



*Happy Birthday USA*



**Iwo Jima Memorial on the Fourth of July – Kevin Ambrose**



**America's Finest – SSgt Daniel Craig & his Daughter Allyson - Amanda Hayes**

**Editor's Note:** We are pleased to bring you our July edition that focuses on patriotism, our love of country. Club members and friends of the club sent a wonderful selection of "pride in our country" photos for you to enjoy. In this edition, we showcase the photographic artistry of Dan Friend as our WV150 Book of the Month Contributor. We know you'll enjoy meeting him and seeing his work. As always, we include some club news. Recently, we took a fun "Civil War Reenactment" photo trip and we include a few photos of that trip in this newsletter. Please check our "Friends of the Club" piece to see if you can help us recruit the 17 remaining states to fill in our USA map.

**Buckhannon Upshur Camera Club**

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**Upcoming Club Activities**

**Next Meeting**

**July 24 @ 6:30 p.m. – Clayton Spangler:** Taking award winning photographs.

**Near Term Club Schedule**

**August** – Club Picnic, West Virginia Wildlife Center

**September** – Jeff Green, Flash Photography

**October** – Laura Meese, Portraits

**Upcoming Photo of the Month Topics**

**July** – Low Light

**August** – Visual Pun

**September** – Fungi

**Photo Trips**

We are trying to arrange a nighttime photography trip to Pittsburgh. More details as they emerge.

**July**– TBD

**September 19 or 22** – Golden Delicious Festival at Clay -Tentative

**October 1** – Bridge Day at Fayetteville

**December 6-8** – 18<sup>th</sup> Century Christmas Market, Prickett's Fort State Park, Fairmont

**Special Newsletter Features**

Here are the topics of our newsletter special feature for the remainder of the year. **All are welcome to submit photos.**

**August** – None (on vacation)

**September** – Nature

**October** – Black and White

**November** – Old and Abandoned

**December** – Autumn Splendor

**2014-2015 BUCC Officers**

<b>President</b>	Carrie Mills
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Note: SF = Strawberry Festival	

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**Club News**

We had a nice turnout for our club meeting on June 26. We signed up four new members: Karl Boone, Dennis Govoni, Ashley Hack, and Jeremy McGowan and we extend a big welcome to them. Carrie Mills was elected as President and ran the meeting. A big thank you to Carrie for stepping forward. We were fortunate to have Martin Unrue from Ravenswood ([www.martinunrue.com](http://www.martinunrue.com)) as our speaker. Martin presented an excellent program on one of his passions, star trail photography. The main piece of old business was the club agreeing to pay \$115 to have 50 DVD's burned containing the photos taken by club members at the Horse and Buggy Parade. Thanks to John Simons for putting the DVD together.



**Martin** saying "I took 25 sec exposures with 5 sec interval for 13 hours."

**Club members taking aim!**

Other club news include:

- All upcoming club activity is on the cover page in the blue section.
- Karl and Sharon Boone, Dennis Govoni, John Simons, Melissa and Zack Toothman, and Al Tucker traveled to Blennerhassett Island on Saturday, June 21 for a photo shoot of a Civil War Reenactment. Although there was a 60% chance of rain forecasted, the weather was fine with nice fluffy clouds. It started to rain on us as we returned to Buckhannon. Check out our photos in the newsletter. While there, we recruited close to 20 friends of the club as well. We should do another reenactment trip in the future as they are great fun.
- Al and John traveled to Waynesburg, PA on June 24 and gave a presentation to the Green County Camera Club. Their members were very welcoming and friendly. We picked up some more friends of the club, sold 10 books, and more importantly made a connection to help us with our Pittsburgh photo trip. The best case would be to do a dual club trip. More details as things get worked out.

**Photo of the Month - Upshur County**

John Simons easily won the POTM competition with his nighttime shot of the courthouse, Carrie Mills and Al Tucker tied for second.



