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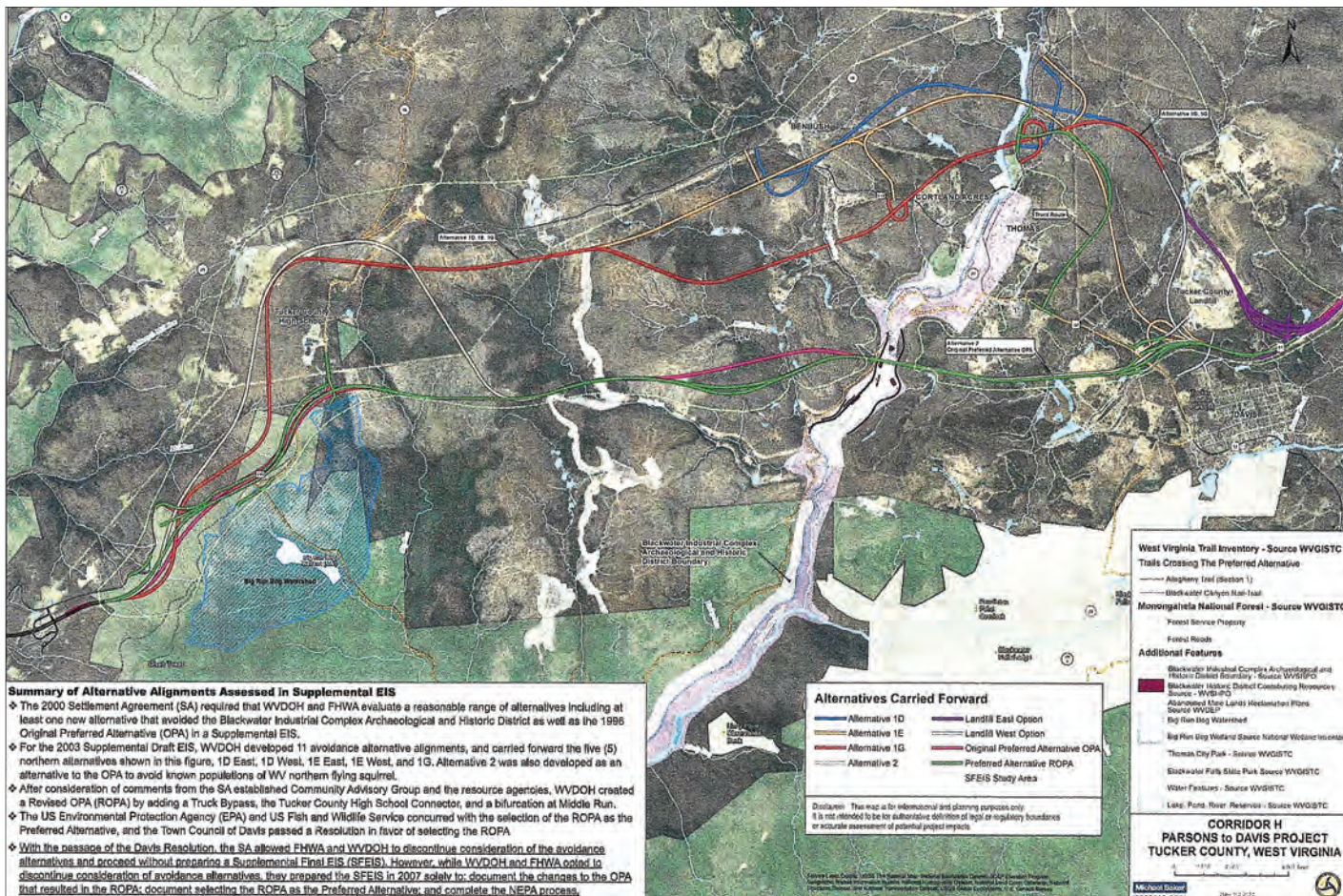
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## WVDOT Hosts Q&A Workshop for Corridor H Project for Parsons to Davis



This map shows the 2007 alternative SEIS alignments for the Corridor H Project from Parsons to Davis, WV. The green line shows the preferred route proposed by WVDOT.

By: Jennifer Britt  
The Parsons Advocate

The West Virginia Department of Transportation (WVDOT), Division of Highways and Federal Highway Administration hosted a public information workshop in Blackwater Falls State Park Conference Center. The workshop provided information to the guests concerning the Appalachian Corridor H Parsons to Davis project. Guests were given the opportunity to view updates and ask ques-

tions on the Parsons to Davis project. Preliminary mapping, project scheduling and other materials were available to review in person as well as online at <http://go.wv.gov/dotcomment>. The meeting complied with the National Environmental Policy Act and Section 106 of the National Preservation Act requirements.

According to the WVDOT, "The Parsons to Davis project is an approximately 10-mile, new location, four-lane, divided highway, with partial control of access.

The project begins east of Parsons, at Tucker County Route 219/4 (Mackeyville Road) 0.2 mile south of United States Route (US) 219, which is also the eastern terminus of the Kerens to Parsons project. The project ends north of Davis along West Virginia State Route (WV) 93, 1.3 miles east of WV 32, which is also the western terminus of the Davis to Bismarck project. The highway will help fulfill the goals of improving east-west travel

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## Spitznogle Petitions the Court for Re-trial



Convicted of sexual assault and abuse, Darrell Spitznogle was in the Honorable Judge J. Courier's courtroom motioning for a new trial and the acquittal of sexual assault. Both were denied.

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Darrell Spitznogle was convicted by a jury of 12 for six counts of sexual abuse and one count of sexual assault. Spitznogle sexual abused a male child from the ages of nine to 11 starting in 2013. The male victim now 18 testified in open court that Spitznogle would touch him in his private area or Spitznogle would have the victim touch him. On more than one occasion the victim testified that Spitznogle would place his penis slightly in or around his anus.

Brent Easton and Morris Davis, lawyers for the now twice convicted sexual child abuser motioned the court for an acquittal of the one charge of sexual assault based on what the defense considered impeachment of the victim's testimony.

According to West Virginia state law, "a person is guilty of sexual assault in the first degree when the person, being fourteen

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## DTEMS and TVEMS Students Learn Safety Tips

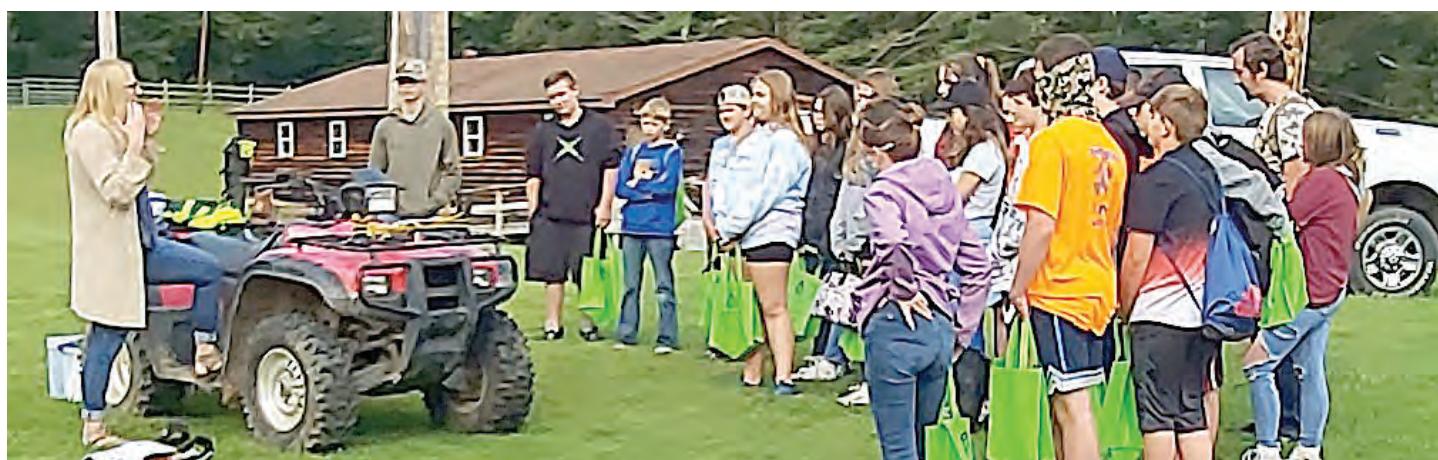
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Students from Davis Thomas Elementary and Tucker Valley Elementary in grades five through eight enjoyed a fun filled Progressive Agriculture Safety Day at Camp Kidd. Students were given helpful safety tips and instructions for on and off the farm that will help them throughout life. Students started the day by joining together to sing a camp song about a little yellow bird.

Jessica Streets from the Tucker County Extension office explained that the Progressive Agriculture Safety Day is a national non-profit organization that focuses on safety and how the students would rotate through 12 different stations to receive hands on learning as well pamphlets or flyers with information. Each student received a T-shirt with the logo "Safety is my Superpower" on them.

FFA leaders from the TCHS were on-hand to be leaders for the student groups. Each member was responsible for taking a class and teachers around to all the stations.

Also present were Jim Nester and Bev-

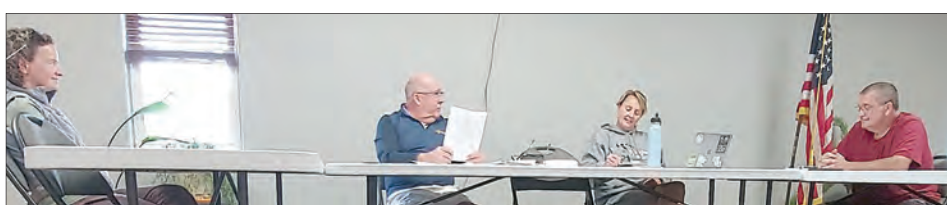


ATV safety was presented by Barbour County Extension Office to student participating in Safety Day.

erly Rosier from West Virginia Farm Bureau who helped sponsor the safety day. Nester said to the students, "Safety is a great thing. Years ago, I never wore safety or did safety. I never wore glasses. I never wore ear protection. I am a little hard of hearing from that. Fortunately, I have never lost an eye or had any eye damage. Things like that is something that really needs to start now. If you mow a lawn keep your ear plugs in and if you weed eat, get those

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## Planning Commission Working on Zoning Ordinance



Planning Commission members discussing updating Canaan Valley zoning ordinance to include areas surrounding Route 48 in continuous of Davis and Thomas.

By: Jennifer Britt  
The Parsons Advocate

The planning commission has switched gears from the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) to updating the existing zoning ordinance for Canaan Valley to include Route 48. The document is severely outdated and has not been looked at in many years. Planning Commission president Tim McLean said, "We left our last meeting with a lot of ideas about where to go forward."

While seeking the advisement from Attorney John Cooper, McLean explained to Cooper that the board was theorizing about taking the 20-year-old document, morphing it, and turning it into a feasible and enforceable zoning ordinance document for protecting the area out on Route 48 that is continuous to Davis and Thomas. McLean said, "Cooper gave his opinion that he was not sure about going forward with this but after exchanging emails back and forth with Angie (Planning Commis-

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## The Grant County Bank Celebrates 120 Years in The Community

Petersburg, WV —The Grant County Bank commemorates the company's 120th anniversary.

Founded in August 1902 in Petersburg, West Virginia, The Grant County Bank is a community bank dedicated to providing access to financial resources for the communities it has served for the last 120 years.

Though banking solutions and services have advanced dramatically, The Grant County Bank has maintained a focus on local banking, relationships, and its commitment to supporting the communities it serves. Initially operating only in Grant County, WV, The Grant County Bank expanded its footprint in the last several decades to include branches in Hardy, Mineral, Pendleton, Randolph, and Tucker counties.

"We are proud to celebrate our 120-year journey with customers, partners, and supporters," said George Ford, The Grant County Bank president. He continued, "As part of our birthday celebration, we have chosen to host events at each of our branches to reconnect with our local communities, clients, and prospects. We look forward to celebrating 120 years of achievements and to thanking our employees, customers, and the community for their continued support."

The celebratory events include open houses on the following dates, times, and locations:

- Friday, September 23, 2022 - Davis and Canaan Branches
- Friday, September 30, 2022 - Moorefield Branch
- Friday, October 7, 2022 - Petersburg
- Friday, October 14, 2022 - Keyser
- Friday, October 21, 2022 - Riverton and Harman Branches

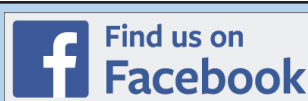
### About Grant County Bank

The Grant County Bank was chartered as a West Virginia state bank on August 6, 1902 and began operations on August 15 with its first office in Petersburg, WV. Our mission of providing financial services and products to families, small businesses and the agricultural community has served both our customers and the bank well over the years.

Subsequently, The Grant County Bank has expanded its marketplace throughout the Potomac Highlands and now operates a total of seven offices in six counties. After more than a century of continued service, The Grant County Bank is truly "Committed to The Communities We Serve" and is a subsidiary of Highlands Bankshares, Inc., also headquartered in Petersburg, WV.



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## News of Record

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

- Thomas K. Douglass and Tari L. Douglass, Dry Fork, nit/Lot 20B Section A Black Bear Woods Resort to Gloria Kay Shockley, Matthew S. Shockley and Christy S. Taylor, \$245,000.
- Joseph M. Purpura and Sandra

- L. Durrah, Dry Fork, Lot 1; 3.19 acres more or less Stone Camp Meadows to Gregory Coleman and Stacy Coleman, \$480,000.
- Michael G. Lee and Julie A. Lee, Dry Fork, Lot 37; 0.245 acres Northface to Michael G. Lee and Julie A. Lee, \$0.
- Kathy Delmar, Dry Fork, Tract 7 Spruce Glades Section Timberline 5.11 acres to Donald Hibbard, \$0.
- Colton W. Walls, Licking, Lot 4 to Cameron T. Walls, \$0.

- Harold R. Harper, Parsons Corporation, 8,285 sq. ft. to Bonner's Collision Service LLC, \$20,000.
- Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., Dry Fork, Unit G3 Week 26 to Edward B. Shuck, Jr., Bonnie S. Shuck, Justin M. Shuck and Joshua S. Shuck, \$750.
- Jason T. Griffith and Mary Jane Baniak, Dry Fork, Lot 106 Northpoint Woods to Kevin Michael Toth and Karen T. Clay, \$484,000.

## Friends of the Cheat Hosts Free Public Screening of New Documentary at the Metropolitan Theater



Kingwood, W.VA. - Friends of the Cheat's (FOC) new documentary, *The Friends of the Cheat Story*, directed by Robert Tinnell (*Feast of the Seven Fishes*) as an artist-in-residence working with students and alumni of George A. Romero's Filmmaking Program at the Douglas Education Center in Monessen, PA, debuted on September 4th on WVBPS, and is currently available for streaming via the PBS app if you are a PBS Passport sustaining donor.

In an effort to make the film available to the general public, FOC has rented the historic Metropolitan

Theater in downtown Morgantown, WV, for a **free public screening** the evening of **Thursday, September 22, 2022**. Doors open at 5:30pm - showtime is 6:00pm to 7:00pm, with a Q&A session following. The event is free, but donations are encouraged.

At the screening event, *The Friends of the Cheat Story* will be shown as a double-feature following an earlier FOC documentary, *Catalyst of Change*, produced and directed by Dale Rongaus and Dan Henninger. Together, these two films tell the story of the successful restoration of the Cheat River, once

one of the most endangered watersheds in the nation.

This event has been generously sponsored by the American Whitewater, West Virginia Rivers Coalition, Cheat Hill Farm,

and the Mills Group.

For additional event information, visit FOC's Facebook event page. For more information about FOC, visit [www.cheat.org](http://www.cheat.org).

