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Stokes a Shooting Star for WVSD

By Jim King, *Hampshire Review* Staff, Wednesday, April 4, 2012

ROMNEY — Jonathan Stokes may have landed all-state honors for his scoring, but that's not his only talent, his coach says.

Stokes, a 5-10 senior, has been named to the West Virginia Sports Writers Association's Class A all-state third team. He is the first student from the West Virginia School for the Deaf to earn such an honor since at least the 1970s, says WVSD's athletic director, Bob Haines.

Stokes carried a 27.9-point scoring average for the Lions this season. That's the highest average of any player named all-state first-second- or third-team.

But, coach Paul See says, that's only part of his game.

"He is a serious competitor," See said in an email. "He is vital to the team with his scoring and defensive skill."

Stokes had 81 steals to his credit in 2011-12, nearly four a game.

Still, scoring counts for plenty. Aspects are at the top of Stokes' assessment of himself.

"Foul shots and free throws," he said through an interpreter. "I really focus on that."

Stokes was 113 of 149 from the foul stripe this season, 75.84 percent accuracy.

He scored 614 points and ended his career as a Lion with more than 1,000.

"He has an ability to score in tough spot or contested shots," See said.

Stokes said he has worked at perfecting his basketball skills since he was a youngster.

"I watched other players and tried to learn from them," he said. He shoots baskets everyday, sometimes with classmates DeSean Thomas and Jordan Clark, but often just by himself.

Stokes has played for WVSD since seventh grade and plans to try out for the team at Potomac State College, along with Thomas when they attend there next year. 🏀



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From the President's Corner,

John Burdette



Summer is here!

I hope everyone is busy starting summer activities such as gardening, swimming, planning vacations, and many more.

First, congratulations to all seniors who graduated from West Virginia School for the Deaf. Myself, as the president, attended this year's graduation and presented an award from West Virginia Association of the Deaf (WVAD) to Valedictorian Katelyn Plum. Again, congratulations!

I will head out to represent WVAD at the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) conference in Louisville, Kentucky, in July! I will have a busy week of meetings, workshops, and elections at the NAD conference. Watch for stories in the next newsletter to hear about my time in Louisville!

If you would like to receive a list of Deaf-Related Organizations in WV and Deaf and Interpreter Events calendar, contact Donna M. Williams at ASLLady@yahoo.com. She does a

great job putting this together each month.

I want to update everyone on things that will be happening in the coming months.

Public Service Commission (PSC) has awarded Sprint to continue as the West Virginia Relay provider.

On August 11, 2012, WVAD will be hosting our biannual picnic at Burns-ville Lake – Shelter #3 at Riffle Run Day Use Area. WVAD will provide the meat. Please bring a covered dish. There will be a corn hole tournament and other games. Come and join us for a day of fun and camp out with us that night too. See our flyer on page 9 for more information.

For those who have not paid for expired membership (see page 16 for the form), please send the form and payment to our treasurer, Veronda Harrison. If you are not a member of WVAD, please join. Your support and dues help keep WVAD going. If you have any questions about membership,

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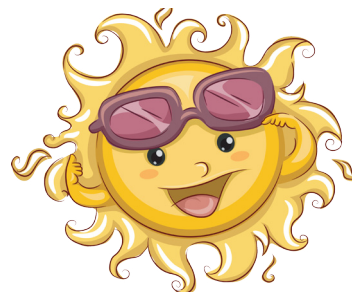
please contact Jimmy Harrison, membership coordinator.

In closing, please check WVAD website (www.wvad.org) or e-mails for more information or updates on our next board meeting. Keep in mind that all our official board meetings are open to the public. Please come join us to observe and see what's going on with WVAD.

Have a safe, healthy summer and stay cool!

John Burdette

WVAD President



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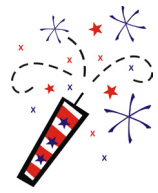
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In the News



Policy to Require Signing Fluency

By Dave Boucher, 304-348-4843, or david.bouc...@dailymail.com. Follow him at www.twitter.com/Dave_Boucher1, Charleston Daily Mail Staff (see link <http://dailymail.com/News/201204120194?page=2&build=cache>)

CHARLESTON, WV — In the 141-year history of the West Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind, there has never been a policy outlining employee sign language requirements.

"There is no (sign language) standard at this point that anyone needs to have for any position on campus," said Dr. Lynn Boyer, superintendent of the school. "There's no standard at all on campus right now."

An aggressive new communications policy aims to change that: Starting in July, every employee at the school will be required to attain a certain degree of fluency in sign language or Braille comprehension. They'll have two years to reach that goal, and once they do, the school will give them an automatic 5 percent pay increase, Boyer said.

