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Ryan Sworn in as Circuit Court Judge



Duke A. McDaniel, left, presented the opening remarks prior to Judge Ryan being sworn in as the new 21st Judicial Circuit Court Judge for Mineral, Grant, and Tucker Counties. Ryan replaced retired Judge Nelson. Nelson retired in June after 15 years on the bench.

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

The Honorable Robert Edward Ryan was sworn in as the new 21st Judicial Circuit Judge for Mineral, Grant, and Tucker Counties at the Grant County Courthouse. Ryan was appointed to replace Circuit Judge Nelson following Nelson's retirement the end of June. At the Investiture Ceremony, the Honorable Thomas S. Kleeh, Chief United States Judge for the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia delivered the Oath of Office.

"This place is a room of serious business and I hold it in a sacrosanct manner," Ryan said. "People's lives change in this room for good or bad. It's a place of decorum and process and fairness."

Ryan spoke about his expectations and what he hopes to bring to the bench. "I've appeared in 44 of 55



Zeke and Ike Ryan held the William H. Muntzing family Bible as Judge Ryan is sworn in by the Honorable Thomas S. Kleeh, Chief United States Judge for the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia.



Judge Ryan was robed during the ceremony by his Uncle Will, Aunt A.J. And Roger Edward. Ryan's parents were unable to attend due to health.

West Virginia Counties," Ryan said. "I have appeared in front of well over 200 judges. So, I have a lot of See COURT page 3

State Releases Initial Draft of Digital Equity Plan

\$1.00 (tax incl.)

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

West Virginia Office of Broadband has released the first draft of the State's Digital Equity Plan as a part of the State's five year plan to roll out broadband internet coverage to the entirety of West Virginia residents.

"West Virginia is ready to conquer the digital divide. For far too long, many West Virginia communities have lacked affordible, high-speed broadband internet access, a necessity for access to healthcare, education, civic and social engagement, and economic opportunity. West Virginia residents have voiced the urgent need to address the issue. West Virginia's leaders understand that broadband is essential to West Virginia's economic future," the plan's Executive Summary writes.

The plan includes three goals. Goal one is to realize affordable connectivity, goal two is to secure device access and affordability and goal three is to elevate digital skills and accessibility of public services. Each goal contains two objectives.

The Plan also outlines the programs available to address digital equity with a focus on such demographics as: aging individuals, racial and ethnic minorities, rural residents, incarcerated individuals, veterans, individuals with disabilities, individuals with language barriers and all West Virginia residents.

The draft also broke down the results and feedback from See EQUITY page 3

Solid Waste Authority Welcomes New Member, On Track for Air Quality Permit

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

The Tucker County Solid Waste Authority welcomed its newest member to the board on July 24th. Lowell Moore's appointment filled a vacancy left when Diane Hinkle stepped down from the board in June after four and a half years of service. Moore was welcomed and introduced to the board by Presiding Chair Mark Holstine.

the air quality Title Five application in to the DEP and are very confident that they will make that happen in plenty of time."

In other business, Holstine presented the Authority board with the financial report in the absence of Accountant Mark Joseph who was unable to attend the meeting. "Net income for the year is the next thing that I look at," Holstine said," is 344,086. That is 12 percent higher than previous fiscal year. So that's showing growth."

Holstine also informed the board of the



"First I'd like to welcome Lowell to the board," Holstine said. "Lowell is filling the seat vacated by Diane. And thank you very much for volunteering your time. I really appreciate you coming on board. We continue to have a really strong board, in my opinion. I look forward to continuing that."

According to Holstine, the Authority is on track with its Air Quality Permit. "The air permitting process is on schedule. They have to have the emissions inventory into the DEP by next Monday. They were on schedule to do that. They're supposed to have a draft of that to me and Jody this week for the rest of us to look at. Its going to be hard for me to critique. Inventory is inventory. I'm not familiar with the calculations myself, but I'll look over them when they send them in. So we should be on track to hit that deadline and we still have til like the end of September to have

gross profits for the Authority. "Gross profits at three million for this fiscal year," Holstine said. "Previous fiscal year's gross profit was 2.5 million. So that was a 24 percent increase which is related directly to tipping fees. The percentage increase is almost identical."

Holstine said that while profits are up for the authority, so are expenditures. "Expenditures are up 28 percent from last year," Holstine said.

"And this is with this earlier half of the year," Vice-Chair Dennis Filler said. "It was touch and go the first part this fiscal year."

"I'm very comfortable where we are financially," Holstine said.

The next meeting of the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority will be held August 28th at 3 p.m. at the TCWSA Office located at 284 Landfill Road, Davis.

Animal Shelter in **Need of Dog Walkers**

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

"We're pretty full, we're pretty busy," Tucker County Animal Shelter Director Bailey Falls said. "Its that time of year."

Falls presented an update to the Tucker County Commission on July 26th. During her presentation, she reiterated the need for volunteers to walk dogs at the facility. "We still need lots of help walking dogs," Falls said. "If anyone in the community wants to come help us walk big, energetic dogs, we have a lot of them."

Tucker County Commissioner Mike

Rosenau said the commission encourages people to volunteer. "But it gives the animals their exercise for the day," Rosenau said. "We encourage anyone that has time to contact Bailey and volunteer some. We have a lot of animals to love."

"Really the volunteers and walking dogs really helps the shelter so much," Rosenau said. "So it relieves the employees to do their jobs, the necessary jobs that are there, to clean the cages and everything."

Falls also updated the commission on the status at the Animal Shelter. "Its the second wave of kitten season," Falls said. See ANIMAL SHELTER page 3

Moonshine Memories Come to Life at Courthouse



Ab Crossland (Rom Yocum), Ronnie Beall (Mitchell Beall), Ronald Brown (Rafe Pomerance) and Larry Starcher (Casey Rucker) discuss the resolution of the trial during "Moonshine Memories" July 30th.



Ab's skunks take over the bench at the Tucker County Courthouse during "Moonshine Memories" July 30th.

By: Lydia Crawley

The Parsons Advocate

The play, Moonshine Memories, written by Tom Rodd, was based on the life and legal woes of Tucker County native Albert "Ab" Crossland and was a project of the Friends of the Blackwater, a non-profit organization based in Tucker County.

The play starred Tom Yokum as Ab Crossland. Cross-

land became world famous in the early 1970s for his lawsuit to establish his squatter rights to a cabin located in land that was being acquired by the state for what is now Canaan Valley State Park and Resort. Crossland was also known throughout the area as a colorful character and moonshiner who lived with several cats and skunks.

Throughout the performance, Musicians Gerry Milnes and Michael Miller performed period pieces with the subject of Moonshining. The duo opened the play with a song entitled "The Booze Fighters." The musicians also performed instrumentals prior to the performance.

According to Rodd, the performance was recorded on video with the intention to produce a YouTube video in the near future. Jacob Shockley was in charge of the video recording during the event.

The remaining cast included: Mitchell Beall as his grandfather and Crossland neighbor Ronnie Beall; Casey

See MOONSHINE page 3



News of Record

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

• Clayton Keith Mallow, of Dryfork, was charged with 2 felony counts of fraudulent use of an access device. According to the complaint on Monday April 3 Trooper C.A. Hawkins received a complaint of fraud. The victim advised her credit card had been used to make several unauthorized charges.

Hawkins received a hand written statement from the victim which stated fraudulent charges were made to bank account on Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1, she further stated she called where one charge occurred to make them aware and they informed her that tickets were purchased and they gave the name Clayton Mallow.

She also advised that she had spoken to Mr. Mallow on the phone on March 31 to pay her insurance with Nationwide and she provided a copy of her bank statement as well.

On Tuesday, April 25 Hawkins submitted three search warrants to Magistrate B.K. Wilfong for an email address and I.P. Address and he found probable cause to issue all three warrants.

The warrants were submitted to Google LLC. On Monday, May 15 Hawkins executed the warrants for the email address and contained within the results were the subscriber information that lists the name and date of birth as Mallow's.

Further contained within these results are emails received by the email address on March 31 and they contained 16 emails with the names Clayton or Clayton Mallow as the intended recipient.

On Thursday, May 18 Hawkins executed the warrants for the email address and contained within the results was Google Pay, customer profile details associated within. The information lists the name Clayton Mallow and the town of Dry Fork.

Clayton Keith Mallow, of Dryfork, was charged with five felony counts of fraudulent use of access device. On May 13 Deputy C.R. Summerfield of the Tucker County Sheriff's office received a fraud case that contained information from Mountain Valley Bank. The information contained several fraud charges that had been made to the account. He contacted the victim who stated by telephone that someone had stolen money from her account, so the bank issued her a new card. After paying her Nationwide insurance bill for the following month that card was compromised as well.

Summerfield met with the victim and obtained a written statement stating that she had paid her insurance bill at Nationwide Insurance. Afterward she checked her account to make sure the charge went through and to see what the amount was. While looking at her account she noticed several charges that she did not make. She contacted her bank to dispute the charges and was issued a new card. She stated that when she read the Parsons Advocate, she discovered that a man who was working at Nationwide was charged for using another person's card information and she felt this was who stole her account information. She stated that she had been issued a new card and paid her next month's insurance and again her information was stolen.

account information for any purposes other than to pay their bill. During the bill transaction at Nationwide, they stated that the defendant walked out of site into the back of the office to print a receipt.

