

Post Office Parking Ordinance Amendment Rescinded During Davis Town Council Meeting

By Jennifer Dearborn

The Davis Town Council met for regular session with Jeannette Ware and Al Tomson both absent.

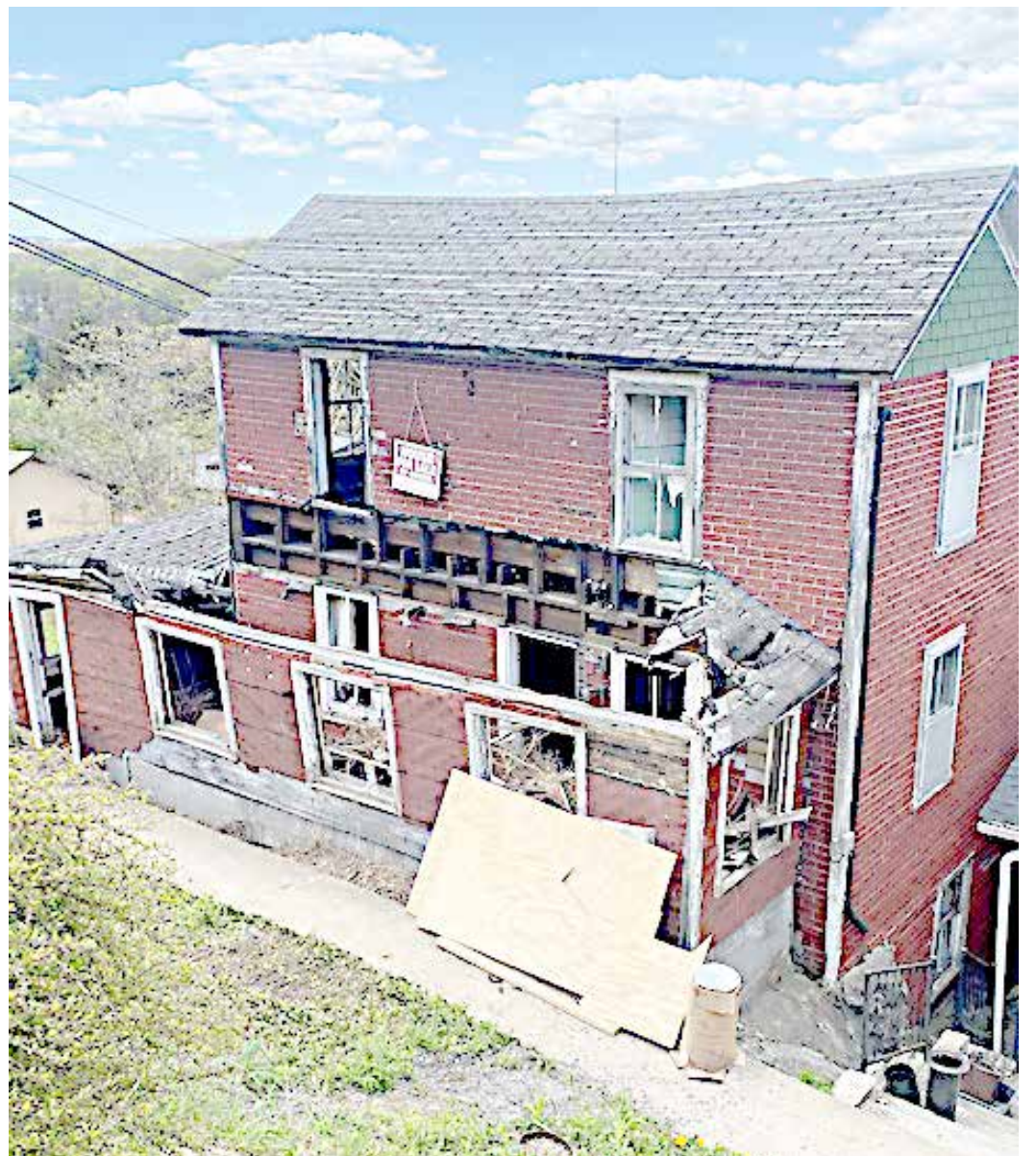
Upon the reading of the third Post Office Parking Ordinance Amendment there was discovered a flaw in the ordinance with the direction of the way the parking spots were to be laid out. At that time, Mayor Martin ripped the paper of the Ordinance in half. This Ordinance will have to be revised and brought back before the council for approval. The

third reading of the Building Ordinance and Building Permit Application were read and unanimously approved.

Brian Sarfino, on behalf of the Davis Planning Commission, informed the board "We plan on coming to meetings regularly." The Planning Commission will be hosting the Mountain Bike Festival, although on a lighter scale than previous years, in June.

Jaydee Kennard asked the board, "Do you want to discuss personnel

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Thomas City Council Moving Forward With Plans for a New and Improved Thomas

By Jennifer Dearborn

Thomas, WV is known for being a historical town and with that also comes uninhabitable structures. Hannah Tierney, who has owned a residence since 2014, was concerned about the structure adjacent to her residence on Brown Street. She has exhausted all efforts to get this structure demolished so she is now seeking the help of the Thomas council. Motion was made by council member Kimberly Trathen to create action steps and a more concrete plan to address such structures.

Josh Supak, owner The JPAK Company, LLC, asked the board to consider his company to construct cellphone towers in the area. "With the hyperloop coming you will need more cell towers in the area to accommodate the increase in use." These towers will come at a cost to the town of \$240,000-\$290,000. "Typically they contract them for 25 years," Supak stated. Depending on the type of tower, they can accommodate 3-4 carriers each. The town would make

an estimated of \$2,000 per month for each carrier.

With the current increase in the city's water rates they are now in compliance with The Public Service Commission and can apply for grants to further help the town. Jody Flanagan, councilmember, provided a list of names of water bills that are 90 plus days overdue. The town will be sending out letters and start turning off water for these accounts within the next 30 days. Pittsburgh Tank will be doing the cleaning and repairs to the water tanks at the high school and Benbush. This will not begin until after the school year is over. The contract will be signed and plans will move forward.

Emily Wilson Hauger, addressed the council on behalf of Mountain Laurel and Tap Room and Brownsfield. She asked the council for approval to use the alley adjacent to Mountain Laurel's lot on Douglas Road. This site will be inspected before a decision can be made. The Tap Room and Brownsfield is currently getting EPA approval and in the fourth phase of the

financial proposal. "This will create housing and commercial spaces," Hauger implied, "there will be income limits for housing rentals, but they are higher than your normal income amounts. This will make more people eligible."

Ross Hoppe spoke on behalf of Cottrill's Opera House. "We want to host live performances, movies, and have a venue rental for weddings, parties, and events. We often apply for grants to get funds for this restoration. I am here asking that your council be willing to write us a letter of support for said grants."

Brandon Zirk, who was absent from the meeting, emailed two options for security cameras to be installed at several city properties. Zirk ask that the council look at the options then they will discuss this more before purchasing. The council has agreed to have the Thomas dam inspected and also to look at the city hall structure for some repairs.

The town received in excess of 30 resumes for the city clerk position. "We have narrowed it down and will be conduct-

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Trifecta of Beauty



Nothing is more beautiful than an azalea shrub in spring bloom. These easy-care shrubs come in so many colors it's hard to find one that doesn't suit your needs. Azaleas can be grown in nearly any garden, instantly adding interest and color to drab areas.

How to Grow and Care for Azaleas
Growing and caring for these shrubs is easy. That being said, there are some things to consider when adding them to the landscape.

Proper Azalea Care

To keep azaleas looking healthy, it is essential that you choose an appropriate planting location and practice proper azalea care. Azaleas actually look the most attractive when they are planted alone; however, mass plantings work well in larger areas, such as wooded sites. Since the flower coverage on azaleas encompasses the entire shrub, placing them in a background of conifers,

such as pines, or other acid-loving plants will help set off their colors while minimizing their heavy effect. These shrubs should be planted in the spring, preferably within cool, lightly shaded sites. Full sun, especially in southernmost climates, can actually burn the leaves while heavy shade can deprive them of necessary oxygen, resulting in poor blooming and weaker growth.

Best Soil for Azalea Plants

Azaleas have shallow roots and require well-drained, acidic soil. In poorly drained areas, azaleas should be placed in raised beds. Azaleas can also make exceptional candidates for containers. It also helps to amend the soil with compost beforehand. To help conserve water, maintain soil temperature, and discourage weeds, mulch these shrubs with pine straw or composted pine barks and replenish them annually. Organic matter

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Infant Massage Training Hosted in Parsons; Tucker FRN Needs Your Help Completing Certifications

By Jennifer Dearborn

Linda Storm, CEIM, IAIMT, IPMHC, Senior Trainer and Trainer Consultant for IAIM, instructed an Infant Massage Training in Parsons recently. Storm was The Founding Executive Director of Infant Massage USA and is the co-author of the Sensational Baby Program.

Tucker County hosted the first infant massage training in the State of West Virginia. Prior to the class in Tucker County there was only one active infant massage educator in our state. A grant from Tucker Community Foundation to Allegheny Highlands Parents as Teachers funded the training. Food was provided by the Tucker County FRN from the Partners in Prevention grant, which promotes child abuse

prevention.

Becki Bonner, Lydia Burns, Teresa Moss, Billie Jo Haddox, Questie Reams, Angie Davis, and Melissa Poling attended the training. Some benefits of infant massage are improved sleep quality for baby, aids in tummy discomfort, supports brain development, and a stronger bond between

infant and parent to name a few.

A valid concern, due to COVID, is social distancing. Only the parents touch the live baby, educators use a doll. This was done before COVID because the bond that forms between the baby and massager is so powerful only the parents are allowed to do so.

We currently have four Tucker County

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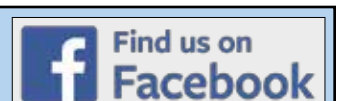


Photo by Angie Davis

Melissa Poling, Teresa Moss, and Billie Jo Haddox during training.



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News of Record

The following property transfers have been recorded in the Tucker County Clerk's office:

- Judith R. Brunton, Dry Fork, Transfer on Death: 1109 Ash Lodge Beaver Ridge to Janis Handte, Emma Handte and Felix Handte, \$0.
- Judith R. Brunton, Dry Fork, Transfer on Death: Unit 1247 Beech Lodge Beaver Ridge Resort to Janis Handte, Emma Handte and Felix Handte, \$0
- Michelle Lynn Dorsey, Dry Fork, Lot 32 Deer Ridge Timberline 5.31 acres to Nelson Erickson and Elizabeth Erickson, \$374,000.
- Chris A. Martin and Rosemarie Martin, Dry Fork, Lot 42 Cabin Mountain Timberline 5.82 acres to

- Monica Smith Pearl, \$335,000.
- Floyd L. Carr and Virginia M. Carr, Hendricks Corporation, Northern 1/2 Lot 39 containing 0.121 acre to Day Tripper LLC, \$15,000.
- Mary Louise Poling, Black Fork, 66 acres to Mary Louise Poling and Richard S. Poling, \$0.
- Sherley A. Ends and Rhonda J. Ends, Parsons Corporation, 0.31 acre to Audra J. Hull, \$127,500.
- Samuel B. Pulice, Clover, 1 acre East Pifer Mountain to William B. Bowden, Jr. and Melissa D. Snyder, \$5,000.
- Marc B. Lazenby/Trustee, Charles K. Phillips and Paula I Phillips, Hendricks, Foreclosure: 2.51 acres and 32,670 sq. ft. to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance Inc., \$56,678.35.

