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Parsons Contributes to Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Benefit of Citizens



New picnic table, trash bin, and grill installed at Pulp Mill Bottom Pond.

By: Jennifer Britt
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Executive Director of Region VII Planning and Development Council Shane Whitehair was a guest speaker at the City of Parsons council meeting. Whitehair presented the council with a request for funding in the amount of \$1,000 for the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Whitehair said, "Every five years we are tasked with developing and writing a multi-regional mitigation plan and we do that on behalf of all of our communities in our region. That being Tucker County, City of Parsons, and all of the other municipalities in this county as part of this plan.

What the plan does is identifies all the risks and hazards within our seven-county region. We establish goals and objectives because FEMA requires it. What it does is if you participate in this plan it provides the City of Parsons the opportunity to



City of Parsons Mayor Dorothy Judy and City Administrator Agnes Arnold recognize Ira Miller on his 106 Birthday.

apply for and receive federal grants through the Hazard Mitigation Program. So, basically if we do not do this plan then you are tasked with the responsibility and the time and resources to do it individually verses being part of a regional plan that kind of helps with the expenses, resources and time rather than 31 of you trying

to do it individually."

Whitehair explained that Region VII had applied for funding to do the developing and writing of the plan with the assistance of a paid consultant. The consultant assists in drafting the plan and historically FEMA provided the planning funds to cover

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Student Threatens Violence at TCHS

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Tucker County High School staff, students, and parents were subjected to an incident that no one should ever have to experience. Incidents involving a student and a gun can never be described as a good thing and unfortunately in our country it is becoming an increasing occurrence where some schools have a much more horrific ending. Gun violence affects three million students at school each year and it's just one factor driving student stress statistics to alarming levels.

To explain what recently occurred Tucker County School Superintendent, Alicia Lambert, released this statement, "On the morning of Feb 6 school administrators were made aware of potentially threatening comments made over the weekend on a Social Media platform SnapChat.

School officials in collaboration with the local law enforcement and our local OEM director acted quickly to control the situation.

TCHS was placed on lockdown for precautionary measures until such time that the situation was determined to be safe, at which time the lock down was lifted.

There were a lot of rumors circulating on social media about the event. I want to be perfectly clear when I say that every student and staff member in our school system experienced trauma on Monday; however, at no point during the day were they in danger. The student was never on campus. He was not in the building. The lock down was precautionary only because we did not have confirmation of his location at home until the officer arrived and detained him. There were no weapons hidden or found on school property and there is not a hit list that he was acting on.

We learned from this experience that we need to have an avenue for improved communication, but during the crisis our number one goal and priority was student and staff safety."

Tucker County Sheriff J. E. "Jake" Kopec released a statement that explains what took place after the individual was taken into custody, "On Monday February 06, 2023, at approximately 0930 hours, a Tucker County juvenile was taken into custody following sev-

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Mt. Olive Cemetery Historical Sign

Tucker Community Foundation announces creation of a new endowed fund with the Mount Olive Cemetery

PARSONS - The Mount Olive Cemetery created an endowment with the Tucker Community Foundation to provide perpetual funding for the ongoing maintenance, upkeep, and preservation of the Mount Olive Cemetery located outside of Philippi, Barbour County, WV. The fund will be named the Mount Olive Cemetery Fund.

The Mount Olive Cemetery is a historical site in Barbour County, WV. On September 15' 1800, Isaac Votaw and Ann, his wife, of Harrison County in the state of Virginia on the one part and Benjamin Yates, John Votaw, Zacariah Ellyson, Moses Votaw, Preston Beck and Isaac Votaw, Jr., members of the Richland Meeting, as trustees for the special purpose of holding the following described tract of land in trust for the use of the Society of Friends of the said Richland Meeting for a meeting place and burial grounds. In the late 1940's, Judge Ira Robinson, founder and president of the Barbour County Historical Society, who stems from Quaker ancestry, began research to discover something of the history of the Friends known

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Nuzum, Myers, and Hebb Have Day in Court

By: Jennifer Britt
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Court convened with the Honorable Judge Lynn Nelson presiding over the court cases of the State vs. Jonathan Nuzum and the State vs. Timothy Myers. Judge James Courier presided over the competency hearing for the case of the State vs. Jeffrey Hebb, Sr.

Nuzum was previously placed in custody after Judge Nelson heard evidence presented by Tucker County Prosecutor ,Savannah Hull Wilkins, that found Nuzum in violation of his probation. Nuzum had received a five-year probation sentence for the charges of sexual abuse in 2018 and served four and a half years of that probation sentence. Nuzum was originally charged and convicted of Sexual Abuse of a Minor in the state of Maryland in 2009 and served approximately three years and two months in a correctional facility.

West Virginia State Police Trooper Iglan had obtained a search warrant for Nuzum's residence on Cheat Valley Hwy, in Preston County, and found Nuzum to be in possession of three firearms (two pistols, one shotgun), methamphetamines, marijuana, drug paraphernalia and a side-

by-side Nuzum had been operating. One of the pistols had the serial numbers shaved off.

Nuzum's defense attorney Morris Davis argued that he and Nuzum's daughter were trying to get Nuzum placed into the drug rehabilitation center at Jacob's Ladder. Morris argued that the defendant had been on probation for almost five years and had just recently developed an addiction to meth. Since Morris and Nuzum's daughter were unable to get Nuzum placed in the Jacob's Ladder program Nelson ordered that Nuzum would remain in custody and the courts would proceed with sentencing procedures going forward.

Myers was charged with possession with intent to deliver (felony), reckless driving (misdemeanor), and driving on a revoked license for a previous DUI (misdemeanor). Myers is accused of possessing over \$5,600 worth of methamphetamine (meth) with the intent to distribute. The charge carries a one-to-15-year sentence and up to a maximum of \$25,000 fine. The reckless driving charge carries a five-to-90-day sentence with a \$25 to \$500 fine. Driving on a revoked license due to a prior driving under the influence (DUI) charge carries a \$100 to \$500

fine.

On this day in court Myers attorney, Morris, asked the court for a continuous due to Myers' mother being severely ill and in ICU at the hospital. Judge granted the continuous until March 14, 2023. Myers remains out on bond under the supervision of Community Corrections and ankle monitoring.

Hebb's public defender defense attorney, Morris, presented a motion to Judge Courier requesting a reconsideration of the bond Hebb was ordered by the court. Morris argued that Hebb had completed a competency evaluation. Hebb was deemed competent to serve trial for his charges and that some of the delusions Hebb may have been experiencing were perhaps drug induced. Hebb has been charged with one count of wanton endangerment.

On Monday, Sept. 26, 2022, Deputy B.M. Gidley along with Chief Deputy Sigley responded to a 911 call from Perry Hebb the father and Louise Hebb the mother. The father advised and stated that J. Hebb shot three times inside the house while sitting on a chair located next to the front door of the house. The father was standing next to J. Hebb try-

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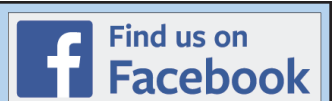
Johnathan Nuzum awaiting to have his case heard by the Honorable Judge L. Nelson.



Timothy Myers petitioned the court for a continuous due to a family illness. Motion was granted by Judge L. Nelson.



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the cost and then the State of West Virginia matches the 25 percent non-federal share requirement. Whitehair said, “We submitted the application in December of 2021. We were notified in November of 2022 that we were approved, however between those dates the State of West Virginia has taken up a position that they are requiring local governments to match rather than the State of West Virginia not coming up with the 25 percent non-federal shares.”

The match requirement for the program is \$28,000. The Regional Council is coming up with an estimated \$12,000 and is asking each county commission for \$1,500 and selected municipalities for \$1,000 each. Whitehair asked the city council for the \$1,000 to help with the match requirements. The motion was made and approved.

GS Millwork General Manager Eric Wamsley requested items to be placed on the agenda and was present to speak. Wamsley was requesting a discussion concerning the possible acquisition of the parking lot located next to the facility, located on Davis Street, in Parsons. Wamsley explained that with the growth of the company in recent years expansion was a necessity.

An overhead canopy across Davis Street was also discussed. Wamsley stated that there was a need for safe and dry loading or unloading of trucks at the facility. The canopy would allow the product produced by GS Millwork to be loaded on either side of a truck in a dry environment. The option to either fence in around the area requested or place closed street signs was also discussed.

Council woman Melissa Jones expressed concerns about the Butternut tree located within the area that was being requested. Wamsley insured that the tree and surrounding area with picnic tables would not be touched. He also stated that he was willing to pave the parking lot at GS Millwork’s expense if an agreement could be made. Snow plowing options were also discussed.

After discussion it was decided to table the request and send the information to the Streets Committee. Tim Auvil, acting Recorder for the Council and member of the Streets Committee, agreed to meet with Wamsley at the facility to see exactly what is involved with the proposed project.

City Administrator, Agnes “Aggie” Arnold, reported that the City of Parsons Mayor Dorothy Judy recognized Ira Miller for his birthday with a certificate of recognition, a City mug, T-shirt, and backpack. The recognition read, “In honor and recognition of his 106 Birthday on January 27, 2023, and for the countless individuals, families, and organizations within his community and internationally that he has touched over his lifetime. He continues to inspire his fellow senior citizens, community members, caregivers, and his friends at Cortland Acres Nursing Home, by setting a positive example of how to live a long and prosperous life.”

According to the City of Parsons Facebook page, “Miller enjoys playing bingo and visiting his friends. He is also working on a new hobby that he learned at the nursing home, Diamond Dot painting. His favorite song is a hymn called “The Love of God,” which was actually written the year he was born, 1917. He often says that if he doesn’t have something to do, he’ll get old.

“God’s been good to me my entire life,” Miller said. “The Lord is not done with me yet.”

Arnold also reported that city street employees were busy cleaning the excessive rocks off the sidewalks and repairing and building new barricades with paint and reflective tape to make them usable for upcoming events.

She also mentioned that there was an error with the billing system. The system had entered wrong dates on bills mailed out to the residents but the issue has been resolved.

Arnold also stated that any City of Parsons resident wishing to receive a copy of the garbage collection schedule should call the office to request one to be mailed to them.

