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Dear Abby: Friday, August 13

By Abigail Van Buren | WVDN AUG 13, 2021

Retirement Hasn't Changed Couple's Long-Term Routine

Dear Abby: My husband retired a few months ago. I was a stay-at-home mom for most of our married life but have worked part-time for several years. I always took care of all the household chores because he supported us financially. Now he's retired, and nothing has changed. I'm still doing all the cooking, cleaning, laundry, taking care of the business matters and working part-time. Although I have always done whatever it takes to keep the peace, I am becoming increasingly resentful. I don't know how to break this pattern. I've never had the nerve to speak up and express my anger or frustration for fear of getting into a huge fight. Can you give me any advice to help me get out of this trap I've built for myself? — **Stuck in California**

Dear Stuck: Your husband isn't a mind reader. Ending your silence is the way out of the "trap." It is what has given him license. If necessary, HAVE that "huge fight." It may be the answer to a more equitable sharing of responsibilities. But if it isn't, then it's time for counseling — to not only help you better communicate but also, if necessary, mediate.

Dear Abby: I have been divorced less than a year, and while I wasn't expecting to rush into a relationship, I have met someone I really like, and he treats me so well. The problem is I haven't yet told my children, and while speaking with my 13-year-old son, he told me he would run away if I was ever with anyone except his dad. He also said he didn't care if I was happy or not. I don't want to hurt — or worse, lose — my son. He refuses to talk to a counselor. How do I move on and get my son to accept this situation? — **Moving Forward in Connecticut**

Dear Moving Forward: Do you really intend to allow a 13-year-old to dictate how you live the rest of your life? Because he refuses to talk with a counselor doesn't mean you shouldn't do it for help in strengthening your backbone. Your son's feelings may change once his father starts having romantic relationships — if he hasn't already. Nowhere in your letter did you mention that the person you are seeing has asked for a permanent commitment, so you have lots of time. Live your life. Continue to explore where things are going. When your son is older and his hormones kick in, he may mellow.

Dear Abby: What does an invited guest do when their hosts get into one or more verbal screaming fights in front of them? Leave the room? Exit completely? I was raised that folks use "company manners" when guests were present. — **Baffled in Indiana**

Dear Baffled: If the hosts' behavior makes you uncomfortable, the prudent thing would be to exit the gathering entirely. No rule of etiquette decrees that you must stick around and be the unwilling audience for their drama.

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It Happened This Week: August 12 - 16

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The following information is taken from the pages of The West Virginia Daily News, The West Virginia News, and The Greenbrier Independent in The West Virginia Daily News archives from 25, 50, 75, and 100 years ago.

August 12-16, 1996

25 Years Ago...

Governor Gaston Caperton announced 10 Governor's Community Partnership Grants to fund various projects. In Greenbrier County, a grant for \$15,000 was awarded to acquire and renovate the former C&O Railroad Station in Alderson. A federal transportation enhancement grant will provide an additional \$60,000.

Barry L. Level recently graduated from leadership training and evaluation at the U.S. Army Cadet Command Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) advance camp at Fort Bragg, Fayetteville, NC.

He is the son of William P. and Lola L. Level of Ronceverte and is a graduate of Greenbrier East High School in 1989.

Samuel W. Yates has been named to the panel of judges for the 1996 Miss Parkersburg Homecoming Pageant, to be held August 15 and 16 in Parkersburg.

Lori Ann Judy, daughter of Clarence and Sue Judy of Ronceverte, was honored by being included in Who's Who Among American Students for the third consecutive year.

She is a 1996 graduate of Greenbrier East High School.

Alan Ross of Lewisburg was named to Indiana University Bloomington's Founder's Day list for academic excellence for semester II, 1995-96. The Founder's Day list was formerly called the dean's list.

The 1996 Carnegie Hall Volunteers of the Year are Dr. Mary Ann Mann, D.V.M., M.S., and Dr. Larry Davis, both of Lewisburg.

Recently Martha A. Ramsey was honored by ABB Process Analytics Inc. at a retirement luncheon held at Western Sizzlin.

She started to work at The Bendix Corporation in June 1966.

