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Legislative Training Through WV Fair Shake Network, January 20, 2015

by Donna M. Williams

Thanks to WVAD, I attended another legislative training through WV Fair Shake Network on January 20, 2015. WVAD is a member of Fair Shake. Fair Shake is an advocacy group for all disabilities.

The first presenter was Stephanie Tyree, Director of Community Engagement and Policy with the West Virginia HUB. The WV Hub is a statewide, non-profit organization that helps communities come together to set goals for their future and connects them to the rich network of resources they need to meet those goals. Some of the things this organization does include: teach political action; help find funding for projects; train community leaders to be leaders, etc.

The topic of Stephanie’s presentation was “Overview of the Legislative Process.” She emphasized several things one must do to get a bill proposed and passed into a law. These are:

- Know and understand the process how an idea becomes a law.
- Have a plan for your idea.
- Know your legislators—both those who will support and those who

will oppose. Be careful not to be negative but do not underestimate them.

- Become friends with the legislators. Build a relationship by inviting them to your events and go to their open events. Ask them what they support and what they oppose. Ask them what they think about disabilities

rights. Ask them what they will do for us. Don’t trust them too much.

- Meet legislators during interim—April through December. Do not meet them during legislative session. They are too busy during legislative session. When meeting with the legislator, ask him/her what they think about disability rights.

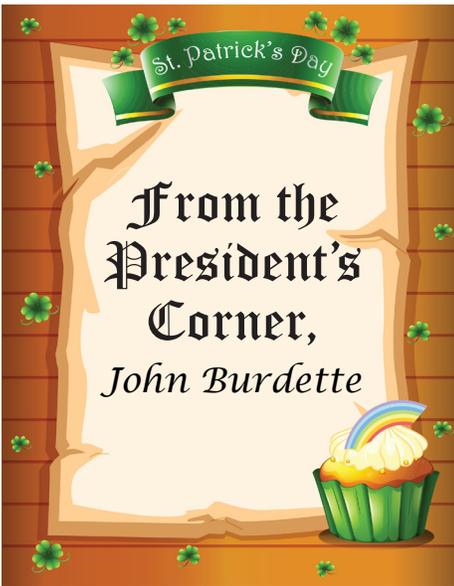


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Greetings all,

Spring is just around the corner. I am really looking forward to going out more and I am sure you are too!

The WVAD Board had their Board meeting on October 1 at Snowshoe Mountain Resort. We are pleased to announce the theme for the upcoming WVAD's 40th Biennial Conference and 100th Anniversary to be held at the Snowshoe Mountain Resort – Snowshoe, WV, on August 6-9, 2015. The theme is "Celebrating a Century of Bridging the Gap between WVAD and You." Please see the conference flyer on page 5 and registration combo form on page 7, along with lodging information on page 9. We hope you will come to our conference!

Legislative Training workshop and Disability Advocacy Day was hosted by the Fair Shake Network (FSN) on Tuesday, January 20, and Wednesday, January 21, 2015, in Charleston, WV. WVAD sent Donna Williams, Secretary, to attend Legislative Training workshop

and set up WVAD exhibit booth at Disability Advocacy Day. See the story on page 1.

I want to update everyone on the projects or things that have been happening in West Virginia:

- West Virginia Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WVCDHH) hired Earnest Covington III as the new Executive Director. He began working at WVCDHH on January 5, 2015.
- WVCDHH has a job opening for a Project Director/Staff Interpreter position. Anyone who is interested in this position can apply through this link at <http://www.personnel.wv.gov/SiteCollectionDocuments/Miscellaneous%20Documents/Application.pdf>.
- The Deaf Awareness Day that was planned for February 25, 2015, at WV State Capitol has been cancelled due to scheduling conflict. WVAD and WVCDHH will start planning soon for next year and

hopefully we are going to have this event in 2016.

A quick reminder for those who have not paid for expired membership (see page 23 for form), please send the form and payment to our Membership Coordinator, Larry Hubbard. Good news! WVAD is now accepting debit and credit cards for membership fees, etc. We are currently accepting Visa, Mastercard, and Discover. If you are not a member of WVAD, please join. If you have any questions about membership, please contact Larry Hubbard. Your support and dues help keep WVAD going.

In closing, WVAD has reached a milestone in 2015—the organization is turning 100 years old. Please check the WVAD website (www.wvad.net) or WV Association of the Deaf page on Facebook for more information and updates.

John Burdette
WVAD President

This is a West Virginia Association of the Deaf (WVAD) non-profit organization newsletter for our WVAD family and friends.

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- Do not become annoying or a pest. Do not be rude or demanding. These can defeat what you want to accomplish. Be polite, friendly, and respectful.

Stephanie emphasized this process takes much time and patience. She reminded us that legislative session is only 60 days!

The second presenter was Chris Marr, from the CRW Management Group. This is a public affairs company that provides clients governmental consulting, lobbying, and community outreach. They are committed to providing positive, professional public affairs representation of client's view to the state and local government entities. They also maintain a comprehensive bill tracking system that enables the public to analyze, track, and report to the public on the progress of all legislation that pertains to the individual issues. They also promote community development, sustainability, and safety.

The topic of Chris' presentation was "Working with Decision Makers." Who are the decision makers? The most important decision makers are all Republicans. These include:

- President of the State Senate – Senator Bill Cole from Mercer County.
- Speaker of the House – Delegate Tim Armstead from Kanawha County.
- Finance Chairpersons – Senator Mike Hall from Putnam County and Delegate Eric Nelson from Kanawha County.
- Heath Committee Chairpersons – Senator Ryan Ferns from Ohio County and Delegate Joe Ellington from Mercer County.

Chris emphasized we, as advocates for the deaf and hard of hearing children and qualified interpreters, need to know who are chairperson(s) of the committee(s) we are most interested in, especially the chairpersons and members of the Education Committee.

Chris also shared some tips to keep in mind when contacting a decision maker or meeting with him/her:

- Some common mistakes to avoid – becoming too emotional, taking too much time, invading their time and space, becoming too demanding, etc.

- Who we should contact such as staff and committee members.
- What we should say and not say, keeping the meeting short with less than three important points about your issue and less than 10 minutes.
- What the best way is to contact the decision makers – phone call, e-mail, letter, etc.
- Where the best places are to meet the decision makers – at the Capitol, community gatherings, political rallies, festivals and fair, etc.
- When the best times are to meet the decision makers – during legislative session, private meetings, community meetings, etc. Remember it is best to schedule an appointment.
- Why you should contact the decision makers is because YOU know what is best for you, your group, and your organization.

However, when approaching decision makers or when meeting with them, we must be polite; respectful of their privacy, time, and space; keep the conversation or meeting short and to the point, etc.

A website Chris suggested to use most often is www.legis.state.wv.us/index.cfm. This gives the schedule of the legislative session and updates of each bill being proposed.

