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Blood drive

A blood drive will be held Thursday, April 6, 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. 4/5 87/63
50% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy.

Thurs. 4/6 76/42
70% chance of showers, possible thunderstorm, wind gusts 20 mph.

Fri. 4/7 58/35
Partly sunny with a high around 58 and a low near 35.

Sat. 4/8 59/34
Mostly sunny with a high near 59 and a low around 34.

Sun. 4/9 63/38
Sunny and mostly clear with a high around 63, low of 38.

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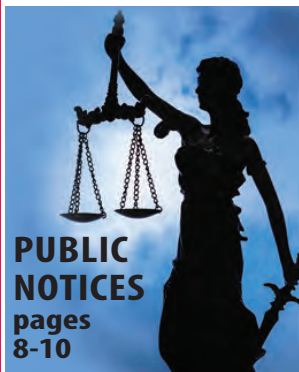
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Letters are a way for citizens to comment on current issues. They are not meant to provide anyone with a platform to write again and again about their philosophy, group or business.

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Hancock community Easter egg hunt draws hundreds

by Lisa Schauer

Storm clouds parted on cue Saturday afternoon, April 1 to reveal a bright blue sky over an emerald field dotted with a rainbow of plastic eggs for the annual Hancock community Easter egg hunt at Widmeyer Park.

Several hundred people descended on the park for the free event, last held pre-COVID in 2019.

Both eager and reluctant children aged two to 10 were in tow with parents and caregivers egging them on. After a few false starts, three heats were held by age group in cordoned off sections of the park's grassy field.

Volunteers with the Hancock Lions Club stuffed 3,200 plastic eggs with

candy, coins and prize tickets over a three-week period, then scattered them over the field out of five-gallon buckets.

"We do it for the kids," said Carl Pelton of Warfordsburg, a Lions Club member who has staffed the event since its inception over 20 years ago.

The Easter bunny made an appearance, mingling with the crowd for photo opportunities. Under a picnic shelter, a table was laden with Easter baskets and toys given away as prizes to members of the public.

Each registered participant received a carton of a half-dozen plastic eggs from Catalpa United Methodist Church.

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Members of the organizing committee for the Hancock community Easter egg hunt include, left to right, Barb Suffecool, pastor of Catalpa United Methodist Church; co-chair Robin Burnett with Hancock United Methodist Church; Donnie Burnett with Hancock United Methodist Church; the Easter bunny costumed character; Carl Pelton with Hancock Lions Club; Becki Wessinger, pastor of Hancock United Methodist Church; Scott McCusker with Hancock Lions Club; and Toby McCarty with Hancock Lions Club. Not pictured: co-chair Tracy Barnhart with Hancock United Methodist Church.



Children scramble at the annual Hancock community Easter egg hunt, after a three-year hiatus. photos by Lisa Schauer



Willow Kelly, two, of Hancock was intent on examining her loot at the annual Hancock community Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 1 at Widmeyer Park.

Maryland releases schedule of youth fishing rodeo

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources has released their 2023 Maryland Youth Fishing Rodeo schedule. Youth anglers of all ages are encouraged to hone their fishing skills at any of Maryland's nearly 50 youth fishing rodeos spread out across the state this year.

The department is working with dozens of organizations in 14 counties across the state to offer free and engaging fishing opportunities for thousands of youth. Many of the events are held in Maryland State Parks and other public lands.

Rodeo events are held from spring until late fall. Maryland's youth fishing rodeo program receives financial support from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program.

Hancock's Tonoloway Rod & Gun Club will host a Fishing Rodeo on May 6 at the Tonoloway Lake/Picnic Area. Rodeo starts at 8 a.m. and is free and open to youth aged three to 15. For more information, contact Leroy Mann at 301-302-9112.



Other fishing rodeos in Washington County can be found on the DNR fisheries page.

While all are free and open to the public, there are space limitations at some venues. Attendees should go to the department website and call the contact number listed to register. Attendees should also check the online rodeo schedule for any cancellations or rescheduling.

Drainage & bridge work continues on I-70 ramp to U.S. 40

Maryland highway work continues on a section of ramp between eastbound I-70 and US 40 (National Pike) at Exit 9 in Indian Springs. Work started last month and will be ongoing through this week, weather permitting.

The bridge will be closed and traffic will be detoured daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, April 7, weather permitting. No lane closures will occur on I-70 in either direction.

Drivers will be detoured during work hours and will be guided to Exit 12/MD 56 (Big Pool Road) and back to U.S. 40. Signs, cones and barrels will be used to navigate motorists through the work zone.

Concrete General Inc., of Gaithersburg, will perform the work.

Drivers are asked to slow down through the work zone for the safety of all drivers and the crews working to improve our roadways.

As the spring season arrives, drivers are urged to remain vigilant for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorcyclists. Motorists in need can dial #77 on their mobile device for roadside assistance.

For a list of all major State Highway Administration projects, go to the project portal. Go to the homepage at roads.maryland.gov.

For a look at real-time traffic conditions, go to md511.maryland.gov.

New Hancock gallery to host art show Saturday

Join Susi Cora and the Hancock Arts Council for an artists' reception this Saturday, April 8 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 41 West Main St. in Hancock.

The new gallery, "41 West," opened by Cora is part of an art renaissance in Hancock as another artist from the Washington, D.C. area will open a studio next to "41 West."

The show features works by members of the Hancock Arts Council: Cora, Mike Kligerman, Susan Lothers and Sinclair Hamilton.

The show has paintings and sculpture with images of flowers, cats, chickens, landscapes and a series of small polychromatic busts. It is a

perfect show for spring, colorful and lively.

Cora, 41 West owner and resident artist, said that she was excited to have these works by members of the Hancock Arts Council at the Gallery.

The Gallery features art installations throughout the year, ceramic housewares, sculpture and offers arts workshops and hosts private events as requested. This summer the Gallery will be hosting bridal parties for champagne and ceramic making fun.

For information, contact Susicora @me.com or 330-766-2402.

RIGHT: Flowers by Susan Lothers and sculptures by Sinclair Hamilton.



OPINIONS

History Matters

a feature courtesy of
The Grateful American Book Prize
by John Grimaldi & David Bruce Smith



April 1 through 15



Jesse James was—arguably—the most notorious cowboy-outlaw of yesteryear. History.com writes, “For 16 years, [he] and his brother, Frank, committed robberies and murders throughout the Midwest. Detective magazines and pulp novels glamorized the James gang, turning them into mythical Robin Hoods who were driven to crime by unethical landowners and bankers. In reality, Jesse James was a ruthless killer who stole only for himself.”

