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## SGMC participates in TCHS's Career Day



St. George Medical Clinic staff recently participated in Tucker County High School's Career Day on April 4th to educate students about career opportunities in the medical field and their community. Pictured Left to Right: Emily Ramsey, RN, and Dani Lamb Bruno, CIO/Compliance.

## Tucker County Chamber Seeks Nominations

Davis, WV. The Tucker County Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for the 45th Annual Awards Banquet. The categories include but not limited to; the Educator of the Year, Student of the Year, Employee of the Year, Business Person of the Year, the Community Service Award, and the coveted "Tuckinnee". In years past "special awards" have been given to outstanding citizens or groups. Consider nominating outside the usual categories. "Please remember to be as specific as possible when nominating! Explain in detail why you think this person should be recognized." said Jessica Waldo, Chamber Executive Director. "The more details we have, the easier it will be to pick a worthy candidate for each category." "The secret committee uses these nominations to make their final destination." Nominations for these awards are due to

the Chamber office no later than the end of business on Friday, April 21st. You can email your nominations to [jessica@canaanvalley.org](mailto:jessica@canaanvalley.org) or mailed to Awards Selection Committee, PO Box 565, Davis, WV 26260. Remember to provide as much detail as possible about the nominee and why they deserve this award in your letter. For the last 45 years, we've celebrated the best of Tucker County and this year is no exception. This banquet is held to recognize individuals from across the county that go above and beyond, making Tucker County a better place to live, work and operate a business. Consider nominating someone for each category and encourage your friends. The more individual nominations, the better! This year's Award Banquet will be held at Canaan Valley Resort State Park on Thursday, May 18. During the banquet, we will recognize the 2023 winners. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend. Tickets and tables need to be reserved in advance by contacting the Chamber office at 304-259-5315.

## Out with the old, I'm with the new

By: Jaron Harper

Spring is in the air, and with it comes some changes and upgrades to the City of Parsons thanks to the unanimous votes that took place at the city council meeting. Some of these passed upgrades include safety tree removals, an upgraded sewer and water system being planned for construction, and the projected Pocket Park that has already started to take shape on First St.

There is also plans to remove some of the buildings in town that hold no workable purpose, starting with the unused building that sits next to the light in town. Therefore, Spring cleaning is taken to a new level again this year as the city council members announced the return of "Spring Cleaning Week" that will take place on either the first or second week of May. Prepare your junk and unwanted items for that time, however note that there is a small fee for tires.

The Council members voted to shine some light on different sectors of the community, as they also unanimously voted to declare the month of April 2023 as Fair Housing Month, National Sexual Abuse and Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month, and National Donate a Life Month. The City of Parsons also plans on sponsoring the Randolph Tucker Children's Advocacy Center Champions for Children Fundraising event that will take place on April 28, at the Elks Club in Elkins.

Finally, the city council meeting also offered some insight on the changing tourism patterns of Tucker County, as the Executive Director of Tucker County Convention and Visitor Bureau, Jessica Waldo, payed a visit to inform the board of some of her departments stats since the

reboot of life after Covid-19.

Waldo stated that we they seeing spikes in winter tourism due to the opening and reliability of the new and improved winter experience made possible by Timberline Mountain, as the ski resort was able to produce snow and open for the Thanksgiving week visitors this year. The success of Timberline and other challenges such as the #TakeonTucker scavenger hunt

resulted in over 22 online impressions, 50,369 individual web clicks, and most importantly, an 18% increase in overall vacation rental occupancy by a total of 18% compared to last year. With these changes in influx, these improvements and upgrades coming to Parsons are sure to aid in the appeal the city has in the tourism that passes through, while also focusing on the quality of life for the community that lives here.

## Proclamation Signing in Tucker County for Child Abuse and Sexual Assault



Proclaiming the month of April for Child Abuse and Sexual Assault Awareness month we encourage all citizens to learn about preventing violence. Left to Right: Tucker Co Advocate for Centers Against Violence Kim Shaffer; City Chief of Police K. Keplinger; Sergeant Pyles; Officer C. Summerfield; Christine Ward, Children's Advocacy Center Board Member and in the front Acting Mayor Bruce A. Kolsun

## Town of Hendricks among those receiving funding for water and sewer projects

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council announced funding for 10 water and one sewer projects at its meeting on April 5. Details for the projects are listed below

The council also approved \$7.3 million in grants for six critical need water line extension projects that will provide water service to 99 homes without public water service in Barbour, Boone, Preston, Putnam, Taylor and Wood Counties.

The council also approved technical reviews  
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April is Child Abuse and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Child Abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions. Parsons has dedicated individuals and organizations who work daily to prevent the problem of child abuse and neglect and to help parents obtain the support they need to raise children in a safe, nurturing environment.

Sexual Assault affects individuals of any gender, race, culture, or socio-economic background and in addition to the immediate physical and emotional costs, sexual assault may also have associated consequence of post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, depression, homelessness, eating disorder and sui-

cide and sexual assault is devastating not only to the survivor, but also for the family and friends of the victim/survivor and since no one person, organization, agency, or community can eliminate sexual assault on their own we must work together to educate, prevent and support victims/survivors and their families.

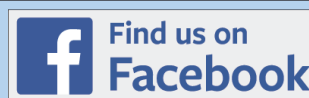
Tucker Co has a SART Team (Sexual Assault Response Team) to follow the SAFE plan and to understand our roles; for all first responders in Tucker Co which would be Parsons Police, Tucker Co Sheriff's Department, State Police - Parsons Detachment, St. George Medical Center, 911 Dispatch, Tucker Co Schools, Randolph/Tucker CAC,

Tucker Co EMS, the health department, the Centers Against Violence Advocate and Tucker Co Prosecuting Attorney's Office. The first responder's actions and attitudes may be critical to the way in which the victim copes with the trauma and to the length of time it may take to recover.

In June 2022 a new state law went into effect WV Senate Bill 616. The Bills aims to help victims of sexual abuse and assault to remain anonymous. This law prevents the release of records in cases involving sexual charges. It also does more than shield the victim from the public, it helps future cases to hopefully encourage victims to come forward.



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## Tucker County Development Authority Holding Strategic Planning Sessions for Future Success

The Tucker County Development Authority, the county's economic development entity, announced that its board of directors is holding strategic planning sessions to chart the course for the organization's future growth and success. The all-volunteer board is composed of 13 Tucker County citizens who represent all geographic areas of the county including each of the incorporated communities.

Two sessions will be held this spring and will involve board members as well as members of the County Commission. The purpose of these sessions is to review the current state of the organization and provide an opportunity for board members to work in smaller groups to discuss

economic development issues that need to be addressed and set goals. The Tucker County Development Authority has been actively working diligently on a variety of projects related to business development, wastewater infrastructure, broadband deployment, and preparing the industrial park for additional tenants.

During the planning sessions, the participants will review economic trends, identify strengths and opportunities, and develop action plans for achieving key objectives. The process is guided by an experienced facilitator who ensures that all voices are heard and that the group remains focused on the task at hand.

"We believe that this strategic plan-

ning process will be instrumental in helping us to achieve our long-term goals and position us for continued success," said Steve Leyh, Executive Director at the Tucker County Development Authority. "We are committed to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to ensure that our organization remains a trusted resource that continues to deliver exceptional value to our business community and the citizens of the county."

The Tucker County Development Authority expects to share the outcomes of the strategic planning sessions in the coming months, as the organization moves forward with implementing the new strategies and initiatives identified during this process.

## West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History is Currently Accepting Entries for its Annual Juried Quilt Exhibition

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History (WVDACH) is currently accepting entries for the 2023 West Virginia Quilts and Wall Hangings Juried Exhibition. The deadline to turn in entries is Monday, May 1, at 4 p.m. This is the 42nd year for the exhibition which will open Friday, May 26, with an awards ceremony at the annual Vandalia Gathering at the Culture Center, State Capitol Complex. The free summer-long exhibition will be displayed through Sept. 11, 2023.

Quilts and wall hangings can be mailed, or hand delivered to Rachel Keeney, exhibits coordinator for the

department, at the Culture Center.

Quilts and wall hangings, handmade or machine made, by West Virginia residents are eligible for the exhibition. Special consideration will be given to hand-quilted entries. Entrants may submit one quilt and one wall hanging. There is a nonrefundable fee of \$20 per entry. Quilts and wall hangings shown previously in a Department of Arts, Culture and History Quilts and Wall Hangings juried exhibition are not eligible.

A quilting workshop will be held on May 5 by Juror Karen Kendo titled "Perfect Endings Binding Workshop." This class will give

you the skills to apply binding with crisp ninety-degree mitered corners, even and full edges and smooth final joins. No lumps, no bumps, no frustration...just the perfect ending! There are limited spaces available, and an RSVP is required.

The prospectus and entry information for the 2023 Quilts and Wall Hangings Juried Exhibition can be found at <https://wvculture.org/agencies/museums/>.

For more information about the exhibit and the workshop or to request a printed prospectus, contact Keeney at (304) 558-0220 or [Rachel.m.keeney@wv.gov](mailto:Rachel.m.keeney@wv.gov).

## Crucial and Courageous Conversations Training Held at Eastern College

Moorefield W.Va. – 'Crucial and Courageous Conversations Training', a workshop led by Justin L. Brown, was held at Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's campus, on March 28, 2023. Brown discussed diversity, inclusion, and equity in the workplace and how biases present themselves in many forms. He discussed how subconsciously blaming others or needing to have someone to blame is one form of how this presents itself. It shows the need a person may have for control and if there is not one thing or person to blame, they may try and find a person to blame it on. Issues can arise, whether in the workplace or in any setting, where this occurs, it can cause bad feelings and

division amongst peers or groups. Also discussed in this workshop was checking your intentions for your actions and words toward others. Is what you are about to say or do, help someone, discourage them, or make them act out of character, so they show themselves in a bad light?

Throughout the training, Brown created scenarios by pairing students up with other students. In one instance, he paired up students, who didn't know each other well, as a way to show how we don't know what others have been through. In this instance, the students were to share a vulnerable detail of

their life with each other. Brown's reasoning for this was it allows empathy to enter the room and it brings an understanding of who you work with, as well as an extra piece of knowledge to know why someone acts the way they do. "Making intentional relationships is the most fundamental aspect of doing this work," said Brown, "Try to use empathy and understanding to relate to how others may feel. Life and experiences change everything, there is always more for us to learn."

*This free program is supported through Eastern's Diversity Through Equity Grant.*


### Hendricks

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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 is the Town of Hendricks storm sewer improvements and extension, estimated to cost \$1.7 million

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 May 3. For more information, visit [wvinfra-structure.com](http://wvinfra-structure.com).