## Tucker County Sheriff Office Monthly Activity

Month of August 2022

- Felony Arrests (charges or indictments) 0
- Persons Arrested on Felony charges 0
- Misdemeanor arrest (charges or indictments) 3
- Persons arrested on misdemeanor charges 4
- Misdemeanor citations issues 4
- Hazardous moving violations tickets issued 5
- Other traffic violations tickets issued 15
- Hazardous moving violations warning issued 15
- Other traffic violations warning issued 38
- DUI arrest (Driving under the influence) 1
- Motorist Assists ie. broke down vehicle 4
- Vehicle crashes where a crash report was generated 3
- Felony cases fielded resulting in a police report 3
- Misdemeanor cases fielded resulting in a police report 6
- Drugs confiscated in dollar street value amount \$140
- Other contraband confiscated \$30
- Domestic violence petitions served 0
- Job Tasks completed 314
- Calls for service either through 911 or walk ins resulting in Police action 159
- Mileage Report (Total miles traveled by the Department patrolling) 5,167 miles
- Additional Notes : None at this time.

This monthly report has been prepared by Sheriff "Jake" Kopec for educating the public as to how their tax dollars are being put to use at the Tucker County Sheriff Office.

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## Thank You

The Sponaule family wishes to thank all of our friends, family, neighbors, church family, and Anita and Nick Barb for your love and support as we mourned our dear mother and grandmother, Lela "Pinky" Sponaule.

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## Flanagan Hill Fall Festival

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## This Week's Submitted Photos



Bird walk hosted by the West Virginia Highlands Conservancy on Farm View Trail in Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge. Picture by Nicole Gerard

Email photos, where it was taken and who took it to [mikie@parsonsadvocate.com](mailto:mikie@parsonsadvocate.com)

## Ordinance

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sion member) I am not discouraged. Until some body cuts our legs out from us, I am not discouraged.

It is a different piece of West Virginia state code. It is the statute 8A and the Sub Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance is statute 5A”

<https://code.wvlegislature.gov/8A-1-1/> defines West Virginia state code 8A as the following: “(1) That planning land development and land use is vitally important to a community; (2) A planning commission is helpful to a community to plan for land development, land use and the future; (3) A plan and a vision for the future is important when deciding uses for and development of land; (4) That sprawl is not advantageous to a community; (5) A comprehensive plan is a guide to a community’s goals and objectives and a way to meet those goals and objectives; (6) That the needs of agriculture, residential areas, industry and business be recognized in future growth; (7) That the growth of the community is commensurate with and promotive of the efficient and economical use of public funds; (8) Promoting growth that is economically sound, environmentally friendly and supportive of community livability to enhance quality of life is a good objective for a governing body; and(9) Governing bodies of municipalities and counties need flexibility when authorizing land development and use.

Therefore, the Legislature encourages and recommends the following: (1) The goal of a governing body should be to have a plan and a vision for the future, and an agency to oversee it; (2) A governing body should have a planning commission, to serve in an advisory capacity to the governing body, and promote the orderly development of its community; (3) A comprehensive plan should be the basis for land development and use, and be reviewed and updated on a regular basis; (4) A goal of a governing body should be to reduce sprawl; (5) That planning commissions prepare a comprehensive plan

and governing bodies adopt the comprehensive plans; (6) Governing bodies, units of government and planning commissions work together to provide for a better community; (7) Governing bodies may have certain regulatory powers over developments affecting the public welfare; and

Based upon a comprehensive plan, governing bodies may: (A) Enact a subdivision and land development ordinance; (B) Require plans and plats for land development; (C) Issue improvement location permits for construction; and (D) Enact a zoning ordinance.”

Planning commission member Emily Watson reported to McLean before the meeting that she had been in contact with the Land Use Law Clinic at WVU. McLean reported that Watson confirmed from the law clinic that what the commission had talked about doing with the zoning ordinance is legal.

The new zoning ordinance will be complicated according to McLean, “It is complicated. We will take what we feel we need out of the subdivision ordinance. One of things Cooper had said he liked about the subdivision ordinance was the bonding, but there are other things in the there that we hold near and dear to us that ought to make it (zoning ordinance) enforceable and ought to be in the document.

I do not want to spend five years beating this thing to death. I do not think we have to. I think over the course of the next three months or so we can pull out of the subdivision what we want, and we can take the existing zoning ordinance with a fresh set of eyes. Combine the two and give that to someone like the law clinic and see where we have messed up, or where we have left the county exposed or vulnerable.”

With the hopes of having the document ready for spring vote the board will have to work diligently, submit the document to a law clinic type organization for review, have two public meetings, and have the land surveyed before the residents of Davis and Thomas can vote on it. Planning commission secretary Robin McClintock also suggested the board get in touch with Region VII Planning and Development Board as well.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held on October 11, 2022, at 1 p.m. and will be located in the Tucker County Old Courthouse Courtroom, Third Floor, Parsons, WV, 26287.

## Safety

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TC Commissioner Mike Rossenau teaches lawn mower safety to students during Safety Day.



Students learn yoga moves that relieve stress.



Student received T-shirts during Safety Day with this logo.



TC Sheriff Jake Kopec teaches students during Safety Day that the leg shin is a very painful spot to stomp in case someone tries to harm or take them.

ear plugs in and get them glasses on with long sleeves, long pants, and good shoes. Remember that! This is something I see so many days working for the telephone company here in Tucker County for 30 years and every day people are doing something wrong like wearing shorts, no ear protection, no glasses and running a weed eater.”

Pointing to his ears and eyes Nester reminded the students, “You only get one set of these and only one set of those, if you do not protect them, you are not going to get another set. You might get some aide for them but in due time you will lose what you have, and it is not worth it!”

According to the West Virginia Farm Bureau website, “The West Virginia Farm Bureau Safety Program serves as a resource to members to increase awareness of agricultural safety and health. While agriculture is one of the most dangerous industries in the U.S., education plays an important role in reducing injuries on the farm. WVFB sponsors Safety Day Camps, seminars and other activities throughout the year.”

In the main building the students learned first-aid with the health department, self-defense techniques with Sheriff Jake Kopec and writing thank you cards. Streets encouraged students to write thank you notes to the Board of Education, the principals and teachers, the Tucker County Commission who paid for the buses to get the students to the event, and the Farm Bureau.

Outside the main building students learned some yoga moves, that help with relieving stress.

The Tucker County Animal Shelter was on-site to talk about small animal safety. The children learned warning signs of when an animal may be angered or irritated and when an animal may be sick by

the color of their eyes.

The Extension Office from Barbour County presented the students with ATV safety and chemical safety. The Barbour County Extension Office offers free ATV training that includes completing hands on learning through multiple activities and RiderCourse training session.

The Agricultural Center from Harrison County featured the kids with fishing and tractor safety.

Commissioner Mike Rosenau instructed students on lawn mower safety. Rosenau taught the kids on the risk of flying debris, the importance of wearing the proper personal protection equipment such as eye protection, and then Rosenau asked the students, “What is the safest way to cut grass?” to which a parent answered, “Pay someone else to do it!”

There was a station where the kids played games and learned sports safety. And the last station was Internet safety.

Program Assistant, Cynthia Harsh, from the Tucker County Extension Office said, “It is fun stuff. We have not been able to do it for two years (because of COVID). Usually, we did it in two different places. This is the first year we have had both schools together at the same time. We either did it at Davis Thomas or we did it at Tucker Valley. Since the County Commission has taken over Camp Kidd, the camp is amazing. It is neat. It is clean. The grass is mowed. It is safe for kids to be here, so we were like let’s just bring the kids here. The commission paid for us to have buses in order to get them here and we are excited.”

After learning from each station, the students enjoyed a bag lunch and drinks before returning to the schools.

### Jesica Streets of the WVU Extension office added the following statements:

The Progressive Agriculture Safety Day® program is an educational program that provides training and resources for local communities to conduct oneday safety and health programs. Safety Days are designed to be ageappropriate, hands-on, fun, and safe for children.

We have awesome community members that helped make our Safety Day a success! The Tucker County Commission provided buses to transport 5th through 8th graders from Davis Thomas and Tucker Valley to Camp Kidd for the day.

Students rotated through twelve stations during the day. We appreciate station lead-

ers donating their time and knowledge to keep our kids safe!

- First Aid Kim Ledden, Dee Summerfield & Sandy Owens, Tucker County Health Department
- Thank You Cards Lydia Burns, PAT
- Self Defense Tucker Co. Sheriff, Jake Kopec
- Mindfulness & Yoga April Miller, FRN
- Games Marky Philipps, FFA
- Small Animal Safety Maggie, Tucker County Animal Shelter
- Lawn Mower Safety Mike Rosenau, County Commission
- ATV Safety Sabrina Beal, WVU Barbour Extension

- Chemical Safety Jody Carpenter, WVU Barbour/Randolph Extension
- Fishing Safety Sam Williams, WVU Harrison Extension
- Tractor Safety Jennifer Friend, WVU Harrison Extension
- Internet Safety Stephanie Fitzwater, FRN

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## Senior News

The Senior Center is trying to get an AARP Driver Safety Class scheduled at the Parsons Center. The problem is that there are no instructors in the area. If you are interested in being an instructor, you will need to complete an online training session for teaching the class and an in person training which may be given online if needed to complete to process. Anyone interested should contact Terry Stone, [tstone8278@suddenlink.net](mailto:tstone8278@suddenlink.net) regarding their request. Instructors are reimbursed a flat fee for classes (for expenses) and if they go outside their area and it is higher than the flat fee they will be reimbursed for mileage and a meal.

We at the Center would like to see more older adults visit in our Centers. We are asking for suggestions of activities we could include in our programs for you and your family. If you would like to have a dance class, chair exercises, tai chi class, more crafts (be specific), more speakers, or whatever you would be willing to attend, please call or write to Linda J Bonner at 304-478-2423 or Tucker County Senior Citizens 217 Senior Lane Parsons, WV 26287. Thank you in advance for your suggestions.

### TRIPS

We have been discussing trips for next year. We have decided to offer the following long trips for consideration:

1. Amish Theater Land Cruise in Ohio. 3 days/ 2 nights all-inclusive vacation. 2 dinners, 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 nights at Berlin Encore Hotel, the Amish Country Theater shows, game shows, contests, trivia, bingo, swimming, etc., most of the things included on a regular cruise except you are on land, not water. There are even "shore excursions" for an additional cost. The cost of this trip will be \$550 and the dates are September 26 -29, 2023.

2. Cape Cod & Martha's Vineyard 7 days/6 nights includes a seafood dinner, ferry ride & tour of Martha's Vineyard, visit to Newport, RI, tour a historic mansion, and tour Hyannis. The price of this trip will be \$1050. We don't have definite dates but it will probably be in October.

3. Savannah and Charleston 5 days/4 nights includes hotel, breakfasts 1 dinner cruise with entertainment, 1 dinner at the Charleston Crab House, guided tour of Historic Charleston, visit the historic market, guided tour of Savannah, performance at the Historic Savannah Theater, guided tram tour of Jekyll Island, tour of St. Simon Island, and visit to Famous River Street. We are considering this for our Christmas trip for next year. The cost will be \$760.

4. Nashville 6 days/5 nights includes live show at the Grand Ole Opry, dinner show at Evening at Nashville Nightlife, scenic boat ride through Opryland Atrium, tour of iconic landmarks including backstage tour of the Grand Ole Opry, 3 dinners—2 with entertainment breakfast. We are thinking of doing this trip in June. We don't have exact dates yet. The price of this trip will be \$760.

These are short summaries of the possible trips. All trips include motor coach transportation, baggage handling, and gratuities. You can begin voting for your top 2 favorites. Voting will close on October 13, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. Thank you in advance for helping us decide.

We have already reserved tickets for Sight & Sound Theatre for next July (around the 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup>) to see "Moses." We do not know what else we will be doing on that trip yet or the pricing. We will let you know as soon as we decide.

The next trip to the Gandy Dancer Theatre is Saturday, October 22, 2022. The doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m., and show at 7:00 pm. You may begin signing up and/or making payments any time now. The final day to make reservations or payments will be October 11, 2022.

### MEDICARE ASSISTANCE

The SHIP lady is due in the Parsons Senior Center on the first and third Thursday of the month. If you have a question about Medicare, please call 304-636-4747 to schedule an appointment. Open Enrollment begins October 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have not scheduled an appointment for a review, I advise you to do it now. The appointment slots fill up very quickly.

Flanagan Hill outpost will be on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at noon. Please bring your favorite covered dish and join us for fellowship and great food.

Pam Krushansky from the Attorney General's Office will be in Parsons on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. and at Flanagan Hill on the 28<sup>th</sup> at noon. She handles consumer complaints, so if you have a complaint or question about a business, feel free to stop and talk to her.

The menu at our Centers next week will be: Mon.: cheeseburger, fries, cole slaw, and applesauce. Tues.: pork chops, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, and pears.

Wed.: Cooks Choice Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian vegetables, bread, and peaches. Friday: battered fish, macaroni & cheese, beets, and a banana. All meals are served with your choice of coffee, iced tea, or milk. Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

**Send us Letters and  
Come visit us at 219 Central Ave,  
PARSONS**

## OBITUARIES

### Joan Crawford Obituary

Joan Crawford was born in Youngstown, Ohio on May 25, 1931. She died unexpectedly on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins, WV. She was 91.

Joan started drawing at an early age, encouraged by her parents and became an extraordinary visual artist. Joan created art from as early as she could remember until the day she died. She earned a B.F.A. from Moore College of Art in Philadelphia, and an M.F.A. from West Virginia University. She taught art at Davis and Elkins College and Slippery Rock University. In the late 1970s, she worked at the Juilliard School in New York City as a set and costume designer. Throughout her life, Joan worked in various media which included drawing, painting in water color and acrylic, silk screen printing and fabric art. She also did wood carving, wood sculpture and wood cutting (known as tracery). She created stone sculpture and built extensively in stone. Joan called her property Raven Ring Island. Many people find this forested property, surrounded by rivers, enchanting. They are delighted by the stonework found in the charming gardens. The wood tracery and other decorative arts found in Joan's architecture are impressive.

Joan married E.H. Hunter Davis, who preceded her in death. She is survived by her children, Katy Davis McClane, Evan Davis, Nate Davis, Hunter Davis and two step daughters, Louisa Rise and Sydney Davis. Joan is survived by six grandchildren. The public is encouraged to plant trees in Joan's memory.



### Betty Jo Bohrer

Betty Jo Bohrer, 88, of New Martinsville, WV died Friday, September 16, 2022, while at Genesis New Martinsville.

Betty Jo was born March 6, 1934, in New Martinsville, WV daughter of the late Beryl Thomas and Dorothy Mae McCollough. She was a member of the Steelton Church of Christ. Betty Jo enjoyed working and worked several jobs, PPG in the lab, Riggenbach Tile & Carpet and Ace Hardware.

Surviving is her beloved husband of sixty-seven years, Roland "Rollie" F. Bohrer; son, Michael (Tina) Bohrer of Sardis, OH; daughter, Terri (Andrew) Snyder of Davis, WV; three grandchildren, Leah Kay (Nick) Senecal of Powell, OH, Shyla Bohrer of Columbus, OH and Hannah Snyder of Davis, WV; two great grandchildren, Hayden and Raegan Senecal of Powell, OH.

Betty Jo was a loving and caring person always there to help when needed. She loved spending time with her family, working jigsaw puzzles, talking and watching her birds, especially Hummingbirds.

Friends were received 4-7 p.m., Monday, September 19, 2022, at the Jarvis-Williams Funeral Home, 1224 S Bridge St., New Martinsville. Funeral service were held 11 a.m., Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at the Steelton Church of Christ with Paul Pryor officiating. Burial followed in Northview Cemetery in New Martinsville, WV.