All of the above charges did occur 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:

- Amy Snedeker, Dry Fork District, Unit E4 Week 50 Land of Canaan Vacation Resort to Donnie Daugherty and Tiffany Daugherty, \$500.
- Paul Steven martin and Deborah J. Martin, St. George District, .80 acres more or less to Mark Burns and Madeline Burns, \$12,000.
- Pennsylvania State University, Clover District, 39 acres, 6 chains and 15 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$2,500.
- Vandalia Heritage Foundation, Thomas Corporation, Unit 5 Dibacco Lofts to Cory Stout and Maria Belcher, \$79,000.
- William Harold Samples and Ruth Elaine Samples, Black Fork District, 1.633 acres to Shaver Fork LLC, \$48,500.
- Maria Martin Thacker Revocable Trust; Maria Martin Thacker Trustee, Davis District, Lot 7 Canaan Heights Estates to Justin Moeller Et Ux, \$215,000.
- Stephen F. Szurgyi, Dry Fork District, Lot 105 Mountainside to Ian Mehi Beckner and Dena Lynn Beckner, \$365,000.
- David C. Lesher and Nancy E. Lesher, Davis District, 3.54 acres to Eriks Brolis and Linda Brolis, \$430,000.
- Steven P. Sponaugle and Danielle B. Sponaugle, Black Fork District, Lot 11 River Bend Sub-division to Brendan Miller and Brandi Miller, \$325,000.
- Calvin Eugene Traven, Clover District, Mineral interest, 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$1,300.
- City of Parsons, Parsons Corporation, Lot #193 Section C, 18 ft. in Width, 20 ft. in length, to Sally J. Purnell and Axle R. Purnell, \$1,600.
- Showker Ashby LLC, Dry Fork District, Lot 27 Mountainside to Hill West LLC, \$1,200,000.
- Robert T. Metz, .17 acres right of way to Amanda G. Brown \$2,000.
- Elressa J. Baumgardner, Davis District, 45x remainder of Lot 165 to Ronald G. Tate II, \$30,000.
- Mark Waitkus, Pamela Ann Waitkus and Alexander Paul Waitkus, Fairfax District, Lot 10 and 10A Coketon to Floyd James Wilfong, \$40,150.
- Donatta Smith, Clover District, Mineral interest 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$1,600.
- Kenneth L. Langer and Jennifer L. Smith, Dry

ROAD CLOSURE

County Route 17, Smoky Hollow Road, Tucker County, will be closed beginning Monday, August 14, 2023, thru Friday, August 18, 2023

County Route 17, (Smoky Hollow Road), Tucker County, approximately 1.5 miles from the intersection of County Route 17 and WV 72 near Parsons, WV, will be closed for construction work associated with Corridor H. Local traffic will be able to access from Clover Run or from Parsons but will not be able to cross the mountain. Special accommodation will be made for emergency vehicles only. All other motorists are advised to seek alternate routes.



Parsons Volunteer Fire Department 2023 Quarterly Runs

Parsons VFD CO. 10 2nd Quarter

The Parsons Volunteer Fire Department responded to 70 calls during the Second Quarter (April, May, & June) 2023. The following are the types of calls that the members responded to.

• Motor Vehicle Crashes with Inju-

ries: 4

- Landing Zone: 6
- Hazmat: 1
- Gas Leaks: 2
- Motor Vehicle Crashes without Injuries: 6
- Brush Fires: 8Service to Public: 6
- Vehicle Fire: 1
- Line Down: 3
- Smoke Investigations: 2
- EMS Assist: 21 Search and Rescue: 2

• Traffic Control: 2

• Mutual Aid: 6

Kevin G. White / Chief Parsons Vol. Fire Dept.

"ALONE WE ARE WEAK, BUT TOGETHER WE ARE STRONG"



FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE VALLEYS

Upon further investigation it was discovered that the account information was used to make several purchase and the search warrants revealed the charges were made by Clayton Mallow.n used to make several unauthorized charges.

Clayton Keith Mallow, of Dryfork, was charged with three felony counts of unauthorized use of a controlled access device. The complaint states that on May 24 and later June 5 Officer V. Pyles received a complaint regarding a joint bank account. Three suspicious charges were cited by the complainants who are customers of Nationwide Insurance located in Parsons. Hey were aware of a previous complaint of fraud related to this business. They advised they paid their bill on April 13 in person with Clayton Mallow at the insurance building. Soon after that payment was when the suspicious charges showed up on their account. Video surveillance was obtained from the purchase of movie tickets in Virginia which identify the defendant as the person who charged these items. He also used his cellular phone to scan and receive his voucher for the ticket and food.

The US currency from these transactions was removed from accounts in the State of West Virginia even though they were completed in other locations. The victims gave no authorization to keep, store, transmit or otherwise utilize their Fork District, Lot 39 Blackwater Section of Timberline Subdivision to John Thomas Gasper, \$650,000.

- Shelley N. Nehl, Clover district, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Rose Holdings LLC, \$1,500.
- Van E. Trahern, Clover District, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$2,500.
- Jess Trahern, Clover District, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$1,600.
- Alan Trahern, Clover District, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$2,500.
- Crossed Paws LLC, Dry Fork District, Unit H8 of Northwoods Condos to Randall Rumer and Leslie A. Becker, \$284,000.
- Twila Beth Ullom, Hendricks Corporation, Lots 84, 85, 86, 87 and 88 to Danny Hebb Et Ux, \$55,000.
- Randall J. Hill, Dry Fork District, 2.21 acres and .27 Acres 1/3 interest to Thompson E. Pearcy and Stephen H. Bush, \$78,333.
- Wolfe J. Rinke Et Ux, Dry Fork District, Unit Lot 14 Black Bear Woods .070 acres to Timothy Argabrite Et Ux, \$287,500.

The following marriage has been recorded in the Tucker County Clerk's office:

• Robert J. Roy, Sr. to Donna Lynn Roy on Friday, July 28, 2023.

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listening sessions held throughout the state. Among the feedback listed, the plan says, "Poor internet quality and reliability are major barriers to internet access in West Virginia. 100% of Listening Session Participants (LSPs) in RPDC #1 reported poor internet quality as a top barrier, while 80% reported poor reliability as a significant issue. High cost for broadband internet and lack of competition among Internet Service Providers prevent many West Virginians from adopting internet services. In listening sessions hosted by the RPDC #7, 85% of participants reported that the high cost of services presented a major barrier for access and adoption." Tucker County is included in RPDC #7.

Other issues included in the plan directly quoted to Region VII include, "LSPs who participated in a session hosted by the RPDC #7 stated that they have gone up to three weeks without any way to communicate with the outside world or the ability to call 9-1-1," the report writes. "Almost 31% of those who attended RPDC #7 listening sessions stated that their inability to procure internet access reduced their ability to access information and entertainment."

In a general observation listed under Civic and Social Engagement, the plan writes, "Slow internet speeds and data caps restrict usage of online resources for entertainment or informational purposes. LSPs reported that it can take up to 30 minutes for a website to load, one hour to download a file, and as much as a day to send a photo."

The plan also describes the State's plan for implementation. Included in the plans Implementation Strategy and Key Activities are continued involvement and collaboration with existing partners and the analysis of relevant case studies of pilot programs from other states and municipalities. The section also includes a timeline of the implementation of objectives from 2024 to 2028.

"The State of West Virginia believes that bridging the digital divide is a collaborative effort between partners in the public and private sectors. As such, WVDED has

sought to engage with stakeholders throughout every step of the process, benefiting from their knowledge, input, and resources. This includes stakeholders at the federal, state, and local level," the plan writes. These stakeholders are outlined in the plan and include, according to the plan, Federal partnerships, West Virginia Broadband Enhancement Council, West Virginia Public Institutions, Private Sector and Nonprofits.

As a part of the process, the state is seeking public feedback on the draft. A copy of the State's Digital Equity Plan and feedback form can be found at https://broadband. wv.gov/west-virginias-digitial-equity-plan-public-comment/ and https://internetforallwv.wv.gov/plans/

Hard copy comment forms are also available. All hard copy comment forms are due no later than Monday, August 21st and can be mailed to cwallace@regionvii. com or mailed to Region VII Planning and Development Council, PO box 849, 21 East Main Street, Suite 102, Buckhannon, WV 26201.

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Animal Shelter

"So we're working with people all over the county to help them with that."

Falls said that her department was short staffed. "We're pretty short staffed right now and trying to stay on top of everything at the shelter and meeting the needs of the community," Falls said.

According to Falls, the shelter is still issuing spay/ neuter vouchers to residents of Tucker County through a grant program. "We are still plugging away on our spay/

Moonshine

Rucker as Larry Starcher, Legal Aid attorney for Crossland; Susan Callahan as Larry Starcher's Wife, Barbara Starcher; Carl Harr as Joe Heitz, Crossland's moonshine partner; Susan Moore and Diana Vera as the Revenuers; Tom Rodd and Jake Kopec as the Jailer; Rafe Pomerance as Ronald Brown, one of Crossland's attorneys; Susan Moore as the Newspaper Reporter; Tucker County Commissioner Mike Rosenau as Circuit Court Judge David Cuppett; Diana Vera as the Bailiff; Tucker County Sheriff Jake Kopec as J. Patrick Nichols, lawyer for the State; Barb Alford, as Ruby Raines, the daughter of Joe Heitz; and David Roberts as swing. But perhaps the characters who stole the show were the skunks that popped up at the

Court

observation to bring to the bench. I've had some bad examples and I've had some very good examples and I hope to follow those."

Ryan explained his outlook on honor and gentlemanly behavior. "General Lee's Honor Code that he instituted in 1865 was still the only rule in place at the school and it was, 'Every student shall conduct himself as a gentleman," Ryan said. "And if you lied, cheated or steal, there was only one punishment and that was expulsion. There was zero tolerance for anything less than being a gentleman. And that's what I expect in a courtroom. It's what I've always tried to exhibit in a courtroom."

Ryan outlined what his view on the courtroom should be. "It should be that no matter where you come from, no matter where your lawyer comes from, no matter what the charge is, what the claim, what the defense, every single person that comes into this courtroom deserves to have their disputes settled peacefully and without fear of passion or prejudice from the bench," Ryan said. "You should be able to walk into any courtroom in any county, in any state and be confident that you are going to be treated and judged with dignity and fairness and respect. I will strive to deliver exactly that with efficiency, fairness and justice because there is a legal maxim that justice delayed is justice denied."

from his house for that...That's been awesome."

most unexpected times throughout the performance.

Miller, Musicians and Cheyenne Elswick, Graphics.