### 2023 CITY OF PARSONS ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN UP WEEK

**Monday, May 1st – Friday, May 5th**  
**8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.**

**Parsons Maintenance Building**  
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**No tires will be accepted from businesses.**

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED**

Absolutely no business waste, building demo materials, oil, paint, fuel oil, batteries, or chemicals.

**REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE**

Participants **must** reside within the city limits of Parsons, West Virginia **and** obtain a ticket at the Parsons Business Office prior to taking items to the Parsons Maintenance Building.

**RESIDENT ASSISTANCE DAYS**

The City of Parsons has designated Tuesday, May 2nd and Thursday, May 4th as Resident Assistance Days. What does this mean? This means the employees of the City of Parsons will assist residents in hauling their refuse to the Parsons Maintenance Building. Residents that need assistance with hauling their refuse need to call the Parsons Business Office at (304) 478-2311 to schedule a pickup.

Employees of the City of Parsons reserve the right to accept or reject any and/or all items that are picked up at the curbside or brought to the Parsons Maintenance Building.

This event is sponsored by the City of Parsons.

## News of Record

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

- University of Maryland Medical System, Dry Fork district, Lot 147 at Mountainside Timberline to Gregory Kausner and Janet Kausner, \$0.
- Trustees of Leadmine United Methodist Church, St. George District, .25 acres, .70 acres and .10 acres to Trustees of Leadmine Community Church, \$0.
- David F. Beckner and Leslie A. Mehl, Davis Corporation, Lots 198 and 199 to Fernwood LLC, \$300,000.
- CE Properties LLC, Thomas Corporation, 1,500 sq. ft. Boundary Des. And Plat DB #233 page 541 to Jane B. White, \$180,000.
- Pamela L. Scott, Thomas Corporation, ¼ interest to Sara C. Scott and Thomas L. Scott, \$0.
- Workman Land and Livestock LLC, Black Fork District, Remainder of 2 Tr. 44 acres Holly Meadows Being 36.2 acres to Jeffrey C. Kiess, \$53,333.36.
- Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., Dry Fork District, Unit C5 Week 43 to Janie Rodriguez and Michael Sharpolisky, \$500.
- Alisa A. Paul, Thomas Corporation, Lots 205-208; 0.127 acres to Holly M. Paugh and Aaron C. Paugh.
- WVDOT, Tucker County Circuit Court Agreed order of Dismissal to Allegheny Forestlands LLC.
- Francis Lawrence Jr. Deceased, Lots 4 and 3 Town of Davis Quitclaim to Samuel Richard Derrow, \$0.
- Karol K. Rulong, Davis District, Lots 4 and 3 Town of Davis Quitclaim Deed to Samuel Richard Derrow, \$0.
- Christina J. Kirby, Davis District, Lots 4 and 3 Town of Davis Quitclaim Deed to Samuel Richard Derrow, \$0.
- Michelle R. Duckworth, Davis District, Lots 4 and 3 Town of Davis Quitclaim Deed to Samuel Richard Derrow, \$0.
- Kenneth Benson Tagg, Davis District, Lots 4 and 3 Town of Davis Quitclaim Deed to Samuel Richard Derrow, \$0.
- Carole A. Phillips, Thomas Corporation, Lot 136, 137 and 138 Thomas to Charles Davis and Deborah Davis, \$220,000.

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# OBITUARIES

## Martha Ann Freet Frymyer

Martha Ann Freet Frymyer, 70, a resident of Clarksburg and formerly of Parsons passed from this life peacefully at her home on Monday, April 3, 2023, surrounded by her family and under the care of WVU Hospice.

Martha was born Monday, September 22, 1952, in Youngstown, OH, a daughter of the late John Stanley Freet, Sr., and Thelma Lenore Rohrbaugh Freet.

She is survived by her companion, Terry Boyce of Clarksburg, a daughter, Tammy Frymyer Dumire and fiancé, Douglas Lyons of Oakland, MD, a step-son, Devin Boyce of Clarksburg, a sister, Carol Frymyer of Parsons, two grandchildren, William L. Lyons and Emmitt J. Lyons, of Oakland, MD, and several nieces and nephews.

Martha was preceded in death by her husband, Paul L. Frymyer, a son, Willard L. Frymyer and a brother, John S. Freet, Jr.,

Martha attended the schools in Youngstown, OH and had worked at Deerfield and Cannan Valley Resort cleaning and was a stay-at-home housewife. Martha enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, camping, watching hummingbirds, and spending quality time with family and friends. She loved spending time with her grandsons and making great memories.

A visitation was held at the Hostetler Funeral Home in Parsons on Friday, April 7, 2023 from 12 p.m. until 2 p.m., the funeral hour. Interment followed at Mt. Zion Cemetery near St. George. The Hostetler Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements for Martha Ann Freet Frymyer. Send condolences to the family at [www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com).



## Ruby Virginia (Adams) Froman

Ruby Virginia (Adams) Froman, 85, of Pylesville, MD, passed March 31, 2023. She was born on Nov. 3, 1937, in Tucker County, West Virginia to the late Roy Cecil Adams and Madeline Virginia (Auvil) Adams.

Ruby was raised on top of a mountain in West Virginia. She attended a one room school through grade school and graduated from Parsons High School in 1955. She met and married her high school sweetheart—Kenneth Ray Froman on July 4, 1954. They moved to Dundalk, MD in 1956. Kenny and Ruby had three children: Robert, Bonnie and Janet.

Ruby's first love was her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She was saved at the age of nine back on the mountain at the Limestone Church.

Ruby left her three children, nine grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren (18/19 and counting) with a legacy of love and laughter.

Left to cherish her memory are her children Robert Froman (Joan), Bonnie Spear (Wayne-Deceased 2022), and Janet Podlasek (David); brother Ralph Adams (Donna); grandchildren Ben Spear (Jaime), Amy Herriman (Neil), Christina Markey (Joe), Joel Podlasek (Beth), Julie (Thomas), and Eric Spear; and 19 great grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at the Limestone Church cemetery at 1p.m. on Limestone Mountain St. George, WV on Monday, April 10, 2023.



## Pamela Charlene Kerr Eye

Pamela Charlene Kerr Eye, age 74 years, resident of Hendricks, WV, went home to be with the Lord on Monday morning, April 3, 2023, at home surrounded by her loving family under the care of Mt. Hospice.

Pam was born on August 17, 1948, in Elkins WV. She was the daughter of the late Freda Mae Bennett Kerr. On January 9, 1967 she married Hoy Michael "Mike" Eye who survives. They celebrated 56 years of marriage.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Kimberly Eye Bowley and husband Robin of Hambleton, WV and Michael Eye and wife Valerie of Parsons, WV.

Three granddaughters that she adored, Adrianna "Aunni" Adkins and Michael, Abrielle "Abby" Hebb and Tyler, and Calista Eye.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Brooks Lee Kerr.

She attended the schools of Randolph and Tucker County. She graduated in 1968. She was the co-owner of P & M Saw Sharpening Service, was employed by Canaan Valley Resort, and a homemaker. She was a member of the Hendricks United Methodist Church and Hendricks United Methodist Women.

Pam enjoyed camping in Dry Fork with her family, traveling, eating lunch in town at the local diner, and reading. She considered being a "Nana" as her greatest achievement. Nana was known for her humor and kind loving spirit. All who knew Nana will miss her dearly.

Her request for cremation was honored. A Memorial Service will be held at the Hendricks United Methodist Church on April 15, 2023 at 11 a.m. Service will be led by Rev. Susie Metzner. Family suggests Memorial donations in memory of Pam be made to the Hendricks UMC, PO Box 50 Hendricks, WV 26271. The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements for Pamela Charlene Kerr Eye. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com](http://www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com)



## Anthony "Tony" Salvatore DiBacco

Anthony "Tony" Salvatore DiBacco, 100, of Thomas, WV, passed away peacefully at home, on Tuesday, April 4, 2023. Born on October 25, 1922, in Davis, WV, he was the son of the late Salvatore and Candida DiBacco.

After graduating high school, Tony made four attempts to join the United States Army during WWII, where he was denied due to having polio as a child. He then volunteered as a civilian air raid warden for the City of Thomas for the duration of the war. Tony, along with all of his family was musically inclined; he loved the 40's swing, big bands, and especially polka music. He also enjoyed going to bingo, playing cards, bowling, traveling and was an avid football, basketball, and baseball player. At a very young age, Tony lost all of his hair, it seemed to draw attention to him but he took advantage of the situation and made new friends. Consequently, this contributed to his outgoing, friendly personality; no matter where he went, he was well-known. Tony was a lifelong member of the Knights of Columbus in Thomas and Keyser, WV along with St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. Above all, he loved spending time with his family.

He is survived by four children, Steve DiBacco of Huber Heights, OH, David DiBacco and wife Peggy of Lapeer, MI, Matthew DiBacco and wife Joni of Franklin, WV, and Rita Johnson and husband John of Thomas, WV; eight grandchildren, Stefanie Ailey and husband Steven, Andria DiBacco, Jessica Revord and husband Brett, Shannon DiBacco and wife Erin, Jacob DiBacco and wife Heidi, Chris Johnson and wife Christy, Nicole Shaffer and husband Chris, and Josh DiBacco and wife Heather; and twelve great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Diana L. (Persutti) DiBacco, on January 29, 2003; two children, Andrew DiBacco and Mary Christine DiBacco; a great grandchild, BJ Ailey; seven siblings, Mary Greco, Adaline LaCamera, Flemmy Massi, Carmen DiBacco, Susie DiBacco, Paige Armentrout, and Betty Petrella.

The submission of any stories, memories, photos, or videos of Tony would also be greatly appreciated and treasured by his family.

Friends were received on Monday, April 10, 2023, from 4 to 7 p.m., with rosary held at 6:30 p.m., at the Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home, 567 Thomas Avenue, Davis. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, in St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 3rd & Brown Street, Thomas. Following the services, Mr. DiBacco's request for cremation was honored. Interment will be in the Mt. Calvary Cemetery at a later date.

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



## MGC holds April Meeting



The Mountaineer Garden Club welcomed Patty McComas, Tygart Valley District Director to the April meeting. Mrs. McComas gave an update of the proceedings at the March WV State Garden Club Convention. Pictured L to R front row: Vivian Shomo, President MGC, Patty McComas, Tygart Valley District Director, Sandra Hockman. Back Row: Jean Long, Linda Sherman, Glenda Lipscomb, Faith Moore.



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Meals ready at 4:00 preorders will be accepted on FB until Wednesday, April 19 at 9:00 pm. After that all orders will need to be in person at PVFD. Call 304-642-3433 for info.

