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## Simmons, Falls Address Tucker County Commission; Levy Rate Approved



Michael Simmons updates the Commissioners on the latest developments with Tucker County 911.

By: Lydia Crawley  
The Parsons Advocate

“Right now, as a team we call it with every organization, I’m pretty pleased with it,” Tucker County Commissioner Fred Davis said at the regular meeting of the Tucker County Commission.

Michael Simmons and Bailey Falls updated Tucker County Commissioners at the regular scheduled meeting Wednesday, April 27 at 4 p.m. at the Tucker County Courthouse Court Room.

Simmons, Interim Director of Tucker County 911 provided



Bailey Falls updates the Tucker County Commissioners about the status of the Tucker County Animal Shelter at the Wednesday, April 26th session.

an update on the latest developments within his department. “So far for this month, the first of April through today, the 911 Center has taken a total of 988 calls,” Simmons said. “87 of those required EMS to respond, 124 of them were for law.”

Simmons also informed the Commission of an upcoming project to replace/update the door intercom system. “That’s required by law with us being a secure facility, to have not only a camera that sees there, but also a way to communicate,” Simmons said. “It’s a push button intercom system and it

will interact with the dispatchers inside. They will have not only a phone, but they can open the door with the computers.”

Simmons said the new system would improve employee safety after dark. “If someone comes to the door in the middle of the night with a black hood on and they’re standing at the door ringing the bell to get in, we have the ability to talk to them and not jeopardize ourselves or any of the sensitive data in there,” Simmons said.

Commissioner Rosenau asked when the existing system was installed. Simmons informed the Commission

that the existing system was installed during construction of the 911 Center. “That’s the original system that was put in when the 911 Center was built,” Simmons said. “So we are updating a system that has never been updated,” Rosenau said.

Bailey Falls, Director of Animal Shelter, updated the Commission on the shelters recent Rabies Clinic and funding for a new facility. “We had a bigger turn out then we ever had before,” Falls said.

She informed the Commission that the event vaccinated 263 pets and provided 79 microchips. “We planned for a three-hour bubble between the events,” Falls said. “It was supposed to run from 9 to 11 a.m. at Parsons, then 2 to 4 p.m. at Thomas. We finished at 1:30 p.m. in Parsons.” The event was staffed by 17 volunteers between the two locations.

“This is also the first year that we did everything from our internal software system,” Falls said. “We had a crash training course...to print out the official certificates and we have copies of everything and

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## New Hire for 911 Center, Road Renamed, Improvements Addressed By Commissioners



By: Lydia Crawley  
The Parsons Advocate

The 911 Center gained a part-time employee, a rural Hendricks road has a new name, and the county maintenance vehicles will gain a carport during the Tucker County Commission’s meeting.

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## St George Clinic Pharmacy Hosts Open House



By: Lydia Crawley  
The Parsons Advocate

St. George Clinic Pharmacy celebrated two years recently at their Parsons location. Staff braved the windy conditions to man a tent with free food in order to thank the community for their

support. The pharmacy was also giving away items as part of the festivities. “We’re excited to be able to thank the public for their support over the past two years,” Amanda Smith, Pharmacy Director said. “We’ve been busy since opening and are growing every day.”



Paul Wamsley, Executive Director, was also on hand for the event. “Celebrations had been

delayed the past couple of years due to COVID,” Wamsley said. “We just want to give back to the

community for all their support.” According to Smith, the phar-

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## Champions For Children Recognizes 2023 Award Winners

By: Lydia Crawley  
The Parsons Advocate

The Randolph-Tucker Children’s Advocacy Center hosted its annual awards banquet at the Elk’s Lodge in Elkins. The organization was celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year. Board Member Raymond Godwin gave the opening remarks and announced the award winners. Music for the event was provided by the duo Wish Awake.

Executive Director Margot Evick acknowledged those in attendance that had made the event and the organization’s goals possible. The banquet honored four previous Executive Directors: Iestyn Bright, Melody Himes, Sharon Bedford, and Lydia Johnson Grady. “This is our 20<sup>th</sup> year,” Evick said. “...The CAC you see today was built from the foundations laid well before me. I, along with the Board of Directors, would like to acknowledge the previous Executive



Representative from the Tucker County Family Resource Network, April Miller and Angie Davis, accept the Community Partnership Award at the 2023 Champions for Children Awards Banquet.

Directors.” Tucker County Family Resource Network was the recipient of the Community Partner Award. The Community Partner Award is awarded to an organization or individual that partners or collaborates with the CAC to assist in their response to the abuse of children. The Tucker County Family Resource Network is a nonprofit founded in 1995 and provide local resource coordination. “These col-

laborations, resources, or personnel that strengthen our response to abuse and neglected children,” Godwin said. “That being said, it is no surprise that the Tucker County Resource Network is nominated for this award...The FRN does so much for children in our community.”

The Professional Award was awarded to Rob Huffman. The award is based on professionalism, accuracy in care and integrity. “There

are countless times that he went above and beyond,” Godwin said. “He is one of a kind in the world of Social Workers.”

The evening concluded with the live auction of donated items.

The Randolph-Tucker Children’s Advocacy Center was founded in 2003 as an organization that brings together child protection workers, treatment professions and criminal justice workers to investigate and hold accountable child offenders in Tucker and Randolph Counties.

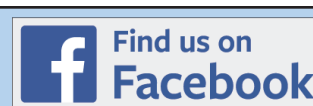
The CAC facilitates partners collaborate response, arranges family visits including support services such as transportation, conducts forensic interviews, provides family advocacy and crisis intervention services and ensures appropriate medical treatment. The CAC provides services free of charge to every client and has served over 100 children since their inception.



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# News of Record

## The following criminal complaints have been filed in the Tucker County Magistrate office:

- **Clayton K. Mallow**, of Dry Fork, was charged with one felony count of Unauthorized Use of a Controlled Access Device. According to the complaint on Oct. 21, 2022 Sgt. V. Pyles was contacted by a female regarding a fraudulent charge located on her Mountain Valley Bank statement. She was alerted to the possible fraudulent charges by her daughter. The records show that on Oct. 17, 2022 an individual attempted to transfer \$10,541.44 from her bank account to an Apple Card (Goldman Sachs Bank). Through the information provided by the victim, Pyles was able to gain the holder's identity with a search warrant to Goldman Sachs Bank. He discovered that Daniel Mallow was the name that appeared on the account. There was no cell phone or email for the individual. The phone number associated to the Apple Card is that of Clayton Mallow who resides with Daniel Mallow at the same address. Daniel Mallow denied ever having an Apple Card.
- Further investigation revealed the defendant is employed in Parsons at Nationwide Insurance. The victim has Nationwide insurance and will go to the location in person to pay her premium monthly by **CHECK**. A check will contain enough information for an individual to attempt an electronic transfer of funds "EFT" or will show as "ACH" on banking records. The Apple Card had the victim's banking information attached as a payment method. A notice was sent to the defendant stating that the account had been removed as a payment method due to the unsuccessful transaction. The transaction was denied due to the amount and lack of funds. It is alleged that the defendant had access to the victim's personal information and used the same to attempt a large money transfer "ACH" commonly known as "EFT" on one occasion which is unauthorized use of a control access device.
- **Christopher Lee Cunningham**, of Winchester, VA, was charged with one count Driving Revoked for DUI. The complaint states that on April 7, 2023 Deputy B.M. Gidley responded to a motor vehicle accident on US219 around 4362 Seneca Trail. Once he arrived on scene, Trooper C. Hawkins was on scene obtaining vehicle information and driver information. Hawkins radioed Tucker Communication for the driver's information. 911 responded and advised that the defendant's driver's status was revoked for DUI 2<sup>nd</sup> through Virginia effective date May 5, 2021. The defendant was with EMS getting medically cleared. After he was medically cleared Gidley asked if he knew his license was revoked for DUI. The defendant advised he knew it was at a point and did classes to get them back. Gidley advised him that his license was still revoked for DUI through

Virginia so he was still going to be placed into custody for driving revoked for DUI in West Virginia. The defendant was transported to WVSP Parsons Detachment for processing.

- **Jordan Douglas Brown**, of Parsons, was charged with one count of Domestic Battery. According to the complaint Patrolman First Class N.C. Gidley received a call from Tucker County 911 regarding a domestic disturbance at BFS, located at 200 First St. in parsons. Tucker 911 advised that an employee with BFS called in and stated that a female came into the store fighting with a male subject and was bleeding.
- Tucker 911 also advised the WVSP Trooper Hawkins was en-route as well from the Elkins area and had requested for PFC. Gidley to be contacted to respond. Gidley had Tucker 911 contact EMS and have them respond due to the female bleeding and not knowing the extent of the injuries. Gidley arrived on scene and spoke with the BFS employee who in summary stated that the woman had come running into the store screaming and was being chased by a male subject. He stated that he would not let the male subject come into the store and he left walking in the direction of Chestnut St. The employee saw that the female was bleeding and called EMS.
- Gidley made contact with the victim who stated that she had gotten into a verbal argument with Jordan Brown which then turned physical when she attempted to take some medicine for a headache. She stated that Brown allegedly took the bottle of medicine and threw it across the room. When she attempted to pick up the medicine He slapped the bottle out of her hand. She stated that she then attempted to untangle a cord when he grabbed the cord and hit her with it, which left a mark on her leg. She said that Brown allegedly grabbed hold of her which resulted in her shirt being torn. She said that she then left the apartment and ran to BFS. This altercation occurred at the Tucker Manor.
- Gidley observed a red mark on the left leg of the victim as well as red marks on her wrists and arms and a tear on the left shoulder of her shirt. He also observed that the victim was bleeding from her foot, which she stated happened when she was running from Brown. The victim did not wish to be checked by EMS and Tucker 911 was informed to cancel their response. Hawkins arrived shortly after and obtained a written statement from the victim and made contact with Tucker 911 in regards to contacting Women's Aid in Crisis.
- After the Women's Aid in Crisis worker arrived on scene Gidley and Hawkins proceeded to Tucker Manor and made contact with Brown who stated that the altercation was about her attempting suicide with a knife and possibly pills. Brown state he did grab hold of her wrists in order to keep her from using the knife but

denied any additional physical contact with the victim. Brown was then placed under arrest for domestic battery. He was then transported to the WVSP Barracks for processing by Gidley and transported to TVRJ by Trooper Hawkins.

