

# Phoebe Heishman Reaches Milestone – 50 Years as Editor

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## Wardensville Approved for Home Rule Designation

By Jean A. Flanagan  
Moorefield Examiner

Wardensville Mayor Betsy Orndoff-Sayers and her husband, John Sayers traveled to Charleston on Wednesday, Aug. 14 to present their case to the Home Rule Board for that designation. John Sayers was chair of the committee that submitted the application on behalf of the town to the board.

I feel pretty optimistic, Orndoff-Sayers told the Wardensville Council at their meeting on Monday, Aug. 12. They wouldn't have asked us to come in person if they didn't like our application. And we are the only Class IV town applying for Home Rule.

The Council learned on Wednesday, the town had been approved by the Home Rule Board.

Wardensville scored a big win today when the W.Va. Municipal Home Rule board approved our proposal to realign our business revenues, simplify our business licensing procedure and change the number of people required to serve on our development authority board, Orndoff-Sayers said.

These may not sound very exciting, but they're going to give our

community some important flexibility to improve public safety and our Town Park, and to be able to apply for important grant funding for other infrastructure and community improvements.

Wardensville applied for Home Rule shortly after the West Virginia Legislature expanded the pilot program earlier this year. The designation allows small municipalities the flexibility of code enforcement, local taxation and capital investment.

The Wardensville Council voted to initiate a 1 percent sales tax on retail and restaurant sales in order to fund a local law enforcement position and other expenditures.

There is much work to be done, Orndoff-Sayers said.

### BAD Buildings

Nicole Diaz with West Virginia BAD Buildings presented information on that group's initiatives. BAD Buildings is a program of the West Virginia University Water Research Institute.

BAD stands for brownfields, abandoned, dilapidated and endeavors to rid communities of those buildings.

"It is a five-step process," Diaz

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Photo by Mike Mallow

Amanda Brill helps her daughter, Amelia, take flight during the Super Hero Lap at the 2019 Relay for Life of the Potomac Valley. Additional pictures can be found on page 6B.

## Miller Pleads Guilty to Federal Drug Charges

By Jean A. Flanagan  
Moorefield Examiner

Dennis J. Miller, 44 of Moorefield pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute fentanyl in federal court last week.

Miller, along with four others, were originally charged with six counts including distribution of methamphetamine, distribution of heroin, and aiding and abetting possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, as well as the conspiracy to distribute fentanyl.

According to the indictment, Miller sold methamphetamine and heroin in April and heroin in May in Grant County.

According to court documents Miller admitted to possessing more than 64 grams of fentanyl and more than 69 grams of 100

percent pure methamphetamine. He faces at least five years and up to 40 years in prison and a fine of not more than \$5,000,000.

Under the terms of his plea agreement, if Miller accepts responsibility for his actions, he could receive a reduction in his sentence. Under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, that sentence imposed will be based on the seriousness of the crime and prior criminal history.

The charges were the result of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. The Potomac Highlands Drug and Violent Crimes Task Force, the West Virginia State Police and the Charles Town Police Department investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy D. Helman is prosecuting. U.S. Magistrate Judge Robert W. Trumble is presiding.

## Third Annual Tourism Summit Highlights Partnerships



Photo by Jean Flanagan

Above, More than 50 people from eight counties gathered at Misty Mountain Even Barn for the 3rd Annual Tourism Summit, sponsored by Eastern WV Community and Technical College.

Below, Directors of Convention and Visitors Bureaus, or their representatives, from the Potomac Highlands shared updates, new opportunities and future goals at the summit.



By Jean A. Flanagan  
Moorefield Examiner

Collaboration  
Partnership  
Opportunities  
Recreation

These were the watchwords at the Third Annual Potomac Highlands Tourism Summit held Wednesday, Aug. 14. Sponsored by Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College, the event is a chance for tourism folks to provide updates and present new ideas in the eight-county area.

Convention and Visitors Bureau directors from Hampshire, Hardy, Grant, Mineral, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Randolph and Tucker counties, as well as representatives from the Monongahela National Forest, Appalachian Forest Heritage Area and AmeriCorps participated.

The event was hosted by Hunter and Peggy Williams at the Misty Mountain Event Barn in Hardy County.

Eastern President Dr. Charles Chuck Terrell welcomed participants and proposed the creation of an Arts/Tourism Action Council, similar in structure to the Ag Action Council.

The challenge is how do we market the region, the state, Terrell said. An Arts/Tourism Action Council would include CVBs, artists, musicians, anyone who supports those endeavors.

NewBiz Launchpad Director Tina Metzger and West Virginia Department of Agriculture Mar-

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## Grant County Man Admits To Meth Distribution

Jared Judy, of Petersburg, West Virginia, has admitted to methamphetamine distribution, United States Attorney Bill Powell announced.

Judy, age 29, pled guilty to one count of aiding and abetting possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine. Judy admitted to distributing more than 69 grams of 100 percent pure methamphetamine in May 2019 in Berkeley County.

Judy faces up to 20 years incarceration and a fine of up to \$1,000,000. Under the Federal

Sentencing Guidelines, the actual sentence imposed will be based upon the seriousness of the offenses and the prior criminal history, if any, of the defendant.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy D. Helman is prosecuting the case on behalf of the government. The Potomac Highlands Drug & Violent Crimes Task Force, a HIDTA-funded initiative, West Virginia State Police, and the Charles Town Police Department investigated.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Robert W. Trumble presided.

### WEATHER

Source:  
National Weather Service

Wednesday

STORMS

High 91°

Thursday

STORMS

High 86°

Friday

STORMS

High 80°

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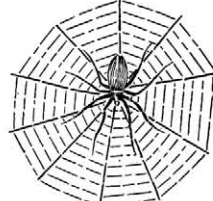
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# OPINION

## A Half Century!

Editorials seldom are written in the first person, but this week that will happen upon the celebration of our 50 years as publisher and editor of The Moorefield Examiner.

That's longer than many of our readers are old. That's longer than I can remember on some days. But what it does mean is that I filled the editorial space 2,250 times including, of course, those borrowed from other editors, and those that were written by family, staff or volunteers. But, the responsibility of filling that space on page two was mine. As was the space allotted to Examiner Says and Glancing Backward. A bit daunting in hindsight, but it was never questioned that it had to be done.

And so, I am planning to step back and turn over the editorial and publishing jobs to the fourth generation, daughter Hannah Heishman. The official date will be before the end of the year, probably sooner than later. I have full confidence in her ability as a writer as well as her feelings of responsibility for the Examiner and its coverage of all that affects Hardy County.

Apparently you are not going to get rid of me totally. I've been told I will be expected to continue writing, particularly Glancing Backward, something I love doing, so it won't be a problem.

Years ago someone asked what was the difference in being a weekly newspaper editor and a daily newspaper editor. My answer was that the weekly editor often wrote about people who were advertisers, who went to the same church, shopped at the same grocery store or whose children were in school with ours. In other words, if the editorial was critical then it better be one that would stand the public scrutiny and could be defended. And one where the editor would probably be in line or sitting next to the subject of that editorial. The daily editors, on the other hand, had a much less chance of rubbing shoulders with their subjects.

Not all weekly editors write editorials. Some for the very reasons I just mentioned: They don't want to lose friendships or advertisers. However, having been born into a newspaper family, there was no choice. It was tradition and it was something two generations before me had done and was expected that I continue.

You have to remember, those of you who are old enough, that our tenure followed one of the better weekly editors in the state. The shoes were big, but what made it possible to at least partially fill them was that the businessmen who had known and worked with my father, came to me to say they were there if they could do anything to help us as the new editor and publisher. I suggested that they keep on advertising and give advice and they did.

They invited me to attend the Lions Club, not as a member because Lions didn't have female members, but I ended up being recognized with a pin and unofficial membership status. In return the Lions got lots of publicity and support from the paper which they deserved as Moorefield's leading civic group. And I got some lifelong friends and supporters.

These 50 years have flown by. They have been filled with changes and growth in the county, changes in the publishing business, greater concerns for the future of weekly newspapers, and support from family and friends as sometimes I got it right and sometimes I got it wrong.

I thank you all for your support over the decades, for your constructive criticism, for your financial support as advertisers, and for your friendship. Please do for Hannah as you did for me and continue that support into the next generation. We think the Examiner is being turned over to capable hands.

For us it's time for a new mystery book, a cup of tea and some writing. Do stop by for talk and tea at the kitchen table.

~ Phoebe Fisher Heishman  
Soon to be Editor Emeritus

### MY UNBASED OPINION

By DAVID O. HEISHMAN

I'm a fair size man, seventy-four years old, worked on farm and in shop off and on for most of my life and I still can't drive nails. No idea why not. No idea what I do wrong. I just can't hit where I look.

We always had plenty of rough sawn lumber handy on the farm when I was a kid. Big trees, mostly oaks, trunks too big to work up for firewood, died or fell due to storms. Rather than let wood go to rotten waste, Pap had them sawed by Dan Keckley, Brown Hott, Harold Pete Good, or whoever else had a sawmill operating. Most lumber was sawed one inch thick, varying lengths and widths and stacked outside with sticks between layers to promote drying.

I still have vivid memory of a day and a fight with one such board. I came home from school one afternoon and found Sally, the big Yorkshire sow I fed morning and evening had broken a board in her pen fence. She loved to rub her big butt on boards and posts while grinning and grunting and the broken board resulted. I needed a piece about six

inches wide, seven and a half feet long, clear, with no knots to reduce its strength.

I found one right atop the stack. Eight feet long with scraggly ends, not too badly warped from weathering. Found our lightly rusted, slightly bent typically dull farm hand saw, a serviceable carpenter's square, a nail to scratch mark with and squared one end. I held board up to the hole and scratched a mark at length needed to fit between boards on either end. New board cut to length, I pulled ends of old broken wood away from old Black Locust posts, both still solid and hard as rocks.

A wood handled claw hammer with slightly worn, edge chipped head, tap started an eight penny nail into first post to serve as rest for one end while I nailed the other end fast. First attempt ended with six nails wadded to contorted S shapes with none fit to hold new board in place. A trip back to farm shop to procure a handful of ten pennys. Wadded three of them before I got mad. Darned old sow

stood half asleep grunting at me, waiting to try out that new rough surface on her itchy posterior.

Back to the shop for bright silver new sixteen pennys, longer but bigger heads and fatter, so maybe I could get one in far enough to hold when I clenched it as it began to wad. Our biggest nail pulling crow bar came back with me so I could pull worthless wadded nails to make room for new. Partial success was declared when I finally had three sixteens driven two thirds of their length with top third clenched across board grain. Ugly looking, but I figured it would hold.

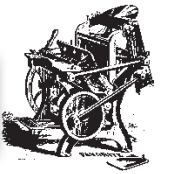
Time for Pap to be home from work at Reymann Memorial Farm. I decided to withstand his frowns and comments at my poor efforts while he finished the job. I let him get out of his car, go to the house for his overalls, milk bucket, and a drink of water, then head my way. My problem explained, he peered at me over rim of his glasses with slightly exasperated look, set down his bucket, picked up hammer, selected a bright ten penny, set it in

place, tap started it and second full swing he made that nail look like a tied pretzel.

My heart sang. Another attempt ended with same result. I don't have time to fool with that now. Just wire it to the post and Bob (Bob Peyton, our hired help) can get it in the morning. Next day, ten minutes after Bob came, three bright shiny ten penny nail heads in a row decorated his end of my board and he was looking disgusted at both of us.

To this day, I still can't be depended on to drive nails in anything other than thinnest, softest lumber without bending and straightening, or replacing first nails tried. If I get one in flush, wood surface around it will be badly marred.

Maybe it's my Mom's fault. Ninth grade at Wardensville School, she made me take Algebra instead of Vocational Agriculture, both taught same period. Can't help but think had I learned a bit more practical carpentry skills, I'd be better off than bothering with all that X+Y=Z stuff.



### GLANCING BACKWARD

FROM THE MOOREFIELD EXAMINER ARCHIVES

#### Fifteen Years Ago August 25, 2004

In two meetings Columbia Gas outlined its proposal to store natural gas more than a mile below the earth's surface in east Hardy County. When filled to capacity the storage reservoir will hold 12 billion cubic standard feet of gas.

County planner Paul Lewis asked the county commission to hire a consultant to review the proposed zoning ordinance.

The Community Development Council was told by District 5 Engineer that more than \$7.5 million had been earmarked for projects in Hardy County.

Wayne Allen Strawderman, 63, Baker, died July 30. Betty Pratt Landis, 72, Keyser, died Aug. 18. Ila Bensenhaver Burns, 76, Meriden, CT, died Aug. 9. Alice Carr Funkhouser, 64, Colorado Springs, CO, died Aug. 7. Virginia Whetzel Pennington, 46, Petersburg, died Aug. 11. LaPortie L. Fertig, 41, Burlington, died Aug. 12.

Heather Lynn Glasscock and Michael Yakubow II were married June 19.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Whetzel, a son, Tanner Jacob. To Mr. and Mrs. Dave Retnan, a son, Devin Roy.

#### Thirty Years Ago August 23, 1989

The Department of Highways announced that 22 miles of roads in Hardy County had been adopted by clubs or individuals. An additional 12 miles had been adopted unofficially.

A total of 18 historic homes and buildings were to be open during Heritage Weekend. Apple butter making, quilting, special exhibits of heirlooms and antiques, as well as jousting, a muzzle loading shoot, and a dramatization of Killbuck's Massacre were to be part of the weekend.

Gold ribbons were awarded to Laura Miller, Amanda Moran and Blaine Riggelman during competition at 4-H Days in Jackson's Mill.

John William George, 27, Sil-

ver Spring, MD, died Aug. 17. Robert Carr Teets, 72, Shawnee Springs Nursing Home, died July 29. Grace Miller Dove, 79, Winchester, died Aug. 17. Elizabeth Mongold Cox, 72, Dorcas, died Aug. 17. Homer Elmer Weatherholtz, 81, died Aug. 16. Louise McDonald Shockey, 67, Old Fields, died Aug. 16. Grace Shockey Barr, 67, died Aug. 9.

Laura Michael and Mark Roth were married June 24.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Pratt, a daughter, Heather Danielle. To Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Vetter, a son, Joseph Marshall.

#### Forty-five Years Ago August 21, 1974

Mrs. J. O. Flinn, Sr., Moorefield was named the 1974 Belle of Hardy County.

Stanley Moyer was named FFA Star Poultry Farmer at Jackson's Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Mikell Bailey opened the Joy Centers offering laundry and dry cleaning facilities.

Grant County's participation in Heritage Weekend included the opening of the Roswell Alt Home, The Manor. Craftspersons Scotty Robert Wiest and Jim Wiest were to demonstrate pottery and leather working.

Ewing B. Pickard, 76, former mayor of Moorefield, died Aug. 11. Lorenzo Dow Halterman, 75, died Aug. 19. Ivan Phillip Link, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Link, Shanks, died Aug. 9. Joseph Roy Heishman, 75, Wardensville, died Aug. 11. Violet Riggelman Helman, 56, Purgitsville, died Aug. 10.

Carol Jean Kimble and George Blaine Ketterman were married June 1.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James R. Plaugher, a son, Matthew Todd. To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cullers, a son, Thomas Allen. To Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Wayne Wilson, a son, Jeremy Scott. To Mr. and Mrs. Roger Miller, a son, Brian Victor.