Friends will receive friends at the Lohr & Barb Funeral Home of Parsons on Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. Final rites will be conducted at the funeral home on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at 11 a.m. The Rev. David Snyder will officiate and interment will follow at the Mountain State Memorial Gardens at Gilman, WV. The family would like to express their gratitude for the wonderful care that Vonda received at Mountain Memories. The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements for Vonda Wyoma Bohon Phillips. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com](http://www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com)

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# The Tucker County Poor Farm



Supt. Herman E. Grey's home with his sons and Ruben Barb. L-R John Grey, Ruben Barb, and Odford "Buck" Grey.

By Belva Dilly  
Tucker County Historical Society

On April 9, 1891 the County bought a farm owned by S. E. Parsons and his wife A. E. Parsons containing 174 acres located north of Parsons in the St. George District and borders the Cheat River. This farm was purchased for the purpose of taking care of the poor. The county paid \$1500.00 for this land.

Joseph Parsons and James Parsons were hired to prepare the farm for the poor by July 1, 1891. They were also ordered to hire a man and his wife to care for the farm and the poor residents for the price of \$300.00 a year plus a house for their use while living on the farm. The man hired for this job would have the title of Superintendent. They were also to see that a suitable amount of land be planted in corn, potatoes and other vegetables and properly cultivated and they could rent whatever grass land that was not needed for these uses.

There was a family of Greys that lived in St.

George and the husband died. His wife and children were loaded up and taken to the Poor Farm. After the children had grown up one of the sons, Herman E. Grey, went back and took over as Superintendent of the farm. It closed its doors as a Poor Farm in the late 1930s. It was then used by one of President F. D. Roosevelt's programs to teach young men about agriculture.

Most Poor Farms did not let the men and women live in the same buildings. It was custom to put small children in with the adults of the same sex. The exception being if a woman was a cook she and her husband could reside together in the cook's house. The children did not always get to stay with them and would be put in houses for men or women.

The people that lived on the farm were expected to work in the gardens and help with any other work that was to be done. Those too sick or old to work would be taken care of by the other residents of the

farm. If there was a school close by the children could attend if not needed on the farm.

I was told by a woman who lived at the Tucker County Poor Farm that she and her brother hated it and wanted to leave but they wouldn't let them. They stole a mule and made it to Clarksburg, WV before being caught and brought back.

The Poor Farm was given to the Board of Trustees of County 4-H Camps on May 12, 1953. On August 3, 1990 this land was deeded to the Tucker County Parks and Recreation Board, INC., for the price of \$10.00. If the TCPRB ceases to exist the land reverts back to the Tucker County Commission.

The 4-H Camp is located on the land today and is called Camp Kidd. There is also two ball fields (used by the High School girls soft ball team and the Little League teams), the Tucker County Fair is held there and there is a nine hole golf course.

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## National Heritage Area Unveils New Volunteer Program

Are you looking to give back to your community? Does your organization need additional help with projects and events? Appalachian Forest Volunteers (AFV) is a new volunteer management program that can help.

Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area has developed a program to support volunteers wishing to find opportunities in our regions, as well as organizations in need of volunteer support, or to build a stronger volunteer program to grow their capacity to fulfill their mission.

The program offers an online volunteer management platform, the AFV Connector, that is open to any individual or organization in the 18 counties in the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area (AFNHA). The Connector allows individuals to find volunteer opportunities in our region, learn new skills, support their favorite local organizations, track their time and value, build eligibility for the President's Volunteer Service Award, and receive regional recognition for their efforts. The AFV program also allows organizations to list needs or projects and recruit volunteers, grants access to a Volunteer Management Handbook to help build and maintain a solid volunteer program, training to better manage their volunteer programs, volunteer recognition resources to help celebrate and retain their volunteers, networking between organizations and volunteers to support resource sharing and planning, a growing library of ready-made forms, templates, and additional volunteer management resources.

Register as an agency to submit event listings and recruit volunteers, or register as an individual to follow volunteer opportunities in your area. Sign up now at <https://afnha.galaxydigital.com>.

Community members are encouraged to participate in National Volunteer Week April 16-22 by showing appreciation for volunteers in your area or joining a volunteer event.

This program was partially funded by a Volunteer Generation Fund grant from Volunteer West Virginia. To learn more about the work of the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area see [www.appalachianforestnha.org](http://www.appalachianforestnha.org) or contact [volunteer@afnha.org](mailto:volunteer@afnha.org) for more information.

## Kids Kick Opioids Contest Deadline Fast Approaching

CHARLESTON — West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey is reminding schools and parents of the upcoming deadline for the office's 7th Kids Kick Opioids contest—Friday, April 14.

The contest provides an opportunity for students to learn the dangers of prescription painkiller abuse. It has also given many a channel to express the personal impact of opioid abuse upon their lives and that of their loved ones.

"I am amazed each year by the creative talent of students across the state," Attorney General Morrisey said. "Their entries viscerally demonstrate that the opioid epidemic resonates in classrooms across West Virginia. Kids

Kick Opioids gives students an outlet to express their concerns, while using the creativity and talent of all participants to raise awareness of the epidemic."

Kids Kick Opioids has drawn more than 14,400 entries since its inception.

Students can work individually or in groups. The top submission will appear as a statewide newspaper PSA. Regional winners will be displayed in the State Capitol.

Contest entries must be postmarked by Friday, April 14, and mailed to the Attorney General's Office at 1900 Kanawha Blvd. E., State Capitol Building 1, Room 26-E, Charleston, WV 25305, or sent by email to [\[test@wvago.gov\]\(mailto:test@wvago.gov\).](mailto:AGPSA.con-</a></p>
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Thousands of West Virginians have lost their lives to a drug overdose, many of which were opioid related.

Reversing this trend has been a top priority for Attorney General Morrisey. He has fought the epidemic on multiple fronts, including a lawsuit against the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration that achieved sweeping reforms to the nation's drug quota system.

The Attorney General also has battled the opioid crisis with civil litigation, multistate initiatives, funding to target opioid abuse, criminal prosecutions, new technology, engagement with the faith-based community and education.

## Canaan Valley Resort Raises Funds for Tucker County Ambulance Authority



Tucker Co. Ambulance Authority President Dennis Filler (left) receives check from CVR General Manager Matt Baker (center) with Tucker Co. Ambulance Authority Interim Director Amanda Simmons (right).

Davis, W.Va. – Canaan Valley Resort raised \$2,200 for the Tucker County Ambulance Authority during the resort's March 4th Hometown Brewfest event at the Ski Area.

"The Tucker County Ambulance Authority is a critical partner for the resort as well as the entire county," said Matt Baker, Canaan Valley Resort General Manager. "We're thankful for all they do and we are happy to help the organization whenever we can."

As part of Hometown Brewfest, the resort held a raffle to raise funds for the Authority. Various prizes were raffled off, to include a week's stay in the Bahamas from Rita Haverty. "We appreciate

all those that generously assisted in this effort and the resort patrons that purchased tickets in the March 4<sup>th</sup> raffle," said Baker.

Dennis Filler, President of the Tucker County Ambulance Authority, said, "We're very appreciative of the public support and the recognition by a major Tucker County business to help us with funding."

Filler said the funds would be used to purchase ambulance equipment and medical supplies.

For additional information, contact the resort at 800-622-4121 or visit the website at [www.canaanresort.com](http://www.canaanresort.com).

*TURNER'S TIDBITS*

**Gladwin School**  
District No. 16  
**Tucker County, West Virginia**  
1914—1915

ARTHUR L. GEORGE, Teacher

**PUPILS**

<p><b>BOYS</b></p> <p>Charlie Day Theodore Day James H. Day Stanley Long Hobart Carr Olie Wolford Peter Carr</p>	<p>Clarence Sponaule Carl Teter Wayne Plaughter Wilbert Plaughter Blaine Teter Howard Teter Willie Cunningham</p> <p>Bryan Sponaule</p> <p><b>GIRLS</b></p> <p>Dora Moore Gracie Cooper Bricy Sponaule Lillie Carr Geraldine Day Lillie Plaughter Minnie Plaughter Beula Plaughter Bessie Nelson Ethel Nelson Bessie Sponaule</p>
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**TRUSTEES**

C. Ed Long	Lloyd Day	Andrew Teter
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This is a school souvenir from Gladwin School, District 16, 1914-1915. The teacher was Arthur George. The trustees were: C. Ed Long, Lloyd Day, and Andrew Teter. This school had 37 students, that was a full school. Ideas, comments, suggestions, or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

LET US KNOW "WHAT'S HAPPENING"

304-478-3533

# What's? Happening

## PHS Alumni Meeting

Parsons High School Alumni Meeting Thursday April 13, 2023, at B & J Family Diner at 1 p.m. Continuing work on the Memorial Weekend Activities.

## Retired School Employees Meeting

Tucker County Association of Retired School Employees is meeting at 12 noon on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at B & J Family Diner. All retirees are invited to

attend. Discussions will include recent insurance changes.

## Shahan Benefit

AJ Shahan Benefit, Saturday, April 15, at First United Methodist Church in Parsons. Bake Sale-Silent Auction 1-6 p.m., Spaghetti Dinner 4-6 p.m. Dinners include spaghetti & meatballs (sauce prepared by Jon Bush), salad, roll, & cookies. \$10 adults & \$6 kids. Carry Out Only. Sponsored by Sherry Hebb Cross a& family.



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

**April 12, 1865:** The 36th Virginia Infantry, known as the Logan Wildcats, disbanded. The Confederate company was created at Logan Courthouse on June 3, 1861, and consisted of about 85 men. The company saw its first action in the Battle of Scary Creek in Putnam County.

**April 12, 1885:** Photographer George James Kossuth was born. After he opened his Wheeling studio in 1909, he achieved broad fame for his photos of the city and insightful portraits of world celebrities, including Richard Strauss, Jascha Heifetz, Leopold Stokowski, Clar-

ence Darrow and Richard Nixon.

**April 13, 1923:** Medal of Honor recipient Jonah Edward Kelley was born at Rada in Mineral County. Sergeant Kelley died while leading his squad in repeated attacks on a German position during World War II.

**April 13, 1873:** Lawyer, diplomat and 1924 Democratic candidate for president John William Davis was born in Clarksburg. Davis argued 141 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. His last case was one of the most controversial, when he argued in 1952 to continue racial segregation in South Carolina.

**April 14, 1774:** Surveyors met at the mouth of the Kanawha River to establish military bounty claims in Kentucky. They became involved in several skir-

mishes with Indians in the region. This was the start of Dunmore's War, the name given to the conflict in the Ohio Valley in the spring of 1774.

**April 15, 1872:** Peter Godwin Van Winkle died in Parkersburg. Van Winkle was a member of the Governor's Council of the Reorganized Government of Virginia, 1861-63, under Gov. Francis Pierpont. On August 4, 1863, Van Winkle was elected as one of the first two U.S. senators from the new state of West Virginia.