That is not to say that teachers and other employees who regularly interact with deaf students cannot sign, Boyer said. Many of the employees have some sign knowledge, but there is not a standard for how much skill a person needs for various positions or any requirement to use sign language amongst hearing people while on campus, she said.

Employees won't be expected to learn sign language immediately, Boyer said. Working with the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Gallaudet University, and the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, the school will start an evaluation system this fall. The system, known as the Sign Language Proficiency Interview, requires employees to sit for a videotaped interview that gauges the employee's sign language ability. Reviewers unaffiliated with the school will go through the tapes and evaluate the results, Boyer said.

Once the evaluations are completed, each employee will be assigned a rating. The rating scale goes from below novice/no functional skill to superior plus, with nine steps in between. In turn, the school has devised a chart that shows the minimum rating an employee

can have for a position when they are first hired, and the expected rating for that employee.

A teacher at the school, for example, needs to have intermediate sign skills upon hire and advanced skills within two years of employment. A custodian doesn't need to know sign language when that person is hired, but they will need to have a skill level of "survival plus" — exhibiting some intermediate skill level — by the time they have been employed for two years.

It's about creating a community with unlimited access to communication for the deaf students, she said. And that goes beyond the classroom: bus drivers, custodians, cafeteria workers, and other service personnel will also need to learn some sign language, Boyer said.

"(Deaf students) have a right to a language, and not just having somebody point to them," Boyer said.

When Boyer began working at the school in July 2011, she didn't know any sign language. As she began to learn from students and staff, she said she had a revelation: whether its teachers speaking with one another in the halls or students gossiping about their social lives, there are many everyday interactions that people in an overwhelming hearing society take for granted.

"One of the reasons students come to our school is ... their language is the language of communication," Boyer said. "They're never vulnerable to an interpreter who isn't present, or is sick for a week."

The policy is about more than asking hearing teachers to sign with their

deaf students, Boyer said. The policy also calls for the school to look to hire deaf employees when positions become available on campus. It's about showing the 120 deaf students at the school that they are not ignored, that there are people just like them succeeding in a hearing world, Boyer explained.

"For a deaf child, much as it is in our country for an African-American child ... to have a model of success, to see all things are possible, it's important," Boyer said.

Deaf employment has not been a large priority in the past: Currently, only four of the approximately 187 employees at the school are deaf. Although the new policy won't translate to an immediate abundance of deaf employees, she does think it shows the school's new commitment to the deaf community.

Teachers will be provided the necessary training to achieve their allocated sign language goals, Boyer said. There will be a professional responsibility for teachers to self-enforce the sign language requirement, as well as employment initiatives. While the 5 percent raise is available to those who meet their goals, an improvement plan will be devised for those who are struggling with the requirement. Those who show now progress or willingness to follow the policy could be terminated, Boyer said.

Boyer admits there is some anxiety about the new policy, and that it's going to take three to five years to see a large difference on campus. Hoping that she's achieved a survival plus rating, Boyer is still a little nervous for the taped interview herself. However, she believes there's a sense among every at the school that the sign language requirement is long overdue.

"This is a policy that should have been in place years and years and years ago," Boyer said. "There's a lot of acceptance that this really needs to happen."

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Deaf, Blind Schools Part of Romney's History

By WV Public Broadcasting (<http://www.wvpubcast.org/newsarticle.aspx?id=24555>)

March 30, 2012 — Romney is celebrating its 250th birthday this year and for 142 of those years the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind played a role in the town's history.

West Virginia was only 7 years old when the state legislature decided to create a school for deaf and blind students.

"It was the nature of the time to think of those areas of sensory loss, if you will, as needing some specialized instruction and vocational training, so almost every state had a school for the deaf and blind. Sometimes they were separate, sometimes they were together," Lynn Boyer, superintendent, said.

When West Virginia was part of Virginia; students went to Virginia's school for the deaf and blind in Staunton, VA, but when West Virginia broke away in 1863, students lost access.

"Persons who were interested in this approached the legislature when it was in Wheeling and actually went to establish a school for the blind only but at the last minute the legislature insisted that it be for both blind and deaf students," Boyer said. "And that is how it was and that has continued over the years."

Romney competed for the school with Parkersburg and Clarksburg.

Local historian and lawyer Royce Saville said because folks in Romney offered to donate land with a building that had previously housed a school, the Romney Classical Institute, the legislature selected Romney.

Saville said the school is an important part of Romney's history.