- All the above incidents occurred in Tucker County and all individuals are presumed innocent until proven otherwise in a court of law.

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

- John M. McMillan and Kelsey D. Waybright /AKA/ Kelsey D McMillan, Dry Fork District, Unit 1234 Building 2 Beech Lodge Beaver Ridge Resort Condo to Kelsey D. Waybright, \$0.
- Michael Anthony Vitagliano and Tamera Andrea Vitagliano, Dry Fork District, Lot 55 Section C Black Bear Woods Resort to Ryan McCarthy and Thea McCarthy, \$265,000.
- Virgie L. Hutchison, Clover District, mineral rights part Barbour County to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$1,700.
- 4 D and E LLC, Dry Fork District, Lot 75 Northface Section Timberline Four Seasons Resort .210 acres more or less to James W. Jenkins Marital Trust, \$725,000.
- Wade E. Zirk, Fairfax District, .38 acres to Austin Zirk and Payton Zirk, \$0.
- Vandalia Heritage Foundation, Alan Burchard and Faye Burchard, Thomas Corporation, Notice of Termination of Dibacco Lofts to Dibacco Lofts.
- Vandalia Heritage Foundation, Thomas Corporation, Lot 6 to Dibacco Lofts.
- The Vandalia Heritage Foundation, Thomas Corporation, Units 3A and 3B Dibacco Lofts to Nellie Rose Davis and Hannah Valentine, \$110,000.
- James Edward Faller and Michael Faller, Dry Fork District, 6,400 square feet more or less to Daniel Jacob Turner and Christopher Faller, \$0.
- Thomas C. Metz, St. George District, .43 acre more or less Life Estate to Judy L. Metz, \$0.
- Raymond L. Amie and Lindsey K. Amie, Licking district, 5.00 acres to Raymond L. Amie, \$0.
- Charles W. Stalnaker, St. George, Parcel 1, 371/4 acres; Parcel two, 117.1/4 acres; Parcel Three, 11 acres minus .94; Parcel Four, 110 acres to Charles W. Stalnaker and Sandra B. Stalnaker, \$0.
- Pamela Kelley, St. George District, 2702 square feet; 217 square feet and 6.763 square feet more or less to Timothy W. Owens II and Krista D. Liller, \$107,000.
- Frank A. Dilly II and Patricia A. Dilly, St. George District, 1.26 acres to Timothy W. Owens II and Krista D. Liller, \$15,000.
- Ricky S. Rosier and Jennifer L. Rosier, Clover District, 7.07 acres to Ricky S. Rosier.


## Morrisey's Mobile Office to be in Tucker County

CHARLESTON — West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey announced a representative from his office will meet with north central West Virginia residents in May to discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions.

"These public events are a great way for consumers to talk one-on-one with our consumer representatives," Attorney General Morrisey said. "Residents can easily get questions answered, learn what is going on in their area and how to keep personal information safe and secure."

Pam Krushansky, a consumer outreach and compliance specialist with the office, will host the events on May 31: Noon to 1:30 p.m. – Flanagan Hill Community Center, Route 72, Red Creek.

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.




## FIRE HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

### Parsons Water Customers


The City of Parsons Water Department will be flushing fire hydrants throughout its entire water system starting on Monday, May 8, 2023, and running through Wednesday, May 10, 2023, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M.

As our staff starts flushing fire hydrants near your neighborhood, you may notice a slight discoloration in your water. This is temporary and poses no health risk. Simply run your water for a short period of time until it clears up. Do not do any laundry until you are sure your water is clear. If the discoloration persists, please contact our business office at (304) 478-2311.

We apologize for any inconvenience this fire hydrant flushing may cause you. This procedure is necessary to insure the continued cleanliness of our water system. We appreciate your patience, cooperation, and understanding.



John E. Lipscomb  
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# Annual Chamber Awards Winners Announced

The Tucker County Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce the recipients for the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber Awards. The banquet will be on Thursday evening, May 18, 2023 at 5:30pm at Canaan Valley Resort. Tickets are \$40 and can be reserved at the Information Center in Davis or by calling 304-259-5315 by May 10<sup>th</sup>. The Chamber has solicited nominations for six different categories and few Special Awards, the secret committee has met and the results are in for the 2023 winners!

## Educator of the Year:

### James Marple

Tucker County High School, Math Teacher Mountain Hospice is the proud sponsor of this award.

James Marple is a resident of Parsons, WV and current Math Teacher at the Tucker County High School. During his time as a Math and Social Studies Teacher at the then, Davis Correctional Center, he was the recipient of the 2007 Office of Institutional Education Teacher of the Year.

A nomination for Mr. Marple said, "He has served Tucker County Education for many years, working at the Rubenstein Center and Tucker County High School." "He is willing to stay after school when needed, he is willing to provide additional support whenever needed throughout his school day, even when he is not required to be working with students."

## Student of the Year:

### Daniel Levi Bennett

Sirianni's Café is the proud sponsor of this award.

"Levi, as we call him is a quiet and reserved young man. He is happy to be in the background and watch all his friends, as well as his teammates, be successful and never complains that he doesn't get the credit or acknowledge-

ment that he deserves.", as one nomination describes him.

Another nomination said, "I am proud to say, is an exemplary student who holds a 3.75 GPA, but his best attributes are demonstrated beyond the classroom. Levi has hamble integrity that is pervasive whether it be school, sports or church."

A nomination for him said, "Levi is an exceptional student and athlete. He is a wonderful role model for younger classmen at high school. He has demonstrated the ability to balance academia with after school activities successfully."

Another wrote about his dedication, "Levi is the type of kid that would show up at school at 6am to work on basketball skills to better himself and his team. He is also the kids that would volunteer his time and resources after school or practice, in the evening or whenever asked to assist in any way possible."

"I have watched him grown into a wonderful young man with a love for athletics, participating in fellow Christian Athletes. He actively attends church at Brights Chapel where he also sings in the choir. He works with his family on Bennett Farms, and in his spare time, he serves in community events and projects.", another recognizes his community involvement."

## Employee of the Year:

### Bailey Falls

Blackwater Falls State Park is the proud sponsor of this award

Bailey Falls is Director of the Tucker County Animal Shelter. "Bailey is always doing more than expected of her. She stays late every day to ensure everything is taken care of, she is wholeheartedly dedicated to the animal shelter, professionalism is always maintained by her, the employees always feel respected and appreciated, and the animals in her care receive nothing by the best care she can provide for them.", as nomination describes her.

Another nomination said, "I very much appreciate her attention to details, responsiveness, and willingness to follow actions through to their completion." "The shelter truly benefits from Bailey's leadership."

One nomination expressed, "She is always willing to help and greets everyone and every situation with kindness and professionalism."

Another mentioned, "Her service to the community in her job capacity is above and beyond measure. We love how much she has helped us in situations that were out of our control."

## Business of the Year:

### Timberline Mountain

Best of Canaan is the proud sponsor of this award

Perfect North and the Perfect Family purchased Timberline Four Seasons Resort in late of 2019. Rebranding and reopening the ski resort in 2020/2021 season as Timberline Mountain.

One nomination wrote, "Timberline Mountain has significantly impacted skiing in the mid-Atlantic region, improved quality of life for the people of Tucker County, and positively affected tourism for the area."

"Immediately work began on a ten-million-dollar investment spread throughout the entire resort. The new owners using their forty years of ski industry knowledge and expertise developed an effective plan and schedule that would breathe new life into the shuttered resort."

Another nomination mentioned, "The return of skiers brings quality employment to Tucker County. Restaurants and shops, along with lodging facilities and convenience stores are felling the impact of having one of the best ski areas on the East Coast right here, in the place we all call home."

## Community Service Award:

### Eddi Evans

Canaan Valley Resort is the proud sponsor of this award

A nomination describes Eddie, "He is a valuable asset to Tucker County, most of which is unknown by the general public but they benefit greatly from his unselfish service to others."

Another nomination said, "Ed is always helping those in need by volunteering to mow their grass, organizing and cooking the chicken for the chicken burn fund-raisers, working at Camp Kid for the Tucker County Fair and 4H, coaching little league, picking up trash, mowing parks and cemeteries, and providing financial help so kids can play sports or participate in the activities of their choice."

One nomination wrote, "I couldn't even begin to list all the things he has done at Camp Kidd for the betterment of it. My favorite though, is he volunteers fair week to camp out every night down there to keep an eye on the livestock."

## Special Award:

### 2023 Tucker County Boys and Girls Basketball Teams

Tucker Community Foundation is the proud sponsor of this award

Both the Tucker County Boys' and Girls' Basketball Teams finished the season as the State Runners-Ups in Class A!

The Boys' Team, playing in the finals for the first time since 2004, finished the season with a 21-5 record.

The Girls' Team for the 19<sup>th</sup> consecutive season qualified for the State Tournament, which is the longest streak for a girls or boys team in West Virginia. They finished the season with a 21-3 record.

## A Special Award in Heritage

### and Arts: Camp Horseshoe Quilt Retreat

Roxanne Tuesing is the proud sponsor of this award

The secret committee agreed to recognize Mary Jane Smith and the Camp Horseshoe Quilt Retreat. Mary Jane started the Quilt Retreat over 20 years ago and continues to organize the event to this day. The Horseshoe Quilt Retreat is a celebration of sewing and fellowship.

