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## Animal Shelter Sees Influx of New Animals

By: Lydia Crawley  
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"We continue to remain busy at the shelter," Tucker County Animal Shelter Director Bailey Falls said.

Falls updated the Tucker County Commission on the status of the Animal Shelter at the Commission's meeting.

According to Falls, the shelter is currently taking in more animals than are being adopted out. "We have more intakes than outcomes right now," Falls said. "We have 54 intakes since July 1 and we're at 61 animals in our care. So, there are more coming in then there are going out. Which is pretty typical for this time of year."

Falls said the focus has been on finding the incoming animals foster homes until they can be adopted. "So, we're just trying to focus a lot on getting them into foster homes. We have a lot more in foster homes than we have in the shelter which has been very helpful navigating this in-between being a little short on part time employees. So, we're just getting through and doing what we can."

Another way the shelter is dealing with the influx of new pets is through their partners, according to Falls. "We have a couple of transports," Falls said. "We finally have room with Rescue Partners so we have some scheduled transports in the next week to make some space."

Falls also updated the Commission on the progress of the County's Spay/Neuter Program. "We've issued 205 vouchers for the county so far with our grant we received with the spay/neuter program. So, that's awesome. People are using them. We are getting invoices for those and processing them



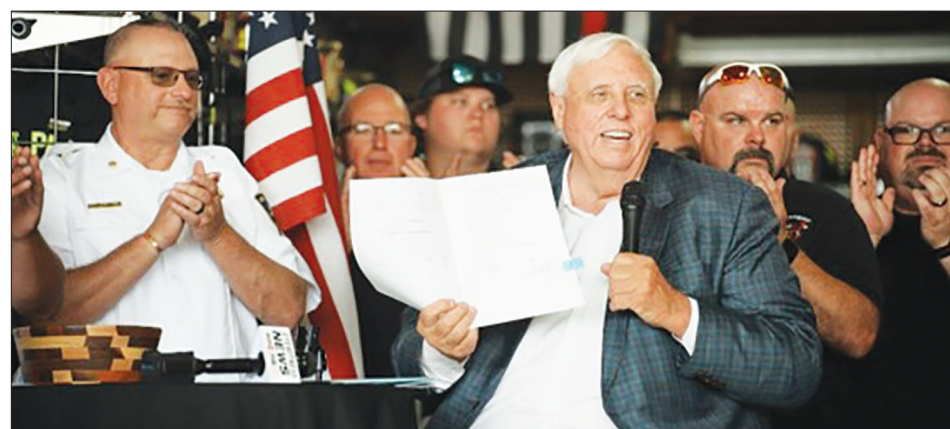
**Bailey Falls, Director of the Tucker County Animal Shelter, pictured, updated the Tucker County Commission on the seasonal uptake in new pets to the county shelter.**

through the state. It's been really good to be able to make some progress on that and it's also allowed us to, if somebody comes up and has a mom cat and some kittens, they have some homes they want the kittens to go to. So, ok, lets get some vouchers and that way they are not physically coming into the shelter. We're spending less money and we're making sure they are not reproducing."

According to Falls, the Animal Shelter will be set up at the Tucker County Fair with an adoption booth.

"We were at the Tucker County Fair, as well, trying to get some adoptions in the community," Falls said.

The next meeting of the Tucker County Commission will be held August 23rd at 6 p.m. at the Tucker County Courthouse Old Courtroom in Parsons.



## Gov. Justice signs bills allocating \$12 million to fire departments and first responders

POINT PLEASANT, WV — Gov. Jim Justice held a ceremony at the Point Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, where he signed SB 1021, SB 1022, and SB 1023, which passed in the recent Special Session of the West Virginia Legislature, providing \$12 million in supplemental funding to fire departments and first responders across the state.

"You are the people who literally run to the fire," Gov. Justice said. "I cannot thank you enough for the work you do and the lives you touched. There is no way that we make it without our first responders, and my goal is to supply you with everything you need to continue protecting our communities. Today is a monumental day because of what has been accomplished. Again, I cannot thank you enough for everything you do for our state."

"This is a big day for first responders in the state of West Virginia," Rob Cunningham, Deputy Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, said. "The cooperation between the West Virginia Legislature and the Governor to come up with this one-time appropriation to help fund our fire departments and emergency medical services is really huge."

Gov. Justice signed SB 1021, which created a special revenue fund to be administered by the Secretary of the West Virginia Department of Homeland Security (DHS), who will distribute additional funds to local county commissions in counties with excess levies or dedicated fees related to emergency services.

Gov. Justice also signed SB 1022 and SB 1023, which supplemented appropriations to the Division of Emergency Management, Growth County Fire Protection Fund, and County Fire Protection Fund.

These additional funds can be used for Fire Departments and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) based on the needs of the individual counties that receive them. These funds may be used to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE), facilities upkeep, and upgrade or buy new rescue, communications or ambulance equipment.

Additionally, funds can be used toward education and training expenses or to offset costs associated with compliance with Insurance Service Office recommendations (ISO), utility bills, and insurance payments.



## Demolition Preparation

Fencing has been placed around and near the former Charlette's Thrift Shop in preparation for demolition.

## Johnson Plea Deal Falls Through

By: Lydia Crawley  
The Parsons Advocate

Judge Courrier presided over the 21st Circuit Court in Tucker County in the case of the State v. Doiley Johnson, a proposed plea deal fell apart.

According to Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney Savannah Wilkins, Johnson has companion charges in Randolph County with four count of the same offense. Wilkins also said the victim and the victim's family were not satisfied with the terms of the plea deal. "They are not happy. In that sort of case, it is something the state takes very seriously...It is very important that they be on board with what we are doing...I don't feel comfortable with the nature of what is being charged."

Johnson was represented by his attorney Mr. Gentilozzi. Gentilozzi said he and his client felt they had a binding contract in regards to

the plea agreement. Gentilozzi also said, "They [Randolph County] are not very confident that it is a good parent-guarding-person of trust case."

Wilkins said that Johnson had admitted to guilt on audio recording to six instances. "Six times it happened...The recording does exist," Wilkins said.

Gentilozzi said his client accepted his actions were wrong. "My client is willing to accept that what he did was wrong," Gentilozzi said.

Gentilozzi said he was willing to conference with the victim and their family to reach an agreement. Wilkins agreed but reiterated her stance on the current plea agreement. "I'm just not comfortable with the facts," Wilkins said.

According to the Gentilozzi, the victim was 14. "I know she wasn't able to consent because she was 14," Gentilozzi said. Gentilozzi also said his client was not willing to admit to being a guardian or person of trust and did not believe Johnson fit the legal definition. Gentilozzi also said the relationship was short-lived

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## County Commission Fund Travel for Special Athletes

By: Lydia Crawley  
The Parsons Advocate

At the Tucker County Commission meeting the Commission approved a request from Stormy Meloy on behalf of the West Virginia Special Olympics. The organization asked the Commission for assistance with funding a rental van and overnight accommodation for a bowling competition in Charleston.

"I'm here on behalf of the Olympics, the Tucker County group," Meloy said. "We are coming with a funding request."

Among those accompanying Meloy were Special Olympic Athletes Meloy called Rocky and Isaiah. "I have two athletes, Rocky and Isaiah," Meloy said.

According to Meloy, the Special Olympics group in the county has grown and has gained additional community support. "We actually have grown our group," Meloy said. "We're getting two new athletes starting in November so we're actually growing. We have more community support than we have before. The four-by-four races are very generous to us. We work the races; they give us a \$1,000 which goes a long way. We take up donations and the community members are amazing. Shop and Save back in I think it was 2021 gave us a \$1,000 donation. We weren't expecting that so that Parsons Shop and Save was a blessing."

Meloy said the organization was requesting help with funding a rental van and hotel expenses for the group. "So, we're here asking for help with rental vans to go to our bowling tournament in Charleston," Meloy said. "Which is December the 9th and 10th. And also for hotel

travel also the night before."

Meloy said the group has found the athletes perform better if they are able to stay overnight the night before rather than travel the day of the event. "We found that Summer Games we went down the night before because you have to be in Charleston so early in the morning. And then they are so overwhelmed and overstimulated that I feel they just competed so much better. We took home gold, silver and stuff in Charleston because they were well rested and didn't have to anticipate that ride."

The Commissioners spoke with Rocky and Isaiah about their experiences. Tucker County Commissioner Mike Rosenau asked Rocky about his bowling. "Rocky, do you like bowling?"

Rocky replied that he did. "Good, good," Rosenau said. "Do you compete really well down there? I do, too. I get real competitive when I bowl."