"Because of the number of people it hired, the number of students here, the fact that the students have always been a very important part of the community, they've been very well accepted here for many years," he said.

"The only problem now is not that many people send their children for the specialized education that they could get here," Saville said. "I think if they knew how beneficial it would be to their children, more people would take advantage of this."

The first class started on September 29th, 1870, with 25 deaf students WVAD Quarter News, Summer 2012

and five blind students. Boyer said the deaf students have always outnumbered the blind at the school probably because their main form of communication is American Sign Language.

"The children who come here, you can see it in their faces how thrilled they are to be in a place where everyone speaks their language," she said. "It's quite something to see, actually. I think that's mostly actually why we have more deaf and hard of hearing students than we do blind."

One of the schools' original missions was providing vocational training. Boyer said in those days the campus was an enclave that supported the life of Romney.

"We have a building that still designates that it was a bakery, it was the bakery for the town," she said. "We have a barn about 2 miles from here that supplied milk and all of the dairy products for the town. We have buildings that still have their markers that were woodworking and shoe repair shops and things of that nature."

Cindy Johnson, 250 Celebration President, grew up in Romney. She worked in public schools as a librarian in Mineral County for 19 years before taking a job at the schools for the deaf and blind.

Johnson has fond memories of learning to swim in the pool on campus, and of attending 4H camp there every summer.

"In fact my entire 4H experience county camp was here on this campus. So that's something that brings back fond memories," Johnson said.

4H members stayed in dorms on campus during the camp.

"And down over the hill close to the football field is where the council circle was," Johnson said. "So it was wonderful that the superintendents, plural, at the time opened up the campus for the children of Hampshire County."

Boyer estimates the schools provide services to about 300 students from birth to age 21 statewide. There are currently about 130 students on campus.

As federal regulations have forced local school systems to meet the needs of students with disabilities, fewer families have chosen to send their children to

Romney. Despite the decline in student numbers, the school is still the second largest employer in Hampshire County behind the Board of Education.

Boyer, who has been in special education her entire career, said there is still a need for a place where blind and deaf students have the opportunity to communicate and socialize with other children like themselves.

"I've always worked in counties or districts and I would say that many times the services are well established in counties, but not everywhere, and it's a difficult service to sustain in a county, an interpreter, the kind of teachers that really understand teaching sign language and English to a child," she said. "It sometimes starts off well but then becomes fragmented because you lose staff that you need."

Boyer said every state grapples with whether its schools for the deaf and blind are still relevant. She believes they are because they provide a unique atmosphere, highly qualified teachers, and innovative technology to prepare these students for college and the world. 🐾



"In Memory of Loved Ones"

ROGER A. SMITH

Roger Alan Smith, 62, of Milton passed away Thursday, April 5, 2012, in Cabell-Huntington Hospital. He was born April 25, 1949, in Huntington, WV, a son of the late Herbert H. And Ruth Grass Smith. He is survived by two brothers, Bernard "Bern" Smith and his wife, Leslie of Grove City, OH and Herbert H. Smith of Plano, TX. There were no visitation or funeral services.

Heck Funeral Home, Milton is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.heckfuneralhome.com. 🐾

Deaf-Related Organizations in West Virginia (Revised 6/16/12)

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Beckley, WV:

Beckley Association of the Deaf

Most months meet the first Saturday of the month.

Saturday, July 21, 2012 — Picnic

Grandview State Park — Shelter #2, Beckley, WV

10:00 a.m. until dark

\$10 per adult and \$5 per child

Bring covered dish or desert for extra admission ticket

(NO chips, beverages, or rolls)

Membership: \$5.00 per year

Contact: Nancy Nichols at jar1679@hotmail.com or 304-250-1225 VP

* No club January through April and June

Deaf Coffee Chat

Third Fridays

Starbucks

308 Galleria Plaza, Beckley, WV

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Contact: Charlene Polk at cpolk763@yahoo.com 304-763-4623

Charleston, WV:

Charleston Association of the Deaf

Saturday, September 29, 2012 — 64th Anniversary Picnic

10:00 a.m. to dark

Shawnee Park, Institute, WV

Saturday, October 27 and November 24, 2012 — Social

St. Albans City Hall, St. Albans, WV

Saturday, January 5, 2013 — Happy New Year Social

Contact Veronda and Jimmy Harrison at CADWV2006@aol.com or

304-964-6025 VP

Deaf Coffee Chat

First Fridays

Tim Horton's

3903 Teays Valley Rd., Hurricane, WV

304-757-8173

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Contact: Diane Ramsey at iamas12@yahoo.com or 304-206-6771 VP