The production team for the performance included:

Silas Bright, Director; David Roberts, Stage Manager;

Tom and Priscilla Rodd, Authors; Elaine George, Casting;

Jacob Sheckley, Videography; Gerry Milnes and Michael

Director Silas Bright wrote in his Director's Statement

about the project, "My goal in this production is to show

that there is value in fighting from the grassroots, and that

even lawful rulings can sometimes be unjust and carry

drastic communal consequences. This is a story where

our little guy did make it out on top, but there are situa-

tions every day that beckon this same kind of judgment.

neutering grant issuing vouchers to members of the community."

Falls also thanked the county maintenance crew for their help with the air conditioning at the shelter. She acknowledged that one county employee donated a unit from his home to the shelter and installed it for the comfort of the animals. "We're really appreciative of their help on that," Falls said. "Benny actually donated the air conditioner

"That's working together in this community. That's what its all about," Rosenau said.

For more information on the spay/neuter vouchers or to volunteer to walk dogs, contact the Tucker County Animal Shelter at 304-478-6232. The Shelter is located at 586 Brooklyn Heights in Parsons.

The next meeting of the Tucker County Commission will be held on August 9^{th} at 9 a.m. at the Tucker County Courthouse Old Courtroom in Parsons.

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Even if it seems hopeless, always fight on the right side of history, even if justice and law are not direct equivalents."

The Friends of the Blackwater also collaborated with the Tucker County Historical Society, ArtSpring, the Tucker County Highlands History and Educational Project, Cottrill's Opera House and the Aurora Project on the project with support from the Tucker County Foundation and the West Virginia Humanities Council. Assistance was also provided by the Tucker County Commission and the Circuit Clerk's Office.

The performance was followed by a reception with the cast and crew at the Parsons Depot. The reception was catered by Big Belly Deli.

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Attorney Duke A. McDaniel addressed the perception of Ryan as an outsider to the area in his opening remarks at the Investiture Ceremony. "He was somebody who was supposed to be an outsider," McDaniel said. "Well, he's never been to Grant County. I said, 'Oh, yes he has.' You know heritage in Grant County is something too many of us forget."

McDaniel described the family lineage of the Muntzing family in Grant County and the family's long connection to the law in the county. "I looked up to see how many of the Muntzing people since they come to the United States have become lawyers. Right now, there are 12 lawyers from the Muntzing family and there is also, one judge. After this day, we will have two judges. The first clerk of the Grant County Court was Ernest Muntzing. " McDaniel also said the family had two Grant County Sheriffs, as well.

McDaniels addressed concerns raised by the public over Ryan's appointment to the bench. "So, the fact that everyone thought this boy's an outsider, he's been coming over here since he was two years old," McDaniel said. "We must remember that this is only an appointed position and it will be that until May of 2024. In May of 2024, during the primary election, the slate of judges will also be on the ticket. The judges now are nonpartisan and the judges after the election, we will no longer have Tucker County in our circuit." McDaniel also spoke on the importance of trial experience in a judge. "This is one important thing for us trial lawyers in the courts," McDaniel said, "that we have a lawyer that becomes judge that has had trial experience. We have wonderful judges now, but about 90 percent of the judges that we have had in Grant County have been former prosecutors. So, I am so happy that we now have a lawyer with trial experience. I will say for Judge Currier, he was a former prosecutor, and he has learned more quickly than any judge I've seen and he is now a very fine civil judge. Follow his footsteps and remember the dress code is a blue sport coat, gray or tan pants." During his remarks, Judge Ryan corrected McDaniels on the number of Judges in the family. "At the risk of dishonoring my elders, I do have to correct a few things," Ryan said. "One. There are now three judges from the Muntzing family. There is my Uncle Gus, there's my dear cousin Carrie and now there's me."

Ryan thanked Judge Currier for his mentorship. "Judge Currier has been a very generous mentor as I've been preparing to take the bench and I look forward to learning more from you as I go forward," Ryan said.

Ryan also thanked his supporters in his comments. "I should probably thank Governor Justice and Baby Dog. I am very appreciative of the trust and the confidence that not only he, but those who spoke on my behalf and petitioned for my appointment. It is an absolute solemn responsibility and just know that I take it as that."

According to Ryan, he also has roots in Canaan Valley through his ancestor Solomon W. Costner. "Solomon W. Costner, my great-great-great-great grandfather, was the first permanent settler of Canaan Valley. Now if you can imagine going into Canaan Valley on a horse in 1864 with an axe, a saw and a single shot firearm and he made his homestead there. That's perseverance and toughness and courage that I don't think I can tell." Ryan also thanked his parents. "My dad was a principal. We got to watch him as a leader, as a teacher, as a disciplinarian and you know kids are mean. I mean kids are really mean and we went to separate Junior Highs, we didn't go to dad's Junior High, but we all ended up at the same High School. And I cannot think of a person, a kid, that ever said a cross word about my dad. I heard a lot of them say, 'Man, I spent a lot of time in your dad's office.' But they would also finish that, 'That guy changed my life.' So we got to watch that and I'm thankful for it. My mom introduced us to the one living God in Jesus Christ, which is the most precious gift."

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Ryan is a graduate of West Virginia University. A reception followed the Investiture Ceremony at the family's Fairview Farm in Maysville.

IUCKER COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT

Month of July 2023

- Felony Arrests (charges or indictments) 0
- Persons Arrested on Felony charges 0
- Misdemeanor arrest (charges or indictments) 0
- Persons arrested on misdemeanor charges 0
- Misdemeanor citations issues 0
- Hazardous moving violations tickets issued 5
- Other traffic violations tickets issued 11



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- Motorist Assists ie. broke down vehicle 15
- Vehicle crashes where a crash report was generated 2
- Felony cases fielded resulting in a police report 2
- Misdemeanor cases fielded resulting in a police report 6
- Drugs confiscated in dollar street value amount \$0

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- Other contraband confiscated \$0
- Domestic violence petitions served
- Job Tasks completed 338
- Calls for service either through 911 or walk ins resulting in Police action 150
- Mileage Report (Total miles traveled by the Department patrolling) 6,610 miles

Additional Notes : None

This monthly report has been prepared by Sheriff "Jake" Kopec for educating the public as to how their tax dollars are being put to use at the Tucker County Sheriff Office.

To Receive WV Women In Agriculture Award

Jenningston, WV - Since West Virginia's beginning, agriculture has played an important part in its development. Agritourism has now become a way to keep traditions alive and many women in agriculture are paving the way for a better future. Marsha Waybright is one of them. She will be awarded the 2023 West Virginia Women in Agriculture Award at the West Virginia State Fair on August 13 at 11 a.m.

"I've been farming most of my life but now that we've stepped into agritoursim, I think we are making a huge difference in how people see farming," said Waybright. "We allow people to actually step into our lives on the farm and get a genuine authentic experience. After visitors leave the farm they long to come back and learn more. When you can reconnect people with nature and real life on the farm, they leave with enough knowledge to maybe start a little garden where they live. You give them hope that they can grow or make something on their own. That's pretty empowering in today's world."

Waybright is one of 3 women receiving this annual award. It is given to "women who have made a significant contribution to agriculture and the agricultural industry through forestry, specialized crops and various forms of agriculture within the state," said Kriston Strickler, who heads up the West Virginia Women in Ag program. For each applicant, an application is submitted by friends, family or peers. It is judged by a committee and 3 -4 women are chosen to receive an award. Strickler said Waybright was chosen due to her "huge impact to agriculture. She has an extensive agricultural background and runs three businesses all in the agritourism field. What she has done is just astounding. "

Waybright is the property manager of the Laurel River Club Bed & Breakfast, owner of Laurel Fork Farm and founder of the West Virginia School of Traditional Skills. She constantly uses her knowledge and skills to teach others how to preserve the land around them from the 200 acre



Marsha Waybright

educational farm surrounding the B&B. Her willingness to "train other people and provide a learning experience, aided in her receiving this award," Strickler said.

"I feel very honored to be recognized as a woman in agriculture; farming is hard but also very rewarding," said Waybright. "I'm so proud of all the other women in agriculture with whom I share the same passion."

These women are mentors and have a deep passion for agriculture. Waybright commented that women "should do something with your life that you don't need a vacation from, something you are passionate about." Her passion for "all aspects of farming and teaching others that they can do all this too may be on a smaller scale, of course, but everyone should have enough knowledge to be able to eat without necessarily depending on someone else to provide for them. I love to teach people and although we all need a break from time to time, you should live your life so that you love and appreciate each day that the good Lord has given you. So many people live their lives just looking forward to the next long vacation. I try to live a life I don't need a vacation from!"

For more information about the Laurel River Club B&B and surrounding farm, upcoming classes through the West Virginia School of Traditional Skills, or to book a stay, please visit www.lrcbnb. com or call (304) 402-7095. Find more info on Facebook, Instagram, TikToc and YouTube.

CLICK IT. DON'T RISK IT.

CHARLESTON, WV - The West Virginia Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) is urging drivers on West Virginia roads to buckle up during the statewide Click It or Ticket high-visibility enforcement mobilization that runs from August 4-20, 2023. This mobilization is part of the GHSP's continual efforts to increase seat

be in a vehicle crash."

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

Tucker County's Waybright | Mountaineer Garden Club



Lifetime and Diamond recipients. Seated: Linda Hockman and Sharon Kidwell Standing: Jean Long, Martha Hilton and Vivian Shomo.



Pictured left to right seated: Linda Hockman, Sharon Kidwell, and Patricia Mays, TVDD. Back row left to right: Sandra Hockman, Faith Moore, Jean Long, Martha Hilton, WVGC State President, Vivian Shomo, Glenda Lipscomb, Linda Sherman and Kennetha Greenlief.