TURNER'S TIDBITS



This is a photo of the Mr. and Mrs. Solomon "Robert" Price Family taken at their 60th Wedding Anniversary. They were married at Moore on November 14, 1896 by Rev. L. H. Glen. Mr. Robert Price was the son of Silas and Sara Ann England Price. Mrs. Minerva "Millie" Price was the daughter of Thomas and Ann Elizabeth Godwin Varner. Their children include: (front, left to right) son Cpl. Robert K. Price, Mr. S Robert Price, Mrs. Price, son Dr. Wayne Price (back row, left to right) daughters, Elma (Fred) Rowan, Nelle (John) Bennett, Edna (Larry) Bergeron, Belva (Ira) Evans. Ideas, comments, suggestions, any photos to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

Trifecta

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added to the soil and an adequate layering of mulch will generally provide azaleas with sufficient nutrients; therefore, frequent fertilizing is often not required. However, if there are low amounts of nitrogen in the soil, applying fertilizer may be necessary in order to prevent a nutrient deficiency. Symptoms of a deficiency in azaleas include stunted growth, smaller greenish-yellow leaves, or early leaf drop. Fertilizing of these shrubs should take place in late spring to early fall.

Common Azalea Diseases & Pests

Although azaleas are generally free of pests and diseases with proper azalea care, common azalea diseases and problems do exist. Insects that can affect azaleas include lace bugs and spider mites. Lace bugs are more likely to target shrubs

that are grown in areas of full sun. Petal blight, leaf spots, and root rot are common diseases associated with these deciduous shrubs. Placing azaleas in areas with good drainage and conserving water by applying mulch usually helps reduce the chances of plant damage due to these problems.

How to Trim Azaleas

To maintain a more compact appearance or simply to encourage bushier growth, trim azaleas after their blooming period has expired. Taking time to trim azaleas by cutting back the branches of these shrubs will also help renew overgrown plants. Keeping your azaleas healthy throughout the growing season with good azalea care will ensure an abundance of beautiful blooms for many springs to come

Thomas

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ing interviews soon," Johnson informed. "We need to get this position filled," Erika Smith, council member stated. After the meeting I spoke with Flanagan,

"Some nights us council members are down there until midnight doing the work of the city clerk."

Mayor, Kim Johnson, and council members will be setting up a date to meet with The State Treasury Department for presentaion of a check for unclaimed properties.

Brandon Zirk was not present and Kelly Stadelman participated by phone for this meeting. The council meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Thomas Educational Center at 6:30 p.m.

Hannah Tierney, addressed the council about condemning this property on Brown Street in Thomas.

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Tucker County Health Department COVID-19 Update

Tucker County's total case numbers are 538 confirmed positive cases since the beginning of this pandemic, 3 active cases, 526 that have recovered and 9 deaths.

Gov. Jim Justice announced today that he will lift a face coverings requirement for people who have been **FULLY VACCINATED**.

The governor said the change would take the form of a revised executive order. He noted that the state's mask mandate would still apply to those who are **NOT FULLY VACCINATED**.

"Our face covering requirement will still apply to all those who have not been vaccinated until June 20," Justice said.

CDC's website says:

- If you are fully vaccinated, you can resume activities that you did prior to the pandemic.
- Fully vaccinated people can resume activities without wearing a mask or physically distancing, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance.

People are considered fully vaccinated:

- 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or
- 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine

IF YOU HAVE NOT GOTTEN VACCINATED AND WANT TO BE, please contact the Tucker County Health Department, St. George Medical Clinic, Preston Taylor Mountain Top Clinic or one of our pharmacies.

For children 12 and above, Pfizer has been approved and vaccinations can be obtained through our local providers or call the Health Department at 304-478-3572.

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OBITUARIES

Sandra Sue Carr

Sandra Sue Carr, age 73, of Davis, WV died at her home on December 3, 2020. She was born December 06, 1946 at home in Dryfork, WV; a daughter to the late Clarence and Nellie (Wymer) Kisamore.

Friends will be received at Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home, Saturday, May 22, 2021 from 1–3 p.m. to celebrate Sandra's life.

Matthew Alan McDowell

Hospital in Morgantown, WV. Born on May 3, 1963 in Elkins, WV; a son to Richard McDowell and Rebecca (Friend) McDowell.

Matt was a devoted husband and proud father. He had a natural technical ability that brought him to work in power, transportation, maintenance and later earn his Bachelor's degree in computer systems. He loved spending time outdoors near his Davis home, hunting and fishing with his family and friends. His gentle spirit and comical nature are cherished in the hearts of all who knew him.

Matt is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Edie McDowell; Father and Mother, Richard and Rebecca McDowell; two daughters, Lea McDowell and Lydia McDowell; three brothers, Jeffrey McDowell and wife Sandra, Lynn McDowell and David McDowell and wife LuAnn.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Susan McDowell; and one sister-in-law, Cathie McDowell.

Friends were received at Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home, Monday, May 17, 2021, from 5–8 p.m., Rosary was held at 7:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was held, 11 a.m., Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church with Father Timothy Grassi as Celebrant. Interment followed in the Davis Cemetery. The Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home was honored to be serving the McDowell family at this time.



Ordinance

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matters on the floor or go into executive session?" The council voted to move to executive session, at which time they did.

Motion was made to set a date for the towns Spring Cleanup Day. Derek Huffman and Robert Leary, both town employees had vacation requests approved.

The council agreed to approve the two building permits it had received, grandfathering in the previous ordinance and permit application stipulations. These permits were applied for before the final reading of the ordinance at this meeting.

Ike Kahlar-NYSC, spoke of waste water issues they are having at the CVI

building on Route 93. "We want to add in trails, primitive campsites, and cabins," Kahlar added. They are seeking permission from the town to connect to their waste water. Mayor Martin said "I sent the letters to the DEP, we're at the DEPs mercy now."

Ross Hoppe and Matt Hauger presented to the council about Cottrill's Opera House seeking a letter of support from the town for grant applications. When asked if the building was worth putting all this money into Hauger replied, "Us and our experts believe so."

The meeting was adjourned with the next meeting being at 6: p.m. on May 26, 2021.

AAA Predicts Surge in Memorial Day Holiday Travel

60% more travelers predicted than last year, but still nearly 6 million fewer than pre-pandemic

AAA Travel expects a significant rebound in the number of Americans planning to travel this Memorial Day holiday weekend. More than 37 million people are expected to travel 50 miles or more from home nationwide during the holiday weekend. That's an increase of 60% from last year when only 23 million traveled, the lowest on record since AAA began

recording in 2000.

The predicted increase in demand from last year's holiday, which fell during the early phase of the pandemic, still represents 13% (nearly 6 million) fewer travelers than in 2019. AAA notes that the actual number of holiday travelers could fluctuate as the holiday approaches and urges travelers to exercise caution and protect themselves and others as the pandemic continues.

"As more destinations open and

vaccines are administered, we're seeing an increase in consumers who are ready to get out and enjoy the unofficial start of the summer travel season," says Bevi Powell, senior vice president, AAA East Central. "The pent-up demand for travel could also be a sign of things to come this summer, as more people feel comfortable hitting the road and making new memories with family and friends," she added.

South Atlantic Region Memorial Day Forecast Highlights:

*Region includes Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Method of Travel	Total Travelers	Increase from 2020
• Automobile	6.6 million	52.7%
• Air travel	503,000	579.6%
• Other (bus, train, ship, etc.)	23,000	23.5%
• Region Total	7.18 million	61.3%

AAA Travel has noted significant recent increases in online traffic and bookings on AAA.com, particularly for hotels and car rentals, heading into the summer travel season. AAA booking data reveal that domestic travel and road trips remain the biggest drivers of travel recovery in the near term. AAA recommends working with a travel advisor, who can help if you need to make any last-minute changes to travel plans as well as explore travel insurance options and help you plan a vacation that meets your needs and comfort-level this summer.

When planning a trip, travelers can also refer to the new AAA Digital TourBook guides, now available for destinations across the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean at TourBook.AAA.com. Available on smartphone, tablet or desktop, the new interactive guides feature detailed destination information, must-see attractions, sample itineraries, and more.

Latest CDC Recommendations

A factor contributing to the expected increase in travel this holiday is the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) recently updated guidance that fully vaccinated people can travel domestically at low risk to themselves, while taking proper precautions. It's important to keep in mind that some local and state travel restrictions may remain in place, however. Travelers can refer to AAA's COVID-19 Travel Restrictions Map and TripTik.AAA.com for the latest information to help plan their trip.

For travelers who are not vaccinated but choose to travel, CDC recommends that you practice social distancing, wear a mask, wash your hands and get tested before and after travel. Whether you are vaccinated or not, remember masks are required on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation traveling into, within, or out of the United States and in U.S. transportation hubs such as airports and stations.

Huge Increase in Air Travel Expected, but Most Travelers Will Take Road Trips

With 34 million Americans planning Memorial Day road trips nationwide, auto travel is expected to increase 52% compared to 2020. Nearly 12 million more Americans will travel by car this holiday than in 2020, though this is still 9% less than in 2019. More than 9 in 10 Memorial Day travelers will drive to their destinations, as many Americans continue to substitute road trips for travel via planes, trains and other modes of transportation.

After a historically low year of air travel in 2020, this Memorial Day will see nearly 2.5 million Americans boarding airplanes, nearly six times more than last year (+577%). Still, 750,000 fewer people will take to the skies this holiday compared to 2019. AAA reminds air travelers that masks are required in all airports and on flights.

Meanwhile, just 237,000 Americans are expected to travel by other modes, including bus and train, this Memorial Day. This is the second-lowest volume on record, higher only than the 185,000 who traveled in 2020. In 2021, travel via these modes will be 88% below 2019 levels.

Drivers Beware: Worst Times to Hit the Road

INRIX predicts drivers will encounter the longest travel delays before the holiday weekend, particularly during the afternoons on Thursday, May 27 and Friday, May 28. Drivers in several major U.S. metros could experience double the travel times compared to a normal trip, while Atlanta, Houston and New York drivers could see more than three times the delay on the busiest corridors.

"Although vehicle trips are down as much as 40% in some metros, afternoon congestion is nearly back to pre-pandemic levels. With the increase of holiday travelers to the typical afternoon commute, drivers in the larger metros should expect lon-

ger delays heading into the holiday weekend," said Bob Pishue, transportation analyst, INRIX. "Travelers should anticipate delays to start on Wednesday and continue through Memorial Day. Our advice to drivers is to avoid the evening commute times and plan alternate routes."

Before Road Trips, Prep Your Car

As with any major holiday, AAA prepares for an influx of roadside assistance calls. This year, AAA expects to rescue more than 468,000 Americans at the roadside over the Memorial Day weekend.

One of the added factors this year is vehicles that have sat idle for periods of time. Since many people cut down their driving time last year, many vehicles haven't had the chance to run an amount of time that would be considered optimal for the vehicle's mechanical health. Before hitting the road, AAA reminds motorists visit a AAA Approved Auto Repair facility to have their vehicles inspected and, if need be, repaired.

About the Survey: AAA's projections are based on economic forecasting and research by IHS Markit, a London-based business information provider. For the purposes of this forecast, the Memorial Day holiday travel period is defined as Thursday, May 27 through Monday, May 31. The five-day holiday period is consistent with previous Memorial Day holiday periods. This forecast was finalized during the week of April 12.

In cooperation with AAA, IHS Markit developed a unique methodology to forecast actual domestic travel volumes, using macroeconomic drivers such as employment, output, household net worth, asset prices including stock indices, interest rates, housing market indicators, and variables related to travel and tourism, including prices of gasoline, airline travel and hotel stays. For the 2021 Memorial Day holiday travel forecast, IHS Markit also examined changes in the IHS Markit containment index regarding COVID-19-related restrictions and activity.



Sincere Appreciation

Our family would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for all the kind acts of sympathy shown to our family during the loss of our loved one, Hancel J. "Hank" Thompson.

We want to thank everyone who may have made phone calls, visits to our family, sent flowers, cards, brought food, gave monetary gifts or gave gift in his memory or any other acts of kindness we may have missed.

We want to thank The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home and staff. Special thanks to Nick and Anita for their caring, kindness and wonderful service they provided to our family.

Special thanks to Reverend Charles Hicks for his comforting words and for officiating the service.

Special thanks to the Pallbearers.