Tucker County Commissioner Fred Davis asked Isaiah what his favorite sport was and Isaiah said it was Bowling. "Isaiah, what's your favorite sport down there?" Davis said. Isaiah also said he had played Cornhole over the summer.

The Commissioners said they had seen that Isaiah had competed over the summer on Facebook and said they follow the Special Olympics Athletes progress on Facebook. "I watch you guys on Facebook all the time," Rosenau said.

Isaiah has been involved with the Special Olympics since he was eight years old. "I've been in it since I was eight years old," Isaiah said. "My brother went in when he was five years old." According to Maloy, Isaiah will soon

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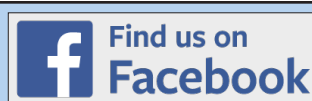
## Crossland-Bolyard Sworn into Office



**Garret Crossland-Bolyard was sworn into office on 8.16.23 as Probation Officer for the 21st Judicial Circuit for the State of West Virginia by Hon. Judge James W. Courrier, Jr. Prior to being hired in Probation, Garret worked as Case Manager for Tucker Day Report from June 2021- August 2023. Garret graduated with his bachelor's in criminal justice from Glenville State University in May of 2023.**



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# News of Record

**The following criminal complaint has been filed in the Tucker County Magistrate office:**

- **Douglas Leon Gidley** was charged with one count driving under the influence of alcohol with BAC greater than .15.
- On Wednesday, Aug. 23 Cpl. J.J. Cornelius arrived at the scene of a reported crash near Spruce Street in Parsons. Upon arrival, he met with individuals who indicated the driver allegedly attempted to leave the scene and appeared intoxicated. The officer observed a red vehicle over the embankment and had traveled through a fence and into a yard.
- The officer made contact with the driver and identified him as Douglas Gidley by his WV driver's license. He noticed that the suspect had red, glassy eyes and slurred speech. Insurance and registration was requested and the suspect fumbled in the glovebox but was unable to provide the information. The suspect allegedly admitted to the officer several times that he had been drinking.
- The officer observed the suspect had difficulty exiting the vehicle and required assistance walking. Field sobriety tests and a portable breath test were administered but all were failed.
- Cornelius transported the accused to the Parsons Police Department for secondary chemical testing. After the West Virginia Implied Consent Statement was read and completed, the accused decided to provide a sample to the Intoximeter. The results showed a BAC of .166%.
- This crime was committed in Tucker County and all suspects 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:**

- Lisa Cilia, Fairfax District, .536 acres to Kevin Gotinsky and Kristopher Gotinsky, \$15,000.
- Liesa D. Propst, Parsons Corporation, Lot 126 Yellow Spruce Street to Sky Shine Properties LLC, \$35,000.
- William Kruse, Et. Ux., Dry Fork District, Unit B7 of Blackwater Center Condos to Clayton Bays, Et. Ux., \$142,000.

**The following marriage was recorded in the Tucker County Clerk's office:**

- Brandon Joseph Taylor Fairbanks to Marissa Nicole Metz on Monday, Aug. 21, 2023

# We Get Letters

Editor,  
Greetings fellow residents of Davis. As I continue to learn about local government it is apparent to me that governing is a team sport. Whatever the project, when the community gets involved, the outcome only gets better. Our draft zoning ordinance is a perfect example. Today's version, after four public meetings is vastly improved over the first draft. Community involvement makes all the difference. After two years of being the mayor of Davis I am still learning. Sadly, there is not a how-to-book on mayoring. I have however learned

that for communities to thrive they need the knowledge, expertise, and the input of their residents. I accordingly ask for your assistance. The Town of Davis needs involvement by its residents to address not only local challenges, but also to help shape our collective future. I ask people to consider attending Town Council meetings the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 pm in the Townhall. Or, consider volunteering, it does not have to be too time consuming or difficult. Please become a member of a Town organization. Working together we can accomplish

great things. Here are some of the organizations available for your consideration:  
Davis Planning Commission,  
Davis Parks and Recreation Commission, Inc.,  
Davis Building Commission, and  
Davis Cemetery Committee

The only requirement is that you are eighteen years of age and a resident of the Town of Davis. Thank you for your consideration.

Al Tomson  
Mayor, Town of Davis

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## Johnson

and only lasted three to four months. Judge Courier said that the court was placed in a bad position due to the plea deal falling apart. "It puts the court in a bad position," Judge Courier said. "The court isn't supposed to get involved with plea negotiations.

Judge Courier also stated that the parties needed to come to an agreement on how to proceed and inform the court. Judge Courier said, "I need you all to meet and decide if

there is some middle ground and let me know if we proceed with a plea agreement or need to set a trial date."

A date of September 19 has been set on a motion to suppress evidence in regards to the confession.

Wilkins said she felt that the victim and family support was vital in proceeding with the case. "It's really important to me that the victims support what is happening," Wilkins said.

Johnson is charged with Third Degree Sexual Abuse, Third Degree Sexual Assault, Second Degree Sexual Assault and two counts of Sexual Abuse by a Parent, Guardian, Custodian or Person in a Position of Trust to a Child. Johnson could face two to 10 years to run concurrent with the Randolph County charges for a total of six to 30 years. According to the court proceedings, if convicted, Johnson would face a minimum of six years in prison.

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## County Commission

be 28 years old. "So let me ask you this," Rosenau said. "You're getting rooms and every athlete that's going down on the van has the available to spend the night?"

"Absolutely," Maloy said. "Including the volunteers. And what we do, we'll load up, we'll go down the night before, we'll take them to eat – like, dinner is on them, that night – and then after they compete – usually on Saturday – we take them to dinner. We went to IHOP last time. That's why the meals and we paid for every athlete and every volunteer out of our county funds because they typically have spaghetti or they have something and not every athlete likes that. So, we took them to IHOP in Charleston. They were absolutely wonderful. They got what they wanted and had a great time."

Maloy also reassured the Commission that the group's local bank account was overseen by the State organization for withdrawals. "If you guys make that check to Special Olympics of West Virginia what happens is – and this is good infor-

mation for you – that goes to our bank here in Mountain Valley and anyone is allowed to deposit that," Maloy said. "But, it is watched by the CEO in Charleston. And in order to request funds, we're able to request funds out of it, but we have to send a paper stating what we are requesting it for. And then he issues us the check for the money and we sign it and then we supply him with receipts also."

"Guys, I hope you do well," Rosenau said. "And you know what I would like, is after you go to Charleston, I would like a presentation back here on how you do. After you go, it would be nice if you could come and we could highlight you at the Commission meeting and we could take pictures with their metals and stuff like that."

Maloy said she submitted financial statements for the Commission's consideration

on the matter along with an invoice from Enterprise for the rental of the van. In total, Maloy requested \$1,896 to cover the van rental, \$500 deposit on the van and hotel costs for 8 athletes. Rosenau said the county could not fund the deposit due to accounting procedures, but made a motion to approve the donation of \$1,396 to the organization to fund the trip with the request that the Commission be supplied with receipts for the van and hotel stay for accounting purposes.

The next meeting of the Tucker County Commission will be held September 13th at 9 a.m. at the Tucker County Courthouse Old Courtroom in Parsons.

# Attorney General Morrissey Joins Bipartisan Coalition Urging US Supreme Court to Protect Veterans' Rights

CHARLESTON — West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrissey has joined a bipartisan coalition of 40 states, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in urging the U.S. Supreme Court to allow a three-time veteran the full set of education benefits the Montgomery and Post-9/11 GI Bills allow.

The coalition argues that a veteran who has served multiple periods of qualifying service under the Montgomery GI Bill and the Post-9/11 GI Bill is entitled to receive a total of 48 months of education benefits—without first exhausting the Montgomery benefit in order to obtain the more generous Post-9/11 benefit.

"Our veterans, our nation's heroes, should not have to fight for benefits the country they have honorably served promised them," Attorney General Morrissey said. "We send them to fight our wars and I'm proud of our laws that honor their service

when they get back home."

The veteran in the center of the case, James Rudisill, enlisted and served in the Army from 2000 to 2002, served again a couple years later—including on deployment in Iraq—and ultimately was commissioned as an officer from 2007 to 2011. The coalition argues that this service entitles him to the Post-9/11 benefits up to the law's full 48-month cap.

However, the VA insists the law limits him to only the 10 months of benefits that remained available to him under the Montgomery GI Bill—even though his separate periods of service qualified him for 22 months under the Post-9/11 Bill.

In 2021, the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims ruled in Rudisill's favor. But the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit reversed that ruling last December.

The coalition's brief argues the lower court's interpretation of the GI Bills deprives veterans of the expansive education benefits that Congress

intended to confer, and frustrates the States' efforts to help veterans get the benefits they deserve. It also argues that the lower court's approach denies veterans the special solicitude from the pro-veteran canon, which instructs courts to liberally construe statutes that are designed to protect our nations' vets.