Mountaineer Garden Club welcomed WV Garden Club state president, Martha Hilton and Tygart Valley District Director, Patricia Mays, to their annual August picnic at the home of Ben and Jean Long. At the conclusion of the picnic lifetime membership certificates were awarded to Linda Hockman, Sharon Kidwell and Jean Long. Diamond Membership certificates were awarded to Vivian Shomo and Linda Hockman. Patricia Mays, Tygart

Valley District Director shared information re: the Fall district meeting to be held at Adaland in September and invited the members to attend. Martha Hilton, WVGC State President shared information re: Spring 2024 state convention to be held at Glade Springs. All interested garden club members are encouraged to attend. Further information regarding the convention can be found on the WVGC web site.



belt usage in West Virginia.

"We want seat belt use to be an automatic habit for drivers and passengers alike," said Gov. Jim Justice.

In 2021, 40 percent of all passenger vehicle occupants killed in crashes in West Virginia were unrestrained. To help save lives, we need to step up seat belt enforcement, day and night.

Rural drivers may believe that their crash exposure is lower, but in 2021, 62 percent of total vehicle fatalities in West Virginia occurred in rural locations, compared to 38 percent in urban locations.

"We will keep working to spread the message that seat belts save lives until every person in every vehicle is correctly buckled up. Too many people die on our roads because they were not buckled. Just one death is one too many," said GHSP Occupant Protection Program Coordinator Amy Boggs. "A seat belt is your best protection against death or injury should you

for a free consultation.

Wearing your seat belt is required by law. Don't just buckle up to avoid a ticket. The values of our families' and friends' lives in West Virginia are incalculable. The \$25 violators pay if ticketed pales in comparison to the lives of the people we love most. If you are caught driving while unbuckled and you get a ticket, look at it as your wakeup call. A ticket is far less expensive than paying with your life or the lives of your family and friends.

"At our current seat belt usage rate of 92.5 percent, unbuckled drivers or passengers have a 20.10 times higher likelihood of being killed if they are in a crash. The reality is: seat belts save lives. Not buckling up is not worth the risk. Click It. Don't Risk It," concluded Boggs.

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

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Davis Medical Center in Davis Located in Shop-n-Save, Davis, WV



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- Gynecology
- Midwifery
- Preventative Care
- Menopause Management
- Urogynecology (incontinence)
- Contraception
- Well Woman Exams

Focus on Health & Well-being



Brittany Breeden, CNM

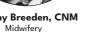




Hannah Sulver, CNM



304.637.3948 QUICK APPOINTMENT TIMES





Bohon – Cassidy Family Reunion

The Bohon - Cassidy reunion will begin at noon on Saturday, Aug. 12 at the big pavilion in Mill Race Park. Please bring your favorite covered dish and an item for the auction.

Food Handlers Class

Tucker County Health Department will hold a food handlers permit class on Wednesday, August 9 at the Parsons Senior Center. The class will be at 9 a.m. and at 7 p.m. There will be a \$10 charge for the training class which will be collected upon admittance. The food handler's (card) permit and training will be good for two years. If you have questions regarding the class or training call Tucker County Health Department at 304-478-3572.

Martin VanBuren Bonner family reunion

The annual Martin VanBuren Bonner family reunion will be Saturday, August 19, at Flanagan Hill Community Building in Red Creek. A covered dish luncheon will

be served at 1 p.m. Dinnerware will be provided, bring your favorite covered dish and plan to attend. Everyone welcome.

Nestor – Nester Reunion

Reunion will be held on Sunday, Aug. 13 at the Sycamore Grove Church beginning at noon. Please bring a covered dish and something for the raffle table. A business meeting will follow lunch to elect a new Cemetery Board Member.

Retired School Employees Picnic

Tucker County Retired School Employees picnic is noon on August 16 at Mill Race Park. The WVARSE state president will share updates that day. All retirees are invited to come, bring a covered dish.

Ruth and Arthur Lipscomb Reunion

The annual Ruth and Arthur Lipscomb family reunion will be on Saturday August 19, 2023 at 1 p.m. at the Ferrell Family Campsite in Leadmine. Bring your favorite covered dish for all to share. All are welcome!



Aug. 15, 1906: The Niagara Movement began a five-day meeting at Storer College in Harpers Ferry. The organization was founded in 1905 by a group of Black intellectuals, including W. E. B. Du Bois.

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.

Aug. 9, 1916: A storm front from the northwest

Aug. 11, 1994: The Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge became the 500th refuge in the National Wildlife Refuge system. It is one of the largest and most diverse freshwater wetland areas in central and southern Appalachia.

Aug. 12, 1937: Author Walter Dean Myers was born in Martinsburg. In January 2012, Myers was named the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature by the Library of Congress. He died in 2014. Aug. 12, 1997: The Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel strike ended when 79 percent of the workers approved a new contract. The 10-month walkout was the longest steel manufacturing strike on record when it concluded. Aug. 13, 1900: Railroad mogul and founder of Huntington, Collis Potter Huntington, died. Raised in poverty, Huntington went west when gold was discovered in California. There he became rich, not from mining but by selling supplies to miners.

Aug. 13, 2018: The House of Delegates adopted articles of impeachment against all sitting justices of the Supreme Court of Appeals.

Aug. 14, 1894: Entertainer Ada Beatrice Queen Victoria Louise Virginia "Bricktop" Smith was born at Alderson. She performed in Paris in the 1920s and opened her own club, called the Music Box, in 1926. Aug. 14, 1943: Astronaut Jon Andrew McBride was born in Charleston. McBride became an astronaut in 1979 and piloted the space shuttle Challenger on an eight-day mission in 1984. Aug. 15, 1867: The cornerstone for the first building of the Fairmont Branch Normal School was laid at the corner of Adams and Quincy streets in the heart of town. The first class of students occupied the new building in April 1869. That school became Fairmont State University. Aug. 15, 1946: The first FM radio station in the state, WCFC of Beckley, began regular programming.

By Teri Cayton The Parsons Advocate

Isn't it crazy when you hear a song from your past and it transports you right back to that time? A friend of mine sent me a video of Dr. Hook and the Medicine Show singing Sylvia and that song took me right back to my teens. The only problem is now it is stuck in my head and I catch myself singing it all the time.

If you are a Baby Boomer, someone born in the 1950's, you should have heard this song at least once. If not you should Google it and listen to some real music. Music these days doesn't have a story behind it and that is a real shame, I think it is just a bunch of noise.

I love the music from my era and it is like smelling something that reminds you of your past, the smell of real Christmas trees, mom baking bread, or fresh mown grass. Hearing those songs is just the same, it is a way of remembering things long gone; like your first love,

Tuna Greek Salad

INGREDIENTS

- 2 (2.6-ounce) packages StarKist Selects E.V.O.O.® Yellowfin Tuna with Sun-dried Tomatoes
- 8 CUPS mixed romaine and red leaf lettuce torn into bite-sized pieced
- 1 CUP cherry tomatoes halved
- 1 yellow pepper sliced
 - 1 cucumber halved and sliced
- 2 CUPS cooked pasta such as fusilli, rotini or cavatappi
- 1/2 CUP kalamata olives pitted
- ¹/₄ red onion sliced

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- ¹/₂ CUP feta cheese crumbled 1/3 CUP Greek salad dressing store-
- bought or see below
- GREEK DRESSING:
- 2 TABLESPOONS red wine vinegar
- 1 TABLESPOON Dijon mustard 2 TABLESPOONS fresh oreg-
- ano chopped
- 1/3 CUP extra virgin olive oil

salt and freshly ground black pepper

INSTRUCTIONS

Soak the sliced onion in water for about 10 minutes while you prepare the rest of the ingredients. (This will remove the harsh flavor and aftertaste of the onions.) Drain the onions and dry well with a clean kitchen towel.

Place the romaine and red leaf lettuces in a large salad bowl. Add the StarKist Selects E.V.O.O.® Yellowfin Tuna with Sun-dried Tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, yellow pepper, cucumber, pasta, kalamata olives and red onions.

To make the dressing, whisk the vinegar, Dijon mustard and oregano together in a bowl. Add the oregano and whisk in the olive oil. Season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper.

Drizzle the dressing over the top of the salad and toss the ingredients together. Season with salt and freshly ground black pepper and serve.

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playing in a mud hole after a spring rain or just hanging out with friends around a campfire. Momma Said, "Catch hold of those memories and they will keep you young."

I really like the nostalgic feeling I get when I hear something that reminds me of my youth. Maybe I am getting to a stage in my life when I feel I am wasting time not getting out and doing some of the things I did when I was younger. Mom never slowed done until she finally got too sick to do anything and I admired her for that. She was and still is my hero.

dumped nearly six inches of rain in less than five hours on the headwaters of Cabin Creek in eastern Kanawha County; 71 people died, and 900 homes were destroyed in the flood.

Aug. 9, 1954: Don Chafin died in Huntington. As sheriff of Logan County, Chafin was a bitter foe of union organizers and, with financial support from coal companies, used his many deputies to keep labor organizers out of the county.

Aug. 10, 1920: General Frank Kendall "Pete" Everest Jr. was born in Fairmont. Everest was a military aviator and a pioneer in U.S. rocket plane flying. In 1956, he flew the X-2 at Mach 3, exceeding 1,900 miles per hour and breaking the record of Chuck Yeager, his rival and close contemporary.

Aug. 11, 1844: Emanuel Willis Wilson was born at Harpers Ferry. He served as the seventh governor of West Virginia from 1885 to 1890.

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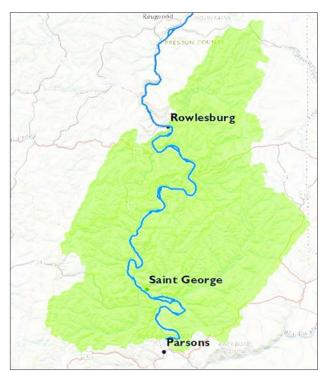
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A No-Cost Service to Help Control Erosion



Targeted Project Area

Friends of the Cheat (FOC) is seeking property owners interested in complimentary tree plantings in the riparian areas(the areas directly next to a stream or river) of their property. By planting trees in these areas, FOC hopes to help reduce stream bank erosion, sedimentation, bank instability, and bank loss in the Cheat River watershed.