Auvil reported that he may have found a solution for the areas that are on project lists to be paved. Auvil stated he has found a way to rent the necessary paving equipment for an extended period of time for one basic price to complete projects around the city. Projects would include paving around the Pulp Mill Bottom Pond, parking lots like the one at Mill Race Park that needs another one inch overlay and the one at the Community Center. The money has been allocated and the projects can proceed when good weather resumes.

A new picnic area with a grill and trash bin has been installed at the Pulp Mill Bottom pond as well. Council would like to remind everyone that open fires are not permitted in the park area.

The last order of business on the agenda was the consideration of the removal of additional posts running along an unnamed alley in the Pulp Mill Bottom between the City’s property and Lowther’s property requested by Councilman James “Sam” Humphrey. Auvil asked if the matter could be referred to the Parks Committee since it was Park’s property. Jones said, “Jason (Myers) has informed me that it is not Park property. You all (Parks Committee) maintain it because about four years ago we had all Park property transferred to the City. So, it is City property, but you all have the right to maintain it. The Park Board cannot own anything.”

Humphrey said, “The last meeting we had it was my understanding when he gets his door painted the post come out of the ground. It was not two or three posts. It was not four posts. It was the posts would be taken out of the ground.” Auvil said, “It was the post that would allow him access. It did not say all of them, Sam.”

At which point Humphrey made a motion that all the post come out of the ground. Councilman Tim Turner seconded the motion. Auvil said, “I think since the Park Board paid to have it surveyed and installed it should be.” Auvil did not get to finish the statement. Councilwoman Kathy DiBacco asked who decided to put the post in the ground. Jones said, “The Park Board brought it to City Council at the time. And the reason why is because there were junk cars parked in the alley way and over into the parking area.” Acting Mayor Bruce Kolsun added, “The posts were put there to protect City property.”

The property can never be sold because it is a FEMA lot. DiBacco said, “I would say at least two or three more posts need to come out.” Humphrey added the neighbor could not get in his back yard with his trailer. Turner said, “We need to end this one way or another because

how much time is this consuming.” Auvil said, “This dead horse has been beat to death time and time again.” DiBacco said, “Well the way to get rid of the dead horse is to get rid of the posts.” Humphrey added, “Take the posts out. Right there is your Chief of Police (Kevin Keplinger). If he catches the dude parked there write the boy a ticket.”

Auvil asked again if it could just be referred to the Park Board to which DiBacco said, “No, I want to vote.” Kolsun expressed his concern of overriding the committee system. Jones said to Auvil, “I can understand what you are saying and I can understand what they are saying. The Park Board came back and said they were not removing the posts. The Council overruled them and said they wanted them removed.”

Kolsun put the motion to vote. The motion passed with a vote of four for to two against. Keplinger asked that when the posts are removed that the holes be backfilled because the ones that were previously removed were not filled in completely. Arnold explained that the holes were in fact filled in except for a couple of inches on that top that required rocks.

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at the Charles W. “Bill” Rosenau Municipal Building located at 341 Second Street, Parsons, West Virginia, 26287.

News of Record

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

- Mary L. Sagace, Thomas Corporation, 0.083 acres or 3609 sq. ft. Part of Lot 45 to Bruce T. Anderson, \$103,000.
- Brian Harrison, Dry Fork, Tract No. 22 Blackwater Section of Timberline to Brian P. Harrison Family Trust, \$0.
- Steven Richard Ramp and Heather Cauldwell Ramp, Davis, Lot 13, 3063 acres Canaan Heights Estates to Carl Thomas Ortman and Danielle Ortman, \$215,000.
- Fulton Properties LLC, Davis, Lots 8 through 12 Yellow Creek North to Fulton Properties LLC, \$0.
- Brittney Jones and Whitney Jones, Clover, 56 ½ acres, 50 acres and 31 ½ acres W/Outsale to Whitney Jones, \$0.
- Whitney Jones Clover, 56 ½ acres, 50 acres and 31 ½ acres W/Outsale to Whitney Jones and James Ashcraft, Jr., \$0.
- John A. Wyatt, Parsons, 21,000 sq. ft. more or less to John Wyatt Revocable Living Trust, \$0.
- Raymond Bonner, Jr. Dry Fork, 3 acres more or less to Raymond Bonner, Jr. and Raymond Bonnaghan, \$0.
- Lake Huffman, Black Fork, 57.04 acres to Emanuel Huffman, \$0.
- Land of Canaan Home Owners Association, Inc., Davis Corporation, Lot 33 with Part 34 Davis Corporation to Susanne Moran, \$0.

Threat

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eral threats he made in a group chat where he threatened to conduct a school shooting. It is not apparent that any other individuals were in concert with the juvenile that was taken into custody.

An emergency detention hearing took place for the juvenile. The school was put on heightened security as a precautionary measure. The juvenile was taken into custody at his residence, an emergency court hearing took place, and the juvenile was transported to a juvenile detention center.”

Instances of gunfire in schools spiked to the highest number in almost a decade. The study from Everytown For Gun Safety, a gun control advocacy organization, found that between Aug. 1, 2021, and May 31, 2022, there were 193 reported “incidents of gunfire” in preschools and K-12 schools. This is more than triple the previous school year, which saw 62 incidents of gunfire, and a notable increase from the previous high of 75 incidents during 2018-2019 academic year.

The report, conducted with the American Federation of Teachers and

the National Education Association, found that in school gunfire incidents during the 2021-22 year, 59 people were killed and 138 people were wounded. Six in 10 victims who were fatally shot and four in 10 victims who were wounded were either current or former students of the schools where the event occurred.

“For the last 20 years, students, educators, and parents have lived with the reality of increasingly frequent school shootings,” the report states. “The worst period for this violence has been in the 2021–2022 school year, which saw nearly quadruple the average number of gunfire incidents since 2013.”

Everyone involved was traumatized by the events that took place on Monday, February 6, but, due to the diligent response from the Tucker County Sheriff’s office, OEM Director Kevin White, and the students who came forward with the information this incident did not end with loss of life. On this day Tucker County High School did not become a fatality statistic but the threat was very real.



Parsons Volunteer Fire Department 2022 Quarterly Runs

Parsons VFD CO. 10 4th Quarter and Annual Reports

The Parsons Volunteer Fire Department responded to 64 calls during the Fourth Quarter (October, November, and December) of 2022. The following are the types of calls that the members responded to.

- **Structure: 1**
- **Motor Vehicle Crashes with Injuries: 3**
- **Motor Vehicle Crashes without Injuries: 10**
- **Traffic Control: 1**
- **EMS Assist: 12**
- **Search & Rescue: 1**
- **Mutual Aid: 7**
- **Landing Zone: 3**
- **HazMat: 1**
- **Gas Leak: 3**
- **Brush Fires: 1**
- **Service to Public: 6**
- **Vehicle Fire: 1**
- **Alarms Fire/CO: 5**
- **Line Down: 1**
- **Smoke / Odor Investigation: 3**

The Parsons Volunteer Fire Department responded to 248 calls during the year of 2022. The following are the types of calls that the members responded to.

- **Structure: 5**
- **Motor Vehicle Crashes with Injuries: 14**
- **Motor Vehicle Crashes without Injuries: 50**
- **Traffic Control: 15**
- **EMS Assist: 57**
- **Search & Rescue: 4**
- **Mutual Aid: 21**
- **Landing Zone: 21**
- **HazMat: 1**
- **Gas Leak: 11**
- **Brush Fires: 4**
- **Service to Public: 21**
- **Vehicle Fire: 1**
- **Alarms Fire/CO: 2**
- **Line Down: 7**
- **Water Rescue: 1**
- **Smoke / Odor Investigation: 11**
- **ATV/UTV Crashes: 2**

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OBITUARIES

Earl Richard Vest

“We are saddened to announce the passing of our dear father and grandfather Earl Richard Vest, 90, of Poquoson, VA on Feb. 2, 2023.

Earl was a native of Parsons, West Virginia, and has been a resident of Poquoson for three years. He was a graduate of Parsons High School Class of 1951. He served 25 years in the U.S. Air Force, which included the Vietnam War in 1968. At the time of retirement, he had earned the rank of Master Sergeant. He went on to have a fifteen-year career with the U.S. Postal Service retiring in 1991. After retirement, Earl spent his years with his beloved wife and enjoying his mountaintop farm near his hometown in West Virginia.

Earl is preceded in death by his cherished wife of 65 years, Margaret Kimble Vest; his parents, Harvey and Martha Summerfield Vest, five brothers; and a sister. He is survived by a son, Bruce Vest, his wife, Deborah, of Poquoson, and a granddaughter, Ashley Vest of Williamsburg.

The family received friends from 11a.m. to 12p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, 2023, at Parklawn-Wood Funeral Home with a celebration of life to begin at 12p.m. in the funeral home. Interment with honors rendered by the U.S. Air Force Honor Guard followed at Parklawn Memorial Park.”

Brenda Sue Isner Shaffer

Brenda Sue Isner Shaffer, age 72 years, a resident of Parsons, WV, departed this life Monday morning, February 6, 2023, at her home surrounded by her loving family and under the care of West Virginia Caring.

She was born Tuesday, October 3, 1950, at Clarksburg, WV, a daughter of the late Hershel and Lena Taylor Isner. On October 23, 1971, at Parsons, WV, she was married to Larry “Mike” Shaffer, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Michael Shaffer and wife Cynthia of Thomas; one daughter, Shelly Bolyard of Parsons; two brothers, Ed Isner and wife Sharon of Bridgeport and John Isner and wife Jeanne of Kerens; one sister, DeeDee Bunnell and husband Randy of Parsons; three granddaughters, Carleigh Bolyard of Parsons, Paige and Ava Shaffer of Thomas; her mother-in-law, Betsy Propst Lefkowitz of Parsons; and son-in-law, Todd Bolyard.

Preceding her in death one brother, Stanley Taylor; and one sister-in-law, Janet Swecker.

She attended Mountaineer High School and was a graduate of Elkins High School with the class of 1968. Following high school, she attended Beautician School and eventually owned and operated her own salon, called Country Charm, retiring July of 2021. She enjoyed walking and watching sports events, especially going to sporting events that her granddaughters participated in. She loved her family and will be missed tremendously.