**April 16, 1829:** Jacob Beeson Jackson was born in Parkersburg. In 1881, he became West Virginia's sixth governor.

**April 16, 1894:** Leonard Riggelman was born in a Randolph County cabin. As president of Morris Harvey College (now University of Charleston), he moved the school to Charleston in 1935 and led the college to accreditation in 1958.

**April 16, 1923:** Arch Moore was born at Moundsville. He was the first governor in 100 years to serve a second term, and he returned later for a third.

**April 17, 1827:** Outdoorsman William "Squirrelly Bill" Carpenter was born on the Elk River near the mouth of Laurel Creek. Carpenter guided prominent West Virginians, including Gov. MacCorkle, through the wonders of the Elk Valley.

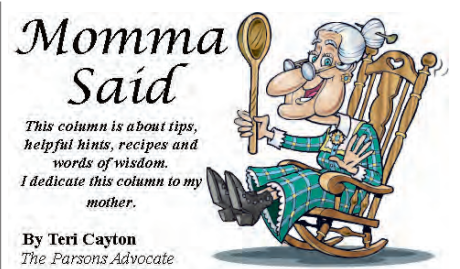
**April 17, 1871:** West Virginians approved the Flick Amendment, which allowed former Confederates to vote. The amendment also applied to former slaves, but they had been enfranchised already by the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

**April 18, 1861:** At the beginning of the Civil War, retreating U.S. troops set fire to the national armory and arsenal at Harpers Ferry to keep them out of Confederate hands. However, Virginia militia extinguished the flames and sent much of the weapon-making equipment south before destroying the site in June 1861.

The prices of gas are just really doing a number on my brain. I don't understand how you can have five gas stations and all of them have a difference price. And not just a price that is reasonable it is up to forty five cents difference just across the street from each other. And the thing that really baffles me is there are people buying gas at the higher price. **Momma Said**, Be like the chicken, cross the road and save some money." Maybe I just answered that age old question, "Why did the chicken cross the road?"

Prices of gas always sky rocket during a holiday weekend but that difference is crazy. All the gas probably comes from the same place anyway so why not regulate the price. The sad part for us is to find out what kind of profits the big gas companies are making per month. We keep shelling money out and they keep raking it in.

In 1970 gas was .36 cents a gallon, in 1975 it jumped to .57 cents a gallon, 1985 saw a jump to \$1.12, it went up to \$2.30 in 2005 and now we stand at \$3.65 in our area. According to Google



the inflation rate means that \$3.65 today would equate to \$28.30 in 1970. The dollar had an average inflation rate of 3.94% per year between 1970 and today, producing a cumulative price increase of 675.36%. **Momma Said**, "Just wrap your brain around that for a minute."

It makes my head hurt just thinking about this. I can't fathom how we can afford to live with the price of everything today. I feel as if I don't work to live, I live to work and still can't get ahead. How people with a large family are making ends meet is a mystery to me. Both parents working and just barely keeping their heads above water is not a life it is a struggle.

## Apple Pie Enchiladas

**Incredibly easy to make and are Out Of This World Good!**

### Ingredients:

- 1 (21 ounce) can apple pie filling
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 6 (8 inch) flour tortillas - store bought is great for this, Just be sure to buy Flour Tortillas

### Directions:

1. Spoon about one heaping quarter cup of pie filling evenly down the center

of each tortilla. Sprinkle with cinnamon and roll up, tucking in edges; and place seam side down in prepared dish.

2. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, combine butter, white sugar, brown sugar and water. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly; reduce heat and simmer 3 minutes, remove from heat and stir in 1 teaspoon vanilla.

3. Pour sauce over enchiladas and let stand 45 minutes.

Note: Don't rush the 45 minute resting time for the sauce on the enchiladas before baking, this step helps to magically transform the flour tortillas into a faux pastry dough.

4. Bake in preheated oven at 350 degrees F for 30 minutes, or until golden. Enjoy

## Super Crossword RECORD PLAYING

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>DOWN</b>
1 "Same Old Love" singer Gomez	45 "Attack, dog!"	82 U.S. Navy builder	1 Toothed tools
7 Taken-back autos, e.g.	48 Portions out	84 Major Calif. airport code	2 Jacob's twin
12 Most adultlike	53 Get as profit	85 General — chicken	3 Actor Waggoner
20 Sanctuary	54 Historic start?	86 Looking to buy a Beatles album?	4 Edifice extensions
21 Novelist Jong	55 Write preliminary lyrics to a Patti Smith album?	88 Only OK	5 Granola bit
22 Undeveloped expanse	57 Healing sign	90 Frequently	6 Mixtures
23 Carole King album hanging as a decoration?	59 Cello's ancestor	92 Least distant	7 Della of song
25 Surpass	60 Pop's Grande	93 Badly damaged Fleetwood Mac album?	8 Of times past
26 Drags to court	61 Michael Jackson album that plays mind games?	97 Assessed	9 Fruit stones
27 Endures	68 Pope before Stephen IV	99 Mad magazine's Alfred E. —	10 Scanner of bar codes, for short
28 Big primate	69 Having no depth, in brief	100 Dryly funny	11 Doc's throat-checking request
30 San — (Texas city, informally)	70 Spellbound	101 Peeling knife	12 Copied a cow
31 Nixon veep Spiro	71 Bob Marley album that's very popular in big cities?	102 Smartphone extras	13 Clerk on "The Simpsons"
32 Taylor Swift album signed for a Catholic dignitary?	74 Granola bit	106 Mark up with comments	14 The "T" of the DPT vaccine
34 Title ship in a 1997 Spielberg epic	75 Dearth	108 Joni Mitchell album upon being hit by lightning?	15 Detach, as a jacket fastener
38 Hullahaloo	79 Works by painter Joan	111 Billy Joel hit	16 Toy in a crib
40 Hoodwink	80 Small bouquet	112 Stones	17 Mistake
41 John Lennon album sitting there all by itself?	81 Polymer used in piping, for short	113 Celestial dust cloud	18 River by the Louvre
43 Shoe parts		114 Parts of car wheels	19 Affixed, as gift wrap
		115 Cheeky	24 Bamboo-eating bear
		116 Old Faithful is a famous one	29 Comical tumble in slapstick
			31 Very busy
			32 Sebastian of England
			33 That is, to Tiberius
			34 Not closed all the way
			35 Stubborn sort
			36 Land in el agua
			37 Go no further
			39 Go — diet
			42 Greta of the silver screen
			44 Part of OTB
			45 Cordage fiber
			46 Dunne of the silver screen
			47 Labor leader Chavez
			50 Extensive
			51 Supporting the idea
			52 Seed casing
			54 Compadre
			55 Chopped into small cubes
			56 Lyre relative
			57 Tibias' places
			58 Spiral shape
			59 Title cousin in a 1992 film
			61 Purple fruits
			62 Letter flourish
			63 "Hey, dude!"
			64 Turin "Ta-ta!"
			65 Turns rancid
			66 Part of OTB
			67 Chapeau
			72 — salts
			73 Slimy stuff
			74 Bakers get their mitts on them
			75 Oz lion player Bert
			77 Busy as —
			77 Cartoon pics
			78 Retained
			81 — wee
			82 Smiling evilly
			83 "Yikes!"
			85 Huge wave
			86 Rds.
			87 Bury
			88 Actress Raven- —
			89 Speechifier
			91 Fast-food cooks
			93 Not inclined
			94 Spirits in lamps
			95 Of the moon
			96 "Hee Haw" co-host Buck
			98 Bohemian
			101 Delis'
			102 "Dear" advice columnist
			103 In addition to
			104 Cry feebly
			105 Blacken, as a steak
			107 Scot's cap
			109 Mauna —
			110 Mediocore grade

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**PARSONS CITY CEMETERY ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN UP WEEK APRIL 24 - 28, 2023**

The cemetery staff will begin their annual spring cleaning the week of April 24-28, 2023. Any weathered or out-of-season flower arrangements must be removed during this week. Any items that are left on the gravesites which are determined unsightly or offensive will be removed by our staff.

All new flowers should not be displayed until after the week of clean up. When displaying flowers, we strongly urge everyone to use permanent vases. Flowers displayed directly in the ground may be damaged by our mowing and trimming equipment. We take every effort possible to protect items on display at each gravesite; however, we will not be held responsible or liable for items that are damaged or stolen.

For additional information or questions, please contact the Parsons Business Office at (304) 478-2311.

Agnes A. Arnold  
 City Administrator

**Weekly SUDOKU**  
 by Linda Thistle

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆  
 ◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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**Weather Totals**  
 Mar. 21- April 4

**Nursery Bottom Parsons**

**Temperature**  
 Max 75° F  
 Min 25° F

**Precipitation**  
 Week 1.15"  
 April 2.86"  
 2023 11.29"

**Snowfall**  
 New Snow 0"  
 Snow on ground 0"  
 Winter Total 11.5"

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**Puzzle answers page 9**

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# Mountaineer Garden Club announces winners



Linda Sherman was awarded a blue ribbon (1st) for her unusual container filled with Easter eggs, beautiful Easter lilies and pastel berries. A red Ribbon (2nd place) went to Dana Dean for her artistic rabbit, complete with his original

painting. A cheerful red robin in a basket with spring flowering forsythia by Vivian Shomo was awarded a yellow ribbon (3rd place).

All of the arrangements brought many smiles to the voters' faces. Mountain Valley Bank sponsors

the spring exhibit annually. The support of the bank assists the Garden club to meet the goals of the club, which include Arbor Day planting and support of 4-H members to attend camp. New members are welcome to attend any meeting, usu-

ally the first Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Five Rivers Public Library, use the side entrance.

