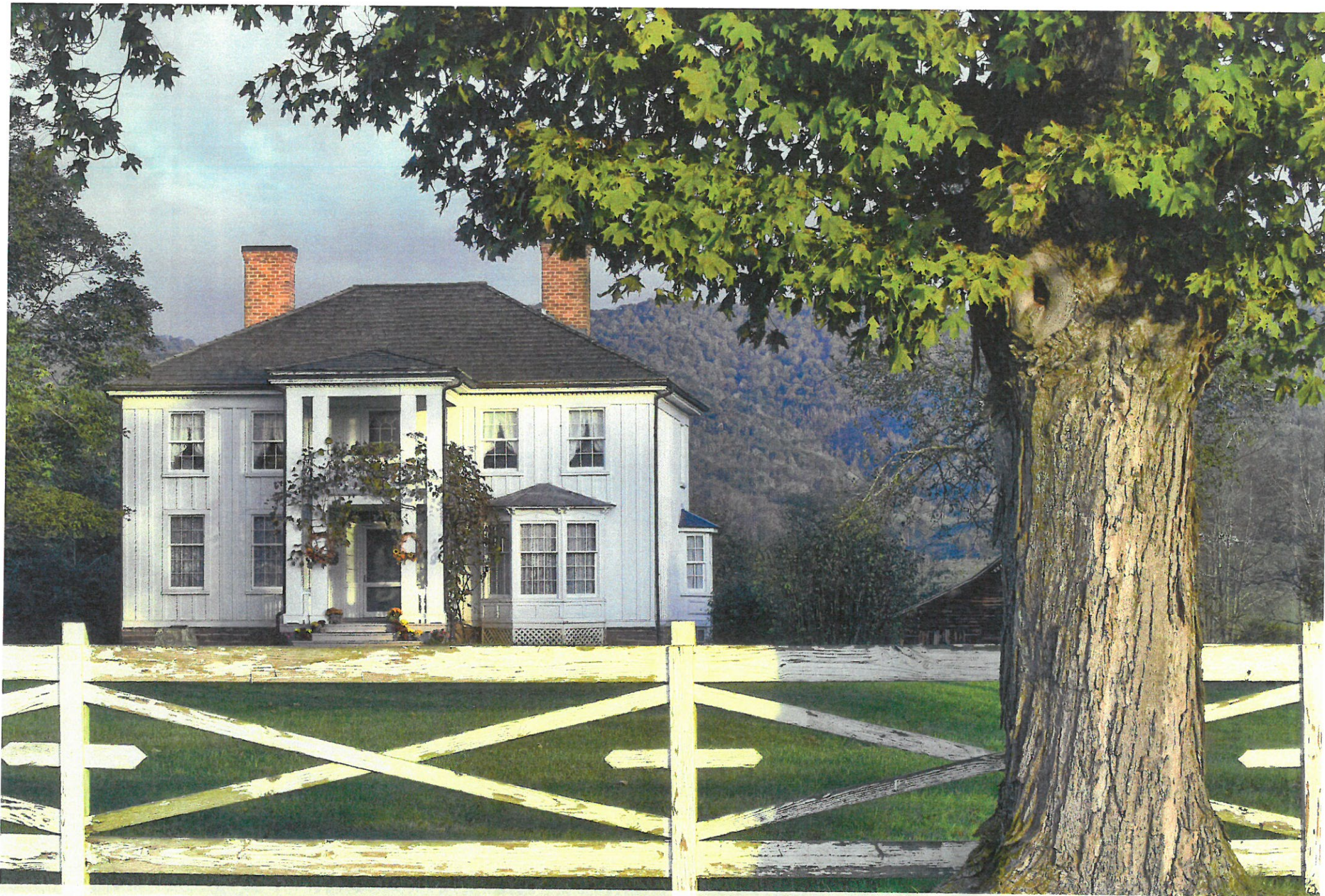




2019 West Virginia Historic Preservation Calendar
LITERATURE OF HISTORIC PLACES

Discovering West Virginia

in a book and its setting.

When I was young, my father read to me at bedtime and our family often visited the local library. He would return home with stacks of books which would sit in a row near the fireplace. When finished, we returned to the library for more books. Henry Louis Gates Jr. admits in *Colored People: A Memoir* that he “stayed up most of the night reading that book, and I was sorry when it became so sleepy I couldn’t read anymore.” I know how he feels; I still try to finish each day with a bit of reading.

Harriet S. Buck wrote that her mother’s house in Pocahontas County was “a gateway to new thoughts and dreams and ways of life.” West Virginia left its imprint on Buck and the places of our state can impact us too.

The 2019 *West Virginia Historic Preservation Calendar* highlights some of the historic places that have inspired writers. We hope you enjoy the selected historic settings and the related passages of literature.

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About Pearl Buck



Pearl S. Buck was born in 1892 in Hillsboro, West Virginia to Absalom and Caroline Sydenstricker. Buck's parents were missionaries in China who returned to the United States for her birth and went back to China three months later. While spending much of the next 42 years in China, her grandparents' home in Hillsboro became "a symbol of security and peace in a world where there was neither security nor peace." Most of Buck's education was at American schools in China, however, in 1910, she attended Randolph-Mason Woman's College in Lynchburg, Virginia, graduating in 1914.

Buck returned to China as a teacher for the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. In 1917 she married John Lossing Buck, an agricultural specialist. Due to his work, the Bucks traveled and lived in many small Chinese villages, which became the inspiration for much of Pearl's work.

During the 1920s, the Bucks taught at Nanking University between trips to the United States, leading both to earn master's degrees from Cornell University. Buck had a severely disabled daughter in 1921 and adopted a daughter in 1925. Needing extra money to support the family, Buck began writing articles for magazines. The 1920s were a time of rebellion and violence in China. Nationalist troops, Communists and various warlords fought for control of the country. Several Westerners were killed in Nanking in March 1927 after a violent battle erupted. The Bucks, along with several other families, were rescued by American gunboats and taken to Shanghai. After relocating to Japan for a year, the Bucks returned to Nanking; however, the incident influenced Pearl's views and encouraged her to take her writing more seriously.