Attorney General Morrissey joined the Virginia-led brief with Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Northern Mariana Islands, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Washington, Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Read a copy of the amicus brief: <https://bit.ly/3qAXIOg>.

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# 2023 4-H and FFA Livestock Auction Results

By: Lydia Crawley  
The Parsons Advocate

The 2023 4-H and FFA Livestock Auction was held as part of the Tucker County Fair on Saturday evening, August 26th. The evening began with the Dessert Auction which saw many desserts sell for an average of \$50. However some desserts such as a Apple Caramel Cake sold for \$160, a Strawberry Rhubarb Pie sell for \$90 and Grandma Knotts Butterscotch Pie sell for \$70. An unused Baby Book that was won at the Fair in 1937 was auctioned off as well at the event and brought a final bid of \$20.

The livestock auction saw

many of the small animals donated back to the participants following sale. Below are the final sale information for the Champions and Reserve Champions at the Livestock Auction.

### Market Steers

Grand Champion: Tate Mullenax with a steer weighing in at 1386 pounds. A final bid of \$2.40 a pound was received for a total cost of \$3,326.40.

Reserve Champion: Braxton Smith with a steer weighing in at 1222 pounds. A final bid of \$2.30 a pound was received for a total cost of \$2,810.60.

### Market Duck

Grand Champion: Ava Wilfong with a final bid of \$500.

Reserve Champion: Abby Wilfong with a final bid of \$500.

### Feeder Steers

Grand Champion: Maci Owens with a steer weighing in at 556 pounds. A final bid of \$2.90 a pound was received for a total cost of \$1,612.40.

Reserve Champion: Delbert Wilkins with a steer weighing in at 592 pounds. A final bid of \$3.10 a pound was received for a total cost of \$1,835.20.

### Market Turkey

Grand Champion: Abby Wilfong with a final bid of \$600.

Reserve Champion: Ava Wilfong with a final bid of \$500.

### Feeder Heifers

Grand Champion: Marlee

Evans with a heifer weighing in at 510 pounds. A final bid of \$3.15 a pound was received for a total cost of \$1,606.50.

Reserve Champion: Sidney Vandevender with a heifer weighing in at 477 pounds. A final bid of \$2.70 a pound was received for a total cost of \$1,287.90.

### Market Goats

Grand Champion: Marlee Evans with a final bid of \$700.

Reserve Champion: Shaylea Wolfe with a final bid of \$700.

### Market Lambs

Grand Champion: Tate Mullenax with a goat weighing 153 pounds. A final bid of \$800 was received.

Reserve Champion: Kristen Ritchey with a goat weighing 142 pounds. A final bid of \$825 was received.

### Market Rabbits

Grand Champion: Zada Carr with a final bid of \$650.

Reserve Champion: Bella Carr with a final bid of \$450.

### Laying Hens

Grand Champion: Rachel Hile with a final bid of \$350.

Reserve Champion: Buck Yates with a final bid of \$300.

### Market Hogs

Grand Champion: Marlee Evans with a hog weighing 282 pounds. A final bid of \$4.00 a pound was received for a total cost of \$1,128.



Tate Mullenax leads his Market Steer Grand Champion into the ring at the Tucker County 2023 4-H and FFA Livestock Sale August 26th. A final bid of \$2.40 a pound was received for the champion steer.



Maci Owens leads her Grand Champion Feeder Steer around the ring at the Livestock Auction August 26th. The Grand Champion steer had a final bid of \$2.90 at the auction.



Delbert Wilkins shows his Reserve Champion Feeder Steer at the Livestock Auction August 26th. Wilkins steer brought in \$3.10 at the auction.



Kristen Ritchey presents her Reserve Champion Market Lamb for auction August 26th. Ritchey's lamb brought in a final bid of \$825 with the animal being donated to FFA.



Braxton Smith leads his Reserve Champion Market Steer at the Livestock Sale August 26th. Smith's steer brought \$2.30 a pound at the auction.



Ava Wilfong circles the ring with her Grand Champion Market Ducks at the Livestock Sale August 26th. A final bid of \$500 was received for the champion ducks.



Abby Wilfong presents her Grand Champion Market Turkeys for auction August 26th. The Grand Champion turkeys fetched \$600 at the auction and were donated to the Fair Board.



Shaylea Wolfe leads her Reserve Champion Market Goat in the Auction Ring August 26th as a part of the 2023 4-H and FFA Livestock Auction. Wolfe's Reserve Champion brought in \$700 with the goat being donated back to Wolfe.



Sidney Vandevender presents her Reserve Champion Feeder Heifer for auction August 26th. Vandevender's Reserve Champion brought \$2.70 a pound at the auction.



Auction attendees observe Marlee Evans as she leads her Grand Champion Market Goat at the Livestock Auction August 26th. Evans goat was donated back to her after the final bid of \$700 at the auction.



Abby Wilfong shows her Reserve Champion Market Ducks at the Livestock Sale August 26th. The ducks brought \$500 at auction



Ava Wilfong shows her Reserve Champion Market Turkeys at the Livestock Auction August 26th. The Reserve Champion turkeys brought \$500 at auction and were donated back to Wilfong.



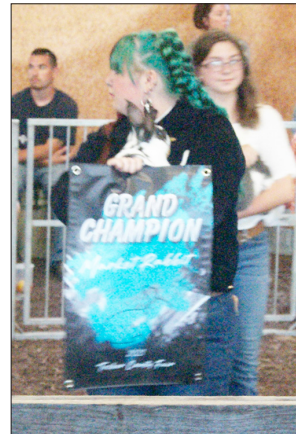
Bella Carr presents her Reserve Champion Market Rabbits for auction August 26th at the Tucker County Fair Livestock Auction. The Reserve Champion rabbits brought in a final bid of \$450 with the animals being donated back to Carr.



Auction attendees watch Tate Mullenax as he leads his Grand Champion Market Lamb in the Livestock Auction August 26th. A final bid of \$800 was had for the Grand Champion.



Rachel Hile presents her Grand Champion Laying Hens at the Livestock Auction August 26th. Buck Yates had the Reserve Champions. Hile's hens fetched \$350 at the auction with Yate's runners up bringing in a close \$300. Both participants had their hens donated back to them at the event.



Zada Carr circles the ring with her Grand Champion Market Rabbits at the Livestock Auction August 26th. A final bid of \$650 was brought in from the Grand Champions with the rabbits being donated back to Carr.

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# FAMILY RECAP

The descendants of Albert Campbell and Mary Susan Mallow Smith gathered Sunday, July 19, 2023 at the Flanagan Hill Community Center for their 68th annual Family Reunion. Family and friends enjoyed a potluck dinner and time to visit together while the children had fun outside on the playground and basketball court.

Everyone was welcomed by John Smith, who asked for a moment of silence for those who had passed away over the past year and invited everyone to look over

some articles and publications about both past and current family members as well as the updated family histories from different branches of the family. Dave Thompson led those gathered in a prayer of thanksgiving for family and food.

Attendees traveled from Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and Colorado as well as various parts of West Virginia. They included:

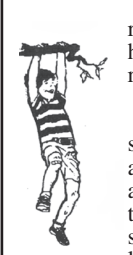
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## Dear World...



MY YOUNG SON starts to school today...It's going to be sort of strange and new to him for awhile, and I wish you would sort of treat him gently.



You see, up to now he's been king of the roost...He's been boss of the backyard...His mother has always been near to soothe his wounds and repair his feelings.

But now things are going to be different. This morning he's going to walk down the front steps, wave his hand, and start out on the great adventure...It is an adventure that might take him across continents, across oceans...It's an adventure that will probably include wars and tragedy and sorrow...To live his life in the world he will have to live in, will require faith and love and courage.



So, World, I wish you would sort of look after him...Take him by the hand and teach him things he will have to know.

But do it gently, if you can.

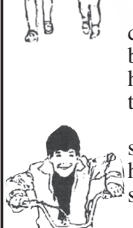
He will have to learn, I know, that all men are not just, that all men are not true.

But teach him also that for every scoundrel there is a hero...that for every crooked politician there is a great and dedicated leader...Teach him that for every enemy, there is a friend.



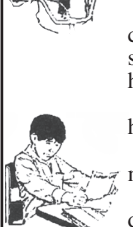
Steer him away from envy, if you can...and teach him the secret of quiet laughter.

In school, World, teach him it is far more honorable to fail than to cheat...Teach him to have faith in his own ideas, even if everyone says they are wrong...Teach him to be gentle with gentle people and tough with tough people.