#### Sixty Years Ago

### EXAMINER SAYS

#### Support

We heard a comment the other day about the lack of hurricanes this year. Although the hurricane season starts June 1, it continues through November. If you will remember, we have had some real doozies in September with Hurricane Fran, and November when Hurricane Juan which did more damage to our part of the world than any previous storm on record. Point is, don't write off the hurricane season and don't neglect to be prepared. You might want to take a look at the FEMA site at ready.gov/prepare which gives good information.

#### Volunteer

We're still having trouble dealing with children being back in school in the middle of August. Of course, it should not really be a surprise because TV advertisers starting promoting back to school supplies about the time of the Summer Solstice. And that wasn't very long after the school year ended. Makes us wonder why there hasn't been more of a push to have year round school with longer holidays scattered throughout the year. Seems to work in a lot of places, but as long as we can squeeze in the required days we'll have the traditional summer vacation, just a shorter version.

#### Hardy County

We were so glad to see that the South Fork Road was finally opened to two lanes of traffic at the big slide location. It only took the state a year to get this done... and you wonder why there is such a problem getting roadwork accomplished. Gov. Justice, who promised the moon to get West Virginians to pass a road bond issue, has some serious questions to answer as he runs for a second term next year. And the road bonds are just a part of his problems.

#### Events

Still on storms... the Associated Press tallied up the cost of

storms and flood damage for just the first half of this year. Twenty-four states had a \$1.2 billion price on damage and that was only preliminary numbers for infrastructure. Doesn't even include homes, lives or anything other than roads, bridges, water facilities or public buildings and parks.

#### Through September

Organizations around the county are raising money for the Hardy County Community Foundation through a variety of events being held through September. The five remaining events are all sponsored by East Hardy groups. For information call 304-538-3431.

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# News

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## Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College Receives Donation From NextEra Energy Resources



Curtis Hakala (left), Department Chair and Nelson Booth, Associate Wind Site Manager for the Mountaineer Wind Energy Center pose in front of the nacelle.

Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College announces it is the recipient of a wind turbine nacelle from NextEra Energy Resources, LLC. Weighing approximately 63,000 pounds, the nacelle was delivered on July 22 and houses all the generating components of a wind turbine. The nacelle will be incorporated into the Eastern's Wind Energy Turbine Technology curriculum and provide students with the hands-on training they need to be successful in their future careers.

NextEra is a leader in clean energy and supports Eastern's Wind Energy Turbine Technology program in a number of ways, said Eric L. Putze, Advanced Technologies and Wind Technology faculty. Many of our students have obtained internships or employment at NextEra and this donation will allow us to provide students with additional experience on campus that they would have previously needed internships to obtain. We are grateful for our partnership with NextEra and are proud to be the recipient of their generous donation.

Eastern offers an Associate in Applied Science, Certificate in Applied Science and Skill Set program

in Wind Energy Turbine Technology to help meet the growing demand for qualified technicians. The program complies with American Wind Energy Association certification standards and students learn the skills necessary to service and troubleshoot modern wind power generation equipment anywhere in the world while acquiring the background and knowledge to advance their careers in the power generation field. Eastern's curriculum provides instruction and practical application of a variety of technical concepts and practices, including those in electrical, pneumatic, hydraulic, mechanical systems, computer control, data acquisition, periodic and predictive maintenance program usages.

We are proud to continue our partnership with Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College and contribute to their training programs for wind turbine technicians, said Shanelle Wilson, NextEra Energy Resources project manager. Wind technician is one of the fastest growing jobs in the United States, so the direct experience these students can receive from working with the equipment will

help them as they progress in their journey to becoming a wind technician.

Today, American wind power supports more than 100,000 jobs, and the field is expected to grow exponentially, as the U.S. Department of Energy outlined a strategy that will produce 20 percent of US power from wind energy alone by 2030.

NextEra is currently developing the Mt. Storm Wind project in Grant and Tucker counties. The project is expected to create an economic boost for the counties, including hundreds of construction jobs, as well as good-paying, full-time operations jobs.

NextEra Energy Resources, together with its affiliated entities, is the world's largest generator of renewable energy from the wind and sun and a world leader in battery storage. For more information, visit [www.NextEraEnergyResources.com](http://www.NextEraEnergyResources.com)

For more information about Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's financial aid opportunities, programs of study, workforce training and community education and events, call toll free 877-982-2322; or check the College's website: [www.easternwv.edu](http://www.easternwv.edu).

## Steel Run School Class of 1929-30 Identified



Shelvy Barr Halterman was able to identify just about everyone in the picture of the Class of 1929-30 at Steel Run School. They are as follows:

Front Row, from left: Teacher Richard Barr, Wade Halterman (Bean), Chloe Halterman (Hawse), Ruth Hardy (Crider, Simon), Bernie Hardy (Evans),

Beaulah Halterman (Vetters), Marion Barr (Wilson), Unknown, Gertrude Dooley, Margaret Dooley, Elsie Halterman (Chippely), Junior Godlove (killed in WW II).

Back Row, from left: Etta Crites (Riggelman), Edith Crites (Reel), Annie Rumor (Barr), Sarah Riggelman (Kile, Hartman),

Vivian Hardy (Crites), Josephine Halterman (Bensenhaver), Lola Riggelman (Barr), Mable Hardy, Elvin Riggelman, Emmett Halterman, Ethel Hardy (Weese), Nellie Crites (Sherman), Mary Etta Rumer (Hinkle), Chester the dog.

Thanks to everyone who helped identify these people.

## AT Hikers Reach West Virginia



This was our picture at the Appalachian Trail Headquarters in Harper's Ferry. These Polaroids, from this year and years back, are kept in albums for everyone to view. The red numbers above show that we were northbound thru hiker number 186 and 187 to reach Harper's Ferry. For reference when we started in Georgia we were 544 and 545.

Hey Hardy County, After leaving Damascus, Va., when we last spoke, Starcrunch and I made our way to the Grayson Highlands State Park. This park is home to a herd of over 150 wild ponies. But it gets better these are

miniature ponies and trot up to hikers and lick all the salty sweat from their arms and legs. It's cuter than it sounds and I'll miss those little guys. We made it to the appropriately named Bland, Va. soon after for a rendezvous Starcrunch and I had

looked forward to for many miles. There, we met our dog a border called named Danni, and she started hiking with us. Justin Earle and John Mathias, two of our great friends, drove her down six hours so

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### NEWS BRIEFS

From now through Sept. 12 the WV Department of Agriculture in conjunction with the WV Farmers Market Association, the WV Department of Natural Resources and the WV state parks system, will host eight West Virginia Grown farm-to-table dinners. Each event will take place at a state park restaurant, pairing locally grown produce and products for menu items. Those parks nearest to this area are Cass Scenic Railroad (Aug. 29), Cacapon Resort (Sept. 10) and Canaan Valley (Sept. 12). For more information go to [wvstateparks.com](http://wvstateparks.com) or call 1-833-WV-PARKS.

The West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is seeking nominations for Our Legacy, Our Future Preservation Awards. Recommendations for nominees will be accepted until Sept. 1, 2019. Individuals, organizations, resources and historic districts are all eligible for consideration. The awards will be

presented at a reception at West Virginia Independence Hall in Wheeling on Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019 at 2 p.m. Nominations will need a one-page summary of the reasons for the nomination and up to five supporting documents. For more information about the awards and to fill out a nomination form, go to [www.wvculture.org/shpo](http://www.wvculture.org/shpo) or contact John Adamik, SHPO education and planning coordinator, at (304) 558-0240 or [john.d.adamik@wv.gov](mailto:john.d.adamik@wv.gov).

WVU Alumni are invited to a Farm to Table meal on Oct. 3 at the Erickson Alumni Center in Morgantown. The homecooked meal will kick off Homecoming Week-end. All meat and produce featured in the meal is raised in West Virginia. In addition to good food, the experience will be accompanied by a bluegrass band. WVU alums receive a discount. Ticket information is available by emailing Andrew Sealy at [asealy@wvu.edu](mailto:asealy@wvu.edu)

According to AAA last week, average gas prices in West Virginia were down 5 cents to \$2.616. Nationally the average price was down 6 cents to \$2.642. All Mid-Atlantic and Northeast states saw gas price averages decline on the week. However, pump price drops have been moderate (an average of four-cents) in comparison to other regions with double-digit weekly changes. Regional gas prices are likely to continue decreasing, considering gasoline stocks rose by nearly 2 million bbl on the week. According to EIA reports, this was the largest build of any region. Across West Virginia, prices ranged from a low of \$2.530 in Huntington to a high of \$2.689 at Weirton. Area averages were \$2.787 in Jefferson, \$2.765 in Hampshire, and \$2.669 in Mineral counties. Prices across Hardy County were at \$2.74 in Wardensville.

### LETTERS to the EDITOR

Dear David, I also have a plethora of canning jars, all sizes and many unused. So I can understand your angst. But if you want to dispose of your recyclables do what I do. For over 10 years I have packed up my plastic, glass, paper and taken it over to the

Shenandoah County recycling center at Columbia Furnace. Just made a run today. I have barrels (tubs) here and place plastic in one, paper in another. A box on the porch holds any glass I want to recycle. My wife feared that I (with WV plates) would get busted for doing this so she finally called Shenandoah County

about same. Answer was, as long as he is not bringing his garbage over we are happy to have the recyclables. I do this because as far as I know Envirco does not give residents or the town squat for recycling. So give it a shot. Stay warm, stay safe, stay above the sod Bob Brookfield

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Heritage Weekend Tiles

The 2019 Heritage Weekend Tiles depicting the Mathias Barn are available for sale at the Hardy County Public Library.

### HCARSE Picnic

The Hardy County Association of Retired School Employees will meet for our annual picnic on Tuesday evening, Aug. 20, at Baker Park, at 5 p.m. Bring a covered dish and a drink. Any and all retired school employees are invited to attend.

### Music in the Park

A family-friendly concert will be held at the Baker Park on Friday, Aug. 23 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Pack a picnic, bring a lawn chair

and enjoy the sounds of N-2 Pickin. Free-will offering. Light refreshments will be available. For information, call Sue at 304-897-6014. The event will be canceled if it rains.

### Mobile Office

A representative from the West Virginia Attorney General's office will meet one-on-one with Hardy County residents to discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions. Richard Dennis, a consumer outreach and compliance specialist with the office, will be at the Hardy County Commission on Aging, 409 Spring Ave. in Moorefield on Wednesday, Aug. 28: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Please bring any related documents. No appointment is necessary.

### Free Classes

Earn your WV High School Equivalency diploma. Prepare for college and careers. Call Hardy County Adult Education at 304-434-8000, Ext. 9234.

### Spay and Neuter

The seasons are changing. Time to get your cat and dog spayed and neutered. Spay Today's our area's non-profit, reduced-priced spay and neuter clinic. Choose from many vets in the area.

At the time of surgery, initial shots and tests can also be obtained at lower rates.

Contact Spay Today at <https://spay-today.org> or 304-728-8330.

### Community Lunch

Community Luncheon is

served each Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Duffey United Methodist Church. Meals are provided by community churches and everyone is welcome

### Smoke Alarms Available

Red Cross Sound the Alarm free smoke alarms will be available in Hardy County throughout 2019. To register for smoke alarms call the Hardy County 911 office, 304-530-0291. Please give you name, address, phone number and the number of floors in your home. Your local fire company will call you to set up an appointment to install the smoke alarms.

### Volunteers Needed

The Hardy County Historical Society is looking for volunteers

for many different areas of our local museum. The museum is located in the Mullen Hotel, 104 S. Main Street in Moorefield. It is on the second floor and is accessible by a rear parking lot lift. The museum highlights Hardy County history and is open at no cost to the public, on Saturdays 10 am to 3 pm. For more information, email Dave Jopling at [joplingfam@hardynet.com](mailto:joplingfam@hardynet.com) or come by the museum any Saturday.

### Drug Take Back

The Moorefield Police Department maintains a permanent collection site for unwanted or expired prescription medication, located within the Police Department. It is located at 206 Winchester Ave. and is available to

the public Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information check Moorefield Police Department Facebook page or call 304-530-1777.

### Dead Animals

The West Virginia Division of Highways wants to remind the public of its policy regarding the pickup and disposal of dead animals. The DOH will only pick up carcasses on state owned highways and will not go on private property. Additionally, the DOH does not have the equipment to pick up dead animals in creeks, streams, or rivers.

To report a dead animal on a state owned road, please notify your local district DOH office at 304-434-2525.



# HARDY LIFE

## Betty Bosley Honored as 2019 West Virginia Women In Agriculture



Betty and her Corgi, Bailey, overlook Buena Vista Farm. Betty spent her childhood playing and working in the big, white barn that was built by her grandfather.

By Jean A. Flanagan  
Moorefield Examiner

To Betty Bosley, growing up on Buena Vista Farm in Old Fields was like growing up in a petting zoo.

I remember bottle-feeding lambs and showing cattle at the Tri-County Fair.

Elizabeth Betty Bosley is one of five women recognized as 2019 Women In Agriculture. She was honored at the West Virginia State Fair this year.

Betty's family has been part of Hardy County's farming history for generations. She is the daughter of Bud and Nellie Ours Leatherman. Her family owns the big, white barn just off U.S. Route 220 North in Old Fields.

We grew up in the house, but that big barn was a fascination to us, Betty said. We would build forts up in the haymow. We loved to play up there.

I had a friend and we would ride horses together. She said, when she grew up, she was going to run a farm and raise horses. I said, I was going to run a farm and raise cattle.

Betty attended Old Fields Elementary School and graduated from Moorefield High School in 1965. She went to Potomac State College and then to West Virginia University. She graduated from WVU with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education.

In those days, women really only had three choices for a career, Betty said. You could be a nurse, a teacher or a secretary. I thought I might want to be a nurse. But then I spent a few days in the hospital and there was no way I could do that.

Betty had known Jim Bosley since the 8th grade. He and his father moved to Moorefield after his mother passed away. But we didn't start dating until college, and we got married while we were still in college, Betty said.

When Betty graduated from WVU in 1969, Jim still had a year to finish his accounting degree, so her first year as a teacher was at Westover Elementary near Mor-

gantown.

Later, Jim got a job at Kelly Springfield and they lived for four years in Cumberland, Md.

In 1970, I had an interview in Allegheny County, Maryland, and on the way back to Cumberland, I stopped at the Mineral County Board of Education Office," Betty said. The superintendent was so glad to see me. She said, Don't you worry, honey. We'll find a place for you and I taught for four years at Wiley Ford.

In the meantime, Betty worked on her master's degree in Elementary Education at WVU. She graduated in 1974, the same year the Bosleys moved back to Moorefield. We just wanted to come home, Betty said.

For a year, Jim drove back a forth from Moorefield to Kelly Springfield to work. Then a job opened at Raygold, which became American Woodmark.

Betty began working at Moorefield Elementary School. It was the second year for the new school and she taught second grade.

We had a great team, Susan McBeth, Kathy Hardy, Bonnie Hines, Marge Newton, Betty said. We went through two floods, cleaned that school twice. Before you know it, they all started to retire.

In 2001, Betty transferred to Moorefield Middle School as a Title I teacher. I said, I moved up the hill in case the river gets up again, she laughed.

She retired from full-time teaching in 2006, but was hired back to work three days a week as a Reading Specialist. She retired for good in 2011. I was afraid I would be bored, she laughed.

Betty's father gave the couple an acre of land up the hill from Buena Vista Farm. They built a house and bought adjoining parcels as they came available.

In 1992, Jim came home one day and said he wanted to build two pullet chicken houses. Pullets are young laying chickens. They come to the farm the day after they hatch and stay for 22 weeks. Then they're moved to laying houses.

In 1980, the Bosleys started to buy cattle.