A third presenter was Paul Smith, administrative assistant for WV Fair Shake Network. The topic of his presentation was "Communication is Key to Successful Advocacy." There are

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<http://www.wvad.net>

many ways to communicate information. These include:

- Personal letters;
- E-mails;
- Quarterly newsletters;
- Website at www.fairshake.org;
- Community outreach exhibits at various events;
- Social media such as Facebook and Twitter; and
- Text alerts on smartphones.

Paul emphasized the same as Stephanie and Chris did about what to do when meeting with legislators. However, he added that you need to explain why your issue is important and always follow-up within a few days.



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There were also two panels. One panel was "Working in Partnership" and it included representatives from various agencies such as People First, Division of Rehabilitation Services, WV Advocates, WVU Center of Excellence in Disabilities, etc. The people on the panel shared some history about their agencies and how it serves their clients. They emphasized working together for all disabilities.

The second panel was "Disability Agenda" and it included representatives from various agencies that deal with various disabilities such as WV Olmstead, WV Statewide Independent Living Council, WV Bureau for Behavioral Health & Health Facilities, WV Developmental Disabilities Council and Job Squad, etc. They also shared some information about their organizations.

This training was very informative and I learned a lot in addition to the NAD Legislative Training April Hottle

and I attended in Richmond, VA, last November. I feel more ready to work on the Deaf Child Bill of Rights, the Interpreter Registry Law to add consequences if interpreters are not listed on the Registry, and the ASL law to allow deaf people to teach ASL in grades K-12 for Legislative Session 2016. I hope we can get some of these presenters to come to the WVAD conference or provide a workshop for WVAD. If you have any questions about these two workshops, please see me or contact me. 🇺🇸



Fair Shake Network Disability Advocacy Day at the State Capitol, January 21, 2015

by Donna M. Williams

West Virginia Association of the Deaf (WVAD) is a member of WV Fair Shake Network. Fair Shake is an advocacy group for all disabilities. They are very supportive of deaf, deaf-blind, and hard of hearing.

Each year, Fair Shake hosts a Disability Advocacy Day at the State Capitol. They invite all agencies and organizations dealing with any disability to have an exhibit at the Upper Rotunda. WVAD has had an exhibit on this day several times in the past. The legislators come out of their meetings and walk through the Rotunda gathering information. Everyone was encouraged to make an appointment with his/her legislator.

This year there were a total of 22 exhibits. Some exhibits were very simple and other exhibits had tri-fold posters with many pictures and various devices to help those with mobility disabilities. Some of the exhibitors included:

- WV Division of Rehabilitation Services
- Fair Housing Action Network
- People First of WV
- WV Advocates
- WVU Center for Excellence in Disabilities
- WV Parent Training & Information
- Special Olympics WV
- Several Centers of Independent Living

- Ron Yost Personal Assistance Services Program

There was also an agency that deals with emergencies, evacuations, etc., for those people with disabilities.

This was a wonderful opportunity to see and talk with others about various disabilities and learn from them. And, also, share about WVAD, deafness, and hard of hearing. Many people stopped by the WVAD exhibit and picked up some information.

Thanks to Larry Hubbard and Earnest Covington for stopping by and joining me. Also, thanks to Fair Shake for providing an interpreter for WVAD and lunch for all the exhibitors. I hope more deaf and hard of hearing can attend this event next year. 🇺🇸





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Registration Rates:

- Full combo includes registration, workshops, business meeting, Friday night social, and Saturday banquet and entertainment.
- WVAD membership is NOT included in the combo registration fee. Each WVAD member will be responsible for their own membership renewal when it's due. It may be renewed at the conference if desired.

Accessibility Request: Accessibility requests must be received no later than June 30, 2015. Please contact Jimmy Harrison at JHarrison5@aol.com or Veronda Harrison at verapple@aol.com.

Cancellation Policy: We will refund the combo except registration fee if there is death in the family or health reasons (written documentation is required from the doctor).

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HOTEL INFORMATION:

Snowshoe Mountain Resort
10 Snowshoe Drive
Snowshoe, WV 26209

For Reservations:

Telephone No.: 877-441-4386

Group Code: **5124YH**

* (Group Code Only Applies to Allegheny Springs Lodge; Cut Off Date is 7/6/2015)

- Prices VARIES for different lodging unit types. All rooms are village lodges; some are townhouses where more people can room together and split costs.
- FOR MORE INFORMATION ON LODGING, see page 4 or see <http://www.snowshoemtn.com/plan-your-trip/lodging/lodging-landing.aspx>.

NOTE: Please be aware there is limited cell phone service in many areas surrounding the resort. Cellular service is AT&T. WiFi is available in all rooms, conference rooms, lobby, most restaurants, etc.

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION

(Please print clearly. One form per person. You can make a copy for second person. Make personal check or money order payable to WVAD and write "CONFERENCE" on check memo line. Mail to Veronda Harrison, WVAD Treasurer, 5 Cordoba Drive, Hurricane, WV 25526.)

First Name, Last Name: _____
 Member (New; Current) Non-Member

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Video Phone No.: _____ Cell Phone (Text) No.: _____

E mail: _____

Or complete the credit card information below:

Visa MasterCard Discover Card

Name on Credit Card: _____

Credit Card Account No.: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Exp. Date: _____ CVS (Security Code Number on Back): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

AT DOOR RATES				
MEMBER, NON-MEMBER, OR STUDENT	REGISTRATION (WORKSHOP, EXHIBIT, AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY)	FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL	SATURDAY NIGHT AWARDS, BANQUET, AND ENTERTAINMENT	TOTAL
<input type="checkbox"/> Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$55.00	\$125.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Member (Senior Citizen Age 55+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45.00	\$105.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60.00	\$140.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member (Senior Citizen Age 55+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50.00	\$115.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Student*	<input type="checkbox"/> FREE	—	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40.00	\$40.00

MEMBER, NON-MEMBER, OR STUDENT	REGISTRATION ONLY	SATURDAY NIGHT — ENTERTAINMENT ONLY (DOES NOT INCLUDE BANQUET)	TOTAL
<input type="checkbox"/> Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Member (Senior Citizen Age 55+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member (Senior Citizen Age 55+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Student*	<input type="checkbox"/> FREE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00

EARLY BIRD COMBO				
MEMBER, NON-MEMBER, OR STUDENT	1ST COMBO (1/14 – 12/31/14)	2ND COMBO (1/1/15 – 4/30/15)	3RD COMBO (5/1/15 – 7/15/15)	AT DOOR (7/16/15 – 8/6/15)
<input type="checkbox"/> Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$95.00	\$105.00	\$115.00	\$125.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Member (Senior Citizen Age 55+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$85.00	\$85.00	\$95.00	\$105.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$120.00	\$120.00	\$130.00	\$140.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member (Senior Citizen Age 55+)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$95.00	\$105.00	\$115.00	\$125.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Student*	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00

* Students must show proof of student status (valid student ID from high school or college required).