Fairmont, WV:

Fairmont Association of the Deaf

Saturday, July 14, 2012—15th Annual Pig Roast

East Marion Parks Pavilion #1, Fairmont, WV

10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. — rain or shine

\$15 for each adult and \$5 for each child age 3 years old through high school

GAMES, PRIZES, TV, and MANY MORE

Bring covered dish for one extra ticket

Saturday, November 3, 2012 — Thanksgiving Dinner

Winfield Community Center, Fairmont, WV

12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

Member: \$10 including DINGO

Non-member: \$15 including DINGO

Children 3-18: \$5 per child

Bring covered dish

Contact via e-mail: fntdeaf@yahoo.com or Ruby Losh at rllosh@aol.com

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Huntington, WV:

Huntington Association of the Deaf

First Saturdays of the month

Westmoreland Women's Club

2962 Bradley Rd., Huntington, WV

5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

No contact information available

Lewisburg, WV:

Greenbrier Valley Association of the Deaf

Most months meet second Saturday of the month.

Alderson Community Center, Alderson, WV

*No club June, July, or August

Contact: John Burdette at jwburdette@sprint.blackberry.net OR 304-707-3209 VP

Milton, WV:

Milton Association of the Deaf

First Saturday of the month*

Milton Fire Department

341 E. Main Street, Milton, WV

Saturday, August 4, 2012

October 6, 2012

September 1, 2012

November 3, 2012

December 1, 2012

2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Member: \$5.00

Non-member: \$7.00

Membership — \$10 per person

\$8 for anyone 55 years old and over

*No club January, June, and July

Contact: Debbie Pack at packrat82_2000@yahoo.com

Parkersburg, WV:

Parkersburg Association of the Deaf

Meet April, June, September, and November

Saturday, September 8, 2012

Parish Center on Dudley Avenue, Parkersburg, WV

12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

Member: \$5.00

Non-member: \$7.00

Saturday, November 10, 2012

Parish Center on Dudley Avenue, Parkersburg, WV

12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

More information later

Membership: \$10 per person due in April

Bring covered dish — contact Kala Bates at batfrisky@aol.com to inform what you are bringing

Contact: President Evie Smith at esemerald57@frontier.com

Secretary Robin Coon at irc4eco.2011@yahoo.com

ASL Chat

Usually meet third Saturday of the month

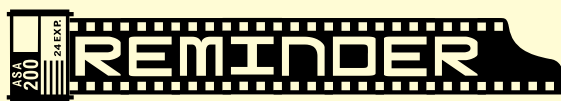
Saturday, July 21 and August 18, 2012

Grand Central Mall Food Court, Parkersburg, WV

12:30 p.m. to ??

Contact: Liz Leisure at lizleisure@suddenlink.net OR 304-699-0164 (VP)

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If you are submitting an article, please send any accompanying photos in a standard photo format, as a separate file. We cannot use photos that are embedded or included in a Word document. Photos with captions and articles should be submitted to the **WVAD Editor**. Thank you.

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<http://www.wvad.org>

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Bible Study for the Deaf

Parkersburg, WV

Every Monday 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Parkersburg Public Library

3100 Emerson Avenue, Parkersburg, WV

Contact: Liz Leisure at lizleisure@suddenlink.net OR 304-699-0164 (VP)

***CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Romney, WV:

Romney Association of the Deaf

Usually meet second Saturday of month

Doodles

RR 50, Augusta, WV

1:00 p.m. with games starting at 3:00 p.m.

Admission: \$10

Membership: \$5

* No club June and July

Contact: Crystal Fisher at ramlady282004@yahoo.com OR rad26757@yahoo.com

Wheeling, WV:

Wheeling Association of the Deaf

Hilltop Community Party Center

Stone Church Fire Department

621 Stone Church Road, Wheeling, WV

4:00 p.m. to ??

July — closed

August 11, 2012 — picnic

Wheeling Park

10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

More information later

September — closed

October 13, 2012 — Nascar — More information later

November — closed to attend Holiday Party in Warren, OH

December 8, 2012 — Christmas Party — More information later

Member: \$5.00

Non-member: \$6.00

Annual membership: \$15.00 before March 31st. \$18 after March 31st

Children welcome but MUST watch and be responsible for them.

