

The Hancock News

Hancock, MD 21750

Established 1914 – Our 108th Year

Volume 109, Number 48

Hancock at a Glance

Blood drive

A blood drive will be held Thursday, December 1, from 12:30-6 p.m. at Warfordsburg Faith Center.

Call 1-800-733-2767 for an appointment. Walk-ins are accepted when there is a lull between appointments.

Weather

Wed. 11/30 59/26
90% chance of rain with west winds 12-17 mph, gusts up to 39 mph.

Thurs. 12/1 42/21
Sunny with west winds around 9-14 mph, gusts as high as 33 mph.

Fri. 12/2 47/31
Sunny with a high near 47 and a low around 31.

Sat. 12/3 57/30
30% chance of rain. Mostly cloudy with a high around 57.

Sun. 12/4 47/30
Partly sunny with a chance of showers Sunday night.

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the editor are invited. They must be signed, typed and double-spaced. The writer must include a phone number and address for verification.

No more than two letters from any individual will be printed in a four-week period.

Letters are subject to editing. Letters longer than 400 words will not be published. Nor will letters that are libelous, too personal or not of general interest to the public.

Letters are a way for citizens to comment on current issues. They are not meant to provide anyone with a platform to write again and again about their philosophy, group or business.

Thank you notes and political endorsements are considered advertising. Form letters are often discarded.



Index

Obituariespage 5
Public Noticespages 8-9
Classifiedspage 11
People Told Us..... page 12

Keep in Touch

Contact Us At:
301-678-6255

Email:
news@hancocknews.us
Website:
thehancocknews.com

Or Write To:
The Hancock News
263 Pennsylvania Ave. Ext.
Hancock, MD 21750



Hancock Fire Company responds to multiple accidents over holiday weekend

by Geoff Fox

Hancock Fire Department responded to three multi-vehicle accidents on Interstate 70 in the evening hours of Sunday, November 27. A total of 11 vehicles were involved in both accidents.

Traffic was heavy on the interstate at the end of the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

Deputy Chief Ben Hoopengardner said the first

accident involved four vehicles with no injuries.

Because of back ups caused by the accident on Interstate 68 and Interstate 70, Hoopengardner said traffic was detoured through town.

Due to the detour through town, a second accident occurred on East Main Street. Hoopengardner said there were no injuries in that accident either.



see **MULTIPLE ACCIDENTS**
page 12

A new sign for Town Hall?

by Geoff Fox

After installing the sign along Pennsylvania Avenue at Town Hall, a few years ago, town officials are looking to relocate that sign and install a newer, electronic sign.

Town Manager Mike Faith presented town officials with three bids for the new sign during the November town meeting.

He said some of the bids included the cost of relocating the existing sign to

Kirkwood Park so the park would have its own sign.

The cost would be around \$35,000. That cost includes the movement of the sign.

The town's Public Works crew could move the sign, Faith said. This could save the town \$5,000 to \$8,000.

Faith was tasked with getting with the town's attorney to put together an RFP, or a request for proposal, for a new electronic sign.

Cold didn't dampen Miracle on Main Street, tree lighting

by Geoff Fox

Folks turned out to support the businesses in Hancock and vendors set up along Main Street last Saturday as part of Miracle on Main Street. They huddled close together later in the evening for the lighting of the town's Christmas tree

and the arrival of a certain jolly old man.

Miracle on Main Street, sponsored by Main Street Hancock and Hancock in Motion, stretched from Pennsylvania Avenue to about Church Street.

see **MIRACLE ON MAIN**
page 12



Santa Claus arrived in Hancock on Saturday night, November 26, just before the town's Christmas tree was lit. Santa, who arrived with Hancock Police, greeted the kids and took pictures with them as he made his way to the tree.



"3...2...1... LIGHT THE TREE!" Santa and Mrs. Claus, along with a crowd of people cheered as the lights came on the tree. Girl Scout Troops from Hancock and Needmore helped Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Hancock library to host holiday movie, craft and family events

The Hancock Veterans Memorial Library will host a matinee showing of the holiday movie "Elf" on Saturday, December 10 starting at 2 p.m.

The special event is for families to celebrate the holiday season.

The library will have a matinee showing of the movie along with refreshments and a take-home craft for our young attendees.

During December, the library will also offer a "decorate your own ornament" activity for teens as part of the TeenZone in the Hancock library. The DIY project will be available this Thursday, December 1.

On Saturday, December 17, the library will hold a Family Craft Day to make a Recycled Bottle Gnome.

Create a cute DIY Gnome from a recycled water bottle. This craft is for ages five and up. Children under the age of 10 require adult su-



pervision due to the use of hot glue.

If you can't attend in person, this craft can be sent to your home branch for you to pick up. Take-and-makes do not include a hot glue gun or glue sticks.

Register for the Family Craft Day from now until

December 15 to ensure there are enough supplies for attendees.

For more information, contact the library at 301-678-5300 or go to <https://www.washcolibrary.org/hancock> for upcoming events and library resources.

Hancock man gets probation for threats

Jared A. Cubbage, 24, of Hancock was sentenced to 1-5 years in prison after pleading guilty to making threats of terroristic acts last year in West Virginia. Cubbage made the plea as part of a

plea agreement in Morgan County Circuit Court in Berkeley Springs earlier this month. Prison time for Cubbage was suspended for three years probation and court-ordered treatment.

Washington County government systems hit by "cybersecurity incident"

County officials have announced that last Thursday, November 24, they "became aware of a cybersecurity incident, resulting in disruption to certain computer systems, the County's website, and certain County services."

As of Monday, the county was still working to "restore County services that were impacted by the cybersecurity incident as quickly and safely as possible."

"Washington County's top priority is ensuring our community members are safe and can access County government services they rely upon," said county officials.

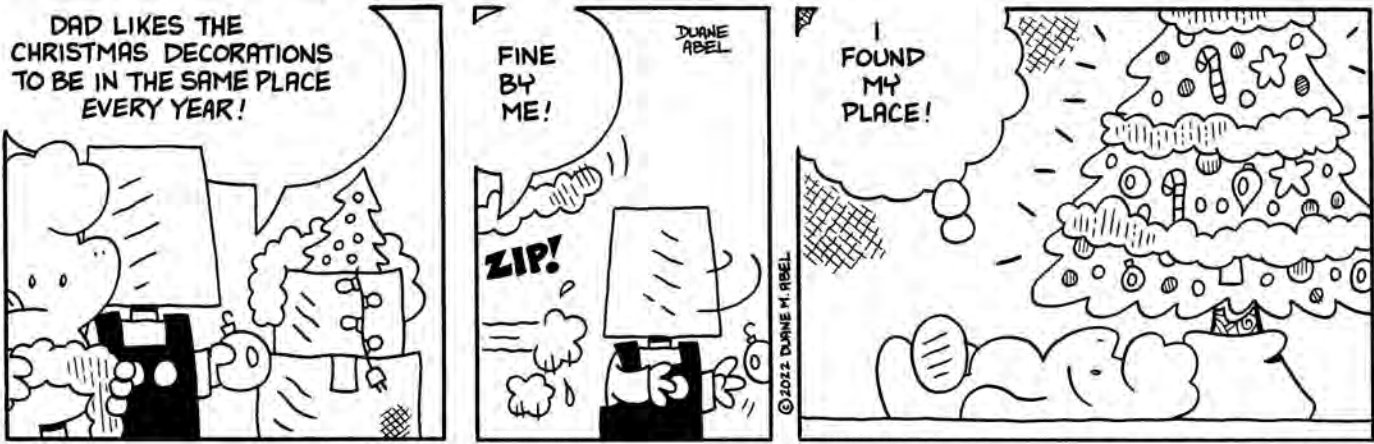
County phone service and Emergency 911 calls continued to function properly throughout the incident.

Some county services were still unavailable on Monday, including processing and/or issuance of permits and acceptance of financial payments, including taxes and water and/or sewer payments.

County officials said citizens should call a county department before coming into county offices to see if their issue will be able to be addressed.

"We continue to serve our residents and remain committed to ensuring prompt delivery of county services," said officials.

ZED by Duane M. Abel



www.corkeycomics.com



Calendar
of Events
DECEMBER

Tuesday, December 6
– Hancock Rotary Club
meeting, Martha’s House,
47 W. Main Street,
12:30 p.m.

Is Your Group or
Organization Back To
Having A Regular
Meeting Schedule?
To Be Included
on the Calendar,
Call 301-678-6255 or
email news@hancock.us

EARTH
TALK

Questions &
Answers
About Our
Environment

Dear EarthTalk:

Is there any proof that recent advances in air quality monitoring and the widespread sharing of the results have materially reduced air pollution?

—Mitch B., New Haven, CT

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), air pollution kills upwards of seven million people annually around the world. Asthma, lung cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and stroke are the most common afflictions associated with acute exposure.

Aside from human health risks, air pollution discolours the hues of the sky, creates acid rain and destroys ecosystems. The United Nations has included the improving of air quality in its Sustainable Development Goals, pushing policymakers in a growing number of cities around the world to take proactive steps to protect our shared “wild blue yonder.”

But while public policy is an important tool in reducing air pollution, it has its limitations. For example, informed by traditional, static monitoring stations, most policies targeting cleaner skies have focused on outdoor spaces only, neglecting indoor areas where people congregate. However, in recent years advances in sensor technology have facilitated lower cost, mobile monitoring of air quality in outdoor and indoor environments. Nowadays we even have technologies that can track air pollution exposure of an individual using sensors that can be worn. This personalization of air quality data may encourage the design and synthesis of individual plans to reduce exposure, in turn keeping all of us healthier.

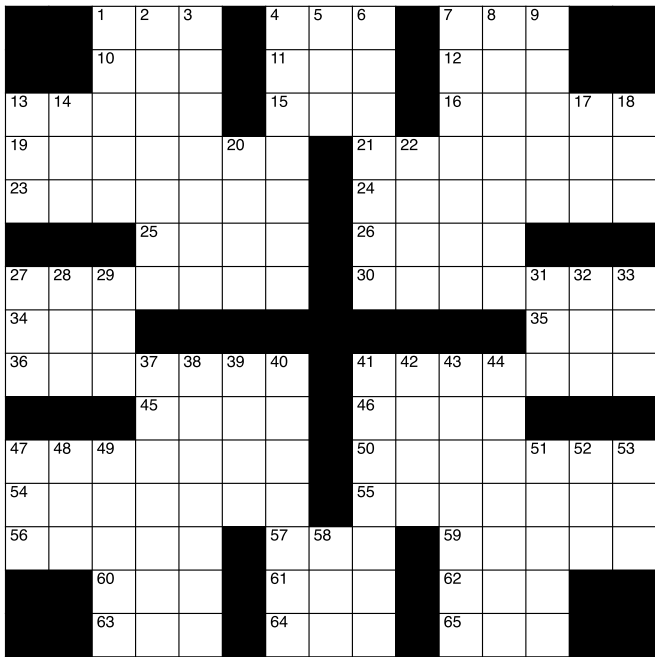
Air quality data that is accessible, shared in real time and amenable to public interpretation is an effective strategy for motivating individual behavior change and the development of actions that reduce air pollution. Research from the University of Queensland has shown that the sharing of real time data on air pollution has led to a reduction in fine particulate levels and associated mortalities.

In 2008, the U.S. embassy in Beijing began to publish hourly air quality reports on social media. These reports did wonders for air pollution awareness in China, prompting citizen action. Today, U.S. embassies share live air quality readings in OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) countries, of which there are 38. A study that compared pollution levels before and after U.S. embassies started sharing live air quality updates found that fine particulate levels declined annually by as much as four micrograms per cubic meter in each of the 38 countries.

The more people are informed on an issue, the less abstract it becomes. Crucial information is often trapped in elite circles of academia with no outlet to the person on the street. Providing the public with credible, real-time, accessible data on environmental issues is a first step toward establishing behaviors and actions that supplement policy efforts in support of a healthier planet. The more each of us knows about the potential harm in the air around us, the better able we are to protect ourselves and the environment at large.

EarthTalk® is produced by Roddy Scheer & Doug Moss for the 501(c)3 nonprofit EarthTalk. See more at <https://lemagazine.com>. Send questions to: question@earthtalk.org.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

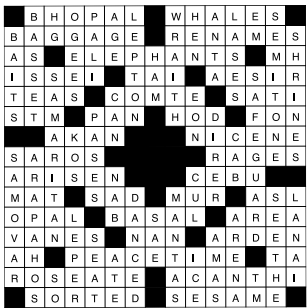
- Single Lens Reflex
- People of southern Benin
- One who is learned (abbr.)
- Neckwear
- Solid water
- A way to work the soil
- Inspiring
- Pick up
- It wakes you up
- Parcel
- Popular dog breed
- Lets out a sigh
- Embedded into the surface
- Hard liquors
- One from Scotland
- Satisfy
- Used to introduce a contrasting statement
- Antidepressant drug type (abbr.)
- Similar
- Winged horse
- Soft drink maker
- One who doesn't live up to expectations
- Nursemaid
- Inheritor
- Hot, often dusty wind
- Serves as an introduction
- Earned top billing
- Mansion
- A partner to a carrot
- War-horse
- Midway between north-east and east
- It checks the heartbeat
- Aquatic salamander
- CNN's founder
- Being precisely suitable and right
- Strongly alkaline solution

DOWN

- Pinochle trick
- A system of connections
- Emblems of royalty
- Work with a soft hand
- Plant cultivated in Peru

- A timid man
- Lacking intellectual depth
- A way to order
- Intoxicating
- Mimic
- Surfers use it
- Small Eurasian deer
- Popular Miller beer
- Finds out about
- Unusual
- Small European viper
- Indicates before
- Birth swine
- 7
- Useful keyboard key
- Letter of the Greek alphabet
- Edible mollusk
- Stitched up
- Utilized
- ___ in tradition
- A way to get through
- Let off
- Fashionable source of shade
- In due time
- Printing speed
- A major division of geological time
- Nocturnal, cat-like mammal
- ___ de la ___
- After B
- Unusual
- Former money of the EU

Answers for November 23, 2022



Give the Gift of
The Hancock News

Hancock, Maryland - \$28.62
Maryland - \$30.74
Fulton County, PA - \$31.00
All Other States - \$33.00
Online - \$25.00

TO: _____

Address: _____

Mail Checks To: *The Hancock News*
263 Pennsylvania Ave.
Hancock, MD 21750

To Pay By Credit Card
thehancocknews.com or 304-258-1800

Dr. Hutton Says

Name: You!