The targeted project area, which is shaded green on the map, includes a large portion of the Cheat River watershed. Relevant property locations include the Cheat River mainstream from Parsons to Rowlesburg, Clover Run, Horseshoe Run, Minear Run, Licking Creek, Buffalo Creek, Wolf Creek, Saltlick Creek, and their tributaries. All interested landowners with land in the project area are encouraged to set up a consultation by contacting Madison Ball, Conservation Program Director with Friends of the Cheat, at madison@cheat.org or by calling 304-329-3621 ext. 7.

Friends of the Cheat is a non-profit watershed group, formed in 1994 whose mission is to restore, preserve and promote the outstanding natural qualities of the Cheat River Watershed.

WV IJDC announces funding for Davis Wastewater Treatment Project

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council announced the council approved technical reviews and requests to pursue funding for an additional 11 sewer and water projects. The approval of these reviews and requests helps cities, municipalities and public service districts save taxpayer money and keep their projects moving. Among those are the Town of Davis for a wastewater treatment plant improvements project estimated to

cost \$356,000.

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

The council will meet again on Sept. 8. For more information, visit wvinfrastructure.com.

Eastern WVCTC Welcomes Lauren Arbaugh to the Workforce Education Department

MOOREFIELD, W.Va. – Lauren Michelle Arbaugh has been hired at Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College as the Workforce Education Program Coordinator. Originally from Gainesville, Florida, Arbaugh now resides in Hardy County with her husband, Sheldon, who also serves as Vice Chair on Eastern's Board of Governors. "I adore my wonderful husband, Sheldon, and our beautiful daughter, Lauren Brooke. He has enjoyed a long career with PCB," said Arbaugh, "and Lauren Brooke is entering her senior year at West Virginia University where she is majoring in Health and Well-Being. We have two awesome dogs, Aslan & Gracie, and one energetic cat, Luna."

Arbaugh has spent more than a decade providing supplemental instruction, both live and online, for students in organic chemistry at numerous universities and colleges, including the University of Florida, Florida State University, the University of Georgia, and the University of Central Florida. "When I moved up to West Virginia, I worked with a residential building contractor where I served as interior project manager as well as the resource manager," said Arbaugh.

Although this is her first position at Eastern, she

as well as serving on Eastern's Board of Trustees. Arbaugh is active all throughout the community by serving on committees to better the region. She serves as a board member on the Hardy County Chamber of Commerce and is Chair of the Celebrate Moorefield committee, where community events like the new farmers market, and food truck pop-ups have led her to interact with and support vendors from all over the Potomac Highlands region.

In her free time, Arbaugh likes to be with family, outside, and learning new things. "The most important part of life for me is time spent with my family, whatever the season may be; we love anything outside. Whether it is hiking, hunting, fishing, or sports, the competitions can be epic," she said, "but I'm also active with gardening and building projects, so I continue to learn new things."

"I absolutely love that Eastern is a team of people who love serving students and their communities in ways that promote lifelong learning and furthering opportunities, no matter the background or time in life" said Arbaugh, "Everyone I have had the pleasure of working with so far has been incredibly positive and excited about all that



August is National Immunization Awareness Month

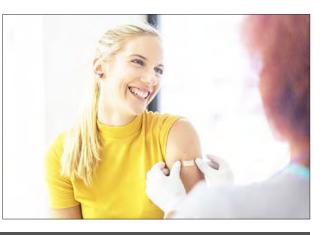
CHARLESTON, W.Va. – As part of National Immunization Awareness Month, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR), Bureau for Public Health joins partners across the country to highlight the importance of routine vaccination for people of all ages.

Governor Jim Justice also proclaimed August as Immunization Month in West Virginia.

"Children and adults are encouraged to keep vaccinations up to date to protect themselves and vulnerable populations from vaccine preventable diseases," said Dr. Matthew Christiansen, Commissioner for DHHR's Bureau for Public Health and State Health Officer. "Vaccines are the safest way to protect against preventable illnesses, and routine well-visits with your physician help ensure you or your child do not fall behind on vaccines."

On-time vaccination throughout childhood provides immunity before children are exposed to potentially life-threatening diseases. Vaccines are recommended for adults based on age, health condition, job, lifestyle, travel, and other factors. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Adult Vaccines Self-Assessment Tool helps users determine when vaccines are recommended.

Learn more about vaccines for children and adults at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/index.html. To view and apply for careers in the public health field, visit dhhr. wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx.



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This is a Statement from the Tucker County Hospital of Parsons from January 3, 1944. Mrs. Wotring was a patient at the hospital for 7 and a half days at a cost of \$4.50 per day. Wow, imagine if that was the charge today, of course it was 79 years ago so inflation has taken its toll. The charge for professional services (Doctors care) was \$10.00 and the lab fees were \$5.00. Toal charges were \$48.75, and the bill was paid in full on January 3, 1944. The name of the person that collected the money was W. Hill. Ideas, comments, suggestions or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.



St. George Medical Clinic Celebrates Patient Appreciation Day, Aug. 10

ST. GEORGE, W.VA. -- In honor of National Health Center Week, the St. George Medical Clinic will celebrate Patient Appreciation Day at its two health center locations.

The event will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, in Parsons (8591 Holly Meadows Road) and Canaan Valley (6368 Appalachian Highway). Food trucks will be at each facility, and attendees can pick up information about healthcare services offered, talk with healthcare professionals, and take a tour of the facilities.

Paul Wamsley, CEO of St. George Medical Clinic, invited patients, local county and city public officials, and business owners to attend.

"We are proud to join other health centers from West Virginia and around the nation to celebrate National Health Center Week," Wamsley said. "The goal of the week is to raise awareness about St. George Medical Clinic's mission and increase awareness of how the health centers are providing affordable quality and comprehensive healthcare in our communities."

Nationwide, health centers provide preventive and primary healthcare services to over 30 million people and are the first to respond with wrap-around care during disasters and health emergencies. The model of care is driven by services needed in each unique community.

"Community Health Centers are not just healers; we are innovators who look beyond medical records to address the factors that may cause poor health, such as hypertension, diabetes, substance use, and mental illness," Wamsley said. "We are a critical piece of the healthcare system and work to improve health outcomes for medically vulnerable people. National Health Center Week is an opportunity to highlight this commitment and passion of our staff and supporters who make it possible for our medical clinics to provide quality, comprehensive healthcare services to our patients."

Most insurances cover visits to the St. George Clinic's facilities. As a Federally Qualified Health Center, St. George Medical Clinic offers a slidingfee scale (financial assistance) to uninsured or underinsured patients and to insured patients who meet the income guidelines.

"As a community health center, we strive to provide access to quality healthcare for anyone," Wamsley said. "The sliding-fee scale allows the health center locations the flexibility to waive or lower the fee for their medical services. I am proud of the efforts put forth by our dedicated employees who fulfill our mission daily."

In addition to the two health centers, the St. George Medical Clinics operates several other health facilities in the area: St. George Clinic Pharmacy (221 Pennsylvania Ave., Parsons), St. George Dental Clinic (65 Crestview Drive, Hambleton), St. George School-Based Clinic (138 Crestview Drive, Hambleton), and St. George Canaan Valley Pharmacy (6368 Appalachian Drive, Davis).

St. George Medical Clinic is a nonprofit organization. For more information or to schedule an appointment or to order a prescription, visit www. stgeorgeclinic.org or call 304-478-3339 (Main Clinic), 304-478-6000 (Schoolbased Health Clinic and Dental), 681-435-0011 (Canaan Valley Clinic), and 304-478-3355 (Pharmacy).

Secretary of State Mac Warner to host biennial County Clerk's Election Conference to Prepare for 2024 Elections

More than 150 county clerks, deputy clerks, and election staff members from throughout West Virginia are scheduled to attend a three-day conference at Canaan Valley in Davis, WV focused on cybersecurity and preparation for the 2024 elections. The conference is scheduled to begin on Sunday, August 6, and runs through Tuesday, August 8. According to WV Secretary of State Mac Warner, his office and the WVSOS Elections Division host the conference every other year to help prepare county clerks for national and state elections. "West Virginia leads the nation in safe and secure elections," said Secretary Warner. "My office works closely with our county clerks before, during, and between elections to make sure that we're doing all we can to provide

voters with safe and fair elections." The WV County Clerk's Election Conference is one of the most respected election preparation conferences in the nation. This year, Christy McCormick, the federal chair of the U.S. Elections Assistance Commission (EAC), will be one of the keynote speakers. She will be joined by Sara Hedland from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) and Sarah Kuzniewski, a program specialist for the federal Elections Infrastructure Information Sharing & Analysis Center (EI-ISAC). "Confidence in the West Virginia elections is at an all-time high," said Secretary Warner. "That's due in great part to the training and transparency found in our election process."

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2023 Governor's Conference On Tourism To Be Held At Canaan Valley Resort

Davis, W.Va. — The annual Governor's Conference on Tourism is scheduled to take place September 10 through September 13 at Canaan Valley Resort in Tucker County.

Tourism professionals and aspiring students are invited to join this year's event, promising an unmatched experience in one of the state's most breathtaking locations. Nestled in the heart of the magnificent Potomac Highlands, Canaan Valley Resort provides the perfect backdrop for an inspiring and productive gathering.

"We are thrilled to host our annual Governor's Conference on Tourism in beautiful Tucker County in September," said West Virginia Tourism Secretary Chelsea Ruby. "We're so appreciative of the amazingly warm welcome we've received from the community already. Jessica Waldo and her team at the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) have gone above and beyond in helping us plan a both memorable and educational conference. We are really looking forward to bringing folks from around the state to enjoy the Valley in the fall while seeing firsthand the growth happening across the Potomac Highlands."

The Governor's Conference on Tourism is renowned for its educational and networking opportunities, catering to individuals at every stage of their tourism careers — from students venturing into the industry to seasoned experts seeking to enhance their skills and connect with peers.