Then, on April 3, 1882, he was murdered—“camouflaged”—under the alias of “Tom Howard”—and killed by fellow fugitive Bob Ford, who wanted to collect the \$10,000 dead-or-alive bounty on James’s life.

Later, James’s murderer was immortalized in Van Morrison’s Ballad of Jesse James as “that dirty little coward that shot Mr. Howard [and] laid Jesse James in his grave.”

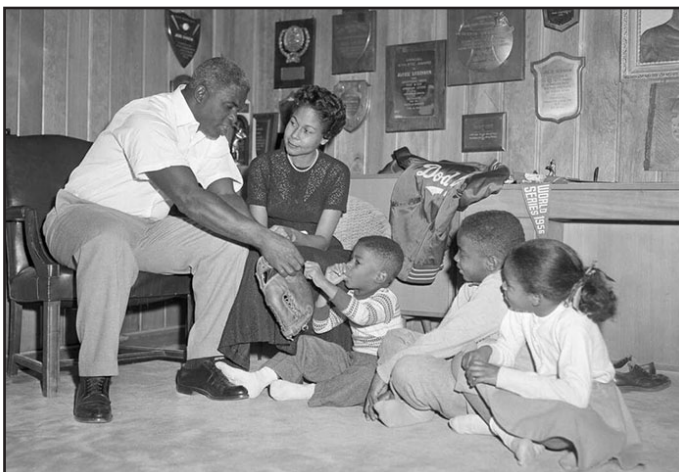
For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize recommends *The Lost Cause: The Trials of Frank and Jesse James* by James P. Muehlberger.



The Civil War was started by the Confederates at Fort Sumter, South Carolina, on April 12, 1861. Four years later, they were in retreat from a lack of food and supplies; a Union army blockade preventing a Confederate army withdrawal, Union General Philip Sheridan’s capture of thousands of prisoners of war, and—an ascending—amount of rebel army deserters.

On April 9, 1865, Robert E. Lee surrendered “his 28,000 Confederate troops [at Appomattox, VA] to Union General Ulysses S. Grant, effectively ending the ...[War]. Forced to abandon the Confederate capital of Richmond, blocked from joining the surviving Confederate force in North Carolina, and harassed constantly by Union cavalry, Lee had no other option,” according to History.com.

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends *A Youth’s History of the Great Civil War in the United States From 1861 to 1865* by Rushmore G. Horton.



On April 15, 1947, Brooklyn “made” history. Twenty-eight year-old Jackie Robinson became the first Black player — ever — in Major League Baseball. It happened at Ebbets Field, the home—then—of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

According to History.com, “Jack Roosevelt Robinson was born January 31, 1919, in Cairo, Georgia, to a family of sharecroppers. Growing up, he excelled at sports and attended the University of California at Los Angeles, where he was the first athlete to letter in four varsity sports: baseball, basketball, football and track. After financial difficulties forced Robinson to drop out of UCLA, he joined the army in 1942 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant. After protesting instances of racial discrimination during his military service, Robinson was court-martialed in 1944. Ultimately, though, he was honorably discharged.”

Sharon Robinson’s Child of the Dream: A Memoir of 1963, written by the baseball legend’s daughter, was the 2020 winner of the Grateful American Book Prize.

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EARTH TALK

Questions &
Answers
About Our
Environment

Dear EarthTalk:

What exactly is permaculture and how is it good for the environment?

—Mary B., New Haven, CT

A buzzword in sustainability circles, permaculture—historically combining “permanent” and “agriculture”—describes ecologically-conscious farming to create sustainable ecosystems for future generations, using methods such as conservation tillage, proper drainage and polyculture (growing more than one crop species in the same space, at the same time). The Australian organization Permaculture Visions notes that “natural energies... [and nature’s eight] reliable patterns that collect, store and move resources around” make it possible for humanity to use less energy to create comfortable living.”

More recently, the word combines “permanent” and “culture” to describe sustainable land use in general, especially in ways that prioritize the knowledge of indigenous peoples. The podcast Green Dreamer has highlighted numerous indigenous voices offering ways to reframe the discussion of nature, permaculture and humanity’s potential responses to the climate crisis. The publication Tenth Acre Farm describes its aim as “working with nature to be low maintenance and highly productive.”

Simply put, permaculture is a method of cultivation that uses multiple tools to minimize human impact on the environment by mimicking the zero-waste feedback loops of naturally-existing systems. Much of permaculture is guided by three ethics and several major principles that help us to be good eco-stewards and support ourselves with native species, while disturbing the least amount of land. It introduces the idea of human responsibility in maintaining ecosystems, encourages greater consideration of the impact of human activities on the environment and reduces waste associated with production intended only for sale.

The Habiba Organic Farm in Egypt puts these principles into practice, converting a former desert settlement, where crops are difficult to grow, to arable land on which many desert-viable plants have been cultivated. Similarly, in India, coconut trees, neem trees and legumes were planted to diversify areas that had been subject to slash-and-burn agriculture for 20 years. Among most current permaculture programs, resilience (especially to growing threats of climate change), co-operation and educational/volunteering opportunities are key elements that define the project and connect it to the permaculture ethos.

Designing irrigation that allows water to seep slowly into soil across a large area prevents soil erosion and nutrient leaching. Similarly, composting and reusing “waste” products reduces pollution and improves soil quality. Readers interested in beginning their own permaculture projects (even home gardens) can start by observing their own land to determine land patterns, plant native species, collect rainwater and runoff and carefully compost their home “waste” (vegetable peels, coffee grounds, eggshells, etc.). “Permaculture site design follows a multi-step process, which starts with observing the landscape through a specific set of both passive and active observations... [and using maps to] think through many possible scenarios and outcomes before [committing] to certain strategies or concepts,” as Tenth Acre Farm puts it.

In a more general sense, permaculture can be incorporated into people’s daily lives in simple ways that identify activities which drain lots of energy and redirecting that energy into productive activities,

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Calendar of Events APRIL

Monday, April 10
– Hancock Lioness Lions
Club meeting, Hancock
American Legion,
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Tuesday, April 11
– Hancock Rotary Club
meeting, Martha’s House,
47 W. Main Street,
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Hancock Police Report 301-678-5633



Hancock Police report the following arrests and incidents from the week of March 27-April 2:

March 27
Assisted Maryland State Police, eastbound I-70 traffic hazard. Ladder in the roadway.