Try to give my son the strength not to follow the crowd when everyone is getting on the bandwagon...Teach him to listen to all men but teach him also to filter all he hears on a screen of truth and take just the good that siphons through.

Teach him, if you can, how to laugh when he's sad...Teach him there is no shame in tears...Teach him there can be glory in failure and despair in success.



Treat him gently, World, if you can, but don't coddle him...Because only the test of fire makes fine steel...Let him have the courage to be impatient...Let him have the patience to be brave.

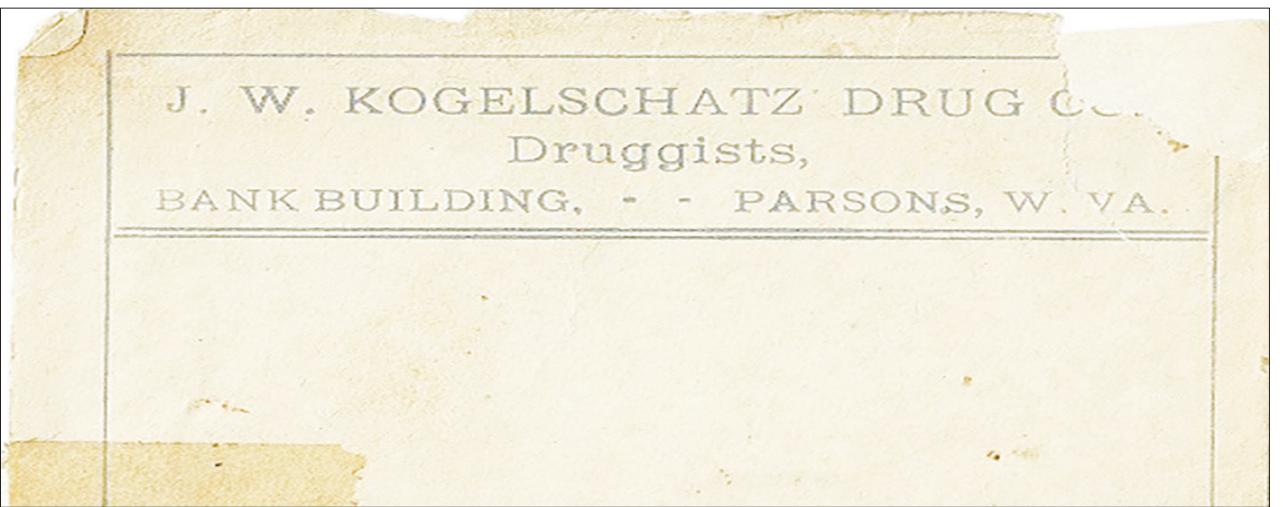
Let him be no man's man...Teach him always to have sublime faith in himself.

Because then he will always have sublime faith in mankind.

This is quite an order, World, but see what you can do...He's such a nice little fellow, my son!

By DAN VALENTINE

## TURNER'S TIDBITS



According to Fansler, the first licensed druggist in Parsons was J. W. Kogelschatz. He moved into a room of the Tucker County Bank Building in February 1904, and the same premises were used for a drug store for a long time. He was followed by Kent White Scott and in 1944 Rodney Barb purchased the drug store and operated it. This is a photo of a medicine envelope from the J. W. Kogelschatz Drug Company. Ideas, comments, suggestions, or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

# Tucker County Senior Center's September Outpost

Tuesday September 5th, 2023, the Tucker County Senior Center in Parsons, WV will host its monthly outpost lunch gathering for anyone who wants to share a meal and join in the fun.

The senior center menu will be offering its guests

baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy and corn, potluck sides will be welcomed to complement the meal.

Events of the day will start at 10:30 am and will feature two well know old time musicians, Gerry

Milnes and Michael "Mike" Miller, who many may recall played together at the locally performed play, "Moonshine Memories", recently at the Tucker County Court House.

Gerry and his wife live in Elkins, WV. He is well

known for playing traditional string music, touring widely, and garnering top awards for his instrumental performances. He served as the Folk Arts Coordinator at the Augusta Heritage Center of Davis & Elkins College for twenty-five years.

Mike Miller also from Elkins, WV regularly plays backup guitar for Gerry Milnes as well as Charlie Walden who is a leading, living exponent of the traditional fiddle music of Missouri. Mike and his wife recently moved to WV after spending more than four decades living and working in big cities in North America and Asia.



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# What's? Happening

## Keister Nestor Reunion

The annual Keister Nestor Reunion will be on Sunday, Sept. 3 at 12:30 p.m. at the Don and Kaye Nestor Pavilion on Clover Run.

## Church Dinner

The Hambleton Community Church

will be having a dinner on Saturday, Sept. 2 from 4 – 7 p.m. Donations accepted.

## Harmon Mt. Farm Reunion

Will be Saturday, Sept. 9 beginning at 11a.m. Bring a covered dish and BBQ will be provided for any who came to the farm as a youth. RSVP.

By Teri Cayton

The Parsons Advocate

It is with a heavy heart that I write my column this week. My fur-baby Ripley is gone. She got out of the back yard and was hit by a car this past Sunday night. The car didn't even stop to see what happened. I got to her just as she was taking her last breaths so she was not alone. Just know that she was loved from the first minute she was placed in my arms and she went out of this world the same way.

In her short life she made a lot of friends and I want to let them know that the kindness they showed her will not be forgotten.

I do not have the words to write a full column this week so please forgive me for that. She made friends at the bank, the courthouse, the pharmacy, and basically anywhere that had a drive thru. She even got her own pup cup at the Dairy King in Philippi. When she crosses the bridge she will have two new sisters to meet her there, Abby and Bailey and they will take good care of her for me. Momma Said,

## Momma Said

This column is about tips, helpful hints, recipes and words of wisdom. I dedicate this column to my mother.

By Teri Cayton  
The Parsons Advocate



“Cherish the time you have with your family, two legs or four it makes no difference. Love transcends all.”

Ripley on our last walk together, this is how I will remember her walking into the sunrise.



## Peach Cobbler Egg Roll

### Ingredients

#### Peach Cobbler Filling

- 1 lb. Peaches frozen, sliced or diced
- 1/3 cup Sugar or sugar substitute
- 1/4 tsp. Ground Cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. Ground Nutmeg
- 1/4 cup Butter salted
- 1 tsp. Vanilla Extract
- 1/2 tsp. Cornstarch mixed with a few drops of oil to prevent clumping, or Xanthan Gum

#### Others

- 10 Egg Roll Wrappers 10-12, one pack is enough, you just won't use all
- Oil for frying

#### Cinnamon Sugar Topping

- 1/4 cup Sugar or sugar substitute
- 1 tsp. Ground Cinnamon

#### Optional Toppings

- Caramel Syrup
- Vanilla Ice Cream

#### Instructions

1. Add all the peach cobbler filling ingredients to a pot.
2. Mix them and stir to combine
3. Cook on medium low for 10 minutes, or until the peaches are thawed and it appears that they are in a light syrup.

### For the egg rolls

1. Add a few tablespoons of filling (about 2-3 slices of peaches and some sauce) to the center of the egg roll wrapper.
2. Fold the egg roll – I use water to seal the edges. Repeat until all filling is used.
3. Heat oil in a frying pan to 350 degrees.
4. Add the egg rolls to the oil and cook until golden brown (about 3-4 minutes total – if doing more of a shallow fry with enough oil to cover just one side, then split the time evenly so both sides are cooked)
5. Remove from the oil and allow to drain on a cooling rack or a plate lined with paper towels.
6. Top with cinnamon sugar immediately out of the oil
7. Optional: Serve with a few scoops of ice cream and drizzles of caramel syrup.