## Eastern Holds Film Viewing of SILO and Open Discussion on Grain Safety

To bring awareness of Grain Safety Week March 27 – 31, Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's Ag Innovation department hosted a community farm safety discussion with the support & expertise of Mr. Daryl See, safety director of ER Excavating & Utilities LLC and past president of the WV Poultry Association along with Mr. David Workman, Hardy County commissioner & Eastern Ag Farm Fellowship business coach. This discussion and screenplay of "SILO" the film brought on-farm safety to the attention of many

members of the local community. "In 2,000 bushels of corn, victims have 2 to 3 seconds of reaction time, 4 to 5 seconds until becoming entrapped, and 11 to 22 seconds until becoming totally engulfed," said See, "We hope whether your rural enterprise has grain bins, ATVs, heavy equipment, PTO shafts, or any sort of harm-causing technology that you seek education and take the time to prepare yourself to prevent accidents." We want to especially say thank you to Mr. Daryl See and Mr. David Workman for leading this discussion

### LEGAL

#### FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024 LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
MUNICIPALITY OF HAMBLETON, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

##### REVENUE SOURCE

Unassigned Fund Balance	\$	10,000
Property Taxes - Current Expense		18,132
Tax Loss Restoration		25
Gas & Oil Severance Tax		1,200
Excise Tax on Utilities		7,000
Wine & Liquor Tax		150
Animal Control Tax		80
Franchise Fees		1,170
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)		4,000
Refuse Collection		25,500
Gaming Income		11,000
Interest Earned on Investments		100
Video Lottery (LVL)		145
Miscellaneous Revenues		25
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>78,527</b>

##### COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND

##### REVENUE SOURCE

Assigned Fund Balance	\$	100
Coal Severance Tax		750
Interest Earned on Investment		1
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>851</b>

##### ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES

	General Fund	Coal Severance Fund
Mayor's Office	\$ 1,392	\$ -
City Council	1,560	-
Recorder's Office	392	-
City Manager's Office	4,800	-
Custodial	500	-
Regional Development Authority	267	-
Elections	2,000	-
City Hall	23,046	-
Public Grounds	1,500	450
Fire Department	120	-
Dog Warden / Humane Society	100	-
Streets and Highways	5,000	-
Street Lights	4,850	-
Snow Removal	4,000	-
Garbage Department	27,000	-
Beautification Programs	2,000	-
Cemeteries	-	401
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 78,527</b>	<b>\$ 851</b>

#### MUNICIPALITY OF Hambleton, WEST VIRGINIA

##### Regular Current Expense Levy

#### FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

CLASS	Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
<b>CLASS I</b>			
Personal Property	\$ 0	11.18	\$ 0
Public Utility	0		0
<b>Total Class I</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>		<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>CLASS II</b>			
Real Estate	\$ 3,939,490	22.36	\$ 8,809
Personal Property	95,814		214
<b>Total Class II</b>	<b>\$ 4,035,304</b>		<b>\$ 9,023</b>
<b>CLASS IV</b>			
Real Estate	\$ 1,006,550	44.72	\$ 4,501
Personal Property	1,023,091		4,575
Public Utility	374,262		1,674
<b>Total Class IV</b>	<b>\$ 2,403,903</b>		<b>\$ 10,750</b>
<b>Total Value &amp; Projected Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 6,439,207</b>		<b>\$ 19,773</b>
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes	5.00%		989
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate)	2.00%		376
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)			0
<b>Total Projected Property Tax Collection</b>			<b>\$ 18,408</b>
Less Assessor Valuation Fund	1.50%		276
(Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)			
<b>Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes</b>			<b>\$ 18,132</b>

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF TUCKER  
MUNICIPALITY OF HAMBLETON

I, Michael A. Griffith, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 28th day of March, 2023.

*Michael A. Griffith*  
(Signature)  
Recorder  
Official Title of Recording Officer

### LEGAL

#### FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024 LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
MUNICIPALITY OF THOMAS, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

##### REVENUE SOURCE

Unassigned Fund Balance	\$	500
Property Taxes - Current Expense		103,670
Gas & Oil Severance Tax		3,500
Wine & Liquor Tax		16,000
Animal Control Tax		170
Hotel Occupancy Tax		34,000
Licenses		800
Building Permit Fees		500
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)		27,000
Private Liquor Club Fee		4,200
Refuse Collection		90,000
Fire Protection Fees		3,900
Contributions from other Funds		140,000
Gaming Income		11,000
Library Fees		1,500
Video Lottery (LVL)		300
Miscellaneous Revenue		1,700
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>438,740</b>

##### COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND

##### REVENUE SOURCE

Assigned Fund Balance	\$	150
Coal Severance Tax		2,900
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,050</b>

##### ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES

	General Fund	Coal Severance Fund
City Council	1,100	-
City Clerk's Office	57,050	-
City Attorney	2,500	-
Regional Development Authority	700	-
Data Processing	33,600	-
City Hall	60,900	-
Public Works Department	144,675	-
Fire Department	3,315	-
Dams & Dredging	100	-
Street Lights	14,600	-
Snow Removal	9,700	-
Garbage Department	60,600	-
Parks & Recreation	17,000	-
Visitors Bureau	17,000	-
Beautification Programs	-	3,050
Capital Projects - Health and Sanitation	15,900	-
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 438,740</b>	<b>\$ 3,050</b>

#### MUNICIPALITY OF THOMAS, WEST VIRGINIA

##### Regular Current Expense Levy

#### FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

CLASS	Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
<b>CLASS I</b>			
Personal Property	\$ 0	11.77	\$ 0
<b>CLASS II</b>			
Real Estate	\$ 10,219,280	23.54	\$ 24,056
<b>Total Class II</b>	<b>\$ 10,219,280</b>		<b>\$ 24,056</b>
<b>CLASS IV</b>			
Real Estate	\$ 13,335,270	47.08	\$ 62,782
Personal Property	3,833,620		18,049
Public Utility	1,733,683		8,162
<b>Total Class IV</b>	<b>\$ 18,902,573</b>		<b>\$ 88,993</b>
<b>Total Value &amp; Projected Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 29,121,853</b>		<b>\$ 113,049</b>
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes	5.00%		5,652
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate)	2.00%		2,148
<b>Total Projected Property Tax Collection</b>			<b>\$ 105,249</b>
Less Assessor Valuation Fund	1.50%		1,579
<b>Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes</b>			<b>\$ 103,670</b>

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF TUCKER  
MUNICIPALITY OF THOMAS

I, Kimberly Trathen, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 28th day of March, 2023.

*Kimberly Trathen*  
(Signature)  
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Official Title of Recording Officer

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE**

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated April 5, 2005, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, in Document No. 115542, in Book No. 201, at Page 422, Gerri Demoss a/k/a Gerri Long and Michael Long did convey unto Tommy J Dixon, Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust c/o U.S. Bank Trust National Association to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Tucker County Courthouse in Parsons, West Virginia, on April 20, 2023 at 12:00 PM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 01 - Black Fork District, Tucker County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

DEED BOOK 98 PAGE 197  
ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE DISTRICT OF BLACK FORK, COUNTY OF TUCKER AND STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, CONTAINING 5.22 ACRES MORE OR LESS. BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN A DEED VOLUME 98 AND PAGE 197, MAP# 362, PARCEL# 10.6 AND TAX ID# 290.

DEED BOOK 98 PAGE 194  
ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE DISTRICT OF BLACK FORK, COUNTY OF TUCKER AND STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, CONTAINING 0.22 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN A DEED VOLUME 98 AND PAGE 194, MAP# 362, PARCEL# 10, 5 AND TAX# 289. TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO.: 362-10.6. TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO.: 362-10.5

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 156 Slab Camp Rd, Kerens, WV 26276.

The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all 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: \$6000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.

Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.

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Windwood Fly-in Resort, in Canaan Valley, is seeking bids for the 2023 mowing contract. Please email Dawn at mountainprimrosebb.com to request a bid package.

**LEGAL**

The Tucker County E-911 Communications Center will be accepting sealed bids for paving our parking area. On-site inspection can be done by appointment by calling 304-478-2121 or 681-481-2085. The address for this project is 9060 Seneca Trl, Parsons, WV 26287. Sealed bids must be delivered to this location by noon on 5/9/2023.

**LEGAL**

Tucker County E-911 Communications Center will be providing (3) readings of a proposed amendment pursuant to section three-cc, article one, chapter seven (7-1-3cc) of the West Virginia Code. The first reading will be held 5/10/23 at the Tucker County Courthouse at 9:00 a.m. The second reading will be held 5/17/23 at the Tucker County Courthouse at 9:00 a.m. The final reading will be held 5/24/23 at the Tucker County Courthouse at 6:00 p.m.

**ORIGINAL**  
The imposition, pursuant to section three-cc, article one, chapter seven (7-1-3cc) of the West Virginia Code, of a fee of \$1.50 per month per local exchange service line equivalent, except for Tel-Assistance lines, is proposed to finance the projected costs of the enhanced emergency telephone system. Such Fee is proposed to become effective beginning on June 1, 2002.

**AMENDED Changes are underlined.**  
The imposition, pursuant to section three-cc, article one, chapter seven (7-1-3cc) of the West Virginia Code, of a fee of \$2.25 per month per local exchange service line or line equivalent for residential use and \$3.00 per month per local exchange service line or equivalent for business use, except for Tel-Assistance lines, is proposed to finance the projected costs of the Enhanced Emergency Telephone System and Enhanced Emergency Dispatch Equipment. Such Fee is proposed to become effective beginning on July 1, 2023.

**LEGAL**

**Tucker County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
County of: Tucker, West Virginia

In accordance with Code §11-8-10, as amended, the Tucker County Commission proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Estimated Revenues</b>
Fund Balance	\$ 900,000
Property Taxes Current Year	3,175,169
Prior Year Taxes	65,000
Tax Penalties, Interest & Publication Fees	25,000
Dog Taxes	2,500
Property Transfer Tax	85,000
Gas & Oil Severance Tax	20,000
Wine & Liquor Tax	20,000
Hotel Occupancy Tax	1,000,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	40,000
Federal Grants / Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes	275,000
State Grants	30,000
Sheriff's Service of Process	2,000
County Clerk's Earnings	20,000
Circuit Clerk's Earnings	7,000
Accident Reports	400
Motor Vehicle License Fee	1,800
Rents & Concessions	40,000
Special Patrol / Security Systems	1,000
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)	20,000
Regional Jail Operations Partial Reimbursement	6,000
Interest Earned	7,800
Sheriff's Commission	15,000
Gaming Income	40,000
Video Lottery	1,500
Refunds / Reimbursements (External Sources)	500,000
Transfers Assessor's Valuation Fund	149,499
<b>Total Estimated General Fund Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 6,449,668</b>
<b>Coal Severance Tax</b>	<b>Estimated Revenues</b>
Assigned Fund Balance	\$ 43,670
<b>Total Coal Severance</b>	<b>\$ 43,670</b>

**ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES**

<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Coal Severance Tax Fund</b>
County Commission	\$ 350,449	\$ 48,670
County Clerk	318,979	-
Circuit Clerk	193,033	-
Sheriff - Treasurer	297,018	-
Prosecuting Attorney	312,376	-
Assessor	260,640	-
Assessor's Valuation Fund	149,499	-
Statewide Computer Network	17,286	-
Agriculture Agent	114,862	-
Elections - County Clerk	99,583	-
Magistrate Court	10,000	-
Circuit Court	6,000	-
Courthouse	708,828	-
Regional Development Authority	2,563	-
Economic Development	40,574	-
Rehabilitation of Property	40,000	-
Contingencies - Not to Exceed 10% of Budget	300,000	-
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>3,221,690</b>	<b>48,670</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	-	-
Sheriff - Law Enforcement	496,435	-
Sheriff - Service of Process	85,581	-
Regional Jail	150,000	-
Emergency Services	89,701	-
Communication Center	600,768	-
Fire Department	128,000	-
Ambulance Authority	238,000	-
Dog Warden / Humane Society	155,062	-
Community Based Corrections Program	440,339	-
K-9	10,815	-
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>2,394,701</b>	-
<b>HEALTH AND SANITATION</b>	-	-
Local Health Department	35,000	-
<b>TOTAL HEALTH &amp; SANITATION</b>	<b>35,000</b>	-
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>	-	-
Parks & Recreation	120,000	-
4-H Camp	75,000	-
Arts & Humanities	5,000	-
Historical Commission	20,000	-
Visitor's Bureau	500,000	-
Library	24,000	-
Law Library	-	-
Federal Grants	-	-
State Grants	40,000	-
<b>TOTAL CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>744,000</b>	-
<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>	-	-
Assessor	42,000	-
Courthouse	12,277	-
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b>54,277</b>	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 6,449,668</b>	<b>\$ 48,670</b>

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
COUNTY OF TUCKER  
I, SHERRY SIMMONS, CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF SAID COUNTY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ARE TRUE COPIES FROM THE RECORD OF ORDERS MADE AND ENTERED BY SAID COMMISSION ON THE 22nd DAY OF MAY 2023.