Dad went to Ohio to buy Simmental calves, Betty said. He bought two, one red and white and one yellow and white. We put one in with our other calves and it was so much bigger, it was unbelievable.

Simmentals are the second largest breed of cattle in the world. Only the Brahman is larger. They are bred to be both milk and beef cattle. They are known for their high meat yields and are easy to handle.

The Bosleys joined the American Simmental Association and their oldest daughter, Julie began showing the steers at the Tri-County Fair, the West Virginia State Fair and all over the eastern United States.

"The ASA has a terrific youth program, Betty said. It's not just showing, it's judging, testing and salesmanship. Both Julie and our younger daughter, Jody went through the ASA program.

After the Bosleys established their Simmental herd, they began selling heifer calves at specialty sales in Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina as well as West Virginia. They sold bulls privately.

Now, the Bosley's Century Farm consists of two pullet houses, about 30 cow/calf pairs and the donkeys.

Donkeys? Wait! What? Betty talked about the donkeys.

We discovered early on that in order to take the calves to sales, they need to be halter broken, she said. We tried doing it by hand, but the calves are too big and too strong. So we use donkeys.

As part of the weaning process, when the calves are 6 - 7 months old, they have to get used to humans. We run them through the chutes, to get them used to the chutes and after a couple days, we put a rope halter on them, Betty said.

Because the calves will usually step on the rope and choke themselves, they are tied to a fence, at first just an hour or two, then longer each day.

If they're going to be show cows, we start getting them used to the show stick when they're on the



The slate award presented to Betty and all the 2019 Women in Agriculture was engraved by Moorefield resident Angie Fraley.



Betty was crowned Miss Moorefield in 1962 and was given a portrait by local photographer Berdell Bischoff.

Photos by Jean Flanagan

fence, Betty said. We show them the stick, then just start scratching their backs for a couple of days.

After the calves have been on the fence for awhile, they go to the donkeys.

The donkey's collar has a big O-ring and we catch the calf, tie the halter rope to the O-ring and the donkey leads the calf into the lot, Betty said. The calf will try to pull the donkey, but they are strong and will just set their feet and the calf won't budge them. Eventually the calf learns to go with the donkey and eventually we will leave the calf on the donkey overnight.

Betty said they have two professional donkeys, older Mamas, and one younger donkey in training. The female donkeys have a more complacent disposition.

We had a male that was a spotted gray, she said. He sired a spotted gray female, which we kept, the one in training, and a white male. We decided to sell the white male and donate the proceeds to the ASA Youth program. We thought we might get \$500.

Well, we put it on the internet and low and behold, we got \$1,500.

It's obvious that both Betty and Jim enjoy helping kids - and not just their own kids.

We've raised doctors, lawyers and Indian Chiefs, she said. Not just our kids, but cousins' kids and friends' kids. One has become a doctor, a few have become lawyers and they've all been Tribal Chiefs at 4-H Camp.

When you show cattle, or sheep, or goats, it gives a kid a little bit of something. They are more apt to try new things. It gives them confidence, like 'I can do this.' That stays with them long after the show ring.

Some of Betty's fondest memories of her kids growing up were created at the State Fair.

We would take the camper and camp for the whole 10 days, she said. We would borrow an Army tent from Chuck and Carmen Siliman, put the campers and trailers in a circle with the tent in the middle.

Of course, when you have two daughters, you can't just go with two daughters, you have to bring the two daughters' friends. So Jim and I would be in the camper



A treasured memento, given to all of the 2019 Women In Agriculture, is a barn quilt made by Carolyn and Kristen Strickler of Strickler Farm.

and the kids in the Army tent. We thought we had them corralled. We found out later, that wasn't the case. But we had the best time.

Betty and Jim also have high school kids come to work on the farm after school and during the summer.

Logan Riggleman started in 7th grade, Betty said. He showed cattle at the fair. So did his sister and his brother. Logan works at Southern States now.

When Logan graduated from high school, Hayden See came to work after school and during the summer. He was only in 6th grade when he started.

He's a senior this year, Betty said. I don't know what we'll do after this.

Both Riggleman and See were excellent showmen. Riggleman won Master Showman for Beef at the Tri-County Fair. See won Senior Showman for Goats and for Beef.

If you can keep them in the

barn, you can keep them off the streets and out of the bars, Betty laughed.

We found a niche in the market, with the Simmentals, and it's something we can do on our 37 acres. We do rent three other properties for pasture and to make hay. It's hard to find good pasture with good fence.

Betty's daughters nominated her for the Women in Agriculture recognition. She was really surprised.

The reception at the State Fair included some really nice gifts presented to all the winners; a Barn Quilt from Strickler Farms, courtesy of Carolyn and Kriston Strickler of Hardy County, a selection of West Virginia roasted Black Dog Coffee, and a slate plaque, engraved by Moorefield's own Angie Fraley.

I'm doing what I always wanted to do, Betty said. Everything I've done with farming and with kids and teaching, I wouldn't change a thing.



This week's edition honors Examiner editor and publisher, Phoebe Fisher Heishman, who took the reins of the newspaper 50 years ago this week.

We had an outpouring of well-wishes from the community and beyond, but some did not make it in time for the special publication. See the special section for all the messages.

### Congratulations Phoebe

on the 50th anniversary as publisher of the newspaper! You have always been a wonderful example to those who know you and I am one of those who has admired all you have done for us as friends as well as for West Virginia.

You are an inspiration to all those you have ever crossed your path or read one of your articles. Some may not like your viewpoints now and then, but I know they have admired your spunk and courage as you discuss your truth. I am sure you have changed many minds as to the political aspects of our times. Your honesty and deep feelings for our state and our country are to be admired.

I love you dear friend  
I admire you dear friend  
I congratulate you dear friend

Pam Paul Houdersheldt

### Phoebe,

Congratulations on your retirement! I have enjoyed reading the Moorefield Examiner for more than 50 years and I want to wish you Much Happiness and Good Health in the years to come.

Pat and Robbie Grafton

### Phoebe,

Congrats on serving the Hardy County Community for the past 50 years. You have brought so much enlightenment, heritage, information and joy to your readers near and far away. Thank you for always supporting the Hardy County Health and Wellness Center and our community.

Best Wishes, Morgan Hill See

A career that spans 50 years shows a love for that profession, but a career that lasts that long at a weekly newspaper also demonstrates a love for one's community. Phoebe Heishmann has spent half a century informing the people of Hardy County about everything they need to know from the births and deaths of their neighbors, to municipal water rate hikes, to the effects of devastating flooding. Ms. Heishmann's dedication to small-town journalism may never have made her famous, but it has made her essential to the residents of Moorefield and Hardy County. Congratulations, Phoebe, on 50 years of a life well-spent!

WVU Provost Maryanne Reed



AT THE LIBRARY

New Fiction

*The Cold Way Home* (Bell Elkins; 8) by Julia Keller All that remains of Wellwood, a psychiatric hospital for the poor that burned to the ground decades ago, is a ragged chunk of what was once a high stone wall. And it is here that Bell Elkins--prosecutor turned private investigator--makes a grim discovery while searching for a missing teenager: a dead body, marred by a ghastly wound that can only mean murder.

*Old Bones* by Douglas Preston Curator Nora Kelly is approached by historian Guy Porter to lead an expedition unlike any other. Nora agrees, and they venture into the Sierra Nevada in search of the Donner Party camp.

*The Bitterroots* (Cassie Dewell; 4) by C. J. Box Former sheriff's investigator Cassie Dewell is trying

to start her life over as in private practice. All that certainty changes when an old friend calls in a favor: she wants Cassie to help exonerate a man accused of assaulting a young woman from an influential family. But out by the Bitterroot Mountains of Montana, twisted family loyalty runs as deep as the ties to the land, and there's always something more to the story.

*Contraband* (Stone Barrington; 50) by Stuart Woods (Reg. Print, Audiobook) Stone Barrington is getting some much-needed rest and relaxation in the Florida sun when trouble falls from the sky--literally. Intrigued by the suspicious circumstances surrounding this event, Stone joins forces with a sharp-witted and alluring local detective to investigate and soon finds himself caught in the web of a national smuggling operation.

*The Loyal One* (Walnut Creek; 2) by Shelley Shepard Gray When Katie Steury hires her old friend Harley Lambright to remodel her rundown old house into a charming bed and breakfast, they soon discover that clearing the debris in one old house also means they have to do some clean-up in their lives, forcing them to reevaluate their past and their future.

*The Last Good Guy* (Roland Ford; 3) by T. Jefferson Parker When hired by a beautiful and enigmatic woman to find her missing younger sister, private investigator Roland Ford's investigation leads him to a secretive charter school, skinhead thugs, a cadre of American Nazis hidden in a desert compound, an arch-conservative celebrity evangelist--and, finally, to the girl herself.

*The Last Widow* (Will Trent; 9)

by Karin Slaughter (Reg. Print, Lg. Print) After the kidnapping of a CDC scientist and a bombing in one of Atlanta's neighborhoods, Georgia detective Will Trent and medical examiner Sara Linton find themselves pitted against a mysterious group intent on unleashing a deadly epidemic.

*The Oysterville Sewing Circle* by Susan Wiggs Forced by scandal and tragedy to return to her Pacific coast childhood home, Caroline assumes guardianship over two orphans and bonds with a circle of fellow seamstresses before an unexpected challenge tests her courage and heart.

*The Murder List* by Hank Phillippi Ryan Rachel North is successfully married to a faithful and devoted husband, a lion of Boston's defense bar, and her internship with the Boston DA's office is her ticket to a successful future. Problem is--she's wrong. And in a cat and mouse game, the battle for justice becomes a battle for survival.

*The Whisper Man* by Alex North -- A father and son find themselves caught in the crosshairs of an investigation to catch a serial killer preying on a small town.

*The Cruel Stars* by John Birmingham A group of intrepid heroes must band together to save civilization after a long dormant enemy awakens and strikes a devastating blow.

*The Accidentals* by Minrose

Gwin Following the death of their mother, the McAlister daughters have to deal with the ripple effect of this tragedy over the course of decades in Mississippi.

*Read on Arrival* (Bookmobile Mystery; 2) by Nora Page A delinquent patron's untimely death in the wake of community accidents and an offer to return a decades-overdue book traps septuagenarian librarian Cleo Watkins between the suspicious police and a determined killer.

New Non-Fiction and Bios

*Johnny Cash: The Redemption of an American Icon* by Greg Laurie Laurie dives deeply into Cash's inner demons, triumphs, and gradual return to faith. The author interviews Cash's family, friends, and business associates to reveal how the singer's true success came through finding the only Person whose star was bigger than his own.

*The Assault on American Excellence* by Anthony T. Kronman The former dean of Yale Law School surveys the full sweep of recent campus controversies to show how these disputes threaten the best of America's intellectual traditions--including democracy itself.

*Time Song: Journeys in Search of a Submerged Land* by Julia Blackburn Blackburn brings us along on her journey to discover what Doggerland--the area beneath the North Sea which, until 6,000 years ago, was home to a rich ecosystem

and human settlement--left behind, introducing us to the paleontologists, archaeologists, fishermen and fellow Doggerland enthusiasts she meets along the way.

New Easy Readers


*Pete the Cat's Trip to the Supermarket* (Pete the Cat) by Kimberly Dean Pete the cat heads off to the supermarket with his dad and brother, but when Dad loses the grocery list, it is up to Pete and Bob to help remind him of what was on their list.

*If I Built a School* by Chris Van Dusen Imaginative Jack describes the kind of school he would build--one full of animals, with tubes to transport students directly to their classrooms, and library books that come alive.

*Give Me Back My Bones!* by Kim Norman A silly pirate skeleton seeks to put its bones back together in this rhyming romp beneath the waves.


*Searching for Santa* (Bad Kitty) by Nick Bruel When Kitty wants to write a letter with her Christmas wish, she is not so sure that she has been good this year and wonders if that will affect whether Santa gives her what she is asking for.


*A Stone Sat Still* by Brendan Wenzel A stone is considered from a variety of environmental and emotional perspectives, as it sits where it is, surrounded by grass, dirt, and water, an unchanging certainty in the world.

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AT Hikers Reach

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she could journey with us.

Danni was a natural through hiker -- she hiked long days and didn't take many baths. Just kidding, but even after some of our longest days she'd still have plenty of energy to fetch sticks until it was time for bed. On our 43rd day, we reached the quarter way mark. 548 miles down! By Easter, we reached Pearisburg, Va. For our Easter dinner we hitch-hiked into town where an angel named Michael picked us up and offered us a ride to Hardee's since he was driving there anyway to begin his shift. We sat in the grass in front of Hardee's and had an Easter feast that couldn't be beat.

Day 52, we reached the Virginia Triple Crown. The Triple Crown consists of Dragons Tooth, McAfee's Knob, and Tinker Cliffs. These are very popular day-hiker destinations and we saw more people that day than we had on the trail. Once atop McAfee's Knob, the most photographed area on the AT, we had to politely ask people sunbathing on the Knob to move since, We had walked 700 miles for this picture!

On day 55, our families came to

visit us! First came hugs and congratulations, but second was food of course; we put on our very own trail magic. There was more food than even any of the hikers could finish. After an energizing visit with our families we continued our journey north.

About a week later, we reached Waynesboro, Va. which is the southern terminus of Shenandoah National Park and more importantly the home of Ming's Chinese Buffet. This buffet is a thing of hiker legend. Burning more than 5,000 calories a day leads to the infamous hiker hunger and nothing is a better cure for that than an all you can eat buffet! After 8 plates of food, Moss left the buffet with a full stomach and an ice cream for the trail.

The AT stretches 105 miles through Shenandoah National Park which has some of the most beautiful and easy miles of the entire journey as the trail begins to welcome us to the land of our roots. Might be the land of ticks too. We started to see more and more ticks on Danni even though she takes a pill that kills them when they bite her and has a collar that repels them. One day, we picked over 50 off her legs

alone. Lyme Disease will end a hike and fearing this outcome, it was time to end Danni's hike with us voluntarily instead of being unfortunately forced to. This was a tough decision for us since we had come to rely on her upbeat, energetic self for emotional support at the end of trying days, but we had to prioritize her and our safety first. We'll see you soon, pup.

It was May 14 when we crossed a bridge over the Potomac River and entered Harper's Ferry, W.Va.

This was huge! Not just because we were back home, but this is known as the emotional halfway point. The headquarters for the governing body of the Appalachian Trail is here and this is where those that have halfway photos taken get them. Country roads had taken us home for now.

Thanks for joining us on our journey through Virginia and back home to West Virginia. When you hear from us next, we'll be across the Mason Dixon Line and following our next country roads to Maine. If you want to see more photos, check out our Instagram @thruorfalse Moss & Starcrunch

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Tues. Aug. 27- Chicken pot pie,  
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Wed. Aug. 28- Steak-im w/ pep-  
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salad, pears  
Thurs. Aug. 29- Chef salad w/  
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Tues., Aug. 27-- Senior Shop-  
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Wed., Aug. 28 -Puzzles  
Thurs., Aug. 29 - Puzzles  
Fri., Aug. 30- Puzzles  
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Wednesdays.

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The following events happened  
on these dates in West Virginia history.  
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Aug. 21, 1861: Confederate  
troops under Gen. John B. Floyd  
crossed the Gauley River at Car-  
nifex Ferry, Nicholas County, and  
began to entrench their position. It  
was the beginning of what became  
known as the Battle of Keslers  
Cross Lanes.