Buck's first book was published in 1930 and in 1931 she followed it with *The Good Earth*. The bestselling book of 1931 and 1932 and the Pulitzer Prize winner in 1932, it thrust Buck onto the American literary scene. She followed *The Good Earth* with the next two books of the trilogy, *Sons* in 1933 and *A House Divided* in 1935. Buck's greatest honor came in 1938 when she became the first American woman to win the Nobel Prize in Literature. Rather than for one work, Buck was recognized for "her rich and truly epic descriptions of peasant life in China."

In 1934 Buck returned to the United States, divorced John

Lossing Buck, and married her publisher Richard Walsh. Her return to the States allowed her to be closer to her daughter, who was in an institution in southern New Jersey. Buck also threw herself into many causes, including civil rights, women's rights, and the needs of the handicapped. Two of Buck's lasting legacies were the founding of Welcome House in 1949 to help with adopting mixed-race children and the Pearl S. Buck Foundation in 1964 to help children in several Asian countries.

Buck died in March of 1973 and was buried at her Pennsylvania home, Green Hills Farm.



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Featured Sites

Point Pleasant Historic District

John's Episcopal Church - Point Pleasant, Mason County
Thomas Lewis established the town of Point Pleasant at the confluence of the Kanawha and Ohio Rivers in 1794. Incorporated in 1833, the town became a shipbuilding center and grew gradually through the nineteenth century. The district consists of both residential and commercial development and has a great diversity of architectural styles. (National Register, 1985)

Piedmont Public Library Building

Piedmont, Mineral County
The Mt. Carbon Masonic Lodge building was built in the early 1900s. The first floor contained several businesses over the years, including a dry store and various clothing stores. The third floor was the Masonic Hall. In the mid-1960s the recently formed Piedmont Public Library began renting the ground floor once they outgrew their original location. In 1996 the Mt. Carbon Lodge merged with the Davis Lodge in Keyser and sold the building to the library.

Waterford Park

Waterford Racetrack & Resort - Newell vicinity, Hancock County
Waterford Park has been a source of entertainment and recreation for Hancock County since the 1940s when the park played a significant role in the expansion of commerce within the county. The remnants of the original park include the grandstand, the paddock, and the racetrack. (National Register, 2002)

Prickett Bay Boat Launching Site

Prickett Bay vicinity, Marion County
Prickett's Fort was constructed in 1774 to provide safety to nearby residents during Native American attacks. While the original fort is gone, it has been reconstructed and is open as a living history museum. The site contains a family cemetery dating to 1772. (Prickett Bay Boat Launching Site, National Register, 1974)

James Graham House

Newell, Summers County
Colonel James Graham House was constructed c. 1770 by James Graham and was likely one of the first houses in this area of the state. In 1777 Native Americans attacked the house, killing Graham's son and his wife. His daughter, Elizabeth, was taken captive and was ransomed for her home eight years later. The house remained in the Graham family for nearly 90 years. (National Register, 1976)

Country Club Hill Historic District

John Nash House - Bluefield, Mercer County
During the 1920s, the residents of Country Club Hill comprised the heart of Bluefield's professional elite, with most having ties to the burgeoning coal industry. Alex B. Mahood, one of West Virginia's most prolific architects, designed the Chateausque-style country club and five houses in the district, demonstrating his popularity in both the private and public spheres. (National Register, 1992)

Brock Hotel

Summersville, Nicholas County
The Brock Hotel was constructed in 1890 by Daniel Brock, a successful businessman who once operated a ferry across the Gauley River. Located on the Weston and Gauley Bridge Turnpike, the hotel served travelers and people headed to Summersville for county court sessions. At one time the hotel included 21 guest rooms. In 1914 the Brock family left the hotel business and converted the hotel to a private residence. (National Register, 1993)

Z.D. Ramsdell House

Ceredo, Wayne County
Z.D. Ramsdell built his Greek Revival house in 1858 after being asked to come to Ceredo by town founder Eli Thayer. Following his service with the Union Quartermaster Corps in the Civil War, Ramsdell was appointed by President Grant to rebuild the war-damaged postal service. He served as a postal inspector until his death in 1886. (National Register, 1983)

Mullins Farm

Odessa, Clay County
In 1905 Anderson Mullins discovered a young apple tree bearing yellow apples. The apple quickly became a family favorite. By 1914 Anderson had traded farms with his brother Bewel Mullins. Anderson and Bewel wrote to the famous Stark Brothers Nurseries in Missouri, sending three apples. The apples caused a stir at the Stark Brothers facility, leading Paul Stark to visit the farm and buy the tree as well as taking back several specimens to graft onto other trees. Naming it the Golden Delicious apple, it quickly became very popular with trees being sent across the world. By the early 1950s, the original tree died, with the area around it becoming overgrown. Today the foundation of the original farm remains in front of a quasi-reproduction of the farmhouse.

Elk City Historic District

Staats Hospital - Charleston, Kanawha County
The Grand Theater in the Knights of Pythias Building (Staats Hospital) hosted many jazz shows that came through Charleston. Built in 1922 by architect John Norman Sr., the theater held 635 seats and was the first movie theater on Charleston's West Side. The 2nd floor was office space for rent with the 3rd and 4th floors being used by the Knights. Around 1941 a Knights of Pythias member, Dr. Harlan Staats, began a 67-bed hospital on the 2nd and 3rd floors after the Knights found a new location. Staats Hospital closed in 1982. (Elk City Historic District, National Register, 2008)

Media Farm

Charles Town vicinity, Jefferson County
Built in 1780 by Charles Yates, Media Farm stayed in his family through the mid-1900s. Major Edward H. McDonald and his wife, Julia Yates Leavell, inherited the farm in 1890. The family hired John W. Davis from Clarksburg as a teacher for their children in 1892, including the nineteen-year-old Julia McDonald. They married in 1899; however, Julia died a few weeks after giving birth to Julia Davis in July 1900. During World War I a small house was built on the farm to house Farmerettes, a program to help the shortage of labor problem on farms. (National Register, 1994)