Date: start today

DID YOU KNOW?

Babies are expert listeners. By 9 months of age, they have figured out which sounds in their native language are important. These sounds are the building blocks of words.



Share your day with your baby - describe what you're doing, sing, play, and read aloud for at least 15 minutes. Reading aloud is a perfect way to share a variety of words you might not otherwise say.

✓ Refill Daily

✓ No Substitution

DR. JOHN S. HUTTON
Pediatrician & Research Fellow
Cincinnati Children's Hospital



Learn more at ReadAloud.org

The Hancock News

263 Pennsylvania Avenue Extended
Hancock, MD 21750
Phone: 301-678-6255
FAX: 301-678-5520
news@hancocknews.us

USPS 234-300

ISSN 1534-6463

1904 - JAMES S. BUZZERD - 1995

Publisher
The Hancock News, Inc.
Editor
Kate Shunney
Reporter
Geoff Fox

Published every Wednesday, except the last week of the year.
Periodicals postage paid at Hagerstown, MD and additional post offices. Postmaster: Send address changes to *The Hancock News*, 263 Pennsylvania Avenue Ext., Hancock, MD 21750

Established 1914

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Hancock - \$28.62 a year
Fulton Co., Pa. - \$31.00 a year
Maryland - \$30.74 a year
Out of State - \$33.00 a year

MEMBER



Maryland-Delaware-D.C. Press Association
National Newspaper Association

Holiday Event Calendar

Friday, December 2

5-9 p.m. – Cocoa Crawl. Visit downtown Berkeley Springs shops to taste specialty cocoa and take advantage of extended hours and holiday offers.

Saturday, December 3

1 p.m. – Free Christmas children's movies. Doors open at the Berkeley Springs High School auditorium at 12:30 p.m. for two movies – "A Charlie Brown Christmas" and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

5 p.m. – Winter Fest Parade. Parade will begin at the Moose Lodge/American Legion parking lot in downtown Berkeley Springs and run along U.S. 522 to the intersection with Martinsburg Road.

Sunday, December 4

10 a.m. – Word of Deliverance will be having a Christmas dinner following church services. Take a covered dish.

4:30 p.m. – Paw Paw Christmas Parade. Parade will travel from the four-way stop of Moser Ave. & Winchester St. and travel toward the Bank of Romney. The Paw Paw Lights of Love Tree will be lit following the parade on the lot beside the Bank of Romney and the post office.

Saturday, December 10

6:30 p.m. – Free Christmas movie. Showing of "White Christmas" at Berkeley Springs High School auditorium. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Sunday, December 11

10 a.m. – Duckwall Church of Christ is welcoming the community to hear guest speaker Dick Bartrug.

2 p.m. – Warm Springs Middle School Winter Concert. The Warm Springs Middle School Music department will present its Winter Concert in the middle

school gymnasium. The concert will feature the middle school sixth grade band and the seventh/eighth grade combined band conducted by band director Ian Helmick, along with the seventh/eighth grade combined choir directed by choir teacher Lora Hetrick.

2 p.m. – Damascus Christian Church, Big Cove Tannery will have a Christmas program. Program will feature holiday musical selections from Russ and Donna Miller's "Take Two Variety Band." All welcome.

4 p.m. – St. Mark's Episcopal Church will be having a Christmas carol sing-a-long. Reception to follow.

6 p.m. – Word of Deliverance Church will be having a Christmas program.

Friday, December 16

6 p.m. – Berkeley Springs High School Winter Concert. The concert will feature the Berkeley Springs High School band and choir conducted by band director and music teacher Bob Myers. The concert will start at 6 p.m. in the Berkeley Springs High School auditorium with the choir's performance. The band will perform at 7 p.m.

Sunday, December 18

10 a.m. – Word of Deliverance Church will be having a Christmas service with communion.

Sunday, December 25

Merry Christmas to All!

If your group or church is holding a free holiday event, email us the details at news@hancocknews.us or drop off your event listing at The Hancock News office

Wyand-Yurish hired as new Human Resources Director

The Washington County Board of County Commissioners recently announced the hiring of Katrina Wyand-Yurish as Human Resources Director.

Wyand-Yurish comes to Washington County Government with an extensive background in human resources. Throughout her career, she has gained significant experience in organizational development, engagement, and training with an emphasis in workforce learning and development.

Wyand-Yurish most recently served as the Director of Human Resources for HB Restaurant Group, a parent company to over 2,000 employees in the mid-Atlantic of the United States and the United Kingdom. She was also employed by Plamondon Companies for over 10 years as Director of Human Resources and later promoted as Vice President of Human Resources.

Wyand-Yurish is SPHR and SHRM-SCP certified. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Management from Shepherd University as well as a Masters of Science degree in Organizational Leadership from Mountain State University.

As the new Human Resources Director, Wyand-Yurish said, "I am excited to serve the employees of Washington County that provide critical services to the residents who live in this wonderful area of the state. Human Resources is about taking care of our employees and continuing to improve our service delivery as the County continues to grow and prosper. I welcome input and suggestions from our employees to continue to build a best in class employment experience for our workforce."

"I am pleased to welcome Katrina to Washington County Government as the

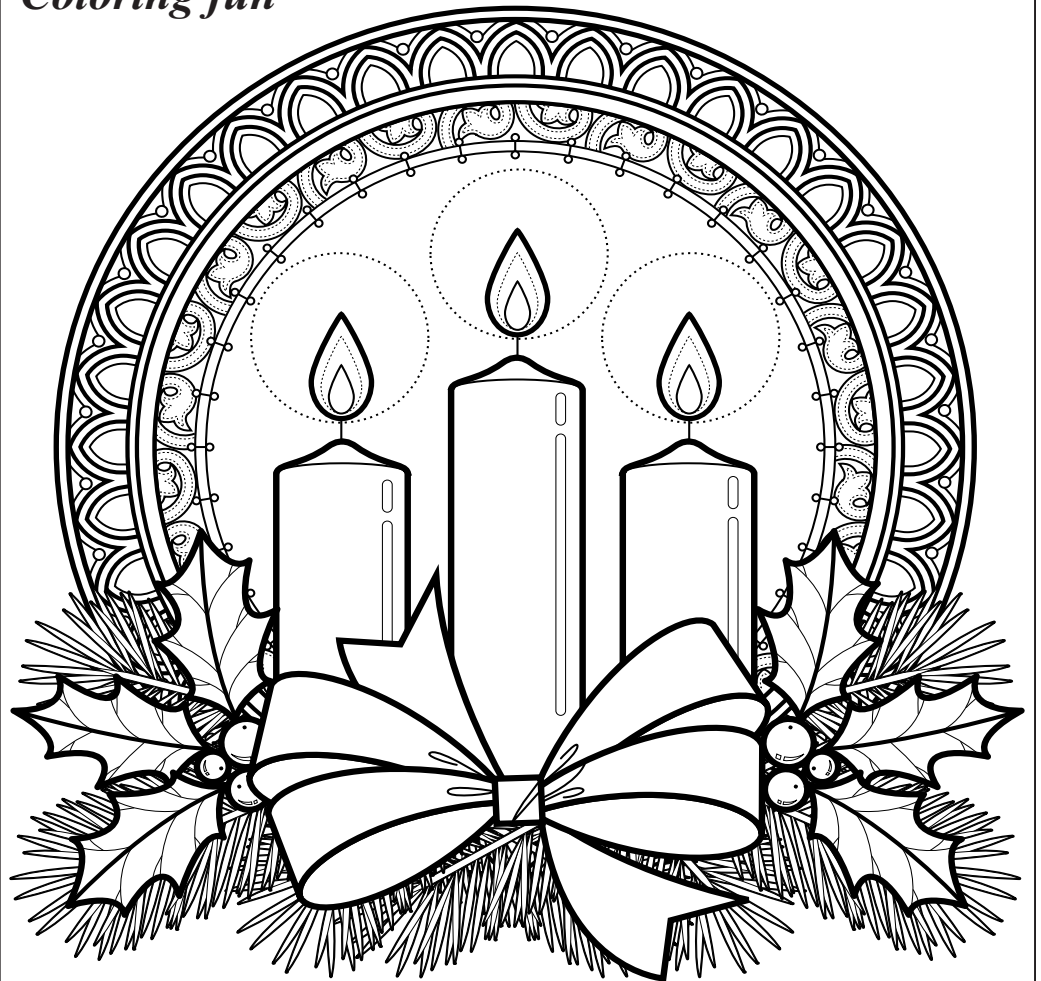


Katrina Wyand-Yurish

Human Resources Director. With her well-established career in employee and workplace development, I am confident she will be succeed in maximizing organizational performance and engaging with the County's most important asset, our employees," said County Administrator John Martirano.

For additional information, contact the Public Relations and Marketing Department at 240-313-2380 or pr@washco-md.net.

Coloring fun



Letters To The Editor
over 400 words
will not be published.

Where to turn for help

Maryland Crisis Helpline
Call 211, Press 1

Maryland Crisis Helpline is available 24 hours/7 days a week to provide support, guidance and assistance on how to access Substance Use Disorder services, in addition to the current mental health crisis services provided by this hotline.

Callers will also be given information about naloxone, recovery support and family services as available/appropriate in the individual's local area.

Washington County
Health Department
Behavioral
Health Services
240-313-3200

CAMEO HOUSE
Residential treatment
program for adult females who
are pregnant or have children.
Call Admission Screening at
240-313-3322.

Peer Recovery Services
Program for those seeking
or in recovery from substance
use disorder.
Call 240-313-3242 to enroll.
kelly.marquart@maryland.gov

Project Act Now
Call 240-313-3310 to learn
more about how to use Naloxone or take a class on its use.
Visit <http://projectactnow.org> for a list of treatment resources, support group meetings and more.

Your Business Ad Could Be HERE

Online or Special Rate
with Print Ad

Email: ads@hancocknews.us
or Call 301-678-6255

Deadline Notice

All correspondents and advertisers are reminded the deadline for submitting copy to this publication is Monday each week at noon.

Prepare for power outages today

WITH A HOME
STANDBY GENERATOR

\$0 MONEY DOWN + LOW MONTHLY PAYMENT OPTIONS

Contact a Generac dealer for full terms and conditions

REQUEST A FREE QUOTE

CALL NOW BEFORE THE
NEXT POWER OUTAGE

(855) 993-0969

FREE 7-Year Extended Warranty*
– A \$695 Value!

*To qualify, consumers must request a quote, purchase, install and activate the generator with a participating dealer. Call for a full list of terms and conditions.



All Are Welcome to Come and Enjoy SOUP & SANDWICH FELLOWSHIP Saturday, December 3 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m. HANCOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

17 East Main Street • Hancock
Menu: Meatloaf & Gravy with Scalloped Potatoes & Desserts
Donations ONLY Will Go To The Disaster Fund for
Florida's Residents Affected by the Hurricanes
November's Donation Was Given to the Mason-Dixon
Wounded Warriors Adventures - A Local Program For Our Veterans

The Hancock News

263 Pennsylvania Ave. Ext. • Hancock, MD 21750

301-678-6255

QUICK QUALITY PRINTING

SOUTH MORGAN VFD 10166 Winchester Grade Road Berkeley Springs, WV 25411

BINGO

Sat., Dec. 3

Payouts Now Starting
at \$40 Regular Games
& \$60 Special Games
MORE PEOPLE THE
HIGHER THE PAYOUTS
Early Birds at 6:45 p.m.
Regular Play at 7:00 p.m.
PROGRESSIVE NUMBER
\$1,500 JACKPOT
Doors Open at 5:30 p.m.
Refreshments Available
INFO: 304-258-1319
SOCIAL DISTANCING
AND MASK REQUIRED
WHILE STANDING

A Hometown Christmas

-Season of Giving-

Second Annual Toy Drive

Join Commissioner & Mrs. Keefer at
Buddy Lou's Eats, Drinks & Antiques

11 E. Main Street ★ Hancock, MD 21750

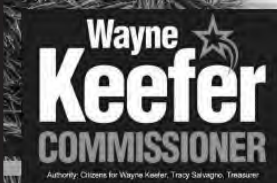
Saturday, December 3rd, anytime between 4 – 7 PM

Enjoy Free hot cocoa, cider, or coffee...and cookies

Listen to the cheerful Christmas Carolers from
Hancock Assembly of God Church

And bring a new, unwrapped toy!

Items will be donated to the Interfaith Service
Coalition and will be used in the upcoming "Shop with a
Cop" gift program for area youth. Toys can be
dropped off at Buddy Lou's until Dec. 10th!