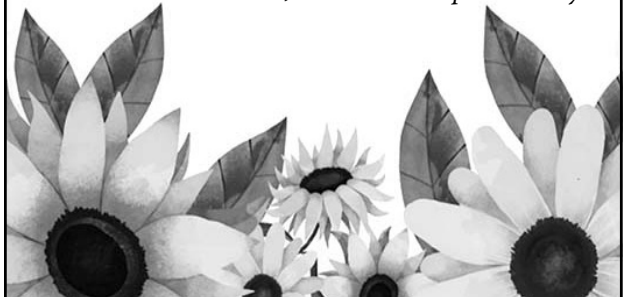
Thanks to our church family, neighbors, friends and all of Hank's friends, for all of your wonderful acts of kindness and sympathy.

Our family will forever hold in our hearts all of the people and friends and all the fond memories that "Hank" had made during his life here on earth.

If we missed anyone, or anything, please accept this as a personal Thank You for what you may have done.

May God Bless you all

With heartfelt thanks and appreciation
The Hancel J. "Hank" Thompson Family



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Leyh Graduates from Renowned Economic Development Institute

Steve Leyh, Executive Director of the Tucker County Development Authority graduated from the University of Oklahoma Economic Development Institute (OU EDI) on April 29, 2021 at the OU EDI Spring session.

OU EDI is an intensive 117-hour certificate program which provides a broad spectrum of advanced education for the economic development professional. Mark James, Dean, said, "OU EDI is the premier organization dedicated to training economic development professionals. These graduates represent some of the finest economic development practitioners in the U.S. working to support their local communities. My congratulations to them."

OU EDI classes focus on three major core areas including: Business Retention and Expansion, Real Estate, and Credit Analysis, as well as areas of concentration in Workforce Development, Marketing, Strategic Planning, Entrepreneurship, Community & Neighborhood Development, and Managing Economic Development Organizations. Students typically take 1-2 years to complete the program through a series of intensive in-person or online courses.

OU EDI began in 1962 and is celebrating its 59th year of service to the economic development community. Fully accredited by the International Economic Development Council (IEDC), the program has certified nearly 6,000 professionals and remains the world's leading economic development teacher.

Leyh has served as Executive Director of the Tucker County Development Authority since November 2017. The Tucker County Development Authority works to improve the economic well being and quality of life in Tucker County.

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Create a Garden Anywhere with Straw Bale Gardening

By Melinda Myers

Add productive garden space and raise your planting bed with straw bale gardening. This technique allows you to create a raised bed garden on the patio, lawn, or poor compacted soil. Straw bale gardening has been around for centuries, but thanks to Joel Karsten's book *Straw Bale Gardens* it has gained new popularity.

All you need are a few straw bales, fertilizer, a bit of compost and time to condition, plant and water your garden.

Purchase straw bales made from alfalfa, wheat, oats, rye or other cereal that have less weed seeds than hay. Start a few weeks before you plan to start planting.

Place bales in their permanent location with the cut sides up and twine parallel to the ground. When you start the conditioning process, they become very heavy and hard to move. Once the bales are in place, you are ready to start the conditioning process. This is done to start the inside of the straw bales composting, so they will support plant growth.



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Cutline: The straw bale gardening technique begins with the conditioning process which is done to start the inside of the straw bale composting, so it can support plant growth.

Double Digit Gas Price Increases in West Virginia; May Climb Higher with Major Pipeline Shutdown

The average price of gasoline across Northern West Virginia jumped 13 cents this week to \$2.890 per gallon, according to AAA East Central's Gas Price Report.

- This week's average prices: Northern WV Average \$2.890
- Average price during the week of May 3, 2021 \$2.760
- Average price during the week of May 11, 2020 \$1.794

The following is a list of the average prices in several West Virginia locations:

\$2.899	Bridgeport
\$2.901	Clarksburg
\$2.887	Huntington
\$2.916	Martinsburg
\$2.890	Morgantown
\$2.887	Parkersburg
\$2.868	Weirton
\$2.870	Wheeling

Trend Analysis:

On the week, the national gas price average jumped six cents to \$2.96. If the trend continues, an increase of three more cents would make the national average the most expensive since November 2014 —the last time we saw average prices at \$2.99 and higher.

AAA forecasts gas prices to climb this week in reaction to the shutdown of the Colonial Pipeline, which delivers approximately 45% of all fuel to the East Coast. Over the weekend, the Colonial Pipeline announced they were the victim of a cybersecurity attack and, as a precaution, shut

down the pipeline, which runs from Texas to New York Harbor. At this time, some lateral lines have reopened, but there is no word of when the mainline, including the gasoline line, will be operational.

This shutdown will have implications on both gasoline supply and prices, but the impact will vary regionally. Areas including Mississippi, Tennessee and the east coast from Georgia into Delaware are most likely to experience limited fuel availability and price increases, as early as this week. These states may see prices increase three to seven cents this week.

The longer the pipeline is offline, the larger the impact on the east coast. However, foreign gasoline imports and other pipelines can supplement Northeastern supply. Other areas of the country will see little impact.

At the close of Friday's formal trading session, WTI increased by 19 cents to settle at \$64.90. Market optimism that crude demand will recover, despite an uptick in coronavirus infection rates, helped to lift prices last week. Prices could continue to climb this week if the market remains optimistic as vaccines continue to roll-out. Additionally, prices increased after the Energy Information Administration's (EIA) latest weekly report revealed that total domestic crude oil inventory dropped by 8 million barrels to 485.1 million barrels. If EIA's next report shows another decrease in total domestic crude supply, crude prices could climb further this week.

Motorists can find current gas prices nationwide, statewide, and countywide at GasPrices.AAA.com.

Day one spread fertilizer over the tip of the bale. Use one half cup of a complete garden fertilizer or three cups of an organic fertilizer, like Milorganite. The organic fertilizers feed the microorganisms that help decompose the straw into a nutrient rich planting medium. Now thoroughly moisten the bale with water.

Continue to thoroughly soak the bale every day. On days three and five you will also add more fertilizer at the same rate used on day one.

Days seven through nine use half the rate used on day one. This would be one quarter cup of a complete garden fertilizer or one and a half cups of an organic fertilizer. And once again thoroughly water the bale.

On day ten you will add one cup of 10-10-10 or three cups of an organic fertilizer rich in phosphorous and potassium. This completes the conditioning process.

Bales treated with a complete fertilizer should be ready to plant. You will likely need to wait a few more days when using an organic fertilizer. The inside of the bale should be the temperature of warm bath water or cooler. If it is hotter than this, wait for the bale to cool a bit before planting.

Use a trowel to pry open a hole in the

bale. Place the transplant in the hole and cover the roots with potting mix or compost.

Create a planting bed for seeds by covering the bale with a one- to two-inch-thick layer of planting mix. Follow the planting directions on the back of the seed packet.

Regular watering is critical for success with this method. Soaker hoses or drip irrigation make this an easier task. You can also use gallon milk jugs with holes in the bottom or inverted 2-liter soda bottles placed near the base of each plant to provide water where it is needed.

Give your straw bale garden a nutrient boost about once a month or as needed throughout the growing season.

You are on your way to growing a productive straw bale garden to enjoy throughout the season.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *The Midwest Gardener's Handbook and Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything"* DVD series and the nationally-syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine. Her web site is www.melindamyers.com.



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Charleston WV – The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to *e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia* at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

May 19, 1920: Ten people were killed in what became known as the Matewan Massacre. Baldwin-Felts detectives came to Matewan to evict striking miners and their families, but Police Chief Sid Hatfield tried to stop the evictions as being unauthorized by law.

May 20, 1949: Nick Joe Rahall II was born in Beckley. When Rahall entered Congress in 1977, he was its youngest member.

May 21, 1853: William M.O. Dawson was born in Bloomington, Maryland, just across the Potomac River from what is now the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia. He became the 12th governor of West Virginia.

May 22, 1947: Supreme Court Justice Margaret "Peggy" Workman was born in Charleston. In

the election of November 1988, she became the first woman on the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals and the first woman to be elected to statewide office in West Virginia.

May 23, 1862: In what became known as the Battle of Lewisburg, Union troops repelled a Confederate advance, killing 38 and wounding 66, while losing only 13 men.

May 23, 1941: Rod Thorn was born in Princeton. Thorn attended West Virginia University, where he was an All-American guard. Thorn has had an extended and distinguished career in the National Basketball Association.

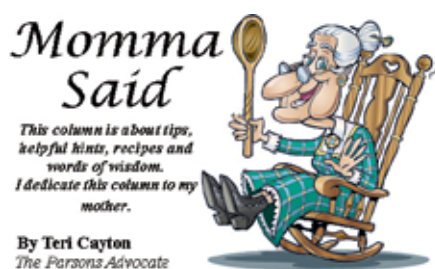
May 24, 1896: Confederate General John Echols died in Staunton, Virginia. Echols served in the Kanawha Valley in 1862 and commanded Confederate forces at their defeat at the Battle of Droop Mountain in November 1863.

May 25, 1903: Industrialist and philanthropist Bernard Patrick McDonough

Jr. was born in Texas, to an Irish railroading family. Starting with a Parkersburg construction business in the 1930s, McDonough built a Fortune 500 company with operations in hand tools, building materials and barge building. The Bernard P. McDonough Foundation remains one of the largest private foundations in West Virginia.

May 25, 1937: William H. "Teepi" Kendrick died in Morgantown. Kendrick was a pioneer in West Virginia's 4-H program. He broadened the program to emphasize more than just agriculture, and he was primarily responsible for establishing the state 4-H camp at Jackson's Mill.

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We can send men to the moon, rovers to Mars and we still can't answer the question, "Which came first, the chicken or the egg?" And think about this, we can eat a chicken before it is born and we can eat it after it is dead. Some people even eat chicks in the egg before they are hatched, (Yuck). We even eat some of its guts, the liver, gizzard, heart and some cultures even make chicken foot soup (Yuck and Yuck.) There is an old adage that farmers get up with the chickens but you have to think, who gets the chickens up? The rooster of course, but we never hear about him. **Momma Said**, "We hear FROM him but not about him."

These are the things I ponder on when I am driving or trying to go to sleep. I can't shut my brain off so I can get a good night's sleep. Why do we think of such mundane stuff? The brain is such a complicated machine and to think a chicken's brain is about the size of a peanut. I would bet money that that chicken or rooster is not thinking about eating us. All they think about is eating, laying eggs and pooping.

And pound for pound when an old hen is sitting on a clutch of eggs she is as mean as a Rottweiler. She will peck

the snot out of your hand if you try to retrieve any eggs from under her. There are still a lot of people out there that think you have to have a rooster for your hens to lay eggs. Not true, you only need a rooster if you want to raise chicks. The hens are predisposed to lay eggs, it will come out rooster or not.

I like chickens and they do make great pets if you spend the time with them. I liked to just spend time with them and they do have a very calming affect just being around them. Just like any other bird they take dust baths and it was so funny to watch them scratch up a patch of ground and then fluff themselves up so big just to roll around in the dirt. **Momma Said**, "A little dirt never hurt anyone, and last but not least you have the ever present question, why did the chicken cross the road?"

Chicken and Dumplings Recipe

INGREDIENTS

- 6 tablespoons butter
- 1 cup chopped yellow onion
- 1 cup matchstick carrots
- 1 cup diced celery
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 tablespoons all purpose flour
- 12 oz (1 can) evaporated milk
- 32 oz (1 quart) chicken stock
- 4 cups shredded cooked chicken
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme (or 1 teaspoon dried thyme)
- 2 teaspoons freshly cracked black pepper (or to taste)
- salt, to taste



HOMEMADE DUMPLINGS:

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon, baking powder
- 1 teaspoon freshly cracked black pepper
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme (or 1 teaspoon dried thyme)
- 3/4 cup (6 oz.) whole milk
- 4 tablespoons butter, melted

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In a large heavy bottomed pot (like a dutch oven), melt butter over medium-high heat.
2. Add onion, carrots and celery. Cook for 5 minutes, until vegetables being to wilt. Add garlic and cook for 1 minute more.
3. Add flour and stir to combine. Cook for 1 minute.
4. Add evaporated milk and chicken stock and quickly stir to combine.
5. Bring to a boil and add chicken, thyme, black pepper and salt. Let soup simmer, uncovered, while you make dumplings.
6. In a large bowl, whisk together

flour, baking powder, pepper, salt and thyme. Make a well in the center of the flour mixture and pour the milk and butter into the center of it.