DIRECTIONS TO SNOWSHOE RESORT, WV

Martinsburg, WV (180 miles — 3 hours, 45 minutes)
Morgantown, WV (142 miles — 2 hours, 45 minutes)
Parkersburg, WV (185 miles — 3 hours, 30 minutes)
Huntington, WV (200 miles — 4 hours)
Baltimore, MD (260 miles — 5 hours)
Pittsburgh, PA (215 miles — 3 hours, 45 minutes)

Romney, WV (120 miles — 2 hours, 45 minutes)
Clarksburg, WV (110 miles — 2 hours, 30 minutes)
Charleston, WV (150 miles — 3 hours, 15 minutes)
Beckley, WV (120 miles — 2 hours, 30 minutes)
Youngstown, OH (275 miles — 4 hours, 45 minutes)
Altoona, PA (200 miles — 4 hours, 15 minutes)

From Morgantown/Clarksburg Area to Snowshoe: Take I-79 South to Exit 99 – Weston, WV. Take US-33 East (4-lane) to Elkins, WV. Take US-219 South for 48 miles to Snowshoe. Turn left off of US-219 South onto Route 66 East toward Big Springs/The Market/Exxon. Go less than 1 mile to Snowshoe Drive North on the left unless you are lodging at The Inn at Snowshoe or made your reservations through an independent realty company. All are located off of Route 66. Please use either Google map or Mapquest websites for more specific directions from your area.

Using GPS / Navigation Systems: Because of the rural location, GPS units are not always the most reliable source for turn-by-turn directions. Some of the roads in the area are not properly mapped. We suggest inputting longitude and latitude coordinates, rather than using a street address. Here are some of the coordinates for popular locations on the mountain:

Mountaintop Check-In: 38.4018 North - 79.9936 West

Village Center: 38.4119 North - 79.9963 West

Silver Creek: 38.4405 North - 79.9893 West

Inn at Snowshoe: 38.4159 North - 80.0366 West

Suggested Physical Address: 10 Snowshoe Dr. Snowshoe, WV 26209

Please always double check your directions with a reliable map.

Check out the location of Snowshoe, WV on <https://www.google.com/maps/@38.5305423,-80.288301,9z> (Google map).



LODGING INFORMATION FOR SNOWSHOE RESORT, WV

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Standard Room (\$95.00/night): Sleeps 2-4. 2 queen beds, has coffee pot in unit.

Junior Studio (\$100.00/night): Sleeps 2-4. Standard room with a small sitting area, kitchenette, and gas fireplace. The bedding in these units will vary and includes at least 1 sleeper sofa. The kitchenette consists of a microwave, small sink, small refrigerator, and 2 burners on the countertop. Some units have a balcony, check with your reservation agent.

Studio Deluxe (\$109.00/night): Sleeps 2-4. Standard room with a full kitchen, gas fireplace, balcony, and a living area with a queen bed and sleeper sofa. Some units have balconies; you will need to check with your reservation agent.

1 Bedroom (\$127.00/night): Sleeps 2-4. Units have a full kitchen, living area with sleeper sofa, a separate bedroom, gas fireplace, and balcony.

1 Bedroom Plus (\$172.00/night): Sleeps 2-6. Units have a full kitchen, living area with a sleeper sofa, 1 separate bedroom with 2 queen beds or 1 queen bed and 1 sleeper sofa in it, dining area, gas fireplace, and balcony.

1 Bedroom Den Plus (\$172.00/night): Sleeps 2-8. Units have a full kitchen, living area with a sleeper sofa, 1 separate bedroom with 2 queen beds or 1 queen and 1 sleeper sofa in the bedroom, a den area with sleeper sofa, a dining area, gas fireplace, and balcony. (The den area may not be fully enclosed.)

2 Bedrooms (\$190.00/night): Sleeps 4-6. Units have a full kitchen, living area with a sleeper sofa, 2 separate bedrooms with a queen bed, dining area, 2 bathrooms, gas fireplace, and balcony.

2 Bedrooms Den (\$199.00/night): Sleeps 4-8. These units have a full kitchen, living area with a sleeper sofa, 2 separate bedrooms, a den area with sleeper sofa, dining area, 2 bathrooms, gas fireplace, and balcony.

2 Bedrooms Plus (\$199.00/night): Sleeps 4-8. These units have a full kitchen, living area with a sleeper sofa, 2 separate bedrooms with 2 queen beds in one of the bedrooms, dining area, 2 bathrooms, gas fireplace, balcony.

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IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. The more people you share the room with, the cheaper it cost because you can all split the cost of the room.
2. DO NOT reserve on line. Reservations must be called in so that you can get the group rate. If you have any other questions regarding the rooms, please ask the reservation agent when reserving your room. If you want balcony or queen-sized bed, must request. Snowshoe cannot guarantee all requests but can honor them based on availability.
3. The conference and all WVAD events will be held in various rooms next door to the hotel (Mountain Lodge). There are very nice lobbies with a large TV in both Allegheny Springs Lodge and Mountain Lodge.
4. WiFi is available in all rooms, conference rooms, lobby, most restaurants, etc. However, it's not available outside. Must set the cell phone for the local WiFi. iPhone seems to work better than Android. Cellular service is AT&T.
5. There is a little store, Subway restaurant, and a hotel (Inn at Snowshoe) at the bottom of Snowshoe Resort (6 miles) where you can buy food for the kitchen, eat out, and/or get lodging there if you want. You can also bring food from home for the kitchen. There are restaurants at the resort if you want to eat out.
6. **FUN PASSES:** Individuals lodging through the Snowshoe Rental Program will receive fun passes during their stay at Snowshoe. Fun passes activities include the following: eurobungy and climbing wall, Split Rock pools (indoor and outdoor – handicapped accessible), lake activities (canoes, kayaks, paddleboats, and fishing poles), scenic lift ride, and free bag of range balls for the Raven golf club. A fun pass is awarded for each person staying in the room. The fun pass is good for your entire stay at Snowshoe Resort.



"In Memory of Loved Ones"



Charles R. Buemi

Charles R. Buemi, age 77, of Ocean View died Friday, January 23, 2015 at home. Charles was born in Huntington, WV, and was the son of the late Antonio and Lillian (Floyd) Buemi.

He had been a compositor for the Washington Post, a member of the Ocean City Baptist Church and Christian Life Church in Foley, AL, and he was founder/member of the Deaf Men's Breakfast Club, member of the Kappa Gamma Fraternity, and the Delaware Association of the Deaf. He graduated from the West Virginia School for the Deaf in Romney, WV, in 1958.