THIS SECTION MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE COURTESY OF THESE FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

GROVE Funeral Home 141 W. Main Street • Hancock • 301-678-6178	Helsley-Johnson Funeral Home, Inc. 95 Union Street • Berkeley Springs, WV 304-258-1015
ST. MARK’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 180 South Washington St., Berkeley Springs 304-258-2440 <i>“Responding to the unconditional love of God”</i>	POTOMAC AUTO PARTS QUALITY AUTOMOTIVE PARTS & SERVICE 53 E. Main St. • Hancock, MD • 301-678-6183
MR HARDWARE 47 E. Main Street Hancock, MD 21750 301-678-5339 HOURS: M-F 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. SAT: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. SUN: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. <i>STOP AND SEE US FOR ALL YOUR HARDWARE NEEDS</i>	Wayne Keefer COMMISSIONER 240-643-6735 Authority, Citizens for Wayne Keefer, Tracy Salvagno, Treasurer
HUNTER’S HARDWARE <i>“Your Most Dependable Source of Supply”</i>	KELLER WILLIAMS PREMIER REALTY Wayne Keefer, REALTOR® Cell: 240-643-6735 Office: 301-745-4450 Each Office is Independently Owned and Operated
115 Independence Street Berkeley Springs, WV 25411 304-258-2442	
Hancock Council of Churches Welcomes You To Worship With Them	

St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, five miles west of Hancock on Resley Road, 301-678-7180 - Adult Bible and Sunday school classes for all ages, 8:45 a.m., worship service 10 a.m. Pastor W. Kenneth Stottlemeyer.

Long Hollow Church, 12722 Long Hollow Road - Sunday school 9:30 a.m., morning worship 10:30 a.m.

Hancock Assembly of God, 431 North Pennsylvania Avenue, 301-678-5313 - Sunday school 10 a.m., worship service and kid’s church 11 a.m. Evening service 7 p.m. Wednesday activities 7 p.m. Women’s ministries first Tuesday of each month. Pastor David Luffy.

Stone Bridge Church of the Brethren, 14904 Orchard Ridge Road, Hancock, 301-582-4135 - Sunday school 9:30 a.m., worship 10:35 a.m. Rev. Harry E. Strite.

Victory Chapel, 116 W. Main Street - Sunday school 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m. Sunday evening 7 p.m. Rev. Bob Ardinger.

Saint Thomas’ Episcopal Church, Church and High Streets, Hancock, 301-678-6569 - Sundays 7:30 a.m. Holy Communion 10 a.m. Parish Family Communion 11:15 a.m. Sunday school and adult education 5 p.m. youth fellowship. Mondays and Tuesdays: 7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous in lower parish hall. Rev. Magaret S. Brack, Priest-in-charge.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 200 Douglas Street, Hancock - Sacrament meeting 10 a.m. Sunday school 11 a.m. Bishop Christopher Hartman.

Buck Valley Zion Lutheran Church - Monthly church services will be held at 7 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month. Mother Marguerite Brack.

St. Peter’s Catholic Church, 16 E. High Street, Hancock, 301-678-6339 - Weekend Mass schedule: Sunday morning: 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Weekday Mass schedule: Monday, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday, 7:30 a.m. Mission Church-St. Patrick’s, Little Orleans: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. Rev. John J. Lombardi.

Corner Independent Church, Corner Road, Big Cove Tannery, Worship, 11 a.m. Pastor Richard Bernhard.

Sideling Hill Charge: Catalpa U.M. Church, Rt. 144 west of Hancock about two miles, turn left on Willow Road. Go about five miles, bear right at fork. Church about one mile on right. Sunday service 8:30 a.m.

Piney Plains U.M. Church, Exit 72 off I-68, left off exit, then right at stop sign, right on Mann Road, cross back over I-68 and then left on Faith Circle, follow to end, Little Orleans - Sunday school 10 a.m., service 11 a.m. Pastor Barbara Suffecool.

Hancock United Methodist Church, 170 West Main Street, Hancock, 301-678-6440 - Sunday School all ages 8:30 a.m. Worship service 9:30 a.m. Pastor Becki Wessinger.

Hancock Grace Church of the Nazarene, 304-258-4412 - Sunday school 11 a.m., Sunday morning worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday evening service 6 p.m., Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m. Pastor Rodney Truax 304-676-3306.

Non-Denominational Service, Seavolt Road, Hancock, 304-274-2353 - Campground ministry at Happy Hills Campground every Sunday 10 a.m. Pastor Tim Staubs.

Hancock (USA) Presbyterian Church, 17 East Main Street, 301-678-5510 - Sunday worship 11 a.m. Senior soup and sandwich first Saturday of each month from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in Church Social Room. Pastor Terry Martin-Minnich.

Grace Christian Fellowship, 130 Pennsylvania Avenue, Hancock, 301-678-6036 - Sunday services: Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. Wednesday 7 p.m. Bible study and prayer meeting. Rev. Edward Guyer.

Hancock Church of God, 7528 Millstone Road - Sunday school 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m. Sunday evening services 6 p.m. Wednesday evening services 7 p.m. Pastor James Touchton.

Tri-State Community Church, 326 E. Main St., Hancock, across from CNB Bank, 301-302-6412 - 6 p.m., Saturday, Adult truth, teen thrust sixth grade and up. Children blast fifth and under. Pastor Alan Myers.

Orchard Ridge First Church of God, 13642 Orchard Ridge Road, 301-678-7267 - Sunday morning worship 9 a.m. Sunday school 10 a.m. Sunday evening worship 6 p.m. Kids club and youth group 6 p.m. Rev. Jeffrey Hawbaker.

IST Evangelical Methodist Church, 11510 Price Road, Little Orleans, 240-609-6770 - Sunday school 10 a.m. Worship service 11 a.m. Wednesday evening Bible study 7 p.m. Darhl Trail, Jr.

Bethel Community Church, Bethel Church Road off Rt. 522, Warfordsburg, Pa., 301-991-7141 - Sunday school 9:30 a.m., worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday night fellowship and music at 7 p.m. Rev. Joe Martin.

Berkeley Baptist Church, Route 522 and 13, 304-258-4101 - Youth Wednesday 6:30-8 p.m., Sunday school 9:30 a.m., worship service and children’s church 10:45 a.m. Food pantry distribution site call for more infor. Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. Pastor Joey N. Giles, Jr.

St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, 180 South Washington Street, Berkeley Springs, 304-258-2440 - Sunday service 9 a.m.

Damascus Christian Church, Big Cove Tannery, Pa. - Worship every Sunday 11 a.m. Pastor Travis Mellott. Sunday services online.

Needmore Bible Church, 6939 Great Cove Road, Needmore, Pa., 717-573-2212 - Sunday school and life groups 9 a.m. Sunday worship 10 a.m. Monday 8:45 a.m. ladies Bible study. Wednesday evening 6:30 p.m. Awana for children. Pastor Doug Poffenberger.

Love Assembly of God, 4 miles south of Berkeley Springs on Rt. 522 - Sunday praise & worship 10 a.m., children’s church and youth services 11 a.m., Tuesday family night and kid’s club 7 p.m. Pastor Dave Kidwell.

Gospel Light Tabernacle, 21 Gospel Lane on Williams Street, Berkeley Springs - Sunday school and worship/children’s church 10 a.m., Sunday evening service 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. Pastor Shane Boyer.

Church of the Lord Jesus Christ, 14464 Buck Valley Rd., Warfordsburg, Pa., 301-678-5340 - Prayer service, Wednesday 7:30 p.m., Sunday service 10 a.m. Pastor Warren Ensor and Deacon Emmanuel Ensor.

Warm Springs Baptist Church, 3683 Pious Ridge Road, Berkeley Springs, 304-258-1551. - Sunday SVCS 10-11 a.m. Sunday SVC 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. Pastor Robert Burton.

St. Patrick’s Catholic Church 12517 St. Patrick Road, SE, Little Orleans, 301-678-6339 - Saturday Vigil Mass 5 p.m. Rev. John Lombardi.

Needmore Full Gospel, six miles north of Hancock on Rt. 655, 717-294-3100 - Regular services: Sunday school 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m. Evangelistic service 6 p.m. Wednesday evening service at 7 p.m. Rev. John Lewis.

Cedar Grove Christian Church, Rt. 522 at 643 near Dott, Pa. - Sunday school 9:30 a.m. and worship service 10:30 a.m. Timothy B. Close.

Chapel of Praise - 14457 Buck Valley Road, Warfordsburg, Pa., 717-294-3184 - Worship services: Sunday morning 10 a.m. Wednesday evening service at 7 p.m. Pastors Jack and Lola Hiles.

Whips Cove Church, Rt. 643, three miles east of Town Hill, Exit Rt. 156, 717-294-3229 - Sunday school at 10 a.m. and worship service at 11 a.m.

Faith Assembly of God Church, Amaranth, Pa. - Sunday school 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m. Sunday CA service 6:30 p.m. Sunday evening service 7 p.m. Wednesday evening service 7:30 p.m. Pastor Delmas F. Bard.

Buck Valley Christian Church, 717-294-3940 - Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Worship service 10:20 a.m. Primary church and junior church are held 10:30 a.m. Pastor Bill Croteau, Jr.

New Testament Church, Buck Valley, Pa., Warfordsburg exit on 484 west, six miles on right - Sunday school 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., prayer meeting Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Pastor R. Bobby Layman.

Calvary Bible Church, 2065 Valley Road, Berkeley Springs, just south of Dairy Queen on top of hill, 304-258-1099 or 304-579-9389 - Sunday school 9:45 a.m. Sunday worship 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday prayer meeting and Bible study 7 p.m. Pastor B.J. Worley.

Needmore Seventh-day Adventist Church, corner Rt. 522 and 655, Needmore, Pa., 717-573-4581 or 814-392-3070 - Sabbath School Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Sabbath worship service Saturday 11 a.m. Pastor Preston Monterrey.

Oasis Community Church, 1121 Maryland Avenue, Hagerstown, located in the South End shopping center across from South High, 301-745-6183 - Sunday worship 6:30 p.m. Rev. Bill Lynn.

Unity of Berkeley Springs, New Earth Granary, 143 N. Mercer St., Berkeley Springs, 304-268-4222 or 304-258-2954. Celebration service, 10 a.m. Rev. Anne Murphy-Oswald.

Mountain Top Church, one mile east of Rocky Gap State Park on Rt. 144, Flintstone, 301-777-0923 - Sunday services: Sunday school at 10 a.m., morning worship 10:45 a.m., evening service 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible study and prayer 7:30 a.m.

Bethel Independent Church, Sleepy Creek - Sunday school 10 a.m. Sunday worship 7 p.m. Wednesday evening prayer and Bible study 7:30 p.m.

LifeHouse Church Bethel, 515 E. Wilson Blvd., Hagerstown, 301-739-1167 - Sunday life classes 8:30 a.m., worship gathering 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday family life 7 p.m.

Church of Christ, 290 South Green Street, Berkeley Springs, 304-258-5175 - Sunday Bible study 9:30 a.m., worship 10:15 a.m. Evening service 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. for all ages. Evangelist Van Sprague.

Parkhead United Methodist Church, 9512 National Pike, Big Pool, I-70 east at exit 9, Indian Springs, 301-842-3212 - Sunday school 9:30 a.m., morning worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor Len Horst.

Hilltop Christian Fellowship, 12624 Trinity Church Drive, Clear Spring, 301-842-2225, Early Bible class 8:15-9 a.m. Sunday school 9:15-10:15 a.m., worship service 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible study 7:15-8:15 p.m. Pastor John Miller.

Warfordsburg Presbyterian Church, 717-294-3028 - Fellowship 9 a.m. Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Worship service 10:30 a.m. Bible basics class for children K through fourth grade. 12941 Buck Valley Rd., Warfordsburg.

Unitarian Universalist, 626 Washington Avenue, Hagerstown, 301-745-6576 - Sunday service 10:45 a.m. youth religious education 10:45 a.m. Minister Valerie Wills.

Pleasant Grove Christian Church, four miles west of Needmore, Pa. - Sunday worship 10 a.m., Sunday evening services 6 p.m. Rev. Denver Pressinger.

Green Ridge Assembly of God, Green Ridge - Sunday services: Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship service 10:45 a.m., evening service 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible study and prayer 6 p.m. Holy communion first Sunday of each month.

Blairs Valley First Church of God, Clear Spring, 301-842-2663 - Sunday school 10, worship 9 a.m. Bible study Wednesday evening 6:30 p.m. Pastor John Cook.

St. Catherine’s Eastern Orthodox, 433 Liberty Street, Hagerstown, 301-739-5237 - Saturday 6:30 p.m. Vesper service Sunday 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy. Rev. Dennis Buck.

Rehoboth New Life, 8159 Great Cove Road, (U.S. 522), 717-496-7558 - Services Sunday, 10 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday, 7 p.m. Bible based, spirit-filled church and discipleship center. Pastor Lowell Bard.

Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church, Exline Road, Hancock, 301-678-6038 - Church service 9:30 a.m.

Grove Funeral Home, P.A.

Richard J. Grove
Steven A. Rogowski, Jr.
Directors

141 W. Main Street • Hancock, MD 21750

Traditional Funerals
Pre-Planned Funerals
Cremation Services
Monuments Available

301-678-6178

How To CONTACT WASHINGTON COUNTY OFFICIALS

Board of County Commissioners

100 West Washington Street, Room 1101 • Hagerstown, MD 21740
Phone: 240-313-2200
Email: ContactCommissioners@washco-md.net

Washington County Sheriff

SHERIFF DOUGLAS MULLENDORE
Washington County Sheriff’s Office
500 Western Maryland Parkway • Hagerstown, MD 21740
Phone: 240-313-2100

Washington County Treasurer

TREASURER TODD HERSHEY
Washington County Treasurer
35 West Washington Street, Suite 102 • Hagerstown, MD 21740
Phone: 240-313-2110 Email: thershey@washco-md.net

Circuit Court / County Clerk

CLERK KEVIN TUCKER
Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court
24 Summit Avenue • Hagerstown, MD 21740
Phone: 301-733-8660 Email: washcocc_clerk@mdcourts.gov

COUNTY CLERK KRISTA HART
Office of the County Clerk
Phone: 240-313-2204 Email: kschart@washco-md.net

State’s Attorney

STATE’S ATTORNEY CHARLES P. STRONG JR.
State’s Attorney’s Office
33 West Washington Street, Room 302 • Hagerstown, MD 21740
Phone: 240-313-2000 Email: sao@washco-md.net

TRADITIONAL FUNERALS
CREMATIONS
PRE-ARRANGEMENTS

Helsley-Johnson Funeral Home & Cremation Center
95 Union Street • Berkeley Springs, W.Va.
304-258-1015
ON SITE CREMATORY
DIRECTORS: Douglas C. Sensel, L.I.C. & Ellen Sensel

Ancient wisdom for modern life

And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the LORD.
John 20:20 (KJV)

HOPE

Most of us have experienced times when all seemed lost, but with Christ in our lives, we can never lose hope. Just when all seemed lost, Christ rose again, giving hope to His disciples and all who believe in Him.