*Sherry Simmons*  
(JUL 2023)

**TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
LEVY PAGE  
REGULAR CURRENT EXPENSE LEVY  
2023-2024**

Column E	Certificate of Valuation	Levy	Taxes
	Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Rate/\$100	Levied
<b>Current Year</b>			
Class I			
Personal Property	\$ 0	13.46	\$ 0
Public Utility	0		0
<b>Total Class I</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>		<b>\$ 0</b>
Class II			
Real Estate	\$ 297,764,790	26.92	\$ 801,583
Personal Property	2,215,468		5,964
<b>Total Class II</b>	<b>\$ 299,980,258</b>		<b>\$ 807,547</b>
Class III			
Real Estate	\$ 224,187,150	53.84	\$ 1,207,024
Personal Property	129,163,768		695,418
Public Utility	59,066,094		318,012
<b>Total Class III</b>	<b>\$ 412,417,012</b>		<b>\$ 2,220,454</b>
Class IV			
Real Estate	\$ 47,035,850	53.84	\$ 253,241
Personal Property	25,247,068		135,930
Public Utility	8,405,967		45,258
<b>Total Class IV</b>	<b>\$ 80,688,885</b>		<b>\$ 434,429</b>
<b>Total Value &amp; Projected Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 793,086,155</b>		<b>\$ 3,462,430</b>
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes	5.00%		173,122
Less Tax Discounts	2.00%		65,786
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing - see worksheet (Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)			
<b>Total Projected Property Tax Collection</b>			<b>3,223,522</b>
Less Assessor Valuation Fund	1.50%		48,353
(Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)			
<b>Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes</b>			
For Budget Purposes			
(Transfer amount to Worksheet GCRV - Account N. 301-01)			<b>\$ 3,175,169</b>

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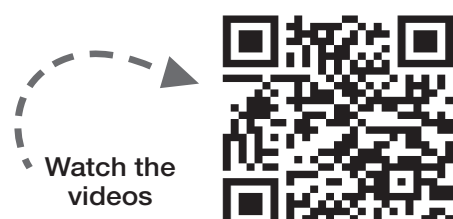
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## Mt. Lions Baseball fall to Petersburg, win at Preston

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

PETERSBURG – The Tucker County Baseball team traveled to Petersburg on Monday April 3rd. The Mt. Lions struggled to score as Petersburg got the win 10-0. The Vikings scored 2 runs in the 1st inning to take a 2-0 lead. Petersburg then scored 1 run in the 3rd, 1 run in the 4th inning to push the Vikings lead to 4-0 after 4 innings. Petersburg added 3 runs in the 5th inning and 3 runs in the 6th inning to give the Vikings the win over Tucker County 10-0. The Vikings outthit the Mt. Lions 5-2. Tucker County was led by Mason Kisamore and Xander Lambert at the plate with 1 hit each. Justin Robeson started on the mound for Tucker County.

PARSONS – The Mt. Lions hosted Moorefield on Wednesday April 5th. The game was tied 3-3 after 4 innings until Moorefield scored 2 runs in the 5th to give the Yellowjackets the win 5-3.

Tucker County scored first as they collected 2 runs in the 1st inning to lead 2-0 after 1. Moorefield then answered back with 3 runs in the 2nd inning to make the score 3-2 Moorefield after 2 innings. The Mt. Lions would then tie the game at 3-3 with 1 run in the 4th inning. The visiting Yellowjackets then got the lead for good in the 5th inning with 2 runs to make the score 5-3 Moorefield. Tucker County



Tucker County's Mason Kisamore delivers a pitch in a recent game. Photo by Dave Helmick.

could not answer and the game ended with the final score 5-3 Moorefield.

Mason Kisamore, Sam Marks and Maddox Anderson collected 2 hits each while Justin Robeson, Reaid Kisamore and Blaike Adams added 1 hit each for Tucker County in the loss. Ethan Rosenau got the start on the mound for the Mt. Lions, while Nate Ricottilli entered the game in relief.

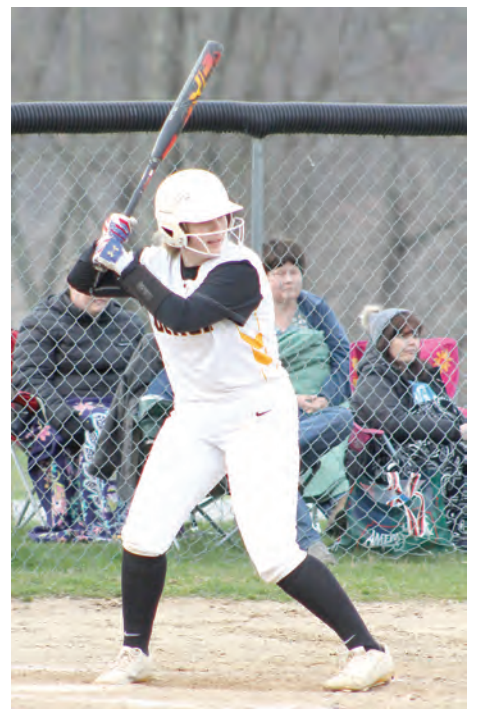
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See **BASEBALL** page 10

## Tucker County Softball has busy 8 game week

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

HUTTONSVILLE – The Lady Mt. Lions Softball team traveled to Tygarts Valley for a doubleheader on Monday April 3rd. In the first game Tucker County took the game with the score of 26-1. A 5 run 1st inning, 14 run 2nd inning and a 7 run 3rd inning ended the game early for the Lady Mt. Lions. Tucker County had 12 hits in Game 1. Corrinia Lipscomb led Tucker County at the plate with a Homerun and a double. Addie Hicks had a triple for the Lady Mt. Lions while Makenna Evans, Kate Simmons, Paige Shaffer and Ava Shaffer added 1 double each for Tucker County. Brianna Gooden, Bella Loucks, Carlee Nicholas also collected hits in the game. Paige Shaffer was the winning pitcher for Tucker County, while Corrinia Lipscomb entered the game in relief.

In Game 2 Tucker County picked up where they left off as they started quick to get the win in 3 innings 23-4. The Lady Mt. Lions scored 16 runs in the 1st inning and 7 runs in the 2nd inning to put the game out of reach. The Lady Bulldogs got 4 runs in the 3rd inning but that was not enough to extend the game. Ava Shaffer started the game on the mound for Tucker County and collected the win. Brianna Gooden entered the game in relief. Ava Shaffer, Paige Shaffer, Katie



The Lady Mt. Lions player Autumn Russell waits on a pitch in a recent game. Photo by Dave Helmick.

Hicks, Addie Hicks and Brianna Gooden all had 1 triple behind the plate for the Lady Mt. Lions. Corrinia Lipscomb, Paige Shaffer, Kate Simmons and Rachel Felton added 1 double each for Tucker County. Raven Matthews, Gooden, Simmons and Autumn  
See **SOFTBALL** page 10

## Mt. Lions Track Team Runs at Keyser and Preston

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

KEYSER – The Tucker County Girls' and Boys' Track Teams traveled to Keyser on Tuesday April 4th. The Lady Mt. Lions ended the night with a 3rd place finish as a team. The Boys' team finished in 5th place on the night. Tucker County results from Keyser.

**Girls Results** – 200m: 4th-Addi Moats(31.47). 400m: 3rd-Katie Hicks(1:07.64), 8th-Gabby Gross(1:15.37). 800m: 2nd-Katie Hicks(2:41.56). 1600m: 1st-Hannah Hardy(6:30.45). 3200m: 1st-Erin Chambers(13:24.20). 100m Hurdles: 13th-Hannah Cussins(21.18). 300m Hurdles: 4th-Hannah Cussins(59.47). 4x100m Relay: 4th-G.Gross, L.Callaway, Hardy, M.Callaway(1:01.17). 4x200m Relay: 4th-G.Gross, M.Callaway, H.Cussins, E.Chambers(2:09.68). 4x400m Relay: 2nd-K. Hicks, A.Moats, M.Callaway, E.Chambers(4:49.40). 4x800m Relay: 1st-E.Chambers, H.Hardy, K.Hicks, A.Moats(11:22.38). Shuttle Hurdles: 4th-A.Moats, H.Cussins, L.Callaway, M.Callaway(1:22.48). Shot Put: 15th-Kristen Ritchey(22'03"). Discus Throw: 13th-Kristen Ritchey(60'11"), 15th-Mayah Gross(60'06"). Final Team Scores: 1)Keyser(151), 2)East Hardy(78), 3)Tucker County(72), 4)Petersburg(63), 5)Pocahontas County(58), 6)Paw Paw(32), 7)Union(27), 8th-Lighthouse Christian Academy(10).

