

EMS and Commission Work Together for Possible New Lift System

By: Jennifer Britt
The Parsons Advocate

The Tucker County Commission and Ambulance Authority hosted a work session to go over the final price of new lift cots for the ambulances. And they are expensive! Two different options were discussed. One being a year-old refurbished cot and the other a brand new one. Ambulance Authority President Dennis Filler said, "The acquisition of a new cot lift system is paramount."

Currently the cots being used by EMS are an estimated 17 years old and have only been serviced once or twice since being acquired by EMS. Also, the cots were used when purchased in 2008. It will cost \$1,000 to service the three cots currently in use.

The year-old lift system would cost \$60,482 and come with a two-year warranty for the stabilizing plate and a three-



TC Commission has request for from EMS to purchase Stryker cot.



EMS crews received 5,500 bags containing essential EMS equipment and supplies from the Answer the Call program.

year warranty for the cot. EMS Director Amanda Simmons stated that during her research and talking with other entities it was advised not to use the refurbished cots. A refurbished cot without warranty would cost \$54,000.

The newest Stryker cot lift system would come with extendable legs for taller patients and sides for more patient comfort. The new system with all the bells and whistles would cost \$76,000. That is \$58,000 for the cot with plate and \$18,000 for the warranty. The warranty would cover the plate for five years and the cot for six years.

After Commissioner Fred Davis voiced that the price of the warranty was high, Simmons stated that recent warranty quotes for the monitors in the ambulances were \$5,000 per device yearly and service fees were \$500. In an effort to save money the EMS staff has figured out a way to service the monitors themselves, but the staff could only do so much with the cots.

The warranty covers many necessary items such as a battery or charger no

longer work a new one would be shipped overnight. The warranty covers a set number of service calls per year as well.

The Tucker County, WV Ambulance Authority and EMS Facebook page stated, "TC EMS is being shown some of the latest patient cot/loader systems from Stryker. The age of our prior cots systems is reported to be 17 years. New electric lift cot systems will potentially reduce our need for additional lifting assistance and certainly our workman's compensation claims for back injuries sustained by our EMS crews. These are extremely expensive pieces of equipment that we are trying to procure through a variety of mechanisms to upgrade our existing ambulance fleet. Keeping our short-staffed crews healthy and safe is important for us to be able to provide as much service availability as possible with the staffing we can presently sustain. Quicker and safer patient loading means that we can get the patient to the hospital as expeditiously as possible."

Commissioner Mike Rosenau asked if the warranty could be cut in half after Simmons explained that EMS would budget in the amount needed to cover the remainder of what was not obtained from the Commission. Simmons answered yes the cost could be split in half making the total \$67,000 that would cover \$58,000 for the cot with plate and \$9,000 for the warranty. Rosenau said, "We just want some numbers that we can understand and go forward with."

Rosenau explained that if approved by the Commission the funds would come out of grant funding not the taxpayers money. Rosenau said, "It is a win-win for everyone and worth our while to go for the new cots." Simmons was asked to bring all information to the next Commission meeting on March 8 and present it to the public and the Commission.

In other EMS news, Simmons reported that emergency preparedness CPR classes would begin soon through the Community Outreach program. The first class will be held in the mountain top area and then every three months in a different area throughout the county. Rosenau asked Simmons to prepare a quote of what the operation cost of the classes would be for a year to see if it could be added to the Commission's yearly budget.

Also on the Tucker County, WV Ambulance Authority and EMS Facebook page it was announced that 5,500 EMS packs were allocated. The post stated, "As part of the EMS WV 'Answer the Call' program TC EMS received their allocation of the state wide 5,500 EMS packs. These are large, sturdy bags containing essential EMS equipment and supplies. They are being delivered to every EMS worker in the County with the tools they need to be successful in the field. These packs are for the EMS workers so they can be equipped to provide timely assistance even when the ambulance is not on scene."

Parsons and Thomas receive funding for water, sewer projects

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council announced funding for four water and two sewer projects Details for the projects are listed below.

City of Thomas

The council approved a \$295,000 grant to the City of Thomas in Tucker County for the replacement of the County High School water storage tank. This grant along with funds from the city and the county commission provide \$390,000 for the project.

Other Business

The council also approved technical reviews and requests to pursue funding for an additional 12 sewer and water projects. The approval of these reviews and requests helps cities, municipalities and public service districts save taxpayer money and keep their water and sewer projects moving. Among the 12 projects found to be technically feasible and approved to pursue funding are the City of Parsons water main replacement estimated to cost \$4 million

About the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council

The WV IJDC was created by the WV Legislature in 1994 to serve as a funding clearinghouse for water and wastewater projects around the state. Gov. Jim Justice serves as council chairman, with Deputy Chief of Staff Ann Urling serving as his designee.

The council will meet again on April 5. For more information, visit wvinfrastructure.com.

The Snow Sports Museum of WV Reopening at New Location

The Snow Sports Museum of West Virginia (SSMWV) will host a Grand Reopening reception and symposium at their new location; 6459 Appalachian Highway. The event will be Saturday March 11, from 4 to 8 p.m. and feature several members of the SSMWV Hall of Fame sharing their experiences of Snow Sports in West Virginia. Also, SSMWV Board of Directors will share the story of becoming a museum beginning in February of 2018 to the present. SSMWV President Kim Williams said, "We had a series of successful symposiums, but had to stop hosting those events due to the COVID virus in March of 2020. It's surprising that it's been five years since we began this journey of developing a Snow Sports Museum", Williams added.

A group of longtime enthusiasts created the SSMWV in 2018 to document the history of events, places and people to preserve the artifacts that accurately depict Snow Sport activities at every resort in the mountain state. Board of Directors meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at the Museum. The exhibits currently on display at the museum includes the Hall of Fame, Lost and forgotten ski areas, the six different ski areas on Cabin Mt. and much more.

The symposium is just the beginning of a very busy calendar of events in 2023, May 24 the SSMWV will

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Grand Jury Indicts Hebb, Hess, Johnson, Plumley, and White

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The following court cases were heard in the Honorable Judge James Courier's courtroom. Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney Savannah Hull Wilkins represented the prosecutor's defense against Jeffery Hebb, Crystal Hess, Doily Johnson, Jason Plumley, and Michael White.

Hebb, represented by Public Defender Brent Easton, has been indicted on three counts of wonton endangerment with a firearm. Each count carries a potential prison sentence of one to five years. Another option could be up to one year prison time with a \$2,500 fine.

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

Wilkins requested from Judge Courier that J. Hebb's bond be reverted back to the cash bond originally placed in order. J. Hebb was released on the previous bond but it did not go well. Wilkins stated, "As soon as he got out he started trying to contact the person who he identified in his competence questions as one



Crystal Hess with Attorney Tim Gentilozzi standing before Judge Courier.



Jeffery Hebb leaving Judge Courier's courtroom.



Doily Johnson entering the Judge Courier's courtroom.

of his blocks to sobriety. His parents tell me that he started trying to get in contact with her. They saw her at the house. He started talking again not clearly. He apparently was very rude with them and aggressive with them and so they dropped the bail."

Judge Courier took Wilkins statements under advisement and increased the bond to a \$10,000 cash assurity with the conditions of home confinement, no contact with the per-

son who he identified as one of his blocks to sobriety or Hebb's parents. Next court date was set for March 21 in Mineral County.