Community resources that can help people

- Interfaith Service Coalition**
116 W. High Street, Hancock
301-678-6605

 - Open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - Food bank
 - Assistance with food stamp applications
 - Loaves and Fishes Thrift Store
 - Good Samaritan House – transitional housing for those in need
 - Information and referrals for individual and family services
- Hancock Activity Nutrition Site**
126 W. High Street, Hancock
301-573-6295

 - Open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. with our usual activities.
 - Meals at 11:30. Meals need to be ordered on Monday for the following week.
 - Masks are optional.

Washington County Commission on Aging
301-790-0275

 - Meals on Wheels for homebound seniors in Hancock and surrounding areas

Life or Drugs Tri-state Support
106 Sand Mine Road, Suite 7, Berkeley Springs
301-331-2916

 - Substance use and mental health disorders group meets every other Thursday at 7 p.m.
 - Presentations to schools and local organizations on the dangers of drugs and alcohol

Alcoholics Anonymous
1-800-333-5051

 - Weekly meetings at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Hancock – 301-678-6569

Narcotics Anonymous
1-888-773-9999

Washington County Health Department
240-313-3200

 - Vaccines and immunizations
 - Cancer screenings
 - Diabetes management
 - Child hearing tests and dental care
 - Family planning
 - Substance abuse and mental health services

Maryland Children’s Health Program (MCHP)
240-313-3330

 - Health insurance for children up to age 19, pregnant women of all ages; extended family members may be eligible for services

Washington County Public Schools
301-766-2800

 - Free and reduced meals for students
 - Student support services

Hagerstown Community College
240-500-2313

 - Help with GED prep classes
 - English language classes

Washington County Department of Social Services
240-420-2100

 - Open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Emergency temporary help
 - Food stamps and cash assistance
 - Prescriptions and medical assistance
 - Utility and transportation assistance
 - Eligibility determined during office visit

Washington County Women, Infant & Children (WIC) Program
240-313-3335

 - Open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Financial assistance for healthy foods
 - Breastfeeding support
 - Nutrition counseling and education
 - Health screenings, immunizations and referrals
 - Income eligibility guidelines

National Suicide Prevention Life Line
1-800-273-8255

 - Text “hello” to 741741 for a trained counselor to call you back

National Child Abuse Hotline
1-800-422-4453
- Bird walks at Rolling Ridge Conservancy
- Potomac Valley Audubon Society announces a new site for monthly bird walks.

Bill Telfair and Scot De-Graf have offered to lead monthly bird walks on the gorgeous trails of Rolling Ridge Conservancy, a privately owned wilderness area in Jefferson County, W.Va. that includes 1,500 acres of protected woodlands.

The December 13 walk will take place from 7:30-10 a.m. At this time of year, participants can expect to see mostly winter birds of the deep woods, including Chickadees, Nuthatches, titmice, brown creepers, wrens, sparrows, cardinals, and woodpeckers. There is at least one pair of pileated woodpeckers in permanent residence.

The trails wind through the woods with some hilly, rocky sections that could be slippery when wet. Wear sturdy walking shoes, take along drinking water and walking poles are encouraged. Binoculars will be available for anyone that needs them.

This event is free and open to the public, however, registration is required and limited to 15 participants. Anyone with an interest is welcome to come along, regardless of their birding skills. Children are welcome but they must be accompanied by an adult.

For details and to register, go to: <https://www.potomacaudubon.org/event/rolling-ridge-conservancy-bird-walk/>


The trip may be cancelled in the event of bad weather but will continue if it is only a light drizzle.

If you have questions or would like more information, contact Kristin Alexander at Kristin@potomacaudubon.org or 681-252-1387.
- Wellness Walk at Poor House Farm Park near Martinsburg
- Join Potomac Valley Audubon Society as we brave the cold and explore the trails at Poor House Farm near Martinsburg on Tuesday, December 20, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. The walk approximately two miles on the hiking loop at an easy pace.

Wear comfortable walking shoes and know that if it has been rainy or snowy, the trails may be wet, slippery and muddy in spots. Everyone welcome.

The group will meet at 10 a.m. at the Poor House Farm parking area nearest the barn and pond. (Almshouse Road off of Poor House Road, accessed from exit 13 off I-81.)

The event is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Details and registration can be found at <https://www.potomacaudubon.org/event/wellness-walk-at-poor-house-farm/>

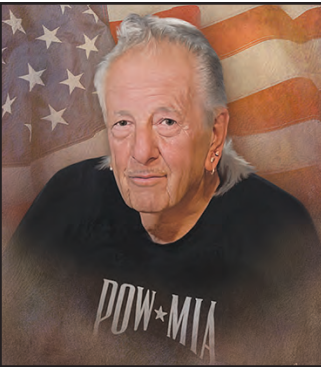
Contact Kristin Alexander at Kristin@PotomacAudubon.org or 681-252-1387 with any questions you may have.
- 

Featuring Fine Handcrafted Items

Glassworks • Woodworks
Pottery • Jewelry & More

Owners
Charlie Curia & Sue Evans

1 N. Washington Street • Berkeley Springs, W.Va.
304-500-2442
mountainlaurel@mountainlaurelartisans.com
- ARTICLES MAY BE EDITED**

Articles submitted to *The Hancock News* may be edited for clarity, style and content and to conform to the newspaper's policies and protect against libel.
- OBITUARY
- Elton Eugene Ensor, Sr.
1925-2022
- 

Elton Eugene Ensor, Sr., 97, passed away Friday, November 25, 2022, at his home in Warfordsburg, Pa.

Born February 8, 1925, in Baltimore, Md., he was the son of the late Noah and Ethel (Little) Ensor, and the widower of Thelma Vivian Ensor.

He proudly served in the United States Navy in WWII from 1944 until 1946. He served in the United States Navy Reserves 1964 until 1976. He received many accommodations, awards and distinctions for his service.

He retired from Bethlehem Steel Company in Baltimore, Md., (Sparrows Point Shipyard) after 30 years of service.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 203, Disabled American Veterans, U.S. Navy Memorial VFW and Redman Club Lodge 84.

He loved his motorcycles and working around the house.

He was proud to be lead rider in the “God Bless America Ride” from Greencastle, Pa., truck stop to the VA Hospital in Martinsburg, W.Va.

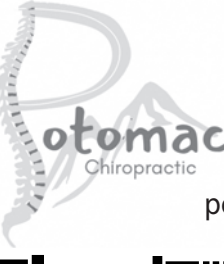
He truly loved his family and the country he fought for.

He is survived by his son, Elvis, and wife Barb, Warfordsburg, Pa.; sixteen grandchildren, thirty-nine great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by two sons, Elton, Jr. (Gypsy) and Warren Irvin; one daughter, Cynthia Cathy; one grandson, Jeremy and one great-grandson, Noah.

Family will receive friends, Thursday, December 1, 2022, 3-7 p.m., at Grove Funeral Home, 141 West Main St., Hancock, Md. Funeral service will be held Friday, December 2, 2022, at the funeral home. Rev. Canon Vicar Dana Cursello will officiate. Burial will follow at Rocky Gap Veterans Cemetery, 14205 Pleasant Valley Rd., NE, Flintstone, Md.

Memorial donations can be made in Elton’s name to Heartland Hospice, 1976 Scotland Ave., Chambersburg, PA 17201.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Grove Funeral Home, 141 West Main St., Hancock, Md. Online condolences can be expressed to the family at www.grovefh.com.
- 

POTOMAC CHIROPRACTIC
Dr. Elijah Souders

36 W. Main Street
Hancock, MD 21750
240-343-8119
potomacchiropractic@gmail.com
Hours: M, W, Th. • 9-6
- The Hancock News**
263 Pennsylvania Ave. Ext. • Hancock, MD 21750
301-678-6255
QUICK QUALITY PRINTING
Wedding Invitations Business Cards
Banners Brochures Envelopes
- Your guide to using
- The Hancock News* was established in 1914 and is now in its 104th year. No one else completely covers the Hancock area every week of the year. Your suggestions and comments are always welcome and are invaluable in producing an ever-improving paper each week. We hope this guide will help you understand how to help us provide the most comprehensive coverage of ALL of Hancock and how to contact us.

Our office address is:

263 Pennsylvania Avenue Extended
Hancock, MD 21750
Phone: 301-678-6255
Fax: 301-678-5520

Established 1914
Published Every Wednesday
Except the Last Week of the Year

Entered as 2nd Class Matter at the Post Office
Hancock, MD

SUBSCRIPTIONS




New or renewal subscriptions may be sent to: 263 Pennsylvania Avenue Extended, Hancock, MD 21750, or taken to the Hancock office.

Questions about your subscription may be phoned to 301-678-6255.

Yearly rates are:

Hancock.....	\$28.62
Maryland.....	\$30.74
Fulton County, Pa.....	\$31.00
Out of State.....	\$33.00

All prices include sales tax where applicable.
Subscriptions may be made by cash, check, money order or credit cards. We accept:



POSTMASTER: Send address changes to: The Hancock News, 263 Pennsylvania Avenue Extended, Hancock, MD 21750.
- The Hancock News
- Established 1914 - Our 107th Year – Hancock’s Oldest Business
- CLASSIFIED ADS**

Classified ads cost 20¢ per word for the first insertion and 13¢ per word for the following issues. There is a \$1.00 billing fee if the ad is not paid for when it is placed.

Ads may be placed at the office or by calling 301-678-6255. They may also be sent via fax to 301-678-5520.

DISPLAY ADS

Display ads cost \$5.25 per column inch up to 40 inches per month. After the 40 inches the rate decreases by the amount of advertising.

Ads may be placed at the office or by calling 301-678-6255. They may also be sent via fax to 301-678-5520.

GETTING AN ITEM PUBLISHED

The Hancock News does not charge for publication of any news items and photos, including anniversaries, weddings, social events, clubs, organizations, churches and reunions. Just send us your news release.

We prefer typewritten, double-spaced copy to minimize errors, but we will accept legible, handwritten stories.

If you are not sure how to write your story, please contact the office for assistance. We will be glad to help you.

If you have a suggestion for a story or photograph or a question about a news item, please call *The Hancock News* office.

ARTICLES MAY BE EDITED

Articles submitted to *The Hancock News* may be edited for clarity, style and content and to conform to the newspaper’s policies and protect against libel.
- LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Letters to the editor are invited. They must be signed, typed and double-spaced. The writer must include a phone number and address for verification.

No more than two letters from any individual will be printed in a four-week period.

Letters are subject to editing. Letters longer than 400 words will not be published. Nor will letters that are libelous or too personal and not of general interest to the public.

Thank you notes and political endorsements are considered advertising, not subjects for letters. Form letters are often discarded.

OBITUARIES

Death Notices of residents of Hancock and immediate area will be printed for free in *The Hancock News* as a public service which can include name, age, date of death, residency and services.

Obituaries will be printed for a fee based on the amount of information that is provided by a licensed funeral home. A photo of the deceased can be included.

For details, contact The Hancock News at 301-678-6255.

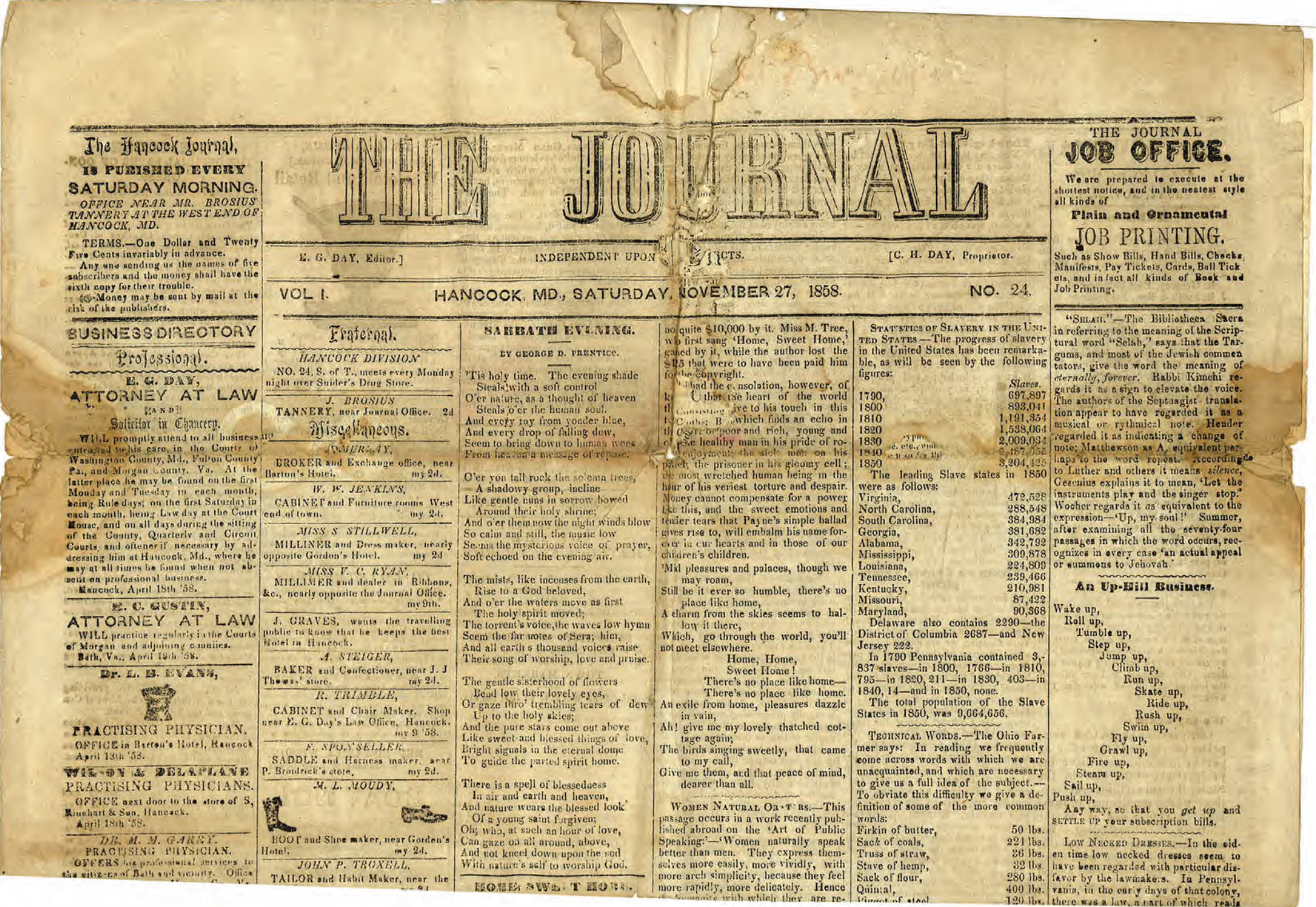
RESOLVING PROBLEMS

If you have a question, suggestion or problem with something that appears in *The Hancock News*, please contact us.