7. Using a wooden spoon (or rubber spatula), stir together until dough ball forms. If your dough seems too dry, you can add an extra tablespoon of milk.
8. Using a large** sized cookie scoop, scoop dough and drop directly into the simmering soup. Place them around the pot, not all in the same place.
9. Once all dumplings have been added, gently press them down so the soup runs over just the tops of them.
10. Place the lid on your pot and lower the heat a little to a low simmer (you don't want the bottom of the soup to burn but also want the soup to still be simmering to cook the dumplings).
11. Cook for 15 minutes, gently stir the soup/dumplings and then cut one dumpling in half to make sure they are cooked through.
12. If the dumplings are cooked through, serve hot! If not, cook an additional 2-3 minutes and check again.

Super Crossword BOTH SIDES

ACROSS

1 Having lasting import

9 Enzyme name ending

12 Directory no.

15 Toasty

19 In a busy way

20 Wacky

22 86-Across star Nastase

23 * Earth's layers of rock strata

25 Met VIP

26 Reaping mo.

27 Partner

28 "Keystone" officer

29 Revoluting one

30 Sit in on, as a class

32 * Top-end

35 Accompany

39 -um (gnat)

41 Delicious

42 * Taking baby steps, perhaps

45 Cause to take notice

49 Touch-related

50 Away from home

51 -en-Provence

53 Altercation

54 Spanish for "these"

55 Bank account amt.

57 Tick off

59 Indigo dye

60 Japanese religion

62 * Criterion applied unequally

66 Brainchild

68 Boosting drink

69 Prefix with dynamics

70 * Football receiver's success

76 Swab analysis site

81 Everyone, to Germans

82 Dust specks

83 See 124-Across

85 Ballplayer

86 Tennis site

88 Org. for an air marshal

89 August hrs.

91 13th-century king of England

93 Final stops

95 * Classic coaster at Disney parks

98 Muscat native

100 Driving around in a Winnebago, e.g.

101 Moured loudly

102 * Not on a leash

106 Dying fire feature

108 Go wide of

109 Apple apps use it

110 Norwegian port

111 Kin of -trix

115 Axel relative

116 Repeatedly (or a hint to both halves of the answers to the starred clues)

121 Ballet dip

122 Hauled

123 Rendered unnecessary

124 With 83-Across, gave spoonfuls to directly

125 Plane domain

126 Paper crew, for short

127 Proximity

DOWN

1 Witchy types

2 Frozen drink treat

3 "Uncle!"

4 Arcade error

5 Lacto- — diet

6 Bylaw, briefly

7 Epic of Troy

8 Tour de France activity

9 In a skillful way

10 Brit's title

11 Book before Daniel

12 Heisman, e.g.

13 Be human

14 Fronted

15 Erudite

16 Perp's out

17 Kind of bolt

18 Soft, dry and crumbly

21 Slip — (flub up)

24 Certain aria

29 Thruway exits

30 Like painters

31 Elec. or water

32 August woe

33 Man of La Mancha

34 Steak — (frozen beef brand)

35 Politician Kefauver

36 Hoard

37 Mojave plants

38 Dramatist Joe

40 Dallas coll.

43 Kan. neighbor

44 Narrow way

46 Big Sicilian volcano

47 Ruckus

48 Auction cry

52 Wacky

56 Gets used (to)

57 Jai —

58 Unit of 36"

61 Lakers great Lamar

63 Beehive

64 Exacta, e.g.

65 Titleless one

67 Being hammy

70 War ender

71 Salve plant

72 Put-down

73 Preached

74 Grassy fields

75 Most regularly ("It's —!") ("You're on!")

78 Old ship-locating system

79 World War II hero Murphy

80 Sightless

84 "in excelsis —"

87 Demure

89 Jazz great Brubeck

90 — fi flick

92 "Valley of the Dolls" co-star

94 Flatbread of India

96 Foretell

97 Film studio roarer

99 "Excuse me, but ..."

102 Actor Fiennes

103 Palate dangler

104 Away from home

105 "Walkabout" director Nicolas

107 Frozen, dome-shaped dessert

110 Likelihood

111 Actor Richard

112 "Valley of the Dolls" co-star Sharon

113 Links

114 Halts

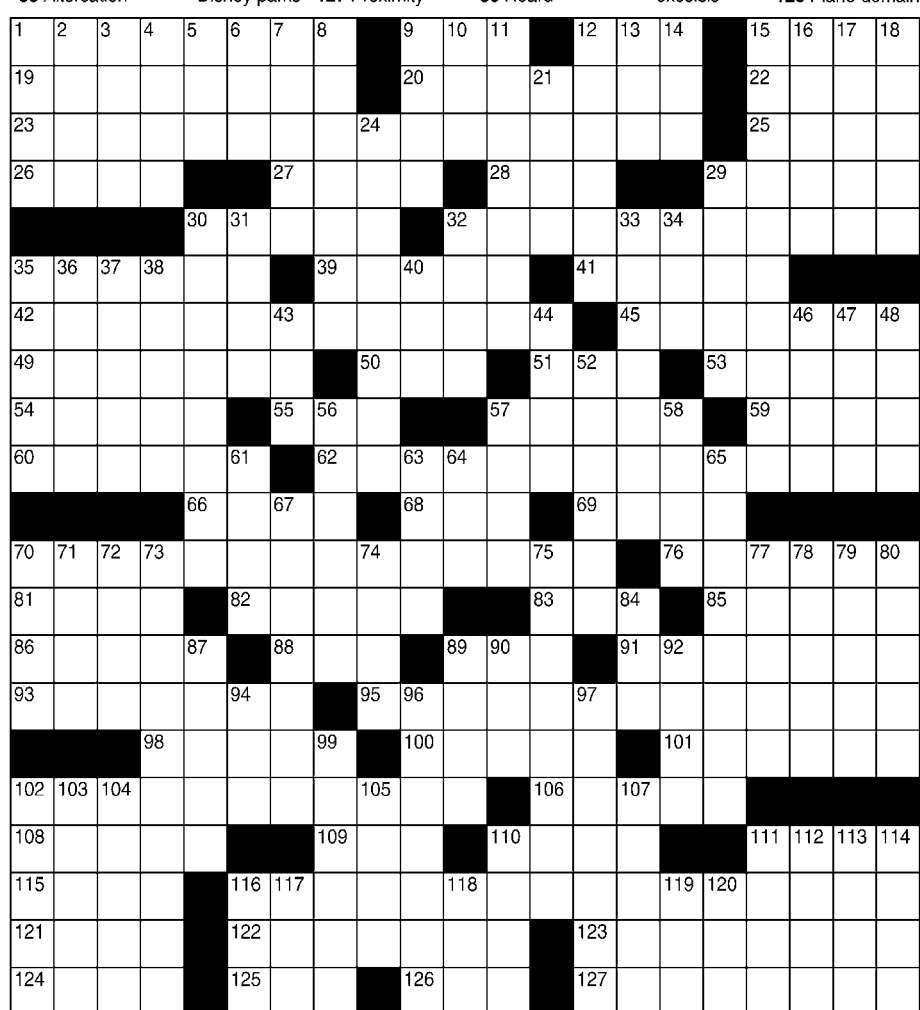
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118 Flanders of Springfield

119 LaRue of "CSI: Miami"

120 Plane domain



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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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PRECIPITATION

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Cortland Celebrates National Skilled Nursing Care Week



With mild temperatures and sunny skies on Thursday, everyone enjoyed shaved ice from Kona Ice out of Oakland, MD, plenty of freshly popped popcorn and delicious cotton candy.



To celebrate this year's National Skilled Nursing Care Week theme of 'Together Through The Seasons', Cortland decorated their dining room for each season with cute and colorful displays.



Massage



Cont. From Front Page

residents who are working to become certified in infant massage. "We'd like to get the word out since we need babies and moms in order to do so. Our staff needs five babies each to teach massage to their parents in order to complete our certifications," stated Angie Davis. Babies need to be under 12 months old and preferably not crawling or walking yet.

If you are interested you can call Davis at the Tucker FRN, 304-478-3827.



Cortland's 'Hand Tree' continued to grow throughout the week with inspirational hands from residents, visitors and staff.

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SPORTS

Tucker County track teams travel to Liberty & Doddridge Co.

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

CLARKSBURG – The Tucker County Girls' and Boys' Track teams traveled to Liberty High School on Tuesday May 11th for a 6 team meet. The Tucker County Boys' team finished 2nd in the meet with a team score of 87. The Lady Mt. Lions team took 3rd place in the meet with a score of 92 total points.

Boys' Results: **100m:** 8th-Jakob Barrett(13:11). **200m:** 5th-Haden Wams-

ley(26.35), 6th-JJ Knotts(26.53), 10th-Jakob Barrett(27.41), 13th-Grant Poling(28.09), 15th-Conner Evick(28:76), 16th-Ethan McCrum(30.96). **400m:** 3rd-Haden Wamsley(59.40), 6th-Clay Poling(1:01.98), 9th-Grant Poling(1:03.00), 10th-Ethan McCrum(1:03.91), 11th-Ethan McCrum(1:04.99). **800m:** 3rd-Devin Witmore(2:19.52), 9th-Wesley Strawderman(2:29.70), 10th-Jakob Barrett(2:33.64), 12th-Ethan McCrum(2:54.00). **1600m:** 7th-Wesley Strawderman(5:35.67). **3200m:** 7th-Clay Poling(13:04.25).

4x100m: 3rd-J.Knotts, T.Eure, G.Mullenax, J.Barrett(51.41).

4x200m: 2nd-T.Eure, H.Wamsley, D.Witmore, C.Poling(1:46.10).

4x400m: 2nd-W.Strawderman, H.Wamsley, T.Eure, D.Witmore(4:01.23).

4x800m: 1st-W.



Photo by Lisa Smith

Tucker County's Tate Mullenax competes in the Discus at Doddridge County on May 14th. Mullenax finished 5th in the event with a throw of 114'6".

Strawderman, C.Poling, T.Eure, 11th-Connor Evick(11'05"). **Shot Put:** D.Witmore(9:34.07). **Pole Vault:** 2nd- 2nd-Tate Mullenax(39'03.5"), 5th-JJ Knotts(7'06"). **Long Jump:** 3rd-JJ. Gavin Mullenax(32'09.75"), 7th-Hayden Knots(16'02"), 7th-Grant Poling(13'11").

See TRACK page 6B



2021 Tucker County Girls' Basketball Class "A" All-State Members(L-R): Kadie Colebank, London Hood, Macy Helmick.

Tucker County girls' basketball players collect All-State honors

By Chris George
TuckerCountySports.Com

The WV Sports Writers Association announced the members of the Class "A" Girls' Basketball All-State team on May 11th. Tucker County Sophomore Kadie Colebank was honored as a 1st team selection on the All-State list. Colebank averaged 17 points per game for the Lady Mt. Lions and 13 rebounds per contest. Tucker County finished the season with a 17-5 record after falling in the State Tournament Final Four. Junior London Hood was recognized as an Honorable Mention selection. Hood averaged 13 points per game and 6 assists per game from the point guard position for the Lady Mt. Lions. Freshman Macy Helmick also collected an Honorable Mention selection for Tucker County. Helmick averaged 9 points per game and 4 rebounds per game for the Lady Mt. Lions. Tucker County competed in their 17th straight State Tournament on April 27th where they defeated Webster County in the quarterfinal game. Tucker County fell in the semifinal game against Tug Valley on April 29th. For a complete list of the All-State selections visit TuckerCountySports.Com.