Service to advise, 100 block High Street. Subjects advised.

911 hang-up, 100 block West Main Street. Unfounded.

Urination in public, West Main Street/Virginia Avenue. Report to follow.

Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, two stops.
March 28

Assisted EMS, first block East Main Street.

Service to advise, Hancock area. Subject advised.

Service to advise, 100 block High Street. Subject advised.

Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, one stop.

Assisted Maryland State Police, 3-mile marker westbound I-70. Assault.

Lost/found property, first block West Main Street. Found tag that was reported missing.

Alarm, 200 block West Main Street. Accidental.

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911 hang-up, first block West Main Street. Accidental.

Assisted Maryland State Police, 8-mile marker westbound I-70. Disabled vehicle.

March 29

Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, seven stops.

Undesirable, 100 block East Main Street. Subject advised.

Service to advise, 200 block Quaker Creek. Subject advised.

Suspicious vehicle area of Clay Street. Vehicle checked okay.

Lost/found property, 200 block East Main Street. Property taken back to department.

March 30
Assisted Washington County Sheriff's Office, 911 hang-up Seavolt Road. Unfounded.

Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, 10 stops.

Service to advise, Widmeyer Park. Subject advised.

Service to advise, Hancock area. Subject advised.

Service to advise, 100 block West High Street. Subject advised.

Well being check, 100 block Franklin Street. Subject found and okay.

Public nuisance, Widmeyer Park. Subject advised.

Assisted Washington County Sheriff's Office, 911 hang-up 14,000 block Roundtop Road. Accidental.

Assisted Washington County Sheriff's Office, 13,000 block Willow Road.

Suspicious vehicle, 12,000 block McKinley Drive. Vehicle gone on arrival.

March 31

Noise complaint, 200 block Terrace Street. Unfounded.

Service to advise, 100 block High Street. Subject advised.

Well being check, 100 block Pennsylvania Avenue. Subject checked okay.

Property damage accident, 200 block East Main Street. Information exchanged.

Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, two stops.

Assisted Maryland State Police, 400 block East Main Street. Subjects advised.

April 1

Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, five stops.

Assisted Washington County Sheriff's Office, 14,000 block Rice Road traffic hazard. Tree in roadway.

April 2

Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, six stops.

Assisted Washington County Sheriff's Office, 911 hang-up. Accidental.

911 hang-up, 200 block Quaker Creek. Medical issue.

Domestic verbal, 200 block West Main Street. Subjects advised.

Fulton County residents charged for harassment & trash

by Geoff Fox

A Fort Loudon man was cited for harassment after hitting another man in the face.

According to Pennsylvania State Police, just after 11 p.m. on Thursday, March 30, police were dispatched to a residence on North Crystal Drive in McConnellsburg for a disturbance.

On scene, it was determined that John Lynn Jarrett, 35, of Fort Loudon, had struck a 43-year old Need-

more man in the face during an altercation.

Jarrett was cited for harassment, police said in a release.

Teen harassment

A 15-year old Needmore teen was cited for harassment after harassing another teen through social media.

According to Pennsylvania State Police on March 3, just after 11 a.m. a 16-year-old McConnellsburg teen and her mother arrived at PSP McConnellsburg to report an in-

cident that occurred online through TikTok and Snapchat after a fight occurred in school.

Another female, a 15-year-old Needmore teen, made multiple comments about the victim through comments on multiple apps.

Police said the teen was cited for harassment.

Man cited for rubbish

Pennsylvania State Police responded to the area of Powell Road in Needmore on

March 27 for several trash bags that were disposed along a stream.

After examining the trash, police found a receipt and a suspect formed.

Police made contact with Marco Floyd-Vasquez, 22, of Warfordsburg, who was responsible for disposing the trash.

A citation was filed for scattering rubbish, police said. Police are still investigating.

State Police handle accident, theft, and harassment in Fulton County

der of the road, facing east.

Police said the driver, Jacob M. Dudich, 26, of Warfordsburg, told police he was wearing his seatbelt at the time of the crash and was not injured.

The car sustained disabling damage to the front end and was later towed from the scene by Bard's Garage/Towing.

According to a Pennsylvania State Police release, Dudich was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol/controlled substance, high rate of alcohol.

Catalytic converters stolen

Pennsylvania State Police are investigating the theft of four catalytic converters from one location.

According to police, sometime between March 12, 2021 and March 12, 2023 from four vehicles at a residence in the 34,000 block of Great Cove Road in Burnt Cabins.

Police said the catalytic converters were stolen from a 2002 Honda Odyssey, 1998 Ford Taurus, 2002 Mercury Villager and Nautica Villager minivan, and a 2000 Honda Odyssey that were sitting in the victim's driveway.

Anyone with information regarding the theft of the catalytic converters is asked to contact the Pennsylvania State Police - McConnellsburg at 717-485-3131.

Warfordsburg woman charged

A Warfordsburg woman

was charged with harassment after a verbal altercation became physical.

According to Pennsylvania State Police, police responded to a residence on Mill Hill Road in Warfordsburg for a report of a domestic.

In the commission of the crime, the victim, a 55-year old Warfordsburg woman, who police did not identify and Taryn Brothers, 32, also of Warfordsburg, engaged in a verbal altercation that became physical.

Police said Brothers then pushed the woman during the altercation. Brothers was charged with harassment.

Open mic night

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Participant or Passive-ist?

Are you just gazing, passive like at Jesus, or getting involved deeper in His Passion, Death and Resurrection this Holy Week?

Comparison: Most people would rather passively watch someone jump out of an airplane, than actually do skydiving--so I get that--just watching "on the sidelines". But...

Still, maybe a lotta people are just fine with simply reading about Jesus' Passion--they don't want to get too involved, saying the proverbial, "No thanks-I'm good."

We Catholics and many other Christians practice what Jesus, and Jews still do, and many others--Anamnesis -dynamic ritual, which means the past is made present. Jesus commemorated The Passover ritual (Ex.12) by celebrating The Last Supper--and we do, today and each Sabbath, what He said (Lk. 22:19; I Cor. 11:24). Ritual, by the way, what Jesus Himself did, is: repeated heartfelt actions for God --and transforming of self.