Levi Shinn House

Shinnston, Harrison County
The Levi Shinn House was constructed in 1778 by Levi Shinn who also founded the town of Shinnston. The building is a typical log home of the period. It has two stories with hewn logs and originally contained four rooms. (National Register, 1973)

Tucker County Jail

Parsons, Tucker County
The courthouse was designed with Romanesque Revival details by West Virginia architect Frank Milburn in 1898. The massive entrance is flanked by two rock-faced stone towers. Next to the courthouse is the sheriff's residence and jail. The Wheeling architectural firm of Franzheim, Giesey, and Faris built this building in 1896. Originally the county seat was in St. George, however in 1893 the county records were seized in the middle of the night and removed to Parsons in what has become known as the "County Seat War." (National Register, 1984)

Featured Authors

James Casto *b. 1941*

James Casto worked for 40 years as a reporter and an editor for the Huntington Herald-Dispatch. He is active with many community groups and was honored by the Cabell County Public Library when their genealogy research center was renamed the James E. Casto Local History Room. Casto taught English and journalism at Marshall University and has written over 150 freelance articles and five books. Currently, Casto is a senior information specialist at the Robert C. Byrd Institute for Advanced Flexible Manufacturing.

Julia Davis *1900 – 1993*

Julia Davis was the daughter of U.S. Ambassador to England and 1924 Democratic Presidential nominee John W. Davis. During her childhood, Davis lived most of the year in Clarksburg with her father and his parents and spent her summers at Media Farm near Charles Town. In the early 1920s, she became one of the first female reporters for the Associated Press. By 1928 she had written her first book for young readers and went on to write more than two dozen works for both youth and adults. Davis continued to write throughout her life. She passed away at her residence near Media Farm in 1993.

Henry Louis Gates Jr. *b. 1950*

Born in Keyser, West Virginia, Henry Louis Gates Jr. was raised in Piedmont, West Virginia. After graduating from Piedmont High School in 1968, Gates went to Potomac State College of West Virginia University in Keyser for one year before finishing his degree in history at Yale University. He later earned a Ph.D. from the University of Cambridge. Currently the Alphonse Fletcher University Professor and director of the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute for African and American Research at Harvard University, Gates has written 16 books and edited nine others.

Laimy Gordon *b. 1944*

Laimy Gordon spent several years being a groom and "hot walker" at several tracks, including three years at Charles Town Races in Charles Town. She has a sister that lives near Wheeling, West Virginia and owns a summer home in the Northern Panhandle. Both locations helped to serve as inspiration for the areas described in *Lord of Misrule*. This novel won the 2010 National Book Award for Fiction. Gordon graduated from Antioch College and Brown University. After a long collegiate teaching career, mostly at Western Michigan University, Gordon retired in 2016.

Granville Davisson Hall *1837 - 1934*

Granville Davisson Hall was born in 1837 and became known as a journalist for the *Wheeling Intelligencer*. In 1861 Hall recorded the proceedings of the Wheeling Conventions, later publishing *The Rending of Virginia* which serves as an important source for the founding of West Virginia. Hall held several state offices once West Virginia became a state. By the end of the 1860s, he began working in the railroad industry and was eventually named the president of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad. In addition to his newspaper articles, Hall wrote several works of fiction and nonfiction.

Ronald Lewis *b. 1940*

Ronald Lewis began an 11-year teaching position at the University of Delaware in 1974, during which he taught African American history and Appalachian history and culture. In 1985 Lewis was hired at West Virginia University to teach West Virginia and Appalachian history. In 2008 he retired and was given the rank of Professor and Robbins Chair Emeritus.

Sylvia Nasar *b. 1947*

Sylvia Nasar earned a B.A. degree in Literature and an M.A. degree in economics. After doing research with Nobel Laureate Wassily Leontief, she worked for *Fortune* magazine, *U.S. News & World Report* and the *New York Times*. While with the *Times*, Nasar wrote *A Beautiful Mind*. The book won the 1998 National Book Critics Circle Award for a biography. Since 2001, Nasar has been the John S. and James L. Knight Professor of Business Journalism at Columbia University.

Ann Pancake *b. 1963*

Ann Pancake grew up in Romney and Summersville, West Virginia and graduated from West Virginia University. She later earned a Master of Arts degree in English from the University of North Carolina and a Ph.D. from the University of Washington. Pancake has taught English in several places around the world and currently teaches creative writing in the Master of Fine Arts program at Pacific Lutheran University in Parkland, Washington. In the fall of 2018, Pancake returned to West Virginia as the Writer-in-Residence at the West Virginia University Humanities Center.

Cynthia Rylant *b. 1954*

Cynthia Rylant was born and raised in Hopewell, West Virginia. After earning degrees from Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston) and Marshall University, Rylant worked at the Cabell County Public Library and taught English part-time at Marshall. In 1979 her first book, *When I Was Young in the Mountains*, earned the American Book Award and a Caldecott Honor. Rylant went on to earn a Master of Library Science from Kent State University before working and teaching in Akron, Ohio while continuing her writing career. She has written numerous books, earning a Newbery Honor, a Newbery Award, and another Caldecott Honor.

Anna Egan Smucker

Anna Egan Smucker was raised in Weirton, West Virginia and became a librarian and educator after graduating from Carlow College in Pittsburgh, PA and Michigan State University. Smucker was inspired to begin writing after hearing Cynthia Rylant speak about her book *When I Was Young in the Mountains*. In 1989 Smucker published *No Star Night* and won the International Book Award. Since then she has published many other children's stories as well as *A History of West Virginia* book and workbook, which was written for new adult readers. Currently, Smucker lives in Bridgeport, West Virginia.

