continue his athletic career next year at Wingate University. During the signing, Fleming was joined by his coaches and family, including: Sandy Nelson, Cindy Fleming, Scott and Lauren Fleming, Jon Webster and Ernie Nelson. Fleming was the first player in Petersburg High School history to earn All-State Honors for golf, holding the nine hole scoring average record with a 35.

photo courtesy of jon webster



Two Petersburg High School Lady Vikings are planning to play collegiate softball next season. On Nov. 14, Madison Whetzel (above) signed to play college ball next year at Potomac State College. A few days later, on Nov. 18, Carly Cooper (below) signed to continue her athletic career at George Mason University next year. Both Whetzel and Cooper were joined by their families, coaches and school administrators during the signing.



Colton Hardy of QH Design presented a check to the Petersburg High School Vikings football team to help fund the school's rebuilding of the team's field house following the recent fire. After hearing about the fire, QH Design sold Viking decals to collect money for the Vikings. Overall, Hardy raised \$1,525 for the team.

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West Virginia to run concurrent black bear hunting opportunities this deer season

Deer hunters are reminded that a concurrent bear season without dogs is occurring now through Dec. 7, in 51 counties, according to Colin Carpenter, Black Bear Project Leader for the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources.

All 51 counties that are open to buck firearms hunting will be open to concurrent bear hunting on private and public land during the buck season. Buck firearms season is closed in Logan, McDowell, Mingo and Wyoming counties.

"Counties that will be open for bear hunting during the buck gun season are above their management objective and need additional bears harvested to achieve their goal," Carpenter said. "Timing is critical when setting bear hunting seasons, and the concurrent buck gun bear season will occur when the maximum number of hunters are in the woods."

"Mast conditions in 2019 vary widely based on location. In many areas of the state, abundant red oak group mast will have bears dispersed across the landscape. These special seasons offer a unique opportunity for hunters who may have never bear hunted before to harvest a bear and we hope that they take advantage of this additional chance."

Bear hunting opportuni-

ties continue after the buck firearms season as well. All or parts of 24 counties will be open for bear hunting with or without dogs from Dec. 9-31. In addition, all or parts of 37 counties will be open for bear hunting without dogs from Dec. 9-31.

Successful hunters are required to submit a first premolar tooth from each harvest-

ed bear. Information on how to collect and submit a black bear first premolar tooth can be found on page 37 of the 2019-2020 Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary.

In addition, hunters who harvest a female black bear are encouraged to save the reproductive tract or all the entrails. The DNR will offer



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23 Holiday Break NO SCHOOL MS Girls Basketball (H) Moorefield Mid. 1:00 MS Boys Basketball (H) Moorefield Mid. 6:00	24 Holiday Break NO SCHOOL	25 Holiday Break NO SCHOOL	26 Holiday Break NO SCHOOL	27 Boys Holiday Tournament (H) TBA Varsity Girls Basketball (H) Oak Glen 2:00 Holiday Break NO SCHOOL	28 Boys Holiday Tournament (H) TBA Wrestling Lou Nagy Tour. @Broadway 8:45 am
30 Varsity Boys Basketball (A) Tucker County 5:45 Holiday Break NO SCHOOL	31 Holiday Break NO SCHOOL			DEC. 6 WVU TRIP	NOTE: V (Varsity) MS (Middle School) JV (Junior Varsity) LSA (Landes Arts Center)

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FIRST KILL OF THE SEASON - Kelsie VanMeter bagged a 8-point buck on Nov. 25 while out hunting with her father, JD VanMeter in Grant County.



Grant County Schools Archery teams started practice earlier this month



Bear

Continued from front

freeze them and contact their nearest district wildlife office or Elkins Operations Center to arrange drop-off. Hunters can get a

bear tooth envelope and information on what a complete reproductive tract consists of at all district offices or the Elkins Operations Center. Data obtained from tooth samples and reproductive tracts are used for black bear population

monitoring.

Hunters are reminded to purchase their bear damage stamp, as well as an appropriate hunting license. Details concerning bear hunting seasons can be found on pages 35-40 of the 2019-2020 Hunting

and Trapping Regulations Summary, which is available at DNR offices, license vendors across West Virginia and wvhunt.com.

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