He is survived by his wife, Norma S. Buemi; two daughters, Lisa Turner Collier

and husband Derek of Spanish Fort, AL, and Nicole Grady and husband Timothy of Gulf Shores, AL; one stepson, Marty Richard of San Antonio, TX; one sister, Mary Leighty of Columbus, GA; and one brother, James Buemi, Sr. of Riverdale, MD. He also has eight grandchildren, Jason, Ashley, Sarah, Hannah, Dalton, Erin, Rylan, and Christian; and two great-granddaughters, Eleora and Corah.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Austin Turner, and a granddaughter, Caitlin Buemi.

A viewing was held on Tuesday, January 27, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Hastings Funeral Home, 19 S. Main Street, Selbyville, DE. A viewing was also held on Thursday, January 29 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Christian Life Church in Foley, Alabama (14965 Alabama Highway 59 Foley, AL 36535). Funeral was held on Friday, January 30, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. at Christian Life Church in Foley. Interment was at Pine Rest Memorial Park, 16541 US Highway 98, Foley, AL 36535.

In lieu of flowers donations in his memory may be sent to Gallaudet University, 800 Florida Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002-3695, or Caitlin Buemi Memorial Scholarship Fund, 3613 Ancient Oak Cir., Gulf Shores, AL 36536. 🍀



Calvin Crockett Moore

Calvin Crockett Moore, 85, of Wallback, WV, entered into rest Tuesday, December 2, 2014. Born December 14, 1928, in Wallback, he was the son of the late Cecil and Maysel (Gray) Moore. In addition to his parents he was also preceded in death by his brothers, Orvis, Virgil, and Buhl; and one sister, Leah.

Calvin is survived by his brothers, Clayton Moore of Wallback and Broadus Moore of Minnora; and sisters, Mary Moss of Ripley, Dorcas McVickers and Dorothy Darrah both of Massillon Ohio.

Funeral service was held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, December 5, 2014, at Wilson-Shamblin-Smith Funeral Home, Clay, WV. Burial was at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Wallback. He enrolled WV School for the Deaf in 1939.

Friends called 1 hour prior to the service. On-line condolences may be sent to the family at <http://www.carl-wilsonfuneralhome.com/obits/obituary.php?id=630230>. Wilson-Shamblin-Smith Funeral Home was honored that they were able to serve the Moore family. 🍀

Sue Wright Everett

Sue Wright Everett, 74, of Romney, WV, died Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at Winchester Medical Center, Winchester, VA. Sue was born on January 25, 1941, in Glenville, WV, the daughter of the late Gail W. and Clara Belle (Ellison) Wright, Sr.

Sue was a graduate of Midview High School, received her Bachelor degree from Glenville State College and a Masters from Westminster College. She retired after 19 years of teaching at the West Virginia School for the Deaf. After retirement, Sue's love for educating children led her to take a position with RESA 8 and to substitute in Hampshire County Schools and St. John Neumann in Cumberland, MD. Her experience at St. John Neumann inspired her to open her own daycare center in Romney in 1987. Until her death she was still helping at Valley View Day Care to provide service to Hampshire County families. Sue was a member of the Romney Church of God.

Surviving is her husband of 50 years, Richard A. Everett, Romney, WV; one son, Richard A. Everett, Jr., Romney, WV; five daughters: Debbie Shanholtz and husband, Mark, Romney, WV, Becky Bowman, Albion, PA, Lisa Hott and husband, Duncan, Romney, WV, Jennifer Everett, Romney, WV and Beth Hurt and husband, Timmy, Romney, WV; four brothers: Roger D. Wright, Robert Jack Wright, David Lee Wright, and Russ G. Wright, all of Newcomerstown, OH; two sisters: Ann W. Wright, Petersburg, WV and Judy K. Wright, Alyria, OH; 13 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

The visitation was private. The funeral service was on Sunday, January 11, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at the Shaffer Funeral Home, with Rev. Raymond Sterling officiating. Interment was at the Indian Mound Cemetery, Romney, WV. The family requests that memorials be made to the Romney Church of God, 128 Everett Place, Romney, WV 26757. 🍀



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Arthur J. Maust

Arthur J. Maust, 77, of Westerville, OH, passed away on Saturday, January 24, 2015. He was born on April 11, 1937, in Morgantown, West Virginia, to the late George and Sylvia (King) Maust.

Arthur graduated from the West Virginia School for the Deaf in 1957 and went on to attend a seminary. He was employed with the Greer Company in West Virginia and the Chilton Company in Pennsylvania as a printer for many years.

Arthur was a member of Spring Road Church of Christ. He loved playing DINGO and BINGO with friends at Columbus Colony Housing. He was a member of the Columbus Association for the Deaf. Arthur enjoyed going on adventures with his family. He had a wonderful sense of humor and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

In addition to his parents, Arthur was preceded in death by a brother, Donald Maust.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 51 years, Edith Stahl Maust; two children, David (Bobbie) Maust of Powell, OH, and Shirley Maust (Verica Marjanovic) of Australia; and grandsons, Joshua Maust and Jeramiah Menear.

A funeral service was held on Friday, January 30, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at Newcomer Funeral Home, NE Chapel, 3047 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio, with Minister Robin Weier officiating. The family received friends prior to the service from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Messages of condolence may be left at www.NewcomerColumbus.com.

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Nancy E. Smrz

On December 24, 2014, Nancy E. Smrz (age 73) of Bowie, Maryland, passed away. She was the beloved wife of Richard F. Smrz, loving mother to Andrew F. Smrz, and sister to Anna Howard (John) and Edna Kaylani. A host of loving nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends also survived her.

Nancy taught for a number of years at West Virginia School for the Deaf, Romney, WV; Baltimore Public School's Program for Multi-Handicapped Deaf; and was a substitute teacher at Gallaudet University's Kendall and Model Schools for the Deaf, Washington, DC. Nancy held memberships in International Catholic Deaf Association (ICDA), Gallaudet University Alumni Association, Maryland Deaf Seniors, and Deaf Seniors of America.

Family received friends at the family-owned Beall Funeral Home, 6512 NW Crain Hwy. (Rte. 3 South), Bowie, MD, on Monday, December 29, 2014, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Francis of Assisi Deaf Catholic Church, 7202 Buchanan St., Landover Hills, MD, on Tuesday, December 30, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Nancy's memory to St. Francis of Assisi Deaf Catholic Church. Please view and sign the family's guestbook at http://www.beallfuneral.com/memsol.cgi?user_id=1486150 (<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/washingtonpost/obituary.aspx?n=nancy-e-smrz&pid=173627936&fhid=11663#sthash.vpOj16fA.dpuf>).



Frank "Junior" Retton

Frank "Junior" Retton, 80, of Fairmont, WV, passed away Monday February 16, 2015, at Monongalia General Hospital, Morgantown, WV. He was born January 26, 1935, in Marion County, son of the late Sam and Angelina Retton.