Mrs. Shaffer’s request for cremation was honored. The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements for Brenda Sue Isner Shaffer. Condolences may be expressed to the family at; www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com.



Denzil Roy Keller, Sr.

Denzil Roy Keller, Sr., age 85 years, a resident of St. George, WV, departed this life Thursday evening, February 9, 2023, at WVU Medicine Ruby Memorial Hospital at Morgantown, WV.

He was born Friday, July 2, 1937, at Mill Run, St. George, WV, a son of the late Roy Mack and Freda Olive Knotts Keller. On May 16, 1959 at Oakland, MD, he was married to the former Edna Ellen Sinclair, who survives. They had celebrated sixty-three years of marriage.

Also surviving are two sons, Denzil Roy Keller, Jr. of St. George and Kevin Dale Keller and wife Nancy of St. George; two daughters, Kathy Ann Spitzer and husband Bill of FL and Sandra Jean Cassidy and husband John of St. George; ten grandchildren, Greg and wife Tina, Billy Jo and husband Bobby, Bobby Jo and husband Frank, Crystal and husband Matt, Matt and companion Kendra, Amanda and husband Matt, Ashley, Brandon and wife Kate, Shana, Alex and fiancé Kelsey; two step grandchildren, Shelby and Becky; several great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren; and his beloved dog, Pixie.

Preceding him in death is one brother, Denton Howard Keller; and one great granddaughter, Maci Layne Lawrence.

He attended the schools of St. George, WV. He had previously attended the Pentecostal Assembly of God. He was an employee of the former Dorman Mills, the Kingsford Charcoal Co, and he was a Logger for the most part of his life. He enjoyed hunting, driving his 4-wheeler and little red truck, tinkering on tractors, farming, and making hay with his son and grandson. He was the supervisor of all projects he was involved in. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather and he loved his family with all his heart.

Mr. Keller’s request for cremation was honored. The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home of Parsons is in charge of the arrangements for Denzil Roy Keller, Sr. Condolences may be expressed to the family at; www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com.

Olivia Lucille Kisamore-Stone

Olivia Lucille Kisamore-Stone, 76, beloved longtime resident of Thomas, WV, left this world peacefully on Feb. 9, 2023, following a short battle with lung cancer.

Known as Bitty to her family and friends, she was born in Elkins, WV on Nov. 15, 1946, to Warren G. and Sylvia Marie Huff Kisamore. A graduate of Potomac State College in Keyser, WV, Bitty was tirelessly devoted to her family, taking her greatest joy in helping others and serving her community.

Bitty leaves behind many grateful family members, including children Donell Denise Black and husband Thomas “Bear” of Manassas, Va; Steven Michael Stone of Thomas, WV; David Warren Stone and wife Ginny Lynn of Front Royal, Va; and Heather Marie Hutchinson and husband Vic of Thomas, WV. Bitty leaves behind grandchildren David Alan Stone and wife Beth; Tristan Warren Stone, Stephen Bryce Stone, Bailey Lynn Stone, and Riley Marie Stone, all residents of Front Royal, Va; Marcy Hebb and husband Scott of Parsons, WV; and Owen Wesley Helmick of Thomas WV. Bitty’s cherished great-grandchildren include Alissa Kay Hebb, Brooklee Kay Hebb, and Case Hebb, all of Parsons, WV; and Ashlynn and Delilah Stone, both of Front Royal, Va. Bitty adored her nieces and nephews, including Tammy Carr and husband Randy of Montrose, WV; Angela Evans and husband Jeff of Parsons, WV; Neil “Steelie” Kisamore and wife Amanda of Parsons, WV; Brenda Flanagan and husband Brian of Holiday, Fla; and Chad Kisamore and wife Julie of Morgantown, WV. Great nieces and nephews include Skylar and Shane Humphrey and Mason, Reid, Asher, and Amaya Kisamore, all of Parsons, WV. Bitty also leaves behind cherished siblings Sandy Hardy and husband Tom of Hambleton, WV; and Neil Kisamore and wife Doris of St. George, WV. Bitty was preceded in death by her infant brother Robert Warren Kisamore.

Her family would like to acknowledge the Tucker County Senior Center in Parsons, WV for offering incredible help, kindness, and encouragement as Bitty bravely battled her illness. They offer eternal gratitude to Senior Center drivers Jamie, Mary, Pete, Johnny, and Delbert. You will remain in their hearts and prayers forever. In lieu of flowers, Bitty’s family encourages donations to the Tucker County Senior Center.



West Virginia Caring to Hold 27th Annual Camp Caring

West Virginia Caring is holding its Annual Camp Caring, formerly Camp Nabe, on Saturday, August 5, 2023, at Camp Mountaineer on 187 Camp Mountaineer Road, off RT 119 in Morgantown, WV. The non-profit is accepting applications for campers who would like to attend this year’s camp.

Since 1996, West Virginia Caring has held a grief and loss camp to support children in West Virginia who has lost a loved one. It provides the child an opportunity to spend a day with other children who have also experienced the death of a loved one. This one-day camp is free of charge and is open to any child ages 6 – 14. Campers discover that they can live life in a changed world with a new relationship to their loved one who has died.

Camp Caring focuses on the unique grief process of children. Utilizing fun activities, trained counselors, art therapy, and large and small group activities,

the camp empowers each child to be able to express their grief and successfully cope with the feelings of their loss.

The pain of a death affects the whole family. As adults, we often are at a loss at both how to help the child we love who is hurting, and how to take time to heal ourselves.

WV Caring has grief workshops for the surviving adults in the child’s life. These sessions will run at the same time as the children’s camp. The purpose is that each family member is individually strengthened and supported so that the entire family can move forward together on their journey of grief to a place of new normal.

If you have questions, would like more information on camp or to volunteer, call Sam Leizear with West Virginia Caring on 1-304.599.4200 or email him at slizear@wvcaring.org or <https://www.wvcaring.org/camp-caring/> for applications and information.

Master Naturalist Classes Forming in Canaan Valley

Are you a Nature Nut? Do you want to learn more about nature in West Virginia and meet others with similar interests? Consider enrolling in the WV Master Naturalist program. Most classes are held at the Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center on Route 32. The state program is sponsored by the WV Division of Natural Resources and the Canaan Valley Chapter is sponsored by the Friends of the 500th, the nonprofit that supports the Refuge. To become a certified WV Master Naturalist, you must complete 62 hours of coursework and 30 hours of approved volunteer activities. The 62 hours of classes can be completed in five weekends, but you have up to four years to complete coursework and volunteer hours. Many students do coursework over two to three years. There are no tests. Classes usually include a classroom and an outdoor component and are focused for adults. The cost for the program is \$175 which includes all classes for 4 years or until certification, whichever comes first. The fee also includes a paper or digital

manual, a magnifier loupe and a Friends’ membership. No student is turned away for an inability to pay thanks to the Friends of the 500th. The 5 weekends of classes this year will be April 14 – 16, May 5 – 7, July 21 – 23, August 25 – 27, and September 15 – 17. There will be other classes throughout the year, but they are not required for certification. To get more information about the program or to register, contact Andrea “Andy” Dalton at AndreaDalton64@gmail.com or call her at 304-704-2476.

Everyone is welcome to a public program on Hawks in Elkins March 14 at 7PM taught by Collin Waybright. He will use live raptors in his program at the WV Division of Natural Resources Operations Center on Ward Road in Elkins (the road across from Walmart). After the program, there will be an introduction to the WV Master Naturalist program which all are also welcome to attend. This program is sponsored by the Tygart Valley Master Naturalists, but the CV Master Naturalist program will be represented.

TCF

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to have resided here. It is known that the Society of Friends maintained a meeting place near what is now known as the Cherry Hill Farm.

Since that time, trustees were always appointed to have the cemetery maintained. Over the years, the cemetery was cleared by volunteers, then through donations, as the Trustees have not charged to grave sites, they were able to hire someone to mow the cemetery. They now have five trustees: John Green, President, David Matko, Vice President and assistant Treasurer, Carolyn Waddell, Secretary & Treasurer, Ladonna Davis and Chris Irvine as Trustees.

“We are so excited to be working with the Mount Olive Cemetery to help preserve the history of Barbour County,” said Michael Moore, Chief Financial officer for the Tucker Com-

munity Foundation. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the Mount Olive Cemetery Fund, make checks payable to TCF, and note Mount Olive Cemetery Fund in the memo line and mail to the Tucker Community Foundation, P.O. Box 491, Parsons, WV 26287. Online donations can be made at www.tuckerfoundation.net.

The Tucker Community Foundation manages more than 140 endowed funds providing annual scholarships and grants to nonprofits and charitable causes throughout its eight-county service area. Inspired by the flood of 1985, the mission of the Foundation is “to create opportunities for the communities we serve”. For more information on how to set-up an endowed fund or to learn about the foundation, call 304-478-2930.



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Davis Health continues to spearhead STOP THE BLEED®

Elkins, WV – Davis Health System (DHS) is continuing to push support of the STOP THE BLEED® program in local schools.

STOP THE BLEED® is a national training program that focuses on a simple step approach to saving lives during a mass casualty or other emergency event. To date, thousands across the country have received training preparing them to recognize and respond to life-threatening bleeding.

DHS staff and the DHS Foundation are collaborating with Randolph County Schools to bring training and STOP THE BLEED® kits to each school in the county.

Since the local campaign was launched in 2022, 12 training kits have been sup-

plied to elementary, middle and high schools in Elkins, Harman, Tygarts Valley, and Pickens. Four kits have been provided to D&E College. Support has been received from Citizens Bank of WV, Grant County Bank, Mountain Valley Bank, the Rotary Club of Elkins, Follow Your Bliss, and the DHS Foundation.

“We thank our community partners for helping create safe spaces to work and learn,” said DHS Foundation Director Mike Bell.

The kits range in price from \$500 to \$800 depending on the number of enrolled students. Any local business or organization that would like to become a STOP THE BLEED® sponsor, can contact the DHS Foundation at 304.630.3043.