Now, amidst a sometimes busy world, this holy week--now!, some people are getting entranced by the presidents --the past one and present one. Many have been mystified by "March Madness" basketball, and others get intoxicated by the economy and inflation. And then there's Ukraine and storms in the U.S.. There's news 24/7 --some driving, enticing forces--but, for us Catholics and Christians, what about Jesus?

How will YOU go from being a passive watcher to a participant in Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection? How will you not be a spectator but participate in the spectacle-this week--and celebrate them with others, since this is an "essential" of being Christian today--worship of Him, and with others?

Catholics are liturgical Christians meaning, during Holy Week we RE-LIVE, go thru, enter the spectacle, immerse ourselves in Christ's Life.

So we bless and hold up palms to partake in His entrance to Jerusalem before His Death. On Good Friday we re-enact the trial of Jesus and actually heckle, during the spiritual script, "Crucify Him, crucify Him" to help us realize we've all harmed Him (See: Heb. 6:6). We light candles during the Easter Vigil to pragmatically recall He is Light of the world. On Holy Thursday we receive His Body and Blood as He gave, still gives, from the Last Super (see: Jn. 6:56 for Eucharistic Divine Union), and we also wash peoples' feet to recall and practice we are not just "naval gazers" but serve others (See Mt. 25:40. We kiss an actual cross on Good Friday to remember--and practice-- it's "mystical medication" (Nm. 21:8; Jn.3:14-15).

This is kinda like "mystical muscle memory" --we don't just read about it or just watch, spectator-like, but we actually do the walk thru, slowly, prayerfully, reminding ourselves both of His majestic Mercy and our exalted status as Catholics-Christians in following Him through this process of deosis,-making us God-like (See II Pt. 1:4) .

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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.

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.

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Saint Thomas' Episcopal Church, Church and High Streets, Hancock, 301-678-6569 - Sundays 7:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday School for children & adults 10 a.m. Alcoholics Anonymous in lower parish hall. Interim Rector Steven McCarty.

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 - The first church service of the year will be held Sunday, April 9. Then the services will be held every third Sunday of the month at 7 p.m. from May through December with Rev. Ron Martin-Minnich and Rev. Terry Martin-Minnich.

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.

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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 10 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., Warfordburg, 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.

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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.

Wildflower walks set for April

Potomac Valley Audubon Society announces three wildflower walks scheduled for April at a variety of locations.

Volunteer wildflower enthusiasts will meet at Ferry Hill to see the wildflowers along the trail on Monday, April 10. To keep group sizes small, the schedule has been staggered. Sign-up for one of the three walks at your preferred time: 1:30, 1:45 or 2 p.m. This wildflower walk is free and open to the public; however, registration is required due to limited space of 10 people per time slot.

Participants will see spring ephemeral wildflowers at the Ferry Hill Ridge Trail and along the C&O Canal. The walk is scheduled to coincide with peak wildflower season so participants can hope to see Cutleaf Toothwort, Early Saxifrage, Spring Beauty, Dwarf Larkspur, Squirrel Corn, Wild Ginger and Dutchman's Breeches.

Participants will meet at the Ferry Hill Mansion parking area at the top of the hill just over the bridge across from Shepherdstown before each time slot. Directions and more information about Ferry Hill Plantation can be found here: www.canaltrust.org/pyv/ferry-hill-plantation (Note that Ferry Hill is no longer the C&O Canal Visitor's Center, however.)

The trails around Ferry Hill can be steep and primitive, so wear sturdy walking shoes. Children are welcome with an adult. An entire walk may take up to two hours, but participants may leave the group and turn back at any time. Leave pets at home.

PVAS educators Laurel Schwartz and Ellie George will provide a kid-friendly walk at the Yankauer Nature Preserve. Wildflower coloring sheets and scavenger

hunts will be available for children to bring on the hike on Wednesday, April 12, 10-11:30 a.m.

Participants will meet in the parking lot at Yankauer at 10 a.m. This wildflower walk is free and open to the public; however, registration is required due to limited space of 15 people. (More information about the Yankauer Preserve is below.)

Finally, on Sunday, April 15, a series of wildflower walks will be held at the Yankauer Nature Preserve at 1:30, 1:45 and 2 p.m. To keep group sizes small, the schedule has been staggered. Sign-up for one of the three walks at your preferred time. This wildflower walk is free and open to the public; however, registration is required due to limited space of 10 people per time slot.

The Yankauer Nature Preserve is located on the Potomac River between Shepherdstown and Martinsburg. This walk is scheduled to coincide with the peak of the spring wildflower season. A wide variety of wildflowers should be on display, including Twinleaf, Corydalis, Rue Anemone, Bloodroot, Spring Beauties, Dutchman's Breeches, Cut-leaf Toothwort and Giant Chickweed.

Participants will meet at the pavilion at Yankauer Preserve a few minutes prior to each time slot.

Directions and more information Yankauer Preserve can be found here: www.potomacaudubon.org/preserves/yankauer

The trail route includes hills and rocks, so wear sturdy walking shoes. They can also be slippery when wet.

Contact PVAS at info@potomacaudubon.org or 681-252-1387 with any questions you may have.

OBITUARIES

Randy Lee Mills 1958-2023



Randy Lee Mills, age 64, of Berkeley Springs, W.Va., died on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at his home while under the care of Hospice of the Panhandle.

Born August 14, 1958 in Berkeley Springs, W.Va., he was the son of the late Lewis Samuel and Helen Lucille Lopp Mills.

He was a graduate of Berkeley Springs High School, where he ran track and field, played baseball and football. Later in life he enjoyed playing men's softball from 1998 to 2008 and during the winter he built models and bowled. Randy started his working career with his mother, Helen in the family businesses, Berkeley Floral and The News Stand. He worked at London Fog, West Virginia Department of Highways and Prowler Travel Trailers. Randy worked at JR's Supermarket with his wife, Patti. From 1998 to 2018 he worked as a correctional officer with Eastern Regional Jail in Martinsburg, W.Va. Randy loved spending time at Hagerstown Speedway and working on race cars. He enjoyed fishing, watching animals, and spending time with his family. He loved going to the beach, NASCAR races, ball games, car shows and roller coaster parks.