Aug. 22, 1872: Following the  
Constitutional Convention of 1872,  
the West Virginia electorate rati-  
fied a new state constitution by a  
vote of 42,344 to 37,777. In the  
same election, the voters rejected a  
controversial convention propo-



Louis Bennett

sition that would have restricted  
office-holding to whites.

Aug. 23, 1970: The Mormon  
Church established its first “stake,”  
or congregation, in West Vir-  
ginia. The stake was organized in  
Charleston with a membership of  
nearly 4,000 people.

Aug. 24, 1918: Louis Bennett Jr.

died of injuries sustained when his  
plane was shot down by German  
anti-aircraft fire. Bennett, with 12  
combat kills, was West Virginia s  
only World War I fighter ace.

August 25, 1903: Soprano Su-  
sanne Fisher was born in Sutton.  
Fisher was the first West Virginian  
to sing at the Metropolitan Opera.

Aug. 25, 1921: Miners began to  
arrive at Blair Mountain near the  
border of Logan and Boone coun-  
ties. Sheriff Don Chafin, a hated  
symbol of anti-unionism in south-  
ern West Virginia, met them with  
a combined force of deputies, mine  
guards, civilian volunteers, and oth-  
ers.

Aug. 25, 2000: The Robert C.  
Byrd Green Bank Telescope was  
dedicated. It is the world s largest  
fully steerable radio telescope.

Aug. 26, 1863: Union and Con-  
federate forces collided in what be-  
came known as the Battle of White  
Sulphur Springs. The next morning,  
with ammunition nearly depleted,

Union Gen. William Averell de-  
cided to retreat to his base without  
accomplishing any of his objectives.

Aug. 26, 1918: Mathematician  
Katherine Johnson was born in  
White Sulphur Springs. For 33  
years, Johnson worked for NASA  
doing calculations for manned  
space flight, including the Apollo  
11 moon landing. In 2015, she re-  
ceived the Presidential Medal of  
Freedom.

Aug. 27, 1902: Mary McClain  
was born Mary Smith in Hunting-  
ton. McClain was a blues legend  
who performed at Carnegie Hall,  
the White House, the Apollo The-  
atre, and the Cotton Club.

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## PSC Anticipates Lower Gas Utility Bills

Following an initial review of  
the Purchased Gas Adjustment  
cases filed recently, the Public Ser-  
vice Commission of West Virginia  
is expecting slightly lower gas uti-  
lity bills across the state for the up-  
coming heating season.

Natural gas utilities that serve  
over 91% of the natural gas cus-  
tomers in the state have filed re-  
quests with the Commission to  
lower the purchased gas portion  
of their rates. Mountaineer Gas  
Company has asked for a decrease  
of 3.91% and Hope Gas/Dominion  
Energy has requested a decrease  
of 8.87%.

Five companies, serving 8.5% of  
residential natural gas customers,  
have requested an increase in their  
purchased gas prices due to under-  
recovery of gas costs in 2018 and,  
in some cases, projected higher gas  
prices being charged by their sup-  
pliers.

The Commission does not regu-  
late the price of natural gas; that  
price is determined by competitive  
markets. The Commission does  
examine the gas purchasing prac-  
tices of gas utilities and ensures the  
utility satisfies its burden to show  
that dependable, lower-priced gas  
supplies are not readily available.

By law, gas utilities are permit-  
ted to recover their costs to pur-  
chase natural gas. The gas rates of  
customers are adjusted annually  
to account for the cost of gas in  
a process called a Purchased Gas  
Adjustment (PGA) proceeding be-  
fore the Commission. The PGA is  
an estimate of expected prices uti-  
lities will have to pay for gas from  
their suppliers for the period of  
November 1 through October 31  
of the following year, as well as a  
true up of actual costs for the  
previous year. The PGA does not  
include any profit for the utility.

## WVDEP Opens Annual Photo Contest

The West Virginia Depart-  
ment of Environmental Protection  
(WVDEP) is now taking submis-  
sions for the 17th Annual West Vir-  
ginia Operation Wildflower 2020  
Roadsides in Bloom calendar  
contest. The deadline for entries is  
Sept. 1.

The following rules for the con-  
test apply:

Photographs must be taken in  
West Virginia;

Entries must be submitted as  
an 8 x10 color print and must be  
landscape orientation (Portrait or-  
ientation will not be accepted). A  
high-resolution digital copy MUST  
be submitted on a CD or flash drive  
at the same time. Entries that do  
not contain a digital copy will not be  
considered;

Flowers must be growing along  
a road and the road must be prom-  
inently visible in the photo. They may  
be growing naturally or in an Oper-  
ation Wildflower bed planted by the  
West Virginia Division of Highways.  
Pictures of cultivated species plant-  
ed in arranged beds, such as mari-

golds, pansies, etc., do not qualify;

Name, address, phone number,  
e-mail address (if you have one)  
and a short description of the pho-  
to, including location and county of  
where the photo was taken, must ap-  
pear in the upper left-hand corner  
on the back of the photo. Photos be-  
come property of the WVDEP and  
will not be returned;

No more than three entries per  
person. Only one winning photo will  
be selected from any photographer s  
entries. Winners will be required to  
submit a digital copy of their photo;  
12 winners will be selected to re-  
present the months of the year. A  
grand-prize winner will be chosen to  
appear on the calendar cover.

Entries can be submitted via  
email to DEP.AAH@wv.gov or reg-  
ular mail to:

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## PSC Warns Consumers About Utility Scams

The Public Service Commis-  
sion of West Virginia cautions  
utility customers to be alert to a  
new round of utility scams. This  
warning comes as several preda-  
tory incidents have been reported  
throughout the state. Recently, a  
caller told a customer that their  
electric service would be terminat-  
ed unless the customer immediat-  
ely sent a US Express Money Order.

Scammers manipulate people  
by playing on their fears, and they  
don t care who they hurt, said  
PSC Chairman Charlotte R. Lane.

If a caller demands payment by  
an unusual method and threatens  
to disconnect your utility service,  
chances are that it is a scam.

Public utilities will send writ-  
ten notification if your account is  
past due. If company representa-  
tives contact you by phone, they  
will explain how payment may be  
made, Lane said. They will nev-  
er ask for your bank or credit card  
information over the phone or by

email, nor will they direct you to  
buy a prepaid debit card or money  
order, or make a wire transfer as  
payment.

“Caller ID spoofing software can  
make it appear that a phone call is  
coming from the utility company.  
Scammers may even give you a call  
back number. If you receive a sus-  
picious call, hang up immediately.  
Lane said. Scam email messages  
look like they come from the uti-  
lity, and may even include a link to a  
website that looks like the utility s  
website. If you receive one, do not  
click on any link. You should de-  
lete the email immediately. Only  
use the contact information print-  
ed on your utility bill and contact  
the company directly.

If you believe you have been  
targeted by a utility scam, contact  
local law enforcement or the Com-  
mission s Consumer Affairs Tech-  
nicians at 1-800-642-8544, Lane  
said.

## DUPLICATE BRIDGE

A Howell game was played on  
Wednesday, August 14 with 5  
tables in play in the South Branch  
Duplicate Bridge Club held at  
Colts Restaurant. There were ten  
pairs playing 27 boards with an av-  
erage match-point score of 54.

Overall winners were: Lary

Garrett and Bruce Leslie, 79 1/2;  
Marion Marshall and Susan New-  
man, 60 1/2; Sandra Evans and Bill  
Fisher, 60; Lucy Kimble and Dor-  
othy Wilson, 59 1/2.

The bridge club meets each  
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## Miller Honored As Baker Ruritan of the Year



Cletus Miller of Baker (left) was presented with the Baker Ruritan Club's 2018 Ruritan Member of the Year Award at the club's August meeting at Sperry's Run U.M. Church. Club President John Treadway made the presentation to Miller while praising Miller's

dedication to the club's community activities. Baker Ruritan Club meets the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. and rotates meeting locations around the Baker community. For more information about Ruritan National, visit [www.ruritan.org](http://www.ruritan.org).

## Cofield – Cunningham Announce Nuptials



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cofield of Old Fields, West Virginia are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter Mary Maebeth Cofield, to Nathan Martin Cunningham, son of Robert and Janey Cunningham of West Newton, Pennsylvania.

Ms. Cofield is a regulatory analyst for a natural gas utility in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. Mr. Cunningham is a sales lead at Kenny Ross Chevrolet-Buick-GMC in North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

The wedding will take place at 2:30pm on August 31, 2019 at Madison United Methodist Church in Madison, Pennsylvania, with Pastor Robert Green officiating. A reception will immediately follow at The Barn at Madison.

After a honeymoon in the Florida Keys, the couple plans to reside in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

## McNeill's Rangers Celebrate National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day



In recognition of National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, August 15, McNeill's Rangers, SCV Camp 582 presented pizza for lunch to all the local, county, and state police departments from Petersburg to Moorefield. Shown in the picture are Mike Thomas, McNeill's Rangers, Steve Riggelman, Moorefield Police, and David Judy, Cmdr. McNeill's Rangers. Encouragement was made through the National SCV, National Cmdr. Paul Grambling, Jr. Gen. Order 2019-1. Special thanks to Little Caesars of Petersburg.

## AG Warns College Students of Identity Theft Dangers

West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey urges college

students to use caution as another school year begins and sensitive information is shared.

College is the first time many young adults are in charge of their own personal affairs, which makes them susceptible to scammers. Identity thieves may take advantage of students' newfound freedom to try and access personal and sensitive information.

College students may forget how important it is to safeguard personal information, Attorney General Morrisey said. Not doing

so can cause a lot of unwanted issues and headaches down the road as it may make them vulnerable to identity theft.

Students should use strong passwords to protect access to devices and never share or leave personal information on display.

Billing statements and other sensitive information should be shredded or kept secure rather than keeping them indefinitely.

Students should also be wary of any unsolicited attempt to gain access to personal information and never divulge such information without verifying the authenticity of the recipient.

Additionally, college students are encouraged to download firewalls and software that prevent

computer viruses and spyware from impacting their devices.

Some social media sites and email services allow users to set a two-factor authentication that requires them to verify each login. This will let students know if an unauthorized person attempts to access their account.

To learn about consumer protection efforts in West Virginia, visit [www.ago.wv.gov/consumer-protection](http://www.ago.wv.gov/consumer-protection).

Anyone with questions should contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-368-8808, the Eastern Panhandle Consumer Protection Office in Martinsburg at 304-267-0239 or visit the office online at [www.wvago.gov](http://www.wvago.gov).

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## Tourism Summit

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keting Specialist Nathan Bergdoll described the Ag Action Council's inception and success.

The Ag Action Council was formed three years ago to bring together stakeholders in the agriculture community.

We gathered farmers, producers, people from the Department of Agriculture and asked them what they needed, Metzger said.

We listened to these people, developed workshops, offered training to small businesses.

We got started through collaboration, Bergdoll said. Eastern was the central piece of the puzzle.

Joe Kapp, entrepreneur in residence at Eastern commented on how that experience could translate to the arts and tourism in the area.

This is an opportunity to work together to make it easier for people to come here and spend money, he said. We know that when people spend the night, they spend more money. If you can increase the number of nights they spend, you can increase the amount of money they spend.

Kapp pointed out that, not only does it help the tourism industry, but other sectors of the local economy as well. It creates more work for people like accountants and graphic designers, he said.

We hear people ask all the time, What are we going to do when we get there. It's our responsibility to help them.

### Updates from Partners

Troy Waskey, Cheat/Potomac District Ranger of the Monongahela National Forest talked about the Mon Forest Towns Initiative. They have identified 10 towns within the Mon National Forest and are working to establish a

board of directors with representatives from those towns.

We started working with those communities as a result of the flooding in 2016," Waskey said.

We began to have conversations around recreation-based assets in those areas. What did they have in common with the National Forest?

Waskey said a work group convened and began working on structure. They decided to concentrate on five areas of development - trails, workforce, business, marketing and health/wellness.

Waskey said the idea came from a group in Maryland who created Canal Towns, based on towns around the C&O Canal, which is a popular tourist destination.

We had a summit in June, where we discussed a Memorandum of Understanding, Waskey said. Our next step is creating community buy-in and we already have several communities on board.

Phyllis Baxter with the Appalachian Forest Heritage Areas announced that Congress had approved that designation in March.

We are one of 55 Heritage Areas in the United States, she said.

Our goals include conservation, interpretation, community development and economic development.

The AFHA encompasses 18 counties in West Virginia and Maryland.

"Our first task is to develop a management plan, Baxter said.

We will do an asset inventory and host public meetings to engage the public and business partners. We want to figure out where each resource exists and where are the gaps. We don't want to duplicate efforts.

Baxter asked that people should visit the appalachianforest.us website and complete the survey. We

want people who are interested to get involved, she said.

Jonathan Billingham, with the Hampshire County CVB said they have a new website and a new logo.

Hampshire County joined many of our neighbors in increasing the Hotel/Motel tax to 6 percent, he said. That will help our ability to do some things.

Billingham also introduced the new owners of the Potomac Eagle Scenic Railroad and they described some upcoming activities.

Ashley Centofanti, with the Mineral County CVB described some of the many opportunities she sees in the future.

Jennings Randolph Lake is in Mineral County and many people don't know about it, she said.

There are several museums that are in dire need of volunteers. We would like to form an arts council.

A representative from Ashby's Fort talked about the development of the site as a visitor's center. Ashby's Fort was prominent in the French and Indian War.

Kim Ruddle from Pendleton County said they were in the process of interviewing for a CVB Director.

She mentioned the Spring Fest is now the West Virginia Trout Festival and how the state designation will help the event.

We are working on a mapping project that will include points of interest, eating establishments and where to stay, she said. We are hoping to make it available in print and online.

The beautification of downtown Franklin was spearheaded by the private purchase of an historic home, Ruddle said. Their efforts to restore the house have led to other stepping up to the plate, she said.

Anne Beardslee with the Elkins/Randolph County Tourism CVB said linking Elkins with Ran-



Photo by Jean Flanagan

From left, Tina Metzger, Nathan Bergdoll and Joe Kapp discuss the Ag Action Council and how collaboration helped producers and growers learn from each other.

dolph County brings more name recognition. People don't know where Randolph County is, but they know where Elkins is, she said.

They are working on a tourism assessment and have a new Facebook and Twitter pages.

The amphitheater in Elkins has had concerts all summer and the Allegheny Rail Trail is almost complete to downtown.

Jessica Waldo described Tucker County as a four-season, affordable, outdoor recreation destination.

tion.

She described the Davis and Thomas art scene as an organic development.

There were a lot of vacant buildings and the arts folks just started buying them and moving in, she said. They attract a large number of visitors every year.

Waldo said there was an effort to connect all the trails in the Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuge.

### Small Business Resources

Richard Haney with the Small

Business Administration, Anne Jones, Woodlands Development Group Business Coach and Joe Kapp presented a panel discussion on resources available for small businesses.

You hear all the time about big industries coming to a community, Jones said. But small businesses have the biggest impact on the community.

Business owners are very busy, Kapp said. Eastern has worked with the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office and on Eastern's website is a portal to help you get started.

Kapp also said Eastern, Dr. Terrell, have connections to other community colleges across the country. There are resources available for all areas of new and even existing businesses, he said.

Get a business coach, Haney said. You don't have to walk through this alone. Business plans should be flexible, they are always changing.

Terrell said Eastern was in the process of advertising for a business coach through the Small Business Development Council, who would be available at the college at no cost.

## Physical Agility Tests for West Virginia DNR Police Officer Candidates Scheduled

The Law Enforcement Section of the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources has scheduled Physical Agility Tests (PAT) for Friday, Sept. 6, and Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019, for anyone interested in applying for open Natural Resources Police Officer positions. All candidates for NRPO positions are required to pass a PAT.

