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## Hancock at a Glance

### Blood drive

A blood drive will be held Thursday, June 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. 5/24 80/45  
Mostly sunny with calm southwest winds around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Thurs. 5/25 69/43  
Mostly sunny with north winds 9-14 mph, gusts up to 20 mph.

Fri. 5/26 71/47  
Mostly sunny with a high near 71 and a low around 47.

Sat. 5/27 72/51  
40% chance of showers. Mostly cloudy with a high of 72.

Sun. 5/28 74/54  
40% chance of showers. Partly sunny with a high around 74.

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## Plant giveaway spreads sprouts & seeds



Community members stopped by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints parking lot on Saturday, May 20, for their first Community Plant Giveaway. Wendy Weller said 2,700 plants, seeds, and potatoes were given away during the event.

The first ever community plant giveaway was a success as an estimated 2,700 plants, seeds, and potatoes were given away on Saturday, May 20, in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints parking lot.

The event ran for two hours, from 10 a.m. until noon.

Wendy Weller, who organized the event, said the 2,700 plants were given away to 150 people who attended the giveaway.

"Our goal was to serve the community and those in

need while building relationships," she said.

Congregation members grew some of the plants, but there were a few greenhouses who donated plants for the event.

Weller said Stoner's Florist and Greenhouse, Rocky Lea Mulch, Glascock's Produce, Buck Run Nursery, Mocks Greenhouse and Landscaping, and Brush Creek Evergreens, Greenhouse, and Gift Nook all donated plants for the giveaway.

Washington County Master Gardeners and Morgan County Master Gardeners Association also set up information tables and answered questions about gardening.

The Hancock congregation of the Hagerstown Stake – The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, sponsored the event.

Weller said the congregation is thinking about having another giveaway next year.

## Allen court date set for end of October

by Geoff Fox

After a February trial date for Everett Allen was cancelled, the man accused of killing a Hancock man in 2021 will finally stand trial. Allen has been charged with the murder of his roommate, Eddie Smith.

According to online court documents, Allen's trial will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, October 30, and run through Wednesday, November 1, in Washington County Circuit Court.

The trial was initially scheduled for May 2022. It was then rescheduled for February 2023.

In January, the trial was cancelled with no new date scheduled, but a scheduling conference was held on April 24 in Judge Brett Roberts' chambers.



A "criminal notice of hearing/trial" was issued on May 2.

Allen, 58, is accused of murdering his roommate, 53-year old Eddie Smith, in the early morning hours of March 27, 2021, after the two got into a struggle. Allen alleges he killed Smith because the man had grabbed a knife and attacked him.

Allen is currently incarcerated in Washington County Detention Center in Hagerstown.

## Meet the Hancock & Southern Fulton Class of 2023

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## Hancock LEO Charter Club called to order

by Lisa Schauer  
& Geoff Fox

Hancock got its first junior order of the Lions and Lioness Club, arguably the town's most active civic organization, with the organization, induction of members, and installation of officers of the Hancock LEO Club at Hancock Middle Senior High School on Friday evening, May 19.

"We're here to help the community in any way possible. It's an honor to raise money for charities," said Trinity Putman, LEO Club president.

Club vice president is Hunter Kerns. Treasurer is Payton McMahon.

LEO stands for Leadership, Experience and Opportunity.

Its members are middle school students ages 12 to 14 at Hancock Middle Senior High School.

LEO chairperson Mindy Coates presented the club's Certificate of Organization during a program that followed a luau themed dinner held at the school by the Lions and Lioness Club.

Club advisor is Hancock Middle Senior High School Lead Teacher Ruth Bradley, a member of the Hancock Lions and Lioness Club.

The LEO Club is a service organization for students at Hancock Middle School, said Media Specialist and advisor for the club Ann Shilling. She added the high school students belong to Interact, which is a service club associated with Rotary.

The club was initiated a few months ago when two things happened, Shilling said.

The first thing that hap-



Hancock LEO charter club members, from left to right, Mackenzie Boyer, Brooke Parker, Wyatt Blevins, Connor Pogue, Nick McCusker, Madison Booth, Hunter Kerns, Trinity Putman, Payton McMahon, Sarah Smith, Colton Bean and Bailei Ray. Not pictured: Caden Miller, Madison Booth, Makinna Mosier, Laylah Golden and Tianna Curry.

pened was the Lioness/Lions Club donated money to fund a middle grades book club.

Shilling and fellow teacher Ruth Bradley thought their middle school students could benefit from membership in a service organization. Both teachers are member of the Lioness/Lions Club.

"We are aware of the good works that the LEO Club does in other Washington County schools," Shilling said.

When the idea for the club was pitched, Shilling said it was met with positivity.

"Staff, students, and families are longing for positive interaction and purposeful engagement following the pandemic," she said.

The LEO Club will be raising money for Lion's

Club service projects and celebrating kindness and good character as well, Shilling said.

The hope, she said, is the LEO Club would foster pro-social, service-oriented hearts and minds for both the school and community.

When asked what it means to the Lions Club and future of the clubs in Hancock to see the kids coming out for the LEO Club, Shilling said, "We are growing!"

## 2023 school year coming to a close

by Geoff Fox

When the school year started in August 2022, the end of the year was far away, but it's getting closer as both Hancock schools and Southern Fulton schools begin the final countdown until summer break.

Seniors at Southern Fulton will have their graduation at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31. Hancock seniors will walk across the stage in the school's auditorium at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 30.

Students at Southern Fulton will end the school year on Thursday, June 1, with an early dismissal at 11:30 a.m. Hancock students will end the school year a few days later on Wednesday, June 4.

## Early Deadline For May 31 Issue

The Hancock News will be closed Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

In order to meet the deadline, we must ask that news items and advertisements for the May 31 issue be in by Friday, May 26.



# OPINIONS

Editorial

## The future is theirs

Our readers will find a special treat in this edition – the faces of our area’s two high school graduating classes. Starting on page three, you’ll see the young people who are closing out their high school careers in the halls of Hancock Middle Senior High School and Southern Fulton High School. They will cross the stage and get their diplomas next week, then head off into the great unknown of the future. The details of their journey outward haven’t been written yet, but they will step into the future with the best wishes of their community behind them. They can rely on that.

Putting together a graduation edition is trickier than it may seem, so we ask for our readers’ grace and forgiveness if any grads pictures or names are misplaced. There are always last-minute changes in the world of high school graduations. We’ve done our best to depict the graduating classes as we knew them to be on Monday evening. Any omissions are unintentional.

Finally, the staff of *The Hancock News* wishes both graduating classes the finest of luck, good health and plentiful opportunities as they move into the next phase of life.

To them, we say...May you have the courage to take risks, explore the world beyond your knowledge of it, meet every person you can and learn from them, whether they are a college professor or the person cleaning up a public park.

That’s one thing we know for sure – everyone we encounter can teach us something. Never dismiss a person because they look different than you, or speak an unfamiliar language, or dress uniquely, or struggle to do what you can do easily. Show every person respect, and you will be rewarded with a rich lifetime of encounters that will open doors, match you with friends and teach you how to be a better person.

Show up, embrace hard work, watch your money and look for ways to make the world better.

The future belongs to these young people featured in our pages. We eagerly await news of their discoveries, their contributions to the world, and the fruits of their endeavors. Stay in touch, Class of 2023. We are cheering for you all along the way.



Questions &  
Answers  
About Our  
Environment

Dear EarthTalk:

Why are “forever chemicals” so bad, and how can I avoid them?

—M.N., via email

“Forever chemicals” are types of highly persistent and toxic synthetic chemicals widely used in many industries, including firefighting foam, non-stick cookware, food packaging and water-resistant clothing. These chemicals are called “forever” because they do not break down easily in the environment and can persist for decades or even centuries, accumulating in soil, water and air.

The most common types of forever chemicals are per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), which include compounds such as perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS). PFAS have been linked to a range of health problems, including cancer, immune system damage, hormone disruption and developmental delays. The problem with forever chemicals is that they can accumulate in our bodies over time, as well as in the bodies of animals and plants, leading to long-term health and environmental consequences. Because these chemicals do not break down easily in the environment, they can also contaminate soil, water and air, potentially impacting entire ecosystems.