Preparing to STOP THE BLEED® Representatives from Randolph County Schools, Davis Health System and the DHS Foundation gathered to celebrate the donation of STOP THE BLEED® kits for Randolph County schools. These kits prepare bystanders to recognize and respond to life-threatening bleeding. Pictured left to right: Vicki Howes, RN, RCBOE; and DHS staff Hollis Lipscomb, RN; Natalie Kniffen, RN, BSN; Jennie Raines; Michael Bell, MEd; and Tiffany Auvil, RN, BSN.

Court

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Jeffrey Hebb, Sr. entering court to file a motion for bond modifications before the Honorable Judge J. Courier.

ing to get him to put the weapon down. J. Hebb had allegedly also been threatening to go shoot people in Davis.

Morris stated that J. Hebb's bond was set at a \$7,500 cash bond and motioned to Judge Courier to modify the bond. Morris said, “A motion to modify was filed with the Magistrate Court, but the court had some reservations due to a reasonable concern for safety.” Morris explained that the family has been taking care of J. Hebb's bills while he was being detained for the past four months. J. Hebb has been employed in the past and Morris argued that he should not have any issues finding employment running heavy equipment if he could be released on a modified bond.

Morris also argued that J. Hebb has had no contact with drugs since his detainment and was willing to comply with whatever the court deemed fit.

Wilkins then argued for that while J. Hebb was considered by many as a good person and came from a good family his increased drug induced paranoia was a risk to public safety. Wilkins said, “Public safety is number one priority.” Wilkins stated during his heighten bouts of paranoia J. Hebb had covered all windows in the house to prevent anyone from looking in and had holes in the ceiling where he was searching for wires that were allegedly placed so someone could spy on him.

Wilkins stated that the house was in total disarray and upon further search of J. Hebb's residence a crossbow and two live pipe bombs were discovered. The bomb squad had to be dispatched to the residence. The gun in question that was used to fire three shots in close proximity to his parents was reported

to have been modified and the ATF is looking into the firearm.

The proposed bond modifications proposed by Wilkins included J. Hebb report to and monitored by Community Corrections with drug testing on a regular basis.

The question of whether there may still be firearms or weapons in the house was raised. L. Hebb testified to the judge that as far as she knew that were no more weapons in the house. She also stated that weapons found during the search of the premises were handed over to the Tucker County Sheriff's office.

Mrs. Hebb further stated that she has had no contact with her son since he was arrested, but her daughter had talked to him and passed the information along that J. Hebb sounded more like himself on the phone. She also stated that she would except any decision the court decided and said, “We want to help him all that we can.”

Judge Courier agreed that the incident was out of character for J. Hebb and agreed to allow modifications to the bond. Instead of being a cash only bond other forms of bond would be accepted with the condition that J. Hebb report to Community Corrections, follow their guidelines and agree to drug testing at their discretion. He would also be place on house confinement with a GPS tracking device while being allowed to be released for work contingencies. There are to be no firearms, weapons, explosives, crossbows, or anything considered deadly other than regular household items like kitchen knives.”

No further court date was set.

All individuals are presumed innocent until proven otherwise in a court of law.

First Lady Justice and West Virginia Department of Education invite students to participate in Golden Horseshoe Knighting Bench Contest

CHARLESTON, WV — First Lady Cathy Justice and the West Virginia Department of Education are inviting West Virginia students to participate in a Knighting Bench Design Contest. All 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students who are public, private, or homeschooled are urged to participate in this Student Artist Series.

Last year, the First Lady's Student Artist Series challenged students to design an original sword for the Golden Horseshoe Knighting Ceremony.

“The response was so tremendous

for the sword design contest that we were inspired to create a new knighting bench,” First Lady Justice said. “Both of these items will be used for many years to come, and I can't wait to see the innovative designs that come out of this contest.”

Eligible students are asked to use their creative talent to construct a knighting bench for the ceremonial custom of knighting top 8th grade WV history students as they become Knights of the Golden Horseshoe.

Students may submit their artwork, design and production plan HERE.

Entries must be submitted by Feb-

ruary 21, 2023. The top five finalists will be announced by March 1, 2023. Each finalist will partner with a WV Career and Technical Education Center to bring their design to life and be judged by a panel of distinguished judges. The first place winner will be selected by May 1, 2023.

Design and submission information for the Knighting Bench Contest can be found HERE.

For questions please contact James Coble at jcoble@k12.wv.us or Tim Elliott at tbelliott@k12.wv.us.

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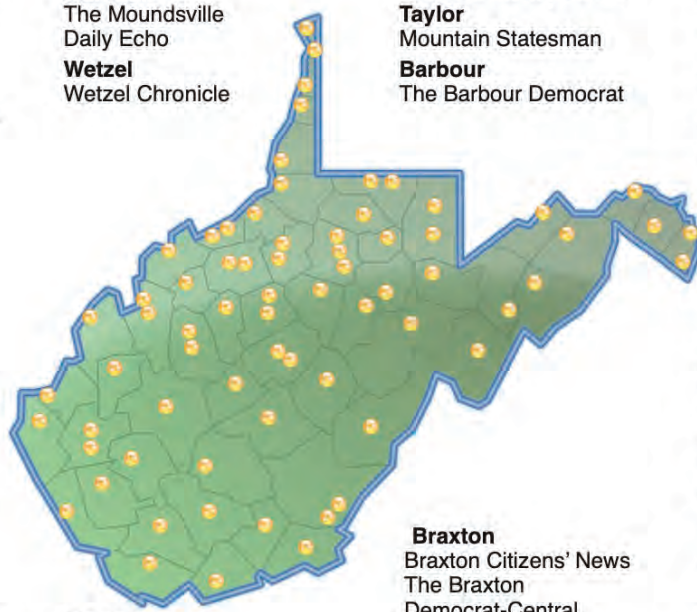
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The Nicholas Chronicle

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The West Virginia Daily News
Mountain Messenger

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Bluefield Daily Telegraph

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The Monroe Watchman



What's? Happening

PHS Alumni Meeting

PHS Alumni Meeting, Thursday Feb 16, 2023 at 1 p.m. at B & J Family Diner. Planning for the Memorial Day weekend festivities.

Hunter Education Class

Rob Porter will conduct a Hunter Education Class on March 4 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on March 5 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Tucker County Senior Center in Parsons. Class size limited to 30. Register at; register-ed.com

The Hunter Education Program provides free classes taught by volunteer instructors and Natural Resources Police Officers. Topics include: gun safety, wildlife management, ethics, survival/first aid, game identification, and how to hunt safely.

You will enjoy listening to volunteer

instructors and Natural Resources Police Officers pass on their expertise and hunting experiences, talking with your fellow hunters during class breaks, and getting familiar with the total hunting experience. Extra help is available for those who may need it

Food Handler's Training Classes

Sanitarian James Snyder of the the Tucker County Health Department will conduct a Food Handler's Training Classes at the Senior Center in Parsons, on Wednesday, February 15 at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Those persons attending the class will be issued a food handler's permit which will be good for two years. A \$10 registration fee will be collected upon admittance. The classes will start promptly, and late arrivals will not be admitted.



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.

Feb. 15, 1898: Musician John Homer "Uncle Homer" Walker was born in Mercer County. Among the last in a tradition of Black Appalachian banjo players, he played the five-string banjo in the clawhammer style.

Feb. 15, 1930: Sara Jane Moore was born in Charleston. On Sept. 22, 1975, Moore attempted to assassinate President Gerald Ford in San Francisco.

Feb. 15, 1975: Elizabeth Kee, the state's first female member of Congress, died in Bluefield. Kee was elected to Congress in 1951 after the death of her husband, John. She retired in 1964 and was replaced by her son, James.

Feb. 16, 1821: Morris Harvey was born near Prosperity in Raleigh County. Harvey's gifts to the Barboursville Seminary led to its name being changed to Morris Harvey College in 1901. The institution is now known as the University of Charleston.

Feb. 16, 1917: The legislature established the West Virginia State Colored Tuberculosis Sanitarium for the care of Black TB patients. It was built at Denmark in Pocahontas County.

Feb. 16, 1951: Second Lieutenant Darwin Keith Kyle died during an intense exchange against Chinese forces in Korea. He was awarded the Medal of Honor.

Feb. 17, 1735: Morgan Morgan of present-day Berkeley County was commissioned a captain of militia in the 201st Field Artillery, which is considered the oldest military unit in the United States.

Feb. 18, 1843: Ritchie County was created from portions of Wood, Lewis, and Harrison counties. The county was named for Virginia journalist and politician Thomas Ritchie.

Feb. 18, 1890: Ellison Mounts, a cousin to the Hatfield family, was hanged for murder, ending the Hatfield-McCoy Feud.



Denmark

Feb. 18, 1969: Hundreds of miners in Raleigh County went on strike over the issue of black lung. Within days, the walk-out spread throughout southern West Virginia.

Feb. 19, 1908: Orval Elijah Brown was born near Lizemores in Clay County. Brown, a free-spirited individual, gained notoriety as the "Clay County Wild Man" during the Great Depression for his untamed physical appearance, which included a flowing beard and the wearing of little more than a self-made loincloth.

Feb. 19, 1943: Author Homer Hickam was born in Coalwood, McDowell County. Hickam's second book, *Rocket Boys: A Memoir*, was published in 1998 and became a runaway bestseller.

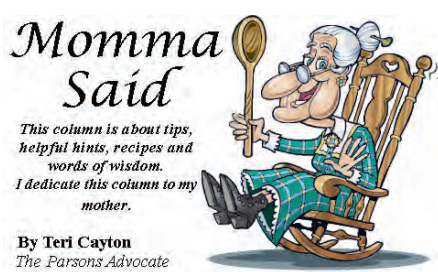
Feb. 20, 1875: The West Virginia Legislature approved a bill to move the state capital back to Wheeling.

Feb. 20, 1995: The West Virginia Legislature voted to make the Golden Delicious apple the official state fruit.

Feb. 21, 1895: Bluefield Colored Institute was established by the legislature to prepare Black West Virginians for the teaching profession. After several name changes, the school became Bluefield State College in 1943 and achieved university status in 2022.

Feb. 21, 1913: Workers' compensation passed the West Virginia Legislature, modeled on the German system Governor Hatfield had studied in the Ruhr Valley coalfields.

Feb. 21, 1940: Former Governor Gaston Caperton was born in Charleston. Caperton defeated Arch Moore to become the state's 31st governor.