John Simons

Carrie Mills  
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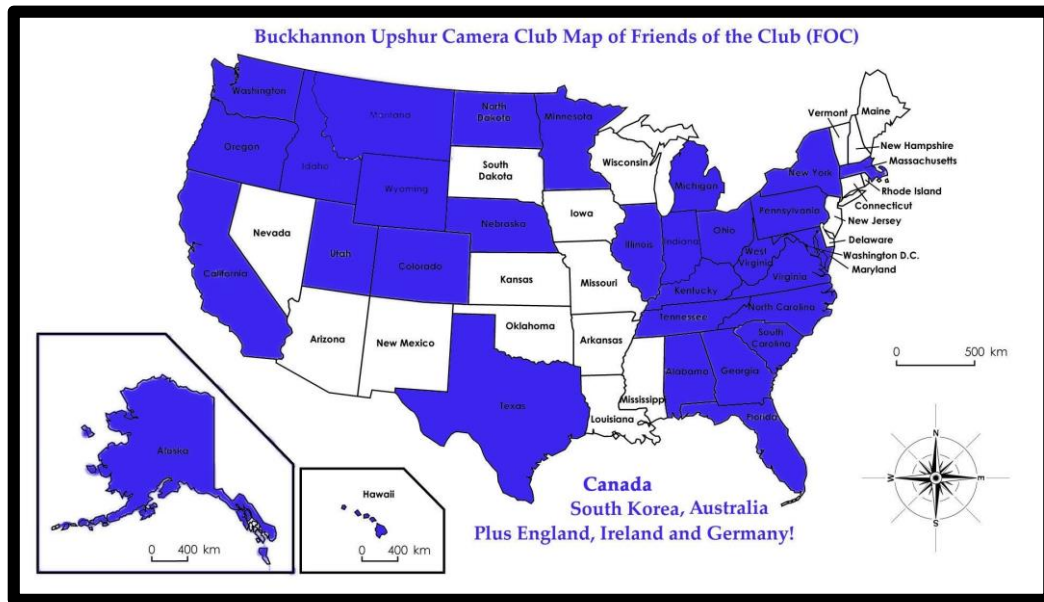
Alan Tucker



### Friends of the Club

In June, we added, another 30 readers, which put us a few short of 500. We only managed to add two new states this month taking us to 33 total: New Jersey, and Wisconsin thanks to Mary Cameron and Libby Randall. Welcome to our new readers and thanks to those who recruited them. To all our readers, please help us reach our goal of filling in the map. Here are the remaining 17 states: Arizona, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Dakota, and Vermont. Help us get to at least 40 in August.

Again, no new countries this past month, but we are excited to be in 7 countries so far, maybe more next month!



### Upcoming Seminar & Workshop - Learn from the Best

**Jim Clark Photography Seminar and Field Workshop: Don't miss out on this great photography learning experience. You don't get the opportunity to learn from one of the finest in the industry very often. The seminar is filling up with 16 of 30 slots taken with another 3 indicating strong interest and the workshop is at 10 of 15 with 2 more indicating strong interest.** Here are the details again:

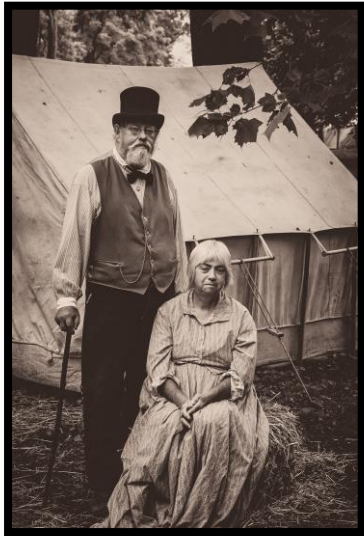
Our club is proud to offer two unique and separate photography educational opportunities to be led by Jim Clark, an acclaimed, internationally known photographer and teacher. The event will take place at the historic Adaland Mansion in Philippi, West Virginia.

- Event 1: A full-day photography seminar on Saturday, September 6, 2014 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Class size: 30 students
  - Scope: This one-day classroom seminar will provide participants with tips and techniques for capturing nature images that exemplify a sense of place. The workshop establishes a foundation for understanding the basic techniques of nature photography; importance of developing a personal style; and use of compositional guidelines. Topics include basic guidelines for nature photography including wildlife, wildflowers, landscapes, and macro/abstracts. Methods of instruction include classroom lectures, interactive discussions, program presentations, and question and answer sessions.
  - Cost: \$90 - Includes: Full seminar attendance, breakfast snack on arrival, lunch and drinks during the day.
  - Optional activity: Dinner with Jim followed by an opportunity to have hands-on assistance while taking photographs on the mansion grounds. Dinner \$20.
- Event 2: A full-day photography field workshop on Sunday, September 7, 2014 from 6:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. Class size: 15 students
  - In the morning, participants will travel to two or three locations in the area for nature field sessions and one-on-one instruction with Jim. Students will return to the mansion for lunch. Following lunch, students will photograph the exterior/grounds of the mansion with hands-on help by Jim. Participants can take interior photos as they wish. The day will conclude with a photo critique session by Jim
  - . Cost: \$90 - Includes: Instruction by Jim, breakfast, which will be a bagged breakfast provided on location after the first morning's shoot, lunch at Adaland and free access to the mansion and grounds.