Randy is survived by his children, Jason Lee Mills and his wife, Grace of Hedgesville, Jeremy Lewis Mills of Berkeley Springs, grandchildren, Corinne Mills and Blair Mills, his brothers-in-law, Darrin Younker and his wife, Tracy, and Denny Younker, half-brother, Rick Miller and his wife, Patricia, Uncle Donnie Miller and his wife, Debbie, Jamie Cave, nieces and nephews, Nathaniel Younker and his companion, Renee Weber, Sarah Michael and her husband, Ricky, Krisha McCoy, Codey Christy, Laven Luvine and many other family members.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Patti Jane Younker Mills on February 23, 2022.

Celebration of Life gathering will be at the family home at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Randy's memory may be made to Hospice of the Panhandle, 330 Hospice Lane, Kearneysville, WV 25430.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.helsleyjohnsonfh.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Helsley-Johnson Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 95 Union Street, Berkeley Springs, W.Va.

Thomas Edward Mossellem



Thomas Edward Mossellem, age 85, of Pittsburgh, formerly of Springfield, Va., and Mercersburg, Pa., after a long battle with ALS, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on Friday, March 31, 2023.

Tom was the beloved husband of 47 years of Jane (Morris) Mossellem; loving father of Lynda (Jeffrey) Palmer, Tom (Jordan) Mossellem, and Susan (Steve) Hart; treasured Jiddo of Christian Mossellem, Jonathan Palmer, Madison Mossellem, Alicia (fiancé Brandon Hugel) Hart, Natalie Palmer, Austin Mossellem, Lauren Palmer, Christopher Hart, Daniel Palmer and Brian Hart; and dear brother of John (Annette) Mossellem.

After proudly serving his country in the United States Air Force and completing a distinguished career in the U.S. State Department, Tom engaged his passion for the outdoors at his beautiful farm in Little Cove, Pa. There he raised cattle, grew crops, collected tractors and was recognized as Farmer of the Year for Conservation in 1997. Everyone who knew Tom, knew he loved his family, his friends, his farm and his many dogs over the years. The Mossellem family would like to express their sincere gratitude for the EXCEPTIONAL care provided to Tom by both the Philadelphia and Pittsburgh Veterans Hospitals.

Arrangements by BEINHAUERS. Friends and family were welcome at 2630 West Liberty Ave., Dormont, 412-531-4000, on Monday 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. On Tuesday 10 a.m. a Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Our Lady of Grace Church, 310 Kane Blvd., Pgh., 15243, followed by interment at Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations are suggested to the VA Healthcare System (https://www.cdceportal.va.gov/donate_online/). Add and view tributes at www.beinhauer.com.

Joe Perry 1944-2023

Joe Perry, age 78, of Berkeley Springs, W.Va. died on Friday, March 31, 2023 at his sister's home while under the care of Hospice of the Panhandle.

Born November 17, 1944 in Winchester, Va., he was the son of the late Vernon and Hattie Virginia Pittsnogle Perry.

He was a Christian. Joe attended schools in Morgan County. He retired after 30 years of service with U.S. Silica as a bagger and tow motor operator. Joe enjoyed sitting with his friends and socializing at Roy's and Southern Belle Truck Stop & Restaurant. He enjoyed cutting wood, tinkering around, and loved being with his son sitting around the woodstove in his garage.

Joe is survived by his son, Joe Vernon Perry of Berkeley Springs, one granddaughter, Kaylee Irene Virginia Perry of Martinsburg, W.Va., three sisters, June Redick and Nancy Beddow, both of Berkeley Springs, Phyllis Morton of Tennessee and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Sandra Barney.

The family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, April 6, 2023 at Helsley-Johnson Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 95 Union Street, Berkeley Springs, W.Va. Services and burial will be private.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.helsleyjohnsonfh.com.

The family would like to thank Dr. Berens, Dr. Barry and staff for the great care they provided for Joe.

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I know you will be smiling down on all of us on Easter. Heaven seems so far away, you will be with all your family in so many ways.

There will be so many memories and reminders that will let us know that you are with each of us in so many ways. WE THANK GOD that you were with us.

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—This Sunday, April 9 is Easter.

—April’s full moon – the Full Pink Moon – will shine tomorrow, Thursday, April 6.

—OLD WEATHER LORE: If the wind is mostly south in April and May, it’s a sign of a warm spring and a good growing season. But should the wind be mostly north, expect the worst.

—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.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Walk-in assessments for substance abuse treatment are provided Monday through Thursday at 12:30 p.m. Other times are by appointment. Crisis intervention provided as needed.

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Phone Down. Eyes Up. Be the focused driver to prevent distracted driving

The Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration’s Highway Safety Office is joining the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in recognizing April as Distracted Driving Awareness Month, and is partnering with state and local law enforcement agencies to encourage motorists to Be the Focused Driver and focus on their only task when they’re behind the wheel: driving.

“Every day, we see drivers using their cell phones, which contributes to far too many injuries and fatal crashes,” said Motor Vehicle Administrator Chrissy Nizer, who also serves as Governor Wes

Moore’s Highway Safety Representative. “Whether the driver or passenger, we each play a role to avoid distracting behavior and keep our roads safe.”

Each year, distracted driving contributes to an average of more than 24,000 injuries and 200 fatalities on Maryland roads. While phone use is a leading cause of distracted driving, there are other interruptions that can be just as harmful, such as eating, applying makeup, changing the radio station or tending to other passengers. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, sending or reading a text takes your eyes off

the road for five seconds. When driving at 55 mph, those five seconds equate to traveling the length of a football field with your eyes closed.

In Maryland, fines for using a handheld cell phone while driving are \$83 for the first offense, \$140 for a second offense and \$160 for a third offense. Writing, sending or reading a text or electronic message while driving can result in a \$70 fine and one point on the driver’s record. These penalties increase if the use of a device contributes to a crash, serious injury or death.

The Highway Safety Office reminds state drivers to

remember the following tips:

- Serve as an example for your family and friends by avoiding distractions while driving.
- Pull away from travel lanes and park in a safe location if you need to send a text message. Never stop on the side of a highway.
- Designate a passenger to respond to any messages while you are behind the wheel.
- Keep our police and other emergency responders safe.

Maryland’s Move Over Law requires motorists to move over one lane or slow down when approaching any stopped emergency vehicle of any vehicle displaying

warning signals such as hazard lights, road flares or caution signals.

- Save social media for later. Do not scroll or engage in social media while driving.
- Keep your cell phone out of reach – such as in the glove box, back seat or trunk – if you are tempted to use it when driving.
- Speak up. If your friends or family use their cell phones while driving, ask them to stop.