Participants can expect a dynamic agenda filled with informative sessions, engaging workshops and thought-provoking discussions led by prominent figures in the tourism sector. Beyond the professional development opportunities, attendees will have the chance to explore the rich arts community and scenic landscapes of the region.

As part of the conference's activities, the Tucker County CVB will host a Welcome Reception on Sunday, September 10 at the Purple Fiddle with food supplied by Picnic in Thomas and live music from Low Water Bridge Band. Nestled in the Blue Ridge Mountains, Low Water Bridge Band brings a powerfully unique sound that shakes the mountains, rumbles through the hollers and fills the river bottoms. The free concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. Prior to the event, attendees are encouraged to stop in the small mountain towns of Davis and Thomas for an "Artwalk" experience, immersing themselves in the region's vibrant culture and artistic flair.

Registration for the 2023 Governor's Conference on Tourism is now open. To secure your spot and take advantage of early bird pricing, visit https://appengine. egov.com/apps/wv/tourism/govconference.

About the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau

The Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau is a nonprofit marketing



and sales organization whose mission is to promote tourism and advertise Tucker County as a visitor-friendly travel destination.

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Tariff Form No. 8-C PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION (Tariff Rule No. 30-C) PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION WITHOUT PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES NOTICE is hereby given that Canaan Valley Gas Company, a public utility, has filed with the PUB-LIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to 693 customers at Canaan Valley, Tucker County, West Virginia. The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce approximately \$106,913 annually in decreased revenue, a decrease of 7.928%. The average monthly bill for a residential customer using 8 Mcf and a commercial customer using 43 Mcf will be changed as follows:

•	(\$) DECREASE	(%) DECREASE
Residential	\$ 9.184	7.817%
Commercial	\$ 49.364	8.069%
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The decreases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes. Individual customers may receive decreases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested decreased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any decrease in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

A complete copy of the tariff, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers or their agents at the offices of Canaan Valley Gas Company, Cortland Road, Canaan Valley, West Virginia. A copy of the tariff is also available for public inspection at the offices of the Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, WV 25301.

The Rule 30C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the costs of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene an affect your rights to protest any rate increases and to participate in future proceedings. Request to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. All protests and intervention should be addressed to The Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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Tariff Form No. 8-C

(Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C) PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY, a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers at various locations in the Counties of 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, Mc-Dowell, 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. The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered

by the Public Service Commission, and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will decrease revenue approximately \$50,389,000 annually, a decrease of approximately 24.2%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY will be changed as follows:

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Residential	\$ 14.12	14.36 %
Commercial	\$ 66.16	16.67 %
Industrial	\$ 1,142.00	19.46 %
Resale	\$ 2,226.79	20.39 %

Resale customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY include Canaan Valley Gas Company, Cardinal Natural Gas Company, Consumers Gas Utility Company, Hope Gas, Inc., Megan Oil and Gas Company, City of Philippi, and Southern Public Service Company.

The decreases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive a decrease greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive decreases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested decreased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change

Gas Prices Climb in West Virginia

The national average for a

The average price for gasoline across Northern West Virginia is 19 cents higher this week at \$3.532 per gallon, according to AAA East Central's Gas Price Report.

This week's average prices: Northern WV Average \$3.532 Average price during

the week of July 24, 2023 \$3.343 Average price during the

week of August 1, 2022 \$4.232

The following is a list of the average prices in several West Virginia locations:

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\$3.540	Bridgeport
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\$3.485	Huntington
\$3.590	Martinsburg
\$3.540	Morgantown
\$3.533	Parkersburg
\$3.514	Weirton
\$3.506	Wheeling
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gallon of gas surged 16 cents over the past week to \$3.75. The primary cause is the cost of oil, which has increased nearly \$4 in the past few days to hover near \$80 per barrel. As oil accounts for almost 50 percent of the cost of a gallon of gas, higher oil prices usually mean higher pump prices. Today's national average of \$3.71 is 21 cents more than a month ago but 47 cents less than a year ago.

According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand rose slightly from 8.86 to 8.94 million barrels per day last week. Meanwhile, total domestic gasoline stocks dipped from 218.4 to 217.6 million barrels.

At the close of Wednesday's formal trading session, West Texas Intermediate decreased by 85 cents to settle at \$78.78 before rebounding Thursday morning. Due to extended repair timelines at refineries, lower refinery oil usage rates typically influence how much oil prices rise. Additionally, the EIA reported that total domestic commercial crude inventories decreased by 600,000 barrels to 456.8 million barrels.

Motorists can find current gas prices nationwide, statewide, and countywide at gasprices.aaa.com.

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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.

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

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c/o The Parsons Advocate

P.O. Box 345, Parsons, WV 26287

or drop off at the Advocate's office at 219 Central Ave., Parsons, WV

(increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any decrease in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. If a hearing is conducted, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:

Mountaineer Gas Company Office

• 501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Rule 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate adjustments and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All interventions must be mailed or hand-delivered and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Protests may be filed online through the Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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Tariff Form No. 8-C (Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C)) PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Hope Gas, Inc. (the "Company"), a public utility, has filed with the PUB-LIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to all of its customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Boone, Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Jackson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mingo, Monongalia, Nicholas, Pleasants, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Taylor, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood and Wyoming.

The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will decrease revenues approximately \$38.0 million annually, a decrease of 27.50%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	(\$) DECREASE	(%) DECREASE
Residential	\$19.60	16.93%
Small Commercial Sales	\$82.58	20.22%
Small Commercial Transport 1/	\$10.06	0.95%
Large Commercial Sales	\$4,401.82	26.10%
Large Commercial Transport 1/	\$147.70	1.69%
Industrial Sales	\$7,699.35	27.49%
Resale Sales	\$10,509.21	25.57%
Daily Balancing for Transport	\$0.00	0.00%
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I have before me the accounts of the Executor or Administrator of the estates of the following deceased persons: Deceased Personal Representative(s) David Benjamin Fletcher

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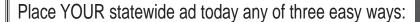
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DEADLINE **3PM FRIDAY**

Nine New Stops Added to WV Waterfall Trail

Gov. Jim Justice announced a major expansion of the popular West Virginia Waterfall Trail. The trail now has nine new stops, bringing the total up to 38 for those looking to explore cascades across the Mountain State. Since its launch last June, the statewide wonder has received over 35,000 participant check-ins with visitors from 49 states and 15 countries.

The trail has received rave reviews which inspired the Department of Tourism to ask West Virginians to help identify new waterfalls. Those nominations led to the addition of several new falls, which will allow those who have already started their adventures to keep exploring.

One of those dedicated "waterfall wanderers" – as the Department of Tourism calls them – is Veronica Lewis. A mother of two from Jackson County, Lewis has visited more than 20 falls with her two daughters.

"I've had the joy of exploring many of West Virginia's waterfalls and thanks to the Waterfall Trail, my love of exploring the outdoors is something I'm able to share with my daughters as a family," said Lewis. "Governor Justice's expansion of the Waterfall Trail will be a great way for more families to take advantage of every bit of the natural beauty and wonder available to us throughout Almost Heaven."

Visitors can now explore 38 jaw-dropping cascades throughout the Mountain State while winning exclusive prizes along the way. Prizes include a West Virginia Waterfall Trail branded sticker, water bottle, and t-shirt – all exclusively available through this program. With the addition of these new waterfalls, the West Virginia Department of Tourism has also commissioned Base Camp Printing Company in Charleston to create a limited-edition waterfall art print that will be mailed to the dedicated waterfall explorers who check in at all 38 cascades along the trail.

Checking into the Waterfall Trail is a simple process made possible by Bandwango, a travel technology platform that makes checking in at each location quick and easy. To get started, visit WVtourism.com/waterfalls and register to have the West Virginia Waterfall Trail passport delivered straight to a person's smartphone. Those who have already registered and want to restart their adventures can text "resend waterfall trail passport" to 1-888-921-5333 to be connected with a support agent.

The nine new waterfalls added to the trail are as follows:

•Westerly Falls — This charming, shortdropped waterfall spans Paint Creek in Fayette County. With water plummeting from 5 to 7 feet high, Westerly Falls is one of the more subtle, yet dynamic falls in West Virginia. Tackle the short and moderately steep walk from the roadside pull-off to creek level for a closer view.

•Pipestem Falls — With a 30+ foot drop on Pipestem Creek, Pipestem Falls is a hidden gem located along Route 20, approximately 11 miles south of Hinton. Follow the wooden steps by the pull off and let the roaring waters guide the way, as the summer leaves hide the falls from the road.

•Falls Mill — Just off U.S. Route 19 on Pleasant Hill Road in Braxton County is a photogenic and wide cascade spanning the entire width of the Little Kanawha River: Falls Mill. Embrace the view from the roadside overlook to catch a truly panoramic snapshot of this expansive waterfall.

•Parkinson's Waterfall — Nestled in Bethany College's leafy and historic campus, this waterfall is a familiar feature to students and a delightful surprise for visitors. Make one's way along Campus Drive until one comes upon a trailhead sign near the Steinman Fine Arts Center, marking the Waterfall Trail. The Waterfall Trail and Sutton Trail form a loop that is approximately one-mile long.

•Mann's Creek Falls — Enjoy sightseeing the many layers of cascading waters at Mann's Creek Falls in Babcock State Park. Begin the journey at the Narrow Gauge trailhead located on the service road below the park's campground. The splashing of the tiny, but mighty, plummeting falls make for a soothing experience after getting some steps in on the Narrow Gauge Trail.

•Sugar Camp Run Falls — Sugar Camp Run Falls is one of a handful of beautiful waterfalls at Babcock State Park. Water rushes between several angular boulders, creating a unique flow – especially after heavy rainfall. Babydog visited the waterfall earlier this spring and word has it that this is the English Bulldog's favorite cascade. Parking in the historic Glade Creek Grist Mill lot provides easy access to the Old Sewell Trail.