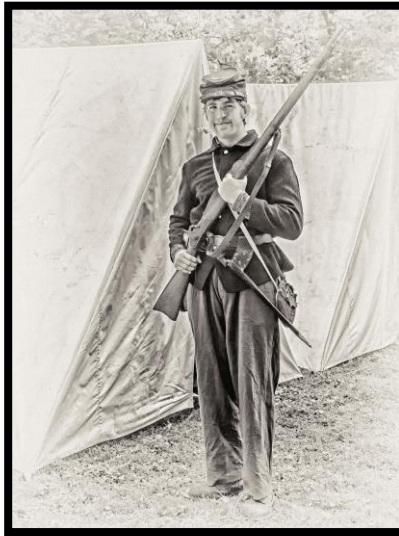
**Register** by emailing Al Tucker at [alanandliva@aol.com](mailto:alanandliva@aol.com) or calling John Simons at 304-472-0528. Make payment by mailing a check to Al Tucker, 98 W. Lincoln Street, Buckhannon, WV 26201.



Blennerhassett Island - Civil War Reenactment Photo Trip



Dennis Govoni



Alan Tucker



John Simons



John Simons



Dennis Govoni



Sharon Boone



Melissa Toothman



Blennerhassett Island – Civil War Reenactment Photo Trip Continued



Melissa Toothman



Dennis Govoni



Sharon Boone



Alan Tucker



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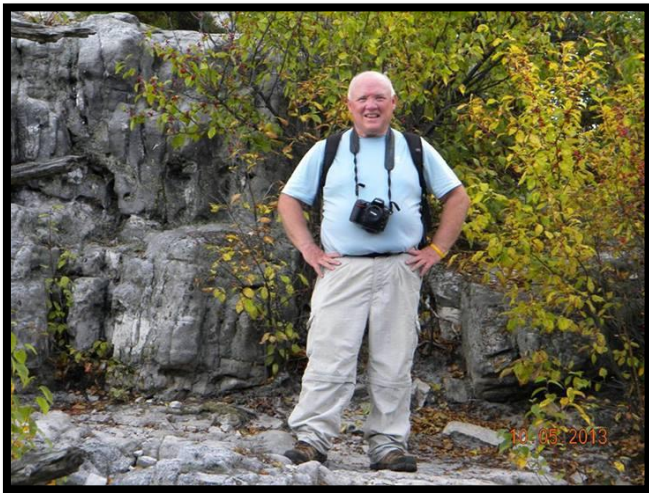


Karl Boone



**WV150 Book Contributor of the Month**

We are very pleased to introduce you to Dan Friend, a major contributor to our book, [A West Virginia Sesquicentennial Celebration](#). Dan found his photography passion while a student at West Virginia University. His dad had bought him a 35mm Pentax SLR camera when he was in high school. What he remembers most about the camera was it had a screw in mount, one where you screwed the lenses into the camera body. In college, he started playing with the camera more and more. He enjoyed it so much, he signed up for a photography class at the University. He was fascinated when the image appeared in the developer under the safe light in the darkroom. He was hooked and this course changed his life's direction. Majoring in Pre Dental, he changed to Journalism the following semester much to the chagrin of his wife. He says, "It was one of the best things I ever did." Viewing his work, we think you will agree with him.