**Boys Results** – 100m: 3rd-Reid Kisamore(12.08), 18th-Braxton George(13.53), 27th-Hunter Ware(14.64). 200m:

3rd-Nate Ricottilli(24.94), 25th-Braxton George(28.71), 31st-Hunter Ware(30.64). 400m: 3rd-Nate Ricottilli(54.97), 16th-Ryan Scott(1:04.07), 21st-Braxton George(1:09.34). 1600m: 8th-Alex Boyles(5:30.01), 11th-Lynk Suesli(5:58.59). 3200m: 1st-Cameron Judy(11:41.44), 6th-Lynk Suesli(12:27.09). 110m Hurdles: 6th-Allan Boyles(24.35). 300m Hurdles: 7th-Allan Boyles(50.82). 4x100m Relay: 6th-R.Kisamore, D.Mullenax, G.Mullenax, H.Smith(54.77). 4x200m Relay: 4th-G.Mullenax, D.Mullenax, R.Kisamore, H.Smith(1:48.58). 4x400m Relay: 3rd-R.Kisamore, N.Ricottilli, R.Scott, A.Boyles(4:10.07). 4x800m Relay: 3rd-Allan Boyles, Alex Boyles, R.Scott, N. Ricottilli(10:06.95). Shuttle Hurdles: 4th-D.Mullenax, Alex Boyles, Allan Boyles, H.Smith(1:17.98). Long Jump: 9th-Braxton George(14'02"). Shot Put: 13th-Gavin Mullenax(35'08"), 27th-Hunter Ware(25'09"). Discus Throw: 7th-Hayden Smith(107'04"), 8th-Dom Mullenax(107'00"), 10th-Gavin Mullenax(103'02"), 21st-Hunter Ware(79'01"). Final Team Results: 1)Keyser(236), 2)East Hardy(83), 3) Pocahontas County(80), 4) Paw Paw(55), 5)Philip Barbour(51), 6)Petersburg(32), 7)

Union(4).

KINGWOOD – The Mt. Lions Track Teams traveled to Preston on Thursday April 6th for the Annual Charlie Pritt Classic. The Tucker County Girls' and Boys' Track teams placed 9th overall as a team in the meet. Tucker County results from Charlie Pritt event.

**Boys Results** – 100m: 13th-Reid Kisamore(12.23), 46th-Dom Mullenax(13.56), 47th-Braxton George(13.75). 200m: 42nd-Braxton George(29.48), 45th-Hunter Ware(31.08). 400m: 5th-Nate Ricottilli(55.13), 48th-Ryan Scott(1:06.02), 52nd-Braxton George(1:09.36). 800m: 44th-Ryan Scott(2:42.65), 45th-Lynk Suesli(2:46.35). 1600m: 28th-Alex Boyles(5:38.72), 31st-Lynk Suesli(6:07.88). 3200m: 8th-Cameron Judy(11:19.30), 11th-Alex Boyles(12:11.62), 12th-Lynk Suesli(12:19.29). 110m Hurdles: 10th-Allan Boyles(20.68). 300m Hurdles: 9th-Allan Boyles(51.37). 4x100m Relay: 8th-A. Boyles, D.Mullenax, R.Kisamore, H.Smith(53.16). 4x200m Relay: 6th-C.Judy, D.Mullenax, N.Ricottilli, R.Kisamore(1:47.37). 4x400m Relay: 7th-A.Boyles, R.Kisamore, N.Ricottilli, R.Scott(4:16.14). 4x800m  
See **TRACK** page 10

## Tucker Valley Track Update

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

BUCKHANNON – The Tucker Valley Middle School Track teams traveled to Buckhannon on Friday April 7th. The Wildcats placed 3rd and the Lady Wildcats finished 10th in the 11 team meet.

**Girls Results:**  
100m: 28th-Rachel Hile(15.79), 32nd-Peyton Hicks(16.11). 200m: 25th-Madelynn Helmick(35.80). 400m: 4th-Lela Wright(1:11.36). 800m: 19th-Rachel Cummings(3:21.26). 1600m: 18th-Rachel Cummings(7:04.68). 100m Hurdles: 2nd-Lela Wright(18.84), 14th-Madelynn Helmick(21.19), 16th-Peyton Hicks(21.69), 24th-Rachel Hile(22.63). 200m Hurdles: 17th-Peyton Hicks(39.13), 24th-Madelynn Helmick(42.97). Shuttle Hurdles: 4th-M.Helmick, L.Wright, P.Hicks, R.Hile(49.21). High Jump: 6th-Lela Wright(4'0"). Shot Put: 21st-Mary Phillips(21'04"), 25th-Shilah Jones(20'03"). Discus: 20th-Mary Phillips(38'10.50"), 21st-Shilah Jones(37'10.25").

**Boys Results:**  
100m: 4th-Oliver Archuleta(13.03), 34th-Elliot Tompkins(17.44). 200m: 2nd-Luke Barb(24.59), 5th-Oliver Archuleta(27.45), 22nd-Jonathan

Tuttle(34.97). 400m: 2nd-Luke Barb(56.88), 3rd-Oliver Archuleta(1:01.62). 800m: 9th-Landon Wilfong(2:50.43), 19th-William Gilligan(3:11.33), 22nd-Zane Carr(3:29.36), 24th-Hunter Grafton(3:49.53). 1600m: 4th-Landon Wilfong(6:05.55), 11th-William Gilligan(6:41.63), 16th-Zane Carr(7:06.54), 19th-Hunter Grafton(8:15.07). 3200m: 5th-William Gilligan(12:50.96). 100m Hurdles: 3rd-Liam Davis(18.80), 4th-Logan Kopac(19.83), 5th-Aaron Tompkins(19.86). 200m Hurdles: 3rd-Aaron Tompkins(33.22), 7th-

Logan Kopec(34.39). 4x400m Relay: 3rd-O.Archuleta, L.Kopec, A.Tompkins, L.Davis(4:33.65). Shuttle Hurdles: 1st-L.Barb, L.Davis, L.Kopec, A.Tompkins(42.92). High Jump: 1st-Luke Barb(5'04"). Long Jump: 6th-Liam Davis(13'10"). Shot Put: 11th-Jonathan Tuttle(25'05"), 13th-Elliot Thompkins(24'02"). Discus: 11th-Jonathan Tuttle(65'02.75"), 16th-Elliot Tompkins(49'04.5").

The Tucker Valley Track team will return to action tonight Wednesday April 12th at the Mon County Meet at 4pm. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

## Tucker Valley Softball gets win over Tygarts Valley 13-8

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

CAMP KIDD – The Lady Wildcats Softball team hosted Tygarts Valley on Tuesday April 4th. Tucker Valley outscored the Lady Bulldogs in the 1st inning 6-2. The Lady Wildcats then scored 3 runs in the 2nd inning, 1 run in the 3rd inning and 3 runs in the 4th inning to make the score 13-4 after 4 innings. Tygarts Valley added 4 runs but they did not get any closer

as Tucker Valley picked up the win by the final score of 13-8.

Peyton Hicks led Tucker Valley with a double and Madi Carr added 1 hit for the Lady Wildcats. Hicks was on the mound for Tucker Valley as she went the complete game as she struck out 12 batters in the win.

Tucker Valley will return to action on Wednesday April 19th at home against Bruceton at 6pm. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.com.

**AREA SCHEDULE:**

**Wednesday April 12th**

- Tucker Valley Track @ Mon County Meet 4pm

**Thursday April 13th**

- Tucker County Softball @ Moorefield 6pm
- Tucker Valley Baseball vs Buckhannon @ Home 6pm
- Davis-Thomas Track @ Preston 4pm

**Friday April 14th**

- Tucker County Softball vs Gilmer County @ Home 5pm
- Tucker County Track @ Elkins 4pm
- Tucker Valley Baseball vs Doddridge County @ Home 6pm

**Saturday April 15th**

- Tucker County Softball @ Pocahontas County(DH) 12pm/2pm
- Tucker County Baseball @ Pocahontas County 12pm

**Monday April 17th**

- Tucker County Softball @ Petersburg 6:30pm
- Tucker Valley Baseball @ Philippi 6pm

**Tuesday April 18th**

- Tucker County Softball vs Preston(DH) @ Home 5pm/7pm
- Tucker County Baseball @ Philip Barbour 6pm
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## Softball

Russell had 3 hits each in the game.

**CAMP KIDD** – The Tucker County Softball team hosted Pendleton County for a doubleheader on Wednesday April 5th. In Game 1 the Lady Mt. Lions pulled away late with 7 unanswered runs to win the game 14-6. Pendleton County started the game with 3 runs in the 1st inning and Tucker County answered to make it 3-1 after 1 inning. The Lady Mt. Lions then added 4 runs in the 2nd inning to give Tucker County a 5-3 after 2 innings. The 3rd inning had 3 runs from the visiting Wildcats and 2 runs by Tucker County to make it 7-6 Tucker after 3 innings. The rest of the game belonged to the Lady Mt. Lions as they scored 3 runs in the 4th inning and 4 runs in the 5th inning to give Tucker County the win by the score of 14-6.

Autumn Russell, Ava Shaffer and Paige Shaffer led Tucker County with 1 double each. Raven Matthews, Brianna Gooden, Kate Simmons and Addie Hicks had 1 hit each for the Lady Mt. Lions in the Game 1 win. Ava Shaffer got the win on the mound for Tucker County as she went the whole game.

In Game 2 the weather rolled in and was delayed and stopped after 2 ½ innings with the score 4-3 Tucker County. Pendleton County scored 2 runs in the 1st inning and the Lady Mt. Lions answered with 4 runs in the bottom of the 1st inning. Pendleton County added 1 run in the 2nd inning to make the score 4-3 Tucker County. Raven Matthews had a double for the Lady Mt. Lions while Autumn Russell and Kate Simmons added 1 hit each. Paige Shaffer started Game 2 for Tucker County.

**CLARKSBURG** – The Lady Mt. Lions traveled to the RCB Tournament for 2 games on Friday April 7th. Tucker County faced off in the first game against Oak Glen. The Lady Mt. Lions fell in the contest 9-1. Oak Glen got off to a good start as they scored 2 runs in the 1st inning. Tucker County fought back in the 3rd inning with 1 run to make it 2-1 Oak Glen after 3 innings. Oak Glen then exploded for 5 runs in the 4th inning and 2 runs in the 5th inning to end the game with the score of 9-1 Oak Glen.

The Lady Mt. Lions managed 4 hits in the game as Ava Shaffer had a double while Katie Hicks, Autumn Russell and Corrinia Lipscomb each had a single in the loss. Paige Shaffer took the loss in the mound for Tucker County.

In the second game of the day Tucker County faced off against Musselman. A late rally by the Lady Mt. Lions fell short as Musselman won 8-7. Musselman scored 1 run in the 1st and 3 runs in the 2nd, while Tucker County scored 1 run in the 2nd inning to give Musselman the 4-1 lead after 2 innings. Musselman then added 2 runs in the 5th inning to make the score 6-1 after 5 innings. The Lady Mt. Lions then fought back with 6 runs in the top of the 6th inning to give Tucker County the 7-6 lead half-way through the 6th inning. Musselman then answered back with 2 runs in the bottom of the 6th to put the score to 8-7 after 6 innings. Tucker County was unable to score in the top of the 7th inning and Musselman got the win 8-7.