Website: www.Wheelingdeafclub.com

Contact: President Tysie Hopkins at sweetrubyangellady@yahoo.com OR wheelingdeafclub@yahoo.com

West Virginia Association of the Deaf (WVAD)

Saturday, August 11, 2012 — Bi-Annual Picnic

Burnsville Lake Shelter #3, Burnsville, WV

11:00 a.m. til dusk

\$10.00 per person — includes 2 meals and door prize

\$5.00 per child (6 to 18) — includes 2 meals (children 5 and under free)

Hamburgers and hot dogs provided

Bring covered dish and dessert for extra door prize ticket

Games — corn hole and others

Prizes include WVU throw blanket, cash, etc.

Come and join us for camping Friday and Saturday nights

Website: www.wvad.org; President, John Burdette at JohnBMiami@aol.com

Contact: Liz Leisure at lizleisure@suddenlink.net OR 304-699-0164 (VP)

West Virginia School for the Deaf Alumni Association (WVSDA)

Website: <http://sites.google.com/site/wvsdaa>

Contact: Ruby Losh at rllosh@aol.com

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Website for other Deaf Events including some of the above:

<http://sites.google.com/site/wvsdaa> Click on WV Deaf Events

West Virginia Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WVCDHH)

Friday, August 3, 2012 — Board meeting ?????*

WVSD Instructional Resource Building, Romney, WV

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

*** Pending if there will be a quorum.**

Website: www.wvdhhr.org/wvcdhh

Contact: Marissa Sanders, Executive Director at Marissa.J.Sanders@wv.gov
OR 304-558-1031 (V) or 304-553-7384 (VP)

Pierpont Community and Technical College

Interpreter Professional Seminar Development

Monday-Wednesday, July 9-11, 2012 — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 12, 2012 — 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Monday-Wednesday, July 16-18, 2012 — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 19, 2012 — 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

School of Academic Studies

American Sign Language Communication Program and Interpreter Training Program

Fairmont, WV

Website: www.pierpont.edu

Contact: Ruby.losh@pierpont.edu OR April.starts@pierpont.edu

Kanawha Valley Community and Technical College (KVCTC)

Charleston, WV

Contact: Antonia Vaughan at ahall@live.kvctc.edu

West Virginia Hands and Voices

Gwen Bryant, Director

P O Box 282, Dunbar, WV 25064

Website: wvhandsandvoices.org

Contact: Gwen Bryant at gwennief64@gmail.com OR 304-389-5645 (Voice and Text)

National Association of the Deaf

July 3-7, 2012 — Bi-Annual Conference

Louisville, KY

Website: www.nad.org

Kentucky DeafFestival

Saturday, July 7, 2012

Louisville, KY

Website: www.deafestival.org

Ohio School for the Deaf Alumni Association

Sunday, September 9, 2012 — 35th Annual Fall Festival

10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Columbus Colony Housing

1055 Colony Drive, Westerville, OH

Website: www.osdaa.com

Ohio American Sign Language Teachers Association (OASLTA)

Friday, September 28, 2012 — 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 29, 2012 — 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wright State University

Creative Arts Building

3640 Colonel Glenn Highway, Dayton, OH

Website: <http://ohioaslta.cfsites.org>

Contact: President Sharon Lane at sharon0248@aol.com

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West Virginia Association of the Deaf

August 11, 2012

Burnsville Lake

Shelter #3

At Riffle Run Day Use Area

Burnsville, WV

Open at 11:00 a.m. until Dark

\$10.00 per person includes two meals and door prize

\$5.00 per child (6 to 18) includes two meals

Children under 6 Free

We will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring covered dishes (for those who bring will get an extra door prize ticket) and desserts.

Games include:

Corn Holes Tournament (\$5.00 to play)

And More....

Different Color Tickets: 10 tickets for \$5.00 or 30 tickets for \$10.00

WVU Throw Blankets

Cash Prizes

Come out and join us.

Plan to camp out Friday and Saturday nights with us.

Riffle Run Campground is on first-come-first serve basis.