Navy Seaman Basil A. Casey, son of Paul A. and Nancy L. Jackson of Lewisburg, returned to his homeport at Norfolk, VA, after completing a 6-month deployment aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

On July 30, George R. Hanna of Lewisburg was presented with a 50-year service pin from both the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons and the Grand Commandery Knights Templar.

Anthony W. Bayles has joined the U.S. Army Reserve under the Delayed Enlistment Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Princeton.

He is the son of Tamara J. Bayles of Alderson.

August 12, 1971

50 Years Ago...

Bids were opened in Charleston Tuesday on 2.59 miles of I-64 from Sam Black Church northeastward to near Clintonville for grading, draining, portland cement concrete pavement, signing, and structures. S.J. Groves and Sons Company of Minneapolis, Minn., were the low bidders with \$4,883,729.

Selection of students for the 76 places in the West Virginia University School of Medicine's 1971 first-year class has been completed by the Student Admissions Committee.

Houston Burger Moore Jr. of Lewisburg was the only one from Greenbrier County.

Auto Springs & Bearing Company, wholesale automotive parts distributors of Roanoke, Va., has leased the old bus terminal room on South Court Street from Bill Bowling of White Sulphur Springs. They plan to open within the next few days.

Elmer Johnson of Lewisburg has been employed as local manager.

Jeanette Albaugh of Lewisburg has moved to Charleston where she is employed as a commercial artist for the C&P Telephone Company.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Albaugh.

Mrs. Ruth Persinger, Mrs. Joanne Lilly, and Mrs. Eileen Shumacher conducted and judged the 4-H Dog Show under the grandstand at the state fairgrounds.

Seventy high school students participated last week in the 11th annual High School Journalism Institute at West Virginia University.

Among the students attending the institute was Margaret Hellems, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hellems of Quinwood.

Over 150 pharmacists gathered at The Greenbrier for the 64th annual convention of the West Virginia Pharmaceutical Association.

William S. Coleman Jr. was installed president of the state association.

Three nice trout have been taken during the summer months from Mulligans Creek by Burr Shaver of Lewisburg. They measured 15, 17 and 20 inches. The largest weighed 4 pounds.

August 15, 1946

75 Years Ago...

Bids will be opened August 26 by the Huntington District U.S. Engineers on the clearing of 500 acres of land at the site of Bluestone Dam on the New River near Hinton.

Guy B. Montgomery of Ronceverte was among those who were given premier exhibitor awards for the highest scoring herds in the 25th annual State Dairy Show at Jackson's Mill, Lewis County.

Miss Helen Smithson of Alderson came home August 10 from Concord College, Athens, where she attended the 10-week summer term, taking a course in psychology.

A dog belonging to John Alderman of Big Draft Road began barking at a pile of brush near the Alderman home last week. Mr. Alderman investigated and found a den of nine rattlesnakes ranging in size from 3 feet to 52 inches; the largest having 19 rattles. All of them were killed.

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100 Years Ago...

The recent drive, directed at Alderson by Dr. Divine, to raise \$60,000 for a new church building for the Old Greenbrier Baptist congregation and \$15,000 for the Alderson Baptist Academy, resulted in a total of \$77,000 being pledged.

The published report of prohibition activities in West Virginia during July includes 64 moonshine stills destroyed and more than 14,000 gallons of liquor confiscated.

Failure to adjust domestic differences outside of court has resulted in the Greenbrier Hotel of Ronceverte being placed in the hands of a receiver under an order entered by Judge Sharp in Greenbrier Circuit Court at a special term.

Let Me Do You A Flavor: Tortellini Steak Salad

By by lindsey wolford | WVBN AUG 13, 2021



Hey there and welcome back! I'm so glad you decided to join me this week because I have a great summertime recipe that is sure to please. So pour a drink and grab a pen to jot this one down!

This summer heat makes me not want to do much cooking, but this recipe didn't heat things up too much. This week I'm bringing you a recipe for a tortellini and steak salad that is perfect on these hot evenings. This was a recipe from the Food Network magazine and I actually added more of some of the ingredients to kick it up a bit.