Hess, represented by Attorney Tim Gentilozzi, was indicted on four counts of embezzlement. On Friday, Oct. 21, 2022, Deputy B.M. Gidley received a radio call at 3:34 p.m. from Tucker Communications (911) to respond to Family Dollar Store #1572

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News of Record

The following cases have been recorded in the Tucker County Magistrate office:

- Nicole Street, Grafton, was cited for no PFD on Kayak. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$20 and court costs of \$175.25. WV Division of Natural Resources Office Logan Dudley.
- Donald Leary, Coalton, was cited for speeding 35/25. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. PFC N.C. Gidley
- Jason Lipscomb, Parsons, was cited for hunting from motor vehicle. Plead no contest and was assessed a fine of \$20 and court costs of \$175.25. Shooting within 25 yards of vehicle. Plead no contest and was assessed a fine of \$20 and court costs of \$175.25. Cited \$50 decoy assessment fine. State Division of Natural Resources officer Logan Dudley.
- Douglas Daugherty, Hurricane, was cited for improper passing. Plead no contest and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. TCSD Deputy C.R. Summerfield.
- Benjamin Neustadt, Davis, was cited for no proof of insurance. Charges were dismissed. TCSD Deputy C.R. Summerfield.
- Mindy Balint, Montrose, was cited for no proof of insurance. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$200 and court costs of \$175.25. TPR C.A. Hawkins.
- Taylor Bohon, Thomas, was cited for speeding 69/65. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. TFC J.J. Schmidle.
- Joshua Bennett, Hillsboro, was cited for no proof of insurance. Charges were dismissed. TPR C.A. Hawkins.
- Jamie Deshayes, Elkins, was cited for speeding 30/25. Plead no contest and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. Cited for driving on suspended/revoked. Pleaded no contest and was assessed a fine of \$100 and court costs of \$175.25. Chief Deputy M.J. Sigley.
- Philip Rasmussen, Dumfries, was cited for speeding 35/25. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. Deputy B.M. Gidley
- Assou Djossou, Clayton Georgia, was cited for failure to obey traffic control dev (sign no CMV, Road not suitable for large truck. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. Tpr V. Pyles.
- Christopher Sheffler, Harpers Ferry, was cited for speeding 69/65. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. TFC J.J. Schmidle.
- Kyle Urban, Davis, was cited for expired motor vehicle inspection. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. Cited for no proof of insurance. Charges were dismissed. TCSD Deputy C.R. Summerfield.
- Tyler Scott, Beverly, was cited for no proof of insurance. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$200 and court costs of \$175.25. Deputy B.M. Gidley
- Phebie Mullenax, Harman, was cited for alcohol sale

to a minor. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$20 and court costs of \$175.25. TPR C.A. Hawkins.

- Caroline Hoyle, Beverly, was cited for expired motor vehicle inspection. Plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$4.75 and court costs of \$175.25. TPR C.A. Hawkins.

Civil Cases Filed

- West Virginia University Hospital vs. JoEllen Lee for the amount of \$2,595.19.
- Citibank N.A. vs. Arch Amie for the amount of \$2,175.90.

Misdemeanor Cases

- January 24, 2023. State vs. Caroline McClellan. McClellan was charged with battery/making physical contact of insulting/provoking nature/causing physical harm to another. February 7, 2023. Guilty plea agreement. Sentenced six months with time served/suspended for defendants participation in Community Corrections to include random drug screens and anger management.
- February 14, 2023. State vs. Casey Leann Dravenstott. Dravenstott was charged with expiration of registration and certificates of title. Charge was dismissed on February 23, 2023. Dravenstott was also charged with driving while license revoked for DUI. February 23, 2023. Plead no contest and was sentenced 30 days in jail/suspended; 30 days home confinement with permission to go to work.
- September 20, 2022. State vs. Adam Wyatt Lambert. Lambert was charged with driving a vehicle while in an impaired state/less than .15. February 27, 2023. Plead no contest to a plea agreement of a lesser charge and was sentenced to 18 days/time served.

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

- Thomas Walsh and Dawn Walsh, Dry Fork, Unit A7, Talheim Village to Stephen A. Arnold and Sara L. Arnold, \$165,000.
- Nora J. Summerfield/Life Estate, Black Fork, 7921 sq. ft. to David A. Summerfield and Allen D. Summerfield, \$0.
- Jeffrey M. Hebb, Hendricks, 2 Lots P Lot 9 1/2 to Jeffrey M. Hebb and Donna J. Hebb, \$0.
- Donald R. Harding and Julie C. Harding, Dry Fork, Lot 182A Mountainside to Vandalia Home Solutions LLC, \$0.
- LOCHOA, Dry Fork, Unit E2 Week 2 to Nick Hermosilla and Sheray Efaw, \$150.
- LOCHOA, Dry Fork, Unit B6 Week 2 to Tyler Reid and Amanda Reid, \$150.
- LOCHOA, Dry Fork, Unit C5 Week 28 to Anna M. Bartlett, \$600.
- LOCHOA, Dry Fork, Unit C Week 5 to James Collins and Kelly Collins, \$750.
- Helen M. Asbury, Dry Fork District, Unit C4 Week

41 to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$1,077.

- John L. Prettyman III and Deborah S. Pillsbury, Dry Fork District, Unit F2 Week 44 to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$543.50.
- John L. Prettyman III and Deborah S. Pillsbury, Dry Fork District, Unit E4 Week 18 to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$543.50.
- Steve D. Nelson and Mavel B. Nelson, Dry Fork District, Unit B3 Week 46 to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$543.50.
- Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., Dry Fork District, Unit B2 Week 36 to Mark Cunningham, \$0.
- Charles R. Baylor and Karen L. Baylor, Dry Fork District, Unit E5 Week 37 to Land Of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$0.
- Ronda Kaye Dettinburn, Dry Fork District, Unit E3 Week 4 to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$543.50.
- Wayne Ziler, Dry Fork District, Unit A6 Week 17 to Sherri Ziler, \$543.70.
- William C. Ewing and Eleanor T. Ewing, Dry Fork District, Unit G3 Week 37 to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$543.50.
- Donald Wyckoff Et Al, Glenda Wyckoff, Chad Wyckoff And Keri Nussbaum, Dry Fork District, Unit C2 Week 41 to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$0.
- Christopher Lawrence Jones, Dry Fork District, Lot 25 Cabin Mountain Section A. Timberline 5.32 acres to Christopher Benson, \$490,000.
- Ralph G. Nestor and Richmond B. Nestor, Licking District, 430 acres and 91 1/2 acres to Ruby A. Kelley, Ricky R. Nestor and Randal Kelley, \$0.
- David Dixon, Davis Corporation, Lot Beaver Creek Village containing 6997 sq. ft. to The David W. Dixon Revocable Trust; David W. Dixon, Trustee and Carrie L. Conway, Trustee, \$0.
- Paul Magness, Davis Corporation, 3 Town Lots to Paul Magness and Meredith Magness, \$0.
- James Vinch and Judith Vinch, Dry Fork District, Lot 5 The Pines containing 09.18 acres to Graham Lacy and Gayle Lacy, \$332,000.
- Harold O. Gooden, Sr. and Richard Edward Kencel, Jr., Clover District 1.68 acres to Harold O. Gooden Sr., \$0.

The following divorces have been recorded in the Tucker County Circuit Clerk's office:

- Sarah C. Carr from Danny E. Carr on Feb. 28, 2023.
- Kelsey D. McMillian from John M. McMillian on Feb. 13, 2023.
- Marti J. Neustadt from Benjamin B. Neustadt on Feb. 8, 2023.
- Timothy J. Hess from Sabrina N. Hess on Feb. 27, 2023.

January 2023 Tucker County EMS Service Data

Submitted by Dennis Filler

The following data is provided by the Tucker County Ambulance Authority to educate the community regarding the quantity and types of 911 EMS related calls that we have received and responded to on a monthly basis. Presented below is the data for the month of January 2023. We will continue to experiment with various presentations of this data to find the best ways to present it.

Tucker County January 2023 EMS Call Summary

Total Monthly EMS Calls	94
Mutual Aid Received from Outside Agencies	7
Calls Responded to By Tucker County EMS	87
Number of Calls Billed by Tucker County EMS	73
EMS Runs Made but Not Billed	14
Support to police and/or fire, public service	22
Mutual Aid Provided to Outside Agencies	0
Monthly Average On-Scene Response Time	22 mins.

Percentage of Monthly EMS Calls by Category

Medical	60%
Personal Injury	12%

Ski	1%
Motor Vehicle Collision	7%
Fire	2%
Non-Emergency Transports	3%
Other	15%

Museum

host their annual fundraiser at the new location. In June the SSMWV will partner with the Village Inn to host an afterhours meet and greet reception in conjunction with the Tucker County Chamber of Commerce so members can enjoy two of the area's business's.