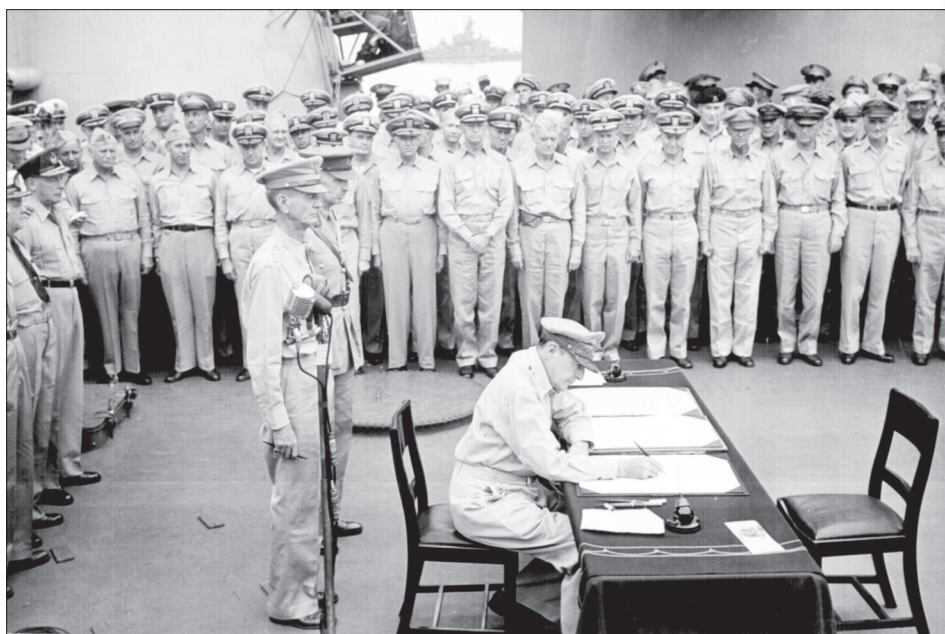
### Notes

#### For the air fryer:

- Preheat your air fryer and spray them generously with oil like avocado or olive oil and air fry at 400 degrees for 10 minutes.



Sept. 1, 1921: By this date during the Battle of Blair Mountain, miners had captured half of the 25-mile mountain ridge and were ready to descend upon Logan. President Warren Harding placed the strike zone under martial law, and ordered federal troops and a squadron of bomber aircraft into the state.



Aug. 31, 1945: The USS West Virginia led American battleships into Tokyo Bay two days before the formal surrender of Japan on September 2, 1945.

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).

Aug. 30, 1862: Confederate raiders under the command of General Albert G. Jenkins attacked and occupied Buckhannon, where they captured 20 prisoners and 5,000 stands of small arms.

Sept. 1, 1777: Fort Henry, located at what is now Wheeling, was attacked by Indians for the first time during the Revolutionary War. Nearly half the militia were lured outside the post and killed.

Sept. 1, 1907: Walter Phillips Reuther was born to German immigrant parents in Wheeling. Reuther was a founder of the modern labor movement and a long-time president of the United Auto Workers.

Sept. 2, 1722: Frontiersman William Crawford was born in present Jefferson County. He was a farmer, soldier, surveyor, and the land agent of George Washington.

Sept. 3, 1890: West Virginia Wesleyan College opened in Buckhannon as the West Virginia Conference Seminary. In that first year, 201 men and women undertook a largely preparatory school curriculum. Gradually the school added college-level studies and awarded its first five degrees in 1905.

Sept. 3, 1966: President Lyndon B. Johnson dedicated the Summersville Dam and Lake. Summersville Lake (now State Park), located on the Gauley River in Nicholas County, is West Virginia's largest lake, with 2,790 surface acres at summer pool stage and 60 miles of shoreline.

Sept. 4, 1862: General Albert G. Jenkins and his men crossed the Ohio River and became the first to raise the Confederate flag on Ohio soil.

Sept. 5, 1861: Sutton was occupied by 5,000 Union troops. Later in 1861, General Rosecrans bivouacked 10,000 Union troops there, including a future president, William McKinley.

## Super Crossword

MILK-AND-HONEY POOCHES

- |                                   |                              |                              |  |                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>ACROSS</b>                     | 49 Was the father of         | 93 Canadian gas brand        | 4 Suffix with absorb                       | 36 Bamboozle                      | 78 Old sweets                              |
| 1 Web page directories            | 50 — Lady of Guadalupe       | 95 Ancient Greek lyric poet  | 5 Bucko                                    | 38 Had grub                       | 79 Whichever of the two                    |
| 9 Espressos, e.g.                 | 51 Eager kids' question      | 97 End of the riddle         | 6 In re                                    | 39 The film sidekick              | 80 Alternative magazine to House Beautiful |
| 16 Basic lessons                  | 53 Pinkish red               | 101 Campus complexes         | 7 Put a stopper in                         | 40 Of a major blood vessel        | 82 Rival                                   |
| 20 Open to suggestion             | 55 Not even one              | 102 Commanded                | 8 Vend                                     | 42 Astronomer                     | 83 "Sounds right to me"                    |
| 21 Solar or lunar phenomenon      | 56 Riddle, part 3            | 103 — Mawr College           | 9 Ron of the 1970s                         | 43 Furry scarves                  | 84 Back of a 45 record                     |
| 22 U.S. island territory          | 61 Aykroyd of film           | 104 — a one (zilch)          | Dodgers                                    | 44 Musical set in Oz, with "The"  | 86 "Dam tootin!"                           |
| 23 Start of a riddle              | 62 Favorite son of Isaac     | 105 Rival of Lyft            | 10 First female Supreme Court justice      | 46 "Ver-r-ry funny"               | 88 Poetic eyes                             |
| 25 Paree "to be"                  | 63 Beard on grain            | 107 Threat ender             | 11 Viral cause of a winter woe, informally | 52 Salamander                     | 93 "Roots" Emmy winner                     |
| 26 Tar's "Help!"                  | 64 Eyes lewdly               | 109 Windows 10 runners, e.g. | 12 It funds Soc. Security                  | 53 V8 vegetable                   | 94 35mm camera inits.                      |
| 27 Wrinkly tangelo variety        | 65 Fissure                   | 110 A few                    | 13 Pollution-control gp.                   | 54 Charley horse, e.g.            | 96 Fish-fowl linkup                        |
| 28 Cavaliers' org.                | 67 Great joy                 | 112 Ewe noise                | 14 U.S. immigrants' class                  | 57 French for "eight"             | 98 Coal mine vehicle                       |
| 29 Stuff expelled from a volcano  | 69 Remedies                  | 115 Viva —                   | 15 Gomez of "Getaway"                      | 58 Areas on a golf course         | 99 Put in a crate                          |
| 31 West Aleutian island           | 70 Cross the mind of         | 116 Riddle's answer          | 16 Old Time film critic James              | 59 Be in accord                   | 100 Burden with one's problems             |
| 33 Brand of contact lens solution | 74 — T (exactly)             | 122 Slaughter of baseball    | 17 Totally bungled                         | 60 Bodily pouch                   | 106 Pintos, e.g.                           |
| 35 Outbreak of zits               | 75 Boring carpentry tool     | 123 Racked up                | 18 The late 1970s, politically             | 66 Pooch with a corded coat       | 108 For fear that                          |
| 37 Reply to "Which girl?"         | 76 Otology subject           | 124 Anticlimactic happening  | 19 Applied, as finger paint                | 68 Pai — poker (casino game)      | 109 Bygone                                 |
| 38 Mom on "The Cosby Show"        | 77 Bert who played a lion    | 125 Muralist José Maria —    | 24 Makes soiled                            | 69 Adorable kids                  | 111 Bygone Dodge                           |
| 41 Riddle, part 2                 | 78 Spike on a film set       | 126 Rodent-catching cats     | 30 787s, e.g.                              | 70 Waikiki's island               | 112 Dutch South African                    |
| 45 Old-style "Yay!"               | 81 Riddle, part 4            | 127 With two-channel sound   | 31 Lung filler                             | 71 Like many gory movies          | 113 Novelist Rice                          |
| 47 Voguish Christian              | 85 Grease-laden              | <b>DOWN</b>                  | 32 Pamphlet                                | 72 Constellation                  | 114 In re                                  |
| 48 — kwon do                      | 87 Diarist Nin               | 1 Plank cutters              | 30 787s, e.g.                              | Aries                             | 117 Doc's org.                             |
|                                   | 88 Snares, e.g.              | 2 Modest "I think," online   | 31 Lung filler                             | 73 Mandates                       | 118 Rebel Turner inserts                   |
|                                   | 89 Previous to, in verse     | 3 Alternatives to 9-Across   | 32 Pamphlet                                | 75 Skywalker of "Star Wars"       | 119 Jewel box                              |
|                                   | 90 Canonized fifth-cen. pope |                              | 33 Old name for Tokyo                      | 76 Scandalous corporation of 2001 | 120 Tennis barrier                         |
|                                   | 92 Barely manage, with "out" |                              | 34 Old name for Tokyo                      |                                   | 121 "Now — seen it all!"                   |

## 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

August 15 - August 22

Nursery Bottom  
Parsons

### Temperature

Max 87° F  
Min 47° F

### Precipitation

Week 0.12"  
August 2.78"  
2023 31.68"

### Snowfall

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

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# 2023 Tucker County Fair Pageant

The 2023 Tucker County Fair Pageant Winners are:

Queen: Gabby Chico  
Teen: Elaney Herron

Preteen: Norah Jackson  
Junior Miss: Ellie Ree  
Tiny Miss: Riley Summerfield  
Baby Miss: Chloe Boyles

The Queen and Teen were crowned on the Tucker County Stage on August 21st. The Preteen, Junior Miss, Tiny Miss and Baby Miss were crowned August 22nd.