The tests will be conducted at the South Charleston Community Center at 601 Jefferson Road on either of those two days, starting at 9 a.m. Walk-ons will be accepted.

Applicants also will be required to take a written exam at DNR's South Charleston office at 324 4th Avenue, either day at 12:30 p.m. Interviews for successful applicants will be held Sept. 17-19, 2019. Times and a location will be announced at the PAT.

During the PAT, candidates must complete a 37.5-yard swim, a minimum of 18 push-ups in proper form in one minute and 28 sit-ups in proper form in one minute, and a 1.5 mile run in 14 minutes, 36 seconds or less. Candidates should bring long pants and a shirt for the fully clothed swimming test and a change of clothing for the running test.

Passing the PAT is required to become a Natural Resources Police Officer. To be considered, candidates must be willing to relocate and work in any county in the state. They also must be willing to work all shifts and be on call. County assignment cannot be guaranteed.

Minimum qualifications include graduation from an accredited four-year college or university. Preference is given to those with majors in natural sciences,

law enforcement, criminology or criminal justice. Candidates may substitute previous employment as a certified law enforcement officer under certain circumstances.

Natural Resources Police Officers have full law enforcement authority in West Virginia, and are responsible for the prompt, orderly and effective enforcement of all laws and rules, including the protection of the state's natural resources from unlawful activities.

Full details about the job description and an online job application form can be found at [www.wvdnr.gov](http://www.wvdnr.gov) under Law Enforcement / Employment. For more information, contact the WVDNR Law Enforcement Section at 304-558-2784 or email DNR.Law@wv.gov.

## Wardensville

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said.

The first step is to organize a BAD Buildings Team consisting of volunteers, civic organizations, elected officials and business owners.

The second step is training on how to identify, survey and research BAD buildings in the community. The training is offered by the BAD Buildings Program.

The third step is developing an inventory of BAD buildings based on a visual survey and site research.

Steps four and five involve creating and implementing a redevelopment plan.

What if a property owner doesn't want to participate? Asked Councilwoman Gina Atkisson.

Do you have code enforcement? Diaz asked. If so, we have a friendly letter we can send to ask, basically, what are the obstacles in addressing the issues with the property. Often the obstacle is money.

Diaz said while BAD Buildings do not provide funding, they can help find funding through other organizations. "We share office space with the Northern West Virginia Brownfield Assistance Center and we work very closely with them, she said.

Diaz said the BAD Buildings Team could consist of as many as five to 10 people and the training would take just an hour. Establishing a redevelopment plan often takes six to 12 months.

There are some sketchy buildings in town and we wanted to know what opportunities exist, Orndorff-Sayers said.

### Park House Repairs

Discussion about repairing the Park House were carried from the last meeting. The house, located in the J. Allen Hawkins Park, is a source of revenue for the town. Repairs needed include new cabinetry in the kitchen, replacing a light and repairing water damage. A contractor had quoted almost \$4,000 to do the work.

The questions left unanswered was - could town employees do the work needed and in what time frame?

According to Orndorff-Sayers, if town public works employees did the work, it would take about three months. The contractor said he would do the work in one-two weeks.

The council voted to hire Carl Baronowski to complete the repairs. A licensed electrician will be contracted to replace the lighting.

### Other Business

The council approved the purchase of two treadmills for the Wardensville Fitness Center.

Repairs have been completed on the Warden Acres water booster station access road. The final paperwork was submitted to FEMA for reimbursement.

The council approved a final budget revision to close out the FY2019 budget.

The council approved the addition of recently appointed Recorder Ryan Grimm to the town's bank accounts.

The council approved the reappointment of Bob Brookfield to the Sanitary Board.

The council approved the reappointment of Charlotte Bowman to the Planning Commission.

The council approved the reappointment of Susie Largest to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

The council approved a motion to create two new bank accounts for the water and sewer reserve accounts as required by SB234.

The next meeting of the Wardensville Council will be held on Monday, Sept. 9 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The meetings are held at the Conference and Visitors Center on Main Street. The public is invited to attend.

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# SPORTS



## Yellow Jackets Improve Strokes Despite Wings Clipped By Keyser

By Carl Holcomb  
*Moorefield Examiner*

Moorefield Golf showed improvement after the first week of competition garnering second place behind the Golden Tornado during the home opener at Valley View Golf Course on Tuesday.

“Individual scores are very close so that will produce good team scores consistently,” Moorefield Golf coach Wade Armentrout stated.

Keyser crashed the homecoming with a score of 172, while Moorefield was the runner-up with a total of 179, followed by Berkeley Springs with a 184, Petersburg was fifth overall at 198

and Frankfort rounded out the team scores with a 213.

Class AA Keyser had the Yellow Jackets number for the second time this year winning by seven strokes with a total of 172 paced by Evan Matlick with 41 strokes and Jacob Malcolm added 42.

The Yellow Jackets finished with a team score of 179 led by senior Trace Miller with a card of 42 and freshman J.J. Carr pitched a score of 44, followed by sophomore Ryan McGregor with a 45 and senior Thomas Williams rounded out the total with a 48.

Moorefield junior Hayden Baldwin recorded a score of 50 and sophomore Karson Reed had a 51.

For the first match at home, Moorefield Golf coach Wade Armentrout placed his players in the following order: No. 1 J.J. Carr, No. 2 Ryan McGregor, No. 3 Hayden Baldwin, No. 4 Thomas Williams, No. 5 Trace Miller and No. 6 Karson Reed.

The Yellow Jackets players in the exhibition field were Jordan Ketterman, Will Barb, Micah Snyder and Isaac Rumer.

This quartet spread across the second fairway on various angles of shots heading towards the green.

Having a bright colored ball helped during a search, but not nearly as blinding as the fluorescent yellow polos.

Among the top six Moorefield play-

ers, Miller and Carr were the only ones to hit a birdie with those coming on the 12th and 17th holes, respectively plus a pair of pars.

Carr launched the ball off the tee and the shot landed eight feet away from the hole on the green and made the putt for birdie, then celebrated pumping his fist as the ball rolled inside.

McGregor made par on four holes during the match and Baldwin garnered one.

A few turtles popped their heads out of the water to observe the golfers 14th and 15th holes.

The golfers lofted the ball above the drink to secure a spot near the green.

Class AA Berkeley Springs took third place with a score of 184 led by Sara Veara with a card of 40 and Jordan Miller netted 41 points.

Overall low-medalist Nick Fleming guided Class AA Petersburg with a round of 35 in a fourth place outing of 198 strokes with Dakota Parsons adding 47, Bailey Allanson 52 and Jeb Kuykendall at 64.

Fleming had two birdies and five pars during the match for the Vikings.

Class AA Frankfort scored 213 points for fifth place with Brady Whitacre netting a team-best 42 strokes.



Photo by Carl Holcomb  
Moorefield's Ryan McGregor looks to chip the ball to the green at Valley View Golf Course.

## Moorefield 18U Sting Buzzing Loudly In Tournaments



Moorefield Sting 18U - Rte. 42 Showcase Runner-up

Photo by Carl Holcomb

Travel softball is a growing sport during the summer and Moorefield 18U Sting has proven their hard work yields positive results with a pair of championship appearances.

The Moorefield Sting finished as the runner-up in two Virginia tournaments held in Harrisonburg and Broadway plus added a third place finish in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

Gaining experience at these tournaments has been beneficial for these softball players comprised of nine Moorefield Yellow Jackettes, two Petersburg Lady Vikings, one Turner Ashby (Va.) player and two college players.

The primary regular roster for the Moorefield Sting squad includes:

Hanna Carlson, Moorefield High School Senior P/1B  
Madison McGregor, Moorefield High School Senior 3B/2B  
Lindsey Rinker, Moorefield High School Senior OF  
Maddy Whetzel, Petersburg High School Senior P/1B  
Lauren Arbaugh, Moorefield High School Junior P/2B  
Alyson Simmons, Moorefield High School Junior C/OF  
Gracie O'Neill, Moorefield High School Junior OF  
Tori Humphries, Moorefield High School Junior OF

Hailey Biser, Moorefield High School Junior OF

Emily Kuykendall, Moorefield High School Sophomore P/3B  
Mickala Taylor, Petersburg High School Sophomore SS/2B

The Sting added three more quality “guest” players with Fairmont State College freshman shortstop Mikayla Moore (Fairmont Senior), Potomac State College sophomore pitcher/outfielder Taylor Townsend (Pendleton County) and Turner Ashby High School senior pitcher/first baseman Gabby Fox.

The coaches for the Sting are Sheldon Arbaugh, Dale Kuykendall and Ryan Arnold.

Moorefield Sting competed in Charlottesville last weekend, will host a tournament on August 31-September 1 and visits Henrico, Va. on September 28-29.

“We are participating in the 18U division although most of our girls are league age 15 and 16. The competition has been tough, which has only helped us get better. We have competed well and have a 16-12-2 record on the year. The team has been sponsored for multiple years by Mountain State Software Solutions, CEO Aaron Weikle. This year another sponsor stepped forward to help offset tournament and new uniform costs - Rick and

Mary Ann Groves/Ours, owners of Falcon Transportation in Petersburg.” Moorefield Sting coach Sheldon Arbaugh noted.

In the Rte. 42 Showcase, the Moorefield Sting lost a close championship battle against the Lady Warriors 2-0.

Mickala Taylor and Lauren Arbaugh provided the only offense for the Moorefield Sting in that championship game with one single apiece.

In the semifinal game against the Mystics, Moorefield secured a 3-0 win with a three-run performance in the fourth inning and Gabby Fox picked up the win pitching five strikeouts.

Carlson singled with one out in the fourth inning, then Fox reached base on an error (courtesy runner O'Neill) and Taylor notched an RBI single before Whetzel recorded a two-run producing double for the 3-nil advantage.

During pool play at the Rte. 42 Showcase, the Sting gave the Augusta Pride its second loss on the year 4-2 and defeated Harrisonburg's Zero Tolerance squad 6-4.

The Moorefield Sting continues to make strides during the travel ball season and the experience makes the area talent stronger.

## First Football Practice Rivals Christmas Day

Carl Holcomb  
*Moorefield Examiner*

Twas the night before the first football practice of the season with players wearing team jerseys and placing footballs by the fireplace in anticipation of the joyous gridiron holiday.

“I stayed up all last night with my mouthpiece in and almost slept with it. I'm very excited,” East Hardy senior quarterback Cole Pustl remarked.

West Virginia high school football teams including Moorefield and East Hardy snapped into the first day of football practice on August 5 with a plethora of excitement from the players and coaches.

“The energy was good. I thought guys were excited and I know it's day one. Like I told them at the end, let's see how it goes and day two,” Moorefield Football coach Matt Altobello noted.

“I told my wife, now I can get back to my sense of normal. Let's get back in the swing of things to our normal.”

The Yellow Jackets had 42 players reporting for the first day of practice and the Cougars had 35 players at their evening practice.

Hearing the noise of the players during practice indicated a good vibe for the upcoming season as both squads displayed enthusiasm throughout the day.

“This was definitely the most exciting and most energized practice I've ever been a part of throughout my football career in any level. It is my last one, so it means something to me and everyone else around me too. They wanted to bring more energy and have fun today,” Moorefield senior quarterback Brent Moran stated.

Coming off identical 2-8 seasons, Moorefield and East Hardy pushed those records out of their minds starting with a clean slate this year creating positive

energy.

“When an elite program misses the playoffs for the first time in a decade it's a reality check for everyone involved,” East Hardy Football coach Devon Orndorff commented.

“Obviously you never want to have a 2-8 season, but our athletes are showing me the silver lining in it. This pack of Cougars are hungrier than I've seen them. We just completed our best offseason ever and I know it's going to show on the field. The energy and intensity they brought to practice today was amazing. Obviously we were pretty sloppy with technique, but that's usually the case on the first day of install. All in all, I'm very pleased with their first day of practice. We definitely ‘won the day’.”

East Hardy players came ready for practice going through the warm-up exercise session with determination and gathered together in the middle for a huddle breakdown prior to starting the skill stations.

“We've got a young team so far, but I think we'll be better than last year. Everybody is really excited,” East Hardy senior lineman Adam Baker said.

“We made it personal last year, football is a personal sport,” Pustl added.

Baker was working with Pustl on snaps before the practice whistle sounded as their dedication was appreciated by assistant coach Stevie Miller, who requested 1,000 snaps prior to the first game.

“When we come down on you, it's not because we don't like you. We want you to become better. The number one trait we want you to have is coachability,” Coach Orndorff implored to his team.

Coach Orndorff gave advice to the quarterbacks and running backs on the hand-off exchange timing during one of the drills.

Coming over to the Moorefield Football practice, one could hear the excitement as Moran pumped up

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Photo by Carl Holcomb

East Hardy's Austin Alt battles for extra yardage against Tygarts Valley during a scrimmage.



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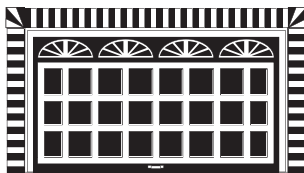


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THE ESTATE OF DALE L. MERRITT,  
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ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATOR  
and

RONALD L. MERRITT  
PETITIONERS,  
v.  
CHERYL J. SPARKS,  
DOLORES M. NICKEL,  
STANLEY F. MERRITT,  
KATHLEEN L. CARDER,  
DOROTHY SALAMY,  
GEORGE T. LEATHERMAN, III,  
BETTIE LEATHERMAN BOSLEY,  
NANCY BOSLEY NOLAN,  
RICHARD WEESE,  
RHONDA KING VANHUSS,  
BEN WEESE,  
FRANK SMITH, JR.,  
DEBBIE SMITH,  
VICKI JOLENE SMITH DIAZ and  
UNKNOWN INTERESTS.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,  
COUNTY OF HARDY, to wit:  
CASE NO. 18-C-16

The object of the above styled Civil Action is to petition the Court to request that the Court either partition in kind or order the sale of certain real estate being considered two (2) separate tracts containing an aggregate of 131.21 acres more or less, and located in the Moorefield District, Hardy County, West Virginia; with the larger tract or majority of the acreage being owned by the Petitioners and Respondents, Cheryl J. Sparks, Dolores M. Nickel, Stanley F. Merritt and Kathleen L. Carder; and the smaller tract being owned by the Petitioners together with all the Respondents as heirs of John H. Smith and Albert R. Leatherman.

It appears, by an Affidavit filed in this action, that there may be persons or entities who might have an interest in the subject real estate or who might be affected by the decisions in this action and those persons' or entities' names and addresses are unknown to the Petitioners. Reference is specifically made to the fact that Ben Weese, Frank Smith, Jr., and Debbie Smith may have an interest in the subject property, however the Petitioners are unaware of their present whereabouts.

Therefore, in consideration of same it is hereby Ordered that each person or entity, which claims to have an interest in said property, appear and serve upon Counsel for the Petitioners, James O. Heishman, whose address is 204 North Elm Street, Moorefield, WV 26836, an Answer or other defense to the Amended Complaint filed in this action on August 6, 2019; otherwise, judgment by default may be taken against them at any time thereafter.

A copy of said Amended Complaint with a more particular description of the subject property can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office located in the Hardy County Court House at 204 Washington Street, Moorefield, West Virginia 26836.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court this 6th Day of August, 2019.