If we have made a correctable error, corrections will be published in the same section of the newspaper where the original article appeared.

DEADLINE

All correspondents and advertisers are reminded the deadline for submitting copy to this publication is noon on Monday.



The Hancock Journal – town’s earliest newspaper?

A partial front page of an 1858 Hancock newspaper published under the name of The Hancock Journal was lent to us years back. The paper was just getting started, as this issue was the 24th in Volume 1 – meaning the paper was in its 24th year in its first year of publication. That was 164 years ago. The contents, if you can decipher them from the old print, are interesting, including a report on the number of slaves in the United States at that time. Other items advertise services like hat-making and dress-making, plus woodworking and hotels for visitors. Does anyone know more about the publisher of The Journal, and how long they remained in print?

Expanded Winter Fest Parade in Berkeley Springs will roll Saturday

by Trish Rudder

The 6th annual Winter Fest Parade will roll through Berkeley Springs this Saturday, December 3, beginning at 5 p.m. The parade event has grown, with about 90 entries this year and larger floats joining the public display.

To accommodate more and larger floats, the parade route has been extended. It will start at the Berkeley Springs Moose and will end at Widmyer Elementary School. That longer route will also allow trucks and trailers more room to turn the vehicles around.

Danielle Swope, who heads up the Winter Fest Parade, said the town’s Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony on Fairfax Street will be held at 7 p.m. to allow the parade participants to get back into town before the lights are switched on.

Swope said the parade “is definitely bigger this year and some new people have joined us.”

“I am beyond excited this year!” Swope said.

Other events will take place in conjunction with the parade, including caroling and singing in the downtown area.



FEED YOUR CHILD'S BRAIN!

Seconds? Yes, please!
Reading aloud is food for your child's growing brain.

Read Aloud 15 MINUTES Every child. Every parent. Every day.
Learn more at ReadAloud.org

IT'S HERE

The Hancock News Online!

Read news, share stories, post tips and announcements

www.thehancocknews.com

Don't let the stairs limit your mobility.

If you find yourself worrying about using your stairs due to a previous fall, balance issues, or lower body joint pain, then the AmeriGlide Rave 2 stair lift is the solution for you.

Why choose the Rave 2 stair lift?

- Regain your independence
- Age safely in place
- Eliminate the risk of falls
- Access all of your home

Call today to save on a Rave 2 stair lift!
1-866-416-3540

AmeriGlide
ACCESSIBILITY SOLUTIONS

DONATE YOUR CAR, TRUCK, RV

Your donation helps provide food, clothing, hope.

LUTHERAN MISSION SOCIETY OF MD
Compassion Place
MINISTRIES

Tax deductible.
MVA licensed #1044

410-228-8437
www.CompassionPlace.org

- Sports
- School News
- Public Notices
- Classifieds
- Real Estate

Pennies For Patients Pennsylvania Elks holds soccer shoot starting up

by Geoff Fox

Get out your spare, loose change and give it to your student at Hancock Elementary or Hancock Middle-Senior High School as the Pennies For Patients program has once again started at both schools.

Last year, the students and Hancock community proved more than generous by raising \$2,095.25, said David “Doc” Holliday.

The goal this year is just a bit higher than last year’s total at \$2,193.51. That is an average of the total of the last 15 years.

Over those 15 years, the grand total has been \$32,902.61 going to help cancer patients.

Gavin Myers fourth Grade class at Hancock Elementary and April Shupp’s seventh Grade homeroom at Hancock



Middle-Senior High School were last year’s winners.

Each student in the winning class from each school giving the most money will receive a Pizza Hut personal pan pizza. Also, on the last day of the three week campaign, National Ugly Sweater Day will be celebrated with a student selected from each class receiving a Sheetz hot dog with the works coupon.

“Keep in mind: Every penny leads to a cure for cancer and a life saved,” Holliday said.

Chambersburg Elks Lodge #600 Local held their Soccer Shoot on Sunday, November 20, at the Alumni Community Building in McConnellsburg, Pa.

The players received decorations with their name and score on it and a medal for their placement.

The Sheeder family donated two raffle items to help with cost of the Elks Soccer Program. Tanner Sheeder won the Farmsi Basket and Dan Lake won the Home Décor Basket

Hoyt Glenn, son of Crystal and Jeff Glenn, of McConnellsburg, won the 2022 Pa. State Elks Soccer Shoot that was held on Sunday, November 6. Glenn shot in the U-14 Boys Division and will compete in the Mid-Atlantic National Finals on Saturday, March 11, 2023 in York, Pa.

The following boys and girls represented the South Central District and the Chambersburg Elks Lodge #600: In U8 Girls Division – Eiralinn Weaver, daughter of Celina and Cody Weaver, of Spring Run, Pa. Weaver shot 28 and placed fifth; U10 Girls Division – Elyana Wible, daughter of Tonya and Steve Wible, of McConnellsburg. Wible shot 23 placing eighth; U12 Girls

Division – Kaitlyn Fear, daughter of Grace and Jim Fear, of Mercersburg, Pa. Fear shot 27 placing sixth; U14 Girls Division – Makayley Shafer, daughter of Erin and Brian Shafer, of Harrisonville, Pa. Shafer shot 30 placing third; U16 Girls Division – Sandra Stotler, daughter of Jolene and Soloman Stotler, of Warfordsburg, Pa. Stotler shot 23 and was the 2022 Pa. State Runner-up.

In the boy’s division: U8 Boys Division – Tanner Sheeder, son of Sunny and Jody Sheeder, of Warfordsburg. Sheeder shot 29 and was the 2022 PA State Runner-up; U10 Boys Division – Jakoby Hoover, son of Wendy and Sid Hoover, of Hustontown, Pa., placed seventh shooting 35; U12 Boys Division – Sawyer Wolf, son of Stacy and Steve Wolf, of Willow Hill, Pa., placed sixth shooting 27; U16 Boys Division – Jackson Skiles, son of Tasha and Dwight Skiles, of McConnellsburg, shot 45 and claimed the 2022 Pa. State Runner-Up Title.

The Elks are doing a Drug Poster Contest for all third, fourth and fifth graders; a Drug Essay Contest for sixth, seventh and eighth graders and an



2022 Elks Soccer Shoot, front row, left to right: Jakoby Hoover, Elyana Wible and Garrett Bender. Second row: Emersyn Smith, Eiralinn Weaver and Tanner Sheeder. Third row: Mikaela Willson, Jackson Skiles, Hoyt Glenn, Makayley Shafer, Kaitlyn Fear and Gillian Gordon.

Americanism Essay Contest for fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades. To get information on these contests call 717-377-3643 or e-mail at coachkendall42@gmail.com.

The annual Elks Hoop Shoot will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2023 starting at 3 p.m., for all boys and girls ages 8-13 (age is what age you are on April 1, 2023) at the Alumni Community Building

in McConnellsburg. All events that the Elks offer are free.

Registration times are as follows: 8-9 year olds register from 3-3:25 p.m. Competition will start at 3:30 p.m., following the opening ceremonies. 10-11 year olds will register from 3:45-4:15 p.m., with the 12-13 year olds registering from 4:30-5 p.m.

For more information on the soccer shoot, call Kathy Kendall at 717-377-3643.

League bowling scores

Bowling scores for the Thursday Night Mixed on November 10:

High scratch game: Country Side Doodles 535, Mike’s Scrap Metal 511 and King Pins 481.

High scratch series: Country Side Doodles 1,497, Mike’s Scrap Metal 1,463 and King Pins 1,382.

High scratch game men: Dick Voorhaar 216, Pete Coe 192 and Mike Burks 180. Women: Debbie Wachter 192, Shirley Whittaker 177 and Deloris Stotler 175.

High scratch series men: Dick Voorhaar 575, Pete Coe 531 and Mike Burks 525. Women: Deloris Stotler 507, Debbie Wachter 503 and Shirley Whittaker 455.

High average men: Pete Coe 175, Mike Burks 166 and Dick Voorhaar 165. Women: Deloris Stotler 165, Sandy Bettag 146 and Shirley Whittaker 143.

Standings: Mike’s Scrap Metal 24-8, King Pins 20-12, Country Side Doodles 20-12, Strikers 13-19 and C.J.’s Sports Bar 12-20.

Letters To The Editor over 400 words will not be published.

Moving indoors: Yoga offers winter exercise, balance & other benefits for all ages

by Kate Evans

As inclement winter weather moves closer, outdoor activities can become more difficult. Freezing temperatures also bring risks of falling, making indoor exercise suddenly more appealing.

Yoga is one form of exercise that strengthens both the mind and body and offers a host of benefits for its practitioners.

Yoga doesn’t take up too much room, and can be practiced indoors without any special equipment.

Yoga teachers

Multiple teachers have taught yoga in the area over the years. Two of the most active local yoga instructors that are currently teaching public classes are Laura Falcon and Hiroko Rubin.

Falcon said she has been teaching yoga for around 12 years and has taught yoga in Berkeley Springs for six of those. Falcon currently teaches on Tuesdays and Thursday mornings at the Ice House movement studio.

Hiroko Rubin teaches yoga at the Ice House on Mondays

and Saturdays. Rubin also teaches yoga in Hancock on Saturday mornings on the second floor of the building that houses River Bend Family Medicine. She sometimes holds classes outdoors in the warmer months.

Falcon said she has always been interested in exercise. She ran track and played soccer in high school and also played football and basketball and rode bikes in her neighborhood.

“I always enjoyed moving and being active in sports,” she said.

When Falcon started exploring yoga on her own around 20 years ago, she said her body became more balanced and more aligned. Falcon especially liked that yoga’s effects combine the body and the mind. Falcon could see and feel yoga’s benefits and wanted to share those benefits with others.

Falcon took the 200-hour YogaFit certification to become a certified yoga teacher. She is trained in Vinyasa yoga, where you move with the

breaths and the inhalation and exhalation breaths guide the movement.

Falcon has taught children, adults and seniors. Falcon’s oldest student in her Ice House classes is 86 years old and comes every week.

Falcon just finished her third fall 10-week “Mindful Movement” series with Paw Paw Schools students, which includes positive affirmations, using breath with movement and ending with meditation. Kids learn to quiet and de-stress their minds, Falcon said. Meditation can promote a positive outlook by releasing stress.

Benefits

The benefits of yoga are numerous. Yoga helps the lungs with its breathing and coordinates the body-mind connection.

“Being focused in the present moment is one of the most powerful things yoga can offer,” Falcon said.

Yoga also helps the cardiovascular system, she said. It gets the heart rate up, enhances energy and endurance, stimulates blood flow and increases oxygen in the body from the deep breathing and positive movement.

Balance and coordination are other huge benefits.

Falcon said she does a lot of balancing poses in class. Yoga creates a stronger body where you’re much less likely to fall, Falcon noted.

Other big benefits are weight management, alignment and flexibility. You strengthen one part of the body and stretch the other part, she said. With yoga you find ways to correct different body imbalances that you notice. You grow in awareness of alignment. There is less stress on your joints when the body is in alignment.

Falcon said that during yoga, the body releases endorphins and serotonin (feel-good hormones) that reduce the perception of pain in the body and that also helps to decrease inflammation. Yoga creates an overall feeling of well-being and decreases daily stress.

Students, modified poses

Falcon’s yoga classes include a lot of retirees as students as well as some students in their 20s, 30s and 40s.

Falcon noted that her classes offer modifying yoga poses. People have different levels of what they can do, she said. They can try a modified ver-



Local yoga teacher Laura Falcon leads her Ice House yoga class in the Tree Pose, a pose that helps with balance and coordination.



Meditation and breathing are important parts of practicing yoga. Pictured is local yoga teacher Laura Falcon (in front) doing a seated meditative pose with one of her Ice House yoga classes.

sion of a pose or may skip some poses completely. She teaches students how to move to avoid any strain.

Poses

Falcon’s classes use numerous yoga poses. The Mountain Pose is a standing pose where you align your feet and body, push to earth to greater stability and stand tall, she said.