Photo by Amanda Kisamore

Tucker County's Zack Colebank waits for a pitch against Philip-Barbour on May 12th. The Mt. Lions fell in the contest 15-5.

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

MILL CREEK – The Tucker County Baseball team traveled to Tygarts Valley for a single game on Tuesday May 11th. The Mt. Lions used some strong pitching and good offense to get an 8-7 win against the Bulldogs in a 12 inning marathon.

Mason Kisamore led things off on the mound going 6 innings, striking out 8 and allowing only 4 hits. Zack Colebank entered the game in relief and he went 6 innings striking out 9 batters while allowing 6 hits.

Mason Kisamore and Zack Colebank each drove in 1 run each, while Colebank collected the most hits on the night with 2. Trenton Wilfong, Maddox Anderson, Gus Mullenax, Mason Kisamore, and Harper Russell all collected hits in the game. Anderson, Kisamore, and Husk each scored twice while Mullenax, and Wilfong each scored once in the Tucker County victory.

PARSONS – The Mt. Lions Baseball team hosted Philip-Barbour for one game on Wednesday May 12th. Phillip Barbour jumped out to an early lead

See BASEBALL page 4B

AREA SCHEDULE:

Wednesday May 19th

- Tucker County Softball @ Petersburg(DH) 5pm/6:30pm
- Tucker County Baseball vs East Hardy @ Home 5pm
- Tucker Valley & Davis-Thomas Track @ Moorefield

Thursday May 20th

- Tucker County Softball @ Elkins(DH) 5pm/6:30pm
- Tucker County Baseball vs Pendleton @ Home 6pm
- Tucker Valley Baseball @ Buckhannon-Upshur(DH) 5pm/7pm

Friday May 21st

- Tucker County Girls' & Boys' Track @ Doddridge County 4pm
- Tucker Valley Softball vs Doddridge County(DH) @ Home 6:30pm/8pm
- Tucker Valley Baseball vs Elkins Middle(DH) @ Home 5pm/7pm

Saturday May 22nd

- Tucker County Softball vs Moorefield(DH) @ Home 5pm/6:30pm
- Tucker County Baseball @ Paw Paw(DH) 12pm/2pm

Monday May 24th

- Tucker County Baseball @ Union 5pm
- Tucker Valley Softball vs Robert Bland(DH) @ Home 5pm/7pm

Tuesday May 25th

- Tucker County Softball vs Grafton(DH) @ Home 5:30pm/7pm
- Tucker County Baseball vs Tygarts Valley @ Home 5pm
- Tucker County Girls' & Boys' Track @ Buckhannon-Upshur 4pm

Macy Helmick named to All-Tournament team



2021 Class "A" Girls Basketball All-Tournament Team

By Chris George
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Tucker County's Girls' Basketball Freshman Macy Helmick was selected to the 2021 WV Girls' Basketball State Tournament Class "A" All-Tournament Team after the conclusion of the Class "A" Championship game on May 1st.

Helmick scored 16 points in Tucker County's win over Webster County on April 27th and then Helmick led the Lady Mt. Lions in scoring with 9 points in their semifinal loss to Tug Valley on April 29th. Members of the All-Tournament team was as follows: Makayla May(Tug Valley), Lili Neely(Cameron), Josie Montgomery(Calhoun County),

Kenzie Clutter(Cameron), Macy Helmick(Tucker County), Sydney Baird(Webster County), Ashlynn Van Tassell(Cameron) and Kaylea Baisden(Tug Valley). The All-Tournament team is voted on by all the working members of the media for the State Tournament during each Championship game.



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Good Luck!

Tucker County High Mt. Lions
Tucker Valley Wildcats
Davis Thomas Bears



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WVDOT accepts bids remotely for 16 projects

CHARLESTON, WV – A project to replace an important Monroe County bridge is among 16 projects included in a bid letting conducted by the West Virginia Division of Highways on Tuesday, May 11, 2021. The West Virginia Division of Highways continues to hold bid lettings remotely to move projects forward while protecting the public from COVID-19.

May's bid letting includes a project to replace the Red Sulphur Bridge on WV 12 in Monroe County, not far from the Virginia border.

"This project is crucial to the travel between West Virginia and Virginia," said Deputy State Highway Engineer Ryland Musick. "A lot of travel on WV 12 is controlled by that bridge."

WV 12 connects with US 219 at the Virginia border.

All projects which received bids in this letting are:

- District 6 road striping
- District 7 road striping
- District 8 road striping
- District 9 road striping
- District 10 road striping
- WV 12 Red Sulphur Bridge (Monroe County)
- Wardensville ADA ramp upgrades (Hardy County)
- US 250 ADA ramps (Barbour County)
- Cove Road ADA curb access (Hancock County)
- MacCorkle Avenue ADA curb access (Kanawha County)
- Mountaineer Highway turn lane and resurfacing (Wetzel County)
- Amma Road resurfacing (Roane County)
- Spring Run Road pile wall and slide correction (Ritchie County)
- Baileysville – Clear Fork Road resurfacing (Wyoming County)
- English – Yukon Road resurfacing (McDowell County)
- Clinton Bridge replacement (Ohio County)

The West Virginia Division of Highways is reviewing the bids and hopes to award contracts for these projects soon.

When the Division of Highways has a project that is determined to be best constructed by a contractor, it is processed through the bid letting system. A letting is a scheduled opportunity for contractors to review and bid on several construction projects at one time. Lettings are held either once or twice per month and conducted through the Bid Express System online at www.bidx.com and handled through the Contract Administration Division. Contractors need to subscribe to Bid Express before bids can be accepted on any project.

As the date and time approaches for the deadline of the letting, contractors are expected to place their bids, with complete documentation as necessary. Shortly after the letting, the projects with the each of the respective bids are reviewed. All bids are evaluated thoroughly for competitiveness and deemed acceptable through guidelines as approved by policy, reviewed and approved by the FHWA. Award of the contracts is made based on recommendation by our Awards Committee based on the results that evaluation and approval by the Commissioner. Projects are typically awarded to the lowest bidder which has all proper documentation in place.

Several factors are considered before awarding a bid, including whether a bid falls above or below the WVDOH Engineer's Estimate and by what percentage. In cases where a bid is above the Engineer's Estimate, WVDOH must consider the project need, repercussions of not awarding the project, additional funding sources and whether or not sufficient reasons exist for the differences in estimates. Most projects are reviewed, analyzed and awarded within a week of the bid letting, but the process can take longer.

Davis Medical Center NICHE Nurses and Staff Achieve Dementia Care Specialist Certification



Pictured above: Davis Medical Center's Nursing Staff who achieved Dementia Care Specialist Certification in 2020

Elkins, WV – As West Virginia's population continues to age, Davis Medical Center is preparing more nurses with the particular skills needed to care for the unique needs of elder patients.

NICHE (Nurses Improving Care for Health System Elders) is an international program designed to help hospitals improve the care of older adults. The vision of NICHE is for all patients 65-and-over to be given sensitive and exemplary care. DMC earned its original NICHE designation in 2016.

In 2019 DMC became the first and only hospital in the state to achieve Senior Friendly NICHE designation. Today, DMC continues to maintain one of the highest ratios of NICHE certified nursing staffs in WV.

Over sixty percent of the DMC inpatient population is 65 years or older. One of DMC's 2021 NICHE initiatives was to certify nurses and staff as Dementia Care Specialists. This was achieved by attending a 6.5

hour dementia conference. The conference topics included identifying and differentiating between dementias, preventing and reducing difficult behaviors, how to improve communication with cognitively impaired patients, and information on the latest medications and advancements in dementia. 115 nurses and staff received their certifications. New staff in six units will also be required to complete this certification, which will strengthen their skills and knowledge about dementia and improve the health status of the 65 years and older population.

"When seniors are hospitalized it can be a defining moment. The level of care they receive can improve their quality of life or cause complications. We are proud of the senior-friendly processes in place here for medication use, dementia, falls, and discharge planning. DMC's continuing goal is to provide safe, affordable, and quality care for our seniors, while achieving high patient, family, and

staff satisfaction," said Kim Maher, RN, DMC NICHE Coordinator.

Best practices adopted by nurses at DMC address common issues among the elderly, including:

Many seniors take medicines prescribed by multiple prescribers and reviewing medication lists is an important part of the geriatric nurses' role;

Making sure that seniors admitted to the hospital receive their correct daily medications on schedule even as they receive other tests or treatments in the hospital;

Paying special attention to nighttime lighting for patients who are ambulatory but have vision loss;

Establishing an open line of communication with family caregivers and providing them with the information and education they need to care for elderly patients at home;

Ensuring elderly patients understand and can follow instructions for their care established in their discharge plan.

Le and Nestor Join Vandevander & Nypl

Vandevander & Nypl, CPAs, AC is pleased to announce the addition of two new employees. Kate Le and Kim Nestor have both accepted employment, and started their new positions in early May, 2021.



Kate Le, Staff Accountant, graduated Summa Cum Laude from West Virginia Wesleyan College with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and a Master of Business Administration. She is aspiring to be a CPA within the next 5 years, and with her positive attitude and tireless energy, we are sure that she'll succeed. Le will work in all areas of the firm's business, includ-

ing new business startups, bookkeeping, payroll services, financial statement and tax return preparation.

Kim Nestor, Payroll and Bookkeeping Clerk, is a graduate of West Virginia University with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting. "I'm excited to work in public accounting. Vandevander & Nypl, CPAs, AC is a great place to work because their cus-

tomers base is large and very diverse, and they are focused on customer service," Nestor commented.

For more information on the services available from Kate, Kim or others, or to make an appointment with Vandevander & Nypl, CPAs, AC call 304-636-7420. Vandevander & Nypl, CPAs, AC is located at 1303 Harrison Avenue in Elkins.

WVDNR announces trout stockings

ELKINS, W.VA. — The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (WVDNR) stocked the following waters with trout during the week of May 3:

- Anawalt Lake
- Anthony Creek
- Berwind Lake
- Big Sandy Creek
- Blackwater River
- Boley Lake
- Buckhannon River
- Buffalo Creek (Brooke)
- Buffalo Creek (Clay)
- Buffalo Fork Lake
- Bullskin Run
- Cacapon Park Lake
- Camp Creek
- Castleman Run Lake
- Cherry River
- Clear Fork of Guyandotte River
- Clover Run
- Coopers Rock Lake
- Cranberry River
- Cranberry River (C&R)
- Dillons Run
- Dry Fork (McDowell)
- Dunloup Creek
- East Fork Greenbrier River
- East River
- Edwards Run Pond
- Elk River
- Evitts Run
- Fort Ashby Reservoir
- French Creek Pond
- Gandy Creek
- Glade Creek of Mann
- Glade Creek of New River
- Gladly Fork
- Greenbrier River (Durbin)
- Horseshoe Run
- Indian Rocks Lake
- Knapps Creek
- Laurel Fork (Randolph)
- Laurel Fork of Holly River
- Left Fork of Holly River
- Left Fork of Right Fork
- Buckhannon River
- Little Kanawha Headwaters
- Little River East Fork
- Greenbrier River
- Little River West Fork
- Greenbrier River
- Lost River
- Marsh Fork
- Mash Fork
- Mash Fork of Camp Creek (Children & Class Q)
- Mason Lake
- Middle Creek (Berkeley)
- Middle Fork River
- Middle Wheeling Lake
- Mill Creek (Berkeley)
- Mill Creek of South Branch
- Moores Run
- New Creek
- New Creek Dam No. 14
- North Fork Cherry River
- North Fork Patterson Creek
- North Fork South Branch
- Opequon Creek
- Paint Creek
- Panther Creek
- Paw Paw Creek
- Pinnacle Creek
- Pond Fork
- Poorhouse Pond
- RD Bailey Tailwaters
- Right Fork Buckhannon River
- Right Fork of Little Kanawha River
- Rockhouse Lake
- Rocky Marsh Run
- Seneca Lake
- Shavers Fork (Bemis)
- Shavers Fork (lower section rail stocking - High Falls and Bowden to Bemis sections)

- Shavers Fork (lower section)
 - Shavers Fork (upper section rail stocking – C&R section and downstream of C&R to Bemis)
 - Shavers Fork (upper section)
 - South Branch (Franklin)
 - South Branch (Smoke Hole)
 - South Fork Cherry River
 - Spruce Knob Lake
 - Spruce Laurel Fork
 - Summersville Tailwaters
 - Summit Lake
 - Trout Run
 - Tuckahoe Lake
 - Tygart Lake Tailwaters
 - Tygart Valley River Headwaters
 - Waites Run
 - Watoga Lake
 - West Fork Greenbrier River
 - Whiteday Creek
 - Williams River
- Stocking locations are also published on WVDNR's website

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Click It or Ticket high visibility enforcement begins

Enforcing the law prevents fatalities on West Virginia's roads

CHARLESTON, WV — The West Virginia Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) is reminding drivers about the lifesaving benefits of wearing a seat belt during the month of May, ahead of an expected busy summer travel season. The GHSP is working in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) national Click It or Ticket high-visibility enforcement effort. The statewide seat belt campaign, which coincides with the Memorial Day holiday, runs from May 14 to 31, 2021.