## Tuckineer:

### TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE BANQUET

Citizens Bank of West Virginia is the sponsor of this prestigious award.

For more information or to reserve your tickets, contact the Chamber office at 304-259-5315 prior to the end of business on May 10<sup>th</sup>!

# OBITUARIES

## Lewis Ray "Louie" Fortney

Lewis Ray "Louie" Fortney, 73, a former resident of Kerens, and more recently, a resident of Cortland Acres Nursing Home passed from this life Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at the nursing home.

Louie was born Friday, June 24, 1949, in the Jerusalem community near Mill Creek, a son of the late Junior Mason Fortney and Ruth Lucy Currence Fortney.

Left to cherish Louie's memory is one son, Chris Fortney and wife, Christine, one daughter, Angie Phillips and husband, Jake, of Hambleton, four grandchildren, Cheyenne Lawrence, Jacob Phillips, Valerie Fortney, and Brittany Fortney, two great grandsons, Walker and Wesson Lawrence, who loved to visit their "Pap", one sister, Patty Parsons and husband, Jerry, Jr. of Parsons, and several nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, Louie was preceded in death by one brother, Albert Fortney, and two sisters, Juanita Bedford and Lena Fortney.

Louie attended the schools of Randolph County and had served with the United States Army. He began his working career with his dad at Coastal Lumber in Dailey, and then proceeded to work at Beta Shoe and then Parsons Footwear until its closing in 1996. He then obtained his CDL's and began driving truck for D&W Truck Lines until health issues forced him to retire. He loved cruising around town with his dog, Molly. He enjoyed going to flea markets, watching wrestling and the Pittsburgh Steelers. He loved his grandkids and spending time with them.

A visitation was held at Hostetler Funeral Home in Parsons on Monday, May 1, 2023, from 12 a.m. until 2 p.m., the funeral hour. Rev. Paula Lowther officiated and then the family's request for cremation was honored. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Lewis Ray "Louie" Fortney. Send online condolences to the family at: [www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com).



## TCFSC makes donation to Tucker Manor



The Tucker County Family Support Center donated four wagons to the Tucker Manor to help the residents have easier access to the Hinkle House Food Pantry and to the store. Pictured Sandra Anderson (TCFSC Director) residents Robert Donahue and Lucky and Paul Ward

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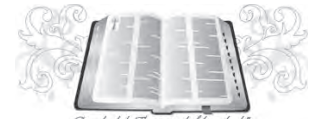
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The Tennants

# Canaan Valley Program Tells the Story of Tucker County Moonshiner Ab Crossland



**FHal Gorby, Program Speaker**



**Robert Bastress, Program Speaker**

The public is invited to “Moonshine Memories” -- a free community history discussion program -- on Saturday, May 20, 2023, from 2:00 - 4:00 PM, at the Canaan Valley State Park Main Lodge in Tucker County.

Expert speakers and local citizens will discuss an exciting 1970 legal battle that was waged – and won! -- by Albert “Ab” Crossland (1884-1973), a legendary Canaan Valley “moonshiner.” Crossland’s victory was publicized around the world. Featured speakers include scholars Robert Bastress, Esq., West Virginia University Professor of Law; and Dr. William Hal Gorby, WVU Professor of History. A reception will follow the program.

The late Justice Larry Starcher of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals

was Crossland’s Legal Aid lawyer. State officials wanted to evict Crossland (and Crossland’s pet skunks) from a rough cabin on the grounds of the new Canaan Valley State Park.

Also speaking will be attorneys Pat Nichols, Jr. and Daniel Hedges, and Canaan Valley resident Ronnie Beall. The program is organized by Friends of Blackwater, partnering with the Tucker County Historical Society; ArtSpring; the Tucker County Highlands History and Education Project; Cottrill’s Opera House; and the Aurora Project; with financial support from the Tucker Community Foundation and the West Virginia Humanities Council.

RSVPs are requested at <https://save-blackwater.org/moonshine-memories/> or 304-345-7663.

To follow up on the May 20 programs, there will be “Moonshine Memories” courtroom drama re-creation programs (also free), with live music and a community cast, on Sunday July 23, 2023, 2:00 – 3:30 PM at the Canaan Valley State Park Main Lodge; and on Sunday, July 30, 2023, 2-00 – 3:30 PM at the Old Parsons Courthouse, Mark your calendar!

## New Hire

During the meeting, Michael Simmons, Interim Director of Tucker County 911 petitioned the Commission to hire a new part-time dispatcher for the 911 Center. “We had a lady put in an application a while back,” Simmons said. “Her name is Hailey Tuttle. She is a local girl. She is looking to remain local. She wants to put down permanent roots in the county and get a job started where she can grow it into a career.”

According to Simmons, he interviewed her and feels that she would be a good fit to the center. “She’s willing to pick up shifts, she can work any shifts, and she’s willing to start out part time to get her foot in the door,” Simmons said. Simmons told the commission that the center currently has two part time employees. Of those, one has limited availability and the other is looking to become full time. The center also has eight full time dispatchers according to Simmons.

“I anticipate having an opening here in the near future,” Simmons said. “People move, they want a change of environment. It’s a stressful job.” Simmons said it takes a minimum of 90 days to train a new employee. “In the past, we never took enough foresight,” Simmons said. “We had phones become available, but no one ready to step in and fill the hole...I’d like to avoid that.”

Simmons and the Commission said they were impressed by her work ethic, willingness to be a part of the team and do whatever is needed to help, and her prior work with

FFA. “Someone that is looking to stay long term only benefits the county, in my opinion,” Simmons said. The Commissioners approved the part time hire effective May 1.

Also approved at the meeting was funds for an OEM Carport from Coal Severance Funds in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. The purpose of the carport is to shelter equipment, including the mobile command trailer and several generators, from the elements. “Right now, our equipment basically sets out in the weather all winter,” Tucker County Commissioner Mike Rosenau said. Simmons said the equipment included the Mobile Command trailer, several generators, and cargo trailers. “There’s a lot of money wrapped up in that command vehicle. A lot of equipment,” Simmons said.

The Commission also addressed a request by county homeowners to rename their road at the meeting. “We received an application from several homeowners,” Michael Simmons said. “It is an existing road in Hendricks...Current name is King Fisher Road. There are four residents on that road. They’ve all signed and agreed. Their one of preference is Katmandu Blvd. There is no existing Katmandu Blvd in the county currently.”

Rosenau said, “And all the land owners on that road are in agreement that Katmandu Blvd is acceptable.” Simmons said the name was one of a list that the residents had submitted for consideration. Accord-

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ing to Simmons, all the proposed names were derived from Bob Seger songs. “If you look at the other names on the list, they are clearly Bob Seger fans, Simmons said. “They are all Bob Seger songs.” The Commission approved the name change. There is no word on when the change will officially take effect.



## What's Happening

### Free Movie Event at the library

The Five Rivers Public Library will be showing Gigi & Nate, inspired by the true story of a life-changing friendship. Rated PG-13, Run Time 1 hr & 54 min. Monday, May 8, two showings, Afternoon at 1:30 and Evening at 5:30 p.m. Snacks and drinks provided. Free Community event.

### Historic Landmark Commission Meeting

The Tucker County Historic Landmark Commission will hold a meeting on Monday, May 8, 2023 at the Parsons Railway Depot at 5 p.m.. The public may attend.

### Purple Majesties to Meet

The May get together for the Elkins Purple Majesties will be held Monday, May 8 at Sweet T’s Country Kitchen Restaurant, 6087 Seneca Trail, Valley Bend, WV at 11:30 a.m. The menu will consist of Chicken or Tuna Salad; cost \$20. Let Connie Collins 304-478-4710 know by noon on Thursday, May 4, if you are coming or need to cancel. If leaving a message, please indicate your menu choice. As always, guests and new members are welcome.

### Friends of Cortland Acres to meet

There will be a meeting of the Friends of Cortland Acres on May 8, 2023 at 1 p.m. in the Gathering Room at Cortland Acres. For more information, call Marie

Grafton, Activity Director at 304-463-4181 extension #218.