Memorial contributions may be made to Steelton Church of Christ, 69 E Thistle Dr., New Martinsville, WV 26155.

Expression of sympathy may be made [www.jarvisfuneralhomes.com](http://www.jarvisfuneralhomes.com).

### Annette Lynn Mallow

Annette Lynn Mallow, 59, of Dryfork, WV, passed away September 11, 2022, in Morgantown, WV. Born on October 12, 1962, in Elkins, WV, she was a daughter to the late David Edward White and Carol Jean White of Hendricks, WV.

In her younger years, she worked at Canaan Valley Resort as a housekeeper. In her spare time, she enjoyed quilting, crocheting, beaded arts and all crafts. Most of all, she enjoyed being with her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband of 43 years, Larry Lee Mallow; a daughter, Sandra Lynn McPherson and husband Kevin of Phillippi, WV; a step son, Larry Lee Duncan and husband Alan Duncan of Arkansas; a step-daughter, Crystal Dawn Hardy and husband Ames of Dryfork, WV; one twin sister, Anita Cooper and husband Danny of Hendricks, WV; two grandchildren, Jimmy Brown Smith III and wife Nichole Hebb of Thomas, WV, and Angela Kay Setler and husband Jonathan of Grafton, WV; three step grandchildren; two great-grandchildren, Ryder James Setler of Grafton, WV, and Lily Kay Smith of Buckhannon, WV; and six step great-grandchildren; and a sister in law, Roxie White.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Mark White and Robert White.

Friends were received at Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home on Friday, September 16, 2022, from 5 to 8 p.m. A funeral service was held in the funeral home on Saturday, September 17, 2022, at 11 a.m. with Todd Rhodes officiating. Interment followed in the White Family Cemetery.

Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Mallow family at this time.



### Eugene Loren Roy, Sr.

Eugene Loren Roy, Sr., 88, a resident of Parsons, passed from this life on Thursday, September 8, 2022, at his home. Death was unexpected.

Eugene was born Saturday, February 17, 1934, at Parsons, the son of the late Wilbur Edgar Roy and Jessie Virginia George Roy. On November 26, 1956, at Red House, MD, he married Barbara Jean Roberts who survives. They had celebrated sixty-five years of marriage.

Left to cherish Eugene's memory besides his wife are three sons, Patrick S. Roy and wife, Jennifer of Gerrardstown, Eugene L. Roy, Jr., and wife, Carla of Greenville, TN, and Robert G. Roy and wife, Lois of West Grove, PA, four grandsons, Michael, Jason, Evan and Travis Roy, a great-grandson, Noah Roy, a great-granddaughter, Abigail Roy, a brother, Carrol S. Roy, Bridgeport, a brother-in-law, David B. Roberts and wife, Margie of Seven Hills, OH, and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Eugene in death besides his parents was a brother, Delbert D. Roy, a sister, Marie Roy, two sisters-in-law, Dolores Davis Roy and Josephine White Roy, a brother-in-law, Ken Roberts and wife, JoAnn.

Eugene attended Tucker County Schools and had served in the United States Army from 1958 until 1960. He continued his military service with the United States National Guard until 1966. He began working as an auto mechanic at an early age, having worked in the motor pool during his military service and had also worked for every car dealership in Tucker County. His longest place of employment was as an Auto Mechanic Teacher at Tucker County High School. Eugene was very talented working with electronics and also an avid HAM radio operator. He served an important role during the Flood of 1985 assisting with communication needs. He will be greatly missed by his many family friends.

Eugene's request for cremation will be honored. Memorial contributions in Eugene's honor may be made to Gary Rowan's Auto Technology Class, Attn: DeeDee Bunnell, Tucker County High School, Mountain Lion Way, Hambleton, WV 26269. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Eugene Loren Roy, Sr. Send online condolences to the family at [www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com).

### Barbara Jo Ruckle

Barbara Jo Ruckle, 72, of Thomas, WV, passed away September 10, 2022, surrounded by her family at her home. Born on May 24, 1950, she was the daughter of the late Paul Welton and Josephine (Blackburn) Cullers.

After graduating from Mountaineer High School, she attended Clarksburg Beauty School. She worked as a beautician and as a child caregiver. Barbara was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church of Davis. She enjoyed shopping and going to yard sales, attending basketball games and track meets, and gardening her flowers. She appreciated God's beautiful creation out at Blackwater, where she faithfully walked everyday. Most of all, she loved the time spent with her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Dale Ruckle; a son, Matthew Dale Ruckle and companion Lisa Taylor of Martinsburg, WV; a daughter, Angela Ruckle of Morgantown, WV; two grandsons, Nicholas Barner and Cameron Barner; siblings, Arthur "Bud" Cullers of Salem, WV, George Cullers of Hastings, MI, Sue Beach of Hastings, MI, Dan Cullers of Battle Creek, MI, Linda Gibson and husband Sam of Bryson City, NC, and Grace Gulch and husband Steve of Middleville, MI.

Mrs. Ruckle's request for cremation was honored. There will be a celebration of life scheduled in Spring of 2023. The Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Ruckle family at this time.



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# What's Happening

## Flanagan Hill Fall Festival

Flanagan Hill Fall Festival will be held from 1 – 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24. Roast beef dinner with all the fixing will be served, carry outs available. Adults prices \$15, ages 6 – 10, \$10, 5 and under eat free. There will be a cake walk, a raffle; homemade quilt, Gandy Dancer tickets for two and dump trailer of firewood, live music, kid games, 50/50 drawing and apple butter for sale. All proceeds benefit the Flanagan Hill Community Center.

## Wildflower walk

A Wildflower walk on Canaan Valley State Park trails to find what wildflowers are blooming. Hiking difficulty will be easy to moderate and distance will be a little over a mile long. Meet at 10: on Saturday, Sept. 24 at the Canaan Valley Resort main lobby and drive a short distance to the Blackwater River Trail head. Bring Binoculars! Walk Will be two hours.



**e-WV The West Virginia Encyclopedia**  
www.wvencyclopedia.org

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](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

**Sept. 21, 1895:** Samuel Ivan Taylor was born in Mercer County. Taylor was the first member of the West Virginia state police. He was part of the force that faced off against union miners during the 1921 Battle of Blair Mountain in Logan County

**Sept. 21, 1970:** Filming began in Moundsville on the movie *Fools' Parade*, based on the novel by Davis Grubb. The filming concluded one month later when Grubb came to Moundsville for a dinner, accompanied by his dog, making the \$750 round trip from New York City in a taxi.

**Sept. 22, 1856:** Albert Blakeslee "A. B." White was born in Cleveland, Ohio. He was West Virginia's 11th governor, serving from 1901–05. He was

the fourth person to serve as governor from Wood County, his adopted home.

**Sept. 22, 1894:** Louis Bennett Jr. was born in Weston. Bennett was West Virginia's only World War I flying ace. With 12 combat kills, including three aircraft and nine balloons, Bennett placed himself ninth on the roster of aces. This record was accomplished in just 10 days after assignment to his combat unit.

**Sept. 23, 1922:** Five men were struck and killed at the Glen Rogers mine in Wyoming County when equipment fell during the construction of a deep shaft.

**Sept. 23, 1938:** The Mingo Oak was cut down after succumbing to the fumes of a burning coal refuse pile. The Mingo Oak, which stood near the Logan-Mingo county line, was more than 500 years old and may have been the largest white oak in the world.

**Sept. 24, 1918:** George Spencer "Spanky" Rob-

erts was born in London, Kanawha County. He entered aviation cadet training with the first class of Tuskegee Airmen and became the first African-American military pilot from West Virginia.

**Sept. 25, 1864:** George Smith Patton was killed at the Battle of Winchester. Patton, a Charleston lawyer, had organized the Kanawha Riflemen, a Virginia militia company. He was the grandfather of Gen. George S. Patton of World War II.

**Sept. 26, 1816:** David Hunter Strother was born in Martinsburg. He was an artist and an author who used the pen name "Porte Crayon."

**Sept. 26, 1863:** The Great Seal of West Virginia was adopted by the legislature. The seal, which has remained unchanged, was designed by Joseph H. Diss Debar.

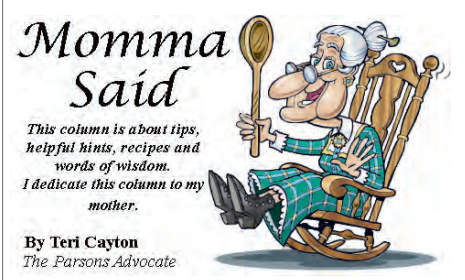
**Sept. 27, 1914:** Author Catherine Marshall was born in Johnson City, Tennessee. Her family moved to West Virginia and lived in Keyser during the late 1920s and the 1930s. Her best-loved novel, *Christy* (1967), was based on her mother's girlhood in the southern mountains.

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Well fall is officially here as of Thursday, Sept. 22 and it is so hard to believe another summer has come and gone. We have had some beautiful days this past week and I for one could stand to see it like that until spring. *Momma Said*, "Be careful what you wish for you just might get it."

Fall fairs and festivals are winding down for another year and at the end of September will be the Forest Festival. It is a huge draw for people from everywhere. I hope the weather cooperates and it is a big success this year. It was so much fun when we were kids to go see all the events that happen that week. There is wood chopping contests, singing, primitive campers and of course the carnival rides and games.

Another exciting thing that happens in fall is hunting season. I hadn't hunted for some years until last year and I went with my nephew. I had forgotten how much I enjoy being in the woods just waiting for that big deer to step out into the open. I got my passion for hunting



**Momma Said**  
This column is about tips, helpful hints, recipes and words of wisdom. I dedicate this column to my mother.  
By Teri Cayton  
The Parsons Advocate

from Mom and Gran they would have made great pioneer women.

I still regret not listening more to Gran and getting some of the old herbal remedies. Now that I am the one with all the aches and pains I need all the help I can get. I don't necessarily like taking prescription medicine and I would rather take my chances with some of the old remedies. *Momma Said*, "The only side effects from the home remedies is if you get the wrong stuff you may kill yourself." But the chances outweigh the risks I mean really, have you read some of the side effects of the medication prescribed to you by your doctor?

## Caramel Apple Crisp

### Ingredients

#### Apple Filling

- 7 cups peeled & chopped apples, 6-7 large or 8-10 small apples, I recommend Granny Smith, Jonagold, Honeycrisp, Braeburn, or Pink Lady Cut the apples into 1 inch by 1/2 inch pieces
- 1/2 cup caramel sauce
- 1/4 cup cornstarch
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. nutmeg

#### TOPPING

- 1 cup old fashioned rolled oats
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 stick, 1/2 cup unsalted butter, cold and cut into pieces

### Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. In your baking dish (you can use a 8x8 inch pan, 8 inch round pan, 9x9 inch pan, 9 inch round pan, 7x11 inch pan, basically you can use any dish that is 2 to 2.5 quarts) combine the apples, caramel sauce, cornstarch, cinnamon

and nutmeg. Toss with a spoon or spatula to combine.

### Topping


1. In a mixing bowl combine the old fashioned rolled oats, flour, brown sugar, cinnamon, salt and cubed cold butter. Use your fingers or a pastry cutter to cut the butter into the mixture. Mix until its "sandy" in texture, it is okay if there are pea sized clumps of butter! Use your hands to squeeze the mixture together.
2. Use your fingers to break the topping into clumps and evenly distribute the topping all over the apples.
3. Bake for 40-45 minutes. Check to see if the crisp is bubbling and if the topping is golden. If those two things have not occurred, bake for 10-20 additional minutes. The bake time will depend on what size of pan you used. I baked my crisp for 60 minutes in an oval 7x11 inch pan. Allow the crisp to cool for 10-15 minutes. This allows the juices to thicken then serve. Ice cream is optional but ohhhh so good.

## Super Crossword

### BEASTLY SNACK

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>DOWN</b>
1 Tea and ale	47 Ghana's capital	99 Novelist or dramatist	10 Natural gas component
6 Brunch menu items	51 Whiz	100 Professors' privileges	11 Knotted neckwear
13 Difficult to pin down	52 Printing proof, informally	101 Provo or Orem native	12 Declare
20 Newswoman	56 Riddle, part 3	104 Doily material	13 Approx. airport stats
Shriver	61 Jinx	105 Belly muscles	14 Ritchie Valens hit
21 Ancient Italian region	62 Whim	107 Old Russian space station	15 Small guitar, for short
22 Like adoptees and swindle victims	63 A single time	108 "Trinity" novelist Leon	16 One drafted for service
23 Start of a riddle	64 Eastern "way"	109 Barge in	17 Trapped by habit
25 French scholar	65 Shirt tag information	111 Riddle's answer	18 Manly
Peter	66 Andre of tennis	117 Cleaned thoroughly	19 Win the affection of
26 Buddy	67 Application to thinning hair	118 Runs in	24 Pound fraction
27 Sly-fox link	69 Give a job to	119 Gads about	28 Shorten
28 Passenger-screening org.	71 Zip	120 Draft horse's gear	30 Capone and Pacino
29 Shallowest Great Lake	72 Abbr. on military mail	121 Person icing a cake	31 Pudgy
30 Crocheted coverlet	74 Lip	122 Fashion flair	32 Big black-and-white mammal
33 Mess up	75 Almond confection		33 "Yuck!"
36 Retina spot that might degenerate	77 Riddle, part 4		34 Football's Cowboys, on scoreboards
38 Zhou En- —	80 Very little, in recipes		35 Big 1940s computer
39 Riddle, part 2	82 — -mo		37 Crooning cowboy Gene
42 Running herd	83 Syrian president since 2000		40 Set — (start wedding plans)
45 Marked with stripes	84 Scottish seaport		41 R&B singer — Marie
46 "Alfie" actress	85 Skin art		48 Unconfined
Long	88 Carts away		
	92 End of the riddle		
	98 Prefix with lingual		

**CHEERS TO 100 YEARS**



Family and Friends of **Tony DiBacco** would like to wish him a **Happy 100th Birthday** in person, are welcome to come celebrate with us on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST** at the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church Social Hall in Thomas from 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. **NO GIFTS PLEASE.**

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**Weather Totals**  
Sept. 6 - Sept. 13

**Nursery Bottom Parsons**

**TEMPERATURE**  
Max 78° F  
Min 51° F

**PRECIPITATION**  
Week 0.93"  
September 1.87"  
2022 43.18"

**SNOWFALL**  
Snow on Ground 0"  
Winter Total 36"

U.S. Forest Service

**Weekly SUDOKU**  
by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦**

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**DEADLINE 8AM MONDAY**

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**LEGAL**

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2022**

	Primary Government			Component Units	
	Governmental Activities	Board of Health	Ambulance Authority	Parks and Recreation	Development Authority
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,014,758	\$ 270,185	\$ 405,626	\$ 118,482	\$ 335,825
Receivables:					
Taxes	76,137	-	-	-	-
Accounts	-	3,541	125,996	-	-
Due from:					
Other governments	12,775	-	-	-	-
Prepaid expenses	-	958	9,044	1,004	2,847
Total current assets	4,103,670	274,684	540,666	119,486	338,672
Capital Assets:					
Nondepreciable					
Land	749,416	-	-	-	393,370
Depreciable:					
Buildings and building improvements	12,936,768	-	-	-	1,710,998
Infrastructure	-	-	-	-	250,375
Contents	687,935	-	-	-	-
Machinery and equipment	809,809	-	616,461	72,596	588
Furniture and fixtures	-	-	-	18,674	-
Less: accumulated depreciation	(3,748,891)	-	(333,787)	(37,879)	(610,797)
Other debts:					
Net OPEB assets	13,262	-	-	-	-
Net pension assets	971,303	-	-	15,908	313
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>16,523,272</b>	<b>274,684</b>	<b>823,340</b>	<b>188,785</b>	<b>2,083,519</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>					
Changes in employer proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	57,681	-	-	-	-
Differences in assumptions	215,249	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	126,374	-	-	-	-
Employer contributions subsequent to measurement date	293,155	-	-	-	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	692,459	-	-	8,480	1,692
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Current liabilities payable from current assets:					
Accounts payable	28,283	45,074	70,000	6,564	2,655
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Compensated absences payable	59,983	-	35,043	-	-
Total liabilities	88,266	45,074	105,043	6,564	2,655
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS</b>					
Differences between projected and actual investment earnings	1,416,047	-	-	-	-
Differences in assumptions	290,613	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	103,631	-	-	-	-
Changes in employer proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	24,943	-	-	-	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	1,835,234	-	-	20,798	11,705
<b>NET POSITION</b>					
Net investment in capital assets	11,435,037	-	282,674	53,391	1,744,534
Unrestricted	3,857,194	229,610	435,623	116,512	326,317
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 15,292,231</b>	<b>\$ 229,610</b>	<b>\$ 718,297</b>	<b>\$ 169,903</b>	<b>\$ 2,070,851</b>