For this year's Click It or Ticket seat belt mobilization effort, the GHSP is coordinating Border to Border (B2B) on May 24 in West Virginia in cooperation with NHTSA's nationwide effort and in partnership with state highway safety offices across the country. B2B is a one-day, 4-hour national seat belt awareness event. The focus of B2B is on nighttime hours, when seat belt use is at its lowest. The B2B program aims to increase law enforcement participation by coordinating highly visible seat belt enforcement for drivers at heavily traveled, highly visible state border checkpoints.

"We want the act of buckling up to become automatic for all drivers and passengers," said Governor Jim Justice. "It's not just a safe thing to do—it's the law in West Virginia."

"You may think that you're safe in a certain vehicle like a pickup truck, or on a certain road, like many of our country back roads in West Virginia. But the truth is, you are safest when you are buckled up," said Bob Tipton, GHSP Director.

"If you are in a crash, the safest place to be is inside the vehicle. If you aren't properly restrained, there's a 75% chance you'll be killed if you are ejected from a vehicle during a crash. If you buckle up in a light truck, you reduce your risk of fatal injury by 60% and your risk of moderate to critical injury

by 65%," continued Tipton.

According to NHTSA, in 2019, there were 9,466 unbuckled passenger vehicle occupants killed in crashes in the United States. Of West Virginia's total roadway fatalities in 2019—which includes motorcyclists, pedestrians, and bicyclists—28% were unbuckled drivers and passengers. In that same year, 55% of passenger vehicle occupants killed at night (6 p.m.–5:59 a.m.) were not wearing their seat belts. That's why one focus of the Click It or Ticket campaign is nighttime enforcement. Participating law enforcement agencies will be taking a no-excuses approach to seat belt law enforcement, writing citations day and night. In West Virginia, the maximum penalty for a seat belt violation is \$25, with no added court costs or fees.

People who live in rural areas might believe that their crash exposure is lower, but in 2019, there were 11,971 passenger vehicle fatalities in rural locations, compared to 10,187 fatalities in urban locations. Out of those fatalities, 48% of those killed in the rural locations were not wearing their seat belts, compared to 45% in urban locations.

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, May is a critical period for law enforcement agencies to target unbuckled drivers. This is not a campaign to write tickets or train law enforcement. This is a campaign to help keep people safe and alive. Law enforcement officers and state highway safety officials see the casualties of not wearing a seat belt and are working to put an end to devastating preventable deaths in West Virginia.

"Some people may think that Click It or Ticket is about writing citations or making money. It is not. Enforcing the law saves lives, period. Before the primary seat belt law was passed in West Virginia, roadway fatalities numbered around 400 people nearly every year. Since the passage of the primary seat belt law, our fatality numbers have decreased substantially," concluded Tipton.

For more information about the West Virginia Governor's Highway Safety Program, visit www.dmv.wv.gov/ghsp or call 304-926-2509.

Resource within our community

Centers Against Violence formerly Women's Aid in Crisis is excited to announce Kimberly Shaffer as the Tucker County Outreach Coordinator.

Shaffer says she is new to her position and excited to be able to give back to our community and help in any way possible. Being Advocate in my hometown is rewarding. My office is in Parsons WV at the board of education building and my door is always open. You can also reach out by calling my office number 304-478-3338 or cell number 304-940-2444 if someone needs to text the cell number, they are welcome to.

Shaffer can offer resources to men, women, and children. Services are available to all, regardless of race, sex, color, religion, disability, economic status, sexual orientation, or national origin. • Advocacy services to adult and child victims of domestic and sexual violence, stalking and human trafficking. • Emergency shelter • 24 hour crisis hotline • Outreach services into communities of Randolph, Upshur, Braxton, Webster, Tucker and Barbour counties • Individual and group counseling and support services for adult victims, teens, and young children • Domestic violence screening for referrals to Legal Aid, and/or advocate accompaniment for Protection Order hearings • Prevention education programs within the schools and community organizations • Awareness activities • Information and Referral • Awareness presentations to schools, community and civic organizations • Life skills & parenting • Assistance with medical needs • Assistance to victims who are elderly and/or handicapped • Emergency transportation • Relocation services • Transitional housing *There is a fee associated with this service*

Sadly, a lot of people do not even know they are being abused or unable to identify the abuse that is happening to them. Maybe even unsure what the next step should be, and your Tucker County Advocate could offer services. If you or someone you know needs support, please reach out to the above contact information. Just one of many things and partners, "Kim works closely with our magistrates if you are filing for Domestic Protection Order she can attend that with you and provided service during that process." Coming forward for someone can be very hard; victims often can be scared, ashamed and worried. Helping victims & survivors with safety, hope and healing.

Forms of Abuse

- Domestic Violence is a pattern of behavior used by one person to establish power and control over another person through the use of fear and intimidation, often, but not always, including the threat or use of violence.
- Emotional Abuse: Most victims of emotional abuse agree that even though it does not leave physical scars and cannot be seen, emotional abuse can have long lasting effects that are often as damaging, if not more damaging than physical abuse. The use of insults and put downs, intimidating behaviors,

humiliation, and isolation are some of the more hidden signs that a relationship is abusive. Abusers often maintain power over others through words and actions which lower self-esteem, leaving the victim feeling helpless, hopeless, or unworthy.

- Physical Abuse: Abusers often hurt victims in ways that can't be seen, such as leaving marks or bruises on areas of the body that are hidden by clothes. Physical abuse can also include restraining (to limit movement), or depriving a victim of sleep, medical attention or food. More obvious physical signs that a relationship is abusive include being slapped, kicked, punched, pushed or choked. Physical violence may be common or not happen often, but almost always gets worse over time.
- Economic Abuse: Money is another method of power and control used by abusers. Not allowing the victim to have money or refusing to pay the bills are examples of economic abuse. If the victim works outside the home it is common for the abuser to create problems in their workplace, and to take control of their paycheck. In many cases the victim is forced to work, while the abuser does not. If the abuser works, there may be a long history of being fired from one job and then another.
- Sexual Assault: Being forced to have sex against your will is rape. It is still rape even if the person who forces you is someone you are married to, living with, or is a former or same sex partner. Sexual assault occurs when "No" is conveyed by one person, is ignored by another, and sexual penetration occurs anyway. This form of abuse degrades, humiliates, and causes pain to another person through the use of force, threats or intimidation.

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Baseball

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that Tucker County could not recover from as the Mt. Lions fell in the contest 15-5 at home.

Trenton Wilfong started things off on the mound for Tucker County as he gave up 1 hit while walking four. Ethan Rosenau would enter the game in the first inning going three and one third innings allowing 8 runs on 8 hits while striking out one. Blake Anderson finished things off on the mound going one and two thirds innings allowing two hits and striking out one.

Mason Kisamore led things at the plate for the Mt. Lions going 2 for 2 while drawing a walk. Kisamore would score once and he drove in a run on a double to center field. Harper Russell, Zack Colebank, and Gus Mullennax each collected a hit in the game with Russell and Colebank each collecting 1 RBI while Mullennax collected 2 RBI's in the loss for Tucker County.

PETERSBURG – Tucker County traveled to Petersburg on Thursday May 13th for a game against the Vikings. The Mt. Lions fell behind early and couldn't come back in a 14-1 loss at Petersburg. Peters-

burg scored eight runs in the third inning which included a combination of 4 hits and 4 errors.

Harper Russell was on the hill for Tucker County. Russell surrendered 14 runs on 10 hits over 3 innings, striking out four. Blake Anderson threw one inning in relief.

The Mt. Lions got on the scoreboard when Mason Kisamore hit a Triple to deep center field and was brought home during the next at bat when Zack Colebank singled. Kisamore and Ethan Rosenau each managed multiple hits, while Logan Husk chipped in with 1 hit. Zack Colebank had the only RBI of the game for Tucker County in the loss.

The Tucker County Baseball team will host East Hardy tonight May 19th at 5pm. The Mt. Lions will then host Pendleton County on Thursday May 20th for a single game starting at 6pm. Tucker County will then finish the week with a road double-header contest at Paw Paw on Saturday May 22nd with the first game at 12pm. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

DEADLINE 8AM MONDAY

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATES

To the Creditors and Beneficiaries of the following descendents' estates:

VERA LOUISE KNOTTS

Brenda Jones, Executrix

The Final Settlement and/or Waiver of Final Settlement in the above captioned estates have been presented before me by the respective Fiduciaries of said estates for approval, which reports were retained in my office at 14 S. Randolph Ave., Elkins, West Virginia.

I have approved these reports of Settlement as presented and will file the same with the Honorable County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, on or after June 1, 2021.

Any person having interest in said estate may appear before the Honorable County Commission to protect their interests as they may appear or else may be forever thereafter barred from asserting such interest.

Given under my hand May 10, 2021.

/s/ John J. Wallace, IV
John J. Wallace, IV

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I have before me the accounts of the Executor or Administrator of the estates of the following deceased persons:

Deceased	Personal Representative(s)
Ruth Donell McCoy	Kenton L. McCoy
1st publication 5/19/21	181 Spruce St.
2nd publication 5/26/21	Parsons, WV 26287
Jason P. Miller	Helen J. Harris
1st publication 5/19/21	PO Box 100
2nd publication 5/26/21	Parsons, WV 26287

Claims against any estate must be filed within sixty days of the date of first publication. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint to the Tucker County Commission, Tucker County Clerk, 211 First St., Suite 205, Parsons, WV. Any person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court must be filed with County Commission within sixty days after the date of first publication or thirty days of service of the notice, whichever is later.

ATTEST: SHERRY SIMMONS, TUCKER COUNTY CLERK

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OFFICIAL BALLOT
MUNICIPAL ELECTION
Town of Davis, West Virginia
June 8, 2021

To vote for a candidate mark an "X" in the square opposite to and at the left of the name.
In order to cast a WRITE-IN vote, you may write the name and office of the candidate in any location on the front side of this ballot.

FOR MAYOR
(Vote For ONE)

AL TOMSON

FOR RECORDER
(Vote For ONE)

JENNIE DELSIGNORE-HELMICK

FOR TOWN COUNCIL
(Vote For Not More Than FIVE)

JOHN FELTON

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS, a State Agency,
 Petitioner,
 v.
 NICHOLS FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a West Virginia Limited Partnership; PILLAR ENERGY, LLC, a West Virginia Limited Liability Company; GREYLOCK ENERGY, LLC, a Delaware Corporation, successor to Energy Corporation of America, successor to Eastern American Energy Corporation; JOHN AND/OR JANE DOE, unknown heirs or successors in interest to Charles R. Macomber; W.I. LONG or successors in interest; LOUISA E. LONG or successors in interest; and; JACOB KOPEC, Sheriff of Tucker County, West Virginia.
 Defendants.