### Friends Of The Mountaintop Public Library Meeting

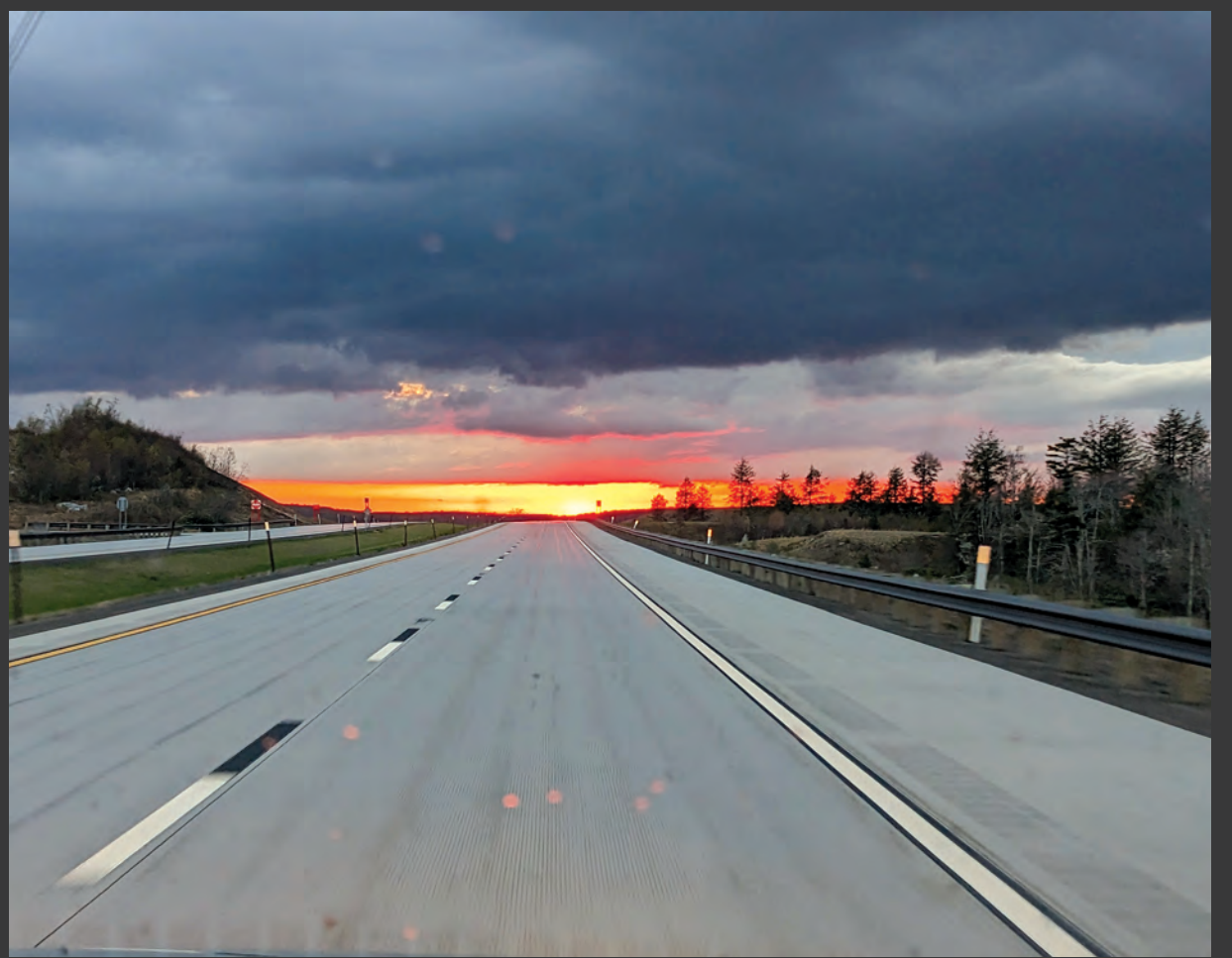
Friends of Mountaintop Public Library will host their annual meeting on Thursday, May 18, at 5:30 p.m., at the Blackwater Rehab Center Meeting Room at Cortland Acres in Thomas. All current and prospective members are welcome. Refreshments will be served. For more information on the contact Marilyn Shoenfeld at 304-866-3484 or Rachele Davis at 304-463-4419.

### Summer Reading

Readers will have fun this summer as we have fun with science, welcome community helpers/heroes and Bee Kind as Five Rivers Public Library presents “All Together Now” during their summer library program. Wednesdays at 10 a.m., June 7, 14, 21. On June 28 we will have an end of summer reading pizza party. Activities may include crafts, games, a story, and snacks! The 2023 Summer Reading Program is open to preschool through 5th grade (Younger and older siblings welcome) with programs, prize basket, reading time, and more. For more information, call the library at 304-478-3880 or visit our website, <https://fiverivers.wvlibrary.info>. YOU MUST REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE IN PERSON. LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS MAY 20, 2023. You can register by stopping in at the library, calling 304-478-3880, message on Facebook, or on library web page. All programs are free of charge.

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

## This Week’s Submitted Photos



This week’s picture is a sunset, on Corridor H near Mt Storm, submitted by Beverly Ellison. Email your photo, name, and where the photo was taken to [mikie@parsonsadvocate.com](mailto:mikie@parsonsadvocate.com)



### TOWN OF DAVIS CEMETERY ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP

The Town of Davis Staff & Cemetery Committee Volunteers will begin their annual spring clean-up of the Davis Cemetery.

**Any weathered or out-of-season flower arrangements must be removed by Monday May 8th, 2023.**

Any items that are left on the gravesites which are determined unsightly will be removed by our staff & Cemetery Committee Volunteers.

**All new flowers should not be displayed until after clean-up.**

The Town of Davis makes 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. When displaying flowers, we strongly encourage everyone to use permanent vases. Otherwise, flowers displayed directly in the ground may be damaged by mowing and trimming equipment.

The Town of Davis Cemetery relies heavily on donations. All donations are greatly appreciated and we ask that they be dropped off at Davis Town Hall or mailed to

**Town of Davis, PO Box 207, Davis, WV 26260**  
(Please note Cemetery on donations)

For additional information/questions, please contact the Davis Town Hall at 304-259-5302 or email [davistownhallwv@gmail.com](mailto:davistownhallwv@gmail.com)

## TOWN OF DAVIS HYDRANT FLUSHING



**The Town of Davis will be flushing fire hydrants throughout its entire water system May 9th – May 11th, between the hours of 8am and 4pm, weather permitting.**

As our staff starts flushing fire hydrants near your neighborhood, you may notice a slight discoloration in your water. This is temporary and poses no health risk. Simply run your water for a short period of time until it clears up. Do not do any laundry until you are sure your water is clear. If the discoloration persists, please contact our business office at (304) 259-5302.

Also, during this time, we ask that you do not fill any pools, hot tubs, etc. We apologize for any inconvenience this fire hydrant flushing may cause you.

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macy currently fills 6,000 to 7,000 prescriptions each month, many through their successful Drive-Thru window. Even during the celebrations, the drive-thru remained busy with several vehicles pulling through to utilize the window. "COVID changed the world," Smith said. "We're a drive-thru community now."

Tucker County High School Pharmacy Tech Program. Smith said the pharmacy works with the school and hosts students in the program Weekday mornings through the end of the school year. "They are very helpful," Smith said. "They are learning about the world of pharmacy."

Wamsley said the pharmacy offers the 340B discount program. According to

Wamsley, the program was designed to help customers with out-of-pocket costs. According to Wamsley, the program is designed for low-income individuals as well as those who have third party insurance. In the case of a third party insured individual, it helps with out-of-pocket costs for prescriptions that have high out-of-pocket costs.

The St. George Clinic Pharmacy is located at 221 Pennsylvania Avenue in Parsons. The Pharmacy offers both walk up and drive-thru pick-up of prescriptions. The lobby is open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Drive-Thru is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m..

## City Encourages Responsible Floodplain Management

Parsons, West Virginia - The City of Parsons and its residents are no strangers to the effects of flooding: the dollar losses, the inconveniences, the damaged homes, the closed businesses.

It's for that reason that the City takes floodplain management seriously.

The City is one of just 13 communities in West Virginia to participate in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Community Rating System (CRS).

As a participant in the CRS, city residents receive discounts on their flood insurance. As those premiums rise, that discount becomes more and more important.

One element of the CRS program is making sure that residents are aware of floodplain management regulations and what those mean for them. The foundation of the City's floodplain management program is the City of Parsons Floodplain Regulations.

Designed to promote the general health, welfare, and safety of the community, the regulations require the use of construction practices that can prevent or minimize flood damage. Most recognizably, the regulations require a permit for any development, new construction, substantial improvement, repair of substantial damage, other repairs, or the placement or relocation of any structure (including manufactured homes) within the City. Where the land proposed for these upgrades is partially or fully in a special flood hazard area (or floodplain), a site plan with elevation data must be submitted to and approved by the City's floodplain administrator.

Generally, development activities in floodplains must ensure structures are not in floodways, and that the lowest floors of structures, to include basements, ductwork, and utilities, are elevated to two feet above the base flood elevation for the site.

Residents can view the floodplain ordinance either at City Hall or on the internet at [https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/parsonswv/latest/parsonswv\\_0-0-17515](https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/parsonswv/latest/parsonswv_0-0-17515).

The City also encourages residents to visit the West Virginia Flood Tool at [www.mapwv.gov](http://www.mapwv.gov). The flood tool shows the special flood hazards in the Parsons corporate limits, and it serves as a first step to understanding one's risks with respect to flooding.

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## Commission

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every microchip that was inserted is already registered within our software system, too. So, should any of these pets get loose and end up at the shelter, we can scan it, type in the number and know who the pet belongs to and can give them a call and get their pet back home."

Falls also informed the Commission of two grants the shelter received: a \$9,990 grant through the WV Dept. of Agriculture for a spay/neuter program and a \$25,000 capital funding for the shelter construction project from PetcoLove.

"We also received news that we were selected for \$25,000 in capital funding for the shelter construction project from PetcoLove," Falls said. "We're happy about that." The Department of Agriculture grant is for low-income individuals through April 30 and then opening up to include all Tucker County residents May 1.

"We are in the process of administering our grant from the Department of Agriculture for the spay/neuter program," Falls said. "So beginning on Monday, May 1, we wanted to make it available to any Tucker County resident who needed the help. So May 1 it opens up to all residents of the county to help with the cost of spay/neuter. Cause when you're spay/neutering them, they're not ending up in the shelter and we're

spending less money on the animal shelter."

Falls also said the program is going well with several participants attending their appointments and being followed up on. "They're taking them in and we are just getting all the documentation and getting their certificates," Falls said. "We've already had several people that have had their appointments and had it done and we've followed up with them. So that's been good."

Upcoming fund-raising events for the shelter are scheduled. A Golf Tournament sponsored by the Friends of TCAS "Putts Fore Pets" will be May 20 at Holly Meadows Golf Course and June 3, Friends of TCAS will host a Dog Wash.

The Commission also approved the minutes from their April 18 Special meeting which addressed the yearly Levy rate for the county. "That meeting was concerning the Levy rate for our county," Tucker County Commission President Mike Rosenau said.

"Every year the Commission sets the Levy Rate to dictate the taxes that you pay. In Tucker County...we always go, as long as I've been Commissioner, with the State's recommendation."