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# SPORTS

## MT. LIONS CRUISE TO THE WIN AT POCAHONTAS COUNTY 57-8

TUCKER COUNTY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE			
8/25/2023	7PM	AWAY	POCAHONTAS COUNTY
9/1/2023	7PM	HOME	TYGARTS VALLEY
9/8/2023	7PM	AWAY	EAST HARDY
9/15/2023	7PM	AWAY	GILMER COUNTY
9/22/2023	7PM	AWAY	REEDSVILLE EASTERN, OH
9/29/2023	7PM	HOME	PENDLETON COUNTY
10/6/2023	7PM	AWAY	MOOREFIELD
10/13/2023	7PM	HOME	SOUTHERN GARRETT, MD
10/20/2023			OPEN
10/27/2023	7PM	HOME	PETERSBURG
11/3/2023	7PM	HOME	HAMPSHIRE

TUCKER COUNTY VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE			
8/23/2023	6PM	HOME	PETERSBURG
8/31/2023	6PM	AWAY	TRI @ EAST HARDY WITH UNION
9/6/2023	6PM	HOME	ELKINS
9/7/2023	6PM	AWAY	PETERSBURG
9/12/2023	6PM	HOME	TRI - MOOREFIELD & PRESTON
9/14/2023	6PM	HOME	PENDLETON COUNTY
9/16/2023	6PM	AWAY	PVC TOURNAMENT
9/18/2023	6PM	HOME	NORTH MARION
9/19/2023	6PM	HOME	EAST HARDY
9/21/2023	5PM	AWAY	TYGARTS VALLEY
9/27/2023	6PM	AWAY	ELKINS
9/28/2023	6PM	AWAY	UNION
10/3/2023	6PM	AWAY	TRI @ MOOREFIELD & PRESTON
10/5/2023	6PM	AWAY	PENDLETON COUNTY
10/12/2023	6PM	AWAY	NORTH MARION
10/17/2023	6PM	HOME	TYGARTS VALLEY
10/19/2023	6PM	HOME	TRI - UNION

TUCKER COUNTY CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE			
8/19/2023	9:00AM	AWAY	ST. MARYS
9/2/2023	9:00AM	AWAY	BUCKHANNON-UPSHUR
9/9/2023	9:00AM	AWAY	LINCOLN
9/12/2023	4:30PM	AWAY	BROADFORD(OAKLAND, MD)
9/16/2023	9:00AM	AWAY	ELKINS-FORREST FESTIVAL
9/19/2023	4:30PM	AWAY	SOUTH HARRISON
9/23/2023	9:00AM	HOME	RUN FOR IT - DAVIS
9/30/2023	10:00AM	HOME	TUCKER COUNTY INVITATIONAL @ CAMP KIDD
10/10/2023	4:00PM	AWAY	PVC CHAMPIONSHIP - KEYSER
10/19/2023	2:00PM	AWAY	REGIONALS - DODDRIDGE COUNTY
10/28/2023	TBA	AWAY	STATE MEET CABELL MIDLAND

TUCKER COUNTY GOLF SCHEDULE			
8/23/2023	4:00PM	HOME	CANAAN VALLEY
8/30/2023	4:00PM	HOME	CANAAN VALLEY
9/5/2023	4:00PM	AWAY	TYGARTS VALLEY @ RAVEN
9/7/2023	4:00PM	HOME	HOLLY MEADOWS
9/13/2023	9:00AM	AWAY	PVC CHAMPIONSHIP @ RAVEN
9/14/2023	4:00PM	HOME	CANAAN VALLEY
9/19/2023	4:00PM	AWAY	MOOREFIELD @ VALLEY VIEW
9/25/2023	9:00AM	TBA	REGIONALS @ TBA

TUCKER VALLEY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE			
8/31/2023	6:00PM	AWAY	BRAXTON COUNTY
9/9/2023	12:00PM	HOME	CHARLES TOWN MIDDLE
9/14/2023	6:00PM	AWAY	TYGARTS VALLEY
9/21/2023	6:00PM	HOME	WEBSTER COUNTY
			OPEN
10/5/2023	6:00PM	AWAY	CLAY-BATTELLE
10/12/2023	6:30PM	AWAY	SOUTH HARRISON
10/19/2023	6:00PM	HOME	POCAHONTAS COUNTY

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

DUNMORE – The Tucker County Football team traveled to Pocahontas County on Friday August 26th for a game with the Warriors. The Mt. Lions scored 30 first quarter points and Tucker County cruised to a 57-8 road victory.

The Mt. Lions started the scoring early with a pick six as Blaike Adams stepped in front of a Warriors pass and he returned the interception 35 yards for a touchdown. The 2 point conversion was good on a Rosenau run to make the score 8-0 early. Tucker County would score again on their first offensive possession with a 20 yard touchdown pass from Rosenau to Adams to put the score to 14-0 after a failed 2 point conversion. Pocahontas County was forced to punt again on their next possession. Tucker County's Maddox Anderson fielded the punt and raced 41 yards for a touchdown return. The PAT conversion was good on a Rosenau pass to Adams to push the Mt. Lions lead to 22-0. Tucker County would score one more time before the first quarter ended as Rosenau connected with Adams on a 7 yard touchdown pass. The PAT conversion was good on a Rosenau pass to Jared Reall to make the score 30-0 Mt. Lions after one quarter of play.

The Warriors continued to struggle in the second quarter as Tucker County would add two more scored in the second quarter. Reall had a 2 yard touchdown run and Maddox Anderson collected a 14 yard touchdown pass from Rosenau to put the score to 44-0 at the half-

time break.

In the third quarter Tucker County would find the endzone again with a 3 yard touchdown run by Reall. The PAT kick attempt was no good to put the score to 50-0. The Mt. Lions added another score in the third quarter with a 30 yard touchdown pass from Rosenau to Anderson. The PAT kick was good by Anderson to make the score 57-0 Tucker County.

The Warriors would get on the scoreboard in the fourth quarter with a 1 yard touchdown run. The 2 point conversion was good. That would end the scoring for both teams and the game ended with the final score 57-8 Mt. Lions.

Ethan Rosenau led

Tucker County with 12 of 12 passing for 221 yards and Maddox Anderson had 4 receptions for 104 yards receiving. Jared Reall led the Mt. Lions on the ground with 8 carries for 83 yards rushing. Luke Barb added 3 carried for 60 yards rushing and Blaike Adams had 5 receptions for 55 yards receiving. On defense Jared Reall led Tucker County with 6 tackles and Marky Phillips added 4 tackles for the Mt. Lions.

Tucker County(1-0) will host Tygarts Valley this Friday September 1st for the first home game of the season. Kickoff is set for 7pm. For more info and links to the broadcasts go to TuckerCountySports.Com.



The Mt. Lions prepare for kickoff against Pocahontas County on August 25th. Photo by Brittany Channell.



Tucker County's Blaike Adams avoids the Warriors defense on August 25th. The Mt. Lions got the victory 57-8 at Pocahontas County. Photo by Brittany Channell.



The Family of Jerry B. Flanagan wish to offer our sincere appreciation and thank you to those who offered condolences, hugs, cards, food, flowers, visits, phone calls and memorial donations as an expression of sympathy for our loss.

**Special thank you to:**

- Rev. M. Smay and Rev. John DiBacco and to all who participated in the funeral services.
- The Society of St. Thomas Parish women for the wonderful brunch provided for our family and friends.
- The Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home, The American Legion post 71, The VFW Post 10077 and the Tucker County Veterans Organization.

May God Bless You All.

Sincerely,  
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**IN RE: The Marriage of:** Civil Action No. 23-D-23  
David Jolly and Jessica Jolly  
Petitioner, Respondent.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

**THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN CHILD CUSTODY THIS IS A PUBLICATION BY CLASS II LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT To the Above-Named Respondent:**

It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that Jessica Jolly is a non-resident of the State of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Jessica Jolly serve upon David Jolly, Petitioner, whose address is 407 Walnut St., Parsons, WV 26287, an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition For Divorce filed in this action on or before August 21, 2023. If you fail to Answer the Petition For Divorce, a judgment may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk's Office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court

*Sharon Moats*  
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*Debra Niccolla*  
Clerk of the Court

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**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

**IN THE FAMILY COURT OF TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF J.H. and K.C., minors,** Civil Action No. 23-CIG-5  
**RESPONDENT:**

Caitlin Hebb, Mother  
unknown, Father

You have been named as the parents of the children who is the subject of the above-styled matter involving a Petition for Family Infant Guardianship. It appearing, after due diligence, the Petitioner, Daniel Hebb, has been unable to locate your current whereabouts. To protect your interests, you must serve upon Daniel Hebb, Petitioner, or Circuit Clerk whose address is 211 First Suite 403, Parsons, WV 26287 an Answer, including any counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition filed in this action, on or before September 6, 2023. These proceedings can result in the permanent guardianship of your child with Daniel Hebb if you fail to file a response or make an appearance in this matter. A permanent Guardianship Hearing is scheduled in this matter for September 12, 2023, to begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Circuit Court of Tucker County, West Virginia, located at 211 First Street, 4th Floor Courtroom, Parsons, WV 26287. A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office located at 211 First Street, Suite 403, Parsons, WV 26287.