Also in June, the SSMWV Will host the second annual Hall of Fame induction ceremony at Black Bear Woods Resort to honor the five newest

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members of the HOF. Last year's ceremony featured 21 members of the HOF from 2020 and 2021. COVID prevented the SSMWV hosting the first banquet. In September and October the SSMWV host the second annual HOF Golf Classic at Canaan Valley Resort and Lost Ball Links on High Country Lane in the valley. To learn more about SSMWV or become a member go to the website.

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OBITUARIES

Paul R. Mateer Jr.

Paul R. Mateer Jr., 90, of Oakland, Maryland went home on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, to be with his Heavenly Father. Paul was born on April 27, 1932, and was the oldest child of Paul R. Mateer Sr. and Ruth Flanigan Mateer. Paul Jr., as he was called, was also preceded in death by a sister, Mary Jane Cotton.



Paul was a 1950 graduate of Parsons High School and a 1960 graduate of WVU School of Forestry. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War and was proud to be able to attend college on the GI Bill. He moved to Garrett County, Maryland with his wife, Willetta, and son, "Rick", in 1961 when he joined the Maryland Department of Natural Resources as a Project Forester. He was also a member of the Maryland Christmas Tree Growers Association. He also had a landscaping and tree trimming business and helped his wife, Willetta, with her CPA business. After retirement Paul and Willetta enjoyed traveling, taking train and boat cruise excursions.

He is survived by his love of 65 years, Willetta (Wythe) Mateer; two sons, Paul Richard and his wife Leslie of Charleston, WV, and Mark Stanley and his wife Julia of Lakewood Ranch, FL; and his daughter, Mary Beth Cummings and husband Tom of Oakland, MD. Paul is also survived by his nine grandchildren, Bethanie Mateer and husband Zach Coakley of Hico, WV, Sarah Martin and husband Christian of Bruceton Mills, WV, Daniel Mateer and wife Allison of Morgantown, WV, Joseph Mateer and wife Shawna of Ellenton FL, Phillip Mateer of Bradenton, FL, Caroline Magana and husband Carlos of Bradenton, FL, Elizabeth Callis and husband Ian Irvine, Aaron Callis and Haley Oliphant of Elkins, WV, and Anna Callis of Gaithersburg, MD; seven great grandchildren, Landon Coakley, Owen Coakley, Grace Mateer, Jack Mateer, Ella Mateer, Christian Martin and Gretchen Martin; and a sister, Sue Ager of Berwick, PA.

Friends were received at the C & S Fredlock Funeral, P.A., 21 N 2nd St., Oakland on Friday, March 3, 2023, from 4 to 7 p.m. A funeral service was held at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 318 E Oak St., Oakland on Saturday, March 4, 2023, at 11 a.m. Interment will follow in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery with military honors accorded by the combined honor guard of the American Legion Proctor Kildow Post #71 and the Deer Park VFW Post #10077.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to Land-on's Library and Garrett Lakes Arts Festival, in honor of Paul Mateer.

The C & S Fredlock Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Mateer family.

Philip Craig Steyer

Philip Craig Steyer, 84, of Canaan Valley, WV, passed away on January 31, 2023, surrounded by family after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. Born on April 21, 1938, in Cumberland, MD, he was the son of the late Leon Datesman Steyer and Velma (Corrick) Steyer.



Philip was a graduate of Davis High School, where he was a member of the band and the basketball team. He served in United States Air Force from 1961-1965, during which time he traveled to Texas, Kansas, Montana and Alaska. Prior to leaving for the Air Force, he married Jean Elizabeth (Payne) Steyer on May 1, 1959. He worked as a maintenance supervisor for IBM in Washington DC and Manassas, Virginia. After retirement, he drove the school bus for Fauquier County, VA, and then returned as a maintenance supervisor at Airlie, in Warrenton, VA. In his spare time, he enjoyed watching Nascar, the Washington Redskins and the Washington Nationals. He had a passion for the outdoors, adventures and just enjoyed having fun. One of his favorite things was getting together every summer for a few days with his childhood friends from school days for "ramp camp" and spending time reminiscing. He loved his family, friends, and hometown of Davis, WV.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Jean Elizabeth (Payne) Steyer; a daughter, Shannon Stickley and husband Troy of Sudlersville, MD; a son, Michael Steyer and wife Alicia Juliet of Jefferson, VA; three grandchildren, Catherine and husband Jay Buhl, Makayla, and Mason Donald Craig Steyer; three great-grandchildren, Memphis Rice, Elijah, and Jurnee Buhl; and a sister, Nancy Steyer Marcum.

Philip's wishes to be cremated were honored. Friends will be received May 20, 2023, from 3 to 5 PM at Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home, 567 Thomas Avenue, Davis. A celebration of life will be held at 5 PM in the funeral home with Pastor Bob Yothers officiating. The Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Steyer family at this time.

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Foster Parents and Advocates React to DHHR Application for Reimbursement of Fees

On February 10, DHHR announced that payments for thousands of children living with kinship families and legal guardians would be delayed by one week due to problems with the conversion of data from the old FACTS data system to the new PATH data system. Almost three weeks later, the delays have impacted kinship, foster, and adoptive families and legal guardians. Many are still waiting to receive their children's funds. These funds are provided by DHHR to assist in meeting the needs of children who have been separated from their birth families.

In a letter sent to lawmakers and DHHR on February 21, Marissa Sanders, Founder and Executive Director of the WV Foster Adoptive & Kinship Parents Network, an advocacy organization for families involved in the child welfare system, called for a \$1,000 supplemental payment to all impacted families to ensure they are made whole. This figure is based on average fees reported by families and an estimated average of the monthly funds sent to families. "I have been in constant communication with families impacted by delayed payments. People are facing overdraft fees, late fees, even disconnect and eviction notices as a result of these failures. I have connected some families with help acquiring food, gas, and assistance with bills after other community resources were unable to meet their needs," Sanders said.

Many families had automatic payments set up in anticipation of receiving those funds on their normal schedule. When the funds did not arrive on time, their account quickly began accruing overdraft fees. As payments were returned, this led to cascading problems of late fees and additional overdrafts when bills were resubmitted to the bank. One adoptive family, speaking on condition of anonymity out of fear of retaliation from DHHR said, "I had so many overdraft fees that my mortgage company would no longer accept payments from that account. I had to close the account and open a new one.

Now I have to change my direct deposit information, which will delay next month's payment."

Other families had to delay or cancel important sports registrations, school events, or therapies for their children. "When I finally received the funds for my children,

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Indicts

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in Parsons for a report of theft by an employee. Upon arrival he spoke with Robert Hill, the District Manager. Hill advised that Hess, the store manager at the time, allegedly stole money from the deposits for a total of \$4,881.71.

Each charge carries a potential sentence of one to 10 years in prison or up to a one-year sentence with \$2,500 in fines for each count. Hess is currently out on a \$5,000 PR (personal recognizance) bond. Next court date is set for April 14, at 1:45 p.m., but Wilkins is hoping to have offered Hess a plea bargain by this date.

Johnson, represented by Gentilozzi, was indicted on five counts that include one count of third-degree sexual abuse, one count of third-degree sexual assault, one count of second-degree sexual abuse, and two counts of sexual abuse by a parent, guardian, custodian, or person in the position of trust with a child. Gentilozzi informed the court that Johnson has other indictments in Randolph County as well and would like the process to be a joint effort.

Johnson faces 90 days in jail and up to a \$500 fine for the charge of third-degree sexual abuse, one to five years and up to a fine of \$10,000 for the sexual assault, 10-to-25-year sentence and fines from \$1,000 up to \$10,000 for the second-degree sexual abuse, and a 10 to 20 years sentence with a fine up to \$5,000 for each count of sexual abuse by a parent, guardian, custodian, or person in the position of trust with a child. Johnson is currently being detained in the Tygart Valley Regional Jail but does have the option of a \$10,000 cash assurity bond with the condition of not having contact with the victim.

Status court date has been set for April 14 at 2:15 p.m.

Plumley, represented by Pat Nichols, was late for court and was almost issued a capias. He was indicted for possession of stolen property. This charge carries a sentence of one to 10 years or up to one year with fines. Plumley was ordered a new \$5,000 PR bond with normal conditions. Motions will be heard in court on April 14 at 11:30 a.m.

White was a no show, and a capias was issued. All individuals are presumed innocent until proven otherwise in a court of law.