UPON PROCEEDINGS TO CONDEMN LAND FOR PUBLIC USE.
 PROJECT NO. X342-H-40.21 05; NHPP-0484(322)
 PARCEL 102
 CIVIL ACTION NO. 21-C-13
 JUDGE: Hon. James W. Courrier, Jr.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of the above entitled action is to condemn certain real estate for public purposes under the provisions of Code 54-2-14a of the Official Code of the State of West Virginia of 1931 as amended, from among those entitled thereto. You, and each of you, are hereby notified that on or about the 5th day of May, 2021, a proper Application in condemnation was filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Tucker County, West Virginia. A copy of said Application may be obtained from the Clerk's Office.

You are also notified that on the 16th day of July, 2021, at 1:15 o'clock p.m., or at such time thereafter as the case may be heard, the above-styled matter will come on for hearing upon the heretofore filed Motion for Entry of Order of Defeasible Title, before the Honorable James W. Courrier, Jr., Judge of the Circuit Court of Tucker County at the Tucker County Courthouse, 215 First St., Parsons, West Virginia 26287.

You are further notified that on the above-stated date or at such later time to be noticed, further petition will be made upon the said Application by the undersigned on behalf of the Petitioner, the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways, a state agency, under the laws of the State of West Virginia, to the Circuit Court of Tucker County, West Virginia, in the courtroom of the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court to which this action is assigned, at a session of said Circuit Court, or in vacation thereof, to be then held at the Circuit Clerk's Office at the Courthouse of said County, for:

- (1) The appointment of Commissioners, as provided by statute, to ascertain a just compensation for the appropriated land described or referred to, as well as any damages to the residue of your lands not condemned, less all benefits that may be derived in respect to such residue from the purpose to which said land taken is to be appropriated;
- (2) The setting of a date for the convening of said Commissioners to view said real estate and to hear the evidence which may be offered by any party in interest, as provided by law; and
- (3) Petition may be made for such further orders and proceedings to be then and there entered and had, as may be necessary to condemn the easements in, over and through said lands for a right of way for public road purposes, all of which are more particularly described in said Application.

The lands over, through and from which said rights of way and easements for the public purposes are proposed to be taken in this proceeding shall include the specific rights of way and easements herein sought and shall extend to such width and depth as may be authorized by Chapter 17, Article 2A, Section 17 of the Official Code of West Virginia of 1931, as amended, together with all materials therein, and the same is located in Black Fork District, Tucker County, West Virginia being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

TRACT 1 – CONTROLLED ACCESS RIGHT OF WAY

BEGINNING at a point in the southern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being in the division line between Marshall F. Bishop and Karen L. Bishop and Nichols Family Limited Partnership and 252 feet right of and at right angle to proposed U.S. Route 48 acquisition baseline at Station 724+98, Project X342-H-40.21 (05), NHPP-0484 (322), Tucker County, West Virginia; thence, northerly, with said division line 640 feet, more or less, to a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being 240 feet radially left of baseline at Station 729+05;

thence, northeasterly, with said proposed controlled access right of way line 142 feet, more or less, to a point in the division line between Marshall F. Bishop and Karen L. Bishop and Nichols Family Limited Partnership, said point being 248 feet radially left of baseline at Station 730+40;

thence, northeasterly, with said division line 122 feet, more or less, to a point 224 feet radially left of baseline at Station 731+55;

thence, northeasterly, continuing with said division line 134 feet, more or less, to a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being 271 feet radially left of baseline at Station 732+75;

thence, northeasterly, with said proposed controlled access right of way line 508 feet, more or less, to a point 350 feet radially left of baseline at Station 737+50;

thence, easterly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 385 feet, more or less, to a point 205 feet radially left of baseline at Station 740+90;

thence, northeasterly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 432 feet, more or less, to a point 290 feet radially left of baseline at Station 744+95;

thence, easterly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 471 feet, more or less, to a point 220 feet radially left of baseline at Station 749+40;

thence, northeasterly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 580 feet, more or less, to a point 495 feet radially left of baseline at Station 754+20;

thence, easterly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 86 feet, more or less, to a point in the division line between Allegheny Forestlands, LLC and Nichols Family Limited Partnership, said point being 485 feet radially left of baseline at Station 754+96;

thence, southerly, with said division line 804 feet, more or less, to a point in the southern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being 311 feet radially right of baseline at Station 753+79;

thence, westerly, with said proposed controlled access right of way line 489 feet, more or less, to a point 213 feet radially right of baseline at Station 748+76;

thence, southwestwardly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 920 feet, more or less, to a point 430 feet radially right of baseline at Station 739+25;

thence, westerly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 440 feet, more or less, to a point 210 feet radially right of baseline at Station 735+20;

thence, southerly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 600 feet, more or less, to a point 485 feet radially right of baseline at Station 729+50;

thence, westerly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 500 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning and containing 38.66 acres, more or less.

TRACT 2 – TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT

BEGINNING at a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being in the northern proposed temporary construction easement line of proposed U.S. Route 48 and 323 feet radially left of proposed U.S. Route 48 acquisition baseline at Station 736+15, Project X342-H-40.21 (05), NHPP-0484 (322), Tucker County, West Virginia;

thence, northeasterly, with said proposed temporary construction easement line 206 feet, more or less, to a point 420 feet radially left of baseline at Station 737+85;

thence, easterly, continuing with said proposed temporary construction easement line 114 feet, more or less, to a point 345 feet radially left of baseline at Station 738+65;

thence, southerly, continuing with said proposed temporary construction easement line 44 feet, more or less, to a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being 307 feet radially left of baseline at Station 738+45;

thence, westerly, with said proposed controlled access right of way line 110 feet, more or less, to a point 350 feet radially left of baseline at Station 737+50;

thence, southwestwardly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 146 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning and containing 11,234 square feet, more or less.

TRACT 3 – TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT

BEGINNING at a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being in the northern proposed temporary construction easement line of proposed U.S. Route 48 and 264 feet radially left of proposed U.S. Route 48 acquisition baseline at Station 743+85, Project X342-H-40.21 (05), NHPP-0484 (322), Tucker County, West Virginia;

thence, northwesterly, with said proposed temporary construction easement line 111 feet, more or less, to a point 375 feet radially left of baseline at Station 743+85;

thence, northeasterly, continuing with said proposed temporary construction easement line 134 feet, more or less, to a point 455 feet radially left of baseline at Station 744+85;

thence, easterly, continuing with said proposed temporary construction easement line 110 feet, more or less, to a point 435 feet radially left of baseline at Station 745+85;

thence, southeasterly, continuing with said proposed temporary construction easement line 78 feet, more or less, to a point 370 feet radially left of baseline at Station 746+25;

thence, southeasterly, continuing with said proposed temporary construction easement line 105 feet, more or less, to a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being 265 feet radially left of baseline at Station 746+25;

thence, westerly, with said proposed controlled access right of way line 139 feet, more or less, to a point 290 feet radially left of baseline at Station 744+95;

thence, southwestwardly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 119 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning and containing 37,833 square feet, more or less.

TRACT 4 – TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT

BEGINNING at a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being in the northern proposed temporary construction easement line of proposed U.S. Route 48 and 378 feet radially left of proposed U.S. Route 48 acquisition baseline at Station 752+30, Project X342-H-40.21 (05), NHPP-0484 (322), Tucker County, West Virginia;

thence, northerly, with said proposed temporary construction easement line 157 feet, more or less, to a point 515 feet radially left of baseline at Station 753+00;

thence, northeasterly, continuing with said proposed temporary construction easement line 259 feet, more or less, to a point in the division line between Allegheny Forestlands, LLC and Nichols Family Limited Partnership, said point being 618 feet radially left of baseline at Station 755+12;

thence, southerly, with said division line 135 feet, more or less, to a point in the northern proposed controlled access right of way line of proposed U.S. Route 48, said point being 485 feet radially left of baseline at Station 754+96;

thence, westerly, with said proposed controlled access right of way line 86 feet, more or less, to a point 495 feet radially left of baseline at Station 754+20;

thence, southwestwardly, continuing with said proposed controlled access right of way line 236 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning and containing 24,568 square feet, more or less.

The tracts of land hereinabove described are a portion of that same real estate conveyed unto Nichols Family Limited Partnership, from J. Pat. Nichols and Martha G. Nichols, husband and wife, by deed dated August 23, 2001, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 169 at Page 177.

Certain persons appear of record as lienors, encumbrancers or claimants of said lands as follows:

(A) The Sheriff of Tucker County is made a party hereto for any taxes that may be due or owing.

(B) Pillar Energy, LLC is made a party hereto by virtue of that Pipeline Right of Way Agreement dated July 17, 2002, recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Right of Way Book 15, at page 251, from Nichols Family Limited Partnership to MegaEnergy, Inc. Upon information and belief, this right of way was subsequently included on Exhibit A, Part 3, of an Assignment and Bill of Sale dated January 19, 2017, recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Assignment Book 13, at page 339, from Gastar Exploration, Inc., a Delaware corporation, to Pillar Energy, LLC, a West Virginia Limited Liability Company.

(C) Greylock Energy, LLC, successor to Energy Corporation of America, successor to Eastern American Energy Corporation, is made a party hereto by virtue of that Right of Way dated July 5, 1911, recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Deed Book 33, at page 126, from J. W. Pifer and Carrie Pifer to West Virginia & Maryland Gas Co., its successors or assigns, for a pipeline for the transportation of gas and to construct telephone and telegraph lines. Then by Bill of Sale and Assignment dated August 26, 2004, and effective August 1, 2004, recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Assignment Book 9, at page 527, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, a Delaware corporation, Seller, conveyed and assigned to Eastern American Energy Corporation, a West Virginia corporation, certain natural gas pipelines and facilities referred to as the 8000 System as set forth on Exhibit A attached to the document. The right of way recorded in Deed Book 33, at page 126, is included in said Exhibit A.

(D) John and/or Jane Doe, unknown heirs or successors in interest to Charles R. Macomber is made a party hereto to the extent any such person holding an interest by virtue of the reservations herein described desires to assert an interest in said take. Said interest is set forth by deed dated December 1, 1875, recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Deed Book 3, at page 468, wherein Charles R. Macomber and Caroline Macomber, his wife, conveyed a parcel of land containing 160 acres, to Susan M. Daniels. The deed contains the following reservation: "Macomber reserves for his own use and benefit all the white pine, white oak, poplar and spruce or hemlock, down to 14 inches across the stump and any now standing or cut, upon the said tract of land with the privilege of removing the same at his own time or pleasure, excepting as to the pine, poplar and spruce, which are to be removed from such lots or localities as the said Daniels may from time to time clear or improve; the said Macomber reserving at all times and places the right of way for such removal, and also reserves all minerals (should there hereafter prove to be any such) found upon such land."

(E) W.I. Long and Louisa E. Long or their successors in interest are made parties hereto to the extent any such person holding an interest by virtue of the reservations herein described desires to assert an interest in said take. Said interest is set forth by deed dated May 14, 1947, recorded in the aforesaid clerk's office in Deed Book 59, at page 111, where W. I. Long and Louisa E. Long conveyed his one-half interest in the 10-acre parcel of land to D. Bonnie Benjamin, reserving a road right of way extending along and approximately with the northern boundary of the land, but with the right being granted to the party of the second part to change the location of the road, provided such new location shall afford the parties of the first part a reasonably convenient outlet to the public road.

It appearing, by affidavit filed in this action, that the identity and whereabouts of heirs or successors in interest to Charles R. Macomber relative to his reservations as set forth above and the whereabouts of W.I. Long and Louisa E. Long or identity and whereabouts of their successors in interest relative to that road right of way as set forth above are not known to the Petitioner. It is therefore Ordered that any such individual wishing to assert a claim relative to the interests identified above do appear and serve upon Charles Houdyschell Jr., Petitioner's Attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 880, Huntington, WV 25712, an answer or other defense to the Application filed in this action on or before June 22, 2021, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against them at any time thereafter.

A copy of said Petition/Application can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office located at 215 First St., Parsons, West Virginia 26287.