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

Well two of the three dogs finally got a bath this past weekend. Whew, what a job that was it is like bathing small ponies. Mud puppy didn't get a bath yet because she takes forever to dry. I will have to get some warmer weather so she can dry and not stink like a mildewed fur ball.

After bathing the other two they started to shed like crazy. I think I brushed enough off Ripley to stuff a pillow and it is not done yet. When she shakes there is hair going in every direction. At least they smell better. I don't think they will stay clean for long because rain is back in the forecast and that means a muddy back yard again. **Momma Said**, "It will be just like kids playing in the mud."

Times are getting tougher everywhere and I don't know what is to come of our world. Crime is closing into our little area and it is a shame. I remember when we were in school every kid that had a pickup had a rifle rack in the back

window. When hunting season rolled around there were guns in every back window as far as you could see.

There never was a cause to act on this because it was just the norm. I would bet that more than half of those trucks never had the door locked and if it was nice weather the windows were rolled down. There was never anything said about this because nobody ever even thought to take one out of the vehicle and do anything with it except hunt. **Momma Said**, "Times are changing and not for the better."

THE BEST COFFEE WHIPPED CREAM FROSTING

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups (1 pint) Whipping Cream
- 1 packet of Starbucks French Roast Instant Coffee
- 1 Small Box (3.3 oz.) White Chocolate Instant Pudding Mix
- 1/3 cup of Powdered Sugar

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Add one packet of Instant Coffee to Whipping Cream.
2. Stir Whipping Cream until Instant Coffee has completely dissolved.
3. Filter whipping cream through a colander if you have any un-dissolved coffee crystals.
4. Add Whipping Cream mixture to a chilled mixing bowl.

5. Turn mixer on high.
6. Mix until soft peaks form.
7. Add Powdered Sugar.
8. Mix at high speed.
9. Just before you get to stiff peaks add White Chocolate Instant Pudding Mix.
10. On slow speed, mix whipping cream and pudding.
11. When it starts to come together, stop mixer and scrape down sides.
12. Check to make sure the pudding hasn't clumped on the bottom.
13. Fold mixture a couple of times with a spoon.
14. Turn mixer back on for just a few revolutions.
15. DO NOT OVERMIX.

Super Crossword

ODD BIRDS

ACROSS	DOWN
1 Soprano's last note, perhaps	1 Bees' place
6 Jordanians, e.g.	2 Horned Egyptian goddess
11 Oscar winner Rockwell	3 Surrounded with a belt
14 Mazda model	4 Witch
19 NBA Hall of Famer — Thomas	5 Mythological fire-breather
20 Tanzanian national park	6 Korea's place
22 "Burnt" or "raw" color	7 Peruse
23 Bird from Richmond?	8 Brow's shape
25 Trident, e.g.	9 Catcher Yogi
26 Winter D.C.	10 Be disdainful of
27 Fermented honey drink	11 Nose partition
28 Fashion's Oscar de la —	12 Elite squad
29 Patron associated with a "fire"	13 1986-2001 Earth orbiter
30 A handful of	14 Feral horse
31 Bird partially composed of element #56?	15 Drive along
33 In less peril	16 "That rings —"
36 Seek the affection of	17 "I love you," in Mexico
38 Archery asset	18 Symbol on a one-way sign
39 Solo of sci-fi	21 Wish-fulfilling spirits
40 Bird that always keeps to itself?	24 Innovative
43 Mob member	29 River in a Foster tune
48 Adept	30 Flu symptom
49 "Entertaining Mr. Sloane" playwright Joe	31 — chic (fashion style)
50 "Atlantic City" director Louis	32 Will, biblically
52 Prefix with 33-Down	33 Part of NASA
53 Fellow soldier	34 Shady shelter
55 Bird that travels to and from work?	35 Movie cast members
58 Notable time	
59 Potentially offensive, in brief	
62 El — (certain current)	
63 Stand for art hrs.	
64 Bird wearing a hard hat?	
69 Far — eye can see	
71 Ending for switch	
72 Groove for a letter-shaped bolt	
73 Cell material	
76 Bird nesting in winter precipitation?	
80 Causes to be ashamed	
82 Finnish coin	
83 Not worth — of beans	
84 Not one's best effort, in sports lingo	
87 Some small batteries	
88 In — (while not present at the event)	
90 Bird performing under the big top?	
92 Abbr. of fair hiring	
93 Store clerk on "The Simpsons"	
95 Business agt.	
96 Peels the skin off of	
97 Bird that plays bebop?	
103 Real admirer	
104 German subs	
105 Absorb a loss	
106 "Sure, sign me up!"	
108 The Gem State: Abbr.	
111 Mourful song	
112 Bird living in the Sistine Chapel?	
115 Being tried, as a case	
116 Movies' main stories	
117 Rub down	
118 Chairs, e.g.	
119 Waco-to-Austin dir.	
120 Cary of "Saw"	
121 Alternative to Valium	
36 Failed to be	75 Aides: Abbr.
37 Mo. in fall	77 Spiteful types
41 Commotions	78 Buckeye State sch.
42 Extremely old: Abbr.	79 Slugging stat
43 Particles believed to bind quarks together	81 The Evil One
44 Kitchen wrap	85 Mutt's threat
45 Result of backcombing	86 Pitching star
46 Toledo's lake	89 Fishers with seines, say
47 Pack of coins	90 Dead skin at the base of a fingernail
50 2,002, in Roman numerals	91 Lycra, e.g.
51 Comeback to "Are too!"	93 "Trainwreck" director Judd
54 Two wives of Henry VIII	94 Word before jury or larceny
56 En pointe, in ballet	97 Betrayer of Jesus
57 Ranch in Ferber's	98 "Take — out of crime!"
60 1990-2019 Toyota minivan	99 — the Greek
61 Moisturizer brand	100 Big name in restaurant guides
65 Melodramatic cry of sorrow	101 Repasts
66 Relative of a univ.	102 Web vending
67 Refuse to talk	103 Pine's cousin
68 Kimonos, e.g.	106 Frozen drink treat
69 Out of port	107 Widespread
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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DEADLINE 8AM MONDAY

Weather Totals

Jan. 31- Feb. 7

Nursery Bottom
Parsons

Temperature
Max 53° F
Min 4° F

Precipitation
Week 0.06"
January 4.05"
2023 4.11"

Snowfall
New Snow 0.5"
Snow on ground 0"
Winter Total 8.75"

U.S. Forest Service

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Cortland Acres residents benefit from generosity of others



On behalf of the coal miners at the Leer Mine, Jonathan Foy of Arch Resources and his son delivered 85 gift bags to Cortland Acres residents at Christmas. The baskets included a blanket, socks, colored pencils, crossword puzzles, and more.

The special moments during the holiday season were numerous for Cortland Acres residents, thanks to the generosity of local businesses, individuals, and groups.

One holiday donation came from the coal miners at the Arch Resources Leer Mine located in Grafton, W.Va. A couple of days before Christmas, Jonathan Foy, BBS facilitator for Arch Resources, and his son delivered 85 gift bags to Cortland Acres residents.

“The employees are happy we get the opportunity to help people, groups, and organizations in the surrounding area, like the residents at Cortland Acres,” Foy said. “Some

of the items we give away come from the company and some from the employees. I’m fortunate to work with employees and for a company that gives back to the communities where we live.”

Another donation received by Cortland Acres was from the Tucker County High School Future Farmers of America (FFA). Delbert “Paul” Pennington, Jr., Vocational Agricultural Teacher at Tucker County High School, stopped by Cortland Acres and dropped off boxes of delicious fresh fruit for the residents.

“We appreciate the kindness and thoughtfulness of the individuals, families, groups, businesses, and

organizations who shared this holiday season with us and who donate their time and monetarily all year long,” said Beth Clevenger, administrator of Cortland Acres. “Your donations, time, fellowship, music, and more made Christmas extra special for our residents. We are fortunate to live in a caring and loving community.”

Throughout the year, the Leer Mine miners give back to the communities where they live. In addition to providing gifts to residents at Cortland Acres, they also provide clothing to Heart and Hand and food to the backpack program in Barbour County.

“This program ensures kids have food to eat on

weekends,” Foy said. “We also put together meals for those in need over Thanksgiving, no questions asked.”

During Christmas, Foy said he reached out to several area schools on behalf of the employees. He asked each school for a list of students who needed extra attention during the holidays.

“We brought presents for the kids, put up Christmas decorations, hired a Santa, and had plenty of holiday treats,” Foy said. “The students stopped by to see Santa, and the miners took them around the room to pick out Christmas gifts. It was a wonderful day for everybody.”

The Leer Mine established a Giving Fund more

than a dozen years ago when Arch Resources took over. Employees contribute to the fund each paycheck.

“At the Leer Mine, we enjoy giving back to the community and helping with their needs,” Foy said.

The Cortland Acres campus includes a 94-bed long-term care facility, inpatient and outpatient rehabilita-

tion programs, rental apartments in Pineview, and garden and patio homes in The Pines. For more information about The Pines or Cortland Acres or to set up an appointment for a tour of the facility, call 304-463-4181 ext. 203, or visit www.cortlandacres.org.

LEGAL

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

Deceased	Personal Representative(s)
James Alfred Quattro	Brian Quattro, II
1st publication 2/15/23	PO Box 512
2nd publication 2/22/23	Thomas, WV 26292

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

ATTEST: SHERRY SIMMONS, TUCKER COUNTY CLERK

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PUBLIC NOTICE

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Re: UIC Permit Application UIC2D09300103003
Office of Oil and Gas
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304
Phone: (304) 926-0450
Fax: (304) 926-0452

APPLICATION FOR STATE UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMIT

Public Notice Number: UIC-2023-001 Paper:
The Parsons Advocate
P.O. Box 345
Parsons, WV 26287

The following applicant has applied for a State Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit for this facility or activity:

Applicant: PENNECO ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS LLC
6608 Route 22
DELMONT, PA 15626-2408

Application Number: UIC2D09300103003
Business Conducted: Oil and/or Natural Gas production and/or related activity.