Carlene Thompson *b. 1952*

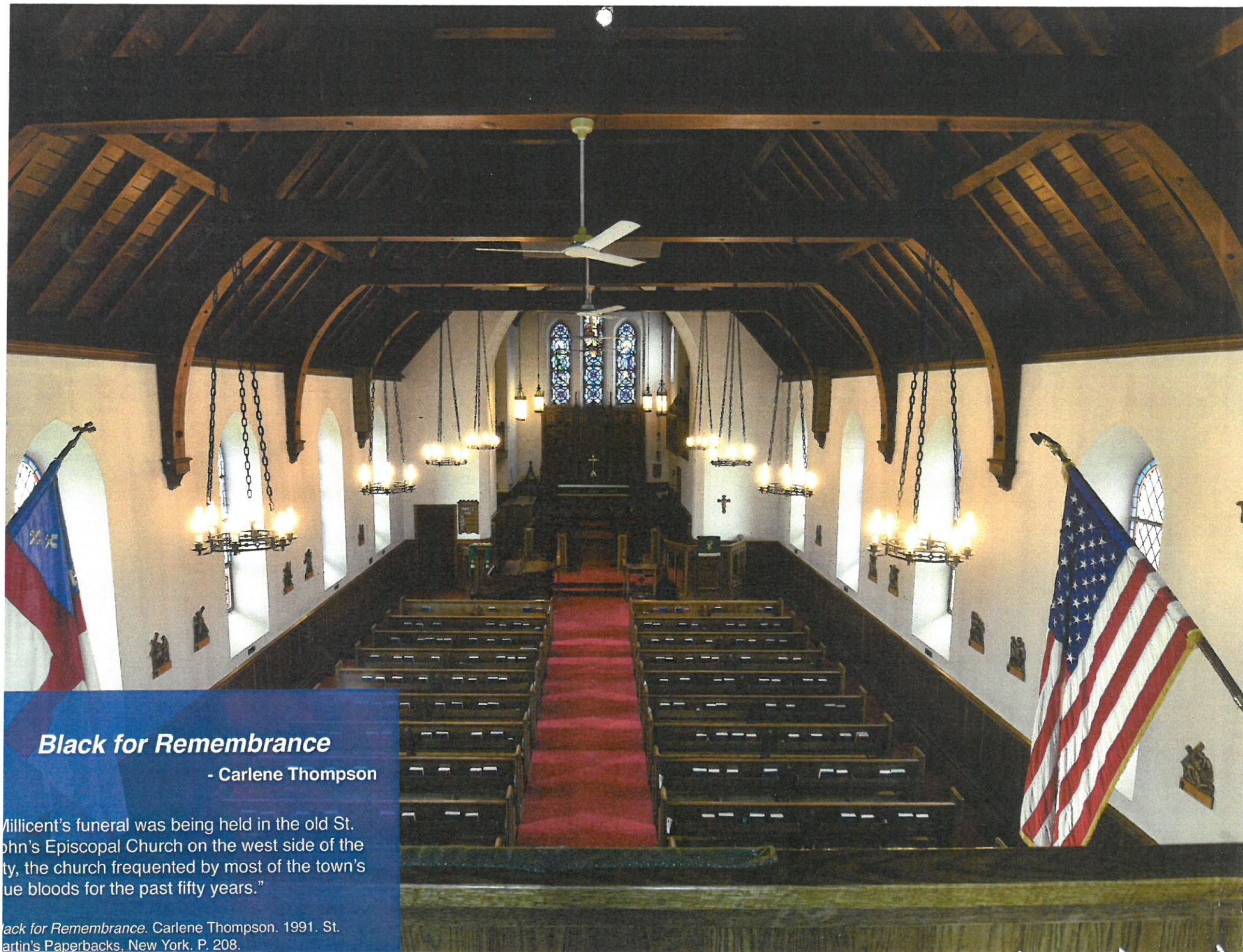
Carlene Thompson was born in Parkersburg and grew up between West Virginia and Ohio. She earned an English degree from Marshall University and then received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from The Ohio State University. After teaching at the University of Rio Grande for six years, Thompson became a full-time writer. Currently, she has written 16 books and lives in Point Pleasant, West Virginia.

Robert Thompson

Robert Thompson has a history degree from Texas Tech University and a graduate degree in Military Studies-Civil War from American Military University. In addition to *A Woman of Courage* on the West Virginia Frontier, he has written two books along with numerous articles in historical publications.

Christopher Wilkinson *b. 1946*

Dr. Christopher Wilkerson is a Professor Emeritus with the West Virginia University School of Music. During his nearly 40-year career, Wilkerson specialized in the history of African-American music. In 2006 Wilkerson was awarded the Benedum Distinguished Scholar award for his research. After receiving his bachelor's degree from Hamilton College (New York) Wilkerson went on to Rutgers University and earned his master's degree and Ph.D.



Black for Remembrance

- Carlene Thompson

Millicent's funeral was being held in the old St. John's Episcopal Church on the west side of the city, the church frequented by most of the town's blue bloods for the past fifty years."

Black for Remembrance. Carlene Thompson. 1991. St. Martin's Paperbacks. New York. P. 208.

JANUARY

St. John's Episcopal Church
Point Pleasant Historic District
Point Pleasant, Mason County

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Colored People: A Memoir

- Henry Louis Gates Jr.

"I started to read that year, to bridge the gap with Linda. She was the one who ate books. She'd sit in study hall in total concentration, twirling her hair and devouring a book. So I started to read books, too. Oh, I had read books before, mind you, and had read a lot of them. But sports books mostly ... Of course, it wasn't just Linda's example that made me change. It was my teacher Mrs. Iverson who finally drew the line. Those books you are reporting on are fluff, she declared. You are forbidden to report on them anymore. Fluff? What was that? And what was I supposed to read instead? She gave me *A Tale of Two Cities*. I could never read a book that thick I told her. Just read it, she said. I stayed up most of the night reading that book, and I was sorry when I became so sleepy I couldn't read anymore. I went on to *Les Misérables*, to biographies of Einstein, then Schweitzer."