Rosenau said that with the county's elevated cost and property values the state recommended reducing the Levy rate from 14.21% to 13.46%. "This will offset some of the increase in our property values to what you'll pay on your taxes," Rosenau said. "That Levy Rate will dictate what your taxes will be. In Tucker County, the Commission did all we can do for reducing your taxes. We can't control property values, but we can control the Levy Rate."

The next meeting for the Tucker County Commission will be May 10 at 9 a.m. in the Tucker County Courthouse Courtroom.

The Tucker County Animal Shelter Advisory Board will meet Wednesday, May 3 at 2 p.m. at the Animal Shelter.

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This form is to provide necessary information for graduating seniors and eighth graders to be published in the Graduation Edition that will be published in the May 24 edition of The Parsons Advocate newspaper. Submission will be accepted until 7 p.m. on May 17. Your email will be collected only to contact you if there are any questions about your submission.

This special section is made possible through the generosity of St. George Medical Clinic.

Region VII Planning & Development Council (Region VII) is the sub-recipient of a WV Office of Broadband award to assist in data collection for the development of the State's Digital Equity (DE) and Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Plans—and we need your help!

**Region VII is hosting a listening session for Tucker County residents on Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm in the Tucker County Courthouse – Commission Meeting Room (211 1<sup>st</sup> St, Parsons, WV 26287) 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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# SPORTS

## Lady Mt. Lions Fall at Keyser, Get Win Over Moorefield



Tucker County Softball Seniors honored before the game on April 27th. (L-R): Autumn Russell, Corrinia Lipscomb, Kate Simmons and Paige Shaffer. Photo by Dave Helmick.

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

KEYSER - The Tucker County Softball team traveled to Keyser for a double header on Tuesday April 25th. In the first game of the night Keyser got started with

2 runs in the 1st inning and 3 runs in the 2nd inning to make the score 5-0 after 2 innings. The Mt. Lions then answered back in the top of the 4th inning with 2 runs, but Keyser added 2 runs in the bottom of the 4th to put the score to 7-2 Keyser after 4 innings. The next 3 innings of the game showed neither team scoring as the game ended with the final score 7-2 Keyser.

Tucker County managed just 2 hits in the game as both hits came from Ava Shaffer

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## Tucker Valley Softball Win at Barbour, Fall at Central Preston

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

PHILIPPI - The Lady Wildcats Softball team traveled to Barbour County on Monday April 24th. Peyton Hicks tossed a no hitter for Tucker Valley to give the visiting Lady Wildcats a 19-3 win at Barbour County. Peyton Hicks struck out 8 batters in her 4 innings of work. Peyton Hicks also let Tucker Valley at the plate with 2 hits(1 double). Adrianna Tuttle, Lilly Boyles, Vivi Crossland, Keisha Arnold and Madi Carr also had 1 hit each for the Lady Wildcats in the win.

KINGWOOD - The Tucker Valley Softball team traveled to Central Preston on Saturday April 29th. Central Preston got 13 runs in the first 2 innings to capture the 13-5 victory over Tucker Valley. The Lady Wildcats gave up 9 hits and only managed 3 hits in the contest. Adrianna Tuttle led the Lady Wildcats with a double and Lilly Bolyes added 2 hits in the game for Tucker Valley in the loss. Peyton Hicks took the loss for Tucker Valley on the mound.

Tucker Valley will return to action on Thursday May 4th at Terra Alta at 6pm. The Lady Wildcats will then traveled to West Preston on Friday May 5th at 5:30pm. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.com.

## Tucker County Baseball Drop Games in Three Game Week

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

PARSONS - The Mt. Lions Baseball team hosted North Marion on Monday April 24th. The visiting Huskies started the game strong as they scored 2 runs in the 1st inning, 2 runs in the 2nd inning and 3 runs in the 3rd inning to lead the game 7-0 after 3 innings. North Marion then added 2 runs in the 4th inning to raise the score to 9-0 North Marion after 4 innings. Tucker County got on the scoreboard in the 6th inning as they added a run on an error by the Huskies to make the score 9-1 North Marion after 6 innings. The Huskies would then add 4 runs in the 7th inning and Tucker County could not mount a comeback as they game ended with the final score 13-1 North Marion.

Tucker County was out hit on offense 5-11. Justin Robeson led the Mt. Lions with 2 hits, while Maddox Anderson, Ethan Rosenau and Nate Ricottilli added 1 hit each for Tucker County. Mason Kisamore started the game for Tucker County on the mound as he went 1 inning. Xander Lambert, Reece Poling, Justin



Tucker County Baseball Seniors Mason Kisamore(left) and Dom Mullenax(right) were honored before the game on April 25th. Photo by Dave Helmick.

Robeson, Sam Marks and Nate Ricottilli entered the game in relief.

PARSONS - Tucker County Baseball hosted Philip Barbour on Tuesday April 25th. The Colts scored first as they got 1 run in the 1st inning and 1 run in the top of the 2nd inning to lead 2-0 early. Tucker County fought back in the bottom of the 2nd inning with 4 runs to give the Mt. Lions the lead 4-2 after 2 innings. Philip

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## Tucker Track Team Competes in PVC Conference Meet



Tucker County's Kristen Ritchey attempts at throw in the Discus Event at the PVC Championship at Keyser on April 26th. Photo by Dave Helmick.

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

KEYSER - The Mt. Lions Track Teams traveled to Keyser on Wednesday April 26th for the PVC Conference Championship. The Girls' team finished in 4th place on the night and the Boys' team ended the night with a 5th place finish as a team. Tucker County results from Keyser.

**Girls Results** - 100m: 2nd-Mayah Gross(14.01). 200m: 4th-Addi Moats(30.20). 400m: 5th-Erin Chambers(1:12.41).



Tucker County's Hayden Smith competes in the Shot Put at the PVC Championships at Keyser on April 26th. Photo by Dave Helmick.

**800m:** 2nd-Erin Chambers(2:43.48). **1600m:** 1st-Hannah Hardy(6:14.00). **3200m:** 1st-Erin Chambers(13:04.49). **300m Hurdles:** 6th-Mayah Gross(58.82), 7th-Hannah Cussins(58.98). **4x100m Relay:** 4th-L.Callaway, H.Hardy, M.Callaway, M.Gross(59.39). **4x200m Relay:** 2nd-L.Callaway, A.Moats, M.Callaway, M.Gross(2:00.21). **4x400m Relay:** 3rd-H.Cussins, H.Hardy, M.Callaway, L.Callaway(5:01.37). **4x800m Relay:** 1st-E.Chambers, H.Hardy, H.Cussins, A.Moats(11:44.95). **Shuttle Hurdles:** 4th-A.Moats, H.Cussins, M.Callaway, L.Callaway(1:20.20). **Shot Put:** 8th-Kristen Ritchey(23'02"). **Discus Throw:** 5th-Kristen Ritchey(72'00"). **Final Team Scores:** 1)East Hardy(123), 2)Tucker

County(77), 3)Tygarts Valley(73), 4) Petersburg(68), 5)Pocahontas County(64), 6)Paw Paw(43.50), 7)Union(31), 8)Pendleton County(27.50).

**Boys Results** - 100m: 3rd-Reid Kisamore(12.03), 14th-Hayden Smith(12.93), 21st-Braxton George(14.56). **200m:** 4th-Nate Ricottilli(25.43), 15th-Braxton George(29.20), 18th-Hunter Ware(29.93). **400m:** 4th-Nate Ricottilli(55.83), 10th-Ryan Scott(1:02.78), 17th-Braxton George(1:07.47). **800m:** 6th-Alex Boyles(2:26.45), 12th-Cameron Judy(2:40.13). **1600m:** 6th-Cameron Judy(5:18.37), 11th-Lynk Suesli(5:52.63). **3200m:** 1st-Cameron Judy(11:11.61), 6th-Lynk Suesli(12:20.38). **300m Hurdles:** 7th-Allan Boyles(52.60), 9th-Alex Boyles(55.30). **4x100m Relay:** 4th-D. Mullenax, G.Mullenax, R.Kisamore, N.Ricottilli(50.50). **4x200m Relay:** 4th-D.Mullenax, R.Scott, R.Kisamore, N.Ricottilli(1:44.32). **4x400m Relay:** 4th-Ax.Boyles, R.Scott, R.Kisamore, D.Mullenax(4:25.45). **4x800m Relay:** 3rd-Ax.Boyles, Aln.Boyles, C.Judy, L.Suesli(10:01.51). **Shuttle Hurdles:** 4th-D.Mullenax, H.Smith, Ryan Scott, Aln.Boyles(1:14.75). **Long Jump:** 17th-Braxton George(14'00"). **Shot Put:** 11th-Hayden Smith(35'08"), 12th-Gavin Mullenax(34'03"), 21st-Hunter Ware(27'02"). **Discus Throw:** 6th-Hayden Smith(105'09.5"), 7th-Gavin Mullenax(105'09"), 22nd-Hunter Ware(75'02"). **Final Team Results:** 1) East Hardy(145), 2)Tygarts Valley(86), 3)Pocahontas County(82), 4)Pendleton County(57), 5)Paw Paw(4), 6)Tucker County(50), 7)Petersburg(43), 8th-Union(6).

KEYSER - The Tucker County Track Teams traveled back to Keyser on Thursday April 27th for 5 team meet. The Tucker County Boys' team finished the night in 5th place and the Tucker County Girls' team came home with a 5th place finish. Tucker County results from Keyser.