Location: On the waters of Haddix Run in Black Fork District of Tucker County.
1608 Seneca Trail, Parsons WV 26287

Approximate location: Latitude 39.093926 sLongitude -79.759279
UTM North 4327932.4 UTM East 607295.7

Activity: Reissuance of an Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit for the operation of a commercial facility used for the underground injection of approved Class 2 oil and gas waste fluids. The state of West Virginia will act on the above application in accordance with the West Virginia Legislative Rules, Title 47, Series 13, Section 13.24 issued pursuant to West Virginia Code Chapter 22, Article 11 & 12.

The application, draft permit, and fact sheet can be downloaded from <https://dep.wv.gov/oil-and-gas/data-baseinfo/Pages/UIC-Pending-Applications.aspx> This information is also available for review by appointment, or copies obtained, at a nominal cost, at the Office of Oil and Gas, 601 57th Street SE, Charleston, WV 25304, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on business days.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public hearing within 30 days of the date of publication. Such comments or requests should be emailed to DEPOOGEP@wv.gov with “UIC Comments” in the subject line or a hard copy addressed and mailed to:

Office of Oil and Gas
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304
Attn: UIC Program

Comments received within this period will be considered prior to acting on the permit application. Correspondence should include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised. A public hearing may be held if the Chief considers significant the degree of public interest raised on issues relevant to the draft permit. Interested persons may contact the office identified above at (304) 926-0450 to obtain further information.

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE SITUATE IN TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA ST. GEORGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY given to you that pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned Substitute Trustee, Jaclyn L. Nichols, said Substitute Trustee having been appointed by Mountain Valley Bank, N.A. as Substitute Trustee, which document is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed of Trust Book 317 at page 290, and pursuant to that certain Deed of Trust executed by Ashley R. Hebb and Robert Jesse Roy, Jr., securing the Mountain Valley Bank, N.A., Elkins, West Virginia, in the payment and performance of certain obligations set forth therein, which Deed of Trust bears date of December 31, 2008, and which Deed of Trust is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission, Parsons, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 236 at page 42, and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party of the said Deed of Trust to foreclose thereunto and the makers of the said note and obligations having failed to pay the obligations as provided under the terms of the said Deed of Trust and Note and the holder of said Deed of Trust and Note having declared the whole of said indebtedness to be due and payable, and having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in writing to make sale of the said real estate, located in St. George District, Tucker County, West Virginia and described in said Deed of Trust as follows:

Map: 186 Parcel: 12.1

The following piece or parcel of real estate, situate in St. George District, Tucker County, West Virginia, together with any and all appurtenant easements which may benefit same, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Lot No. 4, Beginning at a set 5/8 inch iron rod, located 15 feet east of the center line of Secondary Rt. 9, from which the intersection of Secondary Rt. 9 and Secondary Rt. 9/2 near Laurel Run is N. 56-11 W, 27.52 feet to the west edge of Secondary Rt. 1, thence N 12-45-20 E, 770 feet to the center of the above mentioned intersection, thence from the said 5/8 inch iron pin, with the south boundary of a 18 foot right-of-way reserved by Robert Lipscomb, S 77-03-30 E, 261.97 feet to a set 5/8 inch rod, thence S 17-34-20 W, 104.81 feet to a set 5/8 inch iron rod, thence N 76-37-35 W, 233.09 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod, set 15 feet east of the center line of Secondary Rt. 9, thence N 1-41-40 E, 104.78 feet to the beginning, containing 25,939.69 square feet.

Being the same parcel of real estate conveyed by Deed of Ashley R. Hebb and Robert Jesse Roy, Jr. to Ashley R. Hebb, dated July 24, 2017, which deed is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed Book 226 at page 46.

I, Jaclyn L. Nichols, Substitute Trustee, shall offer for sale the above-described real estate at public auction at the front door of the Old Tucker County Courthouse, 215 First Street Parsons, Tucker County, West Virginia, 26287 on:

March 8, 2023
At
10:30 A.M.

The real estate and mobile home identified above will be sold in its present (AS IS) condition, and the highest bid may be accepted by the Substitute Trustee, and the Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenants and/or persons occupying any of the above-described parcels of real estate to vacate the real estate. Any personal property remaining on the real estate after the date of the public sale will be disposed of and considered abandoned by the successful bidder or bidders.

TERMS OF SALE

- Cash in hand on day of sale or 10% of the purchase price by certified check or by a letter of credit from a leading institution on day of sale delivered to the Substitute Trustee and approved by the said Substitute Trustee, or such terms as agreed to by the Substitute Trustee.
- The above-described parcel of real estate will be sold subject to all prior liens senior in priority to the Deed of Trust, described above, the redemption right of the Internal Revenue Service as set forth in 11 U.S.C. Section 7425, and any and all unpaid real estate taxes or encumbrances and claims in favor of any municipality, county, or government entity, or other party, if any, and also further subject to any covenants, restrictions, conditions, reservations, rights-of-way and easements recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office prior to the Deed of Trust and affecting the subject real estate as well as any prescriptive easements that are unrecorded, if any, that may exist. The successful bidder shall pay all transfer stamps and recording fees, associated with the deed to be issued by the Substitute Trustee and the successful party shall have twenty (20) days to close the transaction after the public sale.
- The above-described real estate will be sold by the undersigned Substitute Trustee at public auction to the highest bidder subject to the right of the undersigned Substitute Trustee to reject any and all bids if, in his opinion, said bids are inadequate.
- The owner of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust shall have the right to bid at the public sale; and
- The public sale shall be without representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied, and the Deed to be issued in this matter shall reflect the same and shall be a Special Warranty Deed.
- Such other terms as may be announced at the time of sale.

The undersigned Substitute Trustee reserves the right to continue the public sale or to adjourn the public sale for a time or from time to time without further notice other than oral public announcement at the time and place of sale as hereinabove set forth or at any continuance or adjournment thereof.

The sale shall be made WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE of any nature.

Any questions regarding the Public Sale should be directed to the undersigned Substitute Trustee.

Jaclyn L. Nichols
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WVSB 13730

Given under my hand this the 6th day of January, 2023.

Jaclyn L. Nichols
Jaclyn L. Nichols
Substitute Trustee

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(2021-S-0000036-Tucker County-JESSICA TAYLOR)
To: OCCUPANT, NORMAN A. LONG, MELISSA A. JONES, OCCUPANT, WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, COMPLIANCE DIVISION, MELISSA A. JONES, MELISSA A. JONES, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA TAX DEPARTMENT COMPLIANCE DIVISION, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT ST. GEORGE MAP 244 PARCEL 0021 0000
You will take notice that JESSICA TAYLOR, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-0000036, 12.5 SLIP HILL, located in ST. GEORGE, which was returned delinquent in the name of LONG NORMAN A, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Tucker County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 10th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2023, will be as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description of taxes and charges, Amount. Includes taxes due on date of sale, subsequent years taxes, title examination costs, and sheriff's sale costs.

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Jacob Kopec, Sheriff and Treasurer of Tucker County.

Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check or must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.
You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
Return this letter and both certified funds to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

LEGAL

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE SITUATE IN TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA PARSONS CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY given to you that pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned Substitute Trustee, Jaelyn L. Nichols, said Substitute Trustee having been appointed by Mountain Valley Bank, N.A. as Substitute Trustee, which document is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed of Trust Book 317 at page 289, and pursuant to that certain Deed of Trust executed by Jeremy D. Lower and Ryan D. Lower, husband and wife, securing the Mountain Valley Bank, N.A., Elkins, West Virginia, in the payment and performance of certain obligations set forth therein, which Deed of Trust bears date of September 29, 2015, and which Deed of Trust is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission, Parsons, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 274 at page 591, and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party of the said Deed of Trust to foreclose thereunto and the makers of the said note and obligations having failed to pay the obligations as provided under the terms of the said Deed of Trust and Note and the holder of said Deed of Trust and Note having declared the whole of said indebtedness to be due and payable, and having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in writing to make sale of the said real estate, located in Parsons Corporation, Tucker County, West Virginia and described in said Deed of Trust as follows:

Map: 8 Parcel: 33
The following piece or parcel of real estate, situate in Parsons Corporation, Tucker County, West Virginia, together with any and all appurtenant easements which may benefit same, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

All of Lot No 12, situate in the Corrick Addition to the City of Parsons, Tucker County, West Virginia. Being the same parcel of real estate conveyed by Deed of John W. Koontz and Catherine A. Koontz, husband and wife, to Jeremy D. Lower and Ryan D. Lower, husband and wife, as joint tenants with full right of survivorship, dated April 27, 2007, which deed is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed Book 191 at page 83.

The above-described parcel of real estate has a mobile home located on it, identified as a 2016 CLAY FH VIN #CAPO28956TNAB. The above-described mobile home shall be sold with the above-described real estate.

I, Jaelyn L. Nichols, Substitute Trustee, shall offer for sale the above-described real estate at public auction at the front door of the Old Tucker County Courthouse, 215 First Street, Parsons, Tucker County, West Virginia, 26287 on:

March 8, 2023
At 10:00 A.M.

The real estate and mobile home identified above will be sold in its present (AS IS) condition, and the highest bid may be accepted by the Substitute Trustee, and the Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenants and/or persons occupying any of the above-described parcels of real estate to vacate the real estate. Any personal property remaining on the real estate after the date of the public sale will be disposed of and considered abandoned by the successful bidder or bidders.

TERMS OF SALE

- 1. Cash in hand on day of sale or of the purchase price by certified check or by a letter of credit from a leading institution on day of sale delivered to the Substitute Trustee and approved by the said Substitute Trustee or such terms as agreed to by the Substitute Trustee.
2. The above-described parcel of real estate will be sold subject to all prior liens senior in priority to the Deed of Trust, described above, the redemption right of the Internal Revenue Service as set forth in 11 U.S.C. Section 7425, and any and all unpaid real estate taxes or encumbrances and claims in favor of any municipality, county, or government entity, or other party, if any, and also further subject to any covenants, restrictions, conditions, reservations, rights-of-way and easements recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office prior to the Deed of Trust and affecting the subject real estate as well as any prescriptive easements that are unrecorded, if any, that may exist. The successful bidder shall pay all transfer stamps and recording fees, associated with the deed to be issued by the Substitute Trustee and the successful party shall have twenty (20) days to close the transaction after the public sale.
3. The above-described real estate will be sold by the undersigned Substitute Trustee at public auction to the highest bidder subject to the right of the undersigned Substitute Trustee to reject any and all bids if, in his opinion, said bids are inadequate.
4. The owner of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust shall have the right to bid at the public sale; and
5. The public sale shall be without representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied, and the Deed to be issued in this matter shall reflect the same and shall be a Special Warranty Deed.
6. Such other terms as may be announced at the time of sale.