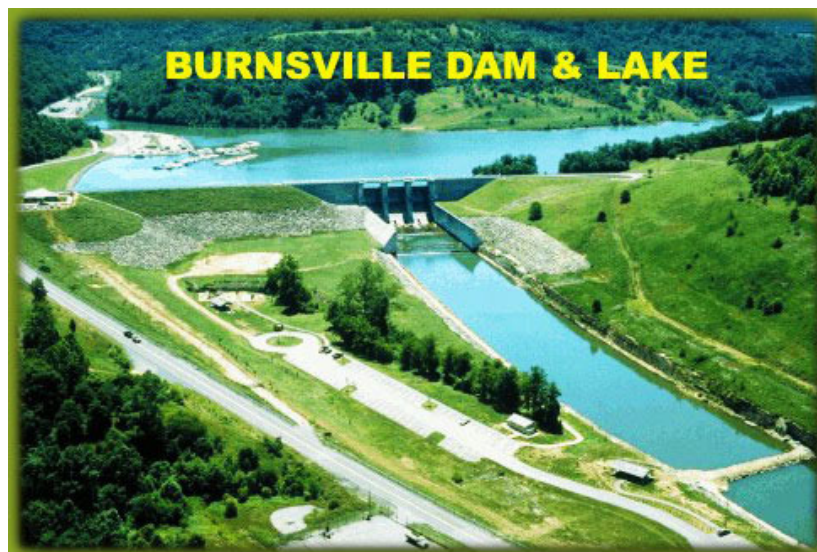
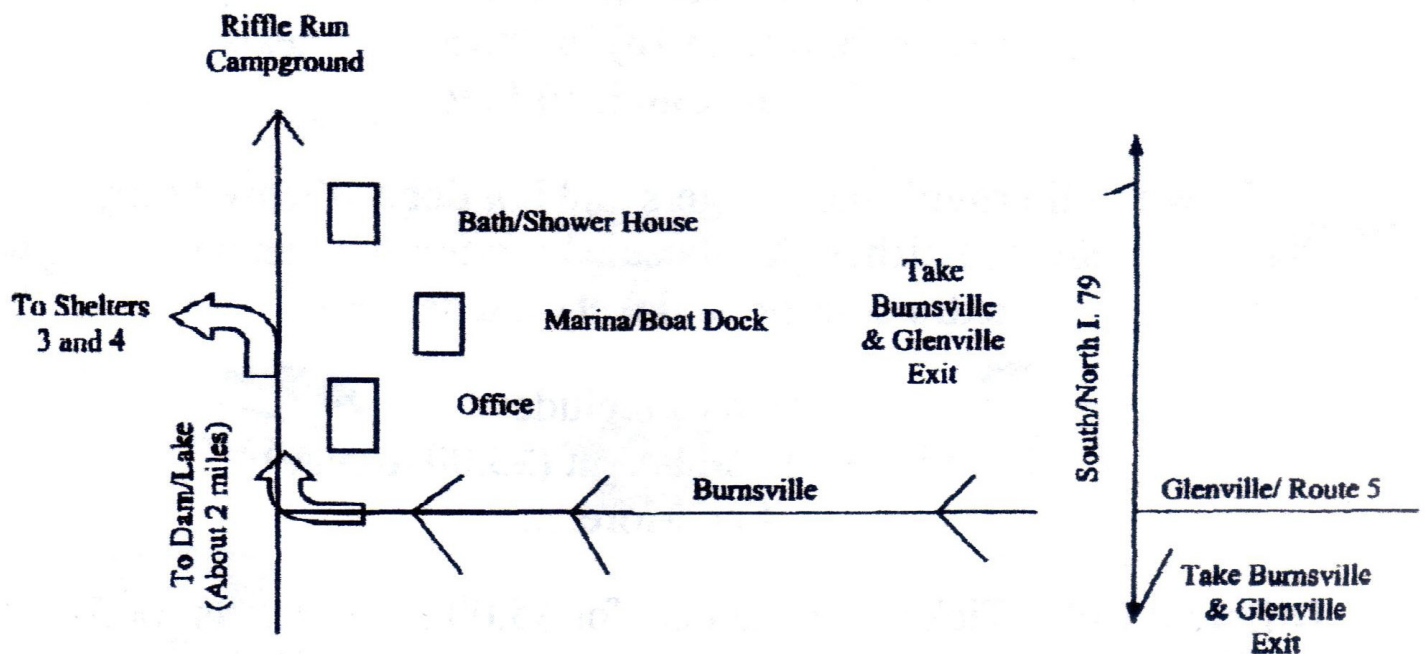
DIRECTIONS TO BURNSVILLE DAM, BURNSVILLE, WV

Shelter Number 3 and 4 are located adjacent to the Marina/Boat dock near the Burnsville Dam. The Burnsville Dam is located about 3 miles above the town of Burnsville, West Virginia. Watch for the sign that says "Burnsville Lake".

Near the Burnsville Dam, there is Riffle Run Campground. There are 54 sites with electrical hookups, shower/restroom facilities, sewage dump stations and fresh water fill-up stations.

On the other side of the lake, there is Bulltown Campground that has 204 campsites. It takes about 30 minutes to drive over there. To get to Bulltown Campground, take the Flatwoods exit via I-79. Turn left at the stoplight. Go about ten miles.

If you have any questions, please call Worthy Devericks at (304) 460-0683 or e-mail sunflower10933@aol.com. Hope to see you there!