Kelly Shockey  
Circuit Clerk of Hardy County  
by Mary Brennskag

8/14, 8/21, 8/28-2c

## NOTICE OF ANCILLARY FILING WITHOUT ANY ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that a foreign will or affidavit has been filed before Hardy County Commission at 204 Washington Street, Rm. 111, Moorefield, WV 26836.

That no appointment or administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of law but that a foreign will or affidavit of heirs of the decedent has been filed with the Hardy County Commission, and is of record in the Hardy County Clerk's Office.

Any person interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or Affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this state must be filed with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service

## WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service ([www.bidx.com](http://www.bidx.com)) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until September 17, 2019 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call	Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
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The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
Division of Highways

Ryland W. Musick, P.E.,  
Deputy State Highway Engineer – Planning and Programming

8/21, 8/28-2c



## HELP WANTED

The TOWN OF MOOREFIELD is accepting applications for the following positions. Applications for these positions are available at the Town Office at 206 Winchester Avenue, Moorefield, WV 26836 from 8:30 A.M. until 4:30 P.M. each weekday. Applications will be accepted until 4:30 P.M. on Tuesday, August 27, 2019.

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**Public Works, Full-Time** – The successful applicant will assist in the operation and maintenance of all aspects of the Public Works Department and will qualify for all benefits.

Starting pay for both positions is \$12/hour and will increase when certifications and/or licenses are obtained, such as CDL, flagger, first aid, equipment operator, pesticide, confined space, water distribution system, wastewater collection system. Applicants must possess a high school diploma or GED equivalent and a valid WV driver's license. The Town of Moorefield is an equal opportunity employer.

of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

1st Publication Date: Wednesday, August 14, 2019  
Claim Deadline Date: Sunday, October 13, 2019

DECEDENT: GERALD WARD FOGLEMAN  
5310 NORTH OCEAN BLVD,  
APT 1006  
MYRTLE BEACH, SC, 29577

FILED BY: DAVID WARD FOGLEMAN  
4273 RINGWOOD ROAD,  
NOKESVILLE, VA 20181

RELATIONSHIP: SON

Subscribed and sworn to before me on  
August 8, 2019  
GREGORY L LELY  
Clerk of the Hardy County Commission  
8/14, 8/21-2c

## ORDER OF PUBLICATION IN THE FAMILY COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA IN THE MATTER OF K.W. & B.W. Civil Action No. 17-FIG-8 THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS: PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN

To the above named Respondent:

It appearing by affidavit in this action that after diligence to determine the address of

Brittany Holloway, residency unknown, it is hereby ordered that Brittany Holloway serve upon Paul & Diane Washington whose address is 730 Old Fields Rd, Old Fields, WV 26845 an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition for Appointment of Guardian filed in this action, on or before September 12, 2019. If you fail to do so, thereafter judgment, upon proper hearing and trial, may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court on this 2nd day of August, 2019

Kelly Shockey  
Clerk of Court  
by Mary Brennskag

8/14, 8/21-2c

## TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in it by that certain Deed of Trust dated July 21, 2017, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 302, at Page 374, Dana Shah had conveyed unto William H. Bean and Oscar M. Bean, Trustees, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pili, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 302, at Page 374, Dana Shah had conveyed unto William H. Bean and Oscar M. Bean, Trustees, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pili, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 302, at Page 374, Dana Shah had conveyed unto William H. Bean and Oscar M. Bean, Trustees, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Hardy County Courthouse, in Moorefield, West Virginia, on

August 22, 2019, at 12:00 PM  
The following described real estate, with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the Lost River District, Hardy County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All those three (3) contiguous tracts or parcels of real estate, together with all rights, rights-of-way, improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate on Branch Mountain in Lost River District, Hardy County, West Virginia, being designated as Lot A, containing 7.90 acres, more or less; Lot B, containing 10.00 acres, more or less; and Lot C, containing 10.00 acres, more or less, on a Plat of Partition Survey Prepared by Walter G. Gilbertson, Professional Surveyor No. 1103, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County

Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Deed Book No. 293, at Page 443; and more particularly described by metes and bounds according to Descriptions of Survey prepared by said surveyor, which are attached to said Plat of Partition Survey, to which reference is now made for any and all pertinent purposes.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 225 Langhorne Drive, Mathias, WV 26812.

AND BEING the same real estate which was conveyed to Dana Shahhad by Deed dated July 21, 2017, from Jwamer Rashed, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 343, at Page 249.

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

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

TERMS: Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price as a cash deposit with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

Pill & Pili, PLLC, Substitute Trustee

David D. Pill, Member  
P. O. Box 440, 85 Aikens Center,  
Martinsburg, WV 25404  
Phone (304) 263-4971, Fax (304) 267-5840, e-mail: [foreclosures@pillwvllaw.com](mailto:foreclosures@pillwvllaw.com)  
8/7, 8/14, 8/21-3c

## NOTICE

The Hardy County Rural Development Authority is in the process of developing infrastructure projects that include, but are not limited to: development of business and industrial parks, road construction, developments to several sites, infrastructure to and on sites, utilities, buildings, etc., and are accepting statement of qualifications from qualified professional engineering, and/or qualified professional architectural consulting firms. Project cost estimates will exceed \$250,000.

Procurement of said services will be in accordance with Chapter 5G. Interested firms must submit seven (7) copies of all requested information to Executive Director, Hardy County Rural Development Authority, Post Office Box 209, Moorefield, West Virginia 26836 by 10:00 a.m. on the 27th day of August 2019.

8/14, 8/21-2c

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE and Notice of the Beneficiary/Service's election to sell property is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Trustee by that certain Credit Line Deed of Trust dated August 25, 2010, executed by Nancy S. Haynie to Robert D. Lewis, Trustee, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Book 256, at Page 331. Bailey & Slotnick, PLLC was appointed as Trustee by SUBSTITUTION OF TRUSTEE dated June 3, 2019, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 313, at Page 650. The borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Trustee has been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Trustee will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Hardy County, in Moorefield, West Virginia, on:

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2019, AT 11:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of real estate together with the improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto belonging, containing 10,900 square feet or 0.25 acre, located and situate on the north side of Jackson Street in the Town of Moorefield, Moorefield Corporation District, Hardy County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

Being identified as Lot "K" on a metes and bounds description and plat or map of the real estate titled "Description of Survey for Hinzman Investments, Inc." and "Plat of Survey for Hinzman Investments, Inc." as prepared by David W. Jopling, Professional Surveyor #984 in May 2010 are attached to and made part of that certain deed dated August 18, 2010, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Book 315, at Page 309.

And being the same property conveyed unto Nancy S. Haynie from Hinzman In-

vestments, Inc. by Deed dated August 18, 2010, of record in the Clerk's Office in Deed Book 315, at Page 309. Nancy S. Haynie died testate on September 25, 2017, and in accordance with the terms of her Last Will and Testament, title to the property vested in Allen Michael Haynie and Robin Haynie, which Will is of record in the Clerk's Office in Will Book 35, at Page 327.

## TERMS OF SALE:

1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, pre-deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.

2) The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-2.

3) The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.

4) The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.

5) The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate the property, or any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.

6) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee by cashier's check, cash or the equivalent within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten percent (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale by cashier's check, cash or money order at the time and place of the sale. There will be no refund granted of any amount if the third party purchaser elects not to purchase the property for any reason. Minimum acceptable bid will be \$80,893.00.

7) For more information on this property, please see listing on the PROPERTIES FOR SALE WEBSITE: <https://properties.sc.egov.usda.gov/resales/public/home>. Given under my hand this 31st day of July, 2019.

BAILEY & SLOTTNICK, PLLC-TRUSTEE  
By: Marc J. Slotnick, Member  
500 Virginia Street East, Suite 600  
Charleston, West Virginia 25301  
Phone: (304) 3461800  
WV State Bar No. 5956

8/14, 8/21-2c

## NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ENGINEERING PROPOSAL

The Town of Wardensville, Hardy County, West Virginia, is in the process of obtaining engineering services to develop, design, and provide construction administration and resident project representation for a water improvement project.

Professional services will include (1) preparation of bidding and contracting documents, (2) participation in the evaluation of bids received, and (3) monitoring and inspection of construction activities to insure compliance with plans and specifications. Procurement of said services shall be in accordance with Chapter 5G of the Code of West Virginia. Contracts are to be awarded on a fixed fee basis. All consultants interested in being considered for this project must submit a proposal detailing qualifications, technical expertise, management/staffing capabilities and related prior experience.

The aid of the competitive process is to objectively select the firm who will provide the highest quality of service at a realistic fee. Accordingly technical qualifications and experience will be weighed heavily. Selected respondents will be interviewed and the firm judged most qualified will be asked to prepare a final proposal which would include fees for said services.

Please submit all requested information no later than 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 28, 2019, to Angie Curl, Region 8 Planning and Development Council, 131 Providence Lane, Petersburg, West Virginia 26847. Interested firms should contact the Region 8 PDC at [www.regioneight.org](http://www.regioneight.org) for project opportunities, for a copy of the proposal form.

Attention is directed to the fact that the Town will undertake the project with State and Federal funds. The selected firm will be required to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 11246, Section 109 of the Housing and

Urban Development Act of 1974, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Conflict of Interest Statement and Access to records provisions and all other requirements as related to federally funded projects.

The Town will afford full opportunity for minority/disadvantaged business enterprises to submit a show of interest in response to this invitation and will not discriminate against any interested firm or individual on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, age, handicap or national origin in the contract award.

Betsy Orndoff-Sayers, Mayor  
8/14, 8/21-2c

## Notice of Public Hearing Wardensville Planning Commission Application for Conditional Use

A public hearing at which you may be present and speak will be conducted before the Wardensville Planning Commission at which time the following proposal will be considered:

Case WPC2019-001: An application for a Conditional Use for the property at 50 West Main Street in the Mixed-Use (M-U) district. The application is made by Kelm Properties LLC (property owner) and Mark Kneeland (agent) to permit the property to contain four apartments, to add parking, and to add a second access lane from the property onto Main Street, a use considered as a Conditional Use in the M-U district under the Wardensville Zoning Ordinance.

The hearing will be held beginning at 6 p.m. on Monday, September 16, 2019, in the Conference Room of the Wardensville Visitor and Conference Center, 301 East Main Street, Wardensville, W.Va. The hearing is advisory in nature, although evidence will be heard and interested parties may make comment. The Commission will render an opinion to Wardensville Town Council, which shall make a final decision on permitting the use at a subsequent public hearing of Council.

All persons interested are invited to attend the Wardensville Planning Commission hearing and be heard on the matter. Written comments may be mailed (and must be received three days in advance of the hearing date) to the Wardensville Planning Commission, ATTN: WPC-2019-001, Town of Wardensville, PO Box 7, Wardensville WV 26851, [info@wardensville.com](mailto:info@wardensville.com).  
8/14, 8/21-2c

## MEETING NOTICE

The Hardy County Board of Health will meet in regular session on Wednesday, August 28th, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Hardy County Health Department, 411 Spring Avenue, Moorefield, WV. A complete agenda will be available at above address three days prior to the meeting.

8/21, 8/28-2c

## ORDER OF PUBLICATION IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

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## Football Practice



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Moorefield's Matthew Jenkins cuts across the field during a scrimmage against Strasburg.

### THE OLD MASTER

By JAY FISHER

Special teams are often noticed only when there is a big play – for good or bad. A game winning field goal. A missed extra point. A big kickoff return. A punt downed near the goal line. But remember that even fairly mundane plays can impact a game. A fair catch on a punt, when there could have been a nice return. Missing the opportunity to pin a team deep and yielding a touchback. It doesn't even have to be a special teams play to impact things. If a coach lacks faith in a field goal kicker, they might change their play calling and decision making (sometimes that works out for the offense, other times it doesn't).

Last year, WVU averaged just 5.4 yards per punt return, which wasn't even in the Top 100 in the nation. The year before, it was only 4.8 yards. In 2016? A mere 1.9 per return. In fact, you have to go back to 2012 when the last time WVU

averaged over 6 yards per return. It was also the last time there was a true punt return for a touchdown, and Tavon Austin was the punt returner back then. Needless to say, punt returns were not a strength under Dana Holgorsen.

That has a ripple effect. It hurts your starting field position, and in this day of data analysis of college football, that data shows that field position is indeed very important. When you have further to score, it becomes harder to that. WVU saw multiple times when they gained a few first downs, but were never in scoring position. If they were capable of getting more 10-15 yards punt returns, they could have scored more without being a "better" offense.

We will see how things are different in the Neal Brown era, but his Troy team did have a 9.6 yard per return average last year. We will see who ends up as the pri-

mary return men, but you can expect Sam James to be the feature returner in at least one of the areas (punt or kickoff). Other potential return men include Keith Washington, Tevin Bush, Alec Sinkfield, and TJ Simmons.

Punt returns are only part of special teams. WVU returns only one significant player in the kicking game, and that is Evan Staley. He was a solid, if not spectacular, kicker last year. He was an impressive 16-20 on field goals last year, including 9-11 in the critical 40-49 yard range. But he was 0-2 beyond 50 yards. He also did not miss inside 40 yards. On kickoffs, roughly one-third of his kicks were touchbacks, and WVU was effective on kickoff return defense, ranking 33rd in the country.

WVU must find a new punter to replace the graduated Billy Kinney. They appear to have found one with LSU grad transfer Josh

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the team with a shout in the middle of one of the skill sessions.

"The energy is amazing, honestly. All the guys came out. Everybody is well hydrated and performed well," Moorefield senior defensive back Paxton Coby stated.

"The coaches did an awesome job this week getting us ready and hyped up. We're really excited and I can't wait."

Coach Altobello explained the importance of positioning as a defensive back in order to stay with the opponent going down the field from the line of scrimmage, "Positioning is everything, you don't want to be left in the dust."

Moorefield worked on plays in a scrimmage style towards the end of practice to see how well the athletes could execute what was studied.

Both coaches reminded players to stay hydrated and to make sure to check in with the trainer if needed in addition to filling out all required forms.

In the first day of practice, the excitement was there and the upcoming days including scrimmages will continue to build the enthusiasm for the season as Moorefield and East Hardy prepare with tremendous dedication and focus.