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The family of Brenda Shaffer would like to express sincere thanks for the many forms of support and sympathy we received during and after the brief illness and passing of our wife and mom.

We can't express enough how much of a blessing we received from all the prayers, meals, flowers cards, texts, messages and visits. The outpouring of love and kindness from this community and our family and friends will never be forgotten.

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WVDA Announces Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) is pleased to announce the return and expansion of the West Virginia Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP).

SFMNP is designed to get fresh, local fruits and vegetables to low-income senior citizens. Seniors sign up for the vouchers used to purchase the fruits and vegetables from local producers at their county level senior center. Senior applications will be available after June 1st at

the local senior centers.

Farmers wishing to participate in the program should note that applications are now available and due March 31, 2023. Late applications will NOT be accepted. Information and applications can be found at Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program : West Virginia Department of Agriculture (wv.gov).

For more information, contact SeniorFarmersMarket@wvda.us or Angel Wallace awallace@wvda.us 304-558-2110.

NRCS announces CSP application cutoff near

MORGANTOWN, W.Va., – The deadline for Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) applications to be considered for funding this year is April 14, 2023. Through CSP, USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) helps farmers, ranchers and forest landowners earn payments for expanding conservation activities while maintaining agricultural production on their land. CSP also encourages adoption of new technologies and management techniques.

"CSP continues to be a very effective tool for private landowners working to achieve their conservation and management goals," said Jon Bourdon, NRCS state conservationist in West Virginia. "It is the largest conservation program in the United States with more than 70 million acres of productive agricultural and forest land enrolled."

CSP is offered in West Virginia through continuous signups. The program offers an

opportunity for both agricultural and forest managers to enhance their operations while adopting conservation activities that will refine work already completed. Practices and enhancements are available to improve resource concerns such as soil health, water quality, wildlife habitat, or reduce soil erosion. Whether you are looking to improve tree stands, plant cover crops, install pollinator habitat, establish riparian buffers, or incorporate enhanced grazing management activities, we can custom design a plan to help you meet those goals.

While applications are accepted throughout the year, interested producers should submit applications to their local NRCS office by the deadline to ensure their applications are considered for 2023 funding. For additional information about CSP, contact your local service center or visit our website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov>.

\$8.72 Million in Energy Assistance for West Virginia Families

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), Ranking Member of the Senate Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, announced \$8,728,752 from Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for the state of West Virginia. LIHEAP is funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and provides critical financial assistance to low-income Americans with energy costs that represent a disproportionate share of their household budgets. The funding announced today was included in Fiscal Year 2023 appropriations funding.

"This LIHEAP funding will lift some of

the burden off of hardworking West Virginians struggling to stay within their budgets this winter. I have consistently supported LIHEAP funding and worked to make sure West Virginians get relief through these important funds. I look forward to seeing this investment help families get ahead in the Mountain State," Ranking Member Capito said.

LIHEAP helps low-income households pay home heating and cooling bills, prevent energy shutoffs, restore services, complete energy-related home repairs and weatherize homes to make them more energy efficient. Senator Capito secured a total of \$47,408,907 in LIHEAP funding for West Virginia in Fiscal Year 2023.

Fees

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nearly 75% went to overdraft fees. This meant that as the next round of bills came through, I became overdrawn again. As a result, I have been unable to pay for soccer fees and equine therapy for my children," said another family speaking on condition of anonymity.

Most families who have called DHHR for assistance report that multiple calls to different numbers left them without answers about when their payment would be received or how to get help for immediate needs caused by these delays. As one family said, "Unfortunately, you get the same message no matter who you call: 'Sorry, can't help, it's someone else's fault.' I am satisfied that I left no stone unturned, but I still don't know when the deposit will be made."

On March 1, DHHR announced a process for families to apply for reimbursement of fees related to the delayed payments.

While impacted families appreciate this offer, most feel that a supplemental payment to all impacted families would be a more efficient and immediate way to pro-

vide relief, especially for families who are still struggling. Sanders said, "Families may not receive bills and statements that show fees until next month. By then they may have incurred more fees. Mailing documents and waiting for DHHR to process and reimburse these fees could take weeks that families can't afford. This process creates more bureaucratic red tape for families who are already in distress."

Network members felt the application process could be useful for families with unique or excessive losses beyond the \$1,000 supplemental payment. They said the process should be tweaked to allow for mail or digital submission of documents and to provide a toll-free number caregivers can call with questions. It should also be expanded to include fees incurred in March for families who have not yet received their full February payment.

Going forward, families and advocates hope DHHR will prepare for the possibility of more delays, improve communication and collaboration with families, and establish effective ways to meet immediate needs when crises arise.

Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards Seeks Volunteers for Trail Work

Dryfork, W.Va. For two years volunteers with the Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards have been assisting visitors at the trailheads of Dolly Sods Wilderness in the Monongahela National Forest. The Trailhead Stewards serve as a resource for visitors, helping them have a safe and enjoyable wilderness experience while working to preserve Dolly Sods for future visitors.

Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards is a partnership between the USDA Forest Service and the West Virginia Highlands Conservancy.

Building on the early success of the volunteer-led initiative, the Wilderness Stewards program is expanding this year to include projects to maintain and improve the trails in Dolly Sods. Two new teams are forming: a Trail Maintenance Team to perform general rehabilitation of poor trail conditions such as eroded and poorly drained sections, and a Crosscut Sawyer Team to take on fallen trees and brush.

Signups for both teams are going on now, trainings are scheduled for this spring, and projects will be planned throughout the season. To sign up, go to wvhighlands.org and follow the links for Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards.

Dolly Sods is a uniquely wet and rocky area, interspersed with wetlands and areas of shallow soil over impermeable bedrock. This makes trails vulnerable to poor drainage, erosion and uneven tread.

While the trails in Dolly Sods will always be primitive, the Wilderness Stewards work with the Forest Service to address the worst problem areas, particularly where hikers are tempted to bypass the trail to avoid difficult sections. The primary purpose of the trail work is to maintain the natural environment and minimize user impact or safety issues although it may also make the trails more pleasant for hikers.

Under the direction of Monongahela National Forest trail specialists, volunteers on the Trail Maintenance Team will assist with trail hardening, rehabilitation or rerouting.

Tools and training will be provided by the Forest Service. The ability to hike to the location and engage in physical labor will be important for most jobs, but lighter roles may be available to support and supply the crew.

The first Trail Maintenance Team training is scheduled for April 29-30, 2023.

As many frequent Dolly Sods hikers can attest, trees often fall across trails, and other wood and brush clearing is often

needed. Because mechanized equipment cannot be used in wilderness, this must be done with hand operated tools such as crosscut saws, loppers and axes.

The Crosscut Sawyer Team will work with Forest Service experts to maintain safe trail passage in Dolly Sods.

Volunteers interested in joining the Crosscut Sawyer team will be trained and certified at the A Sawyer level, for bucking in non-complex situations under the supervision of a higher-level Sawyer. Training in wilderness first aid and CPR is also required for certification. This team provides a great opportunity to gain new skills and certification that can be used in Dolly Sods and other locations.

The first Crosscut Sawyer training is scheduled for April 1-2, 2023. The number of participants is limited, but later trainings may be held.

Another critical component of the Wilderness Stewards program is the Trailhead Stewards. Visitors often arrive for a hike without familiarity with Dolly Sods, its wilderness character or what to expect.

Trailhead Stewards are stationed at popular trailheads during times of peak visitation, mainly on weekends, and engage in brief conversation with visitors about what makes Dolly Sods unique, the values of wilderness, and Leave No Trace practices. Trailhead Stewards often assist new visitors in planning a route or location that provides a "Dolly Sods experience" and works for their level of preparedness and available time.

No special skills or background are required for volunteers, though familiarity with Dolly Sods and hiking experience is helpful. An in-person training on effective messaging, key concepts and safety considerations will be provided. The training is completed by joining an experienced Trailhead Steward at a trailhead for a live practice session.

The first Trailhead Stewards training of the year is scheduled for May 20, 2023, to be followed by an all-Stewards picnic.

Volunteers are needed to fill a wide variety of roles within the program.