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
June 30, 2022**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 848,793
Capital outlays are reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds but are considered an asset at the government-wide level. This is the amount of capital assets that were purchased during the fiscal year. (Note III-C)	81,851
Capital outlays are reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds. In the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount of depreciation expense charged during the year. (Note III-C)	(391,249)
Contributions toward the purchase of capital assets increase net position in the statement of activities, but do not appear in the governmental funds because they are not financial resources. (Note III-C)	2,541,160
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. This is the difference between prior and current year deferred revenues,	(8,995)
Prior year deferred revenues:	\$47,017
Current year deferred revenues:	\$56,012
Certain pension and OPEB expenses in the statement of activities are recognized on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GASB 68. (Notes V and VI)	293,110
Amount of pension and OPEB expenditures at find modified accrual level:	293,155
Amount of pension and OPEB expenses recognized at government-wide level:	404,110
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. (Note III-F)	(644)
<b>Change in net position of governmental activities</b>	<b>\$ 2,985,718</b>

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues				Net (Expense), Revenues and Changes in Net Position			
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government Activities	Board of Health	Ambulance Authority	Parks & Recreation	Development Authority
<b>Primary government:</b>									
Governmental activities:									
General government	\$ 3,351,563	\$ 1,079,665	\$ 999,956	\$ -	\$ (1,071,942)				
Public safety	2,486,516	-	194,423	-	(2,292,093)				
Health and sanitation	42,700	-	-	-	(42,700)				
Culture and recreation	931,078	-	-	-	(931,078)				
Social services	25,765	-	-	-	(25,765)				
Total governmental activities	6,637,622	1,079,665	1,194,379	-	(4,363,578)				
Total primary government	\$ 6,637,622	\$ 1,079,665	\$ 1,194,379	\$ -	\$ (4,363,578)				
<b>Component units:</b>									
Board of Health	430,228	42,285	335,252	-	-	\$ (52,691)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Ambulance Authority	945,721	715,468	-	-	-	-	(230,253)	-	-
Parks & Recreation	200,578	81,845	8,000	-	-	-	-	(110,733)	-
Development Authority	244,016	-	187,902	-	-	-	-	-	(56,114)
Total component units	\$ 1,820,543	\$ 839,598	\$ 531,154	\$ -	\$ -	(52,691)	(230,253)	(110,733)	(56,114)
<b>General revenues:</b>									
Ad valorem property taxes					2,931,543				
Other taxes					1,350,545		140,745	120.00	
Coal severance tax					14,762				
Licenses and permits					3,475				
<b>Intergovernmental:</b>									
Local					-	35,000	110,000	10,015	-
Interest					10,547	3,176	995	76	333
Reimbursements					127,736				
Loss on disposition of property					-			(1,262,773)	
Miscellaneous					2,910,688	2,091	1,100	12,704	16,000
Total general revenues					7,349,296	40,267	252,840	(1,119,978)	16,333
Change in net position					2,985,718	(12,424)	22,587	1,230,711	(39,781)
Net position - beginning					12,306,513	242,034	695,710	1,400,614	2,110,632
Net position - ending					\$ 15,292,231	\$ 229,610	\$ 718,297	\$ 169,903	\$ 2,070,851

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2022**

Total fund balances on the governmental fund's balance sheet	\$ 4,019,375
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the funds. (Note III-C)	11,435,037
Other long-term assets that are not available to pay for current-year expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. (Note )	984,565
Certain revenues are not available to fund current year expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. (Note III-B)	47,017
Deferred inflows and outflows related to pension and OPEB activity are not required to be reported in the funds but are required to be reported at the government-wide level (Notes V and VI):	
Deferred outflow (inflow) - Changes in employer portion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of expense	32,738
Deferred outflow - Employer contributions after measurement date	293,155
Deferred inflow - Differences between projected and actual investment earnings	(1,416,047)
Deferred outflow (inflow) - Differences between expected and actual experience.	22,743
Deferred outflow (inflow) - Differences in assumptions.	(75,364)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. (Note III-F)	(59,983)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 15,292,231

STEVENS' FLORIST	162.10	ANTHONY BONNER	1,235.00
TUCKER COUNTY YOUTH FOOTBALL	2,500.00	BONNERTECH/ANTHONY BONNER	1,240.90
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	12,326.84	CHAMPION OUTPUT SOLUTIONS, INC.	7,313.61
INFORMATION SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS	2,382.42	FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,421.33
LEAF	3,720.94	GALLS, LLC	222.25
LMC & ASSOCIATES	117.50	HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	138.92
LOWELL MOORE	173.04	THE INTER-MOUNTAIN	229.80
MI-TEC COMPUTER SOLUTIONS	144.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	12,478.95
THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	1,790.52	MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC	2,473.71
WV PEIA	5,672.80	LEAF	1,999.94
QUILL CORPORATION	2,286.85	MCCLAIN PRINTING COMPANY	644.17
REGION VII PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT	8,212.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK NA	492.06
COUNCIL MICHAEL ROSENAU	329.33	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	266.10
PARSONS SHOP N SAVE	65.94	PAT A. NICHOLS	1,177.25
WV STATE AUDITOR	12,455.00	OMG NATIONAL	139.00
SYNCB/AMAZON	76.09	THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	7,713.67
TUCKER COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	5,000.00	WV PETA	17,588.00
TUCKER COUNTY HISTORIC LANDMARK	3,000.00	PITNEY BOWES	2,126.64
COMMISSION TUCKER COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	6,600.00	PITNEY BOWES INC	650.95
WV STATE AUDITOR	12,455.00	PITNEY BOWES BANK INC RESERVE ACCOUNT	14,932.00
WV ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	500.00	QUILL CORPORATION	2,102.54
WVCoRP	1,933.00	VANDEVANDER & NYPL, CPAS, AC	14,950.00
WV ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	4,940.00	SIRCHIE ACQUISITION COMPANY, LLC	338.82
WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF LABOR	180.00	TOTAL ID SOLUTIONS INC	320.00
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	12,420.52	WASP BARCODE TECHNOLOGIES	369.27
ZMM INC	3,500.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	10,110.36
AGGREGATE	174,191.95	AGGREGATE	196,119.28
ANTHONY BONNER	475.00	ANTHONY BONNER	475.00
CASTO & HARRIS OF WV, LLC	4,270.10	BLUE360 MEDIA, LLC	85.75
CITIZENS BANK OF WEST VIRGINIA	73.53	FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,592.93
COURTHOUSE COMPUTER SYSTEMS	18,000.00	GALLS, LLC	101.02
ES&S	5,061.55	HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	248.77
FIFTH THIRD BANK	2,308.26	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	14,820.89
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	1,736.23	MARIA KEPLINGER, C.C.R.	147.30
FRED C. HESS, CPA, PLLC	6,000.00	NMS LABS	2,139.00
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	13,216.11	F. CODY PANCAKE III	207.09
THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	1,858.33	WV PEIA	36,498.80
WV PEIA	47,376.20	LECKTA L. POLING, ESQUIRE	101.89
PRECISION PRINTED PRODUCTS	81.09	QUILL CORPORATION	1,444.90
QUILL CORPORATION	6,858.70	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	2,421.03
MICHELE R. BOLYARD	1,853.28	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	19,611.88
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	17,419.27	AGGREGATE	166,692.38
AGGREGATE	125,160.79	ASSOCIATION OF WV ASSESSORS	325.00
HOLLY L. ASH	156.89	CASTO & HARRIS OF WV, LLC	1,278.81
DATA DESIGN GOVERNMENT BRANDS	2,714.82	J. CHRIS MCHAEAL	70.20
SHARED SERVICES		CORPORATE WAREHOUSE SUPPLY	489.85
FIFTH THIRD BANK	4,336.74	THE INTER-MOUNTAIN	205.60
GLOBAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY INC.	2,400.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	12,508.91
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	411.14	WV PEIA	36,264.80
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	9,520.70	VANDEVANDER & NYPL, CPAS, AC	250.00
MCCLAIN PRINTING COMPANY	74.33	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	16,669.43
WV PEIA	11,295.60	AGGREGATE	71,215.10
SHARON MOATS	231.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	5,447.92
WV ASSOCIATION OF CIRCUIT CLERKS	750.00	WV PEIA	5,942.80
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	12,512.40	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	7,121.42
AGGREGATE	164,992.66	(1)	

**TUCKER COUNTY COMMISSION GENERAL COUNTY  
VENDOR LIST 2021-2022**

The list that follows included the name of each firm, corporation, and person to whom more than \$50.00 in the aggregate from General County Funds was paid during the fiscal year.

AGGREGATE	164,326.03
BACKBONE MT. SPORTS SHOP	3,910.34
CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER	15,000.00
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION OF WV	4,800.00
CITIZENS BANK OF WEST VIRGINIA	4,200.00
COMPILED TECHNOLOGIES	21,839.25
CORRIDOR H AUTHORITY	5,000.00
DEBRA DAVIS	2,167.75
FRED DAVIS	200.07
SHELIA W. DEVILDER	64.96
DIAMOND K EXCAVATING	500.00
FIFTH THIRD BANK	6,057.99

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**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
June 30, 2022**

	General	Coal Severance Tax	E-911	American Rescue Plan	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>						
<b>Current:</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,707,688	\$ 10,723	\$ 547,010	\$ 754,596	\$ 994,741	\$ 4,014,758
Receivables:						
Taxes	76,137	-	-	-	-	76,137
Due from:						
Other governments	7,789	4,986	-	-	-	12,775
Total Assets	\$ 1,791,614	\$ 15,709	\$ 547,010	\$ 754,596	\$ 994,741	\$ 4,103,670
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Accounts payable	22,965	-	2,483	-	2,835	28,283
Total liabilities	22,965	-	2,483	-	2,835	28,283
<b>Deferred Inflows:</b>						
Unavailable revenue - taxes	56,012	-	-	-	-	56,012
Total deferred inflows of resources	56,012	-	-	-	-	56,012
<b>Fund Balances:</b>						
Restricted	-	-	544,527	754,596	991,906	2,291,029
Committed	275,942	-	-	-	-	275,942
Assigned	-	15,709	-	-	-	15,709
Unassigned	1,436,695	-	-	-	-	1,436,695
Total fund balances	1,712,637	15,709	544,527	754,596	991,906	4,019,375
Total liabilities, deferred inflows fund balances	\$ 1,791,614	\$ 15,709	\$ 547,010	\$ 754,596	\$ 994,741	\$ 4,103,670

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022**

	General	Coal Severance Tax	E-911	American Rescue Plan	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>						
<b>Taxes:</b>						
Ad valorem property taxes	\$ 2,922,548	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,922,548
Other taxes	1,350,545	-	-	-	-	1,350,545
Coal severance tax	-	14,762	-	-	-	14,762
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	3,475	3,475
<b>Intergovernmental:</b>						
Federal	299,199	-	-	664,198	-	963,397
State	36,559	-	-	-	194,423	230,982
Charges for services	114,910	-	572,212	-	353,706	1,040,828
Finds and forfeits	7,578	-	-	-	31,259	38,837
Interest and investment earnings	7,862	-	1,525	575	585	10,547
Reimbursements	127,736	-	-	-	-	127,736
Miscellaneous	62,304	-	-	-	307,224	369,528
Total revenues	4,929,241	14,762	573,737	664,773	890,672	7,073,185
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
<b>Current:</b>						
General government	2,667,271	20,000	-	574,441	132,139	3,393,851
Public safety	2,038,296	-	170,646	-	402,033	2,610,975
Health and sanitation	35,000	-	-	-	-	35,000
Culture and recreation	903,168	-	-	-	-	903,168
Capital outlay	36,855	-	-	-	44,996	81,851
Total expenditures	5,680,590	20,000	170,646	574,441	579,168	7,024,845
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(751,349)	(5,238)	403,091	90,332	311,504	48,340
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>						
Transfers in	788,225	-	-	-	70,930	859,155
Transfers (out)	(70,930)	-	(400,000)	-	(388,225)	(859,155)
Total other financing sources (uses)	717,295	-	(400,000)	-	(317,295)	-
Net change in fund balances	(34,054)	(5,238)	3,091	90,332	(5,791)	48,340
Fund balances - beginning	1,746,691	20,947	541,436	664,264	997,697	3,971,035
Fund balances - ending	\$ 1,712,637	\$ 15,709	\$ 544,527	\$ 754,596	\$ 991,906	\$ 4,019,375