During April, more than 40 law enforcement agencies statewide will increase enforcement of distracted driving laws.

Monthly bird walk at Rolling Ridge Conservancy

Bird walks on the trails of Rolling Ridge Conservancy on 1,500 acres of protected woodlands on Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30-10 a.m. These walks will be held on the second Tuesday of every month.

The trails wind through the woods with some hilly, rocky sections that could be slippery when wet. Wear sturdy walking shoes, and take along drinking water and walking poles. Binoculars

will be available for anyone that needs them.

Meet by 7:30 a.m. at 138 Tupelo Lane, Harpers Ferry, W.Va. The walk will last at least a couple of hours.

Rolling Ridge Conservancy welcomes donations, which can either be accepted on the morning of the walk or through their website.

If you are having trouble finding the meeting spot on the morning of the walk, feel free to contact trip leaders

Bill Telfair or Scot DeGraf for directions. Telfair number is 408-966-8895 and DeGraf number is 301-275-2009.

For details and to register, go to: www.potomacaudubon.org/event/spring-rolling-ridge-conservancy-bird-walk-2

For questions or would like more information, contact Kristin Alexander at Kristin@potomacaudubon.org or 681-252-1387.



A family egg hunt

Former mayor Dan Murphy, center, co-founded the annual Hancock community Easter egg hunt in the early 2000s, and still serves as master of ceremonies. Pictured with Murphy are wife Debbie Murphy, of Hancock, and left to right, grandchildren Teddy Murphy, two, Fitz Murphy, seven, and Mary Murphy, five, all of Severna Park.

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Lady Panthers soar to new heights in track and field

by Lisa Schauer
Hancock High School's outdoor track and field team competed with 24 other schools from three states at the Dwight Scott Invitational hosted by Boonsboro High School on Saturday, April 1. Senior Aidan Faith placed first in the women's triple jump, with a personal best record of 34'6.5." The triple jump is also known as the hop, step and jump event incorporated into one continuous movement. Senior Joslyn Foltz placed first in the women's varsity shot put with a final mark of 34'2," a personal best. The women's shot put event involves putting an 8.8-pound ball as far as possible with one hand. Faith also placed third in the high jump at the competition in Boonsboro on Saturday, reaching a personal best

of 4'10". The high jump is an unaided jump over a horizontal bar. Earlier in the week, on Thursday, March 30, the Panthers outdoor track and field team traveled to Clear Spring High School for the Quinn Hoover Invitational. There, Foltz won first in the women's varsity shot put with a final mark of 31'3." Faith placed second at the Clear Spring competition in the women's varsity long jump with a jump of 14'2.5." The long jump event involves competitors sprinting along a runway and jumping as far as possible into a sandpit from a wooden take-off board. Today at 4 p.m, the Panthers outdoor track and field team travel to Berkeley Springs High School for their next varsity meet, lead by head coach Ron Hare.



Hancock High School senior Aidan Faith competes in the long jump at Clear Spring High School.

Panthers' baseball team defeats Hyndman Charter School at home

by Lisa Schauer
The Hancock High School boys' varsity baseball team defeated Pennsylvania's Hyndman Charter School Hornets at home by a score of 12-2 on Monday, March 27. Later in the week, on Saturday, April 1, the Panthers fell to Hagerstown's Broad-

fording Christian Academy at home by a score of 9-1. The Panthers are now 2-2 on the season, under head coach Rocky Wills. Their next home game will be Saturday, April 15 when the Panthers host Southern Ful-

Importance of Being Earnest

The Boonsboro High School Drama presents The Importance of Being Earnest, Thursday, April 27, Friday, April 28 and Saturday, April 29 at 7 p.m. In early 20th century New York, two men unwittingly assume the same identity and find it impossible to marry

the women of their choice. Determined to have their way, each tries to outwit the other, ultimately realizing that it's impossible to escape one's true identity. There is a cost. The play was directed by Michael J. Blair with student producers Scout Creter and Abby Wood.

Honor Roll

Southern Fulton Elementary School Third nine weeks

"A" honor roll
Fourth grade — Braylynn Bowers, Elaina Eader, Benjamin Ingersoll, Colin Keiper, Westin Leasure, Parker Mburu, Jameson McPeak, Cayden Norris, Miyah Ramsey, Bryn Swadley and Morgan Williams.
Fifth grade — Avery Bivens, Khristen Borchardt, Gavin Hoopengardner, Mollie Wertz and Wyatt Zeleznik.
Sixth grade — Madison Barton, Ayriana Black, Kaitlyn Fear, Lincoln Hendershot, Kinley Layton, Abigail Mosemann, Alicia Mosemann, Leah Ward, Lili Woodal and Zoe Zeleznik.
"A/B" honor roll
Fourth grade — Zane Berkey, Raelyn Cain, Hunter Conrad, Samuel Fitz, Hailey

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Fifth grade — Max Bard, Alexis Corle, Alden Elder, Miracle Fagley, Denton Hendershot, Hailey Hull, Brady Knapp, Keira Lysczek, Desiree Mason, Carter Mburu, Brelyn Reiter, Wason Shaw and Noah Swadley.
Sixth grade — Bentlee Asbury, Joseph Beal, Giana Bytella, Easton Conley, Madison Eader, Eli Glunt, Javan Hamilton, Devon Hixon, Kennedy Hixon, Bailey Hull, Nina Morgan, Aaralynn Moser, Mackinlay Ramsey, Jaya Rideout, Kaylee Sipes and Hunter Yanick.

Panthers fall to Indians 10-0

Hancock varsity baseball took a hit from cross-river rival Berkeley Springs on Monday, April 3 as they fell to the Indians 10-0 in Berkeley Springs. The Indians came out of the gate with five runs in the first inning, piled on three more in the second and added one each in the third and fourth innings. Hancock's batters caught hold of two hits during the shortened game on Monday, facing three Indian pitchers. Hancock's pitcher, sophomore Logan Trumpower, and sophomore Shawn Thomas connected with Indian pitches during the afternoon game. The Panther baseball team has a 2-3 overall record at this point. They were set to play on Tuesday at Calvary Christian Academy and then again on Thursday at home against Forbes Road, with the game starting at 4:45 p.m.



Hancock pitcher Logan Trumpower delivers a pitch to the Berkeley Springs Indians on their home field on Monday, April 3.