Wilderness Stewards also carry out activities like solitude monitoring, where the number of encounters on wilderness trails is surveyed; an inventory of campsite locations and conditions in Dolly Sods; and collection of trailhead registration sheets and maintenance of the boxes.

For more information or to sign up, visit www.wvhighlands.org or email dollysodsstewards@gmail.com.

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What's? Happening

Full Board Meeting

The Region VI Workforce Development Full Board will meet at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 9 at the Marion County Convention & Visitors Bureau located in Pleasant Valley. For more information about the meeting contact Maria Larry at 304-368-9530.

Region VI is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request for individuals with disabilities. If you have a hearing impairment and need assistance, please call WV Relay 7-1-1.

Buckwheat Dinner

Buckwheat Dinner, all you can eat, with sausage, gravy, biscuits, pancakes and buckwheat cakes for a \$10 donation on Saturday, March 11 from 4 - 6:30 p.m. at St. John's United Methodist Church, Parsons. Carry out orders call 304-478-2620. Sponsored by St. John's United Methodist Men.

Morrisey's Mobile Office Sets March Stops

CHARLESTON — West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey announced a representative from his office will meet with north central West Virginia residents in March to discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions. Pam Krushansky, a consumer outreach and compliance specialist with the office, will host the event on March 16 from 11 a.m. to noon at Tucker Senior Center, 217 Senior Lane, Parsons. For information on additional requirements specific to any location, attendees are encouraged to contact Pam Krushansky at 304-741-5834. In case of inclement weather, please call ahead.

Historic Landmark Commission Meeting

The Tucker County Historic Landmark Commission will meet Monday, March 13, 2023 at 5 p.m. at Parsons Depot. The public is invited to attend the meeting.

Youth Committee Meeting

The Region VI Workforce Development Board Youth Committee will meet Wednesday, March 8 at 1:30 p.m. at the Board offices located at 17 Middletown Rd. in White Hall. For more information about the meeting contact Amy Hall at 304-368-9530. Region VI is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. If you have a hearing impairment and need assistance, please call WV Relay 7-1-1.

PHS Alumni Meeting March 9

Parsons High School Alumni Meeting March 9, 2023, at B & J Family Diner at 1 pm. Continuing work on the Memorial Weekend Activities.

Retired School Employees Meeting March 15

Tucker County Association of Retired School Employees first meeting this year is at noon on Wednesday, March 15, at B & J Family Diner. All retirees are invited to attend.

Tucker County DEC Meeting

The Tucker County DEC will hold its Regular First Quarter Meeting on March 20 at 6 p.m., hosted by M. McClintock via zoom. Meeting ID: 847 5234 2803 (016519) Call (304) 478-1046 for additional information.



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.

March 8, 1902: U.S. Representative and Senator Jennings Randolph was born in Salem in Harrison County.

March 8, 1926: An explosion killed 19 miners at Eccles in Raleigh County. Ten men were saved by barricading themselves in the mine.

March 8, 1960: A fire at Island Creek Coal's Holden No. 22 mine in Logan County killed 18 men.

March 8, 1963: The state colors of blue and "old gold" were adopted by the legislature.

March 9, 1832: George Robert Latham was born. At the onset of the Civil War, Latham turned his Grafton law office into a recruiting station, and he led the first Union troops in north-central West Virginia.

March 9, 1953: Football player Dennis Harrah was born in South Charleston. In the NFL, Harrah played in 168 games for the Los Angeles Rams (1975-87), was a six-time All Pro, and played in one Super Bowl.

March 9, 1965: President Lyndon Johnson signed the act establishing the Appalachian Regional Commission.

March 10, 1915: West Virginia's first Rotary International club was established in Wheeling.

March 10, 1920: West Virginia became

the 34th state to ratify the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which guaranteed women the right to vote.

March 11, 1847: Boone County was formed from parts of Logan, Kanawha and Cabell counties and named for Daniel Boone.

March 11, 1848: Putnam County was formed from portions of Kanawha, Mason and Cabell counties. It was named in honor of Gen. Israel Putnam, a leading commander at the Battle of Bunker Hill during the Revolutionary War.

March 11, 1856: Roane County was created from parts of Kanawha, Jackson and Gilmer counties. It was named for Judge Spencer Roane, a son-in-law of Patrick Henry.

March 12, 1835: Marshall County was created from part of Ohio County. It was named for John Marshall, chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

March 12, 1850: Wheeling Hospital was chartered. During the Civil War, the institution was used as a general military hospital. The Sisters of Saint Joseph were hired as army nurses, treating wounded Union and Confederate soldiers side by side.

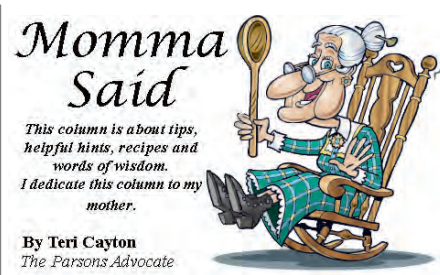
March 13, 2002: Herbalist and folk doctor Catfish Gray died in Huntington. Gray was known for his vast knowledge of traditional plant lore and for his quaint and engaging personality. At the height of the folklore revival of the 1970s, Gray was a frequent newspaper and television interview subject.

March 14, 1931: Noting the interest in the annual reunion of Carnifex Ferry battle veterans from the Civil War, the legislature created the Carnifex Ferry Battlefield Park Commission.

Hurray, the robins are back, the daffodils are starting to bloom and I even have some crocus popping their little heads up to look for spring. I can't say I am sick of winter because in our area we have not had any winter to speak of. We are so far behind in our annual snow fall but I must say we have made it up in rain.

It will be great to have the time spring forward and hopefully this will be the last time for that to happen. I am happy to see the longer days but with all the rain we haven't seen so much sunshine. *Momma Said*, "Better days are comin' just hang in there, patience is a virtue."

We are going to have more winter and that is a fact, we are under a wind advisor as I write this. Winds are expected to blow 60 mph or higher. (can't say I like that at all). At least it is happening on a



Friday so I will be home this weekend to make sure nothing blows away.

Can't even say I will end up in Kansas like Dorothy, the wind is blowing in the wrong direction. I might be doing the back stroke in the Atlantic Ocean if it blows hard enough. Maybe if that happens I can hit the Gulf Stream and find Nemo and Dori. *Momma Said*, "Make the best of a bad situation you never know what will happen."

Slow Cooker Chicken Pot Pie Soup with Biscuit Croutons

INGREDIENTS

- 3½ POUNDS chicken 2 boneless chicken breasts and 4 bone-in chicken thighs
- salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 CUP onion diced
- 3 ribs celery diced
- 4 carrots sliced
- 1 large russet potato peeled and diced
- 4 CUPS chicken stock
- 1 TEASPOON dried thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- 1½ CUPS frozen corn and peas
- ½ CUP heavy cream
- 1 TABLESPOON fresh chopped parsley

BISCUIT CROUTONS:

- For quicker biscuits you can use Bisquick and follow the instructions on the box
- 1 CUP self-rising flour
- 1 TABLESPOONS sugar
- ¼ CUP unsalted butter cold (or partially frozen)
- ¾ CUP buttermilk
- 2 TABLESPOONS butter melted

INSTRUCTIONS

Pre-heat the slow cooker for 20 minutes on the HIGH setting. Remove the skin from the chicken thighs (if necessary). Cut the chicken breasts in half crosswise. Season the chicken pieces on all sides with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Place the onion, celery, carrots and potatoes in the slow cooker and toss together. Add the chicken stock, dried thyme and bay leaf. Nestle the seasoned chicken

into the stock and vegetables. Cover the cooker with the lid and slow cook on HIGH for 3 hours (or LOW for 6 hours).

While the soup is cooking, make the biscuit croutons. Pre-heat oven to 350°F.

Combine the self-rising flour and sugar in a large bowl. Grate the cold butter into the flour and stir to coat all the butter chunks with flour. Add the buttermilk and stir until combined. Drop rounded teaspoons of dough onto a baking sheet, making sure they are at least one inch apart. (The biscuit dough can be held at room temperature at this point in order to bake the croutons closer to the time the soup is ready.)