**VENDOR LIST 2021-2022 Continued from previous page**

STEVENS' FLORIST	87.00	BACKSTREET AUTO	225.00
WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT	1,448.48	FIRE PROTECTION PRODUCTS INC	1,212.86
AGGREGATE	64,182.07	FRONTIER	262.74
FIFTH THIRD BANK	2,377.87	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS CORP	20,892.12
STEVENS' FLORIST	70.00	MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY	9,860.86
CYNTHIA D. HARSH	1,084.66	HAMRICK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT	2,178.29
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	130.48	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	10,060.41
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	4,815.33	JIM'S ALLSTAR MARKET	1,902.30
JESICA STREETS	371.36	KIDWELL AUTO PARTS INC.	356.17
HEATHER KNOTTS	566.28	KONE	7,929.60
LEAF	2,022.98	LEEDY ELEVATOR INSPECTION SERVICE LLC	460.00
WV PEIA	5,672.80	JOHN E. LIPSCOMB	125.00
PROGRESSIVE AGRICULTURE FOUNDATION	75.00	MASON & BARRY INC.	9,819.41
QUILL CORPORATION	2,918.55	MON POWER	44,760.01
S&S WORLDWIDE, INC.	330.28	NAYLOR'S HARDWARE	312.64
PARSONS SHOP N SAVE	139.30	TUCKER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION	940.90
TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES	2,380.38	COMMISSION, INC	
UPSHUR COUNTY CEOS	107.00	WV PEIA	62,735.17
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	6,317.83	PHILLIPS ELECTRONICS	409.34
WVU EXTENSION SERVICE	140.00	QUADIANT LEASING USA, INC.	1,416.09
ADKINS HOME CENTER INC.	298.83	QUADIANT FINANCE USA, INC.	5,473.06
AGGREGATE	33,947.48	QUILL CORPORATION	4,374.16
HOLLY L. ASH	266.38	ANN RIFFE	7,950.00
CANAAN VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	100.00	ROBS LOCKSMITH SERVICE	425.00
CASTO & HARRIS OF WV, LLC	4,997.30	CHARLES B. SHOWALTER III	1,500.00
CDW GOVERNMENT INC.	668.90	SONNY'S CARPET	2,586.21
DAVIS CITY HALL	100.00	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	859.37
ES&S	13,131.32	US CELLULAR	4,896.10
FIFTH THIRD BANK	746.77	WESTFIELD	2,298.00
FLANAGAN HILL COMMUNITY CENTER	100.00	WRIGHT NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE CO.	11,734.00
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	1,045.28	WVCoRP	69,818.00
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	1,978.16	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	13,407.83
HEATHER KNOTTS	200.00	TUCKER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	40,574.00
ROBERT LEARD	100.00	TUCKER COUNTY BUILDING COMMISSION	40,000.00
THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	4,115.10	AGGREGATE	140,508.14
WV PEIA	9,169.70	ANTHONY BONNER	1,140.00
QUILL CORPORATION	3,404.30	AT&T MOBILITY	3,786.12
BAYLI RHODES	173.11	ATLANTIC TACTICAL	3,325.76
ROCKY BOTTOM CUSTOM PRINTS	85.00	BFS COMPANIES	2,419.63
SHERRY SIMMONS	61.43	BLUE360 MEDIA, LLC	85.75
ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	100.00	BONNERTECH/ANTHONY BONNER	702.92
CITY OF THOMAS	100.00	BUSINESS RADIO LICENSING	315.00
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	2,618.01	CLAYMAN & ASSOCIATES	550.00
SHARON DELEURERE	200.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	18,310.09
VIRGIL L. GEORGE, JR.	200.00	ELKINS MOTORSPORTS	3,698.99
DEBORAH L. GOWER	200.00	THE EMBLEM AUTHORITY	274.00
TAMMY CARR	252.11	FEDERAL LICENSING, INC.	120.00
SANDY HARDY	200.00	FIFTH THIRD BANK	11,613.37
KATALIN L. MOORE	200.00	INETTA FLUHARTY CONSULTING, LLC	250.00
REBECCA S. ARBOGAST	200.00	ELKINS FORDLAND INC.	14,682.00
DOUG COLEMAN	200.00	GALLS, LLC	2,102.06
MALINDA HUNT	200.00	GLOTFELTY TIRE CENTER	2,953.61
D. PAUL NESTOR	200.00	THE HAPPY CAMPER BOUTIQUE LLC	551.20
KEISHA DAVIS	200.00	IN-SYNCH SYSTEMS LLC	1,895.00
RILEY EVANS	200.00	IN-SYNCH SYSTEMS, LLC	1,895.00
VAIA MEADOR	200.00	THE INTER-MOUNTAIN	229.80
OLIVIA STONE	200.00	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	10,740.57
CAROL CRAVER	200.00	JIM'S ALLSTAR MARKET	14,268.05
LORA A. EVANS	200.00	DIVISION OF JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	1,500.00
DEBORAH STEVENS	200.00	KIDWELL AUTO PARTS INC.	215.79
AT&T MOBILITY	3,617.67	MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC.	3,892.54
HOLLY L. ASH	62.30	MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT	225.00
FIFTH THIRD BANK	70.44	MYERS AUTO REPAIR	256.00
GLOBAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY INC	1,107.92	PANSCH INVESTIGATIONS LLC	340.00
ADKINS HOME CENTER INC.	9,295.87	THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	951.50
AGGREGATE	134,374.22	WV PEIA	27,281.00
ALLSTATE FLOOD SERVICE CENTER	55,332.00	PETER PAN CLEANERS	64.00
AT&T MOBILITY	5,195.88	QUILL CORPORATION	436.60
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	529.30	RELENTLESS LLC DBA DESERT SNOW	1,298.00
BREEZELNE	34,881.56	ROCKY FORK ENTERPRIZES, LLC	24,642.08
BACKSTREET AUTO	819.52	SIRCHIE ACQUISITION COMPANY, LLC	2,302.62
BREWER & COMPANY OF WV, INC.	1,680.00	TUCKER SERVICE	5,199.82
CAPITOL BUSINESS INTERIORS DIV.	324.85	WV SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	1,600.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	684.37	AGGREGATE	69,912.42
CITY OF PARSONS	10,970.21	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	6,608.26
CRYSTAL SPRINGS	4,106.68	MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	5,247.33
CUPTANE LP GAS CO.	6,526.65	WV PEIA	11,789.60
D.P.H. LLC	9,400.00	REGIONAL JAIL & CORRECTIONAL FACILITY	77,827.25
DODSON PEST CONTROL	1,602.00	AUTHORITY	
DOUBLE E MOWING & MORE	720.00	ADKINS HOME CENTER INC.	908.91
EAST-WEST PRINTING	412.84	AGGREGATE	32,500.08
FIFTH THIRD BANK	7,675.68	AT&T MOBILITY	860.14
		BREEZELINE	846.82

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# Corridor H

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and promoting economic development in the region.

A Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) was approved in 2007, but the project was paused because of funding constraints. A Public Informational Workshop was held in 2019 to provide updates on the project. Since 2019, engineering studies, including consideration of options for the Coketon bridge type, the Corridor H/WV 32 intersection, and the Truck Route have taken place. In addition, environmental studies, including surveys for federally listed species, and updated historic resources survey, and an Environmental Justice analysis, are ongoing or have been completed.”

The WVDOT encourages residents of Tucker County to make comments by writing them on the printed form provided at the workshop or digitally through the website provided above. The last day to submit comments is October 12.

During the workshop answers to frequently asked questions were posted. WVDOT provided answers to questions many residents may have such as will the location of Corridor H between towns of Thomas and Davis cut off the connections between the two towns or how will the construction of US 48 impact the traveling public between Thomas and Davis.

To answer the question of will the connection be cut between Thomas and Davis,

WVDOT said, “No. Several interchange options are being evaluated east of WV 32 near the current terminus of the 4-lane roadway with a service road following existing WV 93 accessing Davis and Thomas. The corridor will pass under WV 32 to “tuck” the new 4-lane away from view and reduce noise. As part of the project, a shared use trail will be constructed to connect the Twin towns, and access will be provided from WV 32 to the rail grade that travels east towards Beaver Creek and west toward Pendleton Creek.”

WVDOT said, “We are currently designing the Thomas/Davis interchange to be located east of WV 32 based on public opinion. Regardless of the location of the interchange, US 48 will cross under WV32. All forms of traffic will be considered throughout the design process and impacts to the traveling public will be reduced to the extent possible.” in response to the question of how the construction will impact the traveling public between Thomas and Davis.

With the Revised Original Preferred Alternative (ROPA) alignment the construction of the project is set to begin in the fall of 2024. New alignments will add three to four years to NEPA approvals missing the Infrastructure bill that expires in September of 2026.

According to WVDOT the Corridor H project will not have cross over Blackwa-

ter Canyon. The alignment crosses over the North Fork Blackwater River two miles north of its confluence with the Blackwater River. All the alternative for the project, including the northern alignments, cross the North Fork Blackwater River.

In response to the question of whether or not the location of Corridor H will negatively impact parks and trails in the areas WVDOT said, “No, the opposite. The Preferred Alternative is not in the viewshed of Blackwater Falls State Park. The crossing of the North Fork Blackwater River is over one mile north of the Town of Douglas and will not be visible from Lindy Point or Pase Point Overlooks. In addition, the current design includes natural landscaping techniques that employ earthen berms to reduce the possibility for noise pollution in the area around Blackwater Falls State Park. The design is also taking into account the future plans of Friends of Blackwater to connect the Allegheny Highlands Trail to the Pase Point Trail via a suspension bridge at Douglas Falls, as well as the future plans of the Highlands Trail Foundation to connect the Allegheny Highlands Trail in Thomas to WV 32 via the Dobbin Road Grade.”

To inform about the environmental impact of the Corridor H project on natural resources WVDOT said, “The Biological and Aquatic Resource Study Area is a broad buffer placed around the proposed

project to guide stream, wetland, and habitat resource inventories and species surveys. However, the coordination for the WVNFS took a larger, more regional approach to analyze roosting and foraging for the species. Likewise, for bat species and the Cheat Mountain salamander, the surveys and analyses extend beyond the Study Area and are still being coordinated with resource agencies.”

The timeframe presented by the WVDOT is: 2022 – Notice of Intent for Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS); 2023 – Continued engineering, environmental studies, public outreach and agency coordination with a draft SEIS circulated; 2024 – Final SEIS circulated (Early 2024), Amended Record of Decision (AROD) completed and begin right-of way activities (mid-2024), and construction will begin late 2024; 2030 – The projects will open to all traffic. All dates represent estimates and are subject to change.

More of the answers to the common questions concerning the Corridor H project can be found at the WVDOT website <http://go.wv.gov/dotcomment>. Travis Long, Director of the Division of Highways Technical Support Division can be reached at (304) 414.6457, [travis.e.long@wv.gov](mailto:travis.e.long@wv.gov) or by mail to 1334 Smith Street, Charleston, West Virginia, 25301.

# Spitznogle

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years old or more, engages in sexual intercourse or sexual intrusion with another person who is younger than twelve years old and is not married to that person.

“Sexual intercourse” means any act between persons involving penetration, however slight, of the female sex organ by the male sex organ or involving contact between the sex organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another person.

“Sexual intrusion” means any act between persons involving penetration, however slight, of the female sex organ or of the anus of any person by an object for the purpose of degrading or humiliating the person so penetrated or for gratifying the sexual desire of either party.”

Morris said, “We would move the court for a new trial on the basis of the impeachment of the defendant. We have two bases for asking for a new trial. The first one is if the court will recall a statement made by the defendant regarding a previous plea and the how state brought up his previous conviction, his previous alleged statement to the state police. They said they were not trying to use the police reports for FRE (Federal Rule of Evidence) 404(b) but that they were trying to use it simple as impeachment for a prior inconsistent statement.”

404(b) evidence is evidence of prior bad acts that

the prosecution can introduce in their case-in-chief. Under Federal Rule of Evidence (FRE’ 404(b), the prosecution is able to introduce evidence of the defendant’s prior bad acts that are not charged in the instant criminal case. Although introduction of 404(b) evidence is not permissible to show the individual’s criminal propensity, or pre-disposition to commit crimes, FRE 404(b) is admissible for other reasons such as motive, opportunity, or intent.

Prosecuting Attorney Savannah Hull Wilkins rebutted Morris’ motion by stating that there was testimony from the victim that clearly defined sexual assault. The

victim had testified that he was sexually assaulted by Spitznogle when Spitznogle placed the tip of his penis in his anus. This act constitutes first degree sexual assault.

Wilkins also rebutted Morris’ motion for a new trial based on the fact the defense had ample time during the trial to redirect the testimony of Spitznogle where he stated he lied on his statement to the police in Monongalia County during his prior charges of sexual assault of a child by a parent by attempting to the charges. Spitznogle claims he lied because his lawyer advised him to take the plea and get out of prison in fewer years.

The honorable Judge James Courier agreed with the Prosecuting Attorney Wilkins on both accounts and denied the defense the motions for acquittal and a new trial. Courier stated the prosecuting attorney had enough evidence in the victim’s testimony which met the definition of first-degree sexual assault. Courier also explained that the state had presented the prior conviction testimony correctly, had allowed Spitznogle to read and give explanation, and defense had opportunity to follow up with a redirect with the accused.

Sentencing is set for October 17 at 1:30 p.m. Spitznogle is facing a life sentence.

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### WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service ([www.bidx.com](http://www.bidx.com)) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia, until October 18, 2022 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
018 2020000764	S347-219-21.92 00	NHPP-0219(377)D	RESURFACING THOMAS - PIERCE THOMAS - PIERCE COUNTY: TUCKER

**DBE GOAL:** 12% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

**REMARKS:**

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractor’s license is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code. All contractors submitting bids on project(s) must include one of the following forms properly executed with each proposal: Proposal Guaranty Bond, Cashier’s Check, or Certified Check for \$500.00 or 5% of the total bid, whichever is greater.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. All bidders holding valid bidding proposals will be notified of such deferment, delay or postponement and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

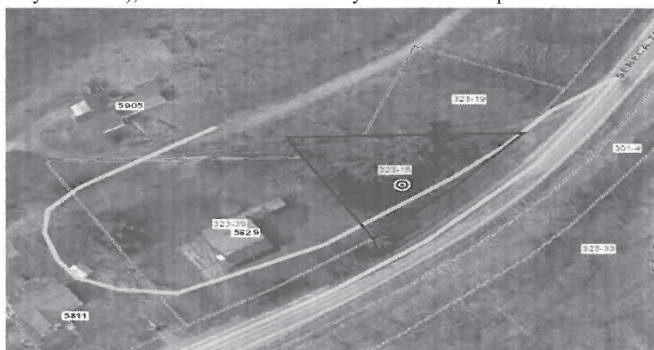
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### ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS SALE OF CITY PROPERTY SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

The City Council of Parsons, Tucker County, West Virginia (“City Council”), has authorized the sale by sealed bid of a parcel of real estate (the “Property”) as described below:

**PROPERTY INFORMATION**

Owner: City of Parsons  
Physical Address: Route 219  
County: Tucker (47)  
District: Black Fork (1)  
Map: 0323  
Parcel No.: 0018  
Deed Book/ Page: 234 / 148  
Deeded Acres: 0.250 +/-  
Map View Link: <https://mapwv.gov/LparcelZ?pid=47-01-0323-0018-0000>



The City will accept sealed bids for the Property until 3:00 P.M. (EDT), Friday, September 30, 2022, at the office of Mrs. Agnes A. Arnold, City Administrator, First Floor, Charles W. “Bill” Rosenau Municipal Building, 341 Second Street, Parsons, West Virginia. At 3:01 P.M. (EDT) on Friday, September 30, 2022, all bids received shall be opened in public and the amount of each bid announced and recorded.

The City Council has established a minimum bidding reserve of \$2,000.00 for the Property. They will determine the highest responsible bidder for the Property and will award the bid at their regular meeting at 6:00 P.M. (EDT) on Tuesday, October 4, 2022. The Property is being sold “as is, where is” and with no warranty of title. Bids will remain open and subject to acceptance until the City Council awards the bid.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. A bid deposit may take the form of cash, a cashier’s check, a certified check, or a surety bond made payable to the City of Parsons. The deposit of the bidder to whom the award is made will be held until sale of the Property is closed; if that bidder refuses at any time to close the sale, the deposit will be forfeited to the City.

“This is an Equal Opportunity Program. Discrimination is prohibited by Federal Law.” To file a complaint of discrimination write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (Voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TDD).

The deposits of other bidders will be returned at the time the City Council awards the Property to the highest responsible bidder. The City reserves the right to withdraw the Property from sale at any time and the right to reject all bids.

Inquiries about the sale of the property may be made to the City Administrator’s Office, First Floor, Charles W. “Bill” Rosenau Municipal Building, 341 Second Street, Parsons, West Virginia 26287, or by phone at (304) 478-2311.