**Boys Results** - 100m: 2nd-Reid Kisamore(12.05), 16th-Hayden Smith(13.36), 21st-Braxton George(13.86). **200m:** 7th-Nate Ricottilli(24.99), 28th-Braxton George(29.53), 29th-Hunter Ware(29.68). **400m:** 14th-Ryan Scott(1:04.86), 21st-Braxton George(1:17.59). **800m:** 7th-Alex Boyles(2:22.04). **1600m:** 5th-Cameron Judy(5:38.49), 7th-Lynk Suesli(5:40.23). **3200m:** 3rd-Cameron Judy(11:36.17), 4th-Lynk Suesli(12:03.16). **300m Hurdles:** 7th-Allan Boyles(50.53), 9th-Alex

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## Davis-Thomas Track Runs at Preston Meet

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

KINGWOOD - The Davis-Thomas Middle School Track teams traveled to Preston on Monday April 24th.

**Girls Results:** 100m: 56th-Hannah

Nestor(17.93), 76th-Nettie Nelson(20.11). **Shot Put:** 10th-Hannah Nestor(22'06.25"), 26th-Nettie Nelson(18'00"), 28th-Arabella Phares(17'05.75").

**Boys Results:** 100m: 36th-Evan Nexom(15.85). **Long Jump:** 12th-Evan Hexom(12'04").

### AREA SCHEDULE:

#### Wednesday May 3rd

- Tucker County Softball - Sectional - TBA
- Tucker Valley Baseball vs Elkins @ Home 6pm

#### Thursday May 4th

- Tucker County Softball - Sectional - TBA
- Tucker County Baseball @ Southern, MD 4:30pm
- Tucker Valley Softball @ Terra Alta 6pm

#### Friday May 5th

- Tucker County Softball - Sectional - TBA
- Tucker County Baseball vs East Hardy 6pm
- Tucker County Track @ Southern, MD 4:30pm
- Tucker Valley Softball @ West Preston 5:30pm
- Tucker Valley Baseball vs Tygarts Valley @ Home 6pm

#### Monday May 8th

- Tucker County Baseball - Sectional - TBA

#### Tuesday May 9th

- Tucker County Baseball - Sectional - TBA

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Deadline is May 8, 2023.



**HELP WANTED  
SANITATION EQUIPMENT OPERATOR**

The City of Parsons is seeking a full-time sanitation equipment operator to work on its garbage collection routes. Candidates must be 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, have a high school diploma or equivalent, possess a valid West Virginia driver's license (Class B Commercial Driver's License with tanker endorsement preferred) with good driving history, knowledge of machinery and equipment operation and maintenance, knowledge of safety practices and requirements, ability to take and follow directions from supervisor, ability to perform strenuous and routine work, ability to maintain harmonious and effective working relationships with other employees and respond to general public complaints; ability to effectively communicate orally and in writing; ability to comply with all City policies and procedures; ability to maintain good health and physical condition sufficient to permit the full performance of the duties for this position. Before making a job offer, the candidate must consent to a criminal background check as well as a drug and alcohol test. Compensation will be based on the applicant's qualifications and experience. The benefit package for this position includes health insurance, life insurance, retirement plan, uniforms, boot allowance, wellness program, vacation days, sick leave, and personal days.

Interested individuals may pick up an application at the Parsons Business Office, located in the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building, 341 Second Street, Parsons, West Virginia, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. (EDT), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Applications will be accepted until a qualified pool of candidates is established, or the position is filled, but preference will be given to complete applications received by 4:00 P.M. (EDT) on Friday, May 5, 2023. Those who do not apply by this date may or may not be considered.

Legal Disclosure – The City of Parsons does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy or gender identity), national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, retaliation, parental status, military service, or other non-merit factor

**Dental Hygienist - Dental Clinic**

St. George Medical Clinic, Inc.-Dental Clinic is seeking a motivated, goal-orientated individual to help provide the most efficient dental-care as a Dental Hygienist. SGMC-Dental is a fast growing federally qualified dental clinic providing superior quality dental care for patients of all ages. Qualified candidate must be courtesy and professional to both co-workers and patients, be a team-oriented individual with the ability to assess, perform and reinforce productive preventative dental care. Qualified candidate must communicate diagnosed dental treatment needs through established corporate protocols. Other essential responsibilities include:

- Follow organizations practice protocols: quality assurance, biohazards, infection control, charting, referrals, emergency medicine, implants, and emergency treatment
- Demonstrate proficient skills in dental prophylaxis and proper use of equipment.
- Demonstrate complete knowledge and usage of dental terminology, dental instruments, tray setups and instrument sharpening.
- Effectively communicate oral hygiene instructions and dispense proper oral hygiene aids.
- Comply with practice guidelines listed in employee handbook.
- Proficient in electronic charting - including graphical charting, and proper chart documentation.
- Understand and utilize basic insurance knowledge and financial policies.
- Provide positive and professional leadership role.
- Properly handle specialty referrals.
- Successfully maintain recall system.
- Dentr x computer experience a plus
- Achieve defined goals established by organization
- Other duties as assigned. Required Skills:
- Current dental hygiene license in the state where job is located.
- Current CPR training.
- Associate Degree in dental hygiene a minimum, bachelor's degree preferred
- Two years of practice experience is preferred but not required.
- Ability to perform basic computer functions;Excel, Word, Dentrax, etc.
- Exercise knowledge of dental instruments and terminology.
- Support corporate vision and strategy,both short term and long term.

SGMC-Dental offers a competitive salary and excellent benefit package, based on experience, to include: health insurance, short and long term disability insurance, sick leave, vacation, holiday, and PTO. Current hours of operations are Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.



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**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.

**INSTALLATION.** Rowan Drilling WV004493 304-591-0272; 304-940-6544

**FOR SALE**

**FOR SALE – 42" Murray,** 17 HP riding mower, good condition, \$500 OBO, 8' 20 blade adjustable tractor disc, \$500. 304-478-2570.

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Now starting at the equivalent  
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**Other Benefits Include:**

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- Production & Safety Bonuses
- Earn Paid Vacation Time
- Become Eligible for 401K with Company Match

**Apply in person**  
**Mon. – Fri. 8:00am – 3:00pm**  
Part-Time WORK ALSO CONSIDERED

**BLACKWATER FALLS STATE PARK**

Blackwater Falls State Park is accepting applications for the following positions.

**Cabin & Lodge Housekeeping  
Maintenance Workers  
Snack Bar Attendant  
Campground Attendant  
Front Desk Attendant  
Trading Company Attendant**

For applications, please call 304-259-5216 or in person at Blackwater Falls Lodge.

**OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR**

The Tucker County Solid Waste Authority is seeking an Office Administrator for full charge of office operations, including bookkeeping, correspondence, scheduling, financial reporting, and the Board meeting preparations.

Must have a working knowledge of all accounting functions and experience in accounting software, preferably SAGE and QuickBooks Accounting. Must have experience in word processing and spreadsheet applications, preferably in MS Office.

Must be a self-starter, detail-oriented, organized, creative, and flexible. Must have good communication skills, like having a professional demeanor and the ability to work with customers, employees, and board members.

This is a full-time position with a competitive salary based on experience with fully paid family health insurance, dental and eye insurance, paid vacation, paid sick leave, state retirement and paid holiday's off. Hours of work will be 7:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday thru Friday.

Resumes will be accepted until February 15, 2023, at the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority, P.O. Box 445, Davis, WV 26260 or by email to tcswa@frontiernet.net.

**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, 2022.

**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**

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

Deceased	Personal Representative(s)
Lewis Ray Fortney	Angela D. Phillips
1st publication 5/3/23	PO Box 42
2nd publication 5/10/23	Hambleton, WV 26269
Fred A. Myers, Sr.	Gloria C. Myers
1st publication 5/3/23	PO Box 53
2nd publication 5/10/23	Davis, WV 26260
Iris Jean Loughry	Brenda J. Arnold
1st publication 5/3/23	74 Jersey Lane
2nd publication 5/10/23	Parsons, WV 26287

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

ATTEST: SHERRY SIMMONS, TUCKER COUNTY CLERK

**Dental Assistant - Dental Clinic**

St. George Medical Clinic, a Federally Qualified Health Center, is seeking a full time, certified Dental Assistant at its dental location. This position is a full-time, fully benefited position, which includes health, life, accident, and disability, vision, critical illness, and dental insurance. Salary will be based upon experience.

**Qualified Candidate must perform, at a minimum, the following Dental Assistant duties:**

- Prepares treatment room for patient by following prescribed procedures and protocols.
- Prepares patient for dental treatment by welcoming, comforting, seating, and draping patient.
- Provides information to patients and employees by answering questions and requests.
- Provides instrumentation by sterilizing and delivering instruments to treatment area; positioning instruments for dentist's access; suctioning; passing instruments.
- Provides materials by selecting, mixing, and placing materials on instruments and in the patient's mouth.
- Provides diagnostic information by exposing and developing radiographic studies; pouring, trimming, and polishing study casts.
- Maintains patient appearance and ability to masticate by fabricating temporary restorations; cleaning and polishing removable appliances.
- Helps dentist manage dental and medical emergencies by maintaining CPR certification, emergency drug and oxygen supply, and emergency telephone directory.
- Educates patients by giving oral hygiene, plaque control, and postoperative instructions.
- Documents dental care services by charting in patient records.
- Maintains patient confidence and protects operations by keeping information confidential.
- Maintains safe and clean working environment by complying with procedures, rules, and regulations.
- Protects patients and employees by adhering to infection-control policies and protocols.
- Ensures operation of dental equipment by completing preventive maintenance requirements; following manufacturer's instructions; troubleshooting malfunctions; calling for repairs; maintaining equipment inventories; evaluating new equipment and techniques.
- Maintains dental supplies inventory by checking stock to determine inventory level; anticipating needed supplies; placing and expediting orders for supplies; verifying receipt of supplies.
- Conserves dental resources by using equipment and supplies as needed to accomplish job results.
- Maintains professional and technical knowledge by attending educational workshops; reviewing professional publications; establishing personal networks; participating in professional societies.
- Contributes to team effort by accomplishing related results as needed.