For this recipe you will need:

tortellini - fresh, frozen or dried (1-2 packs depending on how many you're feeding)
2-3 cucumbers(I used some from our garden so they were a little smaller)
1 can large black olives
1 container cherry tomatoes (I used some that were red, yellow and green)
Approximately 1/2 a block of fresh mozzarella
1 12 oz jar of marinated artichoke hearts and some of the marinade
2-4 steaks (the recipe called for skirt steaks but I couldn't find any so I used flank steaks)
4 tablespoons Extra virgin olive oil
4-6 tablespoons red wine vinegar
Salt and pepper
Italian seasoning

Set out your steaks to come to room temperature. Cook the tortellini as the package directs and drain and set aside.

While the tortellini is cooking, peel and chop the cucumbers, slice the entire can of olives in half, cut half of the mozzarella block into small bite sized chunks, slice the cherry tomatoes in half and chop up the entire jar of artichoke hearts. Combine all these ingredients in a large bowl.

Next, add the tortellini to the chopped veggies and cheese and top with the olive oil, red wine vinegar and about 4 tablespoons of the marinade that the artichoke hearts were in and a few generous dashes of Italian seasoning. Toss everything together and set aside.

Now get your grill or skillet hot and generously sprinkle salt and pepper on both sides of the steak and sear on each side for just about 3 minutes - this steak is served medium rare but you can prepare yours how you like it.

When your steak is done remove from the pan and let rest on a cutting board for 3-5 minutes then slice on an angle going against the grain. Plate your salad by putting down the tortellini and veggies and cheese first and topping with several slices of steak.

When I talked to Annie at the Village Wine Shop about a wine pairing for this awesome supper salad, here is what she had to say, "To pair with this fantastic steak salad recipe, we suggest a crisp Provence Rose"! The nuance of the pinot noir or zinfandel grape, stripped naked, is how we enjoy this delightful, pink delight! One might have been led to believe that "Pink Wines" are supposed to be sweet. This couldn't be farther from the truth. In the wine world, sweet is the opposite of dry. Not sour. Sweet in the case of a fine Rose', would mean a smoother and softer mouth feel, than high tannins and a drying tongue. So, you can have your cake and eat it too with this match!

Steak and pasta, cheese and herbs meet a bright, crisp and cold juice. The umami and rich flavors found naturally in cheeses and meats will be enhanced by the fruity softness of any quality Rose'. Some suggestions that you can find at The Village Wine Shop are Daou Rose from Paso Robles, California, LVE (John Legend's

Vineyards) from Provence, France, or a favorite among pink lovers, Whispering Angel also from Provence! Salut!”

So there you have it friends, a great summer salad that is even better cold the next day. You could remove the steak to make it a vegetarian dish or sub the steak for some chicken marinated in Italian dressing for a different twist! No matter what you do, have fun and make it your own, and as always I’m sending love from my kitchen to yours!!

Greenbrier County Public Library Book Sale is Back

By WV Daily News | WVDN AUG 13, 2021



The Greenbrier County Public Library Book Bazaar returns Aug. 27-28 with bargains for book lovers. Avid readers have become addicted to the annual book sale, calling the library to see if the sale would return this year after the coronavirus outbreak caused the cancellation of the event last year. “Our family loves the book sale. I’m very glad it’s back this year,” said Heather Blake. She, husband Ryan and their three sons - Andrew, Brandt and John - are regular patrons. “I see it as an opportunity to stock up on books to read throughout the year,” Blake said. “I’ve always found there to be plenty of interesting titles. They have just about every type of book you can imagine. And the

prices are very reasonable, too.”

The book sale also draws Blake for other reasons. “I think the book sale is a really environmentally friendly way of acquiring more books because we’re reusing them.

“We come to the library to look for books, probably every week or every other week. It’s nice to be able to support them financially during the book sale. We love the library.”

Adult fiction and nonfiction, children’s fiction and audio/visual materials are featured in the sale. This year nonfiction is the biggest category, as patrons were particularly partial to fiction when the pandemic prompted the library for several months to leave a book cart with give-away books on the building’s front porch as part of its community outreach.

The Blake family appreciated that gesture. “Even when the library was shut down, we would call and request children’s books and come pick them up at the door.”

The sale opens at 152 Robert W. McCormick Drive in downtown Lewisburg at noon Friday, Aug. 27, and runs until 6 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 28, the sale starts at 9 a.m.

and closes at 2 p.m. On Friday, books will be priced at \$2 for hardcovers and \$1 for paperbacks. Saturday shoppers can buy books for \$5 a bag. (The bags are supplied by the library.) The book sale accepts credit cards and checks, as well as cash.