Another pose they do is the Downward-Facing Dog, which places both the hands and feet on the earth to find balance in the body. The pose strengthens the arms, shoulders, hands and feet and decompresses the spine, which gives the nervous system more space to flow and helps the spinal discs to not be squeezed and compressed, Falcon said.

The Tree Pose is one of the yoga balance poses where you balance on one leg at a time. Your weight bears on one side of the body and then the other. Falcon said that it’s been scientifically proven that the weight-bearing yoga poses create more density and strength in your bones.

Yoga classes always end with the final relaxation pose or meditation pose to calm the mind and thinking. They relax the entire body at the end, going through the body from head to toe. Breathing is major

in the practice of yoga and decreases stress both on the physical and the mental level, Falcon said.

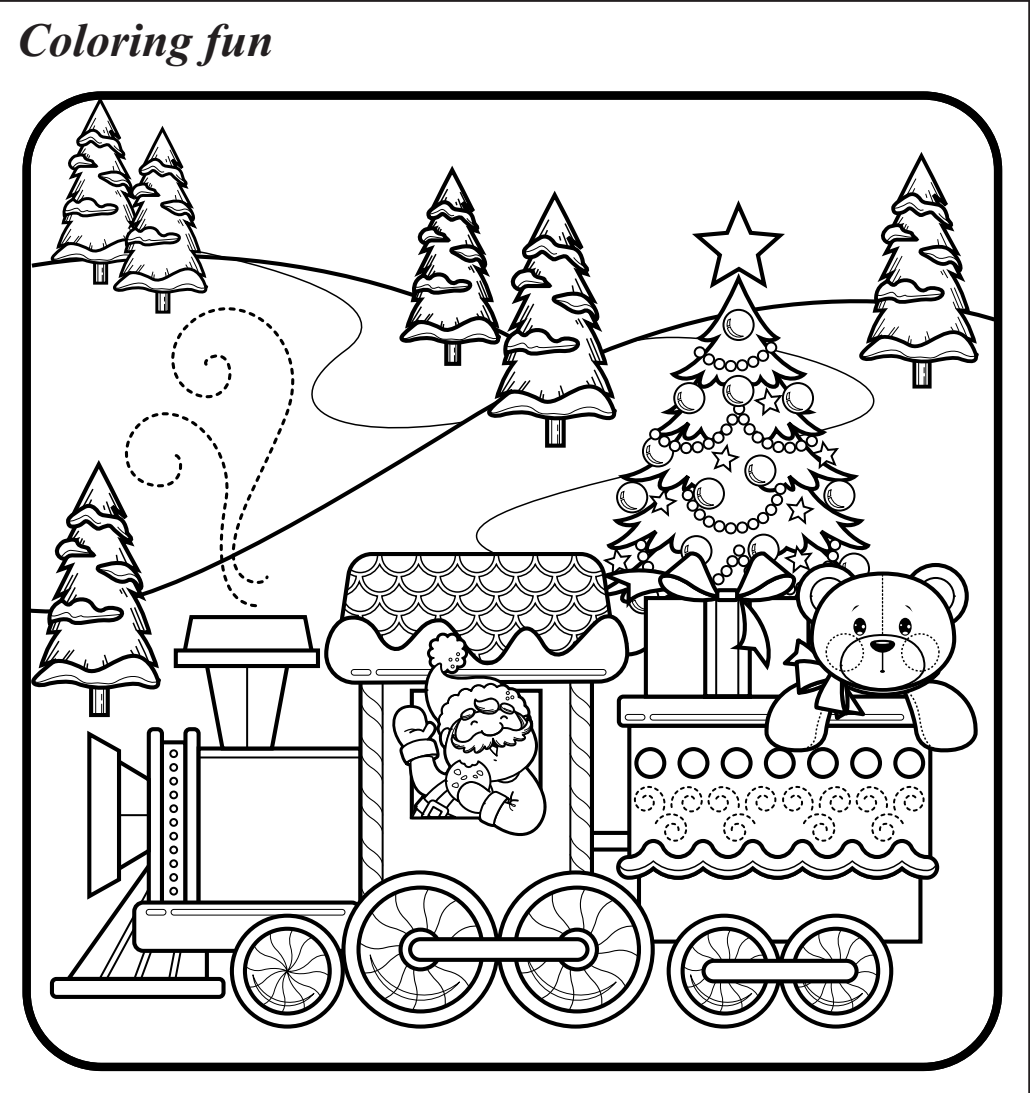
Reasons for taking yoga

People come to yoga classes for a variety of reasons. Students have talked about balance, expressing concerns about falls and wanting to strengthen their bones and muscles. As people age, their flexibility diminishes and they have a lot of stiffness which yoga can help. People like the positive mental effects of yoga.

In her classes, Falcon talks of learning about your thoughts, being grateful and thinking positive. If you’re thinking stressful thoughts, you’re releasing stress hormones. If you think positive, your body releases feel-good hormones like serotonin and endorphins, she said.

Falcon likes to keep the lights low during class to keep people calm and relaxed. She said mirrors in the movement space she uses really help people with their alignment.

Taking classes offers socialization and camaraderie and decreases isolation and loneliness. Her students are moving in sync and doing something healthy with other folks and sharing that experience, she said.



Rebecca Hogamier
Personal Representative
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-3th

PUBLIC NOTICES

**IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR
(OR)
BEFORE THE REGISTER
OF WILLS FOR
WASHINGTON COUNTY,
MARYLAND**
IN THE ESTATE OF:
Clement Atlee Ecton

Estate No: 79712
NOTICE OF JUDICIAL PROBATE
To all persons interested in the above estate:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed by Thomas J. Kokolis, ESQ., 110 North Washington St., SUITE 500, Rockville, MD 20850 for judicial probate for the appointment of a personal representative.

A hearing will be held at Washington County Orphans' Court, 100 W. Washington St., Ste. 3500, Hagerstown, MD 21740 on January 17, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

This hearing may be transferred or postponed to a subsequent time. Further information may be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills.

Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills
100 W. Washington St
STE 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740-4896
Phone: (301)-739-3612
pd11-23-2th

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 79715
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Cheryl Lynn Staubs.

Notice is given that Victoria A. Webb, 4128 Trego Road, Keedysville, MD 21756 was on November 16, 2022 appointed personal representative of the estate of Cheryl Lynn Staubs who died on October 10, 2022 without a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representative or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment shall file their objections with the Register of Wills on or before the 16th day of May, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representative or file it with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Two months after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claim will be barred unless the creditor presents the claims within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. A claim not presented or filed on or before that date, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter. Claim forms may be obtained from the Register of Wills.

Victoria A. Webb
Personal Representative
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-23-3th

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 79696
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Margarette Coffman.

Notice is given that James Coffman, 16508 Willoughby Dr., Williamsport, MD 21795 and Scott Coffman, 16618 Spielman Rd., Williamsport, MD 21795 were on November 18, 2022 appointed Personal Representatives of the estate of Margarette Coffman who died on November 3, 2022 with a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representatives or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment (or to the probate of the decedent's will) shall file their objections with the Register of Wills on or before the 16th day of May, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representative or file it with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Two months after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claim will be barred unless the creditor presents the claims within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. A claim not presented or filed on or before that date, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter. Claim forms may be obtained from the Register of Wills.

James Coffman
Scott Coffman
Personal Representatives
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-3th

**IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR
(OR)
BEFORE THE REGISTER
OF WILLS FOR
WASHINGTON COUNTY,
MARYLAND**
IN THE ESTATE OF:
Joshua Jay Weller

Estate No: 79668
NOTICE OF JUDICIAL PROBATE
To all persons interested in the above estate:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed by Kevin Weller, 13609 Blairs Valley Rd., Clear Spring, MD 21722 for judicial probate for the appointment of a personal representative.

A hearing will be held at Washington County Orphans' Court, 100 W. Washington St., Ste. 3500, Hagerstown, MD 21740 on January 17, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

This hearing may be transferred or postponed to a subsequent time. Further information may be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills.

Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills
100 W. Washington St
STE 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740-4896
Phone: (301)-739-3612
pd11-23-2th

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 79709
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Katherine Faye Canfield.

Notice is given that Scott Anthony Canfield, 112 W. Chapline Street, Sharpsburg, MD 21782 was on November 23, 2022 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Katherine Faye Canfield who died on September 19, 2022 with a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representative or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment (or to the probate of the decedent's will) shall file their objections with the Register of Wills on or before the 23rd day of May, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representative or file it with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Two months after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claim will be barred unless the creditor presents the claims within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. A claim not presented or filed on or before that date, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter. Claim forms may be obtained from the Register of Wills.

Scott Anthony Canfield
Personal Representative
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-3th

David A. Castro, Esquire
1206 Saint Paul Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 79723
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Glenn Garfield Ghee.

Notice is given that Leah G. Littlefield, 5617 Belle Vista Ave., Baltimore, MD 21206 was on November 21, 2022 appointed personal representative of the estate of Glenn Garfield Ghee who died on October 5, 2022 without a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representative or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment shall file their objections with the Register of Wills on or before the 21st day of May, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representative or file it with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Two months after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claim will be barred unless the creditor presents the claims within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. A claim not presented or filed on or before that date, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter. Claim forms may be obtained from the Register of Wills.

Leah G. Littlefield
Personal Representative
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-3th

**IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR
(OR)
BEFORE THE REGISTER
OF WILLS FOR
WASHINGTON COUNTY,
MARYLAND**
IN THE ESTATE OF:
Leon Wayne Harbaugh

Estate No: 79506
NOTICE OF JUDICIAL PROBATE
To all persons interested in the above estate:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed by Scott Alan Morrison, ESQ., 141 West Patrick Street, Suite 330, Frederick, MD 21701 for judicial probate for the appointment of a personal representative.

A hearing will be held at Washington County Orphans' Court, 100 W. Washington St., Ste. 3500, Hagerstown, MD 21740 on January 24, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

This hearing may be transferred or postponed to a subsequent time. Further information may be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills.

Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills
100 W. Washington St
STE 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740-4896
Phone: (301)-739-3612
pd11-30-2th

Law Offices of Jeanne F. Singer, PA
864 Jefferson Boulevard
Hagerstown, MD 21740
**SMALL ESTATE
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 79728
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Joann Hanrahan.

Notice is given that Jill Fowkes, 12012 Bayer Drive, Smithsburg, MD 21783 was on November 23, 2022 appointed personal representative of the small estate of Joann Hanrahan who died on November 13, 2022 with a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representative or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment shall file their objections with the Register of Wills within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. All persons having an objection to the probate of the will shall file their objections with the Register of Wills within six months after the date of publication of this notice.

All persons having claims against the decedent must serve their claims on the undersigned personal representative or file them with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Thirty days after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claims will be barred unless the creditor presents the claim within thirty days from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. Any claim not served or filed within that time, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter.

Jill Fowkes
Personal Representative
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-1thn

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 79718
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Kathryn Arlene Drawbaugh.

Notice is given that Gina Anne Baker, 10602 Connor Drive, Williamsport, MD 21795 and Tina Lynne Leimbach, 199 Zachary Drive, Westminster, MD 21157 were on November 23, 2022 appointed Personal Representatives of the estate of Kathryn Arlene Drawbaugh who died on October 25, 2022 with a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representatives or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment (or to the probate of the decedent's will) shall file their objections with the Register of Wills on or before the 23rd day of May, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representative or file it with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Two months after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claim will be barred unless the creditor presents the claims within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. A claim not presented or filed on or before that date, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter. Claim forms may be obtained from the Register of Wills.

Gina Anne Baker
Tina Lynne Leimbach
Personal Representatives
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-3th

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**
Estate No. 79687
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Luray Clem Ausherman.

Notice is given that Shanna E. Muschik, 5658 Amos Reeder Road, Boonsboro, MD 21713 was on November 18, 2022 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Luray Clem Ausherman who died on October 21, 2022 with a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representative or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment (or to the probate of the decedent's will) shall file their objections with the Register of Wills on or before the 18th day of May, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representative or file it with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Two months after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claim will be barred unless the creditor presents the claims within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. A claim not presented or filed on or before that date, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter. Claim forms may be obtained from the Register of Wills.

Shanna E. Muschik
Personal Representative
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-3th

**SMALL ESTATE
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 79719
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Arthur Sylvester Cunningham III.

Notice is given that Sonny Cunningham, 313 Athletic Street, Martinsburg, WV 25404 was on November 18, 2022 appointed personal representative of the small estate of Arthur Sylvester Cunningham III who died on March 17, 2022 without a will.

Further information can be obtained by reviewing the estate file in the office of the Register of Wills or by contacting the personal representative or the attorney.

All persons having any objection to the appointment shall file their objections with the Register of Wills within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. All persons having an objection to the probate of the will shall file their objections with the Register of Wills within six months after the date of publication of this notice.

All persons having claims against the decedent must serve their claims on the undersigned personal representative or file them with the Register of Wills with a copy to the undersigned on or before the earlier of the following dates:

(1) Six months from the date of the decedent's death, except if the decedent died before October 1, 1992, nine months from the date of the decedent's death; or

(2) Thirty days after the personal representative mails or otherwise delivers to the creditor a copy of this published notice or other written notice, notifying the creditor that the claims will be barred unless the creditor presents the claim within thirty days from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. Any claim not served or filed within that time, or any extension provided by law, is unenforceable thereafter.

Sonny Cunningham
Personal Representative
True Test Copy
Jason A. Malott,
Register of Wills for
Washington County
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400
Hagerstown, MD 21740
pd11-30-1thn



MOUNTAINEER AUCTIONEERS

Full Service Auction House

**LIVE AUCTION & APPRECIATION DINNER
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 • 1 P.M.**

141 Business Park Circle • Berkeley Springs, W.Va.

**To Celebrate Our 1 Year Anniversary
of Being in Business at Our Auction House!**

We appreciate all of our consignors, buyers, employees, family and friends for their endless support over the last year.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SUNDAY!