**Qualifications:**

- Certified Dental Assistant license from an Accredited agency
- Licensed in the State of WV
- Use of Medical Technologies
- Perform Diagnostic Procedures
- Collection of BMI, Blood Pressure, and Diabetic Checks
- Late evenings and Weekend hours may be required



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## Annual Cheat River Festival: A Fundraiser for Clean Rivers

The Cheat River Festival, or Cheat Fest, returns to the banks of the Cheat River in Albright, West Virginia on Friday, May 5, and Saturday, May 6. Cheat Fest is Friends of the Cheat's (FOC) largest annual fundraiser and outreach event which supports the organization's mission to restore, preserve, and promote the outstanding natural qualities of the Cheat River watershed.

2023 will mark the 29th year that outdoor enthusiasts, music lovers, engaged citizens, and families have gathered to raise dollars for the cleanup and protection of the Cheat River. Once named one of America's Most Endangered Rivers (1995), the Cheat River's rebirth is due in part to the funding garnered through Cheat Fest.

The Cheat River Festival maintains a grassroots, family-friendly, reunion-like atmosphere while pulling a crowd of 3,000 supporters. Cheat Fest is a wonderful (fun)draiser and FOC wants to make sure that everyone at the fest is aware of the purpose behind the party. So, bring a camp chair and your curiosity and join FOC to celebrate the mighty Cheat River and learn more about the troubles and triumphs of this river community. Please no pets, glass, or bad vibes.

Starting at 5:30 p.m. on Friday and at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, local bands from all over Appalachia will entertain crowds with live music including



headliner, the Larry Keel Experience. Fest attendees will be able to browse the infamous Art Market and vendor booths for local art, pottery clothing, and jewelry. A diverse array of food vendors will be on site to feed the masses with offerings of BBQ, calzones, chimichangas, tacos, a variety of sweets, and more.

Local experts will be hosting educational workshops in the Education Eddy. They will be presenting on a variety of subjects such as otters, plants, creepy crawly insects, and the history of Friends of the Cheat.

Kids are the heartbeat of the festival! Children 12 and under enter free with a parent or guardian. Stop by the Kid's Tent on Saturday to enjoy a full slate of kid's activities, culminating with the Kids Parade at 5 p.m..

The Silent Auction is virtual again this year, and features many one-of-a-kind items from the Art

Market artists, vendors, attending nonprofits, and more. The auction can be found at [www.32auctions.com/CheatFest2023C](http://www.32auctions.com/CheatFest2023C) is partnering with

Food for Preston to collect non-perishable food items and hygiene items to stock their 11 pantries around Preston County. Everyone who attends is encouraged to contribute an item to the Food Drive. Items will be collected at the Info Booth. The Donation List can be found at [www.cheatfest.org](http://www.cheatfest.org)

Discounted combo tickets are available for \$40 until 9 p.m. on Monday, May 1 at [www.cheatfest.org](http://www.cheatfest.org). Single day tickets will be available at the gate only for \$20 Friday and \$30 Saturday. Additional details including a full schedule of activities and information on local accommodations is available at [cheatfest.org](http://cheatfest.org) and the Cheat Fest Facebook page.

Lisa Maraffa, Festival Coordinator, says "Cheat Fest is a very special event unlike any other because it is a festival with a purpose. This event raises funds to help with the Friends of the Cheat's mission to restore, preserve, and promote the outstanding qualities of the Cheat River watershed."

## The 33rd Annual Uncle Sam's Birthday Party Scheduled



The Tucker Community Foundation Annual Fundraising Event Scheduled for June 30th

PARSONS – The Tucker Community Foundation's 33rd annual Uncle Sam's Birthday Party is scheduled for June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the Bear Paw Lodge of Canaan Valley State Park with doors opening at 5:15PM. **Tickets are available now!** Only 250 tickets are sold for the annual event that includes an elimination raffle, plated dinner, door prizes and additional raffle prizes. The tickets are \$150 each and entitle the purchaser to dinner for two and entry into the elimination drawing with a chance to win \$5000. The additional raffle with additional ticket purchase includes the popular Greenbrier Resort weekend package and the annual Total Tucker package of local gift certificates to skiing, golfing, food venues, and other activities, pieces of artwork, and other locally themed items. Purchase your ticket early. Table reservations are available.

The Tucker Community Foundation uses the proceeds from the event to help fund their scholarship and grant programs. These programs issue over \$1,300,000 in grants and over 40 different scholarships to students in our region.

For tickets please ask any TCF board member or contact the Foundation's office at (304) 478-2930. Additional information can be found, and tickets can be purchased, on the Foundation's website: [www.tuckerfoundation.net](http://www.tuckerfoundation.net).

## Hospitality Training on Leadership was Held at South Branch Potomac Lanes Bowling Center



**Moorefield W.Va.** – A hospitality training on leadership was taught by Debra Frank, experienced program director in the hospitality sector, at South Branch Potomac Lanes Bowling Center on Monday, April 17. Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's (Eastern) Workforce Education Department hold

free hospitality lunch and learn trainings, provided to the public thanks to the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation in partnership with the Appalachian Regional Forest Heritage Area.

Frank covered topics of how to improve employee morale, reduce staff turnover, and how being a leader is not a born trait, but

a skill developed by having empathy for your staff, showing confidence in times of unrest, and determination in seeking success. She made this training interactive by opening the discussion to the attendees and doing activities of having them write down their thoughts on what makes a good leader. Traits like confidence, communica-

tion, caring, determination, and kindness were a few that most had written down. Frank elaborated on this by explaining that what makes a good leader is the willingness of others to follow them. If employees and staff are willing to go the extra mile and volunteer to do more, this shows that the boss has created an environment where their employees can feel confident.

# BINGO

at Parsons Volunteer Fire Department

## SATURDAY, MAY 6

<b>First 30 Players</b> in the door a chance at <b>\$50 Cash</b>	<b>Progressive</b> Ladder Jackpot <b>\$2702</b>	<b>Progressive</b> Co. 10 Jackpot <b>\$610</b>
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Tip games will be available when the doors open at 6:00

\*Tip Board on a Winchester 22 Long Rifle Camo. Only 100 pulls sold. You must purchase a bingo packet to purchase pulls on the rifle. \*Tip Board on a \$500 Michael Kors Purse.

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Canaan Valley State Park Lodge

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<https://saveblackwater.org/moonshine-memories/>  
304-345-7663  
[www.saveblackwater.org](http://www.saveblackwater.org)

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Moonshine Memories

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5<sup>th</sup> Annual

## Tucker Community Backpacking Trip

A five-day experience for local youth to get outside and explore a backcountry wilderness area in the Monongahela National Forest.

June 12–16, 2023\* • Ages 10 - 12

\*Scholarship funds can also be applied to our Mountaineer Backpacking Trip, July 6–10

Serving youth from Tucker, Randolph, Preston, and Garrett Counties.

No experience is necessary to join.

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# North Central WV Community Action Association seeks Board of Directors Members and Community Input and Involvement

Barbour, Preston & Tucker Counties, WV: North Central WV Community Action Association, Inc., a private non-profit serving low-income families in Barbour, Greenbrier, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Pocahontas, Randolph, Taylor, and Tucker Counties, is seeking qualified volunteers for the Board of

Directors. Interested parties must live in Barbour, Preston & Tucker County. The closing date to submit your application is May 30, 2023. We are looking for eager volunteers from one of our community sectors:

Low-Income Sector Info and Application Members of the Low-Income Sector should be prepared to advocate on behalf of low-income families and communities and bring real perspective to the needs of the low-income community. Low-Income

Board applicants should be willing to provide verification of household income that is at or below 80% of Area Median Income for their county (please go to <http://www.wvhdf.com/programs/home-ogramtype> 2022 HOME Income Limits in the Search bar (top left) to view local Area Median Incomes for your county, AND for more informa-

tion including an application contact our Corporate Office via email at [dvandetta@ncwvcaa.org](mailto:dvandetta@ncwvcaa.org) or you may call 304-363-2170 ext. 129. Upon application, members will be chosen in a democratic fashion by local low-income communities in North Central WV Community Action's service area.

Public Voting for Low-Income Board Members Public voting for low-income Board Members will be held on June 6, 2023. Voting locations/times —Marion County voting will take place at 215 Scott Place (Homeless Shelter Office) in Fairmont 9am —3pm, Taylor County voting

will take place at the local Community Action Office on 20 East Main Street in Grafton 9am — 3pm & Preston County voting will take place at the local Community Action Office on 428 Morgantown Street Suite 2 in Kingwood 9am — 3pm. All community members are encouraged to pay a visit to their local North Central WV Community Action Office and cast their vote for low-income sector members of the Board of Directors; to cast your vote for the low-income Board representative please contact your local North Central WV Community Action Office.

## Baseball

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Barbour added 1 run in the 5th inning to put the score to 4-3 Tucker County. The Colts then took the lead in the top of the 6th inning with 4 runs. Tucker County then responded with 3 runs in the bottom of the 6th to tie the score 7-7. Both teams failed to score in the 7th inning which forced the game to go into extra innings. Philip Barbour scored 1 run in the top of the 8th inning to take the lead 8-7. The Mt. Lions were unable to battle back in the bottom of the 8th inning as the Colts got the win by the final score of 8-7.

Ethan Rosenau got the start for Tucker County on the mound and went 6 innings. Mason Kisamore entered the game in relief for the Mt. Lions. Rosenau also led Tucker County at the plate with 2 hits. Maddox Anderson added a triple on the night, while Mason Kisamore, Justin Robeson, Sam Marks and Blaike Adams added 1 hit each in the Mt. Lions loss. Seniors Mason Kisamore and Dom Mullenax were honored before the game.