Junior attended the WV School for the Deaf and Blind from 1940 to 1953. While there, he played baseball and football and in 1952, he played on the National Deaf All American Football Team. He was inducted into the School for the Deaf Hall of Fame in 1995 for his contributions as a baseball pitcher. Junior was formerly employed at R.W. Cable in Rivesville.

Anyone who knew Junior knew he was a sport enthusiast. Regardless of the game or the team, you could always count on him knowing what was going on in the world of sports.

Junior is survived by one sister, Linda Corley and husband Gary of Grant Town, WV; sisters-in-law, Patty Retton of Follansbee, WV, Janet Gregg of Masontown, WV, Sandy Donahue of Morgantown, WV, Carolyn Grimes and her husband Richard of Gans, PA, Sheila Strickland of Iuka, MS; brothers-in-law, William Dalton, Jr. and his wife Penny of Rapid City, SD, Larry Dalton and his wife Susan of Fairmont, WV; nieces and nephews, Tony and Devanna Corley, Dana and Steve Richardson, John David and Sherry Retton, Jimmy and Kristie Retton, Mary Beth and Michael Arlia, Matthew and Heather Retton; and several great nieces and nephews.

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In the News



Legislators Support Improvements for Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

By Marla Pisciotta, For *The State Journal* (<http://www.statejournal.com/story/27791609/legislators-support-improvements-for-schools-for-the-deaf-and-the-blind>), Posted: January 8, 2015, 10:08 a.m. EST; Updated February 7, 2015, 10:08 a.m. EST

After setting a goal to address additional funding for the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind during the upcoming legislative session, 33 lawmakers toured the campus December 9, 2014.

The bipartisan delegation visited the campus in Romney to see firsthand the condition of the campus, the educational program improvements and what could be done in the future.

William White, a member of the West Virginia Board of Education and member of the WVSDB advisory board, said he's been the school's strongest advocate.

"This campus has been neglected for so long," White said. "The legal rendering is the School Building Authority, by statute, could not invest money into the schools. I was not going to let that be the end of that."

White said the options seemed to be either fund the school or close it.

"The Legislature already said they don't want the schools closed," White said. "(Delegate) Ruth (Rowan, R-Hampshire) worked on getting this tour put together.

"She wanted everyone to come here to see the great things that are happening so the legislators know exactly what is going on."

White said Hampshire County is not responsible to support the schools, so some action must happen in the next legislative session.

"Kids are here, the buildings are falling down; it's a safety issue," he said.

Newly elected Sen. Charles Trump, R-Morgan, said he's hopeful the tour "will pay dividends in the upcoming Legislature."

A \$13 million line item is included in the Legislature's budget every year to maintain schools. Local hopes are that a much bigger, second line item will be put in the budget for capital improvements and other needs at the schools.

One of the items on the tour itinerary included showing the delegation what the "short course" at the schools



An unidentified woman talks on a videophone with her friend.

is all about. The short course is children from across the state with hearing and or vision loss that come to the schools sporadically for a week's stay to acclimate and see what and how the schools work. Rowan said the short course students come from families who aren't sure whether they want their children to live away from home.

"I have certainly been aware of the history of the campus. They provide wonderful programs," said outgoing Delegate Mary Poling, D-Barbour, former House of Delegates Education Committee chairman.

"Buildings need repair and replacement. Technology has outgrown the buildings. I don't think there is any way an individual county, even the larger ones, could provide the education to these children the way WVSDB does," Poling added.

The visit was the first time on campus for Poling but she said she is in favor of upgrading the facilities.

"We need to do some work with this campus. It is absolutely an intricate part of the school system in West Virginia," said Delegate Craig Blair, R-Berkeley. "I'm up for freeing up more money to be able to help."

The West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind has not experienced significant capital projects in nearly 40 years, with the last buildings erected in the 1970s.

In addition, the schools have not experienced significant renovation in nearly 30 years with only one sizable renovation occurring to Seaton Hall in the 1980s.

"Lynn (Boyer) has done a good job addressing issues," said David Mohr, senior policy analyst for the House Education Committee. "I've been on campus several times. The service personnel do such a good job maintaining the grounds and buildings you actually have to look deeper to see where buildings are leaking and roofs are deteriorating."

Mohr said the WVSDB has state-wide value.

Taking a break from the tour, Trump said, "This school is just wonderful."

"I'm so glad that Ruth has put this together ... everyone is getting a look at it and understands how unique it is," he said.

Rowan spearheaded the visit after the decision of the state to keep the schools in Romney.

"It's been a gradual process," Rowan said. "We have had delegates brave the ice to get here. Some stayed overnight to support the schools.

"City of Romney Mayor Dan Hileman and City Administrator Eileen Johnson have been on the tour to show their support of the schools. The day has been wonderful," she added. 🐾

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Funding Bill for Deaf, Blind Schools Advances

By Ryan Quinn, *Charleston Gazette* Staff Writer (<http://charlestongazette.wv.newsmemory.com/publink.php?shareid=19c7f40d4>), January 27, 2015

A bill that would allow the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind to access more funding for construction projects unanimously passed a House of Delegates committee Monday.

House Bill 2160 would allow the Romney schools to apply for all funding doled out by the state School Building Authority, to which the 55 county school districts submit proposals for construction and renovation projects with the hope SBA members select their projects.

Currently, the schools, which though located in Hampshire County are not part of its school district, are allowed to compete for only about \$1.5 million of the SBA's annual funds — about 3 percent of its total money available, according to testimony at Monday's meeting. In December, the SBA denied the schools' request for almost \$500,000 of the limited funds they currently are allowed to ask for in favor of other projects.

The bill would make the schools eligible for SBA's other funding programs and ban the SBA from ranking regular school districts' projects ahead

of it simply because those districts offer matching local funding. Unlike schools that are part of county districts, the Schools for the Deaf and Blind aren't supported by any local property taxes, relying completely on state appropriations.

While the schools have had to close buildings out of safety concerns, Delegate Ruth Rowan, a Hampshire Republican sponsoring the bill, said the first priority will be to renovate the current secondary education building for deaf students and to also move the elementary school deaf children there.

Rowan said the consolidated facility would save on utilities on the campus — which Mary Catherine Funk, attorney for the state school board, said has 445,000 square feet of buildings across 13 different structures — as well as allow all students to benefit from technology in the same building. The current secondary education building is safer than the elementary building, which is close to a highway and was built in the 1930s, Rowan said.

"It's outdated," she said. Residential and educational buildings at the schools, according to Monday's testimony, haven't seen significant renovations during the past two decades. The schools were established in 1870. Architects have estimated they need about \$82 million worth of repairs and renovations to various buildings.