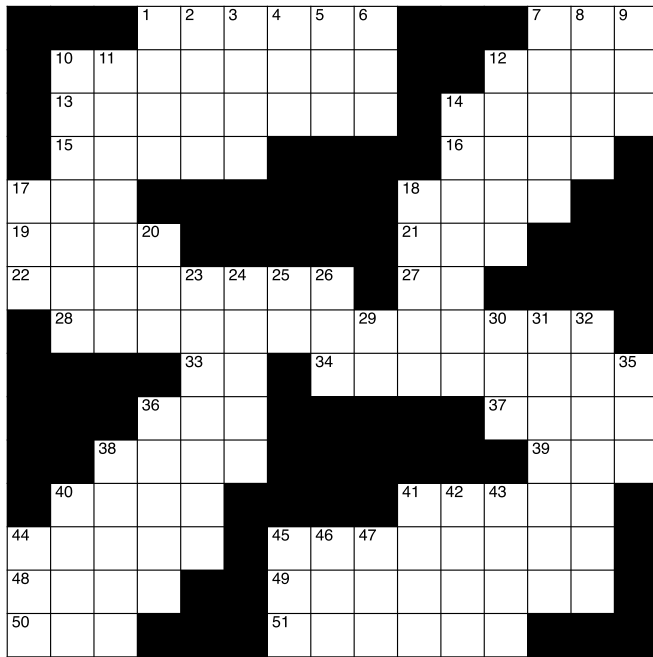
To avoid exposure to forever chemicals, there are several steps you can take. First, avoid using non-stick cookware and other products that contain PFAS. Instead, opt for stainless steel, cast iron or ceramic cookware. Secondly, avoid using products that are labeled water-resistant, stain-resistant or grease-resistant, as they may contain PFAS. Thirdly, use natural, organic and biodegradable cleaning products instead of conventional cleaning products that may contain PFAS. When shopping for food, choose products that are packaged in glass, metal or paper containers instead of plastic containers, as plastic can contain PFAS. Finally, if you live in an area where PFAS contamination is a concern, consider installing a water filtration system that is designed to remove these chemicals.

According to the non-profit Environmental Working Group, a watchdog organization that tracks contaminants and chemicals in food, health and beauty products, nearly all Americans, including newborn babies, have forever chemicals in their bloodstreams, while 200 million of us may well be drinking tap water contaminated with these toxins. And we’re not the only ones at risk. Researchers have found traces of forever chemicals in wildlife all over the world, including some endangered species. Who would’ve thought that such a risk would threaten polar bears in the Arctic let alone tigers, monkeys and pandas in milder locales and even dolphins and fish across the world’s oceans?

Forever chemicals have been ubiquitous in our ecosystems and bloodstreams for decades, but it wasn’t until March 2023 that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) started to address the issue by setting Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) goals for PFAS and related persistent chemicals in drinking water supplies. While this might be too little too late for those of us exposed to these toxins year after year, at least it’s a step in the right direction. “Decades of unchecked use and releases of PFAS chemicals have devastated the planet by contaminating people, drinking water, and food, including fish and wildlife across the globe,” says Tasha Stoiber, a senior scientist at EWG. “The proposed nationwide standards to limit exposure to PFAS in drinking water are a welcome development to address the harms these toxic chemicals have already inflicted upon individuals and communities.”

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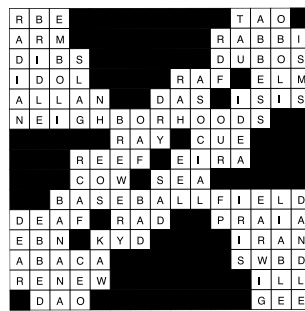
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- Snap up
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- Residue after burning
- Large integers
- Free agent
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- Nonflowering aquatic plant
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- Consumed
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- Sun up in New York
- Cygnus star
- Male parents
- Talk to you (abbr.)
- A place to clean oneself
- Southwestern US state

- South Korean idol singer
- Pirate
- Pituitary hormone (abbr.)
- Mistake
- Promotions
- Prepares
- Partner to flowed
- State lawyer
- Patti Hearst's captors
- Pound
- Electronic data processing
- Sports player
- Treats with contempt
- Apprehend
- Excessively talkative
- Highways
- Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- College organization for males
- Any customary observance or practice
- Employee stock ownership plan
- Male parent
- The 23rd letter of the Greek alphabet
- Female bird
- Autonomic nervous system

Answers for May 17, 2023



### Early Deadline

All correspondents and advertisers are reminded the deadline for submitting copy to this publication is Friday this week, due to the holiday.



## Calendar of Events MAY

**Monday, May 29**  
– Memorial Day  
– Hancock News closed

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

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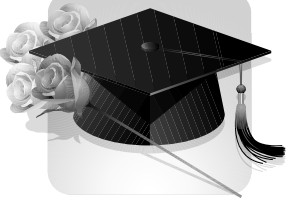
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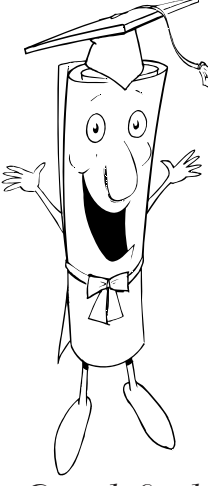
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### History Matters

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



May 16 to May 31



On May 18, 1860, Abraham Lincoln, a former member of the anti-slavery Whig Party, was nominated for the United States presidency at the Republican National Convention in Chicago, Illinois.

During the ramp up to the election Lincoln sparred with his rival, Stephen A. Douglas, for a November victory. According to History.com: "Lincoln ... first gained national stature during his campaign against Democratic Senator Stephen Douglas of Illinois for a U.S. Senate seat in 1858. The senatorial campaign featured a remarkable series of public encounters on the slavery issue, known as the Lincoln-Douglas debates, in which Lincoln argued against the spread of slavery while Douglas maintained that each territory should have the right to decide whether it would become free or slave state. Lincoln lost the Senate race, but his campaign brought national attention to the young Republican Party."

When the votes were tallied, Lincoln emerged as the 16th president—and the first Republican—to ascend to the office.

For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize recommends *Lincoln and the Election of 1860* by Michael S. Green.



### Hats Off to the Graduates

You've overcome the challenges and risen to the occasion, and today we salute your hard work and accomplishments. Congratulations on this milestone achievement, and we wish you all the best as you take the next step.

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By May 22, 1843, the "Great Emigration" of pioneers heading West was gaining momentum; on that day, a caravan of 1,000 men, women and children climbed aboard their horses and steered out of Elm Grove, MO.

As History.com describes it, those pioneers brought with them "a herd of 5,000 oxen and cattle trailing behind. Dr. Elijah White, a Presbyterian missionary who had made the trip the year before, served as guide ... Dozens of books and lectures proclaimed Oregon's agricultural potential, piquing the interest of white American farmers. The first overland immigrants to Oregon, intending primarily to farm, came in 1841 when a small band of 70 pioneers left Independence, Missouri. They followed a route blazed by fur traders, which took them west along the Platte River through the Rocky Mountains via the easy South Pass in Wyoming and then northwest to the Columbia River. In the years to come, pioneers came to call the route the Oregon Trail."

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends *The Oregon Trail: A New American Journey* by Rinker Buck.



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You worked hard.  
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Johnstown, PA—founded in 1800—has an anguished history; on May 31, 1889, its South Fork Dam crumpled, flooded the town, and killed more than 2,200 of the 30,000 residents.

According to History.com, "People in the path of the rushing flood waters were often crushed as their homes and other structures were swept away. Thirty-three train engines were pulled into the raging waters, creating more hazards. Some people in Johnstown were able to make it to the top floors of the few tall buildings in town. However, whirlpools brought down many of these taller buildings. A bridge downstream from the town caught much of the debris and then proceeded to catch fire. Some people who had survived by floating on top of debris were burned to death in the fire. Reportedly, one baby survived on the floor of a house as it floated 75 miles from Johnstown ... [It was] one of the American Red Cross's first major relief efforts. Clara Barton arrived five days later to lead the relief. It took five years to rebuild Johnstown, which again endured deadly floods in 1936 and 1977."

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends *Through The Johnstown Flood* by David J. Beale.



### Happy Graduation

Hats off to the hardworking Class of 2023!

We wish you continued success as you turn the page to an exciting new chapter. Good luck, and best wishes.

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# Maryland DNR reminds boaters to float safely during National Safe Boating Week

As boating season kicks into high gear, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources is encouraging all waterway users – whether boating, kayaking, swimming, or fishing – to take proper precautions on the water. The department and its partners will provide opportunities to promote the use of personal flotation devices and other lifesaving habits and equipment throughout May and into the summer.

“We want to eliminate fatalities on the waterways, which more often result when people don’t have or use personal flotation devices,” said Maryland Natural Resources Police Boater Safety Lead Donna Seymour.