Hancock's Blair Ray preps to throw in a fielded ball during Monday's away game against Berkeley Springs.



Panther Wyatt Luther brings in an Indian hit on Monday, April 3. photos by Lori Younker

How to get in the sports section

Getting your team's scores, team photos and schedules into *The Hancock News* is easy! Coaches and representatives of school teams, adult and youth leagues are encouraged to report their schedules and results in *The Hancock News*, and there are several ways to do it. --Bring information to the news office at 263 Pennsylvania Avenue Extended (next to the optical practice) during our regular business hours, or use the drop box next to the front door for after-hours submissions. --Email information and photos to the news desk at news@hancocknews.us. --Call *The Hancock News* at 301-678-6255. A deadline of Monday at noon is set for all regular submissions, Results from Monday night sporting events should be submitted by 8 a.m. on Tuesday to make it in that week's newspaper. **See you in the sports section!**

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Estate No. 79111
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF Bently Austin Wigfield.

Notice is given that Breana Wigfield, 60 Drake Ave., Falling Waters, WV 25419 was on March 27, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Bently Austin Wigfield who died on February 3, 2022 without a will. There was a prior small estate proceeding.

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 27th day of September, 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.

Breana Wigfield
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Estate No. 79802
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IN THE ESTATE OF Rebecca J. Gay.

Notice is given that George Michael Gay, PO Box 552, Care of Hillside Personal Care, Blue Ridge Summit, PA 17214 was on March 27, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Rebecca J. Gay who died on September 25, 2022 with a will.

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Notice is given that Keith W. Robeson, 13915 Chatterly Place, Germantown, MD 20874 was on March 27, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Betty L. Robeson who died on February 22, 2023 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 27th day of September, 2023.

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Monthly Audubon Program
set for April

The Potomac Valley Audubon Society (PVAS) will host its next monthly program on Wednesday, April 12, from 7 to 8 p.m. The program will be held at Hospice of the Panhandle Education Center, located at 330 Hospice Lane in Kearneysville, W.Va. We will also be offering this program virtually on Zoom. No registration is required, admission is free and everyone is welcome.

The Presenter will be Bob Williams, the Executive Director at Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks and Recreation (MBCPR). MBCPR recently adopted its first Master Plan and is looking forward to serving the growing community over the next 10 years. With parks located around Berkeley County, there are numerous opportunities to connect and engage with nature in a variety of settings, both rural and urban. These connections are vital for each of us. According to the National Recreation and Park Association, "As leaders in building community resilience, park and recreation professionals connect community members to environmental programming, ensure healthy ecosystems, advocate for the benefits of nature and implement sus-

tainability practices." As partners in community engagement, education, and experiences, MBCPR looks to develop these special places for connection – social, environmental and civic engagement.

Williams grew up in the forests, streams, and parks of central Pennsylvania, putting many miles of trails on his boots and developing his love for conservation and the outdoors. Spending multiple years in outdoor recreation and the last 17 years in local community parks and recreation. Professionally, he is a Certified Park and Recreation Professional, a BS in Parks and Recreation from Slippery Rock University and a MS in Nonprofit Management from Robert Morris University. He has worked on trail and park development, native meadow development, nature center operation and urban forestry. For the past year and a half, he has been the Executive Director at Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks and Recreation, helping to collaborate and engage our community in positive and active experiences.

For additional details, go to <https://www.potomacaudubon.org/event/pvas-monthly-program-parks-and-conservation-a-bright-future/>.

National Heritage Area unveils
new volunteer program

Are you looking to give back to your community? Does your organization need additional help with projects and events?

Appalachian Forest Volunteers (AFV) is a new volunteer management program that can help.

Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area has developed a program to support volunteers wishing to find opportunities in our regions, as well as organizations in need of volunteer support, or to build a stronger volunteer program to grow their capacity to fulfill their mission.

The program offers an online volunteer management platform, the AFV Connector, that is open to any individual or organization in the 18 counties in the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area (AFNHA).

The Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area covers the central Appalachian highlands of West Virginia and western Maryland. Our counties in Western Maryland are Garrett and Allegany. Our counties in the highlands of West Virginia are Preston, Mineral, Hampshire, Morgan, Barbour, Tucker, Hardy, Grant, Pendleton, Upshur, Randolph, Braxton, Webster, Pocahontas, Nicholas and Greenbrier.

The AFV Connector allows individuals to find volunteer opportunities in our region, learn new skills, support their favorite local organizations, track their time and value, build eligibility for the President's Volunteer Service Award, and receive regional recognition for their efforts. The AFV program also allows organizations to list needs or projects and recruit volunteers, grants access to a Volunteer Management Handbook to help build and maintain a solid volunteer program, training to better manage their volunteer programs, volunteer recognition resources to help celebrate and retain their volunteers, networking



between organizations and volunteers to support resource sharing and planning, a growing library of ready-made forms, templates, and additional volunteer management resources.

Register as an agency to submit event listings and recruit volunteers, or register as an individual to follow volunteer opportunities in your area.

Sign up now at <https://afnha.galaxydigital.com>.

Community members are encouraged to participate in National Volunteer Week April 16-22 by showing appreciation for volunteers in your area or joining a volunteer event.

This program was partially funded by a Volunteer Generation Fund grant from Volunteer West Virginia.

To learn more about the work of the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area see www.appalachianforestnha.org or contact volunteer@afnha.org for more information.

The Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area conserves, interprets and promotes forest heritage to enhance landscapes and communities in the highlands of West Virginia and Maryland.

AFNHA works with partners to accomplish this through community development, conservation, celebrating cultural heritage, and creating opportunities for transformational experiences.

Earth Day tree planting event

The Potomac Valley Audubon Society (PVAS) will host a tree-planting event to celebrate Earth Day on Thursday, April 13 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Families are welcome to join PVAS staff for a tree-planting event to celebrate Earth Day this month. Families will be split into groups led by PVAS educators to go on a hike to plant trees throughout the preserve. Take a water bottle. Shovels and gloves will be provided.

This program is free, but registration is required and limited to 15 participants.

Participants will meet in the parking lot at Cool Spring Preserve at 9:30 a.m. Directions and more information about Cool Spring Preserve can be found at www.potomacaudubon.org/preserves/cool-spring

Contact PVAS at info@potomacaudubon.org or 681-252-1387 with any questions.