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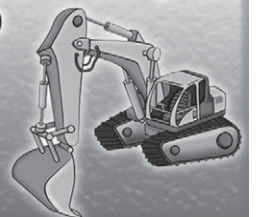
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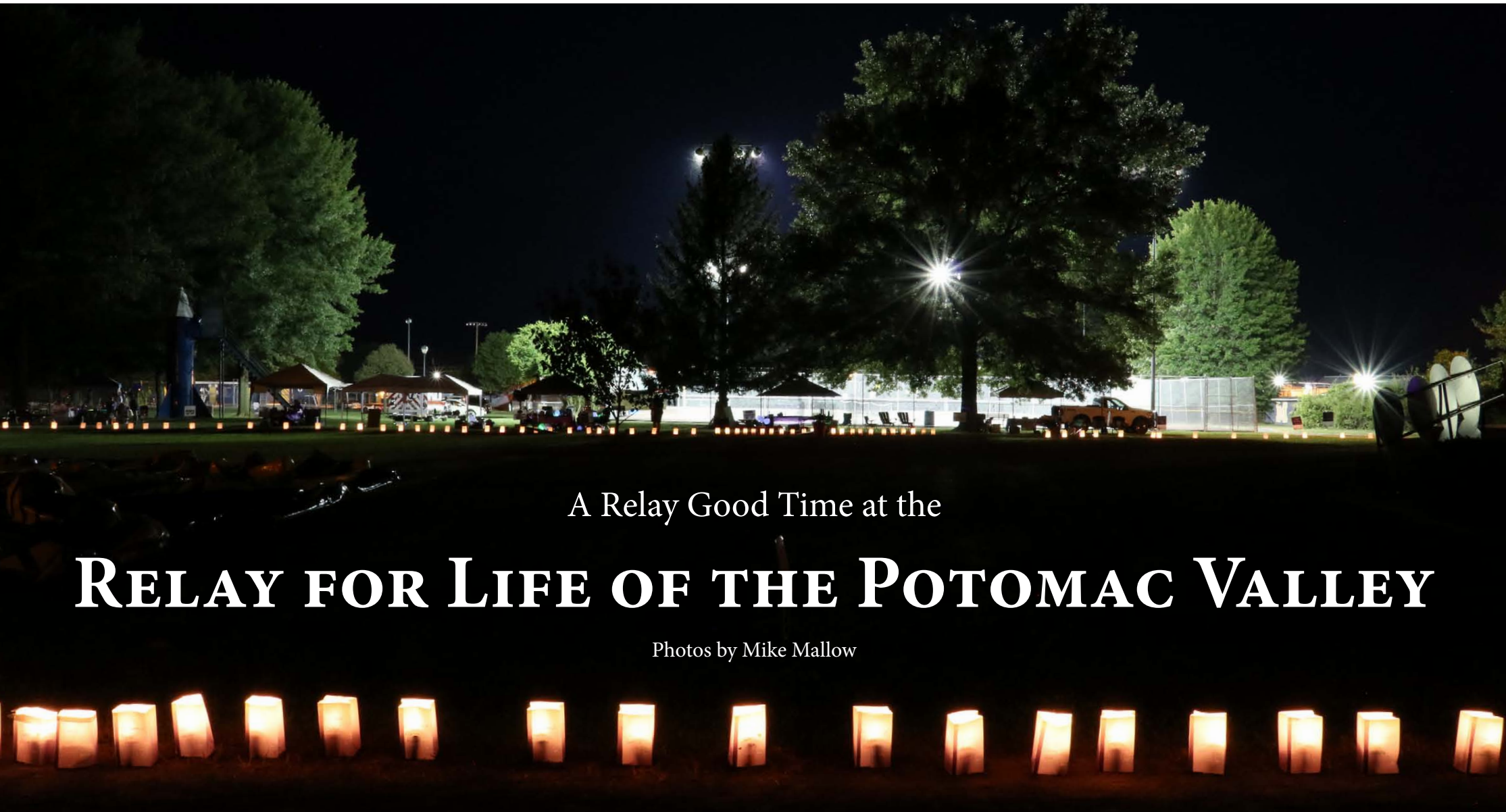
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The Survivor's and Caregiver's Laps honor those who have battled cancer and those who gave them the care needed during their battle.



Luminary bags illuminate Moorefield Town Park just after dusk.



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Alaissa Martinez Toro won the Relay beauty pageant.



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Phoebe with granddaughter Caitlyn



1969 - 2019

# Editor/Publisher Phoebe Fisher Heishman Celebrates 50 Years

By Jean A. Flanagan  
Moorefield Examiner

John Lennon wrote, Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans. It describes perfectly the career of Phoebe Fisher Heishman.

Phoebe celebrates her 50th anniversary as editor and publisher of the Moorefield Examiner this month. I didn't make decisions with planned effort. Life just happened, she said.

Phoebe grew up in Moorefield, graduated from Moorefield High School and went to West Virginia University. She worked for Senator Jennings Randolph and later traveled to San Francisco to work with the Federal Reserve Bank.

In 1968, she returned to West Virginia University to work at the first public television station in the state. I was very fortunate to be able to come back to West Virginia, she said.

In September of that year, Phoebe's father, Ralph E. Fisher, died suddenly. Her mother, Katherine, who had kept the Moorefield Examiner alive while Ralph was in the Navy, again took the reins. Phoebe would make the drive from Morgantown to Moorefield on weekends to help.

Mother asked me to think about coming back to Moorefield full time," Phoebe said. "She had been working at the paper most of her life and she was just tired. She told me if I didn't want to come back, she would probably sell the paper.

I had planned to come back to Moorefield eventually, just not in 1969. I wanted to see the world. I had been to Califor-

nia, and wanted to go to Hawaii and on to Australia.

Phoebe told her mother she would try managing the Examiner for five years. "If I wasn't happy, I'd consider a change, she said.

When you grow up in a family that had been in the business since 1902, it was part of my life, my heritage. It was really a no-brainer. When you grow up in Moorefield, you are very aware of things like tradition and heritage.

And I had a lot of community support. A lot of people wanted me to take over the Examiner.

While covering the news in Hardy County, as well as managing the publication of the paper - the Examiner had its own printing operation then - was hard work, Phoebe found she enjoyed what she was doing. She even found time for a social life and reconnected with David Heishman, a young man from the east side of the county.

I had known David, she said. He was Doc Heishman's boy. He was a land surveyor and we could be seen on Sundays, riding around the county, looking at parcels of land he was hired to survey.

In those days the Examiner had correspondents all over the county. We became the subject of some of those correspondents reports.

In 1976, Phoebe and David were married. They have three children. Their oldest daughter, Hannah, a U.S. Army and Iraqi War veteran, has assumed the role of Assistant Publisher.

Phoebe said the Examiner was, at

times, on the unpopular side of controversy.

We didn't support the teachers' strike in 1990, she said. And we were sometimes on the wrong side of the poultry industry, when we sided with the environmentalists. But we took a controversial stance for the good of the community.

It goes without saying, the most difficult time in Phoebe's career was during the 1985 flood.

It's hard to imagine, no water, no electricity, she said. There was complete devastation, not just in Moorefield, but all over the whole county and a big part of the state.

"I would sit in the Recovery Committee meetings every day and hear about the animals, the farmland, the people we had lost. It was devastating.

My proudest moments, though, are remembering that we published a newspaper every week.

Volumes could be written to describe the changes in the newspaper industry Phoebe has experienced in the 50 years. From linotype, to paste-up, to desktop publishing, to electronic publishing, the industry is struggling to keep pace. But Phoebe sees other changes.

The community's support of the newspaper through advertising has all but disappeared, she said. People used to feel good about advertising to support the newspaper. Now they think they can do everything online and through social media and small community newspapers all over the country are folding. They don't understand that not everybody has com-

puters or is on social media.

"And this is the first time in my life, I have felt under attack by the President of the United States."

Phoebe said it is scary that community newspapers are folding or being bought by large corporations and sometimes shuttered.

The Examiner is the only permanent record that has a chance of survival because it's printed, a written record, she said.

We are the watchdogs of local government. If there is no Examiner, no one would know about the decisions made by the town councils or the county commission. No one would know how our tax dollars are being spent, what for and how much.

After 50 years, Phoebe and David, too, are looking to step back from direct management of the Examiner. Daughter Hannah will be assuming the publisher's role at the end of August.

Phoebe will continue researching and compiling Glancing Backwards and contributing to Examiner Says. David will continue writing his Unbased Opinion. And they both look forward to enjoying their granddaughter.

I have absolutely no regrets, Phoebe said. It's been a hell of a ride. I've gotten to meet people and do things I would have never had the opportunity to do. Working at the Examiner made being a mother easier because I worked next door.

I can't believe it's been half a century.



**RECOGNITION FROM JOE MANCHIN  
UNITED STATES SENATOR**

**PHOEBE FISHER HEISHMAN**

It is my privilege to congratulate Mrs. Phoebe Fisher Heishman for her 50 years as publisher of the Moorefield Examiner and the Hardy County News.

Local newspapers are valuable assets to their communities and the Moorefield Examiner and the Hardy County News has been a real treasure, serving all its readers, whether in beautiful Hardy County or elsewhere throughout the state. It has been a dependable, objective and trustworthy source of current information, and through expanding markets and ever-changing technologies and delivery systems, the steadfast dedication of the Moorefield Examiner team under the leadership of Phoebe has consistently ranked among the best in the state.

Phoebe's unwavering dedication will leave a lasting legacy with the countless lives she has touched within this special community. Again, I am sincerely grateful for her remarkable years of service, and I am honored to wish good health and much happiness to her in the days and years ahead.

**With warmest regards,  
Joe Manchin III  
United States Senator**

**RECOGNITION FROM SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO  
UNITED STATES SENATOR**

**DEAR PHOEBE,**

Please accept my warmest congratulations on the occasion of your 50th anniversary as Publisher of the Moorefield Examiner. As you celebrate this special milestone, I would like to thank you for the positive impact you have had in your community, as well as the entire state of West Virginia.

An active news media can encourage civic engagement and education, which is vital to the thriving democracy of a small community. Having spent the past 50 years dedicated to delivering quality news to the residents of the South Branch Valley, you have encouraged the flow of ideas in our great state and performed a vital service for our communities.

I appreciate your role in informing West Virginians and your dedication to providing high-quality news to the people of Moorefield and Hardy County. Again, I offer my congratulations on this special anniversary and wish you all the best in the years to come. It is an honor to represent you in the United States Senate.

**Sincerely,  
Shelley Moore Capito  
United States Senator**



West Virginia members of the National Editorial Association met in Washington, March 17, 1972. From left, Phoebe Fisher, Editor, Moorefield Examiner; Walter D. Tetrick, Publisher, Mineral Daily News Tribune; Mariwyn and George Smith, Editor, Parsons Advocate; Linda Wilson, Secretary, West Virginia Press Association; Senator Robert C. Byrd; Mrs. Walter Tetrick; Senator Jennings Randolph; and Jane Price Sharp, Editor, The Pocahontas Times.

Over her career, my mother has felt a great responsibility to Hardy County to report the news. No matter what, the newspaper goes out. There was a day with bad weather in the 90s, probably a blizzard, when the good people who normally do all the things it takes to put together the newspaper each week couldn't make it to the Examiner office. Hannah, James, and I were teenagers and home from school.

Phoebe Heishman is resourceful; she put her kids to work. We sat in other people's chairs in the Examiner office and typed up handwritten pages, proofread text, and generally followed her orders -all to help her put the finishing touches on that week's paper and make the printer's deadline. The world went back to normal the next day, but I still love the memory.

**Hilary Heishman**



**DEAR PUBLISHER AND FRIEND, PHOEBE**

Congratulation on 50 yrs of publishing the Moorefield Examiner and Hardy County News.

You have done a superb job covering all the events of Hardy County: the good, the bad, the questionable, the tragic and the joyful! You made each Published ahead of you proud of what you accomplished. Now, as you pass the torch to another generation of McCoy/Fisher descendants, be proud, too, of the competent young woman willing to take the paper into the future with the same commitment to community she learned from her mother.

**Your Friend of more than 50 years,  
Judy Patterson**

One of my favorite quotes is, "Everybody's young, only at different times." Hard to believe, but June and I have known Phoebe longer than 50 years. We two, newlyweds from Elk Garden and Keyser, and this young lady from across the mountain in Moorefield met at WVU Journalism School in 1961 and have been friends since.

After graduation, we both ended up on Capitol Hill -- she working for U.S. Senator Jennings Randolph and I for Congressman Harley O. Staggers. Phoebe was an incredibly hard worker -- intelligent and, well, a subtle (at times) wit. You can see it coming through a sparkle in her eyes.

She taught me the ropes of Capitol Hill and once a week after work (June and our boys were living in Keyser and I commuted), Phoebe and I would head out to a Capitol Hill piano bar for a quick drink before going home.

One evening in winter, it was dark as we cut across the Capitol lawn heading to the Capitol. When we came to the tall Taft Carillon bell tower, they were still trying to get the lighting right. As we trudged up the hill, the brilliant lights were in our eyes -- which is why I ended up knee deep in freezing water in the Robert Taft basin which circles the carillon. Phoebe laughed all the way to her car. I trudged into the lobby of my hotel, soaked, mumbling something about a car that just splashed me. I figured they wouldn't believe the truth.

Later, I worked for Governor Hulett C. Smith, who was very close friends with Phoebe's parents, particularly her dad, Ralph. Every now and then when I needed to check my instincts against some difficult problem, I would find myself drinking iced tea on the front porch of the Fisher residence. I valued that time and advice.

A few years ago, we ended up at a WVU journalism reunion together. The advances in the journalism school have been amazing over the years, as have the innovations at The Moorefield Examiner. It is the state's pre-eminent weekly newspaper under Phoebe's careful, meticulous, maternal watch. She treasures its long legacy and builds on it.

Congratulations Phoebe -- to you and to your marvelous family, both past and present. The people of Hardy County benefit from your devotion to them. Don't ever change.

**Jack Canfield  
Charleston, West Virginia**

When, as a wet-behind-the-ears young newspaperman, I met Phoebe through the West Virginia Press Association, I already knew enough about weekly newspapers to be in awe of anyone who could run one. Then I learned Phoebe was far from just "anyone." We in journalism, especially at daily newspapers such as the one where I work now, can do our jobs very well - dotting all the i s, crossing all the t s of the profession - without becoming foundational parts of our communities. Not so with Phoebe. She and the paper are integral parts of the fabric of the Moorefield and greater Hardy County community.

Down through the years - more than a third of a century since I first met her - Phoebe and I have known some true giants of community journalism. Many of them are gone from among us, now. In too many places, weekly newspapers that were pillars of their communities for generations are but shadows of what they were once. Far fewer young people are willing to dedicate the enormous amount of work required to reap the deep satisfaction that goes with community journalism. Hardy County is fortunate indeed that the Heishman family - in the past, now and for the foreseeable future - has understood those rewards and has been eager to seek them through a weekly newspaper from which many of the "big guns" of journalism on the national stage could learn much.

Just a few years ago, we in the Press Association recognized Phoebe with the highest honor we can bestow, the Adam R. Kelly Premier Journalist Award. It is a testament of the regard in which hundreds of people in our profession hold her as a colleague, a role model and a servant of her town, county and state. I have looked up to her for many years and will continue to do so - and I count her as a dear friend. As my wife will tell you, there are very, very few people who possess all the qualities necessary for me to both look up to them AND treasure their friendship.

From one ink-stained Hillbilly wretch to another, then, congratulations, Phoebe.

**Mike Myer, executive editor,  
The Intelligencer and Wheeling News-Register**

**PHOEBE,**

I had more fun and satisfaction working for Phoebe for a few years mid 2000 than at any time in my prior 40 years in journalism. The sauce was "editorial" meetings in her parlor when she shared rich history of people, places and events of the homeplace she loves so much. That deep affection does not retire.

**Dick Hughes**

**CONGRATULATIONS PHOEBE**

On your 50th Anniversary as publisher of the Moorefield Examiner.

I remember meeting you at a WV Press Convention at Canaan Valley over 35 years ago. Your knowledge and encouragement that first meeting have helped me during times despair.

You were then and are now a role model for all journalist.

**Sandy Buzzerd  
The Morgan Messenger**



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**Your ole friends,  
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**MS. HEISHMAN**

In August, 1968 (a year before you showed up on The Examiner's masthead) I decided I needed a place outside Washington, and began exploring nearby West Virginia. I was lucky enough to find Hardy County, and I found my dream home -- a hundred and ten acres south of Mathias. As I've often noted, my place is larger than the Vatican! I showed up on the deed books in Moorefield on October 9th, 1968.

Not too long after that (I'm too old now to remember just when) I started subscribing to the Moorefield Examiner and Wild, Wonderful West Virginia. I still have boxes of the old magazines, but the newspapers, with the exception of a few articles and obituaries, are long gone.

Over the years I've made many friends from the waves of Washingtonians (and others) who have washed over the Lost River Valley, as well as a number of local residents.