FEBRUARY

Piedmont Public Library
Piedmont, Mineral County

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Lord of Misrule

- Jaimy Gordon

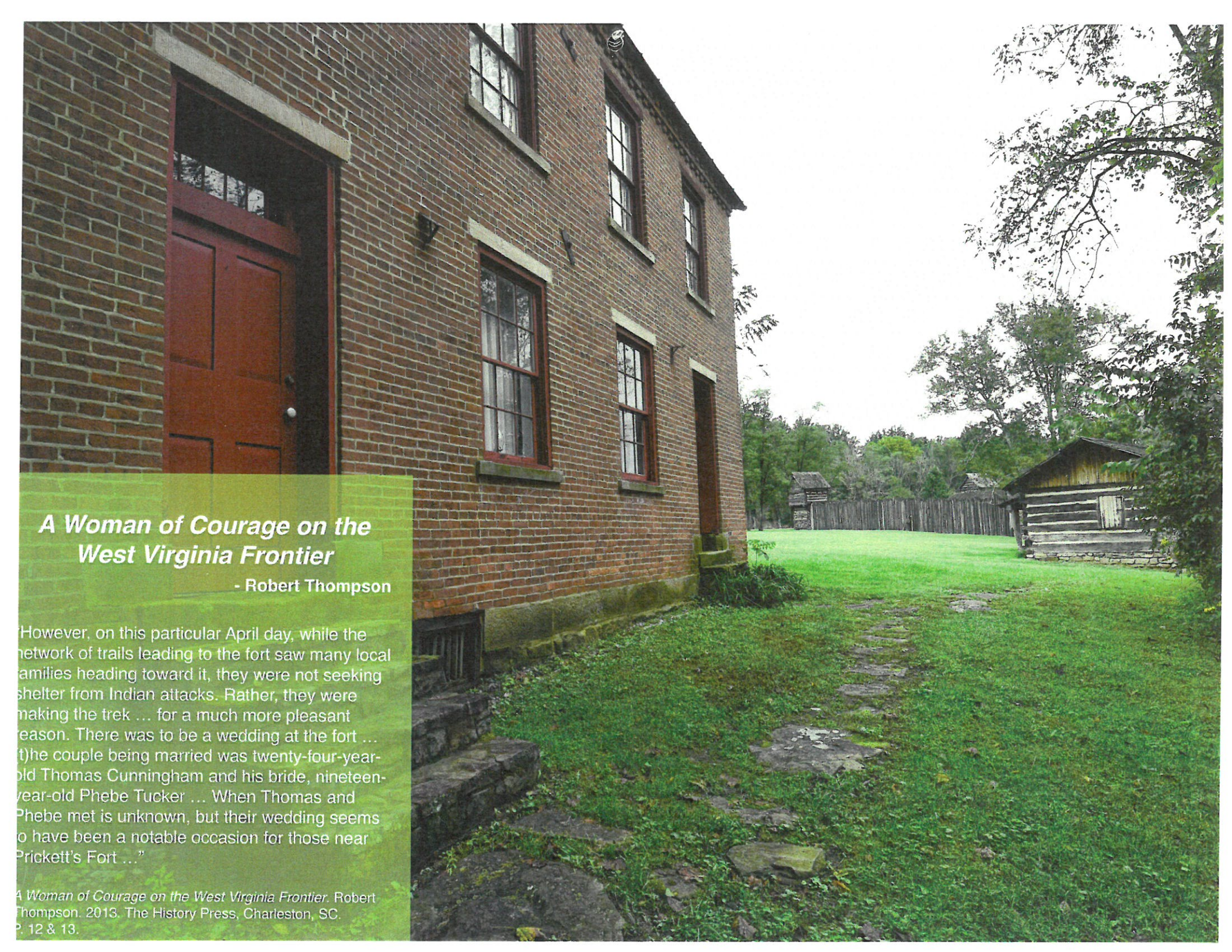
"The sun had finally gone down. The yellow twilight, made out of air that fried all day, had something greasy about it ... The horses picked their way along a dusty track, first beside a parking lot, then along the race course fence. This dotted line of bald spots in the grass was the shortest route to the track from Barn Z. Everybody went this way ... Some bettors had had enough. Their automobiles, leaving early, mashed over grass and pebbles in the ruined meadows that were overflow parking lots. Headlights swept the path, then it was dark and quiet again as only a racetrack is quiet – munching, scratching, glimmering ... In the dome of false dusk over the still-lit racetrack, a million bugs were whirling ..."

MARCH

Waterford Park
Newell vicinity, Hancock County

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A Woman of Courage on the West Virginia Frontier

- Robert Thompson

However, on this particular April day, while the network of trails leading to the fort saw many local families heading toward it, they were not seeking shelter from Indian attacks. Rather, they were making the trek ... for a much more pleasant reason. There was to be a wedding at the fort ... (t)he couple being married was twenty-four-year-old Thomas Cunningham and his bride, nineteen-year-old Phebe Tucker ... When Thomas and Phebe met is unknown, but their wedding seems to have been a notable occasion for those near Prickett's Fort ..."

A Woman of Courage on the West Virginia Frontier. Robert Thompson. 2013. The History Press, Charleston, SC. P. 12 & 13.

APRIL

Montana vicinity, Marion County

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21 Easter	22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26	
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When I was Young in the Mountains

- Cynthia Rylant

"When I was young in the mountains we walked across the cow pasture and through the woods, carrying our towels. The swimming hole was dark and muddy, and we sometimes saw snakes, but we jumped in anyway. On our way home, we stopped at Mr. Crawford's for a mound of white butter. Mr. Crawford and Mrs. Crawford looked alike and always smelled of sweet milk."

When I was Young in the Mountains. Cynthia Rylant, Illustrated by Diane Goode. 1982. Dutton Children's Books, New York. P. 7-9.



MAY

Colonel James Graham House
Lowell, Summers County

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A Beautiful Mind

- Sylvia Nasar

"Though they began life as parents in a rental house owned by Emma Martin, the Nashes were soon able to move to their own modest but comfortable three-bedroom house in one of the best parts of town, Country Club Hill. Built partly of cinder blocks that John Sr. was able to buy for a song from a nearby Appalachian coal processing plant, the house bore little resemblance to the imposing homes of the coal families scattered around the hill. But it was within a few hundred yards of the crest where the club was located, was built to order by a local architect, and contained all the comforts and conveniences that a small-town, middle-class family at that time could aspire to ..."

A Beautiful Mind. Sylvia Nasar. 1998. Touchstone, New York. P. 29-30.