Shoppers are advised there is no elevator service from the first floor to the book sale in the library’s basement.

Masks are required for entry to the sale. “There’s not enough room for social distancing,” said Greenbrier County Public Library Director Ann Farr. “Everyone is going to be required to have a mask on.”

This annual fundraiser is sponsored by The Friends of the Greenbrier County Public Library. The group started in 1979 as an organization dedicated to promoting awareness of services provided by public libraries.

Proceeds from the sale support library activities, services and programs.

More information is available by calling the library at (304) 647-7568.

Local Walking Trail Continuing Path To Completion

By autumn shelton | WVDN AUG 13, 2021

The Meadow River Rail Trail project is alive and well, but it will be about 2-3 more years before the trail is open to the public in its entirety.

Matt Ford, project coordinator for the Meadow River Rail Trail, presented new information about trail construction before the Rainelle Town Council on Monday, Aug. 9.

According to Ford, multiple phases of construction are currently taking place.

The crushed stone walking/biking trail will begin near the lumber mill on Snake Island Road in Rainelle and follow the path of an old CSX spur line to the community of Nallen on the Fayette/Nicholas County border.

Plans for the trail began 10 years ago when the section from Nallen to the Russellville bridge was purchased, Ford explained. A lot of work had been completed on that section, but a setback occurred in 2016 when the flood took out the Russellville bridge.

“It was completed and open, but half of that bridge currently sits in the Meadow River near Russellville,” Ford noted. “It washed off its foundation.”

Fayette County is currently working on that section, Ford stated.

In addition to receiving financial support from the Fayette County Commission, portions of the trail in Greenbrier County are being funded by the WVDOH and, through the Greenbrier County Commission, the project was awarded a \$1.8 million grant earlier this year from the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection’s Abandoned Mine Reclamation Act, Ford said.

For the sections covered by the WVDOH, Ford said that they are working on a design, but construction cannot be started until at least October 2022.

Also, at numerous points along the trail, FEMA will be providing funding for repairs needed following the flood.

The good news is that sections of the trail will open as soon as they can. Most likely, the first section that will be open is the portion from Burdette Creek to Russellville, Ford added.

He continued that the two most common questions he receives about the trail are “Why not an ATV trail because ATV’s would be better for Rainelle economically” and “I see a lot of information about grants, but I don’t see any construction.”

Ford stated that the deed for the property does not allow motorized use of the trail, even though he agreed that an ATV trail would be good for the town.

Also, “It takes a while to engineer and design a project before you ever see the first piece of gravel go on the trail.”

He concluded by telling Rainelle town officials that they should consider creating a secure parking area so that trail-goers can safely access the trail, and bring their business to the town.

Ford said he has been in discussions with Region IV officials about finding safe options for that since log trucks and bicycles do not mix.

For more information on the trail, visit their Facebook page “Meadow River Rail Trail.”

Gbr. Co. Schools Delay Re-entry Plan Decision

By by bobby bordelon | WVDN AUG 13, 2021



There has been no decision made for COVID-19 precautions for Greenbrier County Schools yet.

The Greenbrier County Board of Education met on Tuesday, Aug. 10, but did not finalize a school re-entry plan.

“We will be making a decision as we get closer to school on our re-entry plan,” explained Board President Jeanie Wyatt. “We think it is too early at this point to know what is going on in the community. We’ll meet again prior to the start of school to see where we are going with that situation.”

Any decision the board makes would carefully consider the advice of the Greenbrier County Health Department. Two representatives from the department, nurse Nikki Dolan and Dr. Bridgett Morrison, just after addressing the Greater Greenbrier COVID-19 Task Force, spoke to the board, explaining the state of the science and the recommendations of the Health Department.

“We know, by far, that vaccines are one of our best protections against the COVID-19 virus. I know that everyone says it’s their right [to choose], but at the end of the day, it does help limit the spread of this virus. Now the CDC has said the rules changed - when you are in substantial spread, like we are in our county, and all people indoors should be wearing masks. That is the safest. It’s not debatable.”

Morrison also emphasized how exposed Greenbrier County students are to a virus that is now mutating, an expected occurrence when a virus spreads through millions of people.