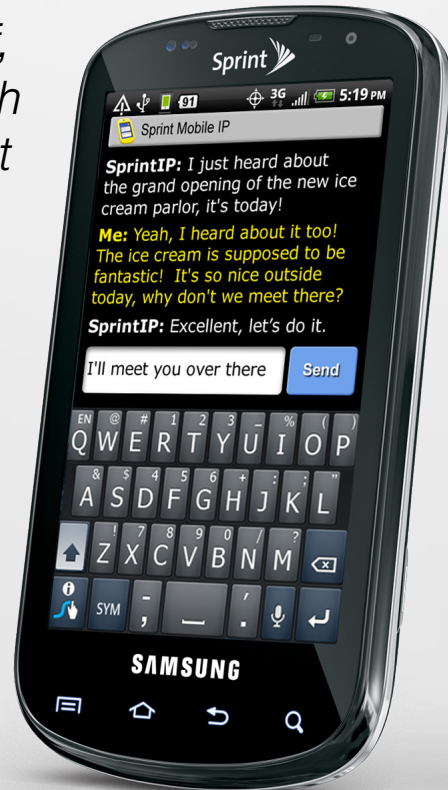
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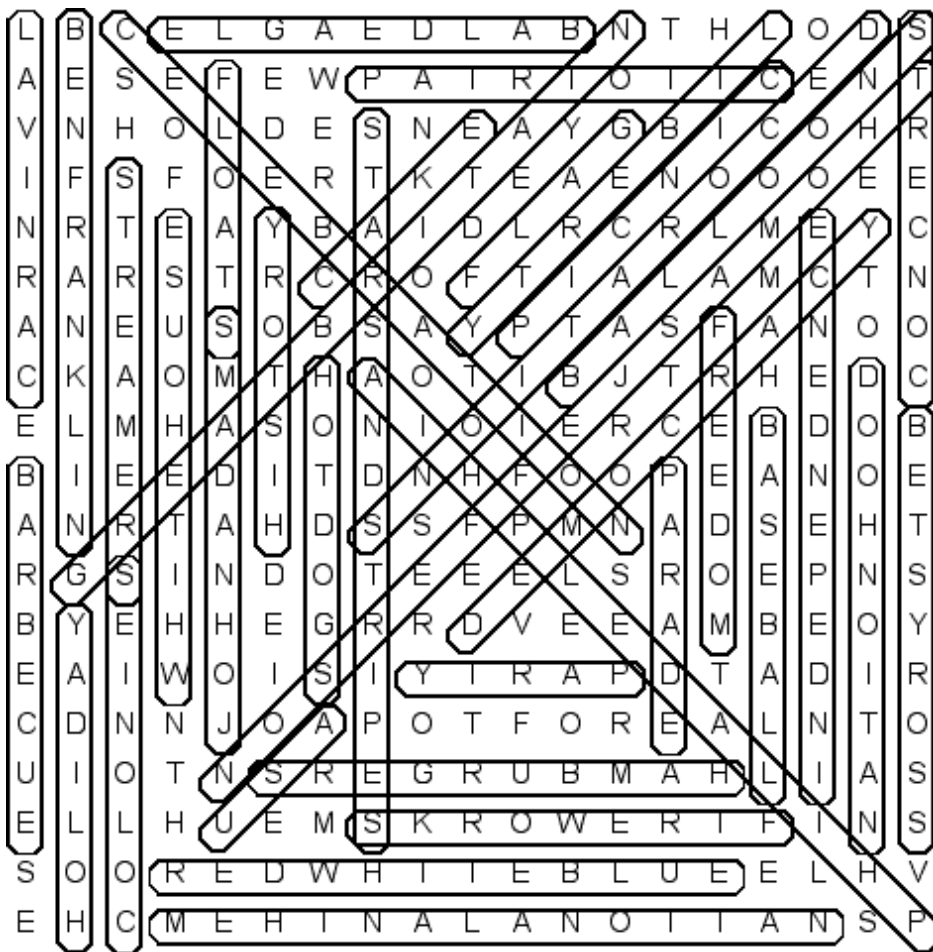
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The hidden quote is "Those who deny freedom to others, deserve it not for themselves."

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West Virginia Association of the Deaf has a Facebook group page which was started this past fall. You will be able to keep up with WVAD news and information every time you check your Facebook. You will also be able to post events and be involved in discussions.

Check out the West Virginia Association of the Deaf Facebook page today to see what's happening. Many thanks to John Burdette for doing this for our organization!