“If you end up in the water, life jackets can give you more time to be rescued and increase your chances of survival,” she said.

In 2022, Maryland had 132 reportable boating accidents, resulting in 48 injuries and 11 fatalities. Of those fatalities,

only two were wearing a life jacket.

This year, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Police has placed a kiosk near the Sandy Point State Park marina where visitors can borrow a life jacket if they don’t have one and return it later.

Sandy Point is one of Maryland’s busiest state parks during the summer, where each year hundreds of thousands of residents and visitors swim in the Chesapeake Bay and launch boats, kayaks, canoes, and personal watercraft. The life jacket lending station is a pilot program to assure that all have access to this essential, life-saving equipment.

To help spread the message about being prepared, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources invites all state, county, and municipal police and fire companies in Maryland to submit videos of their members wearing their U.S. Coast Guard approved



photo courtesy of Maryland Department of Natural Resources

life jackets to a regular workday.

Winning submissions will be featured on the Department of Natural Resources website and social media.

First responders around the state routinely handle or partner with Maryland Natural Resource Police and the U.S. Coast Guard to respond to

waterway emergency calls – and filming a video promoting life jackets is one more way they can help.

Complete rules and entry instructions are on the Maryland Department of Natural Resources website. Deadline for submission is 5 p.m. on June 30.

## Maryland governor asks chefs to contribute recipes for “Buy Local” cookout

Maryland Governor Wes Moore has asked chefs to feature local Maryland ingredients in original recipe submissions for the annual Governor’s Buy Local Cookout, to be held at the Maryland Department of Agriculture’s headquarters in Annapolis on July 20. The cookout promotes the statewide Buy Local Challenge Week, during which all Marylanders are encouraged to eat at least one local product each day of the week.

“Maryland’s farmers, watermen, and chefs produce an incredible bounty that is second to none,” said Governor Moore. “I invite chefs from across the state to submit their most creative recipes using fresh, local ingredients as I invite all Marylanders to help strengthen the state’s economy and buy local.”

Recipes must be submitted by June 2 and must include 50% of Maryland-sourced products with a focus on partnering with at least one Maryland farmer, waterman, or other producer.

Chefs are encouraged to submit recipes that showcase ways the average Maryland family can prepare delicious, nutritious meals with locally produced food at home.

“Buying local is just one way Marylanders can stay involved in agriculture and their community,” said Maryland Department of Agriculture Secretary Kevin Atticks. “Making Maryland farms profitable creates a stronger economy. This week recognizes and celebrates the hard work of our food producers.”

Recipes will be chosen in each of the following categories: appetizer, main dish, side dish or salad, and dessert. Original recipes will be selected based on simplicity, creativity, availability of ingredients, geographic representation, and maximum use of local ingredients.



Culinary high school and college teams are encouraged to submit recipes. Student teams submitting poultry recipes may be eligible to receive a donation of poultry from a member of the Delmarva Chicken Association if they are selected to participate in the Governor’s cookout (limited to one high school and one college team).

Selected teams will be welcomed to provide, prepare, and share their dish at the Governor’s cookout. Complete rules of entry and additional information are available on the department’s website. Recipes must be submitted using this online form.

Previously submitted recipes are not eligible. A \$200 stipend toward cost will be provided by the department.

Chefs who have questions should contact Karen Fedor at karen.fedor@maryland.gov or Audrey Broomfield at audrey.broomfield@maryland.gov.

## Hancock Police Report

301-678-5633



### Hancock Police report the following arrests and incidents from the week of May 15-21:

**May 15**  
Well being check, 200 block Pennsylvania Avenue. Subject okay and moved on.  
911 hang-up, 200 block Pennsylvania Avenue. Unfounded.  
Found property, 100 block Limestone Road. Objects found to be destroyed.  
Service to advise, Hancock area. Subjects advised.  
911 hang-up, 200 block West Main Street. Accidental.  
Disorderly conduct, Widmeyer Park. Subject checked and moved on.  
Service to advise, Hancock area. Subject advised.  
Suspicious person, Widmeyer Park. Subject transported to War Memorial Hospital.  
Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, one stop.

**May 16**  
Service to advise, 200 block Quaker Creek. Subject advised.  
Police information, 200 block East Main Street. Information taken.  
Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, seven stops.  
911 hang-up, first block East Main Street. Accidental.  
911 hang-up, 400 block Quaker Creek. Accidental.  
Service to advise, 200 block Quaker Creek. Subject advised.  
Assisted Maryland State Police, westbound I-70. Domestic assault.

**May 17**  
Service to advise, 200 block West Main Street. Subject advised.  
911 hang-up, 400 block Quaker Creek. Accidental.  
Service to advise, 100 block West High Street. Subject advised.  
Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, three stops.

Service to advise, 100 block West High Street. Subject advised.  
Assisted Washington County Sheriff’s Office, 14,000 block Stumpf Road. Well being check.  
**May 18**  
911 hang-up, 200 block West Main Street. Accidental and subjects seemed okay.  
Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, one stop.  
Service to advise, 100 block West High Street.  
**May 19**  
Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, three stops.  
911 hang-up, 200 block East Main Street. Accidental.  
Service to advise, 200 block Pennsylvania Avenue. Subject advised.  
Service to advise, 200 block Quaker Creek. Subject advised.  
Assisted Washington County Sheriff’s Office, 14,000 block White Oak Ridge. Well being check.  
**May 20**  
Traffic enforcement, Hancock area, five stops.  
Noise complaint, 200 block Terrace Street. Subject advised.  
Traffic complaint, Quaker Creek. Subject stopped and advised.  
Disabled vehicle, 100 block Franklin Street.  
**May 21**  
Property damage accident, first block Blue Hill Road. Information exchanged.  
Animal complaint, first block West Main Street. Dogs checked okay.  
Intoxicated person, 200 block West Main Street. Arrested Christopher Lloyd Triggs, 37, of Hancock, for DUI.  
Service to advise, Hancock area. Subject advised.  
Police information, Hancock area. Information taken.  
Disorderly conduct, Widmeyer Park. Unable to locate and gone on arrival.

## People Told Us...

—KID JOKED: Where do sheep go on vacation? The baaa-hamas!  
—Monday, May 29, is Memorial Day, a county-state-federal holiday. Expect banks, government offices and some businesses to be closed.  
—Poppies were adopted as a symbol of remembrance for fallen soldiers after World War I. The red flowers flourished in Flanders, western Belgium, despite the destruction of so much of that part of Europe during heavy fighting in the war.  
—If trees have oak wilt, it should be obvious by now. Time to treat for rhododendron borer.  
—Problems with mail fraud or theft, or receiving scam material via mail? Call the U.S. Postal Inspection Service hotline at 1-877-876-2455.  
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## Hancock students get first-hand look at consequences of distracted driving

by Geoff Fox

If you drove by Hancock Middle-Senior High School last Thursday, May 18, you might have noticed a cluster of first responders in the back parking lot attending to a vehicle accident.

Yes, they were responding to an accident, but it wasn't a real one. The gathering was a demonstration to show juniors and seniors the consequences of distracted driving and driving under the influence.

Senior Brianna Buskirk, who is also a member of Hancock Rescue Squad, arranged the event.

The school had put on similar Prom Promise demonstrations before, but after the last one a few years ago, Buskirk said it was "kind of over."

As a young person in EMS and still in high school, Buskirk said she wanted a way to prevent accidents happening to people she knows and those in the community she isn't familiar with.

Buskirk used her connections to organizations in Hancock, including the Rescue Squad to get their participation, going to the Fire Department to use their tools in case something were to happen during the demonstration.

"Overall, I had a lot of help with the community as a

whole because everybody thought it was an important cause and we all wanted to protect everybody in our community and keep it from happening," Buskirk said.

The demonstration was treated as a real response and the call was broadcast over the scanner, meaning anyone listening to a scanner would have heard a call for 289 West High Street, the high school's address, for Company 5 and Company 59 to respond.

The demonstration is considered a public service, so dispatch was contacted to do a simulation call.

First responders at the high school were on a different tact on their radios as to not interfere with any real 911 calls going on in Washington County.

But before students could see the first responders in action, students gathered in the school's auditorium to hear two personal stories of how distracted driving changed two local residents' lives after separate accidents a year apart.

The first was Greg Yost who lost his daughter in a car accident in 2014.

"My daughter walked across this stage in 2004 graduating," he said. "About 10 years later, you'll see what she did, her poor decisions, and what happened."