•Flanagan Branch Falls — Flanagan Branch Falls is tucked away on the Old Sewell Trail at beautiful Babcock State Park. A person can park near the historic Glade Creek Grist Mill and begin the waterfall venture on the Old Sewell Trail.

•Tucker Falls — Located at Mason-Dixon Historical Park near Morgantown, Tucker Falls is a 14-foot hidden gem. This park borders the Mason-Dixon line, making Tucker Falls one the most northern waterfalls in Almost Heaven. Take a stroll along the banks of Dunkard Creek on Green Trail and cross over to Orange Trail for a combined one-mile walk.

•Loopemount Waterfall — Located near mile-marker 8.1 on the 78-mile Greenbrier River Trail, the Loopemount Waterfall is one of the most remote waterfalls in Almost Heaven. Park near the Harper Road trailhead and walk north. Meander for a little over 2 miles along the lush rail trail to find this Greenbrier County gem. This wide waterflow is the strongest during the springtime, but one can discover a gentle stream during the warmer months.

"The popularity and recognition our West Virginia Waterfall Trail has received is flatout incredible, and I'm excited that we're expanding it today with some really special new falls," Justice said. "I encourage all West Virginians, and all visitors to Almost Heaven, to get out and explore the trail this summer. You'll get to experience the unmatched



Pipestem Falls. Image courtesy of WVWaterfalls.com.

beauty of our Great State, all the while making memories that you'll cherish forever."

As the first waterfall trail in the country, the West Virginia Waterfall Trail has received tremendous national recognition, such as features in top-tier travel publications, including Travel + Leisure, USA Today, Southern Living and Fodor's Travel.

"We are thrilled to see the West Virginia Waterfall Trail receiving national recognition in top-tier travel publications. It's a unique offering for West Virginia as we continue to build our reputation as a true outdoor recreation state," Chelsea Ruby, secretary of the West Virginia Department of Tourism said. "I can't wait to hear more stories and meet more folks out on the trail this summer. It's an absolutely perfect summer activity for those looking to travel the state."

For more information on the West Virginia Waterfall Trail, visit WVTourism.com/waterfalls.

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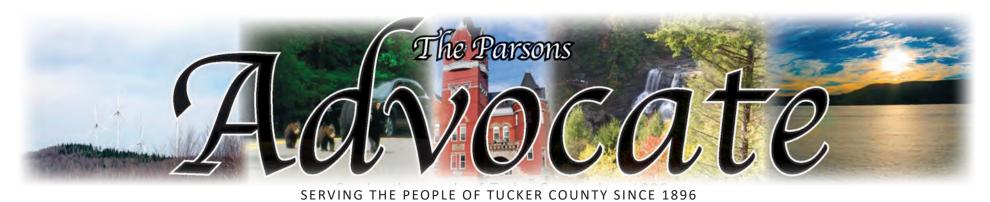
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Ryan Sworn in as Circuit Court Judge



Duke A. McDaniel, left, presented the opening remarks prior to Judge Ryan being sworn in as the new 21st Judicial Circuit Court Judge for Mineral, Grant, and Tucker Counties. Ryan replaced retired Judge Nelson. Nelson retired in June after 15 years on the bench.

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

The Honorable Robert Edward Ryan was sworn in as the new 21st Judicial Circuit Judge for Mineral, Grant, and Tucker Counties at the Grant County Courthouse. Ryan was appointed to replace Circuit Judge Nelson following Nelson's retirement the end of June. At the Investiture Ceremony, the Honorable Thomas S. Kleeh, Chief United States Judge for the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia delivered the Oath of Office.

"This place is a room of serious business and I hold it in a sacrosanct manner," Ryan said. "People's lives change in this room for good or bad. It's a place of decorum and process and fairness."

Ryan spoke about his expectations and what he hopes to bring to the bench. "I've appeared in 44 of 55



Zeke and Ike Ryan held the William H. Muntzing family Bible as Judge Ryan is sworn in by the Honorable Thomas S. Kleeh, Chief United States Judge for the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia.



Judge Ryan was robed during the ceremony by his Uncle Will, Aunt A.J. And Roger Edward. Ryan's parents were unable to attend due to health.

West Virginia Counties," Ryan said. "I have appeared in front of well over 200 judges. So, I have a lot of See COURT page 3

State Releases Initial Draft of Digital Equity Plan

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By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

West Virginia Office of Broadband has released the first draft of the State's Digital Equity Plan as a part of the State's five year plan to roll out broadband internet coverage to the entirety of West Virginia residents.

"West Virginia is ready to conquer the digital divide. For far too long, many West Virginia communities have lacked affordible, high-speed broadband internet access, a necessity for access to healthcare, education, civic and social engagement, and economic opportunity. West Virginia residents have voiced the urgent need to address the issue. West Virginia's leaders understand that broadband is essential to West Virginia's economic future," the plan's Executive Summary writes.

The plan includes three goals. Goal one is to realize affordable connectivity, goal two is to secure device access and affordability and goal three is to elevate digital skills and accessibility of public services. Each goal contains two objectives.

The Plan also outlines the programs available to address digital equity with a focus on such demographics as: aging individuals, racial and ethnic minorities, rural residents, incarcerated individuals, veterans, individuals with disabilities, individuals with language barriers and all West Virginia residents.

The draft also broke down the results and feedback from **See EQUITY page 3**

Solid Waste Authority Welcomes New Member, On Track for Air Quality Permit

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

The Tucker County Solid Waste Authority welcomed its newest member to the board on July 24th. Lowell Moore's appointment filled a vacancy left when Diane Hinkle stepped down from the board in June after four and a half years of service. Moore was welcomed and introduced to the board by Presiding Chair Mark Holstine. the air quality Title Five application in to the DEP and are very confident that they will make that happen in plenty of time."

In other business, Holstine presented the Authority board with the financial report in the absence of Accountant Mark Joseph who was unable to attend the meeting. "Net income for the year is the next thing that I look at," Holstine said,"is 344,086. That is 12 percent higher than previous fiscal year. So that's showing growth."

Holstine also informed the board of the



Animal Shelter in Need of Dog Walkers

"First I'd like to welcome Lowell to the board," Holstine said. "Lowell is filling the seat vacated by Diane. And thank you very much for volunteering your time. I really appreciate you coming on board. We continue to have a really strong board, in my opinion. I look forward to continuing that."

According to Holstine, the Authority is on track with its Air Quality Permit. "The air permitting process is on schedule. They have to have the emissions inventory into the DEP by next Monday. They were on schedule to do that. They're supposed to have a draft of that to me and Jody this week for the rest of us to look at. Its going to be hard for me to critique. Inventory is inventory. I'm not familiar with the calculations myself, but I'll look over them when they send them in. So we should be on track to hit that deadline and we still have til like the end of September to have gross profits for the Authority. "Gross profits at three million for this fiscal year," Holstine said. "Previous fiscal year's gross profit was 2.5 million. So that was a 24 percent increase which is related directly to tipping fees. The percentage increase is almost identical."

Holstine said that while profits are up for the authority, so are expenditures. "Expenditures are up 28 percent from last year," Holstine said.

"And this is with this earlier half of the year," Vice-Chair Dennis Filler said. "It was touch and go the first part this fiscal year."

"I'm very comfortable where we are financially," Holstine said.

The next meeting of the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority will be held August 28th at 3 p.m. at the TCWSA Office located at 284 Landfill Road, Davis. By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

"We're pretty full, we're pretty busy," Tucker County Animal Shelter Director Bailey Falls said. "Its that time of year."

Falls presented an update to the Tucker County Commission on July 26th. During her presentation, she reiterated the need for volunteers to walk dogs at the facility. "We still need lots of help walking dogs," Falls said. "If anyone in the community wants to come help us walk big, energetic dogs, we have a lot of them."

Tucker County Commissioner Mike

Rosenau said the commission encourages people to volunteer. "But it gives the animals their exercise for the day," Rosenau said. "We encourage anyone that has time to contact Bailey and volunteer some. We have a lot of animals to love."

"Really the volunteers and walking dogs really helps the shelter so much," Rosenau said. "So it relieves the employees to do their jobs, the necessary jobs that are there, to clean the cages and everything."

Falls also updated the commission on the status at the Animal Shelter. "Its the second wave of kitten season," Falls said. See ANIMAL SHELTER page 3

Moonshine Memories Come to Life at Courthouse



Ab Crossland (Rom Yocum), Ronnie Beall (Mitchell Beall), Ronald Brown (Rafe Pomerance) and Larry Starcher (Casey Rucker) discuss the resolution of the trial during "Moonshine Memories" July 30th.



Ab's skunks take over the bench at the Tucker County Courthouse during "Moonshine Memories" July 30th.

By: Lydia Crawley

The Parsons Advocate

The play, Moonshine Memories, written by Tom Rodd, was based on the life and legal woes of Tucker County native Albert "Ab" Crossland and was a project of the Friends of the Blackwater, a non-profit organization based in Tucker County.

The play starred Tom Yokum as Ab Crossland. Cross-

land became world famous in the early 1970s for his lawsuit to establish his squatter rights to a cabin located in land that was being acquired by the state for what is now Canaan Valley State Park and Resort. Crossland was also known throughout the area as a colorful character and moonshiner who lived with several cats and skunks.

Throughout the performance, Musicians Gerry Milnes and Michael Miller performed period pieces with the subject of Moonshining. The duo opened the play with a song entitled "The Booze Fighters." The musicians also performed instrumentals prior to the performance.

According to Rodd, the performance was recorded on video with the intention to produce a YouTube video in the near future. Jacob Shockley was in charge of the video recording during the event.

The remaining cast included: Mitchell Beall as his grandfather and Crossland neighbor Ronnie Beall; Casey

See MOONSHINE page 3



News of Record

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

• Clayton Keith Mallow, of Dryfork, was charged with 2 felony counts of fraudulent use of an access device. According to the complaint on Monday April 3 Trooper C.A. Hawkins received a complaint of fraud. The victim advised her credit card had been used to make several unauthorized charges.