Tucker County had 9 hits in the game as Katie Hicks and Rachel Felton had 1 triple each and Raven

Matthews added 1 double. Corrinia Lipscomb, Kate Simmons, Ava Shaffer, Matthews, Katie Hicks and Addie Hicks each had a single for the Lady Mt. Lions. Ava Shaffer got the loss for Tucker County on the mound.

**CLARKSBURG** – Tucker County played 2 games at RCB on Saturday April 8th. The Lady Mt. Lions played Washington in the first game and fell in the contest 16-0. Tucker County gave up 2 runs in the 1st inning, 1 run in the 2nd inning, 3 runs in the 3rd inning to make the score 6-0 after 3 innings. Washington then added 6 runs in the 4th inning and then 4 runs in the 5th inning to end the game with the score of 16-0 Washington. Tucker County managed just 1 hit in the game by Paige Shaffer in the 2nd inning. Paige Shaffer suffered the loss for the Lady Mt. Lions on the mound.

Tucker County played host RCB in the last game of the weekend. The Lady Mt. Lions outlasted the Lady Eagles in a pitching duel 2-1. Ava Shaffer got the complete game win on the mound for Tucker County as she allowed just 1 run and struck out 11 batters, while allowing just 4 hits. RCB got on the scoreboard first in the 3rd inning with 1 run. The Lady Mt. Lions then got on the scoreboard with 2 runs in the 6th inning to give Tucker County then 2-1 victory over RCB.

Paige Shaffer led Tucker County with 2 singles followed by Ava Shaffer and Corrinia Lipscomb with 1 hit each.

Tucker County(6-4) will return to action Friday April 14th at home against Gilmer County at 5pm. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.com.

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## Springtime Allegheny Highlands Trail Cleanup

A spring cleanup event is planned on the Allegheny Highlands Trail on Saturday, April 15 at 9am.

Hosted by the Highlands Trail Foundation, the Springtime Allegheny Highlands Trail Clean Up will help make the trail more enjoyable for running, walking, and biking this spring and summer.

“The Allegheny Highlands Trail is one of the most important assets we have in Randolph County,” said Anne Beardslee, the Executive Director of the Elkins-Randolph County Tourism CVB and Welcome Center. “Not only is it the perfect place to bike, hike, cross-country ski, and run, it attracts both residents and tourists all four seasons of the year. The maintenance of the trail is essential and volunteers are the only way to accomplish this cleanup project and provide a trail that is attractive for visitors.”

Groups and individuals are invited to participate in the cleanup event. Supplies, including bags, gloves, and “pickers,” will be provided.

For Randolph County volunteers, supplies will be available at the Elkins Depot Welcome Center from 9am to 10am on April 15. The Elkins Welcome Depot Center is located in downtown Elkins at 315 Railroad Avenue.

Tucker County volunteers can pick up supplies at Mill Race Park on April 15 from 9am to 10am.

To sign up or request more information, please message the HTF Facebook Page at facebook.com/HighlandsTrailFoundation or email AFNHA AmeriCorps member, Maddy Fleming, at madalainef@gmail.com.

To prevent duplication, volunteers will be assigned a section of the trail. Sections are typically 1 to 2 miles long. Volunteers are welcome to take more than one section if they wish but are encouraged to only work on their assigned section(s).

Litter and smaller debris can be placed in the provided orange bags and left along the trail for pick up. Larger items such as tires can be placed alongside the bags. Much of the trash is in the trail’s ditch line which can be very mucky. Volunteers are encouraged to wear old clothes and shoes, preferably boots. Volunteers should also bring their own snacks/lunch and water.

A form will be provided with the supplies for volunteers to report the number of bags filled, hours worked, and participants. The information will be compiled and reported to the Adopt A Highway program.

The Highlands Trail Foundation is grateful for the support of the West Virginia Division of Highways’ Adopt A Highway program. We would also like to thank the AFNHA AmeriCorps program, and member Maddy Fleming, for helping organize this event and providing additional volunteers.

Find us on Facebook or visit www.highlandstrailwv.org for more information on Highlands Trail Foundation events and activities or to become a member.

## Baseball

eled to Preston on Friday April 7th for a single game against the Knights. The Mt. Lions collected 13 hits in the game to give them a 13-6 victory over Preston.

Preston scored 1 run in the 1st inning to lead 1-0 after 1. Tucker County then exploded for 2 runs in the 2nd inning, 5 runs in the 3rd inning and 4 runs in the 4th inning. Preston answered back with 2 runs in the bottom of the 4th to make the score 11-3 Tucker County after 4 innings. The Knights would score 1 run in the 5th and 2 runs in the 6th inning, but that would not be enough as the Mt. Lions added 1 run in the 6th and 1 run in the 7th to give Tucker County the win by the final score of 13-6.

The Mt. Lions was led in batting by Mason Kisamore and Nate Ricottilli with 3 hits each including

1 double for each of them. Justin Robeson had 2 hits while Maddox Anderson, Ethan Rosenau, Reid Kisamore, Sam Marks and Blaike Adams had 1 hit each in the win for Tucker County. Reece Poling started the game on the mound for the Mt. Lions.

**GLENNVILLE** – The Mt. Lions traveled to Gilmer County for 2 game on Saturday April 8th. In the first game Tucker County faced off against Liberty. The Mt. Lions managed just 2 hits in the contest as they fell by the score of 11-1.

Tucker County would tie the score at 1-1 in the 2nd inning, but then Liberty pulled away. The Mountaineers would score 4 runs in the 3rd inning and 6 runs in the 6th inning to make up the difference as Liberty won the game 11-1. Mason Kisamore got

the start for Tucker County on the mound and lasted 4 innings. Mason Kisamore and Maddox Anderson had 1 hit each for the Mt. Lions in the loss.

In the second game of the day Tucker County played host Gilmer County. The Mt. Lions outthit the Titans 10-9 but Tucker fell in the contest 8-6. The game was tied at 1-1 in the 1st inning and then tied at 5-5 in the 4th inning. Gilmer County then added 1 run in the 5th inning and 2 runs in the 6th inning to give the Titans a 8-5 lead after 6 innings. Tucker County got 1 run in the 7th inning, but they could not get any closer as they fell in the game by the final score of 8-6.

Mason Kisamore led Tucker County at the plate with 1 triple, 1 double and 1 single and Maddox Anderson added 1 double. Xander Lambert had 2 singles

while Sam Marks, Blaike Adams, Ethan Rosenau and Justin Robeson had 1 hit each. Ethan Rosenau got the start for the Mt. Lions on the mound.

Tucker County(2-8) will return to action on Saturday April 15th at Pocahontas County at 12pm. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.com.

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## Track

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**Relay:** 5th-Allan Boyles, Alex Boyles, C.Judy, N. Ricottilli(10:40.66).

**Long Jump:** 21st-Braxton George(13’10.25”), 24th-Hayden Smith(13’01.75”).

**Shot Put:** 11th-Gavin Mullenax(34’08.25”), 12th-Hayden Smith(34’06”), 27th-Hunter Ware(27’03.25”).

**Discus Throw:** 11th-Hayden Smith(93’05”), 13th-Gavin Mullenax(91’08”), 23rd-Hunter Ware(72’06”).

**Final Team Results:** 1) Morgantown(140), 2) University(111), 3) Trinity(75), 4)Mountain Ridge(69), 5)Northern Garrett(53), 6)Preston(36), 7) Southern Garrett(19), 8) Petersburg(16), 9)Tucker County(5).

**Girls Results – 200m:**

15th-Addi Moats(30.85).

**400m:** 10th-Katie Hicks(1:07.71), 26th-Gabby Gross(1:17.10).

**800m:** 15th-Katie Hicks(2:47.99), 24th-Hannah Hardy(2:58.43), 26th-Gabby Gross(3:01.23).

**1600m:** 12th-Hannah Hardy(6:20.20).

**3200m:** 4th-Erin Chambers(12:45.40).

**100m Hurdles:** 14th-Hannah Cussins(20.82).

**300m Hurdles:** 10th-Hannah Cussins(58.69).

**4x100m Relay:** 7th-L.Callaway, M.Callaway, G.Gross, H.Hardy(1:02.00).

**4x200m Relay:** 7th-G.Gross, M.Callaway, H.Cussins, E.Chambers(2:10.23).

**4x400m Relay:** 7th-K.Hicks, A.Moats, M.Callaway, E.Chambers(4:47.92).

**4x800m Relay:** 4th-E.Chambers, H.Hardy, K.Hicks, A.Moats(11:26.41).

**Shuttle Hurdles:** 5th-A.Moats, L.Callaway, M.Callaway,



Tucker County’s Dom Mullenax competes at a recent Track Meet. Photo by Robin Hardy.

H.Cussins, A.Moats(1:20.80).

**Shot Put:** 19th-Kristen Ritchey(22’01”).

**Discus Throw:** 10th-Mayah Gross(71’03”), 12th-Kristen Ritchey(66’00”).

**Final Team Scores:** 1)Morgantown(186.50), 2)University(100), 3)Preston(73), 4) Mountain Ridge(67), 5)Petersburg(30), 6)Trinity(29.50), 7)Northern Garrett(16), 8)Southern Garrett(14), 9)Tucker County(10).

The Tucker County Track team will return to action on Friday April 14th at Elkins High School. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

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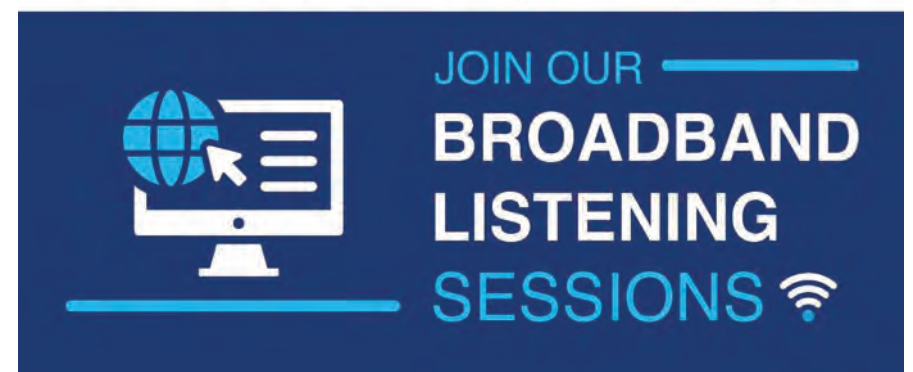
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Region VII is hosting a listening session for Tucker County on Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm at the Canaan Valley Resort & Conference Center (Canaan Valley Main Lodge Road, Davis, WV 26260) to gather your input. Light refreshments will be provided.

Feedback from listening sessions will be shared with state officials and used to outline plans for future broadband deployment across the State of WV.

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