Entered this 5th day of May, 2021.

Sharon Moats, Clerk/Deputy

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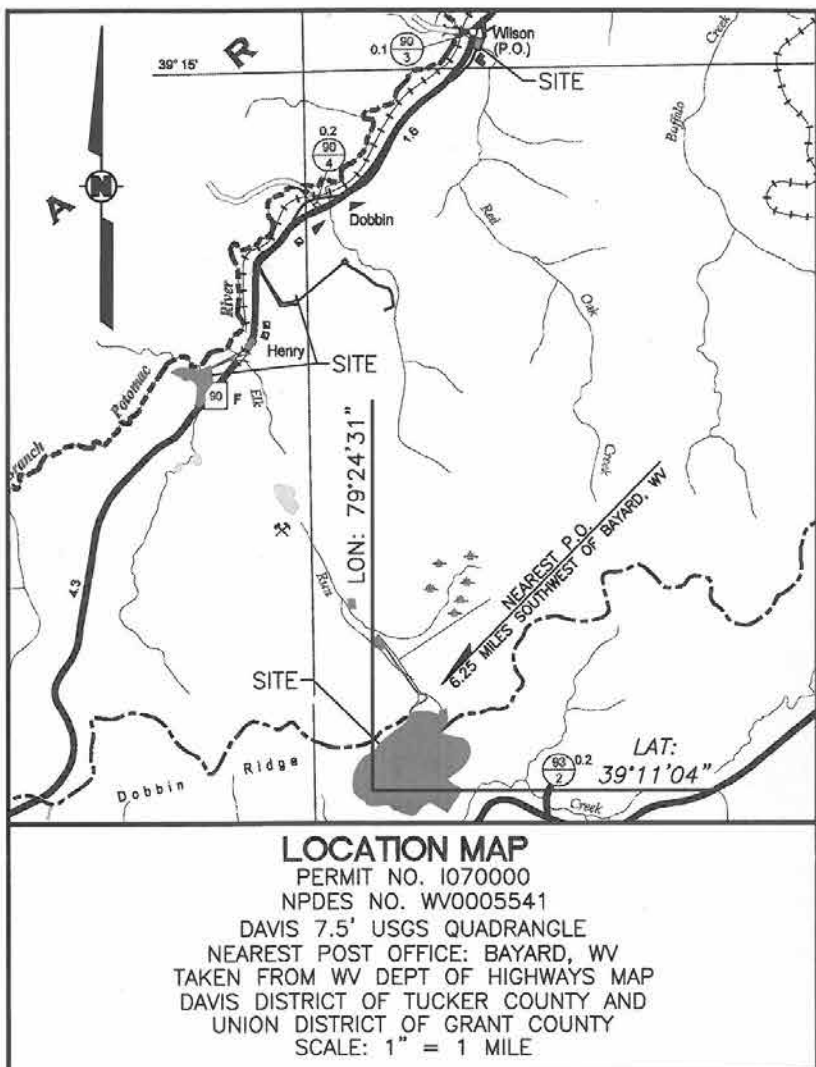
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The permit is located in **Davis and Union Districts of Tucker and Grant Counties, 6.25 miles south-west** (Direction) of **Bayard** (Nearest PO) on **Elk Run** (Primary Receiving Stream) of the **North Branch** (Secondary Receiving Stream) of the **North Potomac River** (Major Drainage Basin).

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Tucker Valley and Davis-Thomas Middle School track update

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

BAKER, WV - The Tucker Valley and Davis Thomas Middle School Track teams traveled to East Hardy on May 12th for an 8 team Middle School Meet. The Tucker Valley Boys' team took home 3rd place in the event with a final team score of 71. The Tucker Valley Girls' team finished the night with a team score of 22 to finish 5th in the meet and the Davis Thomas Girls' came in 6th place with a team score of 21. Results:

TV BOYS: 3200m: 1st-Lunk Suesli(14:12.20). 400m: 2nd-Luke Barb(1:01.08). 100m Hurdles: 3rd-Logan Kopec. 100m: 5th-Luke Barb(13.60), 7th-Cameron Judy(14.25). 1600m: 3rd-Nate Ricottilli(5:57.47), 4th-Cameron Judy(6:07.25). 800m: 4th-Nate Ricottilli(2:44.37), 7th-Logan Kopec(2:56.35). 200m: 5th-Luke Barb(28.15). High Jump: 1st-Nate Ricottilli(5'0").

TV GIRLS: 400m: 7th-Cloe Slaubaugh(1:29.01). Shot Put: 1st-Karley Knotts(22'9"). Discus: 1st-Karley Knotts(46'9").

DT: 100m: 1st-Mayah Gross(14.20). 200m Hurdles: 1st-Mayah Gross(36.84). 200m: 3rd-Mayah Gross(31.84). Long Jump: 7th-Isabella

Emerson(9'1").

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TV GIRLS: 3200m: 2nd-Cloe Slaubaugh(20:16.30). Shot: 3rd-Karley Knotts(22'9"). Discus: 2nd-Karley Knotts(53'3").

DT GIRLS: 100m: 3rd-Mayah Gross(14.75). 200m Hurdles: 1st-Mayah Gross(36.12). 200m: 4th-Mayah Gross(32.97). Long Jump: 6th-Mayah Gross(10'7").

TV BOYS: 3200m: 1st-Nate Ricottilli(13:23.97), 2nd-Lynk Suesli(14:28.41). 400m: 2nd-Luke Barb(1:01.52). 100m: 4th-Nate Ricottilli(13.36), 6th-Luke Barb(13.71). 4x200m: 2nd-C.Judy/L.Barb/L. Kopec/N.Ricottilli(2:01). 1600m:



Photo by Elizabeth Smith
Davis-Thomas runner Mayah Gross competes in the 100m event at East Hardy on May 12th. Gross placed 3rd in the event.



Photo by Elizabeth Smith
Tucker Valley's Nate Ricottilli competes in the High Jump at East Hardy on May 6th. Ricottilli placed 1st in the event.

Track

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Smith(31'02"), 8th-Owen Porter(30'10.5"), 9th-Tyler Collar(27'09.5"), 10th-Isaac Wagner(26'09"). **Discus Throw:** 1st-Tate Mullenax(116'04"), 4th-Tyler Collar(88'03.5"), 6th-Gavin Mullenax(87'07"), 7th-Hayden Smith(86'05"), 9th-Owen Porter(76'04"), 10th-Isaac Wagner(69'08.5"), 13th-Grant Poling(64'01"). **Overall Team Rankings:** 1st-Lincoln(152), 2nd-Tucker County(87), 3rd-Robert C Byrd(83), 4th-Notre Dame(74), 5th-South Harrison(72), 6th-Liberty Harrison(46).

Girls' Results: **100m:** 14th-Kandace Nestor(16.80), 21st-Tessa Jolly(19.49). **800m:** 4th-Kate Falls(2:49.99). **1600m:** 3rd-Erin Chambers(6:08.19), 5th-Hannah Hardy(6:33.12). **3200m:** 2nd-Erin Chambers(13:04.24). **100m Hurdles:** 3rd-Lilly Callaway(18.92), 7th-Darrah Pennington(21.45). **4x100m:** 3rd-H.Hardy, A.Buckley, D.Pennington, Z.Nestor(1:00.08). **4x200m:** 2nd-K.Smith, L.Callaway, A.Buckley, Z.Nestor(2:07.88). **4x400m:** 1st-A.Buckley, E.Chambers, K.Falls, K.Smith(4:47.77). **4x800m:** 2nd-K. Falls, E.Chambers, H.Hardy, K.Smith(11:23.12). **Shuttle Hurdles:** 2nd-K.Smith, A.Buckley, D.Pennington, L.Callaway(1:18.29). **Pole Vault:** 2nd-Zoe Nestor(6'06"). **Long Jump:** 4th-Zoe Nestor(12'09"). **Shot Put:** 3rd-Kandace Nestor(27'00"), 10th-Tessa Jolly(20'10"), 14th-Olivia Myers(18'02.5"). **Discus Throw:** 6th-Kandace Nestor(72'09.5"), 9th-Olivia Myers(62'08"), 11th-Tessa Jolly(45'04.5"). **Overall Team Rankings:** 1st-Liberty Harrison(181), 2nd-South Harrison(137), 3rd-Tucker County(92), 4th-Robert C Byrd(51), 5th-Lincoln(44), 6th-Notre Dame(2).

WEST UNION – The Tucker County Girls' and Boys' Track teams traveled to Doddridge County High School to compete in the Annual Cline Stansberry Invitational on Friday May 14th. The event had a total of 11 high school teams competing. The Lady Mt. Lions team took 9th place in the meet and the Tucker County Boys' team finished 10th overall.

Girls' Results: **800m:** 8th-Kate Falls(2:44.72). **1600m:** 10th-Erin Chambers(6:17.71), 11th-Hannah Hardy(6:20.46). **3200m:** 5th-Erin Chambers(13:11.63). **4x100m:** 9th-H.Hardy, A.Buckley, D.Pennington, Z.Nestor(58.84). **4x200m:** 6th-K.Smith, A.Buckley,

L.Callaway, Z.Nestor(2:04.53). **4x400m:** 5th-K.Smith, E.Chambers, K.Falls, H.Hardy(4:57.31). **4x800m:** 3rd-K.Falls, E.Chambers, H.Hardy, K.Smith(11:25.98). **Pole Vault:** 4th-Zoe Nestor(7'00"). **Long Jump:** 10th-Zoe Nestor(12'09.25"). **Shot Put:** 6th-Kandace Nestor(29'04.5"), 22nd-Tessa Jolly(17'10"). **Discus Throw:** 10th-Kandace Nestor(69'11.75"), 13th-Tessa Jolly(57'09.25"). **Overall Team Rankings:** 1st-Williamstown(126), 2nd-Doddridge County(104), 3rd-Ritchie County(89), 4th-Magnolia(59), 5th-South Harrison(49), 6th-Tygart Valley(35), 7th-Tyler Consolidated(28), 8th-Union(26), 9th-Tucker County(15), 10th-Moorefield(14), 11th-Wood County Christian(10).

Boys' Results: **400m:** 13th-Haden Wamsley(59.73), 18th-Ethan McCrum(1:04.14). **800m:** 10th-Devin Witemore(2:23.09). **1600m:** 15th-Wesley Strawderman(5:30.56), 21st-Ethan McCrum(6:53.24). **4x100m:** 9th-J.Knotts, T.Eure, G.Mullenax, J.Barrett(51.13). **4x200m:** 8th-T.Eure, H.Wamsley, D.Witemore, J.Knotts(1:44.24). **4x400m:** 7th-W.Strawderman, H.Wamsley, D.Witemore, T.Eure(4:00.57). **4x800m:** 5th-W.Strawderman, J.Barrett, T.Eure, D.Witemore(9:46.30). **Long Jump:** 15th-JJ. Knots(15'07"), 22nd-Grant Poling(12'07"), 23rd-Conner Evick(11'08.5"). **Shot Put:** 7th-Tate Mullenax(38'00"), 8th-Dom Mullenax(37'08"), 15th-Gavin Mullenax(34'07"). **Discus Throw:** 5th-Tate Mullenax(114'06"), 8th-Dom Mullenax(101'11"), 14th-Hayden Smith(90'06"). **Overall Team Rankings:** 1st-Ritchie County(143), 2nd-Doddridge County(120), 3rd-Magnolia(100), 4th-Williamstown(56), 5th-Tygart Valley(48), 6th-Tyler Consolidated(33), 7th-Woods County Christian(24), 8th-South Harrison(19), 9th-Moorefield(7), 10th-Tucker County(4), 11th-Gilmer County(3).

The Track team will travel to Doddridge County on Friday May 14th to compete in a Girls' and Boys' meet at 4pm. For more info and complete schedules visit TuckerCountySports.Com.

This Week's Submitted Photos



This week's photo of a Indigo Bunting by Bruce Wilson, Town of Hambleton, May 2021.

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