Morrison and Dolan address the Board.

“Everyone 12 and over should be vaccinated. Our statistics here are not great – somewhere around 34 percent of our 12 and over [are vaccinated]. That’s not good odds. Generally speaking, when we look at those specific data, it appears as if their parents are also not getting vaccinated. Again, it’s everyone’s right not to, but the only way we’re ever going to stop this virus is if we get enough people vaccinated. This virus is very quickly mutating.”

“The delta variant is hitting the younger population – 40 and under is what it seems to target. The kids especially,” said Dolan. “We just need to be aware of that.”

Based on the guidelines, Morrison recommended the school system implement a masking requirement for students. Wyatt thanked the Health Department for “all the time and effort you’ve given us.”

A coalition of parents approached the board in opposition to masks and mandatory vaccinations, including Greenbrier West High School assistant cheerleading coach Stephanie Lilly, Bonnie Burns, Jeff Lushbaugh, and Candace McDaniel.

“Sometimes we get ahead of ourselves with masks and I realized that, as a Christian, we do not give into the spirit of fear,” said Burns. “We have faith in God that he can heal us. My daughter had COVID, survived. ... Imagine that, in this world we live in. Her father got sick after she did. ... Imagine that after he took the first pill ... knocked it out 100 percent with him. ... You have allowed the students to choose for themselves on a lot

of various topics. This too needs to be a choice. It does not need to be your choice. It needs to be her choice and I don't like the idea of someone playing God with my child. You are not gods."



Burns speaks

Many of the anti-mask speakers expressed skepticism on the science behind the vaccines and masking protections.

One notable speaker, however, took the recommendations of the CDC and the health department - Lewisburg Councilmember Sara Elkins explained her support for any precautions the Board of Education took.

"If it had always only been about me, I never would have worn a mask in the first place," said Elkins. "But it's not about me. It's not about any one of us. It's about the community. There are children with pre-existing conditions and autoimmune disorders who are not yet old enough to be vaccinated who live in this community and have no choice but to attend our public schools. I know some of them. I'm speaking on behalf of those children and their parents, who are often the same people who don't have the luxury of being here, to represent themselves, on a Tuesday afternoon. These families are the ones who rely most heavily on the public services available from the community; rather, an organization of people who agree to live by a set of standards for the good of whole."

As of Tuesday, the board is expecting grades one through six and grade nine to return to school on August 30, and a full one through 12 return on August 31. Pre-K and kindergarten will then return on September 9. What

precautions students will be taking will be decided in the coming weeks.

“We just need to sit back, think, and see what happens,” said Wyatt. “Some other school systems in the state have started and are taking it as they go. It’s just a very fluid situation and we will make that decision as soon as we get close enough.



The Board of Education

SQP Construction To Build Courthouse Expansion

By by bobby bordelon | WVDN AUG 13, 2021

The Greenbrier County Courthouse expansion project has its contractor.

The project will be financed by Ohio Valley Bank, designed by Sillings Associates Inc. and built by the SQP Construction Group Inc.

The Greenbrier County Commission and Building Commission have been working on the project over the past months, looking to add a new wing to the northeastern side of the courthouse. This included during special meetings of both on Aug. 2, during which a contract with the financier, Ohio Valley Bank, was considered.

The bond and loan program offered will generate \$12,934,950 for the project at a 3.25% fixed interest rate, tax-exempt, with a 20-year structure. This required a slight adjustment with the original ordinance, but one that was easy to make, explained John Stump, the attorney from Steptoe and Johnson PLLC working with the commission on the project.

“The original ordinance that the county passed, and the building commission passed, both anticipated a public bond issue, the 30-year option,” Stump said. “This document modifies the prior ordinance to provide for bank replacement. ... That’s the primary purpose of this stuff, and that’s the same thing the building commission will do. This is the last official action relative to the bond issue that the county needs to take.”

Stump explained he had “been living this the last few weeks” and the financing approval allowed the commission to “sign a construction contract today, bottom line.”

After this, the commission signed the \$12,649,950 contract with SQP Construction Inc., based out of St. Albans.

During the Commission’s regular meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 10, Commission President Lowell Rose highlighted the approval.