JUNE

John Nash House
Country Club Hill Historic District
Bluefield, Mercer County

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Strange as this Weather Has Been

- Ann Pancake

"In the dead afternoon, when the days got a sag, I'd be the only thing moving in the world. Hobart hiding in his air-conditioned office. Sharon home chewing ice cubes and writing Donnie's name on her arm. The night miners snoring behind the walls I painted ... Twice in two nights in early July somebody spraypainted a wall I'd just finished that day ... Each morning after it happened, Hobart waddled out the second Jimmy Make dropped me off and ordered me to take care of it right then. Before too many people saw, I knew, but I didn't want to paint over what they wrote."

Strange as this Weather Has Been. Ann Pancake. 2007. Counterpoint, Berkeley, CA. P. 119.



JULY

Brock Hotel
Summersville, Nicholas County

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Highway to History: A Midland Trail Scrapbook

- James Casto

"Just to the west of Camden Park, the Midland Trail/U.S. 60 enters the little town of Ceredo, where the members of the Ceredo Beautification Committee work hard on attractive projects ..."

Highway to History: A Midland Trail Scrapbook. James Casto. 2011. Quarrier Press, Charleston, WV. P. 104.



AUGUST

Z.D. Ramsdell House
Ceredo, Wayne County

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					Islamic New Year	

A photograph of a rural landscape. In the background, a white wooden gazebo stands on a grassy hill. To the right, a trellis covered in green vines is visible. In the foreground, a woven basket filled with golden apples sits on the grass. A dark wooden fence runs along the right side of the image.

Golden Delicious: A Cinderella Apple Story

- Anna Egan Smucker

"Paul wasn't used to hills as steep as those in Clay County, West Virginia. Sweating and gasping for breath he climbed and climbed. At first, he found only some scraggly old trees. But then he saw it – a tree with rich green leaves, its branches bent to the ground with the weight of a great crop of gorgeous, flowing, golden apples."

Golden Delicious: A Cinderella Apple Story. Anna Egan Smucker, Illustrated by Kathleen Kemly. 2008. Albert Whitman & Company, Morton Grove, IL. P. 18.

SEPTEMBER

Mullins Farm
Odessa, Clay County

AUGUST 2019							OCTOBER 2019						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31	27	28	29	30	31		

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Labor Day	3	4	5	6	
8	9	10	11 Patriot Day	12	13	1
15	16	17	18	19	20	2
22	23 First Day of Autumn	24	25	26	27	2
29 Rosh Hashanah Begins	30	1	2	3	4	





Big Band Jazz in Black West Virginia, 1930-1942

- Christopher Wilkinson

"...(T)he principal factor that energized the musical developments at the heart of this study was the Bituminous Coal Code of 1933, with its empowering of the United Mine Workers of America, and the union's commitment to equal pay for equal work for African Americans ... As a consequence, touring black bands as often as possible made certain that West Virginia was one of the important stops on their travels ... Beyond the seeming improbability of West Virginia being a magnet for African American dance bands during the years of the Great Depression, there is something almost miraculous in the fact that it was."

Big Band Jazz in Black West Virginia, 1930-1942.
Christopher Wilkinson. 2012. The University Press of Mississippi, Jackson, MS. P. 171-172.

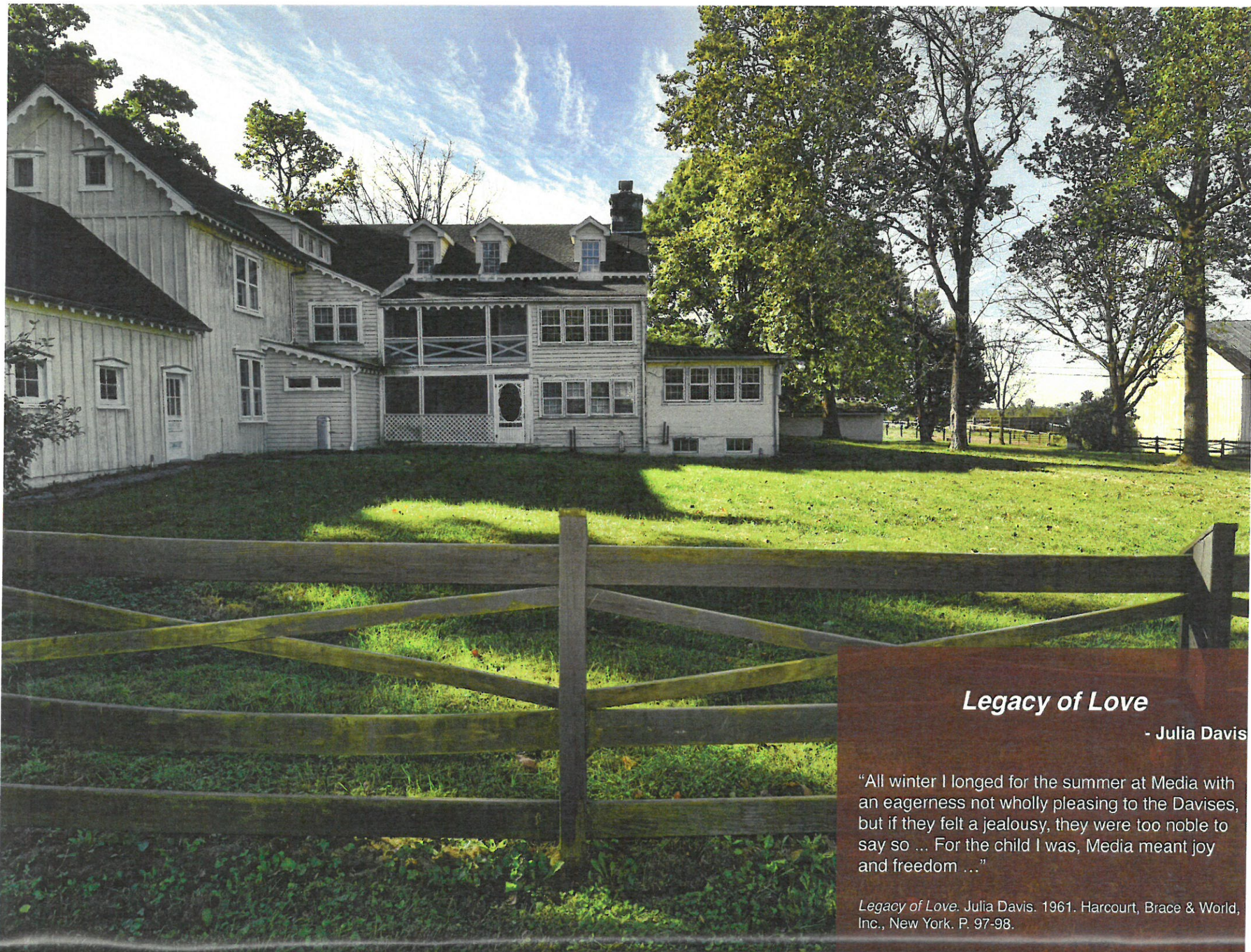
OCTOBER

Staats Hospital
Elk City Historic District
Charleston, Kanawha County

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Yom Kippur begins	9	10	11	12
13	14 Columbus Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	1	