Juniors and seniors at Hancock High School watch as first responders attend to a victim of a car crash during a Prom Promise demonstration last Thursday, May 18.

Yost presented a small presentation with headlines from local and national stories where people were injured or killed in accidents as a result of distracted driving as well as various statistics on distracted/DUI accidents and teens killed or injured in accidents. Yost also showed a dramatic representation of an accident caused by distracted driving.

During his presentation, Yost also talked about his daughter's 2014 crash, showing a picture of her vehicle at the scene, and a current picture of her – in an urn in Yost's bedroom.

"That's what we have. Don't let it happen to you," he told the students.

Yost is a member of the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Fireman's Association. Before students entered the auditorium, they were given pamphlets from that group and from Maryland Department of Transportation.

Yost talked about the "Move Over, Slow Down" laws in Maryland and across the nation.

He also talked about being a "D" driver -- a distracted, drugged, dangerous, disturbed, distinguished, driverless, drunk, drowsy, disgruntled, drag racer, developing, and "too often, dead" drivers.

Yost said they've also added "just plain dumb" to the list.

Yost said his daughter always said it wouldn't happen to her and he could see the same expression on the teens in the audience.

"You're all thinking the same thing, It's not going to happen to me," Yost said. "It can. And the more you do it, the more you distracted driving drunken driving, the better the odds are that it will happen to you."

Debbie Cohill followed Yost's presentation with a story and photos of an accident near D.C. that changed not only her life, but that of her husband as well.

"I can tell you, I guess I'm allowed to say it, it's pure hell when your life has been turned upside down and you feel so helpless," Cohill said.

In 2015, Cohill's husband, John, was riding his motorcycle to work in the early hours of a Monday morning near Frederick when a 20-year old woman hit John Cohill, who was severely injured.

After the wreck, Cohill said John didn't know who she was except that she was his wife, didn't know their last name or address, and didn't know where she worked. She added it took shock trauma hours to even find her to tell her what was going on.

Debbie Cohill called Hancock Police because she couldn't find or get in touch with her husband and it took Sgt. Rich Miller calling the

Maryland State Police to find out about the accident.

"Every single day since then, my life has been different," she said.

Cohill detailed how John had to stay in shock trauma for 10 days, memory problems from brain injuries, and leg injuries.

"While he didn't die, the John that I knew died," Cohill said of the changes her husband suffered from the accident.

Cohill said her husband used to be a world traveler and gave examples of some of the places he's gone, but now he sits in his chair at home instead.

After Cohill's presentation, students were directed outside to the school's side parking lot for the first responders' demonstration.

Units from Hancock Rescue Squad, Hancock Fire Department, and Hancock Police Department were staged in front of the school before the assembly started.

In the parking lot was a car with a hole in its windshield, a large dent in the driver side door, debris from the car, a passenger in the vehicle, and two victims on the ground. The victims were portrayed by students while the passenger in the car was a dummy.

As students gathered on the sidewalk outside the gymnasium, Washington County Dispatch toned out a call for an accident at 289 West Main

Street for Company 5 and Company 59 across the scanner.

The students watched as the first responders arrived on scene and began assessing the scene and helping the two patients.

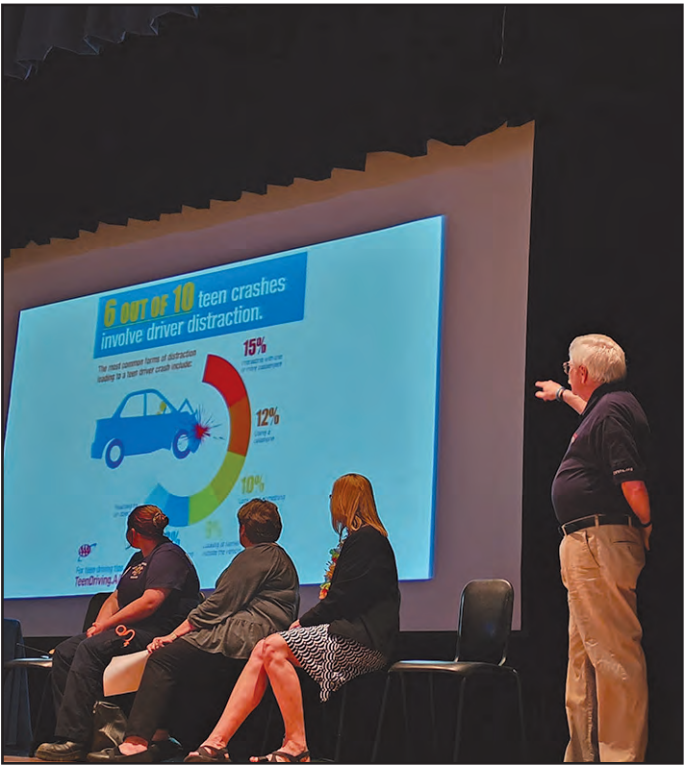
Hancock Police Officer Shawn Faith assisted and gave Cohill a sobriety test, which she "failed" and was "arrested" as part of the demonstration.

EMTs worked on the two patients, one of which was pronounced deceased at the scene and a cloth draped over them. Another team of first responders worked to cut the top of the vehicle off so they could rescue the victim in the front seat.

After the incident was concluded, Hancock Rescue Squad Chief Steve Barnhart and Simulation Command Keith Hose from Hancock Fire Department explained what happened and answered questions.

Buskirk, who was on the sidewalk giving a little play-by-play to her fellow students, said she hopes her classmates got something out of the demonstration.

"I really hope seeing both the demonstration and hearing from people's point of views that have actually experienced this that it'll kind of stick with them and they'll think about that before prom."



Greg Yost gave a presentation to Hancock High School juniors and seniors as part of the school's Prom Promise assembly on Thursday, May 18. Brianna Buskirk (left) was responsible for putting together the assembly and a demonstration with Hancock first responders.

## HCC Early College Degree Program students graduate

Hagerstown Community College is pleased to announce the graduates in the Early College Degree Program. Thirty-four students are earning associate degrees from HCC at the same time they are completing high school.

The Early College Degree Program, formerly Middle College, is a partnership between HCC and Washington County Public Schools (WCPS) to allow college-ready high school students the opportunity to earn college degrees or certificates while completing their high school diplomas.

The graduates in the 2023 class include the following students:

Barbara Ingram School of the Arts

- Mukisa Serufusa – A.S. Computer Science, transferring to Messiah University
- Caitlin Lennon-Puthoff – A.S. Arts and Sciences, Biology Concentration, transferring to St. Mary's College of Maryland

For more information on HCC's Early College Degree Program, go to [www.hagerstowncc.edu/earlycollegedegree](http://www.hagerstowncc.edu/earlycollegedegree).

## Heidi Weller inducted into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

Heidi Weller of Hancock, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Weller was initiated at Frostburg State University.

Weller is among approximately 25,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10% of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10% of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may

also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann who had a desire to create a different kind of honor society: one that recognized excellence in all academic disciplines. Today, the Society has chapters on more than 325 campuses in the United States, its territories and the Philippines. Its mission is "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

## HCC accepts 37 new members into Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), the national honor society at Hagerstown Community College, recently accepted 37 new members. To be eligible for PTK, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher and must have completed 12

credit hours of college-level work at HCC.

New student inductees included:

From Hancock - Caitlin Lennon-Puthoff.

From Clear Spring - Morgan Faith, Brynn Lietuvnikas and Paige Rice.

## HCC honors students' academic achievements

Hagerstown Community College would like to recognize students from the 2022-2023 academic year who have earned competitive and special program awards.

Recipients of the Career Programs Awards of Excellence were Drew Gordon, of Big Cove Tannery, Pa., for

dental hygiene and Leah Semmont, of Hancock, for radiography.

Recipients of the Commendation for Academic Excellence in Mathematics and Science was Caitlin Lennon-Puthoff, of Hancock, for biology.







OBITUARIES

Frank J. Subasic  
1940-2023



As the sun set on the beautiful late afternoon of May 16 in Honey Brook, Pennsylvania, Frank J. Subasic completed his remarkable journey at the age of 82.

Frank's focus on family, faith, friendship, music, and community were cornerstones of his life. Even during his final days, as his body was preparing for his passing, he remained steadfast in his faith and his love for his family and friends. He was truly an inspiration to his family. As he would have wanted, his family was by his side as he made his peaceful journey to the kingdom of God. He was surely welcomed by Jesus and a big hug from his wife of 55 years, Patricia Subasic.