City of Parsons, a municipal corporation,  
Dorothy L. Judy, Mayor

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**VENDOR LIST 2021-2022 Continued from previous page**

ROGER C. COSNER, SR.	365.00
HART OFFICE SOLUTIONS	321.73
THE INTER-MOUNTAIN	126.75
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	15,550.41
JIM’S ALLSTAR MARKET	950.07
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC.	810.00
OREGON CONSULTATION ASSOCIATES	90.00
WV PEIA	46,135.20
US CELLULAR	1,011.71
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	20,785.08
AGGREGATE	4,699.92
ALLEGHENY VETERINARY SERVICES	1,013.39
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD	611.04
FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,568.88
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK	359.51
MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK NA	150.00
B TAYLOR ZIRK	352.72
TUCKER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	35,000.00
TUCKER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION	120,000.00
COMMISSION, INC	

ADKINS HOME CENTER INC.	1,239.50
ARDEN EQUIPMENT REPAIR, INC.	11,400.00
BACKSTREET AUTO	773.31
CAMP KIDD ADVISORY BOARD	55,930.78
CASTO TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC	335.00
D.P.H. LLC	11,935.00
ELITE SEALCOATING	450.00
FIFTH THIRD BANK	1,729.73
FRONTIER	59.85
HAMRICK PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT	448.50
JAMESON HARDY	18,300.00
MOORE’S FARM SERVICE AND SALES	400.00
NAYLOR’S HARDWARE	246.94
TUCKER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION	8,000.00
COMMISSION, INC	
ROBS LOCKSMITH SERVICE	4,839.57
TUCKER COUNTY SHERIFF	18,353.05
SUNRISE SANITATION SERVICES INC.	391.63
TUCKER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	475.00
TUSCAN GRILLE CATERING LLC	7,498.81
WOODFORD OIL CO.	2,143.33

CAMP KIDD ADVISORY BOARD	15,000.00
FLANAGAN HILL DEVELOPMENT CORP	5,000.00
TUCKER COUNTY CULTURAL DISTRICT	10,000.00
AUTHORITY	
TUCKER COUNTY SHERIFF	45,000.00
ADKINS HOME CENTER INC.	339.99
TUCKER COUNTY CONVENTION	526,425.25
VISITORS BUREAU	
FIVE RIVERS PUBLIC LIBRARY	11,000.00
MOUNTAINTOP PUBLIC LIBRARY	11,000.00
ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL VETERINARY	1,251.58
FIFTH THIRD BANK	3,093.21
HAZELWOOD ANIMAL CLINIC, INC.	7,280.00
ZMM INC	2,015.00
ATLAS GEOGRAPHIC DATA, INC.	15,330.00
TUCKER COUNTY SHERIFF	100,000.00
SHERIFF OF TUCKER COUNTY	150,000.00
(3)	
<b>Fund Total:</b>	<b>5,783,846.17</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>5,783,846.17</b>









# Tucker County Schools Celebrate Constitution Week



All throughout Tucker County schools, students are celebrating Constitution Week, which is Sept. 17 - 23. Recently, local officers of the Blackwater Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) joined students, teachers and school administrators in signing school proclamations stating they would "read and study the Constitution of the United States of America" during this week.

TCHS Principal Alex Cork signed his school's proclamation along with students Emma Snyder, Ivy Wilt and DAR Blackwater Chapter Regent Cathy Hebb. At TVEMS, Hebb and Assistant Principal Cynthia Shaffer witnessed the proclamation signing by 6<sup>th</sup> grade student, Jady Hebb, 6<sup>th</sup> grade social studies teacher Kelly Underwood, and TVEMS



principal Kelly Thompson. Blackwater Chapter Vice Regent Darlya Rapp witnessed the signing of DTEMS by 6<sup>th</sup> grade student Isabelle Raulings and DTEMS social studies teacher Chelsi Demastes.



## CONSTITUTION WEEK

The United States Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedoms and to ensure those unalienable rights to every American.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution. In 1955, DAR petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the US Congress and signed into public law on August 2, 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The aims of the celebration are to:

- Emphasize citizen's responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution.
- Inform people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
- Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

Constitution Week is a great time to learn more about this important document and to celebrate the freedoms it gave us. Get involved by encouraging young people to sign the Constitution Week Proclamation Pledge and to ask your local community officials to issue a proclamation about Constitution Week. Consider organizing a group to participate in Bells Across America.

For additional information about Constitution Week, please contact your local DAR chapter or visit [DAR.org](http://DAR.org); local DAR chapter.



*The Daughters of the American Revolution is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization. DAR members are dedicated to promoting historic preservation, education, and patriotism in communities across the nation. All students are invited to participate and learn more about the educational programs the DAR offers. Educators, parents and students are encouraged to contact their local DAR chapters for more detailed information on these programs.*

## Physicians honored



Zachary Henry, D.O., left, received the 2022 Outstanding Primary Care Preceptor Award for the Central East Region of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine's Statewide Campus, and Jonathan Stanley, D.O., received the 2022 Outstanding Specialty Preceptor Award for the Central East Region. The awards were presented Sept. 2 at WVU Medicine United Hospital Center in Bridgeport by Josalyn Mann, D.O., a West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine regional assistant dean.

Two area physicians received recognition for their work with West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine students, according to a news release.

Zachary Henry, D.O., received the 2022 Outstanding Primary Care Preceptor Award for the Central East Region of West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine's Statewide Campus. Henry is a family medicine physician at United Physicians Care Salem Family Healthcare in Salem.

Jonathan Stanley, D.O., received the 2022 Outstanding Specialty Preceptor Award for the Central East Region of West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine's Statewide Campus. Stanley is an infectious disease specialist at WVU Medicine United

Hospital Center in Bridgeport.

Preceptors assist and provide guidance to WVSOM medical students in their third- and fourth-year clinical rotations. Each year, Outstanding Primary Care and Specialty Preceptor Awards are given to physicians from each of WVSOM's seven Statewide Campus regions who have demonstrated excellence in teaching and mentoring. These health professionals have also demonstrated a commitment to community wellness and service.

There are 84 hospitals, clinics and medical centers across West Virginia and surrounding states that participate in West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine's Statewide Campus system.

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### DELINQUENT TAXES FOR TUCKER COUNTY

06-FAIRFAX continued from previous page		
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80000484	WHITE TIMOTHY	2001 JEEP Cher 2015 SUBA Lega 202.12
<b>Total For 06-FAIRFAX</b>		<b>434.10</b>
07-HAMBLETON		
80000610	CARR STACY & SARA	2016 FORD Edge 142.96
80000152	CASSIDY AMANDA R	2005 DODG Stra 84.56
80000220	GIDLEY CHRIS	2009 SUZU M50K 2012 CHEV Silv 249.06
80000574	GODFREY MICHELLE	2017 SUBA Fore 277.62
80000841	SHARP DANNY	2021 5258 115.24
80000648	SHARP MAKENZI	
80000648	SNYDER MATTHEW R	2006 CHEV Silv 168.46
<b>Total For 07-HAMBLETON</b>		<b>1,037.90</b>
08-HENDRICKS		
80000460	NESTOR EMILY	2015 SUBA Impr 199.96
80000672	PHILLIPS JONATHAN & PAIGE	1998 JEEP CHER 2016 FORD Expl 308.38
<b>Total For 08-HENDRICKS</b>		<b>508.34</b>
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80000589	AUVIL KEITH A	1993 RSB BOAT 2006 ASM TRLR 2010 CHEV Silv 216.98
80000573	BURNS ROBERT A	2012 HYUN Sant 153.96
80000160	COOPER DERRICK	2011 GMC Sier 214.32
80000493	EDWARDS RICHARD & MELISSA	2004 DODG Ram 2008 FORD Fusi 1997 TOYO TERC 168.26
80000296	EYE DAKOTA R	2018 TOYO Taco 390.20
80000821	FANSLER ANDREW	2017 JEEP Rene 259.28
80000216	FREEMAN EDWARD & ROSE	2003 FORD F150 2004 CHEV Subu 2000 FORD F250 198.60
80000224	GSELL JOHN J & TERESA	2011 CHEV Silv 2019 FORD Esca 410.12
80000595	HEBB CAITLYN	1995 JEEP 102.72
80000659	HENLINE JOSH & FALLON	2018 JEEP Comp 266.06
80000320	LILLER RICK LEE	2019 CHEV Tahoe 2019 UTIL TRLR 550.44
80000331	MASON KELLY C	2013 FORD Esca 180.66
80000062	PALMA SUE E	2007 SUBA Lega 2012 CHEV TRAV 214.94
80000439	PUGH DYLAN M	1985 CHEV CAME 2006 CHEV Silv 175.56
80000113	ROY ROBERT D	2002 CHEV Silv 128.10
80000579	SHREVE ELVIRA	2011 HYUN Sona 139.40
80000403	SIMMONS CHRISTOPHER	2004 TOYO 4Run 146.74
80000425	SIMMONS DYLAN JOSHUA	2001 JEEP Wran 142.66
80000136	SLAUGHBAUGH THOMAS	1997 DODG Ram 114.18

80000844	TAYLOR AMBER MARIE	2014 JEEP Comp 209.96
80000298	THOMPSON JESSICA	2004 OLDS Aler 85.12
80000184	THOMPSON JONATHEN	
80000184	TOMPKINS BERNARD & MERRY	1996 CHEV C150 1991 UTIL TRLR 2016 JEEP Patr 220.86
		1994 FLAG 1998 DODG DAKO 1999 CHEV 2500
80000196	VEAL CHRIS	2003 GMC Sier 135.14
80000714	WILFONG ADAM & ASHLEY	2008 FORD Expe 188.62
80000278	ZAIS GABRIELLE	2013 KIA Rio 137.56
<b>Total For 10-PARSONS</b>		<b>5,150.44</b>
11-SAINT GEORGE		
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80000684	DRAGOVICH STANLEY SR & HAZEL	2014 TRAI CAMP 2016 TOYO 4Run 2020 GMC Sier 670.28
80000371	FIRL ADAM	2011 DODG Ram 185.30
80000639	MCCAULEY KEVIN & DONNA	2005 FORD F150 2017 DODG Jour 136.52
80000413	MINEAR STEPHEN A	2013 FORD F150 180.10
80000376	MOORE KATALIN	2017 JEEP New 190.96
80000374	TAWES JACOB	2006 CHEV Coba 106.10
80000577	TOMPKINS MERRY	2003 CHEV Trai 85.60
<b>Total For 11-SAINT GEORGE</b>		<b>1,675.92</b>
12-THOMAS		
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80000818	CUSSINS CODY L	2016 FORD Esca 2001 FORD Esca 221.82
80000261	CUNNINGHAM SIERRA	
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80000101	RITCHEY DEANA	2002 MITS Mont 114.38
80000116	SAGER WILLIAM JR	1998 HOND Civi 105.48
80000270	WILLIS SELINA & DANIEL	2007 HYUN Sona 119.02
<b>Total For 12-THOMAS</b>		<b>1,006.42</b>
<b>Total For 2021 Supplemental</b>		<b>19,537.38</b>
<b>Total Delinquency This Report</b>		<b>149,499.21</b>

Any of the aforesaid tracts or lots, or part thereof or an undivided interest therein, may be redeemed by the undersigned Sheriff (or collector) before certification to the Auditor, of the total amount of taxes, interest and charges due thereon up to the date of redemption by credit card, cashier's check, money order, certified check or United States currency. Payment must be received in the tax office by the close of business on the last business day prior to the certification. After certification to the Auditor, any of the aforesaid tracts or lots may be redeemed by any person entitled to pay the taxes thereon at any time prior to the sale by payment to the Auditor 23 of the total amount of taxes, interest, and charges due thereon up to the date of redemption.

(4) Given under my hand this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sheriff & Treasurer of TUCKER County

# Homecoming PVFD 2022



Parsons Volunteer Fire Dept.

## CARNIVAL

Downtown Streets of Parsons




September 28th – October 1st, 2022

### Armband Ride Session Times

Wednesday	6 p. – 10 p.	\$20
Thursday	6 p. – 10 p.	\$20
Friday	6 p. – 10 p.	\$20
Saturday	6 p. – 10 p.	\$20

To save \$5 on Advance Tickets, go to [gambillamusements.com](http://gambillamusements.com)

or  
Check Them Out on Facebook 

Entertainment on the downtown stage each night.  
Bingo under the big tent.

## PARSONS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT HOMECOMING FAIR

**Schedule of Events**  
MORE INFORMATION TO COME

**SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 1**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p><b>Tuesday, September 27th</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 pm – 8:00 p.m. PVFD open house at the Fire Hall</li> <li>Bring the kids down to see the Fire Station &amp; Trucks</li> <li>There will be several activities for the community.</li> <li>Free hotdogs, Bounce Houses.</li> </ul> | <p><b>Friday, September 30th</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Rides on the Midway by Gambill Amusements</li> <li>7:00 Performance by DARK MATTER (Downtown Stage)</li> <li>7 p.m. Bingo in the streets of Parsons by PVFD</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>Wednesday, September 28th</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Rides on the Midway by Gambill Amusements</li> <li>7 p.m. Bingo in the streets of Parsons by PVFD</li> </ul>  | <p><b>Saturday, Saturday October 1st</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00am Kingsford Pitmaster Competition</li> <li>12:00 am. Parade line-up – Parade begins at 2 p.m. - For more information contact Kevin White, 304-478-3433.</li> <li>6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Rides on the Midway by Gambill Amusements</li> <li>7:00 pm Michael Bonnett &amp; Rivers Edge (Downtown Stage)</li> <li>7 p.m. Bingo in the streets of Parsons by PVFD</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Thursday, September 29th</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Rides on the Midway by Gambill Amusements</li> <li>7 p.m. Bingo in the streets of Parsons by PVFD</li> <li>6:00 p.m. Open Mic night with cash prizes (Downtown Stage)</li> </ul>                                   |   |

KIWANIS FAMOUS CORNDOGS WILL BE SOLD EACH NIGHT.  
ENTERTAINMENT SPONSORED By The City of Parsons

### Looking back on PVFD...



## THE ANNUAL TUCKER COUNTY FAIR AND FIREMEN'S HOMECOMING FAIR PARADE

Sponsored by  
**PARSONS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

PARSONS, WEST VIRGINIA

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1962**

7:00 P. M., E.S.T.

## FOG NOZZLE

Due to the difficulty of trying to judge the **BEST APPEARING FIRE APPARATUS**, we are having a drawing of a 1½" FOG NOZZLE for the fire companies entering fire equipment in our parade.

We cordially invite your unit to participate and compete in this community celebration, an outstanding event of this year. There is entertainment for all. Nothing has been spared. Plenty of fun for everyone. Plan now to take part in this Annual Parade in connection with the Tucker County Fair and Firemen's Homecoming. Please check the enclosed card of your acceptance or regret and return not later than September 15. Remember the date, time, and place. We will be expecting you.

Also the following prizes:

<b>FIRE COMPANIES</b>	<b>BANDS</b>
\$20.00 for Company traveling longest distance.	\$35.00 prize for the best appearing and best performing band.
\$20.00 for Company with oldest equipment.	

**DON'T MISS THIS PARADE**

See Old and New Friends

**PARSONS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL HOMECOMING FAIR  
PARSONS, WEST VIRGINIA**

**ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE**

**OPEN MIC NIGHT**

**Thursday, September 29, 2022**  
Danny Barkley with Open Mic Night

**Friday, September 30, 2022**  
Brandon Laxton & Tupelo Drive

**Saturday, October 1, 2022**  
Michael Bonnett & Rivers Edge

**TIMES START AT  
7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.**

Sponsored by the City of Parsons



LET US KNOW "WHAT'S HAPPENING"  
**304-478-3533**

# Parsons Volunteer Fire Department History



Pictured above: Minear's Livery Stable, Walnut Street, Parsons, WV. Photo featuring Parsons Hose Co. No. 1, the original fire apparatus, a 1910 horse-drawn wagon.

Parsons Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. (PVFD) was formally established in 1932. Prior to PVFD's inception, the City of Parsons orchestrated fire suppression, with the first fire apparatus (named Parsons Hose Co. No. 1) being a 1910 horse-drawn wagon which was housed at Minear's Livery Stable on Walnut Street1.

When PVFD was established, the fire-house was located on Main Street in the present-day Tucker County EMS building (directly across Main Street from the current fire house). PVFD provided ambulance transportation and fire suppression. One of the first fire engines owned by PVFD was a 1933 American LaFrance. In the 1930's, PVFD had its own marching band comprised of its membership.