Bake the biscuit croutons at 350°F for 15 minutes. Brush the biscuit croutons with the melted butter and bake for an additional 2 to 5 minutes, until golden brown.

Remove the lid from the slow cooker and skim any fat that has risen to the surface with a ladle. Remove the chicken from the cooker and transfer to a cutting board. Shred the chicken into bite-sized pieces and discard the bones. Return the shredded chicken to the slow cooker. Rinse the frozen peas and corn with warm water and add them to the slow cooker, along with the heavy cream.

Slow cook for an additional 30 to 60 minutes on HIGH until the vegetables are soft.

Season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Stir in the chopped fresh parsley and serve in bowls with some warm biscuit croutons on top.

Super Crossword OFF THE GRID

ACROSS	1 Imperfection	7 1970 Simon & Garfunkel hit	14 "— Lot" (Stephen King novel)	20 Geronimo's tribe	21 Scenting compound	22 Push forward	23 Footballer from a major Kansas city?	25 Dwell (in)	26 Corp. VIPs	27 Pimples	28 "The — of the Ancient Mariner"	30 Fashion designer Tahari	31 Actor Brynner	32 Strong urge	33 Footballer ejected from a nightclub?	36 She helped Theseus	39 Imparted fizz to	41 Critical	42 Not on a footballer's right?	44 For the most part	46 Aristocrat's home	47 Formerly	48 Liberal — (rum drinks)	50 Mai — (rum drinks)	52 Salvador the surrealist	54 Hard hitter, biblically	60 Ship shelters	64 Footballer with a rod and reel?	67 PC-sent greeting	68 Hearing things	70 Fast shark	71 Bamboozles	72 Footballer working as a sound technician?	75 Matching pullover and cardigan	77 Old Chrysler	78 Think meditatively	79 "Uh, pardon me..."	80 Like Goodwill goods	82 Apple variety	85 Humiliated	90 Expand, as a house	95 Footballer on a plane trip?	97 Thin pancake part	98 Envious composer in "Amadeus"	101 Iterate	102 Visit a footballer?	104 Labor	106 Young fellow	107 Flush (with)	108 Sony Bravia or Sharp Aquos	109 Pool hall item	110 Piece of office furniture	112 Plaything for Fido or Fluffy	114 Declaration when a footballer arrives?	119 Angry speech	120 One casting a ballot	121 Urge on	122 Makes a sly verbal attack	123 Ecstasy	124 Feds, e.g.	7 Common infant illness	8 Girl played by Lily Tomlin	9 Bamboozles	10 Anger	11 Quick escape	12 Stuck going nowhere	13 When typical workdays start	14 Self-indulgent binge	15 Have existence	16 Experience a huge failure	17 Remove hair from, as one's legs	18 Like doctors' practices	19 In an aerodynamic way	24 Early Mexican	29 '80s Golden Arches burger	31 Bulldogs' school	32 Scared (of)	33 Kennel club classifications	34 Rowing need	35 TiVo device	37 — minimum	38 Connect-the-points puzzle	40 Abbr. limiting a list	43 Canon — Rebel	45 Exec. helper	48 Make — out of (rebut)	49 Skating place	51 "It's finally clear"	53 Woeful cry	55 Relatives of xylophones	56 Clickable screen image	57 Some ring wins, for short	58 Sommer of "A Shot in the Dark"	59 Take it easy	60 A helmet protects it	61 Take — from (do as suggested by)	62 Units of absorbed energy	63 Vigor, in music scores	64 "Oedipus complex"	65 Egyptian goddess of fertility	66 Black-clad teen, maybe	69 High point	73 Blowout win	74 Enshrouded	76 Mink's cousin	79 "Mein Gott!"	81 "Such a pity!"	83 Erstwhile space station	84 Troublemaker	86 Rear, at sea	87 Marine animal's pelt	88 Title girl of old comics	89 Like green or purple hair	90 Doesn't reject	91 Embedded, as a nail	92 "Taking Woodstock" star — Martin	93 Source of flowing water	94 Tennis divider	95 Shark feature	96 Tot's wheels	99 Pollen bearer	100 Lowest parking garage tier, perhaps	103 "Absolutely!"	105 Earthy hue, to a Brit	109 Post-Q string	110 Fender flaw	111 Latin "Lo!"	113 Lyrical verse	115 Sales staffer	116 Outer: Prefix	117 Rio carmaker	118 Hi- — image
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Weather Totals

Feb. 21- Feb. 28

Nursery Bottom
Parsons

Temperature

Max 69° F
Min 23° F

Precipitation

Week 1.68"
February 3.23"
2023 7.28"

Snowfall

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

U.S. Forest Service

TURNER'S TIDBITS



This photo was taken at the Bayard Washery on October 28, 1948. The photo shows raw coal arriving at the Bayard Washery. One hopper car is about to be dumped with the car "Shake Out". I do not have any further information on the process. Ideas, suggestions, comments, or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

Hope Scholarship Application Period Opens For Upcoming 2023-2024 School Year

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – State Treasurer Riley Moore today announced applications to use the Hope Scholarship education savings account program for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year that starts this fall are now available online.

Applications are available online at www.HopeScholarshipWV.com. The application period will remain open from March 1 through May 15.

"We're excited to announce applications to use the Hope Scholarship are now open," Treasurer Moore said. "We saw tremendous interest in this program for the current school year, despite unfortunate legal delays in the program's implementation. We look forward to providing this program for the full school year that begins this fall."

The Hope Scholarship is an education savings account program available for kindergarten through 12th grade students. It is designed to allow parents and families to use the state portion of their child's education funding to tailor

an individualized learning experience that works best for their child.

To qualify for the Hope Scholarship, a student must be a West Virginia resident and be either:

Eligible to be enrolled in a kindergarten program.

Enrolled full-time in a public elementary or secondary school program in this state for the entire instructional term during the current academic year (2022-2023) immediately preceding the academic year for which the student is applying to participate in the Hope Scholarship Program.

Or, enrolled full-time and attending a public elementary or secondary school program in this state for at least 45 calendar days during an instructional term at the time of application.

In addition to filling out the application, state law also requires participating families to fill out a notice of intent to participate in the program with their local county superintendent. A sample template for that notice is also available online at HopeScholarshipWV.com.

Not Buckling up is not Worth the Risk

CHARLESTON, WV – The West Virginia Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) is coordinating a statewide Click It or Ticket high-visibility enforcement mobilization that runs from March 3-19, 2023. This mobilization is part of the GHSP's year-long efforts to increase seat belt usage in West Virginia and is part of a statewide ramp-up effort ahead of the annual national Click It or Ticket mobilization in May.

"We want every person – front seat and back, drivers, passengers, or a child in a car seat – to be properly restrained, every time they travel in a vehicle," said Gov. Jim Justice.

In 2020, 47 percent of all passenger vehicle occupants killed in crashes in West Virginia were unrestrained. To help save lives, we need to step up seat belt enforcement, day and night.

"Our seat belt usage increased to 92.5 percent in 2022. While we are pleased with this increase, we will keep working until every person in every vehicle is correctly buckled up. A seat belt is your best protection against death or injury should you be in a vehicle crash," said Bob Tipton, GHSP Director.

People who live in rural areas might believe that their crash exposure is lower, but in 2020, 64 percent of total vehicle fatalities in West Virginia occurred in rural locations, compared to 36 percent in urban locations.

Law enforcement officers across West Virginia will be out in full force, ticketing violators who are caught traveling without a correctly buckled seat belt or transporting unrestrained children. This statewide seat belt campaign is aimed at enforcing seat belt use to help keep



all vehicle occupants safe.

"At our current seat belt usage rate, unrestrained drivers or passengers have a 20.10 times higher likelihood of being killed if they are in a crash. The reality is: seat belts save lives. Click It or Ticket isn't about citations; it's about saving lives. Not buckling up is not worth the risk," concluded Tipton.

Wearing your seat belt is required by law. Don't just buckle up to avoid a ticket. The values of our families' and friends' lives

in West Virginia are priceless – infinitely higher in value than the \$25 violators pay if ticketed. If you are caught driving while unbuckled and you get a ticket, look at it as your wakeup call. A ticket is far less expensive than paying with your life or the lives of your family and friends.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING

A meeting of the Stockholder of Miners & Merchants Bank of Thomas, West Virginia, will be held at the Bank's Main Office Building located at 16000 Appalachian Highway, Thomas, West Virginia, on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, beginning at 1:00 p.m., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business that may properly come before the meeting. Given under my hand this 14th day of February, 2023.