“Within the last week, we have signed a contract with the contractor,” explained Rose. “We have the ... bonds, the insurance paperwork. We’re going to have a walkthrough sometime around the week of the 23rd with the architect and the contractors so we can get ready to get started.”

Rose also noted the project would be a consistent item on commission agendas until the project is complete, whether there are specific actions to be taken or not.

“We’ve got several items listed on the agenda that are going to be listed on the agendas going forward with this building project because there will ... be different things we’ll need to take up,” Rose said. “As of today, there’s nothing in these line items that we need to take up.”

The regular items include:

- Consideration of any necessary actions related to the design, acquisition, construction and equipping of the Greenbrier County Courthouse Project, specifically including, but not limited to, any aspects of the construction contract.
- Consideration of one or more requisitions related to the Greenbrier County Courthouse Project.
- Update on status of Greenbrier County Courthouse Project.
- Consideration of any necessary actions related to the financing for the Greenbrier County Courthouse Project.
- Consideration of any and all actions related to the foregoing.

In other business, the commission also approved two Arts and Receptions allocations — \$1,030.79 for the Town of Quinwood library and \$1,550 for the Greenbrier County Sportsplex. The allocations were approved in a two-to-one vote, with Rose and Commissioner Mike McClung voting for and Commissioner Tammy Shifflett-Tincher voting against.

State Fair Gates Officially Open

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The State Fair of West Virginia opened the gates wide on Thursday, Aug. 12, continuing a tradition that began in 1854 when the area was known as Greenbrier Valley, Virginia.

That year, the Greenbrier Agricultural Society began organizing and conducting an annual fair where agricultural accomplishments could be displayed. This popular event attracted entries of livestock, produce and household items from farms throughout the area.

Now the State Fair of WV is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that honors its heritage through programs that promote the traditions of agriculture, education and family entertainment.

The State Fair of West Virginia strives to host a quality, nationally recognized fair; develop non-fair events that create opportunities for community engagement; and support youth and community through educational programs.

Fall Home Thefts Result In Felony Plea

By cw by bobby bordelon | WVDN AUG 13, 2021

The man responsible for a series of fall 2020 break-ins agreed to a plea deal.

During a hearing on Wednesday, Aug. 11, Derrick Adkins pled guilty to one count of breaking and entering, and one felony count of burglary.

In April, Adkins was indicted on three counts of breaking and entering and one count of petit larceny. After this, a felony information charging Adkins with burglary was filed by the Greenbrier County Prosecutor's Office.

In the Wednesday hearing, Adkins plead to one count of breaking and entering, and the felony burglary. Because the felony count was not handed down by a grand jury, Adkins could have contested it but chose instead to accept the plea deal and approve the filed information.

Adkins was arrested on Jan. 4 for his suspected role in three separate breaking and entering cases.

On Thursday, August 20, 2020, officers were dispatched to a residence on Center Street in Rainelle, finding a victim who explained someone had entered her home and stolen several pieces of jewelry.

One week later, on August 27, a second breaking and entering complaint was received. Officers were dispatched to a residence on Poplar Street in Rainelle to investigate. Although not home at the time of the break-in, the victim advised officers that, upon her return, she found that numerous pieces of jewelry had been stolen from the residence. According to the complaint, the victim stated that the perpetrator had entered her home through the front window after removing the air-conditioning unit. The stolen jewelry was valued at \$5,568.

Approximately one month later, on Monday, Sept. 28, officers were notified of yet another home invasion in the Rainelle area. Upon arriving at the residence, officers were advised by the victim that someone had entered the residence through a back window. According to the criminal complaint, several items, including cordless power tools and a flat-screen television, had been stolen. The victim stated that the financial value of the stolen items exceeded \$1,000.

According to the criminal complaint associated with each incident, Adkins admitted to all three break-ins. Adkins allegedly advised officers that entered the residence through a front window where an air conditioning unit had been located. Adkins allegedly further admitted to searching the home before stealing several pieces of jewelry and exiting the residence through the back door. Adkins then traded the jewelry for drugs.

During the plea hearing, Adkins confirmed this was the motive behind the two cases he pled guilty to.

"Just to find valuables to sell for drugs," Adkins said.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Nicole Graybeal of the Greenbrier County Prosecutor's Office explained what the state would expect to prove if the case were to go to trial.