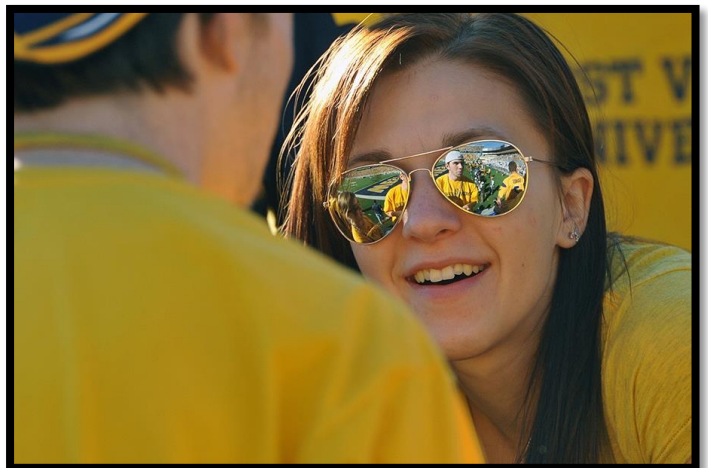
Upon graduating from WVU, his photography lifetime journey began when he opened his own studio, Friends Photo Studio, shooting portraits, school portraits and weddings. His work was of such quality, his alma mater came calling.





**Meet Dan Friend Continued**

In 1984, Dan went to work for West Virginia University, first as a photographer and eventually as the manager of WVU Photographic Services. His career at WVU spanned 26 years until his retirement in 2011. Dan said "It was a great job for 26 years giving me the opportunity to shoot a variety of subjects." He loved shooting sports and thoroughly enjoyed photographing and interacting with students. His work reveals that love.

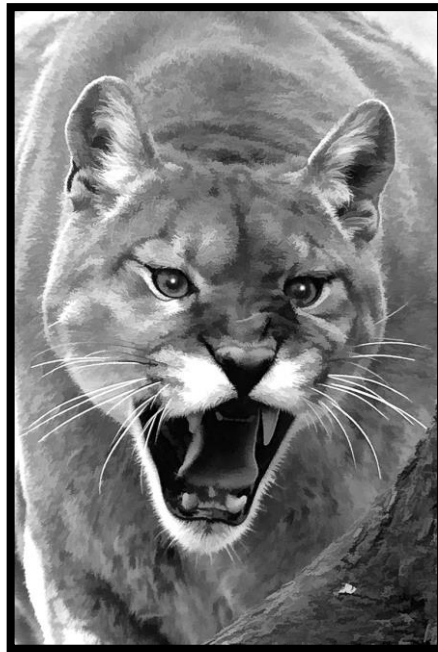




Meet Dan Friend Continued



Dan is now semi-retired, however, photography remains one of his great passions. Although his love affair with photography started when he saw that black and white print come to life in the developer tray under an amber safe-light, today's digital photography and Photoshop renewed that love affair. Today he enjoys using the tools of modern photography, which he named "Pixel Paintography – digital enhancement" – to try to capture and enhance his images. He photographs a variety of subjects depending on whatever is interesting to him at that time. He licenses images for all manner of commercial and editorial use, and sells fine art prints. He will next venture to Alaska in August to shoot grizzly bears. Thanks Dan for sharing your images and enhancing our newsletter with your impressive work,



Dan's range of photography is amazing. He definitely made the right decision and sank his teeth in a great profession way back when he was in college. We hope you enjoyed his photos as much as we enjoyed bringing them to you. Check out the variety on the next page.



Meet Dan Friend Continued



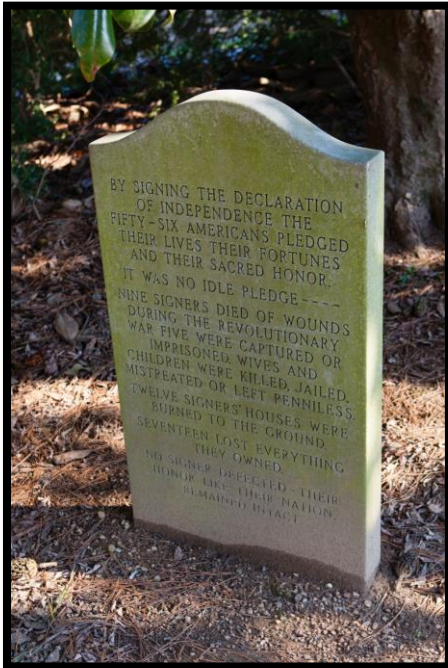
To see more of Dan's work, go to <http://dan-friend.artistwebsites.com/> and his Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/DLF-Photo/245759198803384>.



**Patriotism – Love of Country**

In July, we celebrate America’s most important day, Independence Day. Across this land, it is a day of barbecuing, parades, fireworks, vacationing, going to the beach or lake, maybe a round of golf or tennis, but more importantly a day of joining with our loved ones to enjoy our free time and precious freedom. But the Fourth of July is also a time to step back to take stock and appreciate the wonderful freedoms we enjoy every day.