**Now Accepting Quality Consignments
304-671-7490 • 301-876-3338 • 304-676-8909
www.mountaineer-auctioneers.com**

SUDOKU

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

Level: Advanced

The objective is to fill a 9x9 grid with digits so that each column, each row and each of the nine 3x3 sub-grids that compose the grid contains all of the digits from 1 to 9.
Answer elsewhere in paper.

Charity clarity

How to recognize fraudulent charities:

- Evasive, vague or unresponsive answers to specific questions about the charity and how the money is used.
 - Words making up a charity's name closely resemble a more well-known charity.
 - Allowing you no time to reconsider your pledge.
 - Refusal to answer questions about where your money will go or refusal to mail information about the charity.
 - Emotional appeals that make you feel guilty about not donating.
 - Bills or invoices sent to you, though you never pledged money to the organization.
- How to spot charity scams that solicit donations over the phone:
- Get the exact name of the charity and the fundraiser that is calling for the charity.
 - Ask if the caller is being paid by the charity.
 - Ask if the charity and the fundraiser are registered with the state.
 - Find out where and how your donation will be used and what percentage goes directly to carry out the charitable purpose described by the solicitor.
 - Ask if the contribution will be tax deductible.



DON'T FORGET

**To Check Your List
and Stop In At
The
Hancock News
To Place Your
Christmas Ad In
Our December 21
Christmas Issue**

*Many Styles and Sizes To Choose From
Come By Soon*

Before The Last Minute Rush

The Hancock News

263 Pennsylvania Avenue Extended
Hancock, MD

301-678-6255

ARTICLES MAY BE EDITED

Articles submitted to *The Hancock News* may be edited for clarity, style and content and to conform to the newspaper's policies and protect against libel.

McDaniel passes on metal arts through blacksmithing school & guides

by Kate Evans
Tucked away in southern Morgan County is master blacksmith Randy McDaniel's Expressive Metals School of Blacksmithing shop where McDaniel teaches personal basic to advanced blacksmith classes to serious students of the art.

McDaniel has over 45 years of professional experience working with mediums such as hot steel, wrought iron, tool steels, stainless steel, bronze, copper, aluminum and titanium. He also has over 45 years of experience teaching blacksmithing across the United States and in Canada.

In his first class, McDaniel said he taught a National Park Service employee from Gettysburg the basics of blacksmithing and he hasn't stopped teaching since.

McDaniel got into blacksmithing 50 years ago in September 1972 when he, his dad and one of his younger brothers took a blacksmithing class from an 81 year-old blacksmith. It ran for a couple of hours for four Saturdays and cost \$2, he said.

His father had a passion for blacksmithing and always seemed to end up in a blacksmith shop wherever he went, McDaniel noted. McDaniel was the only one in the fam-

ily that pursued blacksmithing after their class.

McDaniel learned from retired and master smiths, researched metalworking in libraries and attended blacksmithing conferences to learn more about the art.

McDaniel said he started out doing colonial metalwork and then got into creating animals, flowers and contemporary work, which was an exciting change. What he's exploring in blacksmithing is still changing. He got a hydraulic forging press 15 years ago and is constantly learning about his art.

European travels
McDaniel continued his blacksmithing studies and traveled to England to see the ironworks there. He visited colonial and contemporary ironworks, which were everywhere, he said. McDaniel also went to Barcelona, Spain to see the early 1900s ironworks there, which are totally different from anywhere.

"They're truly beautiful and very inspiring. It taught me a different way of looking at what I do here now," McDaniel said.

Projects
McDaniel creates everything from wall hooks, belt buckles, modern sculpture and lighting to bronze pieces, entranceways, gates and grilles and more.

His early metalwork was in colonial ironwork and restoration. McDaniel was hired by the National Park Service and created colonial pieces for Fort Frederick such as cooking utensils, tools, hammers, knives, axes, broad axes, belt axes and shovels like ones made in the 1700s. He did a lot of lighting like candleholders and rushlights.

McDaniel also restored two sets of historic gates in the city of Philadelphia at the corner of 4th and Pine. The gates were made in the 1850s.

McDaniel's proudest project was making The Children's Garden entranceway to Hershey Gardens in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Hershey Gardens originally was a small rose garden and grew into a 23-acre botanical garden that includes the Children's Garden. McDaniel said he designed and did all the forge work for the Children's Garden entranceway including the sign.

"It was a fun job, a whimsical design. It's something a lot of people get to see and is the largest job I've ever done," McDaniel said.

Books
McDaniel has written two books on blacksmithing: *A*

Blacksmithing Primer: A Course in Basic and Intermediate Blacksmithing and Hydraulic Forging Press for the Blacksmith. He has also penned numerous blacksmithing articles in books, newsletters and trade magazines.

McDaniel said he has been a draftsman since high school. In 1996 or so he took a computer-assisted drafting (CAD) course at Penn State University. He started doing step by step drawings of how to do blacksmithing. McDaniel took some drawings to a conference and sold out what he brought. In 1998 he self-published his primer book and it's sold over 30,000 copies. A publisher has taken it over.

McDaniel published his second book about the hydraulic forging press because there wasn't anything out there about how to make tools and dies.

McDaniel's *A Blacksmithing Primer* has also been turned into a professionally-made three DVD video set of a six-hour long class of McDaniel working in his shop demonstrating in person what's in the primer.

Classes
When McDaniel moved to Berkeley Springs six years ago, he decided to set up his school of blacksmithing and pass on what he can about the art while it's still possible. He tries to keep his classes small-three students or less-to create good blacksmithing habits from the beginning.

"Everyone has their own anvil. It makes it more personal," McDaniel said.

With classes some people just want to try out blacksmithing once. Others will take more classes and go on from there. McDaniel said he started out teaching five-day classes but moved to teaching one-day classes 15 years ago.



Pictured are two blacksmithing books that area blacksmith Randy McDaniel wrote along with a DVD video set of lessons in his shop that was made from his blacksmithing primer. photo by Randy McDaniel

Mentoring
McDaniel said that of all the students he has mentored that Ken Schwarz, Colonial Williamsburg Blacksmith Shop's master blacksmith, stands out the most. Schwarz took a class from him, worked for McDaniel for a while and then went to Williamsburg to work. Schwarz is still a great friend. McDaniel said there are quite a few other students that he mentored.

Everyone had thought blacksmithing was a dying art but after around 15 years there has been a resurgence, McDaniel said.

Advice
For those who are interested in blacksmithing, McDaniel advised them to learn the basics. That's the biggest thing, he said.

"People try to go by videos online. It's easier to take a class with someone that knows the business than to try it on your own," McDaniel stressed.

McDaniel said a blacksmithing teacher in New Jersey straightened out all the

problems he was having in just one class. The teacher also taught him how to teach blacksmithing.

Website
McDaniel's Expressive Metals School of Blacksmithing website shows his 50 years of background in blacksmithing, his time in Europe visiting ironwork masterpieces, photos of his many projects and products and his upcoming schedule of blacksmithing classes. People can sign up for classes or contact him online there for more information.

Loves blacksmithing
McDaniel said he's had a lot of fun and a few challenges being a blacksmith, but he has really enjoyed it. He noted that the craft itself is a very isolated craft and one might not often see other blacksmiths.

In the blacksmith community "everybody helps out everyone else-it's a wonderful group of people. It's a great craft and group to be in. It's been wonderful the whole time," McDaniel said of blacksmithing.



Master blacksmith Randy McDaniel is seen at work at his Expressive Metals School of Blacksmithing shop in southern Morgan County where he also teaches classes in blacksmithing. photo by Randy McDaniel



Two students work at Randy McDaniel's blacksmith shop during one of McDaniel's blacksmithing classes. photo by Randy McDaniel



Randy McDaniel, area master blacksmith, also restored two sets of historic gates in the city of Philadelphia at the corner of 4th and Pine. The gates were made in the 1850s. photo by Randy McDaniel



Area master blacksmith Randy McDaniel is seen at the Children's Garden Entranceway that he designed and built for Hershey Gardens in Hershey, Pa. photo by Randy McDaniel



Master blacksmith Randy McDaniel (seated on left) talks with a festival goer at his booth at the recent Apple Butter Festival in Berkeley Springs. McDaniel said a lot of people stopped by to talk with him. photo by Kate Shunney

Classified Ads

Classified Ads - 20 cents per word first week, 13 cents per word for the same ad in each issue thereafter. Minimum charge \$1.00. An additional charge of a \$1.00 for each ad not paid for when placed.

FOR SALE
DOUBLE Roll Coupon Tickets \$10.24 for sale at The Morgan Messenger and The Hancock News offices. pd1/1- tfmh
YARD sale signs now available at The Morgan Messenger and The Hancock News offices. Also many other signs including Posted, No Trespassing and No Hunting. 1/1- tfmh
STRAW & hay, Sq. bales \$4.00, roll bales \$35.00, barn kept. 304-258-0584. 11/9- tfmh

ANIMALS
LEONA'S Pet Grooming, Boarding and Bath. 304-258-1268. 1/1- tfmh
WANTED
BUYING USED CLOTHING: Carhartt Jackets/Pants, Band/Harley/NASCAR Tees. 304-820-4884. 11/30-4mh
93 Year old Berkeley Springs lady needs part-time in-home help to get up in the a.m. and go to bed at night. 1 or 2 hours at night. Need assistance with medication and preparing TV dinners once per day - 7 days per week. Specific schedule is negotiable. call Jerry at 301-922-1146. 11/30- tfmh

SERVICES
AUCTIONEER - Appraiser. Ronnie R. Zimmerman, 301-678-6821 or 301-331-6821. MD - PA & WV. 1/7- tfh
APPLIANCES - Sales & service for the Tri-State Area. Gordon's Garage & Appliance. Needmore, Pa. 717-573-2590. Prompt & reasonable. 11/14- tfh
GLEN Smith Septic Pumping, Tri-State Area. MD. License 094, PA. DET 99027. 301-678-5233. 4/8- tfmh

WILL purchase and pick up your scrap vehicles. Please call 301-739-7159 or 301-797-8358 to receive a quote. 8/29- tfmh
BEDDOW'S Septic Service, Inc. 304-258-1527 or 304-671-1773. 10/3- tfh
TRINCHERA Excavating, veteran owned and operated, licensed and insured. Contact Brian 304-676-3503. pd9/14-12mh



FOR SALE SAWMILL
Asking \$3,000
717-294-3869

APARTMENT FOR RENT
Hancock, MD
2 Bedroom 2 Floor
Stove, Refrigerator, Microwave, New Flooring, Just Painted
NO PETS - NO SMOKING
\$750/Month
\$750 Security Deposit
301-491-6200

Helpful Hints For Writing A Classified Ad
ANIMALS
Kind Of Animal
Breed
Age
Size or Weight
Color, Markings
Registered
Price
Phone Number

Letters To The Editor
over 400 words will not be published.

HELP WANTED
THE TOWN OF HANCOCK
Is Seeking Applications For a
WATER / WASTEWATER TECHNICIAN
Nature of the Work
Operate, monitor, maintain and trouble-shoot the water/wastewater treatment facility and its processes. Responsible for plant operations, compliance with state and federal regulations and underground sewer system. Perform sampling, monitoring and testing to maintain compliance governing water/wastewater treatment process, storm water and sludge management. Install, maintain and repair physical plant, pump stations and components. Perform of regular and unscheduled maintenance on plant equipment. Respond to emergencies at the plant and pump stations. Conduct necessary weekend checks. Perform all work in conformance to OSHA regulations.
Work Requirements
Knowledge of water/wastewater operation, methods and procedures. Knowledge of mechanical equipment; diagnose and correct malfunctions. Knowledge of basic machinery preventive maintenance and repairs. Knowledge of State and Federal rules governing water/wastewater discharges and worker's safety. Ability to work independently.
Training and Experience Required
High school diploma. Be able to obtain Maryland water/wastewater treatment license and certification. Ability to perform tasks of position, work outdoors in inclement weather. Ability to lift 50 pounds.
Job Type
Full-time with benefits including insurance and retirement.
APPLY IN PERSON OR SEND RESUME & COVER LETTER TO:
TOWN OF HANCOCK
126 WEST HIGH STREET
HANCOCK, MD 21750

ADOPTION WORD SEARCH

F	L	S	R	A	L	N	V	H	M	V	K	P	R	O	S	P	E	C	T	I	V	E	O	Z
C	O	N	F	I	D	E	N	T	I	A	L	I	T	Y	K	Q	R	A	M					
N	H	G	B	B	I	Z	L	I	C	E	N	S	E	D	Y	P	I	S	S					
T	R	I	A	D	V	Z	D	T	H	M	K	N	Q	H	A	D	S	S	T					
F	U	G	P	Q	A	C	O	N	S	U	L	T	A	N	T	Z	K	I	S					
L	O	H	B	H	P	L	A	C	E	M	E	N	T	S	G	V	I	S	Q					
B	P	E	L	N	O	R	G	A	N	I	Z	A	T	I	S	O	N	S	N	T				
L	E	I	S	M	A	P	K	Y	H	R	E	I	S	S	O	D	S	A	T					
A	N	S	B	I	R	T	H	P	A	R	E	N	T	B	A	O	H	N	A					
G	L	C	P	I	V	C	L	O	S	E	D	O	P	H	C	P	I	C	F					
E	B	R	F	K	T	I	D	O	Y	N	D	K	V	O	H	S	P	E	K					
N	O	I	T	P	O	D	A	D	I	R	V	F	O	Q	F	E	O	O	B					
C	T	N	E	M	H	S	I	U	Q	N	I	L	E	R	U	C	V	T	M					
Y	R	S	B	U	B	A	O	T	P	G	N	I	N	E	E	R	C	S	Q					
R	N	C	Z	N	O	I	T	U	L	O	S	S	I	D	L	F	M	C	E					

ADOPTION AGENCY ASSISTANCE ATTORNEY BIRTH PARENT CHILDREN

CLOSED CONFIDENTIALITY CONSULTANT DISSOLUTION DOSSIER FINALIZED

FOSTER HOME STUDY KINSHIP LICENSED OPEN ORGANIZATIONS

PLACEMENTS PROSPECTIVE RELINQUISHMENT SCREENING SEALED TRIAD

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

Providing Warmth and Comfort To Our Community
Ask About our Propane Service, Fireplaces & Stoves
BLUE FLAME, INC.
1834 Valley Road ~ Berkeley Springs, WV
(304) 258-3495 ~ (301) 678-6712
www.bfpropane.com Like Us on Facebook

National Child Abuse Hotline
1-800-4-A-CHILD

HOROSCOPES

December 4 - 10, 2022

CAPRICORN
December 22 - January 19
Spending certainly is up during the holiday season, but you may need to keep a closer eye on what is going on with your finances. Don't lose sight of your budget.