Jennifer Newland
CEO

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NOTICE OF ANCILLARY FILING WITHOUT ANY ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that a foreign will or affidavit has been filed before the Tucker County Commission at 211 First St., Suite 205, Parsons, WV 26287.

That no appointment or administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of law but that a foreign will or affidavit of heirs of the following decedent has been filed with the Tucker County Commission and is of record in the Tucker County Clerk's Office.

Any interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this State must be filed with the County Commission within 60 days after the first publication date or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

1st Publication Date: March 8, 2023

Decedent: Ruth LuRee Flatt
Filed By: Ruth LuRee Carson
107 Amersbury Ln.
Cary, NC 27511

Relationship: Daughter
Subscribed and sworn to before me on February 28, 2023
Sherry Simmons
Tucker County Clerk

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

Deceased	Personal Representative(s)
Carol J. Thomas	Deborah Hatfield
1st publication 3/1/23	PO Box 132
2nd publication 3/8/23	Parsons, WV 26287
Jeffrey M. Hebb	Donna J. Hebb
1st publication 3/1/23	PO Box 97
2nd publication 3/8/23	Hendricks, WV 26271

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

Deceased	Personal Representative(s)
Connor J. Nestor	Linda S. Nestor
1st publication 3/8/23	121 Frosty Hollow Rd
2nd publication 3/15/23	Hambleton, WV 26269
Clifford A. Price	Clayton A. Price
1st publication 3/8/23	2013 Cheat Valley Highway
2nd publication 3/15/23	Parsons, WV 26287
Larry Keith Clark	Sharonann Lipscomb
1st publication 3/8/23	204 Donahue Street
2nd publication 3/15/23	Parsons, WV 26287

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State of West Virginia
Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Water and Waste Management
PUBLIC NOTICE

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE, 601 57TH STREET SE, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25304-2345 TELEPHONE: (304) 926-0440.

APPLICATION FOR COVERAGE UNDER THE GENERAL WEST VIRGINIA NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT NO. WV0115924

Public Notice No.: SM-29-2023 Public Notice Date: March 08, 2023

Paper: The Parsons Advocate

The following has applied for coverage under the General WV / NPDES Water Pollution Control Permit No. WV0115924 for this facility or activity:

Appl. No.: WVR112087
Applicant: A.L.L. CONSTRUCTION, INC.
1240 POWER STATION HWY
MOUNT STORM, WV 26739

Location: PARSONS, TUCKER COUNTY
Latitude: 39:07:11 Longitude: 79:37:55

Receiving Stream: UNT of Roaring Run / Roaring Run / Cheat River
Activity:

The primary purpose of the project is to construct a pad for staging a construction office trailer and to stage various E&S products and equipment. The project area is approximately 4.99 acres which includes the sediment trap, parking and access road. The project area shall require earthwork of approximately 12,359.74 cubic yards of material shall be cut/filled once post construction sediment trap is removed.

Business conducted:

Discharge to UNT of Roaring Run into to Roaring Run & Mill Run into Cheat River discharging to the Monongalia River.

Implementation: N/A

On the basis of review of the application the "Water Pollution Control Act (Chapter 22, Article 11-8(a))" and the "West Virginia Legislative Rules," the State of West Virginia will act on the above application.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the site registration permit application and may request a public hearing by addressing such to the Director of the Division of Water and Waste Management within 30 days of the date of the public notice. Such comments or requests should be addressed to:

Director, Division of Water and Management, DEP
ATTN: Sharon Mullins, Permitting Section
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304-2345

The public comment period begins March 08, 2023 and ends April 07, 2023.

Comments received within this period will be considered prior to acting on the permit application. Correspondence should include the name, address and the telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised. The Director shall hold a public hearing whenever a finding is made, on the basis of requests, that there is a significant degree of public interest on issues relevant to the site registration permit application and this facility's coverage under the General Permit. Interested persons may contact the Public Information Office to obtain further information.

The application may be inspected, by appointment, at the Division of Water and Waste Management Public Information Office, at 601 57th Street SE, Charleston, WV, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on business days. Copies of the application and the General Permit and Fact Sheet may be obtained from the Division at a nominal cost. Individuals requiring Telecommunication Device (TDD) may contact our agency by calling (304) 926-0493. Calls must be made 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

CANAAN CROSSING HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No. 22-C-48
Judge David H. Wilmoth

v.
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 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 adjoined 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 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.

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Special Commissioner

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division of Highways
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia, until March 28, 2023 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the construction of the following project(s):

Call Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
001 2021000701R1	S388-STR/IP-23 00	STP-2023(107)D	PAVEMENT MARKINGS ROADWAY STRIPING DISTRICT WIDE COUNTY: PENDLETON, TUCKER POCAHONTAS, RANDOLPH

DBE GOAL: 8% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

REMARKS:

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

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com

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

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(2021-S-0000037 - Tucker County - MYE JAKS)

To: WV DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL, EDWARD ALLEN SLAUBAUGH, EDWARD ALLEN SLAUBAUGH, MELISSA EVANS, MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK NA, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT ST. GEORGE MAP 167 PARCEL 0019 0001

You will take notice that MYE JAKS, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-0000037, 7.1 AC LEADMINE, located in ST. GEORGE, which was returned delinquent in the name of SLAUBAUGH EDWARD ALLEN, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 23, 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, April 22, 2023, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to April 22, 2023. \$ 202.47

Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to April 22, 2023. \$ 108.15

Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023. \$ 1,031.88

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023. \$ 43.57

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.** \$ 1,396.07

Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to **The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.** \$ 35.00

You may redeem any time before April 22, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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(2021-S-0000016 - Tucker County - ERNEST F. MUNDAY AND CLETA L. MUNDAY)

To: SAM ROBIN TRANUM C/O THE DUBLIN INQUIRER, PARKVIEW HOUSE, LOIS VIDYA KAPILA, C/O THE DUBLIN INQUIRER, PARKVIEW HOUSE, SAM ROBIN TRANUM C/O FOUR COURTS PRESS, TUSCAN RIDGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, C/O AMY BARB, BROKER, SAM ROBIN TRANUM, LOIS VIDYA KAPILA, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT DAVIS CORP MAP 6 PARCEL 0008 0000

You will take notice that ERNEST F. MUNDAY AND CLETA L. MUNDAY, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-0000016, LOT #79 PHASE 1.60 ACTUS-CAN RIDGE, located in DAVIS CORP, which was returned delinquent in the name of TRANULM SAM ROBIN, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 23, 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, April 22, 2023, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to April 22, 2023. \$ 251.39

Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to April 22, 2023. \$ 144.04

Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023. \$ 878.63

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023. \$ 210.71

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.** \$ 1,484.77

Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to **The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.** \$ 35.00

You may redeem any time before April 22, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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(2021-S-0000035 - Tucker County - MARK MYERS)

To: MITCHELL COOPER, SHERRY COOPER, NORMA COOPER, RHONDA COOPER, BEVERLY EYE, JENNIFER DODD, SHERRY COOPER, NORMA COOPER, RHONDA COOPER, BEVERLY EYE, JENNIFER DODD, 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 an interest in the subject property.

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You will take notice that MARK MYERS, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-0000035, 1/3 OF 1/4 OF 1/20 UND INT MIN THUNDERSTRUCK RUN, located in ST. GEORGE, which was returned delinquent in the name of COOPER MITCHELL, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 23, 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, April 22, 2023, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to April 22, 2023. \$ 100.06

Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to April 22, 2023. \$ 4.76

Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023. \$ 784.08

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023. \$ 174.28

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.** \$ 1,063.18

Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to **The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.** \$ 35.00

You may redeem any time before April 22, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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The Deep Creek Market is looking to grow in 2023, and is currently accepting applications for new vendors, including

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To ensure the quality of its products and to support the local economy, the Deep Creek Farmers Market is producer-only: all products offered for sale must be grown and/or manufactured by the vendor themselves.