Overnight Cinnamon Rolls

1-1/2 cups milk plus 1-1/4 cups
water scalded
2 eggs
1/2 cup vegetable shortening
8 cups all-purpose flour, sifted

1 pkg yeast, softened in 1/4 cup
warm water
1 cup sugar
2 tsp salt



Mix dough together at 5:00 p.m. Let set in greased bowl until 10:00 p.m. Cut dough in half. Roll into rectangles. Spread with margarine and sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar to taste.

Repeat with other rectangle. Roll up, cut in slices. Place in greased pans until morning. Do not cover or refrigerate. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes. Frost as desired. Makes 3 dozen.



Orange Icing

2 cups sifted powdered sugar
2 to 3 Tbsp orange juice

2 tsp finely shredded
orange peel

Beat together all ingredients to make a spreadable, thick frosting.

Sunday Breakfast Casserole

1/4 cup chopped onion (optional), browned
2 cup cubed ham, bacon, or sausage
1 dozen eggs
1 (2-lb) pkg frozen hash browns,
thawed (the chunk kind not grated)

1/4 cup chopped green pepper (optional), browned
1 cup grated cheese
1 cup milk
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp pepper



Mix onion, green pepper, meat, and cheese. Mix together eggs and milk. Add hash browns, salt, and pepper. Mix all ingredients together. Pour into a buttered 9 x 13 inch pan. Top with 1/4 cup more grated cheese (and sprinkle top with parsley flakes if desired). Bake 30 minutes until set at 350 degrees. Serves 12.

Tater Tot Casserole

1 can cream of mushroom soup
Shredded cheese

1 bag tater tots
1 lb of ground hamburger meat

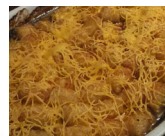
Brown hamburger meat. Add cream of mushroom soup and stir together continuously. Let simmer on low heat for 15 minutes.

Place mixture in the bottom of a casserole dish. Lay tater tots neatly on top of the mixture.

Place in oven on 350 degrees and let the tater tots brown (about 30 to 45 minutes). Sprinkle with cheese; melt it in the oven and enjoy.

This is a very versatile recipe — you can add a can of corn or green beans topped with crispy fried onions to the mix, just about anything you can think of to change it to your liking. You could add taco seasoning to the meat and some green chilis, maybe a can of rotel tomatoes with green chilis. You can even use ground turkey instead of beef! You could even turn it into a breakfast casserole using sausage and eggs! Serves 6 or 7.

NOTE: The last two recipes came from Cooks.com.





MEET... MELINDA HURD



1. **What is the name of your hometown?** Bancroft, WV.
2. **Where were you educated and what made you go there? What was your major?** Gallaudet College (now University) — elementary education, to teach math.
3. **Where do you work at and what do you do?** LabCorp — Specimen Management/Customer Service — Audit: correct errors and amend reports.
4. **How long have you worked there?** I have worked at LabCorp for 24 years.
5. **What can you share about your family?** I have 2 grown children and a husband of 16½ years.
6. **What accomplishments are you most proud of?** Get my work done at LabCorp and be able to walk.
7. **What is your secret ambition?** To bring smiles every day for the rest of my life.
8. **What person has been the biggest influence on your life?** My mom and dad.
9. **Where is your favorite vacation spot?** Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, VA.
10. **Where is the farthest place from home you've been?** Texas — I visited my aunt, uncle, and three cousins.
11. **What is your hobby or favorite thing to do in your spare time?** Read books, walk, and play games online.
12. **Name three things you can do without.** Cigarette smoke, high gas prices, and a rough day at work.
13. **What person, real or fictional, would you most like to meet?** Joshua Morrow, an American actor and former pop singer who plays the role of Nicholas Newman on *The Young and the Restless*.
14. **What movie could you see any time?** *The Notebook* by Nicholas Sparks.
15. **What is your all-time favorite TV show?** I have several all-time favorite TV shows that I watch; it's hard to pick just one. They are *The Young and the Restless*, all CSI shows, *Criminal Minds*, *Blue Bloods*, and *Revenge*.
16. **Name three things always found in your kitchen.** An umbrella, pot and pans on the stove, and a coffee pot (that I don't use for myself).
17. **What is your most cherished childhood memory?** On the farm at my grandparents.
18. **What would you do with a million dollars?** Pay off all my bills, my house, our cars, get a new house, and help charities.
19. **If you could start afresh, what profession would you choose, and why?** Be a math teacher because I love to work with numbers and children.

All members are encouraged to nominate a friend for the "Meet Me" column. Please submit all nominees to WVAD Quarter News Editor.

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