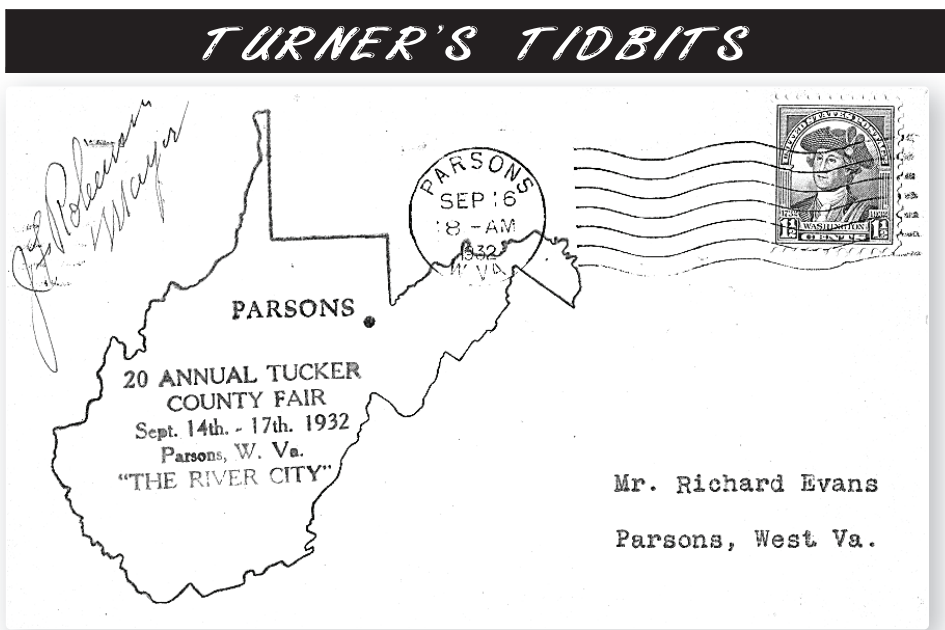


Firefighters Tournament, Chicago, Illinois, September 5, 1937. Top Row, L to R: Kenny Stevens, Henry Clair, Bill Bennett. Bottom Row, L to R: Wilford Parsons, Earl Corcoran, & Darl Stalaker.

PVFD firefighters marched in parades and performed during special events winning numerous awards2. In 1937, six PVFD firefighters participated in the Chicago Firefighters Tournament in Chicago, Illinois. In the late-1950's, PVFD purchased a 1956 American LaFrance fire engine from Coalton Volunteer Fire Department3. The present-day firehouse was constructed in 1972 with 3 bays and 3 apparatus. Every weekend, residents from the Parsons area enjoyed roller-skating in the basement of the new firehouse.

In 1985, a historic flood affected Tucker County, washing away many residences and businesses in Parsons. During a rescue mission in the River Bend Estates area, PVFD lost an engine to the rapidly rising water; very fortunately, there were no injuries to any firefighters, and the civilian was rescued. After the flood, South Charleston Fire Department donated two fire engines to PVFD.

In 2006, PVFD expanded its facility by constructing a new 6-bay engine room. Presently, PVFD has a fleet of one engine/tanker, one engine/aerial, one tanker, one rescue truck, one brush truck, two support vehicles, three boats, and an ATV. PVFD has 35 active members, and the current Chief is Kevin White.



This is an envelope commemorating the 20th Annual Tucker County Fair September 14-17, 1932, Parsons W.Va. The River City. The cancel on the stamp is September 16, 1932. It is signed by J. F. Robinson, Mayor. On the back is printed the

following information: Spend your vacation in the beautiful mountains of West Virginia-Great roads, excellent hunting and fishing-Healthful invigorating climate-Don't fail to stop at F. S. Johnson's Drug Store, tourist headquarters, Parsons, Tucker County,

W. Va. For information, free maps, supplies, etc. View cards sent free upon request.

## 2022 Parsons Vol. Fire Department LADIES Auxiliary active roster

Debbie White  
Pauletta Ramsey  
Kathy Dibacco

Ashley Long  
Jennifer Rosier  
Lynn White

Danelle Pennington  
Linda Kelly  
Karen Ball

May all your days at the homecoming be packed with fun, good foods, and best friends and memories that will last a lifetime!

**FLANCO AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR LLC**  
Thomas • Call Jerry or Jody at 304-463-4623

Balloons, rides and games are on the list for fun! **Hurry to the PVFD Homecoming!**

**Backstreet Auto**  
171 School House Run  
Hambleton, WV  
(304) 478-1071

**BEST OF CANAAN** Homecoming Another wonderful Tucker County tradition *Enjoy the festivities!!*

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Amy Barb, Broker

Homecoming means coming home to what is in your heart. **ENJOY THE PVFD HOMECOMING.**

**BONNER'S COLLISION**  
Pulp Mill Bottom • Parsons, WV  
304.478.1186

Enjoy the **PVFD HOMECOMING!** See you there!

**Brian Wilfong**  
TUCKER COUNTY MAGISTRATE  
Paid by Brian Wilfong

Creating memories at the Parsons Volunteer Fire Department's Homecoming is one of my favorite things to do.

**Camden's Corner Mart**  
Dryfork

HOMECOMING...means more than kings and queens. It's meeting up with old friends and making new ones. *Have fun at the fair!!*

**The Christmas Shoppe & More**  
Front St., Thomas, WV • 304.463.4002

Enjoy Rides, Games, Food & Fun **at the Carnival** Hurray!! It's PVFD Homecoming time.

**Filler Taxidermy**  
SKULL MOUNTS WITH BUGS • FUR TANNING  
Parsons • 304-290-8598

**Dave's Service Center**  
Rt. 32 Dry Fork 304-227-4517

Serving ALL of Tucker County *For your towing needs we have Wrecker Service in 2 locations ~ Dry Fork and Parsons*

**Have a safe holiday!**

**WELCOME TO THE CARNIVAL** HAVE A GREAT TIME AT THE PARSONS VFD HOMECOMING!

RIDES, SNACKS, RESTROOMS

**CORK'S TURKEY KNOB WINES, LLC**  
513 Blackman Flats Road • 304-704-2144  
[corksturkeyknobwines.com](http://corksturkeyknobwines.com)

May you never be too grown up to enjoy the PVFD Homecoming!

**DEPOT DINER**  
166 Main St.  
Parsons, WV  
681-399-9200

THE PVFD HOMECOMING IS LIKE A FAMILY TRADITION.

**Mayor Dorothy Judy**  
City of Parsons

**THANK YOU!** PARSONS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
*Thank you for your service to our community*  
Everyone - enjoy the PVFD Homecoming!

**DEBORAH STILES**  
Democratic Candidate, Tucker County Commission  
Paid by Deborah Stiles

**ENJOY THE FESTIVITIES!** We support all our local fire departments.

**EAST / WEST PRINTING**  
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## Falconry Demo one of highlights of Mountaineering Day

### Waybright to perform for Embassy of the Czech Republic



Photos of Collin Waybright provided by the Laurel Fork Falconer. Photographer: Tiffany Waybright.

Mountaineering Day event. "I'm very excited and honored not only to represent West Virginia, but the United States as well!" said Waybright. "I'm so blessed to have such an awesome opportunity." Waybright will give a falconry demonstration as part of **Mountaineering Day** on Saturday, September 24, 2022. He will bring with him a Red-tailed Hawk, Harris's Hawk, and a Barred Owl. "I'm hoping to give an awesome presentation with these birds who have educated so many on the ecology of raptors," said Waybright. "I love watching eyes light up when I get the birds out; I know that people will look at birds of prey differently after each presentation."

Jenningston, W.V. - When Martin, a Czech Republic diplomat from Washington, D.C., visited the Laurel River Club Bed & Breakfast in Jenningson, West Virginia in the summer of 2021, he was impressed with a presentation by the Laurel Fork Falconer. Upon his return to D.C., Martin shared how the presenter's knowledge, passion for the birds, and experience had affected him. The Embassy of the Czech Republic then asked the presenter, Collin Waybright, Master Class Falconer and Director of the West Virginia Raptor Center, to participate in their 2022 Moun-

Mountaineering Day is presented by The European Union National Institutes of Culture in Washington, DC (EUNIC DC), from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Embassy of the Czech Republic. Established in 2006, EUNIC is a network of European national institutes of culture and national organizations engaged in cultural and related activities beyond their national borders. EUNIC brings together organizations from all 27 EU member states and adds value through its global network of 136 clusters. Mountaineering

Day will feature films on mountaineering, exhibitions, products, and demonstrations.

In addition to Waybright's demonstration, activities will include a climbing wall, a mapping and sustainability challenge, a dog presentation by Expert Trainer Marie Donahue, who works with German Shepherds bred from Czech bloodlines at Rodina Straze, a children's corner and folk band Orchester Prazevica. You can even try making a tasty trail mix and sample delicious "mountain cuisine" with a demo by Italian Chef Roberto Donna.

Mountaineering Day is part of the *Mutual Inspirations Festival 2022* and is an annual initiative spearheaded by the Embassy of the Czech Republic, focusing on the mutual inspirations between Czech and American cultures. The festival began as a pilot project of the Embassy of the Czech Republic in 2010, and branched out to the local DC community a year later. It serves as a platform for bringing together communities centered in Washington, D.C.

For those wanting to learn more about falconry, visit the Laurel River Club B&B in Jenningson, West Virginia and schedule a Hawk Walk or catch a Bird of Prey Demonstration. The Hawk Walk gives people the opportunity to walk side by side with a Master Class Falconer and



see what they really do. "Each excursion is unique and exciting because it is a learning experience that you can't find just anywhere. Collin has a heart for teaching so this is an awesome opportunity for young and old," said Marsha Waybright, Property

Manager for the B&B. For more information on a Hawk Walk or Educational Presentation or to book a stay at the Laurel River Club B&B, visit [www.lrcbnb.com](http://www.lrcbnb.com) or call (304) 402-7095.

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# Blackwater Short-term Rehabilitation Center re-opens at Cortland Acres

Cortland Acres is pleased to announce the re-opening of the Blackwater Short-term Rehabilitation Center, a state-of-the-art facility with 14 private rooms and a large inpatient and outpatient therapy area.

Located in Thomas, the rehabilitation center is designed for patients recovering from an illness or orthopedic surgery, such as a hip or knee replacement, neuromuscular disorder, injury, stroke, disease, surgery, or other diagnoses.

“This Blackwater Short-term Rehabilitation Center is focused on what patients need in order to recover quickly,” said Beth Clevenger, administrator at Cortland Acres. “Our professional therapists offer specialized one-on-one treatment plans designed to help individuals get home and return

to their activities of daily living.”

After being discharged from the hospital following a surgery or an unexpected medical emergency, a short-term stay at a rehabilitation center is often necessary, Cortland Acres Medical Director Dr. Margaret Kaiser said.

“A key component of choosing a facility is being sure it offers the level of care needed for a successful recovery,” Dr. Kaiser said. “Blackwater Short-term Rehabilitation Center is a fantastic facility and offers the type of services and comfort people need to help them get back home.”

Residents in the short-term rehabilitation center enjoy the increased privacy and personal space and also the opportunities for increased interaction made possible with its unique design. For example, each new pri-



Residents in the short-term rehabilitation center enjoy the opportunities for interaction made possible with its unique design and access to a lounge and dining room that offer a great view of nature.



The Blackwater Short-Term Rehab Unit at Cortland Acres is officially re-open. The state-of-the-art facility has 14 private rooms and therapeutic services for patients recovering from an illness, accident, or hospital discharge after a surgical procedure.

ivate room has its own porch for enjoying a book or visiting with a neighbor. At the same time, each room has convenient access to lounge and dining room that offer a great view of nature.

“Often hospital stays are cut short, and patients are sent home before they are ready to be on their own,” Dr. Kaiser said. “People need to spend a couple of weeks at a rehabilitation center to be successful and heal properly. We are fortunate to have this new facility with cutting-edge technology in the Tucker

County community. It’s exciting and a privilege to be a part of the Blackwater Short-term Rehabilitation Center.”

Each individual receives a personal assessment and custom course of treatment designed to help them regain strength, mobility, balance, and independence in the shortest time possible. The therapy staff offers inpatient and outpatient physical, occupational, and speech therapy; sports injury care and treatment for all ages, post-acute care for short-term; post-surgical and post-injury

rehabilitation; aquatic therapies; and vestibular rehabilitation and fall prevention.

The Cortland Acres campus includes a 94-bed long-term care facility, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation programs, rental apartments in Pineview and garden and patio homes in The Pines. For more information about the Blackwater Short-term Rehabilitation Center or to set up an appointment for a tour of the facility, call Rhonda Ends, 304-463-4181 ext. 203, or visit [www.cortlandacres.org](http://www.cortlandacres.org).

# WV KIDS COUNT announces Champion of Children for upcoming Summit & Awards October 4, 2022

Charleston, W.Va.— WV KIDS COUNT announces its Champion of Children award recipients for upcoming The State of West Virginia’s Kids Summit and Awards on October 4, 2022. In coordination with the release of the 2022 WV KIDS COUNT Data Book, the organization will recognize community leaders who champion the child well-being domains: education, health, economic well-being, and family and community. With some very recognizable names, KIDS COUNT is honored to shed a bright light on West Virginians who lead by example.

This year’s overall Champion of Children is accomplished writer and speaker Emily Calandrelli. Calandrelli is the host and co-executive producer of the hit Netflix series Emily’s Wonder Lab. Each episode features Emily and a group of kid-scientists as they learn about STEAM through experiments and fun activities. Her chapter book series, The Ada Lace Adventures, centers around an eight-year-old girl with a knack for science, math, and solving mysteries with technology. Emily frequently gives talks about the importance of science literacy, the benefits of space exploration, and the challenges for women in STEM careers for

clients like Google, Pixar, MIT, Texas Instruments as well as dozens of K-12 schools across the nation. Prior to her work in science communication, Emily attended West Virginia University. Through her work, she wants to make science relatable, easy to understand and more exciting today than ever before in history.

The Education Champion of Children is Amiee Figgatt. Figgatt makes it her life’s work to inspire children. As the Education and Outreach Specialist for the West Virginia Conservation Agency (WVCA), she envisioned a mobile learning center to share her passion for conservation education with students. The result was the WV Soil Tunnel traveled over 25,000 miles and served more than 60,000 children across WV. Amiee also serves the community by mentoring students on a high school robotics team to help them teach, inspire, and empower other children with STEM skills. The program trained educators who touch more than 3,500 students each year and introduced robotics programs to 17 elementary schools, reaching a total of 46 WV counties. Her creativity, passion, and dedication have impacted students of all ages and inspired them to pursue new

opportunities in conservation and technology.

This year’s Economic Well-Being Champion of Children is Brandon Dennison. Dennison is Founder and CEO of Coalfield Development, which incubates social enterprises designed to diversify Appalachia’s coal-based economy and cultivate opportunity for people facing barriers to employment. Being born and raised in West Virginia, Brandon never forgot seeing people his own age desperate for jobs. In 2010, Brandon founded Coalfield Development to respond to poverty in Appalachia through on-the-job training, higher education, and mentorship. Coalfield Development has created more than 300 new jobs, started over 50 new businesses, and trained more than 1,300 people. For 10 years, he has tried to learn guitar but still only knows 8 or 9 songs (importantly, Country Roads is one of those songs).

The Health Champion of Children is Jamie Jeffrey. Dr. Jeffrey has devoted her career to pediatric clinical, research, advocacy, and community outreach in the field of childhood obesity prevention. She is a pediatrician and Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics at WVU School of Medicine-Charleston Division.