The undersigned Substitute Trustee reserves the right to continue the public sale or to adjourn the public sale for a time or from time to time without further notice other than oral public announcement at the time and place of sale as hereinabove set forth or at any continuance or adjournment thereof.

The Sale shall be made WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE of any nature. Any questions regarding the Public Sale should be directed to the undersigned Substitute Trustee.

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WVSB 13730

Given under my hand this the 6th day of January, 2023.

Jaelyn L. Nichols
Jaelyn L. Nichols
Substitute Trustee

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in it by that certain Deed of Trust dated July 29, 2019, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 295, at Page 327, Hobert Ray Wolford did convey unto Rock S. Wilson, Trustee, certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Pill & Pill, PLLC as Substitute Trustee by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Tucker County Courthouse, in Parsons, West Virginia, on February 22, 2023, at 3:45 PM

The following described real estate, with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the Black Fork District, Tucker County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows: .19 Ac Miller Addition P/Lots 108 & PT 109, which is situate in Black Fork District, Tucker County, West Virginia.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 354 Cheat Valley Highway, Parsons, WV 26287.

AND BEING the same real estate which was conveyed to Hobert Ray Wolford by Deed dated July 29, 2019, from Popcorn Properties, LLC, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 235, at Page 22.

The above-described property will be sold subject to any covenants, restrictions, easements, leases and conditions of record, and subject to any unpaid real estate taxes.

The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

TERMS: Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price as a deposit with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

Pill & Pill, PLLC, Substitute Trustee

Richard A. Pill, Member
P.O. Box 440, 85 Aikens Center, Martinsburg, WV 25404
Phone (304) 263-4971, Fax (304) 267-5840, e-mail: foreclosures@pillwvllaw.com

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA CANAAN CROSSING HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

Plaintiff, Civil Action No. 22-C-48
v. Judge David H. Wilmoth
ROBERT THOMAS PENIC
Defendant.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SPECIAL COMMISSIONER SALE

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by Order of the Circuit Court of Randolph County, West Virginia, entered on the 17th day of November, 2022, in Civil Action No. 22-C-48, entitled Canaan Crossing Homeowner's Association, Inc. vs Robert Thomas Penic, as Special Commissioner of said Court, shall on the 14th day of March, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. proceed to sell at public auction at the front door of the Randolph County Courthouse to the highest bidder(s), the following hereinafter described real estate, together with any buildings, structures and other improvements situate thereon and any and all appurtenances located on the real estate herein, being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land situate in Dry Fork District, Randolph County, West Virginia, known as Lot 18, of the Roaring Plains Section of Canaan Crossing Corporation Development, containing 3.50 acres, which said Lot 18 is more particularly shown on a map or plat of said Roaring Plains Section, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Randolph County, West Virginia, in Plat Cabinet C at Slide 23.

SUBJECT TO all restrictions, reservation, covenants, exceptions easements and right of way easements, including utility right of ways as set forth in the chain of title.

AND BEING the same real estate as conveyed unto Robert Thomas Penic, single by Mark C. Anderson and Mary Loretta Anderson, husband and wife, by deed dated December 31, 1998 and of record in Deed Book 463, at page 679.

- 1. Said sale will be held at the Randolph County Courthouse, in Elkins, Randolph County, West Virginia.
2. The Special Commissioner will allow all prospective purchasers to visually inspect the real estate to be sold from the roadway adjacent to the property from 10:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the day of sale.
3. This sale will be by the boundary and not by the acre without warranty as to the quantity of acreage contained on said real estate.
4. The sale shall be made with special warranty of title and subject to all reservations, exceptions, covenants, restrictions, easements, limitations, conditions, minerals rights, rights of way or easements, and other servitudes, if any, made, retained or otherwise created by deeds or other instruments constituting the record chain of title to the real estate aforesaid.
5. The sale shall be made subject to any and all liens and encumbrances affecting the real estate, to all unpaid or any accrued real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. The proceeds from the sale will be applied to pay the judgments/obligations owed to Canaan Crossing Home Owners Association (CCHOA) of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Randolph County Commission. CCHOA will release those judgments, upon receipt of the payment.
6. This sale shall further be made subject to all necessary rights of way for ingress, egress and regress, water/sewer, and utility service to the real estate.
7. Any sale hereunder may be postponed from time to time or adjourned without any notice other than an oral announcement at the time and place appointed for this sale or by posting notice. The Special Commissioner reserve the right to reject any and all bids.
8. Opening bid: Bidding will start at \$28,000.00. The real property will not be sold for less than the opening bid amount.
9. Conveyance of the real estate will be made by a Special Commissioner Deed in the form prescribed by W.Va. Code 38-1-6, subject to any and all effective and enforceable exceptions, reservations, conditions, covenants, restrictions, limitations, assessments, easements, rights of way, mineral severances and other encumbrances as have been created with respect to and/or imposed upon said real estate by the Grantor or its predecessors in interest in title prior to the recording of the Deed in the aforesaid Clerk's office. All real estate, and any improvements located thereon, are sold in "AS IS" condition and are FINAL. The Special Commissioner do not make any representations or warranties as to the physical condition of the real estate. Prospective purchasers are responsible for inspecting the title to the real estate prior to the Special Commissioner Sale. Any and all legal procedural requirements to obtain physical possession of the real estate and personal property after the sale are the responsibility of the purchaser(s). Anyone interested in purchasing the subject property should review the contents of this case file (Randolph County Civil Action No. 22-C-48), of record in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Randolph County. Risk of loss or damage will be the purchaser's from and after the sale. All outstanding taxes, assessments and utility charges will be the responsibility of the purchaser(s).

All settlement fees, costs of conveyance, examination of title, title fees and recording charges shall be at the expenses of the purchaser(s). Special Commissioner makes no representation regarding the state of title to the real estate or personal property. Purchaser(s) shall bear the responsibility and risk of any inspection of the real estate and shall take title to the real estate subject to any existing leases, land contracts, or other agreements recorded and unrecorded affecting the real estate and shall take title to the personal property subject to any liens and UCC filings.

The purchaser(s) shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by Article 2 of Chapter 11 of the West Virginia Code. Sale is made subject to the right of the Internal Revenue Service to redeem the real estate as provided by Section 7425 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Additional terms and conditions shall be announced at sale.

The real estate being sold is currently occupied. The purchaser shall be solely responsible for removing any existing tenant or person occupying the real property, as well as any personal property remaining on the real property after the sale. The Special Commissioner shall neither have a duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate said property, nor shall the Special Commissioner have a duty to cause any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the real property to be removed.

Approval of the Circuit Court: This sale is subject to the approval and confirmation by the Circuit Court of Randolph County, West Virginia.

Terms of sale: Ten (10.00%) of purchase price due on day of sale by certified check, payable to the Special Commissioner and the balance in immediately available funds at closing, which shall be within thirty (30) days from the day of sale. The Special Commissioner reserves the right to accept or reject such other terms as to payment or delivery of payment as may be agreed to by the Special Commissioner and the bidder(s). If the successful bidder(s) fails to deliver the deposit and/or total purchase price within the prescribed time, the Special Commissioner may proceed to resell the real estate and personal property, or the applicable portion thereof, or, at the discretion of the Special Commissioner convey the real estate and personal property to the next highest bidder if such bidder will honor said bid.

JEFFERSON L. TRIPLETT, as
Special Commissioner

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF TRUSTEE

WHEREAS Pat A. Nichols is named as Trustee in that certain Deed of Trust dated December 31, 2008, executed by Ashley R. Hebb and Robert Jesse Roy, Jr., and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 236 at page 42.

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust provides that the lender, at its option, may from time to time remove a Trustee or Trustees and appoint a Successor Trustee to any Trustees appointed in the said Deed of Trust by an instrument recorded in the county where the deed of trust is recorded, and that upon such substitution, the successor trustee shall succeed to all the title, power and duties conferred upon the Trustee or Trustees in said deed of trust and by applicable law; and

WHEREAS, Mountain Valley Bank, N.A., Elkins, West Virginia, is the beneficial owner of the indebtedness described in said Deed of Trust and desires to substitute Jaelyn L. Nichols as Substitute Trustee in the place and stead of Pat A. Nichols, or any other previously substituted or named Trustee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises Mountain Valley Bank, N.A. does hereby appoint Jaelyn L. Nichols, of P.O. Box 201, 200 Main Street, Parsons, West Virginia 26287, as Substitute Trustee under the aforesaid Deed of Trust in the place and stead of Pat A. Nichols or any other previously substituted or named trustee, under the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

Dated this the ___ day of _____, 20__.

By _____
Its _____
Mountain Valley Bank, N.A.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF _____, to-wit:
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this the ___ day of 20__ by _____,
Its _____ of Mountain Valley Bank, N.A., on behalf of said bank.
My commission expires _____
AFFIX
(NOTARY SEAL)
NOTARY PUBLIC

LEGAL

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF TRUSTEE

WHEREAS Rebecca L. McClung is named as Trustee in that certain Deed of Trust dated September 29, 2015, executed by Jeremy D. Lower and Ryan D. Lower, husband and wife, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 274 at page 591.

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust provides that the lender, at its option, may from time to time remove a Trustee or Trustees and appoint a Successor Trustee to any Trustees appointed in the said Deed of Trust by an instrument recorded in the county where the deed of trust is recorded, and that upon such substitution, the successor trustee shall succeed to all the title, power and duties conferred upon the Trustee or Trustees in said deed of trust and by applicable law; and

WHEREAS, Mountain Valley Bank, N.A., Elkins, West Virginia, is the beneficial owner of the indebtedness described in said Deed of Trust and desires to substitute Jaelyn L. Nichols as Substitute Trustee in the place and stead of Rebecca L. McClung, or any other previously substituted or named Trustee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises Mountain Valley Bank, N.A. does hereby appoint Jaelyn L. Nichols, of P.O. Box 201, 200 Main Street, Parsons, West Virginia 26287, as Substitute Trustee under the aforesaid Deed of Trust in the place and stead of Rebecca L. McClung or any other previously substituted or named trustee, under the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

Dated this the ___ day of _____, 20__.