*Sharon Moats*  
Sharon Moats, Circuit Clerk of Tucker Co.  
by *M. Williams*, deputy clerk

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

Deceased Robert Martin Barnes 1st publication 8/23/23 2nd publication 8/30/23	Personal Representative(s) Michael L. Rosier II Christina R. Rosier PO Box 68 Elkins, WV 26241 Mary Louise Poling 820 Smokey Hollow Rd. Parsons, WV 26287 Linda Stanley 497 Brown Street Thomas, WV 26292 Teresa L. Tennant 328 Smokehouse Rd. Parsons, WV 26287
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Claims against any estate must be filed within sixty days of the date of first publication. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint to the Tucker County Commission, Tucker County Clerk, 211 First St., Suite 205, Parsons, WV. Any person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court must be filed with County Commission within sixty days after the date of first publication or thirty days of service of the notice, whichever is later.

ATTEST: SHERRY SIMMONS, TUCKER COUNTY CLERK

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**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

**IN THE FAMILY COURT OF TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF G.C. and K.C., minors,** Civil Action No. 23-CIG-4  
**RESPONDENT:**

Caitlin Hebb, Mother  
Jeremy Cussins, Father

You have been named as the parents of the children who is the subject of the above-styled matter involving a Petition for Family Infant Guardianship. It appearing, after due diligence, the Petitioner, Daniel Hebb, has been unable to locate your current whereabouts. To protect your interests, you must serve upon Daniel Hebb, Petitioner, or Circuit Clerk whose address is 211 First Suite 403, Parsons, WV 26287 an Answer, including any counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition filed in this action, on or before September 6, 2023. These proceedings can result in the permanent guardianship of your child with Daniel Hebb if you fail to file a response or make an appearance in this matter. A permanent Guardianship Hearing is scheduled in this matter for September 12, 2023, to begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Circuit Court of Tucker County, West Virginia, located at 211 First Street, 4th Floor Courtroom, Parsons, WV 26287. A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office located at 211 First Street, Suite 403, Parsons, WV 26287.

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**WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Division of Highways**

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service ([www.bidx.com](http://www.bidx.com)) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia, until December 12, 2023 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call	Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
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**DBE GOAL:** 8% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

**REMARKS:**

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

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

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

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**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
DIVISION OF WATER AND WASTE MANAGEMENT  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

**APPLICATION FOR A WEST VIRGINIA NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT MODIFICATION**

**Public Notice No.:** SM-83-2023 **Public Notice Date:** August 30, 2023

**Paper:** The Parsons Advocate

The following has applied for a WV NPDES Water Pollution Control Permit Modification for this facility or activity:

**Appl. No.:** WVR112141 MOD-2  
**Applicant:** GREENMAN-PEDERSEN, INC.  
11000 BROKEN LAND PARKWAY  
SUITE 500  
COLUMBIA, MD 21044

**Location:** DAVIS, TUCKER COUNTY  
**Latitude:** 39:09:34 **Longitude:** 79:37:08

**Receiving Stream:** Long Rn./North Fk. Blackwater Rv./Blackwater River/Black Fk./Cheat Rv./Monongahela Rv.

**Activity:** 11.20 acres will be added to the project which will total 49.30 acres of earth disturbance for access roadways, laydown areas and drill pads to continue to conduct exploratory core borings. This project will be broken up into 2 Phases with an expected length of 8 months. The original permit activity was approved on 5/12/2023 will start in early September and the activity involved with this modification will start once this modification approval is received.

**Business conducted:** Discharge of treated Stormwater into an UNT of Roaring Rn., Slp Hill/Mill Rn., Bg Rn., Tub Rn., N.Fk. of B. W. Rv., Pndltm. Ck., Beaver Ck., discharging to Blck. Fk. to Cheat Rv.

**Implementation:** N/A

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

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

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

The public comment period begins August 30, 2023 and ends September 29, 2023.

Comments received within this period will be considered prior to acting on the permit modification application. Correspondence should include the name, address and the telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised. The Director shall hold a public hearing whenever a finding is made, on the basis of requests, that there is a significant degree of public interest on issues relevant to the Draft Permit Modification(s). Interested persons may contact the public information office to obtain further information.

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

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CASE NO. 23-0280-G-42T  
MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY,

a public utility, Kanawha County

Rule 42T application to increase rates and charges

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING AND EVIDENTIARY HEARING

On March 6, 2023, Mountaineer Gas Company (Mountaineer) made a Rule 42 tariff filing to increase gas rates and charges seeking approximately, an additional \$19.74 million in annual revenue, or an approximate 6.08 percent increase on a total-company basis over current rates for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers in Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia.

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$ 7.08	7.85%
Commercial	\$ 10.26	2.68%
Large Commercial	\$ 747.47	0.70%
Industrial	\$ 293.54	0.40%
Resale	\$ 100.00	1.70%

By Order issued March 31, 2023, the Commission suspended proposed increased rates and charges until Monday, January 1, 2024.

The Commission will conduct a public comment hearing and an evidentiary hearing in this matter. The public comment hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, Public Service Commission Building, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The evidentiary hearing in this matter will commence immediately after the public comment hearing, also in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room. Interested persons should be able to view the public comment hearing and evidentiary hearing via an internet livestream.

The Commission website, [www.psc.state.wv.us](http://www.psc.state.wv.us), contains links to "Case Information," "Submit a Comment," and "Commission Webcast." Written comments may be filed online through the Commission website using the "Submit a Comment" link or may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, 201 Brooks St., Charleston, West Virginia 25323, or hand-delivered to the Public Service Commission.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Water & Waste Management  
Office of Waste Management  
601 57th street, SE  
Charleston, WV 25304  
(304) 926-0495

#### APPLICATION FOR WEST VIRGINIA SOLID WASTE FACILITY CLOSURE PERMIT RENEWAL

Permit Notice No.: SW-10-23 Paper: The Parsons Advocate  
219 Central Avenue  
Parsons, WV 26287

Public Notice Dates: August 23, 2023  
August 30, 2023

The following has applied to the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection for a Solid Waste Landfill Permit Renewal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit:

Applicant: Tucker County Solid Waste Authority  
P.O. Box 445  
Davis, WV 26260

Application No.: SWF-8295/WV0109126

Location: 0.3 Miles Northwest of the Intersection of Route 32 and Route 93, between Thomas and Davis, Tucker County, West Virginia  
Class B Landfill

The applicant may receive a maximum of 9,999 tons monthly of the following types of waste: solid waste as defined in W.Va. Code Chapter 22, Article 15, Section 2(27) and as listed in 33CSR1 Section 2.114. Wastewater treatment plant solids, nonhazardous industrial process solid wastes, and non-hazardous sludge will only be accepted after approval by the Division of Water & Waste Management. Tires may be used in the landfill in accordance with W.Va. Code and 33 CSR5.

The waste will originate from the 48 contiguous states, the District of Columbia, and Canada. The facility is located along an unnamed tributary of Pendleton Run. The center of the site is 39°08'32"N Latitude, and 79°28'20"W Longitude. The storm water discharge points are 39°08'36" N Latitude and 79°28'22" W Longitude; 39°08'36" N Latitude and 79°28'34" W Longitude; and Latitude 39°08'44.64" N and Longitude 79°21'38.61" W.

All leachate will be collected and trucked to the City of Fairmont's, the City of Thomas', the City of Weston's, the City of Elkin's, the City of Petersburg's, the City of Clarksburg's, and the Upper Potomac River Commission of Westport, Maryland Wastewater Treatment Plants.

On the basis of review of the application, the Solid Waste Management Act, Chapter 22, Article 15, Sections 5(b) and 5(c); and the West Virginia Solid Waste Management Rule 33CSR1, the State of West Virginia will act on the above application.