In honor of Independence Day, we dedicate this issue to “patriotism” as seen through the eyes of our members and friends. As always, we are very thankful to all who sent their photos in for our readers to enjoy. We hope they inspire our readers to capture their own patriotic images.



Nathan Symons



Kathy Barnhart



Kathy Cochran



Dennis Govoni



Brooks Jones

**“I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him.”**  
**Abraham Lincoln**

**“America lives in the heart of every man everywhere who wishes to find a region where he will be free to work out his destiny as he chooses.”** **Woodrow Wilson**

**“Patriotism is supporting your country all the time and your government when it deserves it.”** **Mark Twain**



**Patriotism – Showing the Flag**

The American Flag is our country’s most recognizable symbol. We know it as the “Stars and Stripes,” “Old Glory,” and the “Star Spangled Banner.” Today, the flag consists of thirteen horizontal stripes, seven red alternating with 6 white. The stripes represent the original 13 colonies, the stars represent the 50 states of the Union. The colors of the flag are symbolic as well: Red symbolizes Hardiness and Valor, White symbolizes Purity and Innocence and Blue represents Vigilance, Perseverance and Justice.



Sandra Miller



Tony Mayo

It was taught for years that Betsy Ross sewed the first American flag. According to the Flag of the USA website, no one knows for sure who designed or made the first Stars and Stripes. On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress established the official flag for the new nation.



Alan Tucker



Mike Juractovak



James Huber



John Simons  
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**Patriotism – Showing the Flag Continued**

The modern meaning of the flag dates back to the Civil War. Prior to then, flags were only displayed on forts, embassies and public buildings. Since December 1860, when she flew over Fort Sumter, our flag has symbolized American nationalism. Following that battle, flags began to be flown on village greens, homes, and churches. Today, we fly the flag everywhere, we even wear it on our clothes. We honor her at all sorts of outdoor events. We tear up when accompanied with the playing of the anthem and we rage when she is desecrated (maybe not enough).



Carol Coffman



John Mundy



Tina Bulka

Today's 50-star American flag was designed by a 17-year old Ohio high school student, Robert G. Heft, who made the flag design during a high school project. He received a B- grade. However, he submitted it for consideration to the Eisenhower Flag Design Committee when Hawaii became the 50th state. It is currently 59 years old, which is the longest duration of any American flag design. Will there be a 51<sup>st</sup> state?



Jeremy McGowan

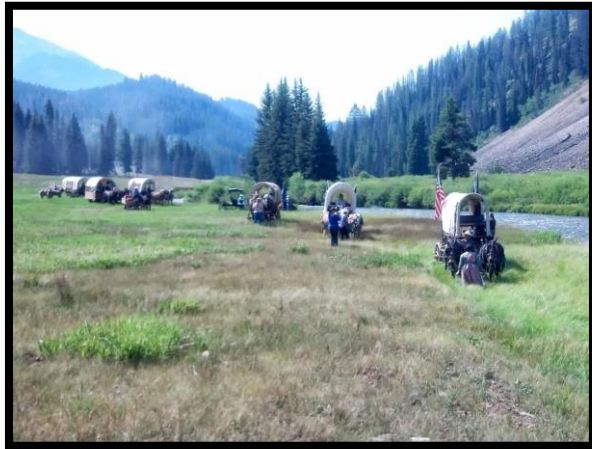


Carol Coffman

**“What’s right about America is that although we have a mess of problems, we have great capacity - intellect and resources - to do something about them.” Henry Ford II** (Too bad that our government seems to be the roadblock to tapping that great capacity. – Editor’s note)



Patriotism - Showing the Flag Continued



Paul Fuchs



Lisa Lagana



Mary Orndorff



Alan Tucker



Sandra Miller



Libby Randall  
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Tina Bulka



**Patriotism – Freedom Isn't Free**

“Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices.” Harry S. Truman



Patsy Harman



Dennis Govoni



Laura Meese



Ron Gaskins



Barry Taylor



Sharon Boone



**Patriotism – Freedom Isn't Free Continued**

**“Those who won our independence believed liberty to be the secret of happiness and courage to be the secret of liberty.” Justice Louis D. Brandeis**