Rowan said the more than 150 students enrolled at the schools are among more than 700 across the state who receive services from the institutions, which produce large-print textbooks for students with vision issues and also accept pupils from other schools for temporary courses.

If the SBA approves funding in the future for the deaf school consolidation, Rowan said the schools may request future funding for new residential facilities and other projects.

After passing the House Education Committee Monday, the bill is headed to the House Finance Committee.

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Delegates OK WVSDDB Funding Bill

Posted by *Hampshire Review* Staff (<http://www.hampshirereview.com/blog/2015/02/18/delegates-ok-wvsdb-funding-bill/>), Wednesday, February 18th, 2015

CHARLESTON — The House of Delegates unanimously approved Tuesday a bill that opens the door to fund campus renovations at the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.

House Bill 2160 passed 95-0 with 5 delegates not voting. It makes WVSDDB eligible for major funding by the School Building Authority. The bill now heads to the State Senate.

"It states that the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind need major improvements," said Ruth Rowan, the Hampshire County Republican who introduced the legislation. "It was such a great feeling today to see our school unanimously supported."

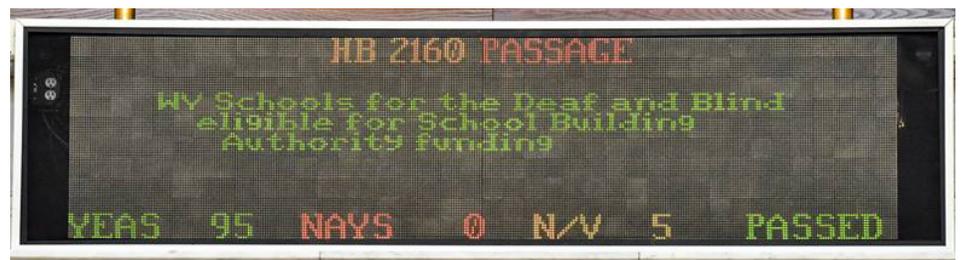
The school applied for SBA funds a year ago, only to be instructed that as a state agency it couldn't participate in the

approximately \$45 million the authority dishes out annually to projects for the state's 55 county school systems.

"It's a really important measure that opened their eligibility for SBA funding," said Senator Charles Trump, R-Morgan, who has signed on as a sponsor of the Senate version of the bill. "I haven't heard anybody say they have real problem with it."

House Bill 2160 would let WVSDDB jump in the funding pool. The bill would also bar the SBA from downgrading WVSDDB projects because they don't include matching funds as county projects do.

WVSDDB doesn't have local property taxes to rely on for funding as county schools do. 🐦



2015 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure

It's that time again to raise funds and awareness for the fight against breast cancer.

The *Deaf Pink Warriors* team would like for you to join this worthy cause. The Susan G. Komen WV Affiliate Race for the Cure® will be held on May 2, 2015, in Charleston, WV. The site opens at 7:00 a.m. for registration at the Capitol Complex Kanawha Blvd, Charleston, WV. The walk/run will begin at 9:00 a.m.

The Komen Race for the Cure is a unique event, designed and implemented to promote positive awareness, education, and early detection of breast cancer. It has proved to be an enormously effective way to reach many women and men with the message that breast cancer is not necessarily fatal if mammography and breast self-exam become routine. As well as being a road race for runners, the Komen Race for the Cure is an emotionally charged event that attracts many first timers and recreational runners. The Komen Race for the Cure is an opportunity for thousands of women, men, and their families, running or walking, to spread the breast cancer message within their communities.

Every step counts! Your donation provides women and men in the Komen WV Affiliate with services that have literally save lives. You help make the following programs possible:

- Free mammograms and diagnostics
- Medical treatment for qualified breast cancer patients who cannot afford care, including surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation
- Support services including support groups, assistance with finding financial resources, prescription refills, and transportation to medical appointments
- Education about the warning signs of breast cancer, methods of early detection, and the latest treatment options
- Cutting edge research to find a cure for breast cancer

Up to 75 percent of net proceeds are used for local programs like those listed above, with 25 percent used to fund breast cancer research.

Get Involved! Keep the Promise! Please click on this website (<http://www.komenwv.org/komen-race-for-the-cure/>) for more information.

For the safety of all participants, rollerblades and pets are discouraged from participating in this event.

Theresa Pack is the team captain for the *Deaf Pink Warriors* team this year. Click on www.komenwv.org then click Komen Race for the Cure to register with the team. If you cannot join the team, you may donate. The team will have a T-shirt party on May 2nd, 2015, Friday.

If you have any questions or want to get involved with the team, please contact Theresa at huskyyeyes62@aol.com or contact her through Facebook.

There is also a program in West Virginia that's called "Bonnie's Bus." The program is dedicated to providing state-of-the art breast cancer screening.

Bonnie's Bus is a self-contained mobile mammography unit that travels to sites across West Virginia, offering one-stop breast cancer screening mammograms in a comfortable, convenient environment. The bus is both hand-capped and wheelchair accessible.

"Bonnie's Bus" is equipped with state-of-the-art digital mammography equipment and offers high-quality services to the women who come for screening. They accept private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and payment from the WV Breast and Cervical Center Screening Program. If a woman does not qualify for any of these resources, grant funding and donations are used to cover the cost of her mammogram. No woman age 40 or over is turned away due to lack of payment. Women must have an order from a health provider to receive a mammogram on "Bonnie's Bus." For more information about Bonnie's Bus, please visit <http://wvucancer.org/bonnie>.