"In between September 12 and September 13, Mr. Derrick Adkins, along with another defendant, broke into a storage unit in Rainelle. The locks were cut off with bolt cutters and property was taken from the storage unit. ... When interviewed, Mr. Adkins informed law enforcement that he did do those things. In regards to the burglary ... on or about August 27, Mr. Adkins entered a residence ... through a window after removing the AC unit of the home [in Rainelle]. ... He took various pieces of jewelry from the home, and he admitted to law enforcement to taking those items."

The items taken were not returned, Graybeal noted.

Defense Attorney Grady Ford explained that Adkins spoke to law enforcement extensively, which means a plea deal could translate to less time than a trial.

The deal comes with a recommendation from the prosecution, allowing Adkins to participate in a drug treatment program while incarcerated. Due to recidivist sentencing, he could face two to 15 years imprisonment for the felony burglary and one to 10 years for breaking and entering, at the discretion of Greenbrier County Circuit Court Judge Robert Richardson during an upcoming sentencing hearing.

Randall T. Waddell, Sr.

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WADDELL

Randall T. Waddell, Sr. of Rainelle, formerly of Glace, passed away on August 9, 2021 at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center following a sudden illness.

Randall was born June 6, 1959 in Cleveland, TN and was the son of the late James and Wanda Hoke Waddell.

He was an equipment operator for the pipeline and a logger.

Other than his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, James Waddell, Jr.

Surviving is his son, Randall Waddell, Jr. and his mother, Jeannie Waddell of Union; sisters, Wanda Bostic of Second Creek and Miranda Pritt of NC; and several nieces and nephews.

Gravesides services for Randall will be Sunday, August 15, 2021 at 2 p.m. with David Bostic officiating at the Dowdy Cemetery, Glace, WV.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in White Sulphur Springs is in charge of arrangements.

Jerry Lee Harris

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HARRIS

Jerry Lee Harris, age 69, of Alderson passed away surrounded by his family on Tuesday, August 11, 2021, at the Peyton Hospice House in Lewisburg.

He was born on September 30, 1951, in Ronceverte, a son of the late G. Hugh and Alice Mae (Moten) Harris.

After graduating Greenbrier East High School in 1969, Jerry served his country during the Vietnam Conflict. He proudly worked for the West Virginia Department of Highways as a bridge engineer for 37 years, after retiring he worked for TRC contracting. Jerry was involved in the community and many organizations; he was a member of the Old Greenbrier Baptist Church in Alderson, Masonic Lodge #70 AF&AM, The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Mason of WV #21, Greenbrier Commandery #15 Knights Temple, Beni Kedem Shrine, and the Alderson Order of Eastern Star #119.

Jerry will be remembered for his love of farming, hunting, enjoying the great outdoors, but most of all, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife of 19 years, Julia (Crawford) Harris. The couple married on December 30, 2002.

He is also survived by daughters, Leslie and husband, Dr. Jacob Cayanus, of Detroit, MI, Monica Walker of Alderson; his brothers, Garland Hugh Harris and his wife, Sharon, of Alderson and David Harris and his wife, Barbara, of Morgantown; his sister, Sheila Harris, of Alderson; his brother-in-law, John Crawford, of Alderson; his grandchildren, McGuire Reid, Noah Reid, and Avery Reid, of Detroit and Jaydon Carter and Adairean

Walker, of Alderson; his uncle, Earl Ray Moten and wife, Wanda, of Peterstown; as well as many loving nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, James Earl Harris and Larry Joe Harris; and his adopted sister, Melinda Boggess Bowden; and grandchild, Corbin Walker.

Funeral services will be Monday, August 16, 2021 at 11 a.m. at the Old Greenbrier Baptist Church in Alderson, with the Reverend Roger Adams Officiating. Burial will follow at the Old Greenbrier Memorial Cemetery in Alderson, with military funeral honors and Masonic graveside rights conducted by Alderson Masonic Lodge #70 AF&AM. Friends may call Sunday, August 15, 2021 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Old Greenbrier Baptist Church in Alderson, and one hour prior to services at the Church on Monday.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Peyton Hospice House, 1265 Maplewood Ave., Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Online condolences and memories may be shared with the Harris family at www.lobbanfh.com.

Lobban Funeral Home, Alderson, WV, is honored in being entrusted with the arrangements.