Frank's journey began in the city of Aspinwall, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Pittsburgh, where he was born on November 26th, 1940. He was the son of the late Helen Walkowski and Michael Subasic. He was the youngest of five children, where he learned early in life, the importance of a strong, supportive family. A graduate of Aspinwall High School, he left with his diploma and medals earned as a marksman on the rifle team. After graduation, he followed his passion for engineering and manufacturing as he studied industrial engineering while beginning his working career.

It was during this time that he met the love of his life and future wife, Patricia (Carns) Subasic, who was studying nursing at the St. Francis School of Nursing in Pittsburgh. Their relationship blossomed and they were married in 1962 in Clearfield Pa. During their 55+ years together, Frank and Patricia started their family, welcoming five children, twelve grandchildren, and three great-grandsons. Their journey together included moves to Pennsylvania, New York, Indiana, and West Virginia. Their final move was to Berkeley Springs, W.Va., where they raised their family and became active parents in the community.

Frank's career began in manufacturing where he held various positions as an industrial engineer and manufacturing leader. He joined Fleetwood Industries in 1972, where he excelled in leading manufacturing operations. As he grew with the company, he later led Fleetwood's eastern region as the General Manager, which included Hancock, Maryland; Williamsport, Maryland and Winchester, Virginia. The eastern region enjoyed considerable success under his leadership with the company achieving a market leading position.

His career was launched with early success from his strong technical capability. Building on that early success, his career was propelled by his focus on people, process excellence and building strong teams. He cared deeply about his people, which enabled him to lead, motivate others, and build winning teams and cultures. Those were hallmarks of his 25+ years in the recreational vehicle industry.

His career success did not diminish his priorities of family, faith, and community. He led by example working hand-in-hand with Patricia to ensure the right work-life balance for his family. As their children grew, they envisioned and created a family getaway – Basically Heaven – in Duck, North Carolina. He so enjoyed his home away from! He and his wife shared decades of great experiences and made beautiful memories with their ever-expanding family as they often came together in Duck.

Beyond the legacy of his family and career, Frank also had an impact on the community. His leadership included roles as the Chairman of the Board for the War Memorial Hospital, President of the Morgan County Little League Association and a building committee member for the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. Working with other community leaders, Frank's legacy includes his significant contributions to the Morgan County ball field complex, the new War Memorial Hospital, and the expanded St. Vincent de Paul church. He was honored to receive the distinguished citizen of the Year award in 1984 by the Kiwanis Club.

Frank was passionate about music. He spent many years singing with the local barbershop quartet. In addition, he incorporated his passion for singing by serving as Choir Director of St. Vincent de Paul for many years. He provided an inspirational example for his family by practicing his faith as an active member of the church, not only through music, but also as a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Frank was preceded in death by his wife, mother, father, and stepfather, Stan Walkowski, as well as his brother Michael Subasic, and sister Nancy Kneip. He is survived by five children: Frank, Jr. and his wife Kim, Scott and his wife Alesha, Shawn and his wife Tina, Kelly and Stephen and his wife Kathy; one brother, Raymond and his wife Mae; one sister, Edith; and many loved grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

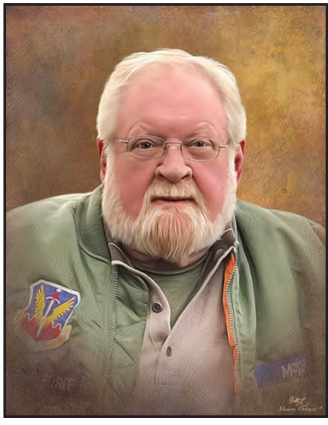
A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 11 a.m. on Friday, June 2, 2023 at 11 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 67 Liberty Street, Berkeley Springs, W.Va., with Rev. Fr. John J. Lombardi as celebrant, followed by a celebration of life reception at noon at The Country Inn. Private burial will be in Bethel Cemetery.

The family will receive family and friends from 1-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. on June 1, 2023 at Helsley-Johnson Funeral Home, 95 Union Street, Berkeley Springs, W.Va., where a Rosary Service will be recited at 7 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to War Memorial Hospital at [www.valleyhealthlink.com](http://www.valleyhealthlink.com).

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.helsleyjohnsonfh.com](http://www.helsleyjohnsonfh.com).

Roy Mark McKee  
1946-2023



Roy Mark McKee, 76, passed away Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at his beloved farm in Hancock, Md.

Mark, as he has always been called, was born on August 11, 1946, and was the first born of Roy E. McKee and Vivian Tedrick McKee.

Mark is survived by his sister, Becky Cline, and brother-in-law, Roland, of Hancock, Md., and Greenville S.C.; special nephews: Matt Cline, his wife, Laura, and their three children, Colton, Reagan and Andrew, of Eldersburg, Md., and Brad Cline, his wife, Elizabeth, and their two children, Jacob and Julia, of Clermont-Ferrand, France; his devoted caregivers, Derek McBee, Debbie Reed and his Golden Retrievers, Punky and Gracie.

Mark graduated from Hancock High School, Class of 1964, and soon after, enlisted in the United States Air Force. He served his first year at Patrick AF Base, Cocoa Beach, Fla., and then was assigned overseas in the 49th Tactical Fighter Wing, at Spangdalem AF Base, Germany.

He was a very active, lifetime member of The Tonoloway Rod and Gun Club and the Safari Club.

He was a member of the Hancock United Methodist Church.

After spending several years in Cocoa Beach, Fla., Mark returned to his home in Hancock, Md. He was employed by Dyer Masonry while building the Valley Mall in Hagerstown, Md. After the mall was completed, he was hired as the Maintenance Director because he knew every inch of the building. He kept that job for many years and even helped open the Country Club Mall in Cumberland, Md.

Mark purchased a 100-acre farm west of Hancock in 1983 and inherited his first Golden Retriever, Chase. His love for the Golden Retriever breed grew. He built a large fenced in, heated kennel and developed a special dog breeding business. He also bought, renovated, rented and sold many properties throughout the local area.

He loved anything John Deere, organization, antiques, especially lamps, Chevy Trucks, his 1972 El Camino and a few other things that shouldn't be mentioned.

Over the years, Breezy Knoll Farm has become a place for many to enjoy hunting, target shooting, delicious homemade foods, as well as country ham and venison, card playing, sharing pranks and stories, building a strong camaraderie among friends and enjoying the joy and love of the outdoors. Mark now leaves this beautiful, immaculate legacy that will be continued by another generation of families and outdoorsmen.

There was a Celebration of Mark's Life held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at Jimmy Joy's Log Cabin, 7536 Millstone Road, Hancock, Md.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Grove Funeral Home, 141 West Main Street, Hancock, Md. Online condolences can be expressed to the family at [www.grovefh.com](http://www.grovefh.com).

IN MEMORIAM  
In Loving Memory of My Wife  
ANNA PECK  
on Memorial Day

We want to let you know that we will be thinking of YOU when we have our family get together. YOU are always going to be a big part of our family get togethers, we miss that very much.

We will always remember that you were here with us and loved us so very much. We know you are always smiling down on all of us for holidays and that makes it a little easier.

HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY in Heaven  
We LOVE YOU & MISS YOU So Much,  
Your Husband John,  
Our Daughters, Punkin and Lisa,  
Our Son, Johnny  
and All Our Grandchildren  
and Great Grandchildren

Jimmie Joe Richardson, Jr.  
1985-2023

Jimmie Joe Richardson, Jr., age 37, of Martinsburg, W.Va., died on Friday, May 12, 2023 at his mother's home in Berkeley Springs, W.Va.

Born May 27, 1985 in Cumberland, Md., he was the son of Bobbie Jo Riggleman Visco of Berkeley Springs, W.Va. and the late Ralph Visco.

He was a graduate. Jimmie worked as a 1st pressman with Quad Graphics in Martinsburg. He enjoyed playing video games and spending time with his daughters.

In addition to his mother, Jimmie is survived by his wife, Jasmin E. Zipf Richardson, at home; three daughters, Trinity K. Richardson, Aria M. Richardson and Lillian J. Richardson, all at home; one sister, Amber D. Richardson; maternal grandparents, Robert and Carol Riggleman; two aunts and uncles, Misti, Irvin, Annette and Brian and three nieces, Annie Visco, Mystic Visco and Elizabeth Visco. Jimmie will be missed by his in-laws, other extended family and friends.

Services and interment will be private.

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

Carl Wesley Creek  
1922-2023



Carl Wesley Creek, 101, Little Orleans, Md., a devoted family man and a war veteran, passed away at the VA Medical Center in Martinsburg, W.Va., on Sunday, May 21, 2023.