As the decades came and went, I have invited friends in large numbers, and many family members, to visit the Lost River Valley. I am inviting all my 11 (remaining) first cousins and their families to a family reunion next June. Almost without exception, all have agreed that West Virginia is indeed, "almost Heaven."

I carry with me copies of our grandchildren's birth notices published in the Examiner over the years. You've also published several of my Letters to the Editor. And now, as I approach my 80th birthday, I find myself reading the obituaries first!

Under your leadership, the Moorefield Examiner has always brought Hardy County into focus, and provided me with the essence of home. Thank you again and again.

**Bob Knisely**

**PHOEBE**

Congratulations Phoebe Fisher Heishman on your 50th year as the Editor of the Moorefield Examiner.

**Our best wishes,  
the South Fork General Store**



Phoebe with daughters Hannah and Hilary and husband David.



Accepting an award for general excellence at the 2010 West Virginia Press Association convention were Mike Mallow, Phoebe, Jean Flanagan and son James Heishman.





Phoebe with Carmen Silliman

Like so many in our great Hardy County community, I owe Phoebe a huge debt of thanks. As a former journalist and weekly newspaper publisher in Maryland, I had hoped that when I retired to our cabin in Mathias, I would be able to return to the world of weekly journalism where stories and efforts focus on things that matter to local residents. After a meeting with Phoebe, I had a beatt he Planning Commission-- as well as encouragement to work on a variety of stories running the gamut from transportation to poultry growing and landslides on South Fork Road. And I have relished every bit of it, basking in the glow of this award winning weekly paper, and even contributing in a small way. Thank you Phoebe, for this opportunity and for your lifetime of dedication to the newspaper and the community it serves so faithfully.

**Lon Anderson**

### PHOEBE

Phoebe, you are the heart and soul of such a great paper! There are not enough good things to be said about this accomplishment. Thank you for your hard work all these 50+ years. And thank you for the personal welcome you have given me when our paths crossed with the visiting Finnish Students and otherwise.

**Claudia Tidwell**

### DEAR PHOEBE,

I believed my path to your door was Divine Providence leading me to a kindred spirit. Thank you for the opportunity to do a job I sincerely enjoy, in a place I absolutely love and with people I admire and respect. Best wishes for whatever the future may hold.

**Jean Flanagan**

### PHOEBE

Thank you Phoebe...for 50 years of service! From all of us here at Hardmans Hardware.

**Will Runion**

### DEAR FRIEND OF SO MANY YEARS

How proud we all are of your time given to continuing our only county paper. How many awards from the WV Press Association have been heaped on this paper from those who judge and commend papers like yours.

Your mother and father would be in amazement at what all you and your staff have accomplished since the days of Chick and Bill setting hot type and cranking out the weekly Examiner.

So glad you left the big city and came home! Congratulations!

**Big hugs - Love ya  
Carmen (Dee Dee)**

Phoebe, I'm so proud of having spent part of my working life with The Moorefield Examiner. I'm so proud of you – a hometown girl - who has taken such pride and care in sharing your honest view of the world and the realities of our shared trek into the future.

I've searched all our old newspapers for The Old Timer columns. Such a record, so much history of our families, friends and community folks.

In the Old Timer printed 21 October 1942, my Grandma Katie Ann Wolfe said she had subscribed to and read The Moorefield Examiner (and predecessors) since about 1877. My family and I have been reading the same paper published (basically) by the same family ever since.

During your fifty years of service to your hometown, your community, your county, your friends and neighbors who rely on you and your family, who trust and depend on you; you have been a faithful, trustworthy, honest and honorable "just the facts" publisher, writer, news relayed, and recorder of the growth and development of our beloved home among the beautiful hills of West Virginia.

During the brief period of time when I worked for and with you, I remember only two directives: 1) service to the people and 2) avoid negativity and any story appearing in the newspaper that may, in any stretch, be considered libelous or even hinting of such – honesty and integrity have always been your watch words.

I still read The Moorefield Examiner, page by page. It is news reporting to be proud of and it keeps improving!

My total and heartfelt Congratulations! for a career of excellent work and dedication of service to all your fellow life mates. As you prepare to enjoy a bit of relaxation, you leave your family's legacy in good hands.

**With love and best regards,  
Elizabeth Wolfe Whitener**

### PHOEBE

Congratulations on 50 years! Thanks for your many contributions to Hardy County and the community.

**Best wishes always,  
David J. Workman**



Phoebe Heishman has been an integral part of Moorefield and Summit Community Bank, formally South Branch Valley National Bank. We have great respect for Phoebe in regards to her numerous years of service to the Moorefield Examiner and Summit Board of Directors. Her collective years of service is admirable and greatly appreciated by our Moorefield Office of Summit Community Bank. We Love You Phoebe.

Congratulations, Miss Phoebe! You hold a special place in my heart!

**Kelly Moran**

Congratulations to my friend and colleague for 50 years as the publisher of the Moorefield Examiner! You are truly an inspiration and I wish you the best!

**Teresa Ely**

Celebrating this beautiful lady on such a wonderful milestone. Thank you for all your love and support throughout the years. You have been such an inspiration and mentor.

**Much Love Momma H!  
Love your favorite  
Angie Zirk**

It is with utmost pride that I honor my colleague and friend, Phoebe Heishman for 50 years at the Moorefield Examiner. Since 1969, the Examiner has flourished under her leadership and guidance, elevating our local journalism across West Virginia as a shining beacon in the pursuit of truth, fairness, and depth. Phoebe's commitment as a faithful public servant is unparalleled, and has inspired all of us to strive to forge a more connected, informed, and unified community. I also recognize her 40+ years of service on Summit's Board of Directors and thank her for her vision as well as her meaningful oversight of our area's best interests and growth. Her legacy is beyond compare and one Moorefield will treasure always.

**Congratulations Phoebe  
Charlie Maddy**



### **THANK YOU, PHOEBE**

From the past and present Hardy County West Virginia University Extension Agents – Thank you for helping us connect with the community in the beginning and thank you for your continued support through the years.

Wishing you the best in your next chapter.

**Miriam Leatherman, Dave Workman, Jane Jopling,  
Tammy Wimer, Vicki Fertig, Liz Metheny, Alex Straight**

### **THANK YOU PHOEBE**

for hiring me for my first adult job at the Moorefield Examiner.

The lessons I learned working with you working at the Examiner benefited me profoundly throughout my life. The weekly program of building a newspaper, taught me that there is a step by step, day by day process to everything in life.

Typesetting, I acquired some excellent typing skills that serve me well today in this keyboard-driven world.

Inserting advertisement supplements (hundreds of them) into the paper, by hand, one by one, I learned teamwork and the VALUE of efficiency.

Proofreading, taught me attention to detail... and kept me in the know about my community!

Watching Stanley drive that van with the paper to the printer each week.... through rain, sleet and snow....

I learned patience, and observed true determination and dedication.

My days selling advertising (I still have my business card framed with a group of others), inspired me to complete my bachelor's degree in Marketing and Communications. Even today, I remind myself that it ALL comes down to how you sell it.

Those Thursdays after the paper went out, throwing darts and having a beverage with the team, taught me that you CAN be friends and work together. In fact it is the best way to BUILD A TEAM.

Each week, I learned lessons about the power of good work ethic and setting priorities, I learned that HISTORY is made EVERY SINGLE DAY, but most of all, I learned that people WILL give you a chance - what you do with it is up to you.

SO, THANK YOU PHOEBE for taking a chance on me, Your choice has opened doors for me everyday of my life, and for the valuable lessons you taught me during my years at the Moorefield Examiner.

Congratulations!! on 50 years of publishing HISTORY!!

**Love, Susi (Jones) DuPuis**

### **PHOEBE**

Thank you on behalf of the Hardy County BOE and office of the Superintendent for your continuous dedication to the community and education over the past fifty years. Your kind smile and warm personality is one of a kind. You'll forever be the legendary voice of the Examiner!

**Sheena Van Meter**

### **PHOEBE**

Thank you for coming back to Moorefield and keeping the Moorefield Examiner a viable business. Your time & energy over the past 50 years is greatly appreciated. Take time now to rest & relax as the next Fisher/Heishman family members move forward with the company.

**Donna Alexander**



**PHOEBE**

We treasure our friendship. Congratulations and Best Wishes from your friends across the mountains.

**The Hartleys and the Meyers**

**PHOEBE**

Best wishes on your retirement and many thanks for the 50 years of your service in keeping the community informed by means of the Moorefield Examiner.

**Jim and Anna Mae Sherman  
Milam, WV**

**PHOEBE**

Phoebe, Thanks for letting a know-it-all kid do some sports writing almost 50 years ago and thank you for your wisdom in bringing Dave Wilbur then Carl aboard to promote our student's achievements.

**Mike Funkhouser**

**PHOEBE**

Thank you for the tea at your kitchen table, the history lessons, the encouraging words of support and thank you for welcoming me to Hardy County. Now that you're "retiring" I look forward to more afternoons in your kitchen.

**Michele  
Hardy County CVB**

**DEAR PHOEBE**

Congratulations on your 50 year anniversary as publisher of the Examiner. You have been a great benefit to the community, the region and the state. While many small publishers have failed, the Examiner has thrived due largely to your leadership. The many journalist awards that you and your staff recently received are a tribute to your leadership.

**Congratulations and thank you for a job well done!  
Ralph and Barbara Bean**

**PHOEBE,**

Congratulations! I have always admired you, thank you for being a role model. I hope you enjoy your well deserved retirement.

**Jessica Welton**

**PHOEBE**

I was working overnight shift at a convenience store in my darkest hours when you put me to work in the designing ads. My life has been infinitely better because you gave me a chance I probably didn't deserve. It has made all the difference. Thank you!

**Mike Mallow**

These happy memories and more are not for sale: Sir Thomas Pub, Mountain Mama, Karin's cabin, The Dungeon. Isn't it great that we share them? Well done, Phoebe!

**The Hayward**

**PHOEBE**

Phoebe, you have always been my biggest supporter, motivator, and most of all my wonderful friend. When you walked into Hardy County Preschool holding the hand of the cutest little girl, Hannah, I knew we would be friends. In the coming years, I had the pleasure of teaching your son James. You became more than just a parent of a child in preschool. Over the years you became the person who listened to me, who corrected me, who disagreed with me and agreed with me. You became my person. You encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone and stand up for what I believed in. You were there the day I married my best friend and you were there the day to hold my hand and provide a shoulder for me to lean on and cry. You are so many things to me. But simply you are my friend and a person that I admire. I love you Phoebe. Thanks for all of the wonderful memories and for all the ones to come.

**Love,  
Carol Shockey Zuber**

**CONGRATULATIONS PHOEBE,**

Phoebe for your 50 years service to Hardy County. The Best of Luck to you. Thank You and we wish you the Best

**Fox s Pizza/ Mullin s 1847 and the Keplinger Family**

**CONGRATULATIONS PHOEBE**

on your 50 years as newspaper publisher. That's quite an achievement! I'll always remember getting acquainted with you over an ice cream cone at Oglebay Hall in 1959. Since then you've been a dear friend and Kappa Delta sister. Enjoy your retirement. It s about time!!

**From Barbara Eberly Campbell**

**PHOEBE**

Congratulations on your great service to our community for the past 50 years! **Love Memorial Board of Directors and Staff**

**PHOEBE,**

Congratulations for 50 years of service to Hardy County! Without your leadership, the 'Examiner' would not be the dedicated, local, award-winning cornerstone of our county that it is. Here's to you!

**Capon Valley Bank, Larry C. Curtis**

**DEAR PHOEBE,**

Congratulations on your truly outstanding half-century of service to the people of Moorefield, Hardy County, W.Va. and the nation as editor of your prestigious family-owned newspaper, the Moorefield Examiner. As a former third generation newspaper owner, editor and publisher I can most certainly appreciate and applaud the wonderful job you have done in objectively and effectively presenting the news and providing beneficial opinion to your readers over the last 50 years. Through your fine newspaper you have been a vital voice to and for the people.

I thank you, salute you and offer you the very highest of praise for a job well done.

**D. Boyd Dotson, Jr.**



PHOEBE

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to grow roots in Hardy County.

When I came to work for the Examiner in 1999, I had lived here for two years, but because I had been working in Winchester, I had not made many connections beyond my immediate family. That changed when I joined the Examiner. You and David sent me out into the county and provided me with unwavering support as we produced great content for the newspaper and embarked on the journey toward digital newspaper production.

I met a lot of county residents and learned about our communities by working at your paper, especially through publishing old photographs in a weekly series, working on Heritage Weekend and Poultry Festival supplements, and finally by producing the Century of News supplement in November 2002. That supplement marked 100 years of McCoy-Fisher-Heishman family ownership of the Moorefield Examiner.

If anyone wants to learn about Hardy County and understand the newspaper where Phoebe, her parents, her grandparents – and now her children -- have dedicated so much of themselves, start there. You ll come away with a sense of place as well as a portrait of a family and a great lady who has worked hard for decades to tell and document our stories.

Phoebe, wishing you all the best!

Kristen Colebank,  
Former advertising and production manager  
at the Moorefield Examiner

PHOEBE

I hope you know you are special in so many lives. Hope you know how many of us you mentored and led. It was always fun being around you and I missed you at the Kappa Delta reunions. Take care my dear friend and know that you are loved and appreciated.

Be well and I am sure you will not just ride off into the sunset.  
Love, Bonnie Ellis

PHOEBE

I met Phoebe Fisher Heishman at Girls State at Jackson’s Mill in the summer of 1959. After a spirited campaign, I think we ended up as Justices of the Supreme Court. My campaign slogan was “Have Gavel, Will Travel”...I’m sure Phoebe’s was equalizing and mesmerizingly effective! In the process, we discovered that our mothers were good and true friends worthy of emulation! We ended up at WVU in sorority houses across the street from each other and carried on (yes, some would call it that....) throughout those fabulous college years filled with a modicum of learning, and a lot of friendship and laughter. After college, I subscribed to the Moorefield Examiner to keep up with her community endeavors. I so valued her yearly Christmas greetings...always the same signature! And on every state and federal election day I could call and ascertain how the vote was coming from Old Fields precinct! I still treasure the beautiful silver ice bucket she gave us for a wedding present and I recently sent her a picture of it and was immediately reminded that it looked like it needed polished....it did! Suffice it to say, I have rarely had the pleasure of seeing her, but that wonderful low-pitched growler of a voice on the phone has entertained and educated me many times. She was kind to my son, Booth when he ran for Governor...and I respect and admire her outstandingly successful progeny! A life of service, a commitment to community, a care for the culture and history of West Virginia, a piercing and perspicacious intellect, and a vibrant love of life...Phoebe Fisher Heishman, may you live one thousand years!!! Congratulations on a life well lived and a calling well answered!

Kay Huffman Goodwin

CONGRATULATIONS

Phoebe on 50 years as Editor of the Moorefield Examiner!  
The Fraley Families

When I wrote for the Examiner some ten years ago I saw how Phoebe helped many people very quietly, never asking for credit or expecting accolades. Congratulations Phoebe!

Bob Alcock  
Saint Augustine, Florida

50 Years of Examiner Staff

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# Thank You



Summit proudly congratulates Phoebe F. Heishman for ***50 years of service*** to the Moorefield Examiner.

We thank you for your many contributions to the community and your tenure on Summit's Board of Directors.

We celebrate this exceptional achievement and your many years of dedicated journalism that have woven the intricate fabric of our community with the magnitude of the human experience.

With love and best wishes,  
Your friends at Summit