Legacy of Love

- Julia Davis

"All winter I longed for the summer at Media with an eagerness not wholly pleasing to the Davises, but if they felt a jealousy, they were too noble to say so ... For the child I was, Media meant joy and freedom ..."

Legacy of Love. Julia Davis. 1961. Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc., New York. P. 97-98.

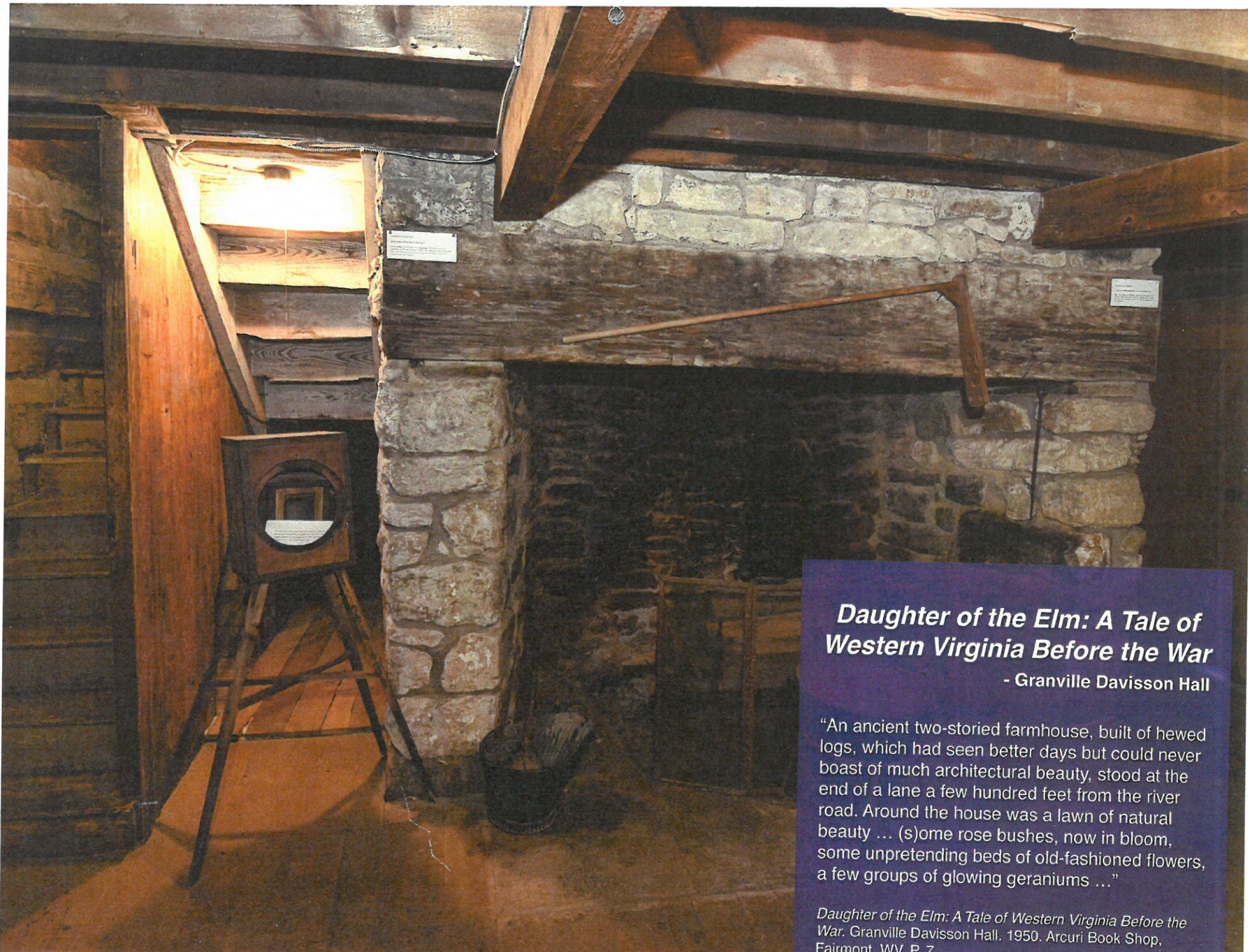
NOVEMBER

Media Farm
Charles Town vicinity, Jefferson County

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Daylight Saving Time ends						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Veterans Day					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
				Thanksgiving Day		





***Daughter of the Elm: A Tale of
Western Virginia Before the War***

- Granville Davisson Hall

"An ancient two-storied farmhouse, built of hewed logs, which had seen better days but could never boast of much architectural beauty, stood at the end of a lane a few hundred feet from the river road. Around the house was a lawn of natural beauty ... (s)ome rose bushes, now in bloom, some unpretending beds of old-fashioned flowers, a few groups of glowing geraniums ..."