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Taylor Branch is an American author and public speaker best known for his landmark narrative history of the civil rights era, *America in the King Years*. The first book, *Parting the Waters*, won the Pulitzer Prize and numerous other awards in 1989. The next two volumes (*Pillar of Fire*, *At Canaan's Edge*) gained critical and popular success as well. Writing the trilogy involved 24 years of intensive research. “By the time you have finished [*Pillar of Fire*], you feel almost as if you have relived the era, not just read about it,” said Richard Bernstein of the *New York Times*. Branch was born in Atlanta, Georgia, received an BA from the University of North Carolina and then an M.P.A. from Princeton University in 1970. He began his writing career with three

years at *The Washington Monthly*, three years for *Harper's* and then one year for *Esquire Magazine*. In the meantime, he met and became good friends with Bill Clinton and began his work on his first King book, *Parting the Waters*; In addition to the Pulitzer for history, Branch, his King trilogy and his other works have all received critical acclaim such as the National Humanities Medal in 1999 and the Dayton Literary Peace Prize Lifetime Achievement Award in 2008. Branch has long enjoyed music, which began with singing in the Atlanta Boy Choir in the 1950s, a high-school folk trio, a contemporary octet for spirituals and today providing music for Brown Memorial Park Avenue Presbyterian Church in Baltimore.

“History is the key to citizenship.”
– Taylor Branch

Branch and his wife, Christina Macy, live in Baltimore, Maryland. They raised two children. To learn more about Taylor Branch or read excerpts from his King Trilogy, go to: www.taylorbranch.com. Maryland Writers’ Association (MWA) welcomes anyone to have fun writing narrative history like Taylor Branch. Using only 100 words, pick a historical figure and, acting as narrator, write a short-term event in the life of your historical figure. Title your work and submit to: https://marylandwriters.org/Notable_Maryland_Authors by the 22nd of the month to receive an MWA Fun With Words submission certificate.

Taylor Branch

Selected responses to be published with next month’s article as well as posted on the MWA website. The MWA is a 33-year-old state-wide association (501c3) dedicated to Maryland writers, poets, playwrights and authors.

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ACROSS

- 1. Colas
- 7. Single-celled animals
- 13. The rear car of a train
- 14. Endangered
- 16. It cools your home
- 17. Helper
- 19. “The First State”
- 20. More aged
- 22. Partner to cheese
- 23. Type of wrap
- 25. From a distance
- 26. Satisfies
- 28. “Dallas Buyers’ Club” actor Jared
- 29. God of battle (Scandinavian)
- 30. Cooking utensil
- 31. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 33. Able to perform
- 34. Big man on campus
- 36. Second epoch of the Tertiary period
- 38. Porticos
- 40. Alban and Peter are two
- 41. Gets up
- 43. Humble request for help
- 44. One-thousandth of an inch (abbr.)
- 45. Unhappy
- 47. Hint or indication
- 48. A way to plead
- 51. Digits
- 53. Broadway actress Daisy
- 55. Jewish calendar month
- 56. Author Gore
- 58. Peacock network
- 59. White poplar
- 60. Promotional material
- 61. A period of calm
- 64. Take too much
- 65. Emit energy
- 67. Something you can take
- 69. Mended with yarn
- 70. Inconsistent

7. Peaks

- 8. Queens ballplayer
- 9. Geological times
- 10. Twofold
- 11. Atomic #13
- 12. Tranquillizing
- 13. Metric weight unit
- 15. Indicates
- 18. Unwanted rodent
- 21. Partly cooked with hot water
- 24. One who can be recommended
- 26. Resembles a bag or pouch
- 27. Midway between south and southeast
- 30. Sets up for a photo
- 32. California white oak
- 35. More (Spanish)
- 37. After B
- 38. Decorated tea urn
- 39. Island
- 42. Car mechanics group
- 43. Wordplay joke
- 46. Cut a rug
- 47. Prickly plant
- 49. Speech in praise of a deceased person
- 50. European buzzard
- 52. Influential linguist
- 54. West African languages
- 55. Siskel’s partner
- 57. Skinny
- 59. Oblong pulpit
- 62. Consumed
- 63. Small, mischievous sprite
- 66. Powerful lawyer
- 68. Indicates position

Answers for March 29, 2023

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.

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Southern Fulton School District
3072 Great Cove Road, Suite 100
Warfordsburg, PA 17267
or majohnson@sfsd.k12.pa.us

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CAPRICORN
December 22 - January 19

It is alright to feel uncertain about what the heart wants. Not everyone has things all figured out. Ponder your likes and dislikes to determine your path.




ARIES
March 21 - April 19

Aries, your emotions may cloud your judgement in the days to come. It's better to seek the advice of a third party who can guide you without the added drama.




CANCER
June 22 - July 22

Cancer, if you haven't devoted enough time lately to taking care of yourself you might awaken this week with a foggy head. Take care of yourself.




LIBRA
September 23 - October 22

You might find it challenging to articulate your feelings to a romantic partner, Libra. If you stumble over saying the words, why not write them down, instead?




AQUARIUS
January 20 - February 18

Aquarius, messy work and small mistakes can sabotage all of your hard work thus far. Buckle down and focus on the details. Have someone check that everything is perfect.




TAURUS
April 20 - May 20

Messages from the universe could come across as confusing or vague. You might need someone with cosmic intuition to help you sort out what is going on.




LEO
July 23 - August 22

Responsibilities could have you feeling overburdened, Leo. The trick is to ask others to lighten your load. There are bound to be several volunteers willing to lend a hand.




SCORPIO
October 23 - November 21

Sometimes your pragmatic side gets into a tussle with your optimism, Scorpio. Being a realist doesn't have to mean you give up hope. There are many things that can go your way.




PISCES
February 19 - March 20

People around you may be more temperamental than usual, Pisces. Avoid offering any unsolicited advice until things quiet down.




GEMINI
May 21 - June 21

A stagnant energy has been surrounding you lately, Gemini. Fortunately, you are able to brush that away soon enough and feel rejuvenated.



VIRGO
August 23 - September 22

Virgo, try not to compare yourself to others this week. Everyone is unique, with his or her own strengths and weaknesses. An unfair comparison could dampen your spirits.



SAGITTARIUS
November 22 - December 21

Sagittarius, while you may feel like sleeping the week away, awaken to the possibilities before you. Numerous opportunities await, so answer the door when they knock.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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