ARIES
March 21 - April 19
Someone thinks you are up to a challenge this week, Aries. Dive right in and prove them correct. There's much you'll get done, but leave some time for leisure.

CANCER
June 22 - July 22
Health concerns may come to the forefront this week, whether it pertains to you or someone close to you. Empty your schedule so you can devote the utmost attention.

LIBRA
September 23 - October 22
A career change could be on the horizon, Libra. Do your research before you take the full plunge into new waters. Maybe test things out before making a firm commitment.

AQUARIUS
January 20 - February 18
A few interesting possibilities may come across your desk, Aquarius. Look at them with a critical eye and get a second opinion before moving forward.

TAURUS
April 20 - May 20
There's not much you can't accomplish these next several days, Taurus. The key will be knowing just where to pull back so that you can do each job well.

LEO
July 23 - August 22
Despite many looming deadlines, you are surprisingly relaxed about all the things you need to accomplish. Maybe that is because you have a lot of help.

SCORPIO
October 23 - November 21
Home improvements could be coming soon, Scorpio. They'll interfere with your daily schedule for a bit, but the results will be well worth any disruption.

PISCES
February 19 - March 20
Too many things seem like a priority right now, Pisces. You need to weed through all of your responsibilities and tackle the most urgent.

GEMINI
May 21 - June 21
Think before committing to a project that is expected to take a long time, Gemini. While you may have a lot of free time right now, that may not be the case in a few weeks.

VIRGO
August 22 - September 22
Some unexpected time off has dropped into your lap, Virgo. Figure out if a small vacation or weekend getaway might be just what you need right now. Then make it happen.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22 - December 21
Your hospitable nature is a perfect match for the entertaining you will be doing this week, Sagittarius. Expect a household of people on one or more days.

MR. HARDWARE
Lumber Building Material Fabral Metal Roofing LP Tanks Acetylene/Oxygen/AR Wood Pellets/Split Firewood Valspar Paint Dumpster Rental
Ammo/Fishing Tackle Live Bait/Minnows Deer Corn/Deer Supplements Bicycle Accessories Precast Century Steps Bulk Mulch/Hardscape Deliveries Cold Drinks & Snacks
LOCAL PENNLAND PURE CHEESE - 15% OFF
WE NOW HAVE YARD SALE ITEMS
PREMIUM WOOD PELLETS IN STOCK
CHRISTMAS NOW IN STOCK
47 EAST MAIN STREET • HANCOCK, MD
mrhardware47@verizon.net
301-678-5339

FULL SERVICE SHOP
FACTORY TRAINED MECHANICS
TYM TRACTORS
25 to 105 hp
Tractors & Loaders
5 YEAR WARRANTY
ALL FARM SEEDS, GRASS, CORN & SORGAMS CALL LYLE - 1-800-910-4101
McCONNELLSBURG MOTOR & IMPLEMENT
875 Lincoln Way East • McConnellsburg, PA
717-485-3181 • lylemm@earthlink.net

2012 Subaru Impreza 2.0i

ONLY \$8,995

ONLY \$8,995

PREMIUM EDITION, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, NICE LOCAL TRADE

BARD'S AUTO SALES

717-573-4233
6583 Great Cove Road • Needmore, PA
Check Us Out on the Web 24/7 at BardsAutoSales.com

CARS

2017 Volkswagon Jetta SE.....	\$18,995	2012 Subaru Forester 2.5X.....	\$13,995
2017 Subaru Legacy Limited.....	\$18,995	2012 Subaru Impreza 2.0i Premium.....	\$8,995
2015 Subaru WRX.....	\$18,995	2011 Toyota Camry LE Sedan.....	\$12,995
2015 Chrysler 200C AWD.....	\$14,995	2011 Chevy Cruze LT.....	\$11,995
2014 Chevy Cruze LTZ.....	\$19,995	2010 Kia Soul+.....	\$8,995
2014 Buick Verano.....	\$15,995	2007 Ford Fusion SEL.....	\$8,995
2014 Ford Taurus Limited.....	\$14,995	2006 Pontiac G6 Sedan.....	\$9,995
2013 Hyundai Veloster 3D Coupe.....	\$9,995	1998 Pontiac Grand Prix GTP.....	\$9,995
2013 Hyundai Veloster 3D Coupe.....	\$8,995		

STOP BY TODAY TO SEE THESE AWESOME CARS

VANS, TRUCKS & 4x4'S

2020 Nissan Rogue S.....	\$25,995	2014 Ford Explorer XLT.....	\$19,995
2019 Chevy Equinox LT.....	\$19,995	2014 Buick Encore Leather.....	\$17,995
2017 GMC Sierra Crew Cab SLT.....	\$29,995	2013 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited.....	\$26,995
2017 Jeep Renegade Sport.....	\$21,995	2013 Chevy Silverado LT Crew Cab.....	\$23,995
2016 Buick Enclave Leather Edition.....	\$28,995	2013 GMC Sierra 2500 HD Quad Cab.....	\$15,995
2016 Chevy Equinox LT.....	\$19,995	2012 Chevy Silverado LT Quad Cab.....	\$19,995
2016 Dodge Journey Crossroads Plus.....	\$18,995	2012 GMC Acadia Denali.....	\$17,995
2016 Jeep Patriot Latitude.....	\$17,995	2012 GMC Terrain SLE1.....	\$13,995
2015 Chevy Silverado 2500HD LT Crew Cab.....	\$38,995	2011 GMC Sierra SLT Crew Cab.....	\$21,995
2015 Dodge Ram 2500HD Crew Cab.....	\$35,995	2011 Chevy Silverado 1500 LT Crew Cab.....	\$21,995
2015 Chevy Silverado 1500 Crew Cab.....	\$33,995	2011 Dodge Ram 1500 Crew Cab.....	\$19,995
2015 Chevy Silverado LTZ Crew Cab.....	\$32,995	2011 Chevy Silverado 1500 Quad Cab.....	\$19,995
2015 Dodge Ram 1500 Quad Cab.....	\$29,995	2010 Dodge Ram 1500 SLT Quad Cab.....	\$18,995
2015 Jeep Cherokee Trail Hawk Edition.....	\$23,995	2008 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited X.....	\$17,995
2015 Buick Encore Premium.....	\$19,995	2008 Chrysler Town & Country LX.....	\$10,995
2015 Jeep Renegade Latitude Edition.....	\$19,995	2005 Ford F350 King Ranch Crew Cab.....	\$20,995
2015 Chevy Equinox LTZ.....	\$16,995	2005 Dodge Dakota SLT Crew Cab.....	\$13,995
2014 Chevy Silverado LT Ext. Cab.....	\$25,995	2003 Chevy Silverado 1500HD Quad Cab.....	\$9,995
2014 Ford Flex SEL.....	\$20,995	2000 GMC Yukon Denali.....	\$7,995

Take I-70 into Pennsylvania, Take Exit 168, Turn right onto 522 North, Bard's Auto Sales is 7 Miles on the left.

Miracle on Main

(from front)
Things got underway at 3:30 p.m. with vendors selling various crafts, jewelry, various types of snacks and baked goods, and a variety of other things. Some organizations and businesses were also set up along the sidewalks.
Some vendors, along with businesses, were handing out treats and, what would later be a necessity – hot chocolate.
Throughout the event, people could stop into one of the 29 participating businesses or booths and pick up a game sheet where it listed the businesses and where to find gnomes.

Each of the 29 gnomes had a word on it. People would write the word on the sheet and when filled out, could drop the sheet off at a box located by the Christmas tree.
Completed sheets were eligible for prizes.
While many were still browsing the booths, around 6 p.m., everyone started to congregate in the parking lot across from Weaver's at the Christmas tree.
The crowd was a mix of young and old with parents and grandparents taking pictures of youngsters in front of the Christmas tree.
Throughout the evening and up until the lighting took place, kids could write letters to Santa at a table, just steps

from the tree, and place them in a red box for Santa.
As people gathered at the tree, a police siren could be heard. Sgt. Rich Miller of the Hancock Police came down Main Street and turned on to Fulton Street carrying the man of the hour, Santa Claus.
Santa got out of Miller's vehicle and greeted as many people as he could, taking pictures with people, and saying hello to the kids.
Santa and Mrs. Claus made their way to a bench and with a countdown; the lights on the tree were turned on.
The kids in the crowd were in line and ready to sit on Santa's lap and tell him what they wanted for Christmas and get their pictures taken with the Clauses.



Various vendors lined Main Street selling crafts, baked goods and snacks, jewelry, and soaps and lotions.



As everyone waited for Santa to arrive and the tree to be lit, youngsters could write a letter to Santa, telling them what they want for Christmas.



These youngsters were the first to visit Santa at Miracle on Main Street and the town's Christmas tree lighting.

The Hancock News

263 Pennsylvania Ave. Ext. • Hancock, MD 21750

301-678-6255

QUICK QUALITY PRINTING

J LAWYER

AUCTION SERVICES

Estates • Downsizing • Real Estate • Marketing

Full-Time Professional Auctioneers

JLAWYERAUCTIONS.com 304-258-BIDS

LARGE 2 DAY ONLINE AUCTION FOR THE ESTATE OF JENNINGS (JR) POLAND

OVER 1200 ITEMS

AUCTION ENDS DECEMBER 9 AND DECEMBER 10

AT JLAWYERAUCTIONS.COM

ON-SITE PREVIEW OF ITEMS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7 • 2-4:30 P.M.

114 GREENBRIER LANE • BERKELEY SPRINGS, WV

An abundance of beautiful Christmas decorations to make your holiday even more special. Well cared for furniture, lift chair, recliner, Seely solid oak bench, vintage toy piano, guns, ammo, grandfather clock, flat screen TVs, large plush dogs, men's western jewelry, hats and vests, 1000s of Beanie Babies, linens, woodworking by JR, great selection of wood working tools, John Deere X748 4 wheel steer with snow blade, generator, GoGo Scooter, hospital bed, zero turn and push mowers, dump trailer, outdoor furniture, lanterns, Griswold skillet, cookware, China, computers, printers, pool table, appliances, gun safe, craft items, too much to list.

REAL ESTATE AUCTIONS

294 BENNETT LANE • BERKELEY SPRINGS, WV

SOLD AS IS, NO CONTINGENCIES. \$180,000 Starting Bid - Pre-Auction offers considered. Please visit JLawyerAuctions.com to review all terms and conditions.

Real Estate in Cooperation with Ryan Rebant, Broker • 304-258-0410

COMING SOON!

ESTATE OF ELEANOR EFFLAND

This auction will include a Brick 3 BR, 1 Bath Home with full basement. Large personal property including a very nice Chevrolet, home full of nice furniture, glassware, Berkeley Springs items, glassware, tools, model cars, elk horns, bear rug and much more.

COMING SOON - ESTATE OF GARY MILLER

PLEASE READ TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ALL AUCTIONS BEFORE BIDDING – THANK YOU!

Call Us For All Of Your Auction Needs, We Are Continuing to Prepare Live & Online Auctions For January and Beyond – Call Jay to Schedule Yours

Jay S. Lawyer WV2158 • Certified Estate Specialist

304-671-9000

Best OF THE BEST

READERS CHOICE AWARDS

The Journal

Winner

Use Your Local Library

HANCOCK VETERANS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

301-678-5300

Tuesday	11:30-7:00
Wednesday	11:30-7:00
Thursday	3:00-7:00
Friday	11:30-6:00
Saturday	10:15-2:00

Coloring fun

Multiple accidents

(from front)
According to Fire Chief Robert Hoopengardner, the third accident at the 1-mile marker involved five vehicles, three of which had to be towed from the scene.
Hoopengardner added three people were transported to area hospitals for injuries. He did not give an extent of the injuries.
"Traffic was busy and roads were wet, not sure what

the cause of the accident was," Hoopengardner said in an email.
I-70 was closed for about an hour and a half until all vehicles were removed and debris cleaned up, Hoopengardner said.
The Hancock News reached out to Maryland State Police for information regarding both accidents, however they did not have information available.

Deadline Notice

All correspondents and advertisers are reminded the deadline for submitting copy to this publication is Monday each week at noon.

People Told Us...

—MAN JOKED: What did the leftover turkey say? "Make me a sandwich!"
—When you're shopping for Christmas gifts, remember to shop at your hometown stores.
—Charitable contributions of food and money to help needy local people can be sent to the Interfaith Service Coalition, 116 West High Street, Hancock, MD 21750.
—Tell our advertisers you read about them in *The Hancock News*.

Read Aloud 15 MINUTES

Every child. Every parent. Every day.

ReadAloud.org