Vendor applications are due March 15. For more information, and to submit an application, visit deepcreekfarmersmarket.com, or email deepcreekfarmersmarket@gmail.com. And follow "Deep Creek Farmers Market" on Facebook and Instagram for the latest news and announcements.

See you at the market!



The 11th annual Cardboard and Duct Tape Race



All the contestants

The 11th annual Cardboard and Duct Tape Race occurred at Blackwater Falls State Park sled run on Saturday, February 25. Approximately 125 people participated, either in the race or cheering on their entry. The theme was "The Seventies" and was fun for all. A big thanks to the park employees. Participants came from West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, and Indiana. The "Spirit" award went to the MASH Jeep, the "Fastest" to the Jaws group, and the "Best Looking" to the Love Van. Next year's race will have the theme "Dynamic Duo." The race is always the last Saturday in February.



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SPORTS

Lady Mt. Lions Win Regional Earn State Tournament Berth



Lady Mt. Lions player Kadie Hicks dribbles the ball against Pocahontas County on March 2nd. Tucker County won the game 85-23. Photo by Becky Moore.



2023 Regional Champions - Tucker County High School Girls' Basketball team. Photo by Becky Moore.

By Chris George
TuckerCountySports.Com

HAMBLETON – The Tucker County Girls' Basketball team hosted the Regional Championship on Thursday March 2nd against Pocahontas County. The Lady Mt. Lions jumped out to an early 10-0 lead and cruised to the victory by the score of 85-23. The Lady Mt. Lions controlled

the first quarter as Tucker County led after one quarter 21-4. The Lady Mt. Lions continued to outscore the Lady Warriors in the second quarter 25-7 to make the halftime score 46-11 Tucker County.

The Lady Mt. Lions would outscore Pocahontas County in the third quarter 19-7 to make the score 63-15 at the end of three. In

the fourth quarter Tucker County outshot the Warriors 20-6 to give the Lady Mt. Lions the Regional Championship win by the final score of 85-23. The win allowed the Tucker County High School Girls' Basketball Team to qualify for their 19th Straight State Tournament and 30th State Tournament in school history.

The Lady Mt. Lions were led

in scoring by Kadie Colebank with 15 points, 11 rebounds and Raven Matthews added 13 points, 7 rebounds off the bench. Ericka Zirk, Macy Helmick and Katie Hicks reached double figures for Tucker County with 12 points each. Zirk would also pull down a team high of 14 rebounds in the game for the Mt. Lions.

Tucker County(19-2) will

return to action tonight Wednesday March 8th at 7:15pm in Charleston at the State Basketball Tournament. The Lady Mt. Lions will play Tolsia in Wednesday's matchup. The winner of Tucker / Keyser game will play the winner of Gilmer County / Doddridge on Friday March 10th at 9:30am. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

Tucker Boys' Cruise By East Hardy For Sectional Championship 62-26



2023 Sectional Champions - Tucker County High School Boys' Basketball. Photo by Brittany Channell.



Tucker County's Maddox Anderson shoots the ball over an East Hardy defender on March 4th. The Mt. Lions won the contest 62-26. Photo by Brittany Channell.

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

HAMBLETON – The Mt. Lions opened up post-season play on February 28th in a Sectional Semi-Final game at home against Union. Tucker County jumped out to a quick lead and never looked back as they won the contest 80-37.

The first quarter belonged to the home-standing Mt. Lions as they led after one quarter 24-9. In the second quarter Tucker County continued to build their lead as they outscored the Tigers 27-4 in the second to take a commanding 51-13 lead at the halftime break.

The Mt. Lions would control the third 23-13 to make the score 74-26 after the third quarter. Union would win the fourth quarter 11-6, but Tucker County picked up the Sectional win 80-37

to advance to the Sectional Championship with the win.

Tucker County was led in scoring by Ethan Rosenau with 22 points and Trevan Bonner added 14 points in the win for the Mt. Lions. Aaron Quattro had 11 points for Tucker County and Dom Mullenax pulled down a team high 8 rebounds for the Mt. Lions.

KEYSER – The Tucker County Boys' Basketball traveled to Keyser for the Sectional Championship against East Hardy on Saturday March 4th. The Mt. Lions outscored the Cougars 30-3 in the second and third quarters to pull away for a 62-26 victory.

The first quarter was back and forth throughout as Tucker County pulled away slightly at the end of the first to give the Mt. Lions a 16-12 lead after

one quarter of play. In the second quarter Tucker County clamped down on defense and forced East Hardy into turnovers as the Mt. Lions started to pull away as they outscored the Cougars in the second 20-1 to put the score 36-13 at halftime.

The Mt. Lions continued to dominate in the third quarter as they outpaced East Hardy 10-2 in the third quarter to up the Tucker County lead to 46-15 after three quarters. The fourth quarter would also belong to Tucker County as they had a 16-11 advantage in the final quarter to give the Mt. Lions the Sectional Championship win by the final score of 62-26.

Ethan Rosenau led Tucker County in scoring off the bench with 14 points. Levi Bennett added 13 points for the Mt. Lions as they connected on 10 three point baskets in the contest. Ashton Lycliter led Tucker County on the boards with 8 rebounds and Maddox Anderson collected 5 steals for the Mt. Lions in the win.

Tucker County(18-4) will return to action on Thursday March 9th at home at 7pm against Tygarts Valley for the Regional Championship. The winner of Thursday's game will earn a trip to the WV State Tournament on March 14-18 in Charleston. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

AREA SCHEDULE:

Wednesday March 8th

- Tucker County Girls' Basketball @ WV State Basketball Tournament vs Tolsia 7:15pm

Thursday March 9th

- Tucker County Boys' Basketball Regional Championship vs Tygarts Valley @ Home 7pm

Friday March 10th

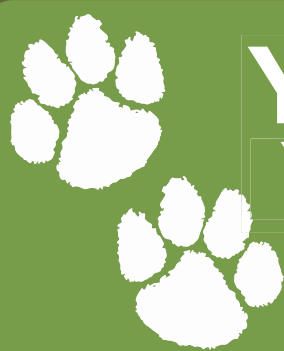
- TCHS-Tolsia winner vs Doddridge-Gilmer winner @ WV State Basketball Tournament 9:30am

Saturday March 11th

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Tuesday March 14th – March 18th

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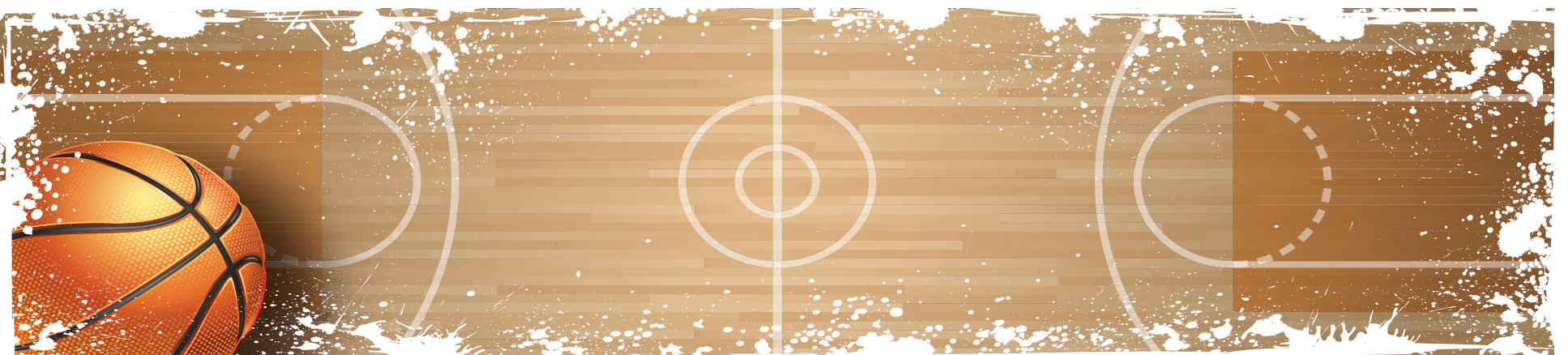
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Fertigation and Nutrient Mgmt.	Tuesday, May 16 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.	Wardensville Garden Market	\$15
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