Born on February 25th, 1922 in Little Orleans, Maryland, he was the son of the late Raymond Creek and Julia Boden Creek.

In earlier years, he attended Price Wesleyan Church with his wife, Etta Iona Fletcher Creek.

He retired from GM Fisher Body in West Mifflin, Pa. as a millwright after having served for thirty years in the company. His commitment to his job earned him the respect of his colleagues and those in management positions.

He also served his country as part of the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII from 1943 to 1945. He was stationed in England during the war and was proud to have served his country.

He is survived by his three children: Harold W. Creek and his wife, Rachel, of Elizabeth, Pa.; Charlotte A. Kalina and her husband, Charles, of Little Orleans, Md.; and Julia Jupin and her husband, Richard, of Fayetteville, Pa.; as well as six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Beside his parents, and wife, he was preceded in death by three sons; three brothers and three sisters.

A visitation will be held on May 26, 2023 at Grove Funeral Home located at 141 West Main Street in Hancock, Md. from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. followed by a funeral service at noon. A burial ceremony will follow at Price Wesleyan Church located at 11555 Price Rd. NE in Little Orleans, Md. Military honors will be presented by Tri-State Honor Guard. Pastor Mark Faith will officiate.

Carl was known for being devoted to his family first and foremost. He had an incredible work ethic that he passed down to his children. Carl will always be remembered by friends and family alike for being a dependable individual with an unwavering integrity that many aspire towards.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Carl's name to Tri-State Honor Guard, 527 N. Washington Street, Berkeley Springs, WV 25411 or Tunnel to Towers, 2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306.

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](http://www.grovefh.com).

Obituary policy

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.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**  
Estate No. 80188  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Josephine A. Zimmerman.

Notice is given that Sheldon William Ehringer, 6730 Vickery Coast Lane, Cumming, GA 30040 was on May 1, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Josephine A. Zimmerman who died on April 17, 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 1st day of November, 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.

Sheldon William Ehringer  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-10-3th

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF  
APPOINTMENT OF FOREIGN  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**  
Estate No. 80215

Notice is Given that the Jefferson County Commission court of Jefferson County, WV appointed Danielle Gross, 17805 Greenberry Circle, Hagerstown, MD 21740 Lynde R. Thai, 9300 Winter-set Dr., Potomac, MD 20854 as the Executor of the Estate of William G. Greenwald who died on February 28, 2023 domiciled in WV Jefferson.

At the time of death, the decedent owned real or leasehold property in the following Maryland counties: Real Property located at 11902 Greenhill Dr., Hagerstown, MD 21742.

All persons having claims against the decedent must file their claims with the Register of Wills for Washington County with a copy to the foreign personal representative 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 foreign personal representative mails or 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 claim within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. Claims filed after that date or after a date extended by law will be barred.

Danielle Gross  
Lynde R. Thai  
Foreign Personal Representatives  
Honorable Lacy M. Flook  
Register of Wills  
Washington County, MD  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-10-3th

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**  
Estate No. 80217

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Stephen Hugh Todd.

Notice is given that Jon Todd, 6033 Lockhouse Dr., Sharpsburg, MD 21782 was on May 2, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Stephen Hugh Todd who died on March 22, 2023 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 2nd day of November, 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.

Jon Todd  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-10-3th

**IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR  
(OR)  
BEFORE THE REGISTER  
OF WILLS FOR  
WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
MARYLAND**

IN THE ESTATE OF:  
Kelly Lynn Davies

Estate No: 80237  
**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 N. Washington Street, Suite 500, Rockville, MD 20850 for judicial probate for the appointment of a personal representative.

A hearing will be held at Orphan's Court of Washington County, 100 W. Washington St., Ste. 3500, Hagerstown, MD 21740 on August 1, 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.

Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills  
100 W. Washington St.  
STE 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740-4896  
Phone: (301)-739-3612  
pd5-17-2th

**IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR  
(OR)  
BEFORE THE REGISTER  
OF WILLS FOR  
WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
MARYLAND**

IN THE ESTATE OF:  
William M. Smith

Estate No: 80239  
**NOTICE OF JUDICIAL PROBATE**  
To all persons interested in the above estate:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed by A.J. Szczerbicki, ESQ., 303 W. Pennsylvania Ave., Towson, MD 21204 for judicial probate and for the appointment of a personal representative.

A hearing will be held at Orphan's Court of Washington County, 100 W. Washington St., Ste. 3500, Hagerstown, MD 21740 on June 13, 2023 at 10:30 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.

Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills  
100 W. Washington St.  
STE 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740-4896  
Phone: (301)-739-3612  
pd5-17-2th

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**  
Estate No. 80068

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Judith Ann Miner.

Notice is given that Donald Eugene Miner II, 723 Naples Dr., Hagerstown, MD 21740 was on May 4, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Judith Ann Miner who died on February 11, 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 4th day of November, 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.

Donald Eugene Miner II  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
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P.O. Box 1136  
Mount Airy, MD 21771  
**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 80136  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Cheryl L. Matrau.  
Notice is given that Donald M. Keller, 830 Potomac Avenue, Hagerstown, MD 21742 was on April 3, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Cheryl L. Matrau who died on January 3, 2023 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 3rd day of October, 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.

Donald M. Keller  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-10-3th

Law Offices of Jeanne F. Singer, PA  
864 Jefferson Boulevard  
Hagerstown, MD 21740

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

Estate No. 80223  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Fae Josephine Barnhart.

Notice is given that Timothy Lee Barnhart, P.O. Box 513, Clear Spring, MD 21722 and Ernest Wayne Barnhart, P.O. Box 571, Clear Spring, MD 21722 were on May 4, 2023 appointed personal representatives of the estate of Fae Josephine Barnhart who died on April 20, 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 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 4th day of November, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representatives 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.

Timothy Lee Barnhart  
Ernest Wayne Barnhart  
Personal Representatives  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-17-3th

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

Estate No. 80113  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF James A. Lewis.

Notice is given that James M. Lewis, 1010 Valley Road, Knoxville, MD 21758 was on April 27, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of James A. Lewis who died on March 23, 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 October, 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 M. Lewis  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
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Michael Cochran  
1435 Sulphur Spring Rd.  
Baltimore, MD 21227  
**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 80219  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Christopher Allen Evy.

Notice is given that Amanda Cochran, 25 East A Street, Brunswick, MD 21716 was on May 2, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Christopher Allen Evy who died on January 18, 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 2nd day of November, 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:

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Amanda Cochran  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
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Hagerstown, MD 21740

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Estate No. 80212  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Edward C. Soost.

Notice is given that Robin Koogler & Teresa Koogler, 6053 White Flint Drive, Frederick, MD 21702 were on May 1, 2023 appointed personal representatives of the estate of Edward C. Soost who died on March 21, 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 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 1st day of November, 2023.

Any person having a claim against the decedent must present the claim to the undersigned personal representatives 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.

Robin Koogler  
Teresa Koogler  
Personal Representatives  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
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**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 80153  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Kenneth Albert Bousley.

Notice is given that Teresa Lynn Yeargan, 8014 Lake Dr., Fairplay, MD 21733 was on May 3, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Kenneth Albert Bousley who died on April 5, 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 3rd day of November, 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.

Teresa Lynn Yeargan  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
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Russ Robinson  
152 W. Washington Street  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 80170  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Jerry Lynn Verdier.  
Notice is given that Linda Marie Welsh, 735 South Church Street, Waynesboro, PA 17268 was on April 27, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Jerry Lynn Verdier who died on April 8, 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 October, 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.

Linda Marie Welsh  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
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Michael G. Day & Associates, P.C.  
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**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 80200  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Fred Leroy Jacobs.

Notice is given that Dianne L. Jacobs, 3791 Albert Avenue, Greencastle, PA 17225 was on April 26, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Fred Leroy Jacobs who died on March 31, 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 26th day of October, 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

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Dianne L. Jacobs  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-10-3th

Russ Robinson  
152 W. Washington Street  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 80133  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Theresa Louise Perry.

Notice is given that Jeffrey Clay Perry, 13121 Kaiser Ridge Road, Hagerstown, MD 21740 was on March 31, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Theresa Louise Perry who died on December 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 on or before the 1st day of October, 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.

Jeffrey Clay Perry  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
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Rena L. Strauss, Esq.  
Grant, Rifkin & Strauss, PC  
15204 Omega Drive, Ste. 210  
Rockville, MD 20850  
**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS**

Estate No. 80144  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Ira D. Bluestein.