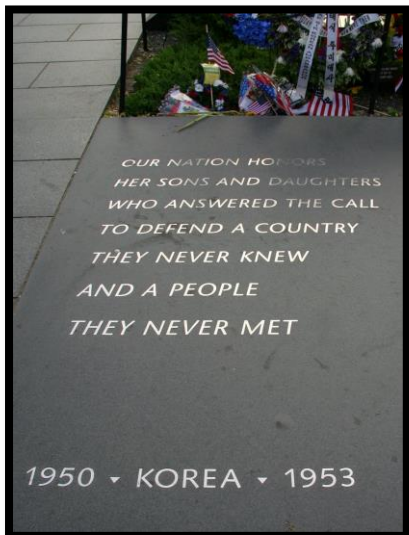
**Veteran's Cemetery between Morgantown, WV and Point Marion, PA - Dick Hepler**



**Thomas Jefferson Nat. Cemetery, Cape Hatteras - Nancy Moore**



**Normandy American Cemetery – Danny Van Dalsen**



**Korean War Mem'l – John Simons**



**Arlington Nat Cem/Air Force Mem'l – Kevin Ambrose**



**WV State Veteran's Cemetery – Janet Hutnik**



**Patriotism – Freedom Isn't Free Continued**

**“And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free. And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.” Lee Greenwood**



**Vietnam War Memorial, Charleston, WV – Tom Dean**



**Donel C. Kinnard Memorial State Veterans Cemetery - Janet Hutnik**



**Remember the Fallen, Sunderland, MA – Danny Van Dalsen**



**Boone County Courthouse Memorial, WV – Cookie Green**



**World War Memorial, Upshur County, WV – Ron Buckton**  
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**Parsons Veteran's Memorial, WV – John Simons**  
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Patriotism – Freedom Isn't Free Continued – National Memorials



Iwo Jima Memorial – Roget Lancaster



World War II Memorial – John Simons



Korean War Memorial – Alan Tucker



Korean War Memorial – Diana Taylor



Vietnam War Memorial Photos – John Simons



Barry Taylor



Patriotism – Patriotic Places



Jefferson Memorial – Roger Lancaster



Lincoln Memorial – Jeremy McGowan



Flight 93 National Memorial, Shanksville, PA – Cathy Butcher



National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial – Roger Lancaster



Washington Memorial – Dennis Govoni



NYC Freedom Tower – Steve Foster  
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God and Country, America's Heritage – Tina Bulka



**Patriotism – Small Town Patriotism**



**Today's Heroes, Buckhannon, WV – Mary Orndorff**



**A Parade of Heroes, Buckhannon, WV – Nancy Marks**



**Pickens, WV Memorial Wall – Frank Eskew**



**Uniontown, PA Store Front Patriotism – Tina Bulka**



**Flag Lined Streets, Paden City, WV – Alan Tucker**

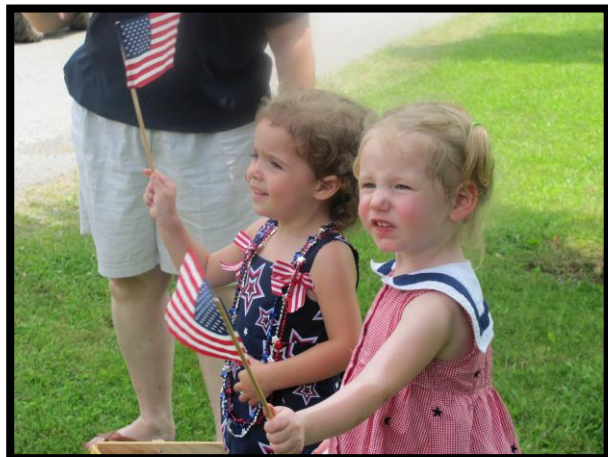


**Remembering the Fallen, Buckhannon, WV – Alan Tucker**



**Patriotism – America’s Best Hope, Our Future Patriots**

“Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn’t pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children’s children what it was once like in the United States where men were free.” President Ronald Reagan



**Kayleigh & Zoe Celebrate America – Mel Stemple**



**Little Soldier – Clayton Spangler**



**Sparkling Fun, Grafton, WV – Patsy Harman**



**Supporting Our Troops, Montana– Troy Helmick**



**VA Little Drummer Boy, Nathan Symons**



**USS Buckhannon – Bonne Riffle**



**Reaching for the Stars and Strips - Tony Maro**