Interested persons may submit written comments during the thirty-day (30-day) public comment period, which begins on August 23, 2023 and ends on September 21, 2023 to the following address:

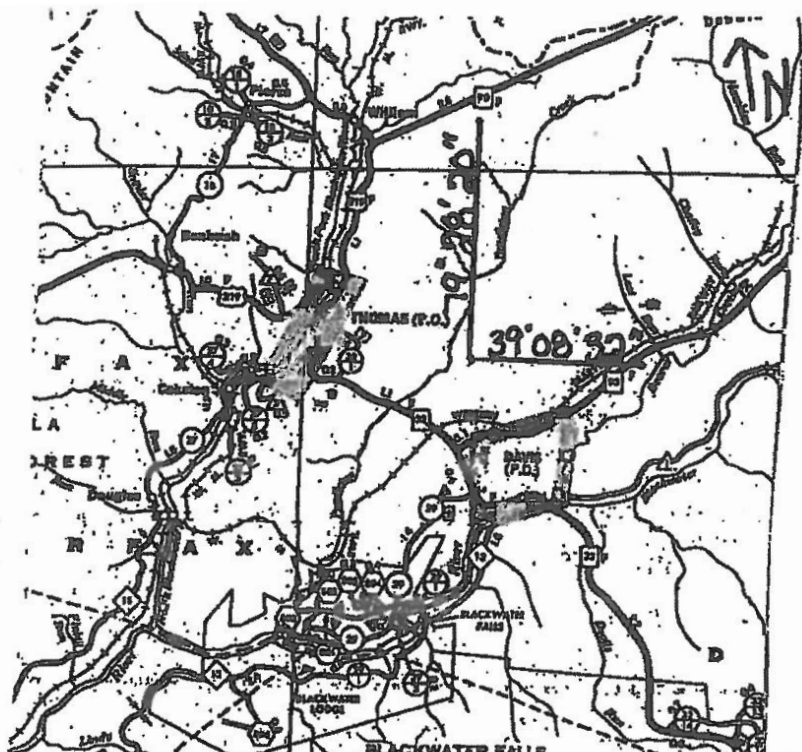
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Water & Waste Management  
Office of Waste Management  
601 57th street, SE  
Charleston, WV 25304

Attention: Kenneth Wandling, Solid Waste Management

Comments received within this time period will be considered prior to any State action on the subject application. Correspondence should include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues addressed.

The draft permit will be on file for public review during the comment period at the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Regional Office located at DMV Building, Route 50, Food Lion Plaza, Romney, WV 26757, (304) 822-7266 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. To receive a copy of the permit application or draft permit, please contact Kenneth Wandling at the Division of Water and Waste Management, Office of Waste Management, 601 57th Street, SE, Charleston, WV, 25304, (304) 926-0499, extension 43854, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A public hearing may be held if the state identifies a significant degree of public interest on issues relevant to the permit application. To obtain further information concerning the subject application or to request a public hearing, you may contact the Division of Water and Waste Management during the public comment period at the above address.



## YARD SALE

**YARD SALE** – Thursday, Aug. 31, Friday, Sept. 1 and Saturday, Sept. 2 starting at 9 a.m. each day. Home of Delores and the late Leon Kelley, bottom of Leadmine Mtn. Rd.

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

Deceased Bernard A. Tompkins 1st publication 8/30/22 2nd publication 9/6/22	Personal Representative(s) Merry E. Tompkins 2405 Lime Hollow Rd. Parsons, WV 26287
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ATTEST: SHERRY SIMMONS, TUCKER COUNTY CLERK

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**DEADLINE 3PM FRIDAY**

# TUCKER VOLLEYBALL OPENS SEASON WITH LOSS TO PETERSBURG

By Dave Helmick  
TuckerCountySports.Com

HAMBLETON – The Lady Mt. Lions Volleyball team opened the season with a home contest with Petersburg on Wednesday August 23rd. In the JV match the visiting Lady Vikings took the match in straight sets 26-16 and 25-12.

In the varsity match Tucker County fell in Set 1 to Petersburg 25-13. The second set was competitive as the Lady Mt. Lions jumped out to an 11-5 lead. Then the Lady Vikings fought back to tie the score at 11-11. The score then went back and forth as Petersburg pulled away slightly at 20-14. The visiting Lady Vikings then won the set with a 5-3 run to win the second Set 25-17. Set 3 started out close as the score was 3-3 early. Petersburg then exploded for a 22-1 run to win the set 25-4 to get the match win 3-0.

Tucker County(0-1) will travel to East Hardy for a Tri match on Thursday August 31st at 6pm. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

## AREA SCHEDULE:

- Wednesday August 30th**
  - Tucker County Golf @ Cannan Valley 4pm
- Thursday August 31st**
  - Tucker County Volleyball @ East Hardy Tri-Match 6pm
  - Tucker Valley Football @ Braxton County 6pm
  - Tucker Valley Volleyball @ Elkins 6pm
- Friday September 1st**
  - Tucker County Football vs Tygarts Valley @ Home 7pm
- Saturday September 2nd**
  - Tucker County Cross Country @ Buckhannon-Upshur 9am
- Tuesday September 5th**
  - Tucker County Golf @ Tygarts Valley(Raven) 4pm



Tucker County's Raven Matthews delivers a serve during a match on August 23rd against Petersburg. The Lady Vikings won the match 3-0. Photo by Dave Helmick.

### It's Time

**Avoid the last minute back-to-school scramble.**

We're hosting two free sports physicals clinics. All students are welcome to attend.

**Date:** Thursday, July 20, 2023  
**Time:** 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Tucker Valley Elementary School Library

**Date:** Tuesday, July 25, 2023  
**Time:** 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
**Location:** Davis-Thomas Elementary School Cafeteria

No appointment necessary.  
A parent or guardian must be present to sign consent form.

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TUCKER VALLEY VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE			
8/31/2023	6PM	AWAY	ELKINS
9/7/2023	6PM	HOME	UNION
9/11/2023	6PM	AWAY	PHILLIPI
9/13/2023	6PM	HOME	DAVIS-THOMAS
9/14/2023	6PM	AWAY	SOUTH PRESTON
9/18/2023	5PM	AWAY	TRI @ UNION W/MOOREFIELD
9/21/2023	6PM	AWAY	EAST PRESTON
9/26/2023	6PM	AWAY	KASSON
10/3/2023	6PM	HOME	ELKINS
10/5/2023	6PM	HOME	PHILLIPI
10/9/2023	5PM	AWAY	TRI @ DAVIS-THOMAS W/CENTRAL PRESTON
10/12/2023	6PM	HOME	WEST PRESTON
10/17/2023	6PM	HOME	BRUCETON
10/18/2023	6PM	AWAY	DAVIS-THOMAS
10/24/2023	6PM	HOME	KASSON

DAVIS-THOMAS VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE			
9/6/2023	5PM	AWAY	TRI @ SOUTH PRESTON W/WEST PRESTON
9/11/2023	5PM	HOME	TRI W/UNION & KASSON
9/13/2023	6PM	AWAY	TUCKER VALLEY
9/18/2023	5PM	AWAY	TRI @ EAST PRESTON W/BRUCETON
9/21/2023	5PM	HOME	TRI W/MOOREFIELD & EAST HARDY
9/26/2023	5PM	AWAY	MOOREFIELD
10/2/2023	6PM	AWAY	EAST HARDY
10/9/2023	5PM	HOME	TRI W/CENTRAL PRESTON
10/10/2023	5:30PM	AWAY	KASSON
10/16/2023	6PM	AWAY	UNION
10/18/2023	6PM	HOME	TUCKER VALLEY

## YOU CAN HELP...

# WARM THE CHILDREN

Providing New Winter Clothing for Local Children in Need

No administrative fees. EVERY CENT received is used to buy winter clothing!

In Tucker County, local children will go cold this winter without your help.

**Just what is The Parsons Advocate's WARM THE CHILDREN FUND?**

The Parsons Advocate's **WARM THE CHILDREN FUND** is neighbors helping neighbors in Tucker County. The Parsons Advocate is asking readers to donate to the fund and the proceeds will be used to buy new warm winter clothing for local children. There are no administrative fees. All the money donated is used to buy new clothing.

**How will the children's clothing be purchased?**

The Advocate's WARM THE CHILDREN coordinator has made arrangements with a local store and assigns volunteer shoppers to take the children and their parents shopping. Shoppers will be people like you, anyone in the community willing to help by donating a little of their time to this worthwhile cause.

CLIP & MAIL

Enclosed is my donation to the WARM THE CHILDREN FUND. Make checks payable to WARM THE CHILDREN FUND.

Please check if you do not want your name published on the donor list.

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