Notice is given that Jamie Faith Wet-rogan, 11054 Sanandrew Drive, New Market, MD 21774 was on May 2, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Ira D. Bluestein who died on March 26, 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 2nd day of November, 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.

Jamie Faith Wetrogan  
Personal Representative  
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Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
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Hagerstown, MD 21740  
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**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 80220  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Wayne Baker Jamison.

Notice is given that Jean Lorraine Jamison, 8420 Dam #4 Rd., Williamsport, MD 21795 was on May 17, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Wayne Baker Jamison who died on January 30, 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 17th day of November, 2023.



PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS

Estate No. 80230  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Joshua Allan Cline.

Notice is given that Sean Cline, 30 Beckman Place, Charles Town, WV 25414 was on May 8, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Joshua Allan Cline who died on January 27, 2023 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 8th day of November, 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.

Sean Cline  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-17-3th

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 80045  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Patrick Doran Bresee.

Notice is given that Leslie Bresee, 17935 College Rd., Hagerstown, MD 21740 was on May 10, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of Patrick Doran Bresee who died on July 22, 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 10th day of November, 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.

Leslie Bresee  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 80216  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Jane Bachtell Bowen.

Notice is given that John Bowen, 22020 Durberry Rd., Smithsburg, MD 21783 was on May 9, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Jane Bachtell Bowen who died on April 29, 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 9th day of November, 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.

John Bowen  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-17-3th

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 63552  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF George William Holder.

Notice is given that Vickie Lee Holder, 4007 Chestnut Grove Rd., Keedysville, MD 21756 was on May 8, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of George William Holder who died on December 31, 2008 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 8th day of November, 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.

Vickie Lee Holder  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-17-3th

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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Estate No. 80233  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Phyrne Louella Higman.

Notice is Given that the Clerk of County Council court of Berkeley County, WV appointed Nancy Louise Ringer, PO Box 688, Falling Waters, WV 25419 as the Executrix of the Estate of Anthony Guglielmi who died on July 11, 2022 domiciled in West Virginia, USA.

The Maryland resident agent for service of process is Russ Robinson whose address is 152 W. Washington St., Hagerstown, MD 21740.

At the time of death, the decedent owned real or leasehold property in the following Maryland counties: Washington.

All persons having claims against the decedent must file their claims with the Register of Wills for Washington County with a copy to the foreign personal representative 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 foreign personal representative mails or 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 claim within two months from the mailing or other delivery of the notice. Claims filed after that date or after a date extended by law will be barred.

Nancy L. Ringer  
Foreign Personal Representative  
Honorable Lacy M. Flook  
Register of Wills  
Washington County, MD  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-17-3th

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS

Estate No. 80238  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF James Ronald Kinter.

Notice is given that Robert Michael Kinter, 2308 Oxford Shire Court, Waldorf, MD 20603 was on May 11, 2023 appointed personal representative of the estate of James Ronald Kinter who died on April 19, 2023 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 11th day of November, 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.

Robert Michael Kinter  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-17-3th

SMALL ESTATE  
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS

Estate No. 80101  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF David Grover Stephens.

Notice is given that Ryan D. Stephens, 283 Avondale Rd., Martinsburg, WV 25404 was on May 12, 2023 appointed personal representative of the small estate of David Grover Stephens who died on March 5, 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 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.

Ryan D. Stephens  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-24-1thn

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS

Estate No. 79549  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Phyme Louella Higman.

Notice is given that Julie Lynne Higman, 17719 Bluebell Dr., Hagerstown, MD 21740 was on May 18, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Phyrne Louella Higman who died on June 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 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 November, 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.

Julie Lynne Higman  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-24-3th

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

Estate No. 78751  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Harold R. Higman.

Notice is given that Julie Lynne Higman, 17719 Bluebell Dr., Hagerstown, MD 21740 was on May 18, 2023 appointed personal representative of the small estate of Harold R. Higman who died on January 18, 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.

Julie Lynne Higman  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-24-1thn

SMALL ESTATE  
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT  
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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS

Estate No. 80246  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Betty Craghead Malatt aka Betty Ruth Malatt.

Notice is given that Michael L. Shanaberger, 5123 Amos Reeder Road, Boonsboro, MD 21713 was on May 16, 2023 appointed personal representative of the small estate of Betty Craghead Malatt aka Betty Ruth Malatt who died on April 21, 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 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.

Michael L. Shanaberger  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-24-1thn

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

Estate No. 79169  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Janet Haines.

Notice is given that Debbie Jones, 265 N. Carlisle Street Lot 15, Greencastle, PA 17225 was on May 23, 2022 appointed personal representative of the small estate of Janet Haines who died on March 23, 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.

Debbie Jones  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-24-1thn

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

Estate No. 80259  
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ESTATE OF Wanda L. Burkett.

Notice is given that Gina Edelen, 1112 Corbett St. Apt. B, Hagerstown, MD 21740 was on May 18, 2023 appointed personal representative of the small estate of Wanda L. Burkett who died on May 4, 2023 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.

Gina Edelen  
Personal Representative  
True Test Copy  
Lacy M. Flook,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County  
100 W. Washington St. Ste 3400  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
pd5-24-1thn

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR  
(OR)  
BEFORE THE REGISTER  
OF WILLS FOR

WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
MARYLAND

IN THE ESTATE OF:  
Hildebert E. Smith, Jr.

Estate No: 80243

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 N. Washington Street #500, Rockville, MD 20850 for judicial probate for the appointment of a personal representative.

A hearing will be held at Orphan's Court of Washington County, MD, 100 W. Washington St., Ste. 3500, Hagerstown, MD 21740 on August 1, 2023 at 10:30 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.

Lacy M. Flook,  
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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE NOTICE

The Interfaith Service Coalition of Hancock, Md., Inc., has filed an application with the USDA Rural Development for financial assistance to purchase equipment necessary to support mass feeding at our property located at 47 W. Main Street in Hancock, Md. This location is scheduled to serve as a heating/cooling site and emergency shelter.

A public meeting for comments will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 47 W. Main Street to discuss the proposed project and to provide the opportunity for public comment.

Deborah S. Cohill  
Executive Director

Interfaith Service Coalition of Hancock, MD, Inc.

NOTICE

The Town of Hancock Mayor and Council

Will Hold a Special Meeting on

Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 6 p.m.

To Pass an Ordinance to Approve The

Budget for Fiscal Year 2024

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Southern Fulton School District

Will Receive Sealed Bids For The

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

Bidding specifications and instructions may be obtained from the district office by phoning 717-294-2203, ext. 101. Bids will be received by MaryAnn Johnson until 12:00 p.m., June 23, 2023.

The board of directors reserves the right to reject all or any parts of any bid.

MaryAnn Johnson, Board Secretary

Southern Fulton, School District

3072 Great Cove Road, Suite 100

Warfordsburg, PA 17267

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## Hagerstown Regional Airport achieves special certification in annual FAA inspection

Hagerstown Regional Airport (HGR) has completed their annual Airport Certification inspection conducted by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The inspection, known as Part 139, was concluded with zero findings or discrepancies, showcasing an exceptional level of achievement for the airport.

The Part 139 inspection is a rigorous and comprehensive process that spans up to three days, mandated for commercial service airports to renew their operating certificate. Its purpose is to evaluate an airport's ability to provide a safe operating environment and facilities for commercial airlines and their passengers.

During the inspection, several safety and compliance components were assessed, including the condition of aircraft firefighting and rescue equipment, safety records, training programs, emergency operations manuals, timed emergency-response drills, airfield security, aircraft and ground-support equipment movement, lighting, signage, markings, pavement conditions, fuel facilities, mobile fueling operations, and wildlife management.

Airport Director Neil Doran expressed his pride in the entire HGR team for achieving such an exacting inspection with zero discrepancies.

"To complete an exacting inspection like this with zero discrepancies is a significant accomplishment not to be taken for granted. I am so proud of our entire team of employees here at HGR. This outcome is a direct result



of their hard work and steadfast commitment to ensuring that we remain a safe and efficient airport each and every day of the year. I extend my warm and sincere thanks to staff and to our airport tenants who have cooperated with us in meeting and exceeding the FAA's Part 139 requirements" said Doran.

HGR is among approximately 500 airports certified under Part 139 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations out of the total 14,400 private-use and 5,000 public-use airports, heliports, and seaplane bases in the United States.

This certification sets HGR apart from general aviation (GA) airports, as GA airports are not subject to these stringent requirements.

As a Part 139-certified, commercial service airport, HGR stands out with high levels of safety and security, attracting airlines, aircraft maintenance and repair organizations, air cargo, business, and general aviation operators.