By _____
Its _____
Mountain Valley Bank, N.A.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF _____, to-wit:
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this the ___ day of 20__ by _____,
Its _____ of Mountain Valley Bank, N.A., on behalf of said bank.
My commission expires _____
AFFIX
(NOTARY SEAL)
NOTARY PUBLIC

SPORTS

AREA SCHEDULE:

Wednesday February 15th

- Tucker Valley Girls' & Boys' Basketball vs East Preston @ Home 6pm

Thursday February 16th

- Tucker County Girls' Basketball(varsity only) @ Notre Dame 7pm
- Tucker Valley Boys' Basketball @ Elkins 6pm
- Davis-Thomas Girls' & Boys' Basketball @ Union Tournament 5pm/6:15pm

Friday February 17th

- Tucker County Boys' Basketball vs Moorefield @ Home 5:45pm
- Tucker County Girls' JV Basketball @ Petersburg Tournament 7pm

Saturday February 18th

- Tucker County Girls' JV Basketball @ Petersburg Tournament 3:30pm
- Davis-Thomas Girls' & Boys' Basketball @ Union Tournament - TBA

Mt. Lions win at Tygarts Valley and win at home over Southern



Tucker County's Garrett Wilfong dives on the basketball against Southern on Feb. 11th. The Mt. Lions won the contest 53-41. Photo by Brittany Channell.

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

MILL CREEK – The Tucker County Boys' Basketball team traveled to Tygarts Valley on Wednesday February 8th. The Mt. Lions responded after a slow start to get the road win over the Bulldogs 50-34.

The first quarter was slow for both teams as the homestanding Bulldogs led after one quarter 5-2. Tucker County's Ethan Rosenau then ignited the offense for the Mt. Lions as Rosenau scored 18 points in the second quarter to allow Tucker County to outscore Tygarts Valley 23-12 to lead 25-17 at the halftime break.

The third quarter would belong to the Mt. Lions as they outpaced the Bulldogs 14-6 to put the score to 39-23 Tucker County after three. The final quarter was even as both teams scored 11 points to give the Mt. Lions the road win by the final score of 50-34.

Ethan Rosenau led Tucker County in scoring with 20 points off the bench. Trevan Bonner added 11 points for Tucker County in the win. The Mt. Lions JV team picked up the win also 41-35.

HAMBLETON – The Mt. Lions ended the week

with a home game on Saturday February 11th against Southern Garrett, MD. Tucker County used a big first quarter to build a lead and get the home win over the Rams 53-41.

The Mt. Lions exploded in the first quarter to lead after one 17-8. Tucker County then added to their lead slightly in the second quarter as they outscored Southern 13-10 to make the score at the half 30-18 Mt. Lions.

The third quarter was close as Tucker County edged the Rams 9-8 in the period to make the score 39-26 at the end of the three quarters. The fourth quarter was won slightly by Southern 15-14 to put the final score at 53-41 Tucker County.

Ethan Rosenau led the Mt. Lions with 11 points and Ashton Lycliter added 10 points, 15 rebounds for Tucker County. Trevan Bonner chipped in with 9 points and Levi Bennett pulled down 8 rebounds for the Mt. Lions in the win. The Tucker County JV team fell to Southern in the first game 44-38

Tucker County(12-4) will return to action on Friday February 17th at home against Moorefield with JV action starting at 5:45pm. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

Tucker County girls' cruise to win over Moorefield 61-17

By Chris George
TuckerCountySports.Com

HAMBLETON – The Lady Mt. Lions hosted PVC Rival Moorefield on Tuesday February 7th. Tucker County held Moorefield to just 4 field goals in the whole game to capture the win over the Lady Yellowjackets 61-17.

The Tucker County offense had a great first quarter as they led after one quarter 18-6. The Lady Mt. Lions defense then stepped up in the second as they held Moorefield to 2 points while Tucker County scored 11 points to give the home team a 29-8 halftime lead.

The Lady Mt. Lions continued to build their lead in the third quarter as they outscored the Lady Yellowjackets 19-3 to take a commanding 48-11 lead after three quarters of play. Tucker County would also control the final quarter as well 13-6 to give the Lady Mt. Lions the 61-17 home



Tucker County Senior Girls' Basketball players were recognized before the game on Feb. 7th. (L-R): Head Coach Dave Helmick, Kadie Colebank, Jacey Davis, Assistant Coach Carrie Colebank. Photo by Becky Moore.

victory.

The Lady Mt. Lions placed 4 players in double figures as Kadie Colebank led Tucker County with 13 points, 17 rebounds and Macy Helmick added 11 points, 8 assists. Brylee Wetzel had 11 points, 7 steals for the Lady Mt.

Lions and Avery Colebank also added 11 points, 5 assists for Tucker County in the win. The Lady Mt. Lions JV team got the win in the first game over Moorefield 32-18.

Tucker County(15-2) will return to action on Thursday February 16th

at Notre Dame for a varsity only contest at 7pm. The Lady Mt. Lions will then play in the Sectional Championship in Keyser on Thursday February 23rd against the winner of the East Hardy / Union winner. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

Tucker Valley Girls' and Boys' Basketball Update

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

HAMBLETON – The Tucker Valley Girls' Basketball teams hosted Tygarts Valley on Monday February 6th. In the JV game the Lady Wildcats JV team fell 16-14. Madison Carr and Amesley Channell had 4 points each for the Tucker Valley JV in the loss. In the varsity game Tucker Valley fell by the score of 39-24. Peyton Hicks led Tucker Valley with 11 points and Emma Wilfong had 8 points in the loss for the Lady Wildcats.

PHILIPPI – The Tucker Valley Boys' Basketball teams traveled to Philippi for a JV and Varsity matchup on Wednesday February 8th. In the first game of the night the Wildcats JV team lost 37-28. Branson Hyre led the Tucker Valley JV with 10 points and Isaiah Leary added 4 points for the Wildcats JV in the loss. In the varsity game Tucker Valley fell in overtime by the score of 48-46. Luke Barb led the Wildcats



Tucker Valley's Girls' Basketball 8th grade players were recognized on Feb. 6th. (L-R): Chloe Watson, Peyton Hicks, Aleyah Jackson, Emma Wilfong. Photo by Brittany Channell.

with 20 points and Nate Davis added 10 points in the loss for Tucker Valley.

HAMBLETON – The Lady Wildcat Basketball teams hosted Philippi on Wednesday February 8th. In the JV game the Tucker Valley JV fell by the score of 24-7. Madison Carr led the Lady Wildcat JV with 4 points and Amesley Channell added 3 points for the Tucker Valley JV in the loss.

In the second game the Tucker Valley varsity team dropped the contest to Philippi by the score of 25-20. Emma Wilfong led Tucker Valley with 10 points. Peyton Hicks and Madelynn Helmick added 4 points each in the loss for the Lady Wildcats.

HAMBLETON – The Tucker Valley Girls' and Boys' Basketball teams played Davis-Thomas at TCHS on

See TV BASKETBALL page 10

Davis-Thomas Girls' and Boys' Basketball Update

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

THOMAS – The Davis-Thomas Girls' and Boys' Basketball teams hosted Union on Wednesday February 8th. In the Girls' game Davis-Thomas got the win by the final score of 48-15. Izzy Kitzmiller led the Lady Bears with 21 points and Hailey Crossland added 13 points in the win. In the Boys' game the Bears won 57-22. Emmet Felton led Davis-Thomas with 19 points and Cayden Arnold had 15 points for the Bears in the victory.


HAMBLETON – The Bears Girls' and Boys' Basketball teams played Tucker Valley at TCHS on Saturday February 11th.

In the Girls' game Tucker Valley got the win over Davis-Thomas by the score of 30-22. Izzy Kitzmiller led Davis-Thomas with 12 points and Peyton Cross added 4 points. In the Boys' game Davis-Thomas got the win over Tucker Valley by the final score of 34-25. Emmet Felton led the Bears with 16 points and Cayden Arnold added 8 points for Davis-Thomas in the win.

The Davis-Thomas Basketball teams will return to action on Thursday February 16th at the Union Tournament. Both teams will then return to action on Saturday February 18th at the Union Tournament. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.




Lady Wildcats player Emma Wilfong attempts a layup against Davis-Thomas on Feb.11th. The Lady Wildcats won the contest 30-22. Photo by Brittany Channell.



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TV Basketball

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Saturday February 11th. In the first game of the afternoon the Lady Wildcats got the win over the Lady Bears 30-22. Emma Wilfong led Tucker Valley with 14 points and Peyton Hicks added 8 points for the Lady Wildcats in the victory.

In the second game the Tucker Valley Boys' faced off against Davis-Thomas. The Bears would get the win over the Wildcats by the final score of 34-25. Luke Barb led Tucker Valley with 11 points and Ethan Cummings added 7 points in the loss for the Wildcats.

The Tucker Valley Girls' and Boys' will return to action tonight, Wednesday February 15th at home against East Preston. The Boys' team will then travel to Elkins on Thursday February 16th. For more info



Lady Wildcats player Emma Wilfong attempts a layup against Davis-Thomas on Feb.11th. The Lady Wildcats won the contest 30-22. Photo by Brittany Channell.

Cardboard and Duct Tape Sled Race



February 25, 2023 is the 11th annual Cardboard and Duct Tape Sled Race at Blackwater Falls State Park. This year's theme is "The Seventies" and open to all ages. For more info, see <https://wvstateparks.com/event/the-11th-annual-cardboard-duct-tape-sled-race-blackwater-falls/>.

MGC celebrates Valentine's Day with Cortland Acres residents



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This Week's Submitted Photos



This week's photo, submitted by Carol Carver, was taken on WV32, heading in to Davis. Email photos, where it was taken and who took it to mikie@parsonsadvocate.com

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