FRANKLIN – The Mt. Lions Baseball team ended the week with a road game at Pendleton County on Wednesday April 26th. Tucker County started the game with the bats active as the Mt. Lions scored 1 run after 2 hits in the 1st inning to make the score 1-0 Tucker County after 1 inning. The homesteading Wildcats fought back in the 2nd inning with 4 runs to put the score to 4-1 Pendleton County after 2 innings. The Mt. Lions would then score 1 run in the 3rd inning, but the Wildcats answered with 6 runs in the bottom of the 3rd to put the Pendleton County lead to 10-2 after 3 innings. Tucker County would add 1 run in the top of the 4th inning, but Pendleton County would score 5 runs in the bottom of the 4th inning. This would end the game to the mercy rule with the final score of 15-3 Pendleton County.

Mason Kisamore(1 double) and Justin Robeson led Tucker County at the plate with 2 hits. Maddox Anderson, Ethan Rosenau, Xander Lambert, Blaike Adams and Tony Costlow added 1 hits each for the Mt. Lions in the loss.

Justin Robeson was the starting pitcher for Tucker County as he went 2 innings. Reece Poling and Xander Lambert entered the game in relief for the Mt. Lions.

Tucker County will return to action tonight Thursday May 4th at Southern, MD at 4:30pm, the Mt. Lions will then host East Hardy on Friday May 5th at 6pm.

## Softball

with one of the hits being a double. Paige Shaffer got the start on the mound for the Lady Mt. Lions as she went 3 innings. Ava Shaffer entered the game in relief for Tucker County.

In game 2 of the night Keyser started off strong again as they scored 2 runs in the 1st inning. The Lady Mt. Lions then scored 4 runs in the top of the 3rd inning to take the lead 4-2. Keyser then answered back in the bottom of the 3rd inning with 5 runs to regain the lead 7-4 after 3 innings. The Lady Tornados then broke the game open with 1 run in the 4th inning, 2 runs in the 5th inning and 1 run in the 6th inning to make the score 11-4 Keyser. The Lady Mt. Lions could not complete the comeback in the top of the 7th inning and the game ended with the final score

of 11-4 Keyser. Ava Shaffer got the start for Tucker County on the mound. Shaffer went 4 innings and Corrinia Lipscomb entered the game in relief for the Lady Mt. Lions. Tucker County collected 9 hits in game 2 as Kate Simmons and Corrinia Lipscomb led the Lady Mt. Lions with 2 hits each. Addie Hicks and Ava Shaffer added 1 triple each, while Raven Matthews, Rachel Felton and Katie Hicks chipped in with 1 hit each in the loss for Tucker County.

CAMP KIDD – The Lady Mt. Lions then hosted Moorefield on Wednesday April 26th. The game was scoreless through 2 innings until Moorefield started the scoring with 4 runs in the top of the 3rd inning. Tucker County then answered with 4 runs in the bottom of the 3rd

inning to tie the game 4-4 after 3 innings. The Lady Mt. Lions then took the lead after they scored 1 run in the 4th inning to put the score to 5-4 Tucker County after 4 innings. The Lady Yellowjackets answered back in the 5th inning as they score 1 run to tie the game 5-5 after 5 innings. The game remained tied into the 7th inning. Moorefield was unable to score in the top of the 7th and the Lady Mt. Lions had one chance to bat again in the bottom of the 7th inning. Ava Shaffer then collected a 1 out single in the bottom of the 7th. Then the next batter for Tucker County, Kate Simmons hit a 2 run homerun over the left field fence to give the Lady Mt. Lions the walk off win by the final score of 7-5. Tucker County got 9 hits in the game as Kate

Simmons and Ava Shaffer collected homeruns in the contest. Ava Shaffer also added another hit in the game, while Paige Shaffer and Autumn Russell had 2 hits each for the Lady Mt. Lions. Corrinia Lipscomb and Addie Hicks also had 1 hit each for Tucker County in the victory. Paige Shaffer got the start for the Lady Mt. Lions on the mound as she went 5 innings. Ava Shaffer took the mound in relief for Tucker County.

CAMP KIDD – The Tucker County Softball team hosted Pendleton County and Philip Barbour on Thursday April 27th. The first game against Pendleton County was the continuation of a game that was delayed on April 5th. On April 5th Tucker County was up 4-3 when the game was delayed because of weather. The game was

picked up where it left off in the 3rd inning. The scoring did not get started again until the 5th inning when Pendleton County got 3 runs to take the lead 6-4 after 5 innings. The Lady Wildcats then added 4 runs in the 6th inning to push the Pendleton County lead to 10-4 after 6 innings. The Lady Mt. Lions then battled back in the bottom of the 7th inning but the rally fell short as Tucker County scored 4 runs, but the game ended with the score at 10-8 Pendleton County. The Lady Mt. Lions managed just 3 hits in the game. Raven Matthews led Tucker County with a double while Autumn Russell and Kate Simmons added 1 hit each. Paige Shaffer got the loss for Tucker County on the mound.

The Lady Mt. Lions then hosted Philip Barbour the same evening with Senior Night activities taking place before the game. Seniors Paige Shaffer, Kate Simmons, Autumn Russell and Corrinia Lipscomb were honored before the game. The game started with both teams scoring in the 1st inning as the game

was tied after 1 inning 1-1. The game would then go the next 4 innings with no runs scored until Philip Barbour got 2 runs across home plate in the top of the 6th inning. The Lady Mt. Lions then got 1 run in the bottom of the 6th inning to make the score 3-2 after 6 innings. The Lady Colts then got 2 runs in the top of the 7th inning to make the score 5-2. Tucker County was unable to mount a comeback in the 7th inning as they fell in the contest by the final score of 5-2. Kate Simmons and Katie Hicks led Tucker County with 2 hits each in the game. Paige Shaffer and Corrinia Lipscomb added 1 hit each for the Lady Mt. Lions in the loss. Corrinia Lipscomb got the start for Tucker County as she went over 5 innings before Ava Shaffer entered the game in relief.

Tucker County(11-12) were scheduled to open Sectional play on Tuesday May 2nd at home against East Hardy. The Lady Mt. Lions will continue double elimination Sectional play this week. For more information go to [TuckerCountySports.com](http://TuckerCountySports.com).

# The Tucker Community Foundation announces quilt fundraiser

PARSONS - Tucker Community Foundation is holding a raffle on a Quilt, donated by a supporter. The foundation is selling tickets on the quilt for \$5 a piece or 5 tickets for \$20 and can be purchased from any TCF Board Member, tickets can also be purchased at the foundation's office in Parsons, on their website [www.tuckerfoundation.net](http://www.tuckerfoundation.net) and by calling the office at 304-478-2930. Tickets are on sale now and will be available until June 30<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be drawn on June 30<sup>th</sup> at the foundation's Uncle Sam's Birthday Party in the Bear Paw Lodge at Canaan Valley Resort State Park. You don't have to be present to win. All proceeds from the quilt

ticket sales will go to the Tucker Community Foundation and will be used to support organizations in their local eight county area.

Michael Moore, Chief Financial Officer for the foundation, said "It is a beautiful quilt and you can see the time, effort and love she put into making it. The quilt is valued up to \$500."

If you need assistance in purchasing tickets or have questions and would like more information about this fundraiser or any other foundation project, contact the Foundation's office at (304) 478-2930. Additional information can be found, and tickets can be purchased, on the foundation's website: [www.tuckerfoundation.net](http://www.tuckerfoundation.net).



The Tucker Community Foundation is selling tickets for a chance to win this quilt which was made and donated by a supporter. Tickets are on sale now through June 30<sup>th</sup>.

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## Track

Boyles(53.51). 4x100m Relay: 3rd-D.Mullenax, G.Mullenax, N.Ricottilli, R.Kisamore(50.18). 4x200m Relay: 3rd-D.Mullenax, R.Kisamore, R.Scott, N.Ricottilli(1:44.07). 4x400m Relay: 4th-R.Scott, R.Kisamore, N.Ricottilli, D.Mullenax(4:12.47). 4x800m Relay: 3rd-Alx. Boyles, C.Judy, L.Suesli, Aln. Boyles(10:20.18). Shuttle Hurdles: 4th-D.Mullenax, H.Smith, R.Scott, Aln.Boyles(1:14.38). Long Jump: 13th-Braxton George(13'08.75"). Shot Put: 8th-Hayden Smith(34'10"), 10th-Gavin Mullenax(34'08"), 18th-

Hunter Ware(28'01"). Discus Throw: 6th-Gavin Mullenax(105'06"), 7th-Hayden Smith(104'09"), 17th-Hunter Ware(73'09"). Final Team Results: 1)Keyser(243), 2)Moorefield(98), 3) Southern,MD, 4)Petersburg(61), 5) Tucker County(47).

Girls Results – 100m: 8th-Mayah Gross(14.51). 800m: 2nd-Erin Chambers(2:42.31). 1600m: 1st-Hannah Hardy(6:17.81). 300m Hurdles: 5th-Mayah Gross(56.54). 4x100m Relay: 3rd-L.Callaway, H.Hardy, M.Callaway, M.Gross(1:00.74). 4x200m Relay: 4th-M.Gross, L.Callaway,

H.Cussins(2:08.27). 4x400m Relay: 3rd-H.Cussins, H.Hardy, L.Callaway, M.Callaway(4:57.65). 4x800m Relay: 2nd-E.Chambers, H.Hardy, H.Cussins, K.Ritchey(12:48.18). Shot Put: 11th-Kristen Ritchey(23'10"). Discus Throw: 8th-Kristen Ritchey(70'08"). Final Team Scores: 1)Keyser(173), 2)Southern,MD(90), 3)Moorefield(89), 4)Petersburg(67), 5)Tucker County(44).

The Tucker County Track team will return to action on Friday May 5th at Southern, MD. For more info go to [TuckerCountySports.Com](http://TuckerCountySports.Com).

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