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## Maryland Department of Labor offers grants to fund training for healthcare workers



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A virtual pre-proposal conference will be held on Tuesday, June 6 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. For call-in information, contact the agency's grant program:

Brittney Hansen, Special Grants Program Manager, Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning, Maryland Department of Labor [brittney.hansen@maryland.gov](mailto:brittney.hansen@maryland.gov)

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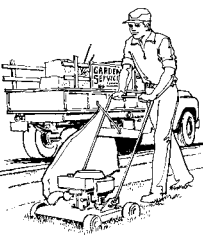
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**Friday, May 26**  
10 a.m. - Medicinal Weed Walk. Join Iris Kirsch, a Berkeley Springs based herablist and educator and owner of Warm Springs Herbal for a walk near the nature center and picnic area. No foraging in a state park, so take a camera and notebook to identify the plants. This is a slow, gentle walk suitable for all ages and abilities.

11:30 a.m. - Insect Safari. What is an insect? Why are they important? Look for insects and play the clever catch game.

1:30 p.m. - Discovery Hike. So much to discover. Use the Young People's Series Wildlife Guide and checklist to find birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians.

4-6 p.m. - Welcome to Cacapon. Meet the park naturalist at the lodge to answer any general park questions you have or find out what recreation and nature activities Cacapon has to offer.

7:30 p.m. - Evening Stroll. Join park volunteer and Potomac Valley Master Naturalist for an evening stroll to learn about Cacapon's history and evening sights and sounds. Meet at front desk of the lodge.

**Saturday, May 27**  
9:30 a.m. - Beginner Birding Walk. Discover some common WV birds by sight and sound, followed by a

short walk. Binoculars provided.

11:30 a.m. - Stream Study. Discover what makes a stream healthy and what unlikely critters can be hiding in plain sight. Take shoes to get wet.

3 p.m. - Water Balloon Challenge. Join for some water balloon fun.

7 p.m. - Bagpipe Music at Gazebo. The musical performance at the park gazebo, located in the picnic area near nature center.

8 p.m. - Cacapon Campfire. Meet at the campfire circle beside the Nature Center for a marshmallow roasting good time by the fire. Take marshmallows, they provide the sticks.

**Sunday, May 28**  
10:30 a.m. - WV Tree ID. Discover the new blooming trees and a leaf pounding activity.

1 p.m. - Woodpecker Wow. Discover some of Cacapon's common woodpeckers by sight and sound.

2:30 p.m. - Fantastic Fox. Learn some facts about the red fox, followed by making a take home fox print mold.

7 p.m. - Irish Road Bowling. Have you ever rolled a cannon ball around a course before? Go and find out how this sport is. Meet at nature center.

8:15 p.m. - Moth Study. Check out Cacapon's night life and see what moths are active. There will be a moth ID station near the golf course parking lot.

9:30-10:30 p.m. - Game Court Glow. Meet at the tennis court parking lot for LED

lighted badminton, volleyball and cornhole. Glow stick necklaces and bracelets too.

**Monday, May 29**  
10 a.m. - Tai Chi. This class will help increase balance, flexibility and focus on connection to mind, body and spirit. Meet at lodge.

10:30 a.m. - The CCC Boys: A West Virginia Legacy. The CCC boys left a legacy that can still be seen all over WV in the forests they planted and parks they helped to build. Meet the naturalist at the Nature Center to watch a movie into this WV legacy.

1:30 p.m. - What's That? Use the Seek App. Take a discovery hike and learn all about this fun iPhone app that helps to identify everything from plants, trees, wildflower and wildlife.

**Tuesday, May 30**  
10 a.m. - Discovery Hike. So much to discover/ Use the Young People's Series Wildlife Guide and checklist to find birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians.

2 p.m. - Fantastic Fox. Learn some facts about the red fox, followed by making a take home fox print mold.

**Wednesday, May 31**  
10 a.m. - Mammals of the Month. Go and find out what are the three featured mammals. Learn about their tracks, traits and facts. Make and take a plaster cast foot print and some informational coloring sheets.

2 p.m. - Nature Sounds. Discover some tools to help you learn sounds of birds, owls and frogs.

# HOROSCOPES

May 28 - June 3, 2023



**CAPRICORN** - Dec 22/Jan 20  
Rather than being light-hearted, conversations could take a turn to the more serious, especially as they pertain to a health condition for someone you love.



**CANCER** - Jun 22/Jul 22  
This week you may find it easier to cut out superfluous spending or extravagant behavior than at other times. You may need to exert greater control & discipline.



**AQUARIUS** - Jan 21/Feb 18  
Aquarius, don't try to take on too many things yourself. You need to know when to ask for help this week, especially as your schedule gets even more filled up.



**LEO** - Jul 23/Aug 23  
There's a fresh cosmic wind blowing your sails, Leo. This gives you all the energy you need to tackle projects or get moving in other ways. Embrace all of this energy.



**PISCES** - Feb 19/Mar 20  
This is the perfect time to get more organized, Pisces. Try to fit in time to sort and clean among all the other things on your itinerary.



**VIRGO** - Aug 24/Sept 22  
Your romantic life is about to get even more exciting. Date nights are happening with greater frequency and you're likely to enjoy all of the extra attention.



**ARIES** - Mar 21/Apr 20  
Being more selective can enhance your life in many different ways. You often are judged by the company you keep, so think about that when starting new relationships.



**LIBRA** - Sept 23/Oct 23  
You'll likely feel more at ease having a big group of people around you during the next few days rather than heading out alone. Put away that lone wolf mentality for now.



**TAURUS** - Apr 21/May 21  
Set up camp on the sofa for the next few days, Taurus. Enjoy the rest and relaxation. You don't have to be productive every minute of the day so don't feel guilty about your R&R.



**SCORPIO** - Oct 24/Nov 22  
Ambitious career goals could have you reevaluating all of the choices you have made thus far. It might be time to venture off on new paths once you figure out the way.



**GEMINI** - May 22/Jun 21  
Some interesting information could be coming your way. You just need to keep your ear to the ground and open to receive it. Others may want to get in on the news.



**SAGITTARIUS** - Nov 23/Dec 21  
The call of the wild is quite strong right now. This means you might be right at home on a hiking trip or a rafting trip. Make your plans and bring a friend.



# The Farm at Coco's Corner hosts family fun day

**by Lisa Schauer**  
Neighbors came out to The Farm at Coco's Corner on Heavenly Acres Ridge Saturday, May 20 for a family fun day that included pony rides, chicken races, a mystery egg hunt, visits with the animals, baked treats and burgers on the grill.  
"I'm glad they're here. I love it. Anything for the kids," said volunteer Theresa Hess, a retired Hancock schoolteacher and neighbor,

tending to the concession stand.  
Owner Virginia Coco, Ph.D., is a certified therapeutic riding instructor. She oversees the farm's therapeutic riding program, intended for people with disabilities and other challenges including the effects of trauma and PTSD.  
Coco and her husband, a preacher with No Other Name Ministries, moved here from Arizona over a year ago to be closer to family. While

living in Arizona, the Cocos operated a similar therapeutic riding center.  
The five-acre Farm at Coco's Corner includes several well-trained quarter horses, a couple of driving mini horses, chickens, dogs and a pen full of Nigerian dwarf goats. The Cocos built a large barn on the property, a ring and runs for the animals alongside outdoor playground equipment and a picnic area.  
An adjacent seven acres is under contract, and will be the site of future greenhouses, an orchard and a community garden, where people can learn square-foot gardening, according to Coco.  
"With Hancock being a food desert, we want to involve the community in a community garden, where we can teach people they can produce enough food to make it worthwhile. We're working with the Washington County Extension Office on the project," said Coco.  
People from ages seven to 99 can come to the farm to be outside and build self-confi-

dence, according to Coco.  
Summer camps, horsemanship and riding lessons, and equine-assisted activities and therapies are available at the farm.  
If families don't have the money for lessons, kids can work at the stable for eight hours to earn one hour of riding lessons through the farm's working student program.  
Through the Hope Scholarship Program, West Virginia families with foster children or children with special needs may be eligible to attend the farm's summer camp program free of charge.  
Anyone who wants more information about The Farm at Coco's Corner can call 301-491-4986.



A young visitor on a quarter horse named Ruby, with Virginia Coco, Ph.D., owner of The Farm at Coco's Corner.



Chloe Howe, 12, and Landon Howe, 15, both of Hancock started coming to The Farm at Coco's Corner to get outside and spend time with the horses and the dogs.

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