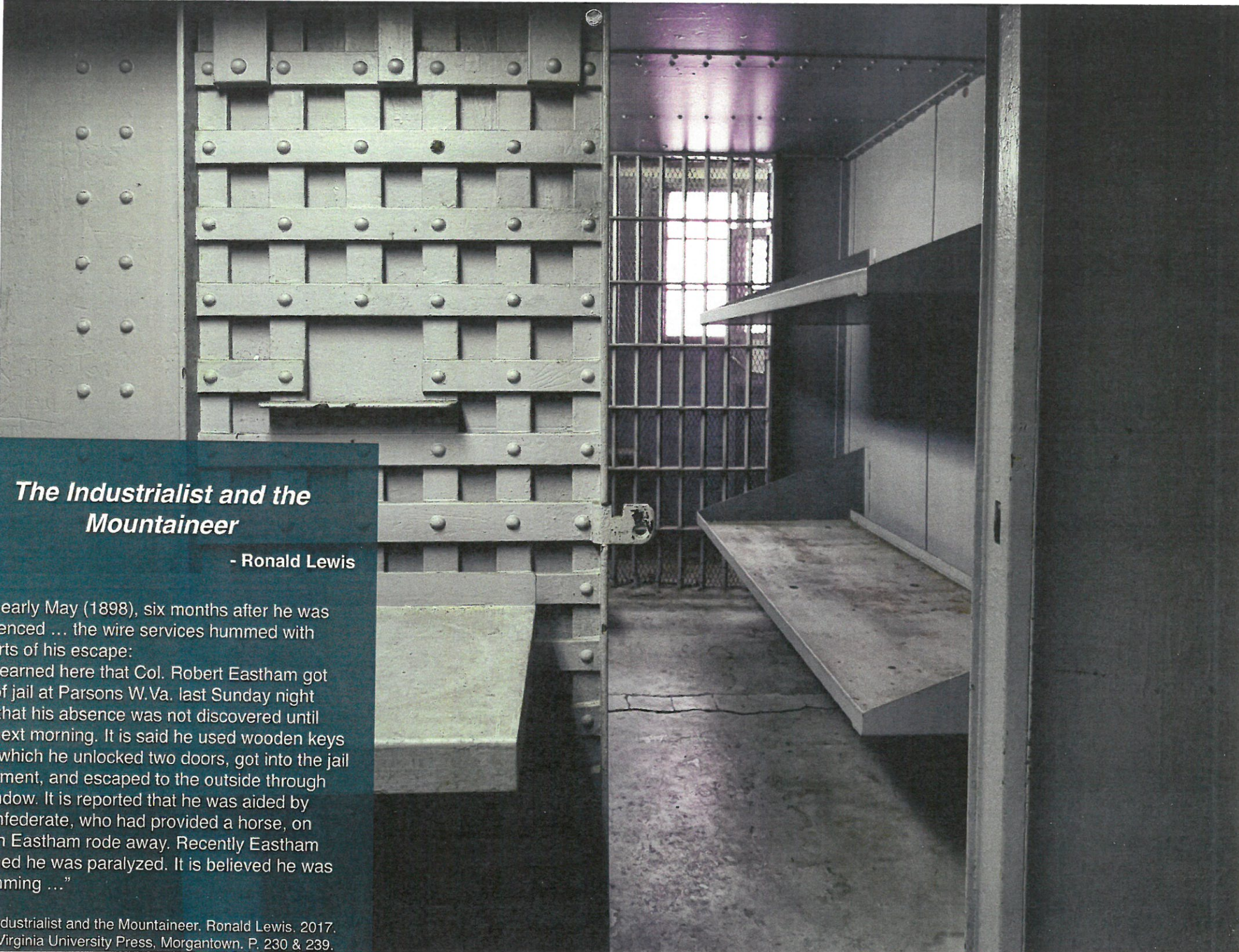
Daughter of the Elm: A Tale of Western Virginia Before the War. Granville Davisson Hall. 1950. Arcuri Book Shop, Fairmont, WV. P. 7.

DECEMBER

Levi Shinn House
Shinnston, Harrison County

NOVEMBER 2019							JANUARY 2020						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	
Hanukkah begins		Christmas Eve	Christmas Day	Kwanzaa		
29	30	31	1	2	3	
		New Year's Eve				



The Industrialist and the Mountaineer

- Ronald Lewis

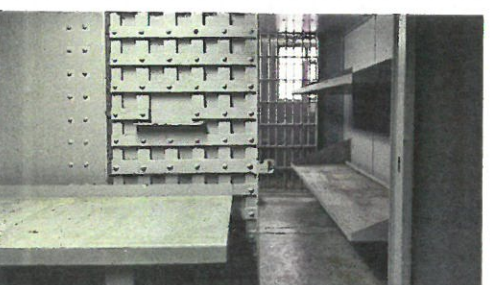
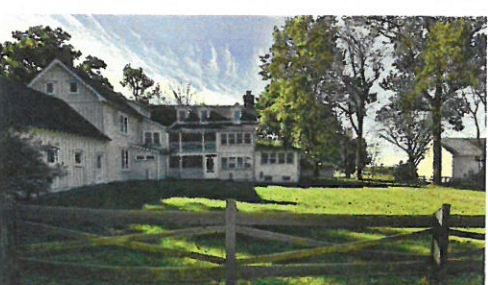
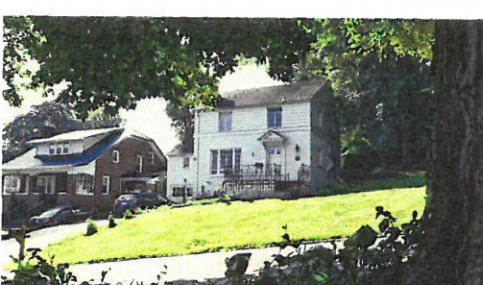
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enced ... the wire services hummed with
orts of his escape:
learned here that Col. Robert Eastham got
of jail at Parsons W.Va. last Sunday night
that his absence was not discovered until
next morning. It is said he used wooden keys
which he unlocked two doors, got into the jail
ement, and escaped to the outside through
indow. It is reported that he was aided by
nfederate, who had provided a horse, on
h Eastham rode away. Recently Eastham
ned he was paralyzed. It is believed he was
nning ..."

JANUARY 2020

Tucker County Jail
Parsons, Tucker County

DECEMBER 2019							FEBRUARY 2020						
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29	30	31					23	24	25	26	27	28	29

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1 New Year's Day	2	3	
5	6	7	8	9	10	1
12	13	14	15	16	17	1
19	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21	22	23	24	2 Lunar New Year
26	27	28	29	30	31	



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