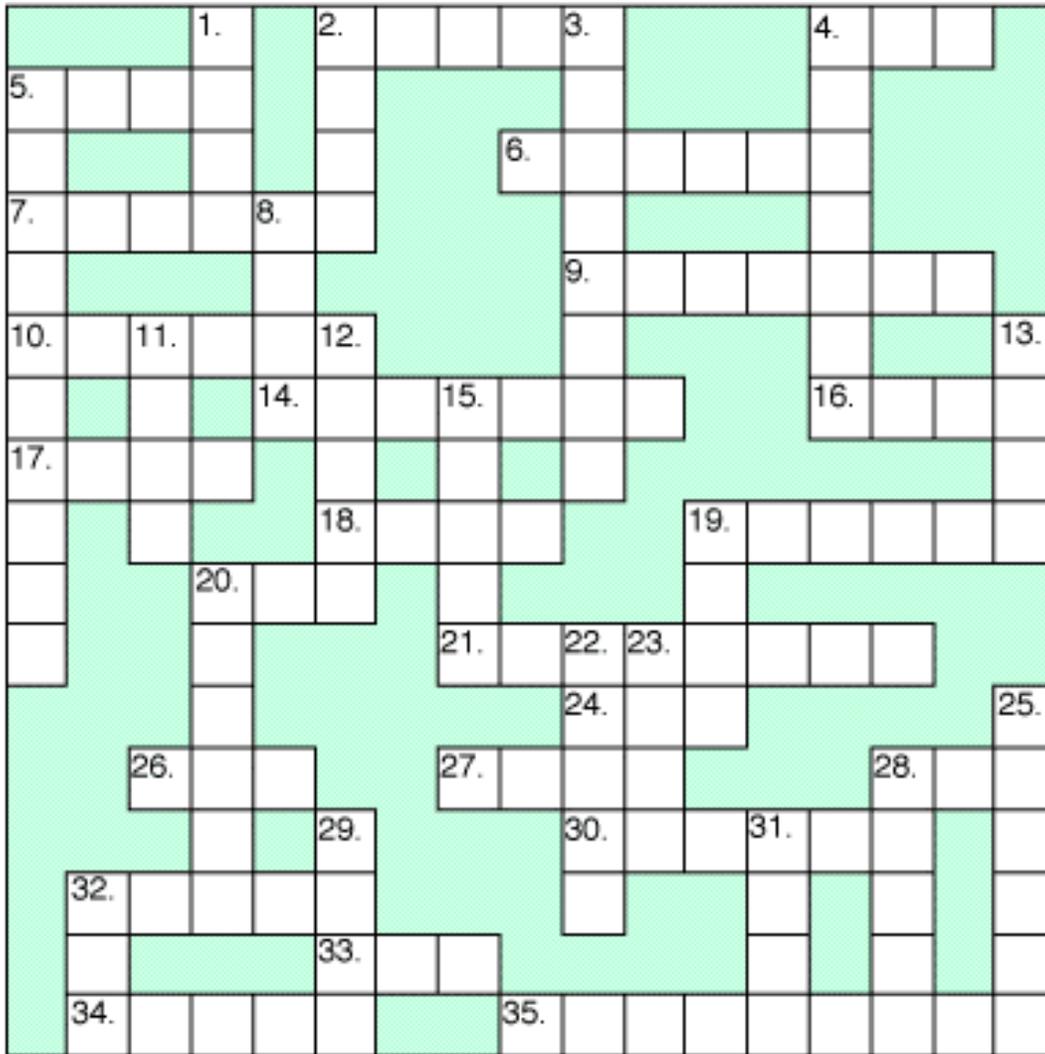


Deaf Pink Warriors Team from the 2014 Walk





ST. PATRICK'S DAY CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Down

1. Body covering?
2. Heal
3. 3 Leaf clover
4. St. Patrick was a missionary there
5. Mystical being
8. Short form for corporal
11. Actor's part
12. _____ Patrick
13. X marks the _____
15. Peels of fruits
19. Layer
20. Procession or march
22. To arrive at a final destination
23. Walkway
25. Wrist or ankle injury
28. Household task
29. Measurement
31. Destroy
32. Valuable stone

Across

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|------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2. Loose change | 16. Let fall, rain _____ | 27. One of the food groups |
| 4. Pens need this | 17. Give aid | 28. Drink container |
| 5. Good _____ | 18. Number less than 10 | 30. God's house |
| 6. Conditional release | 19. Leprechaun's head wear | 32. St. Patrick's Day color |
| 7. King's son | 20. _____ of gold | 33. Feline |
| 9. Let go | 21. St. Patrick rid Ireland of these | 34. St. Patrick's month |
| 10. Mistakes | 24. Hearing organ | 35. St. Patrick's Day number |
| 14. Saint _____ | 26. Opposite of good | |

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Customer Service

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Daylight Savings Time, March 8, 2015, at 2:00 a.m.

Most of the U.S., Canada, and Mexico's northern border cities will start Daylight Saving Time (DST) at 2:00 a.m. local time on March 8, 2015. The clocks will "spring forward" (by shifting the clock forward) an hour to daylight time, so that evenings have more daylight and mornings have less. Most of Europe will start Daylight Savings Time on the last Sunday in March. Most of North America shifts at 2:00 a.m. local time, so its zones do not shift at the same time; for example, Mountain Time can be temporarily either zero or two hours ahead of Pacific Time.

Daylight Savings Time – also summer time in several countries – is the practice of advancing clocks so that evenings have more daylight and mornings have less. Typically clocks are adjusted forward one hour near the start of spring and are adjusted backward in autumn. The modern idea of daylight saving was first implemented during the First World War. Many countries have used it at various times since then.

The practice has been both praised and criticized. Adding daylight to evenings benefits retailing, sports, and other activities that exploit sunlight after working hours, but can cause problems for evening entertainment and other occupations tied to the sun. Although an early goal of DST was to reduce evening usage of incandescent lighting, formerly a primary use of electricity, modern



MARCH 8, 2015
2:00 A.M.

heating and cooling usage patterns differ greatly, and research about how DST currently affects energy use is limited or contradictory.

Starting in 2007, most of the United States and Canada observe DST from the second Sunday in March to the first Sunday in November, almost two-thirds of the year. The 2007 U.S. change was part of the Energy Policy Act of 2005; previously, from 1987 through 2006, the start and end dates were the first Sunday in April and the last Sunday in October, and Congress retains the right to go back to the previous dates now that an energy-consumption study has been done.

DST clock shifts present other challenges. They complicate timekeeping and can disrupt meetings, travel, billing, recordkeeping, medical devices, heavy equipment, and sleep patterns. Software can often adjust computer clocks automatically, but this can be limited and error-prone, particularly when Daylight Saving Time protocols are changed. (<http://www.cute-calendar.com/event/daylight-saving-time/11464-usa.html>)

WV Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (WVSDB) Tapestry and Mountaineer Melodies Performed at the Capitol, Charleston, WV, on February 25, 2015



WVSDB Tapestry and Mountaineer Melodies performed the WVSDB School Song for the Governor and the Legislature. They were magnificent!



An unidentified WVSDB student posing with the WV State Governor, Earl Ray Tomblin.