She founded and is Medical Director of HealthyKids Wellness and Weight Management Program at CAMC and Director of KEYS 4 HealthyKids. Dr. Jeffrey’s focus has been to prevent childhood obesity; therefore, most of her work has been in the early care and education sector to influence healthy nutrition and physical activity habits as they are forming in WV’s youngest citizens. The mission of KEYS strives to make the healthy choice the easy choice by improving the nutrition and physical activity practices, policies and environments for kids and their families.

Our Family and Community Champion of Children is Robert “Bobby” Nicholas. Bobby has seen and accomplished so much during his 25 years of service to the state of WV, and he has done it with a humble, service-driven heart. In addition to his past fundraising experience for WVU Medicine, Bobby has served Mission for Miracles and The Miami Project, both non-profit organizations that support those affected by the devastation of brain health issues such as Alzheimer’s disease, dementia, concussion, and spinal cord injury. He has curated the annual All-American Grand Bash® fundraising events for the past

eight years donating over \$2.4 million to regional hospitals and affiliated foundations. Bobby has taken his work beyond the hospital walls. He has become part of families and sang and entertained at generations’ worth of weddings and other family gatherings. Bobby resides in Morgantown, WV and enjoys music, theatre, vintage movies, and spending time with his seven grandchildren.

All Champions have a lifelong dedication to improving the well-being of children in the Mountain State and believe every child in West Virginia counts. Together, we are making West Virginia a great place to be a kid for all kids! This year, The State of WV’s Kids Summit and Awards is October 4, 2022, 12pm - 2:00pm. To sponsor this event or donate to support our mission, go to [www.wvkidscount.org](http://www.wvkidscount.org).

About WV KIDS COUNT: We are now in our 34th year of championing our vision to make

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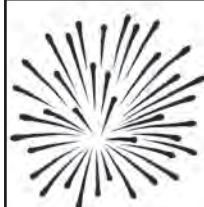
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# Grant director Heavener developing Career Center at Eastern

**MOOREFIELD, W.Va.** – News of Eastern’s \$2.25 million federal Title III grant award last October led to a flurry of activity on campus over the past year, placing Dixie Heavener, Title III project director and career counselor, in the middle of the action.



Heavener, a resident of Burlington, joined Eastern in February. When asked how she would describe the grant’s goals, Heavener replied, “to increase enrollment and the number of graduates, improve retention rates for students, and develop programs to better serve students.”

In other words, students are at the center of the grant and of Heavener’s duties.

Heavener’s been involved with public education for years, holding positions at West Virginia University’s Potomac State College, the Allegany County (Md.) school system, and most recently at Frostburg State University (Md.), where she was a senior research associate supporting a federal grant project.

Heavener said she came to Eastern because of her previous federal grant work, and because Eastern’s diverse student population was a good fit with her own educational experiences. She has a daughter now attending college, so she said she understands the traditional college-age student demographic. However, Heavener, who earned an MBA from West Virginia University in

2014, also can empathize with older students. She started working on her college degrees while a single parent, taking classes part time while working full time. “I get it,” she said, talking about the challenges of coursework while caring for her child and making ends meet.

As Eastern’s Title III grant project director, Heavener has administrative duties managing the 5-year grant, its budget, and required federal reporting. So far, she said, the college is making progress in achieving the project’s goals, all grant-related personnel have been hired, and some large projects, including technology to improve student advising, get started in the coming year.

But Heavener’s job with Eastern and the grant is two-fold, as she also is the college’s new career counselor and tasked with developing a Career Center to serve students and Eastern alumni.

Some Career Center resources are available now, Heavener said, so Eastern students and alumni

are invited to stop by the center, located on the first floor of the college, to use them. The center features computers and a printer, a library of career-related books and guides, and a Region VII Workforce Development Board referral system kiosk that links registrants to local agencies for social service needs. Additional resources will be added to the Career Center in coming months, Heavener said.

As the college’s career counselor, Heavener is available for appointments, in-person and virtual, to provide guidance for students and alumni in job-search tactics, resume writing, interview strategies, and more. She also will be teaching a career-readiness course in the spring, will work with faculty to help students land internships, and will be adding resources to the college’s Career Services webpage.

Heavener is also coordinating a Community Job Fair on Friday, Oct. 7, at Eastern, in partnership with the college’s Workforce

Education Department, Workforce West Virginia, and the Region VII Workforce Development Board. The job fair’s morning session will be from 9 to 11 a.m., and the afternoon session will be from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend, and approximately 30 employers will be participating. Job seekers are encouraged to bring resumes, space will be available for on-site interviews, and Heavener will be offering on-the-spot career services.

As year one of the Title III grant wraps up, Heavener said she and the rest of the Eastern’s staff are working on the next phase to improve students’ experiences, and she’s looking forward to helping students and alumni move on to new careers and challenges.

To learn more about Eastern’s Career Center, contact Heavener at [dixie.heavener@easternwv.edu](mailto:dixie.heavener@easternwv.edu), call her at 304-434-8000 ext. 9239, or visit <https://easternwv.edu/current-students/career-services>.

## Canaan Valley Resort Hosts September Hike Series

**Davis, W.Va.** – As the fall foliage begins its transformation into what is anticipated to be one of the most vibrant displays in years, Canaan Valley Resort has developed a variety of guided hikes and activities throughout September for guests to experience the amazing beauty of the highest mountain valley in the Eastern U.S.

“Fall is a special time in Canaan Valley and given our altitude the leaves change much sooner than in the lower elevations,” said Matt Baker, general manager at Canaan Valley Resort. “Our September guided hike series offers a variety of Saturday hikes throughout the month that will take guests’ breath away.”

For those that have ever wondered what it might be like to walk on the moon, the resort will host the **Moon Rocks Hike** on **September 24<sup>th</sup>**. Located at the Yellow Creek Natural Area, an 860-acre public preserve owned and managed by the West Virginia Land Trust in Davis, the trail includes massive formations of “moon rock” sandstone bedrock some 480 million years old. The hike is approximately 4-miles long. Shuttle bus service will be provided from the Main Lodge. The return trip to the resort features scheduled stops at local breweries to enjoy craft beers.

Additionally, from 4-7pm on **September 24<sup>th</sup>**, the resort will host a free **Fall Photography Workshop**. The program will explain the basics of digital photography and provide guests tips and tricks for capturing a variety of Autumn scenery. Attendees must bring their own DSLR or mirrorless cameras.

For additional information or to register, contact Canaan Valley Resort at 1-800-622-4121 or visit the website at [www.CanaanResort.com](http://www.CanaanResort.com).

## Monongahela National Forest and Leave No Trace to Host Dolly Sods Hot Spot Events October 1 & 2

**PETERSBURG, W.Va.** –

Leave No Trace has selected Dolly Sods Wilderness in Monongahela National Forest as a 2022 Leave No Trace Hot Spot. From Sept. 29 to Oct. 3, a Subaru/Leave No Trace Team will work with local land managers, community members, partners, volunteers and area visitors with information, service work and education to help reduce impacts and reverse damage from overuse in the Sods.

“Hot Spot locations are heavily damaged but can recover with the help of a motivated community and an encompassing infusion of Leave No Trace programming. Centered around training, these efforts include a series of targeted workshops and community outreach events conducted by expert Leave No Trace educators,” said Dana Watts, Executive Director of the Leave No Trace organization. “Our goal is to put these Hot Spot areas on the road to recovery, while also creating aspirational guidance and recommendations for public lands across the

globe.”

The following Dolly Sods Hot Spot events are free and open to the public. People of all ages are encouraged to attend.

- Saturday, Oct. 1: Stop by the Leave No Trace booth near the Family Activity Area from noon to 6 p.m. during ArtOber FEST 2022 at Timberline Resort in Canaan Valley. Meet Subaru/Leave No Trace Team Members and U.S. Forest Service staff to learn how to enjoy the outdoors responsibly and for fun, family-friendly educational activities.
- Sunday, Oct. 2: Give back to the Sods by volunteering to clean up campsites and pack out trash along several trails on the western side of the Wilderness. Must be able to hike several miles on uneven terrain. Sign up by emailing Brooke Andrew at [brooke.andrew@usda.gov](mailto:brooke.andrew@usda.gov) or by stopping by the Leave No Trace table at ArtOber FEST. Volunteers must dress for the weather and wear long pants and closed-toe

shoes. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by their parent or guardian. Meet at Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center at 10 a.m. We will return to the Visitor Center by 4 p.m.

Through a nationwide nominations process, Leave No Trace selects Hot Spot locations each year. Hot Spots are popular outdoor areas across the country that have experienced heavy recreational use and human-created impacts, including excessive trash, damage to vegetation, trail erosion, disturbance to wildlife and more. Hot Spots empower people to be the solution to these impacts in their communities, an essential objective of the Leave No Trace organization. Learn more at <http://www.LNT.org>.

For more information about the Dolly Sods Leave No Trace Hot Spot events and how to get involved, contact Monongahela National Forest at 304-257-4488. For more information about Monongahela National Forest visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/mnf> or <https://www.facebook.com/MonongahelaNF>.

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# SPORTS



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Tucker Valley's Luke Barb carries the ball in a recent game for Tucker Valley. The Wildcats fell in the contest Sept. 14th against Mountaineer 40-24.

## Tucker Valley falls to Mountaineer Middle 40-24

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

PARSONS – The Wildcats Middle School Football team hosted Mountaineer Middle on Wednesday September 14th. Tucker Valley was outscored 16-0 in the fourth quarter as Mountaineer Middle got the road win over Tucker Valley 40-24.

Tucker Valley would score first as Luke Barb had a 27 yard touchdown run to make the score 6-0 Wildcats after a failed 2 point conversion. Tucker Valley would score again on their second possession on a 25 yard touchdown pass from Barb to Ethan Cummings to give the Wildcats a 12-0 lead. Mountaineer would answer back with a score, the PAT was good for Mountaineer to make the score 12-8 Tucker Valley after one quarter of play. The only score in the second quarter came from a blocked punt by Mountaineer the ball was recovered in the endzone to give the visitors a touchdown. The PAT was good and the first half ended with the halftime score of 16-12 Mountaineer.

On the opening drive of the third quarter Mountaineer marched the ball down the field for a score to put the score to 24-12 Mountaineer. Tucker Valley then answered back with back to back scores. Barb would score on a 49 yard touchdown run and a 32 yard touchdown run to tie the score at 24-24 after three quarters. The fourth quarter would belong to Mountaineer as they scored 16 unanswered points to get the win over Tucker Valley by the final score of 40-24.

Luke Barb led Tucker Valley with 16 carries for 142 yards rushing and Ethan Cummings added 1 catch for 25 yards receiving. Barb also led the defense with 14 tackles, while Caden Arnold added 9 tackles and Ben Gooden had 8 tackles.

Tucker Valley(1-2) will host Robert Bland tonight September 21st for a 6:30pm kickoff. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

## AREA SCHEDULE:

### Wednesday September 21st

- Tucker County Volleyball @ Petersburg 6pm
- Tucker Valley Football vs Robert Bland Middle @ Home 6:30pm
- Tucker Valley Volleyball @ Belington Middle 6pm

### Thursday September 22nd

- Tucker County Volleyball @ Tygarts Valley 6pm

### Friday September 23rd

- Tucker County Football vs Berkeley Springs @ Home 7pm

### Saturday September 24th

- Tucker County Cross Country - Run For It @ Davis 10am

### Sunday September 25th

- Tucker County Youth Football vs Tygarts Valley @ Home 1pm

### Monday September 26th

- Tucker County JV Football vs Northern,MD 6pm
- Tucker Valley Volleyball @ Philippi Middle 5pm

### Tuesday September 27th

- Tucker Valley Volleyball vs Kasson @ Home 6pm
- Davis-Thomas Volleyball Tri w/Union & Belington @ Home 5pm

## Tucker County Cross Country runs at Broadford Lake



Photo by Addie Hicks

Tucker County's Hannah Hardy runs at a recent meet on Sept. 10th.



Photo by Addie Hicks

Nate Ricottilli of Tucker County competes at a recent meet on Sept 10th.

By Dave Helmick  
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OAKLAND,MD – The Mt. Lions Girls' and Boys' Cross Country teams traveled to the Broadford Invitational at Broadford Lake in Oakland, MD on Tuesday September 13th.

In the Girls' race the Lady Mt. Lions finished well. Tucker County Girls'

Results: 3rd-Katie Hicks(22:04), 4th-Erin Chambers(22:14), 8th-Addi Moats(22:56), 16th-Hannah Hardy(23:59) and 33rd-Brianna Gooden(26:27)

In the Boys' race the Tucker County runners finished strong. Mt. Lion Boys' Results: 4th-Cameron Judy(19:09), 16th-Alex Boyles(20:39), 23rd-

Allan Boyles(21:19), 31st-Nate Ricottilli(22:29), 33rd-Lynk Suesli(22:36) and 63rd-Hayden Smith(26:33).

The Tucker County Girls' and Boys' Cross Country teams will return to action on Saturday September 24th for the Run For It event in Davis at 10am. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

## Lady Mt. Lions fall to Preston and Pendleton County

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

KINGWOOD – The Tucker County Volleyball team traveled to "AAA" Preston on Tuesday September 13th. The Lady Knights defeated the Lady Mt. Lions in the match 3-0. Set 1 went to Preston by the score of 25-20. The Lady Knights took Set 2 also 25-15. Tucker County could not force a fourth set as Preston would win Set 3 by the count of 25-21 to give them the win over the Lady Mt. Lions 3-0. The Tucker County JV team also fell to Preston by the scores of 25-13 and 25-18.

PARSONS – The Lady Mt. Lions hosted Pendleton County on Thursday September 15th. In the JV match the Lady Wildcats got past the Tucker County JV in straight sets 25-14 and 25-16.

In Set 1 of the Varsity match the Lady Mt. Lions got a fast start to lead 7-2 early. Pendleton County then fought back to score 6 straight points



Photo by Dave Helmick

Katelyn Simmons of Tucker County serves the ball against Pendleton County on Sept. 15th.



Photo by Dave Helmick

Tucker County Head Coach Crystal Kirk gives her team instruction during a timeout on Sept. 15th against Pendleton County. The Lady Mt. Lions fell in the contest 3-0.

to make the score 8-7 Lady Wildcats. The set went back and forth in scoring as it was tied at 13-13 and 16-16 before Pendleton County started to pull away. A 4-0 run by the visiting Lady Wildcats move the Pendleton County advantage to 20-16. Tucker County could not comeback as Pendleton County took Set 1 by the score of 25-20.

The Lady Wildcats would pull away in Set 2 as the score was tied as 4-4 before an 8-2 run gave Pendleton County a 12-6 lead. The Lady Mt. Lions cut the deficit to 14-12, but the

Lady Wildcats finished the set with a 11-0 run to win Set 2 25-12.

Tucker County could not get their offense going in Set 3 as Pendleton County built a 14-7 lead half way through the set. The Lady Wildcats would not the Lady Mt. Lions comeback as they took Set 3 by the score of 25-13 to give them the Match win 3-0.

Tucker County(3-2) will travel to Petersburg tonight September 21st at 6pm and then the Lady Mt. Lions will travel to Tygarts Valley on Thursday September 22nd at 6pm. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

## Tucker County will host Berkeley Springs this Friday at 7pm

By Dave Helmick  
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PARSONS – The Mt. Lions Football team will get back to action on Friday September 23rd after an off week last Friday. Tucker County will look to build off a big 14-13 win over East Hardy back on September 9th. The win by the Mt. Lions placed them

in the top ten of the WVSSAC rankings. Berkeley Springs comes into the contest with an 0-4 record, while Tucker County boast a 3-0 record. Kickoff for Friday's game is set for 7pm. The game will be broadcast live on the Tucker County Football YouTube Channel. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.Com.



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