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WEST VIRGINIA PANHANDLE SHOWS GROWTH, EXCITEMENT

TAX BILLS IN ERROR

It seem the tax bills have been sent out with an error of about 5% added. At present there is no formal changes being made to connect the error. If you pay your taxes at the sheriff's office they will automatically charge the correct tax. If you pay by mail and are entitled to a refund of more then \$1.00 you will receive a refund check. If you are owed less then a \$1.00 then you must go to the sheriff's. office to collect it. So much for computers and automation.

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Ted DePaolis and Bud Wyman participated in the Second Annual "Nick Elko Open Horseshoe Tournament" July 7th. Both teams going into the finals had compiled a thundering record of 3 and 1. The DePaolis/Wyman team, after the dust had settled, rang their opponents peg 11 to 4 for the top money and prize finish, with Wyman pitching the final. ringer for the team. The event was part of the annual ElKo Family Reunion attended by people from New York to Florida. Note:

In all my years of horseshoe pitching, I haven't seen a team like this since Bradshaw and Swan!

HIGHLAND HARRY - Sports Editor

IS THERE INTEREST?

of a number There are individuals and companys that are interested in having their names and businesses mentioned in our NEWSLETTER. I hesitate to add any commercialism to this rac even when I think there may be someone out there that may want just this kind of information. My main concern is for the uninitiated who will accept the mention of a craftsman as being an endorsement of his abilities. If anyone wants the names of local craftsmen I will more then gladly include a list in the next NEWSLETTER but it will be with the understanding that those individuals/companys are being listed for one of two reasons:

1) The individual/company has performed for an owner in some capacity or an owner has made it clear that an individual/company has a reputation for honesty and integrity.

2) The individual/company asks to be mentioned or is listed in a local paper and the craft is not mentioned by an owner.

Please let me know how you feel on the subject.

FALL FIRE SEASON

The fall fire season may not start out as dry as past years because of our wet August but it will still pay to be vigilant where open fire is concerned. Chairperson Kathleen Roach(91) 3704 Leverton Street Wheaton; ND 20906 933-8930/301

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PRE PERMIT INFORMATION

I Developer, owner or certified installer must find a site with suitable soil.

* If in doubt, excavate several 6 foot holes with a minimum spacing of 100 feet on various terrains. Bench the 6 hole for access.

* After locating a suitable 6 foot hole - conduct perc. testing (minimum depth 24").

* Mark location on test site so it can be found.

* House location is not a factor since the septic tank effluent can be pumped to a suitable site.

II File completed application form including all names, addresses, signatures, etc. Applications that are not completed must be returned.

* Include detailed directions to the property, using specific county roads, subdivision name, subdivision roads, lot number, very distinguishable land marks located near the property.

* Application must have lot size and percolation test information.

* Detailed sketch of the proposed system showing county roads, subdivision roads, property line, perc. test hole locations, water supply, water lines, etc.

III Site visit will usually be conducted within two weeks and permit issued if the percolation test and 6 foot hole are acceptable.

IV After installation, request a final inspection. Requests can be made in advance and final inspections scheduled in advance.

V Health Department representative conducts a final inspection and leaves a red tag on the septic tank lid with approval to cover the system or if any changes need to be made.

VI Septic systems that may not be installed within one year.

Percolation test should be staked out.

* If 6 foot hole is to be backfilled, set a post in it and identify it as such.

* Buyer or owner must be made aware of the septic system area. If they change the location a new perc. test and 6 foot hole will be required for evaluation.

PERMIT APPLICATION

As of January 1, 1986 all building on any parcel of land in Morgan County, including the construction of houses, businesses, placement of mobile homes, and substantial improvements of \$1000 or more will require a Building Permit <u>prior to any construction</u>.

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The following procedure should be used.

(1) Application for a building permit may be acquired at the County Administrator's office in the Courthouse, or the Morgan County Health Department at 404 S. Green St.

(2) Obtain written approval from the Morgan County Health Department for sewage disposal and water system.

(3) Attach Health Department approval to completed Building Permit Application and return to the County Administrator's office.

(4) Upon approval by the Building Permit Office, a placard will be issued which shall be displayed on the premises during the time construction is in progress.

PERMIT COST

Recreational/Residential Homes 2.5 cents per sq. ft. Outbuildings 2.0 cents per sq. ft. Additions/Improvements 1.5 cents per sq, ft.

Note: \$5.00 minimum fee

A copy of plans/specifications will be required by the Building Permit Officer prior to issuance of a building permit.

LOT FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Lot D-20, 5 + acres \$8,000.00 Nike Sins 301-271-3539

FESTIVAL COMEING

The Columbus Day holiday as usual will bring the Berekely Springs Annual Apple Butter Festival. If you enjoy crowds, crafts, home cooking, country ham sandwiches and the atmosphere of a small county fair by all means make it a point to attend.



Congratulations to Nick and Andrea Elko on the birth of their son on July 21, 1990. Nicholas Andrew, weighed in at 6 lbs. 10 ozs. and 19 1/2 inches long. We would like to welcome Nicholas as our newest "Mountineer".

BAH HUMBUG!

The Tailgate picnic, contractor referrals, news items, comments, etc. these bits were solicited in prior Newsletters without success. I can appreciate your lack of response since, in the past, I, too have been apathetic about jobs, schemes, volunteering, etc. that did not turn me on. However, there have been, on rare occasions. situations that have sparked an otherwise sedate mind into a very rewarding endeavor. If I may mention one instance, I was asked by a friend and neighbor to help coach a little league team, my son was on the team. I was reluctant because I was in the middle of a home project at the time. But I finally relented and agreed to help. Eight years and three different teams later I relinquished the team to another. I shall always have fond memories of this period in my life that I would not have experienced had it not been for a friend that needed help wouldn't take no for an answer. This little tale wont impress those true coach potatoes but the moral would be 'don't count your chickens until you've walked a mile in them'. With that I want to make a request for anything you may have on your mind, in your diary, under your car or in the bank (small bills please). 301-490-4819.

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FIRST CLASS

Forewarding and Address Correction Requested