BEER BRAISED IRISH STEW AND COLCANNON

(Prep Time: 1 hour. Cook Time: 2 hours. Ready in 3 hours. Servings: 8)

(<http://allrecipes.com/Recipe-Tools/Print/Recipe.aspx?recipeID=213340&origin=detail&servings=8&metric=false>)



Irish Stew:

1 Tbsp vegetable oil
1 (3 lb) beef chuck roast, trimmed off fat and cut into 1/2-inch cubes
2 Tbsp all-purpose flour
1 cup coarsely chopped onion
1 cup coarsely chopped carrot
1 (12 fl oz) can or bottle dark beer
2 bay leaves
1 tsp dried thyme
1 tsp salt
1/2 tsp ground black pepper
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce



Colcannon:

3 slices bacon
2 lbs russet potatoes, peeled and cut into chunks
2 cups thinly sliced cabbage
1/4 cup milk, warmed
Tbsp butter
1/2 tsp salt
1/4 tsp ground black pepper
2 Tbsp minced fresh parsley



1. Preheat oven to 325 °F (165 °C).
2. Heat the vegetable oil in a large Dutch oven over medium-high heat until very hot, and brown the meat in 2 batches, stirring to brown the cubes on all sides. Return all the meat to the Dutch oven, sprinkle with flour, and stir lightly to coat the meat with flour. Stir in onion, carrots, dark beer, bay leaves, thyme, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, garlic, and Worcestershire sauce. Bring the mixture to a boil, and cover.
3. Place the Dutch oven into the preheated oven, and cook for 45 minutes; uncover, stir the stew, and cook until the beef is very tender and the liquid is reduced by half, about 45 more minutes.
4. Place the bacon in a large, deep skillet, and cook over medium-high heat, turning occasionally, until evenly browned, about 10 minutes. Drain the bacon slices on a paper towel-lined plate. Crumble the bacon and set aside.
5. About 30 minutes before the stew is ready, make the colcannon: place the potatoes into a large pot and cover with salted water. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to medium-low, cover, and simmer until tender, about 20 minutes. Drain and allow to steam dry for a minute or two.
6. Place the cabbage into a microwave-safe bowl, and add 1 or 2 tablespoons of water. Cover and microwave on high for about 2-1/2 minutes; uncover (watch out for steam) and stir the cabbage. Cover and microwave for about 2-1/2 more minutes, until the cabbage is slightly tender but not mushy. Drain excess liquid and set the cabbage aside, covered.
7. Place the potatoes into a large bowl, and add milk, butter, 1/2 teaspoon of salt, and 1/4 teaspoon of pepper. Beat the potatoes with an electric mixer until smooth and creamy. Stir in the cabbage, crumbled bacon, and parsley until well combined.
8. To serve, place a scoop of colcannon onto a plate, make a hollow, and fill with braised beef stew.



IRISH CREAM ICE CREAM

(Prep Time: 15 minutes. Ready in 4 hours and 15 minutes. Servings: 16)

(Ice cream machine required)

(<http://allrecipes.com/Recipe-Tools/Print/Recipe.aspx?recipeID=220449&origin=detail&servings=16&metric=false>)

2 cups half-and-half
1/2 cup white sugar
1/2 cup brown sugar

2 cups heavy whipping cream
1 Tbsp vanilla extract
1/2 cup Irish cream liqueur

1. Beat together half-and-half, white sugar, and brown sugar in a large bowl with an electric mixer on medium speed until the sugars have dissolved.
2. Stir heavy cream and vanilla extract into the mixture until smooth.
3. Pour the mixture into an ice cream maker and freeze according to manufacturer's instructions.
4. About 2 minutes before the end of freezing time, pour Irish cream liqueur into the ice cream maker; allow the machine to finish freezing the ice cream.
5. Transfer ice cream into a freezer-proof container with a tight lid and place in freezer until ice cream is hardened, at least 4 hours.



WVAD LOGO WEAR FOR SALE

WVAD is selling WVAD Logo Wear. Proceeds will go towards the 2015 WVAD conference. If anyone is interested in purchasing any logo wear, please see one of the Board members. For credit card purchases, please contact Veronda Harrison (Treasurer) at 304-964-6025 Videophone or e-mail at verapple@aol.com. Feel free to let your family and friends know about this as they are welcome to purchase anything to support our organization.



The advertisement features a central yellow banner with the WVAD logo on the left and the text "WVAD LOGO WEAR" in blue on the right. Below the banner are eight items of clothing, each in a separate yellow-bordered frame and labeled with a letter from A to H. Item A is an orange t-shirt. Item B is a blue button-down shirt. Item C is a yellow sweatshirt. Item D is a blue hoodie. Item E is a dark blue long-sleeved shirt with "WVAD" printed vertically on the sleeve. Item F is a dark blue t-shirt. Item G is a dark blue jacket. Item H is a dark blue tracksuit. A small WVAD logo is centered on a dark blue square between items B and C.

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Sweatshirt (C)	Yellow							\$25.00			
Hoodie (D)	Blue							\$30.00			
Long Sleeve T-Shirt (E)	Blue							\$20.00			
Long Sleeve T-Shirt (E)	Yellow							\$20.00			
Short Sleeve Polo (F)	Blue							\$20.00			
Jacket (G)	Blue							\$30.00			
Sweatpants (H)	Blue							\$25.00			
Sweatpants (H)	Yellow							\$25.00			
TOTAL											

(Fun Page Answers from page 15)

Across

- 2. Coins
- 4. Ink
- 5. Luck
- 6. Parole
- 7. Prince
- 9. Release
- 10. Errors
- 14. Patrick
- 16. Drop
- 17. Help
- 18. Nine
- 19. Top hat
- 20. Pot
- 21. Serpents
- 24. Ear
- 26. Bad
- 27. Meat
- 28. Cup
- 30. Church
- 32. Green
- 33. Cat
- 34. March
- 35. Seventeen

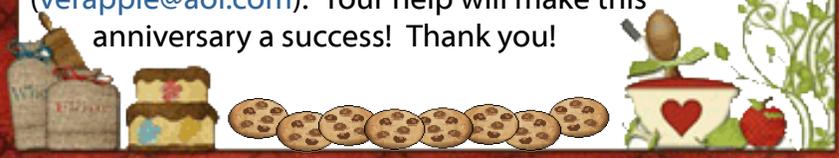
Down

- 1. Skin
- 2. Cure
- 3. Shamrock
- 4. Ireland
- 5. Leprechaun
- 8. Corp.
- 11. Role
- 12. Saint
- 13. Spot
- 15. Rinds
- 19. Tier
- 20. Parade
- 22. Reach
- 23. Path
- 25. Sprain
- 28. Chore
- 29. Inch
- 31. Ruin
- 32. Gem

*From the Kitchen of
The 100th Anniversary Committee*

RECIPES WANTED!

The 100th Anniversary Committee is looking for recipes to create a cookbook as a fundraiser to raise money for the 100th Anniversary that is coming up Summer 2015! Please send your recipes to the WVAD Editor (extraordinary45@comcast.net) or Veronda Harrison (verapple@aol.com). Your help will make this anniversary a success! Thank you!



(Obituaries from page 11)

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Linda (Dalton) Retton; one brother, John Retton; and one sister Mabel Testa.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Dr. Lobban and his staff and the nurses in the ICU at Monongalia General Hospital.

Family and friends called Domico Funeral Home, 414 Gaston Avenue, in Fairmont, WV, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, February 22, 2015. A service was held at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 22, in the funeral home with Deacon David Lester officiating. Junior's wishes were to be cremated with a committal at Mt. Carmel Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Frank's name to the WV School for the Deaf and Blind Foundation, 301 Main Street, Romney, WV 26757. Condolences may be sent online to the family at www.domicofh.com.

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