Hawkins received a hand written statement from the victim which stated fraudulent charges were made to bank account on Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1, she further stated she called where one charge occurred to make them aware and they informed her that tickets were purchased and they gave the name Clayton Mallow.

She also advised that she had spoken to Mr. Mallow on the phone on March 31 to pay her insurance with Nationwide and she provided a copy of her bank statement as well.

On Tuesday, April 25 Hawkins submitted three search warrants to Magistrate B.K. Wilfong for an email address and I.P. Address and he found probable cause to issue all three warrants.

The warrants were submitted to Google LLC. On Monday, May 15 Hawkins executed the warrants for the email address and contained within the results were the subscriber information that lists the name and date of birth as Mallow's.

Further contained within these results are emails received by the email address on March 31 and they contained 16 emails with the names Clayton or Clayton Mallow as the intended recipient.

On Thursday, May 18 Hawkins executed the warrants for the email address and contained within the results was Google Pay, customer profile details associated within. The information lists the name Clayton Mallow and the town of Dry Fork.

Clayton Keith Mallow, of Dryfork, was charged with five felony counts of fraudulent use of access device. On May 13 Deputy C.R. Summerfield of the Tucker County Sheriff's office received a fraud case that contained information from Mountain Valley Bank. The information contained several fraud charges that had been made to the account. He contacted the victim who stated by telephone that someone had stolen money from her account, so the bank issued her a new card. After paying her Nationwide insurance bill for the following month that card was compromised as well.

Summerfield met with the victim and obtained a written statement stating that she had paid her insurance bill at Nationwide Insurance. Afterward she checked her account to make sure the charge went through and to see what the amount was. While looking at her account she noticed several charges that she did not make. She contacted her bank to dispute the charges and was issued a new card. She stated that when she read the Parsons Advocate, she discovered that a man who was working at Nationwide was charged for using another person's card information and she felt this was who stole her account information. She stated that she had been issued a new card and paid her next month's insurance and again her information was stolen.

account information for any purposes other than to pay their bill. During the bill transaction at Nationwide, they stated that the defendant walked out of site into the back of the office to print a receipt.

All of the above charges did occur 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:

- Amy Snedeker, Dry Fork District, Unit E4 Week 50 Land of Canaan Vacation Resort to Donnie Daugherty and Tiffany Daugherty, \$500.
- Paul Steven martin and Deborah J. Martin, St. George District, .80 acres more or less to Mark Burns and Madeline Burns, \$12,000.
- Pennsylvania State University, Clover District, 39 acres, 6 chains and 15 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$2,500.
- Vandalia Heritage Foundation, Thomas Corporation, Unit 5 Dibacco Lofts to Cory Stout and Maria Belcher, \$79,000.
- William Harold Samples and Ruth Elaine Samples, Black Fork District, 1.633 acres to Shaver Fork LLC, \$48,500.
- Maria Martin Thacker Revocable Trust; Maria Martin Thacker Trustee, Davis District, Lot 7 Canaan Heights Estates to Justin Moeller Et Ux, \$215,000.
- Stephen F. Szurgyi, Dry Fork District, Lot 105 Mountainside to Ian Mehi Beckner and Dena Lynn Beckner, \$365,000.
- David C. Lesher and Nancy E. Lesher, Davis District, 3.54 acres to Eriks Brolis and Linda Brolis, \$430,000.
- Steven P. Sponaugle and Danielle B. Sponaugle, Black Fork District, Lot 11 River Bend Sub-division to Brendan Miller and Brandi Miller, \$325,000.
- Calvin Eugene Traven, Clover District, Mineral interest, 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$1,300.
- City of Parsons, Parsons Corporation, Lot #193 Section C, 18 ft. in Width, 20 ft. in length, to Sally J. Purnell and Axle R. Purnell, \$1,600.
- Showker Ashby LLC, Dry Fork District, Lot 27 Mountainside to Hill West LLC, \$1,200,000.
- Robert T. Metz, .17 acres right of way to Amanda G. Brown \$2,000.
- Elressa J. Baumgardner, Davis District, 45x remainder of Lot 165 to Ronald G. Tate II, \$30,000.
- Mark Waitkus, Pamela Ann Waitkus and Alexander Paul Waitkus, Fairfax District, Lot 10 and 10A Coketon to Floyd James Wilfong, \$40,150.
- Donatta Smith, Clover District, Mineral interest 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$1,600.
- Kenneth L. Langer and Jennifer L. Smith, Dry

ROAD CLOSURE

County Route 17, Smoky Hollow Road, Tucker County, will be closed beginning Monday, August 14, 2023, thru Friday, August 18, 2023

County Route 17, (Smoky Hollow Road), Tucker County, approximately 1.5 miles from the intersection of County Route 17 and WV 72 near Parsons, WV, will be closed for construction work associated with Corridor H. Local traffic will be able to access from Clover Run or from Parsons but will not be able to cross the mountain. Special accommodation will be made for emergency vehicles only. All other motorists are advised to seek alternate routes.



Parsons Volunteer Fire Department 2023 Quarterly Runs

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The Parsons Volunteer Fire Department responded to 70 calls during the Second Quarter (April, May, & June) 2023. The following are the types of calls that the members responded to.

• Motor Vehicle Crashes with Inju-

ries: 4

- Landing Zone: 6
- Hazmat: 1
- Gas Leaks: 2
- Motor Vehicle Crashes without Injuries: 6
- Brush Fires: 8Service to Public: 6
- Vehicle Fire: 1
- Line Down: 3
- Smoke Investigations: 2
- EMS Assist: 21 Search and Rescue: 2

• Traffic Control: 2

• Mutual Aid: 6

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FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE VALLEYS

Upon further investigation it was discovered that the account information was used to make several purchase and the search warrants revealed the charges were made by Clayton Mallow.n used to make several unauthorized charges.

Clayton Keith Mallow, of Dryfork, was charged with three felony counts of unauthorized use of a controlled access device. The complaint states that on May 24 and later June 5 Officer V. Pyles received a complaint regarding a joint bank account. Three suspicious charges were cited by the complainants who are customers of Nationwide Insurance located in Parsons. Hey were aware of a previous complaint of fraud related to this business. They advised they paid their bill on April 13 in person with Clayton Mallow at the insurance building. Soon after that payment was when the suspicious charges showed up on their account. Video surveillance was obtained from the purchase of movie tickets in Virginia which identify the defendant as the person who charged these items. He also used his cellular phone to scan and receive his voucher for the ticket and food.

The US currency from these transactions was removed from accounts in the State of West Virginia even though they were completed in other locations. The victims gave no authorization to keep, store, transmit or otherwise utilize their Fork District, Lot 39 Blackwater Section of Timberline Subdivision to John Thomas Gasper, \$650,000.

- Shelley N. Nehl, Clover district, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Rose Holdings LLC, \$1,500.
- Van E. Trahern, Clover District, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$2,500.
- Jess Trahern, Clover District, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$1,600.
- Alan Trahern, Clover District, Mineral interest in 35 acres, 2 chains and 10 poles to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$2,500.
- Crossed Paws LLC, Dry Fork District, Unit H8 of Northwoods Condos to Randall Rumer and Leslie A. Becker, \$284,000.
- Twila Beth Ullom, Hendricks Corporation, Lots 84, 85, 86, 87 and 88 to Danny Hebb Et Ux, \$55,000.
- Randall J. Hill, Dry Fork District, 2.21 acres and .27 Acres 1/3 interest to Thompson E. Pearcy and Stephen H. Bush, \$78,333.
- Wolfe J. Rinke Et Ux, Dry Fork District, Unit Lot 14 Black Bear Woods .070 acres to Timothy Argabrite Et Ux, \$287,500.

The following marriage has been recorded in the Tucker County Clerk's office:

• Robert J. Roy, Sr. to Donna Lynn Roy on Friday, July 28, 2023.

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Equity

listening sessions held throughout the state. Among the feedback listed, the plan says, "Poor internet quality and reliability are major barriers to internet access in West Virginia. 100% of Listening Session Participants (LSPs) in RPDC #1 reported poor internet quality as a top barrier, while 80% reported poor reliability as a significant issue. High cost for broadband internet and lack of competition among Internet Service Providers prevent many West Virginians from adopting internet services. In listening sessions hosted by the RPDC #7, 85% of participants reported that the high cost of services presented a major barrier for access and adoption." Tucker County is included in RPDC #7.

Other issues included in the plan directly quoted to Region VII include, "LSPs who participated in a session hosted by the RPDC #7 stated that they have gone up to three weeks without any way to communicate with the outside world or the ability to call 9-1-1," the report writes. "Almost 31% of those who attended RPDC #7 listening sessions stated that their inability to procure internet access reduced their ability to access information and entertainment."

In a general observation listed under Civic and Social Engagement, the plan writes, "Slow internet speeds and data caps restrict usage of online resources for entertainment or informational purposes. LSPs reported that it can take up to 30 minutes for a website to load, one hour to download a file, and as much as a day to send a photo."

The plan also describes the State's plan for implementation. Included in the plans Implementation Strategy and Key Activities are continued involvement and collaboration with existing partners and the analysis of relevant case studies of pilot programs from other states and municipalities. The section also includes a timeline of the implementation of objectives from 2024 to 2028.

"The State of West Virginia believes that bridging the digital divide is a collaborative effort between partners in the public and private sectors. As such, WVDED has

sought to engage with stakeholders throughout every step of the process, benefiting from their knowledge, input, and resources. This includes stakeholders at the federal, state, and local level," the plan writes. These stakeholders are outlined in the plan and include, according to the plan, Federal partnerships, West Virginia Broadband Enhancement Council, West Virginia Public Institutions, Private Sector and Nonprofits.

As a part of the process, the state is seeking public feedback on the draft. A copy of the State's Digital Equity Plan and feedback form can be found at https://broadband. wv.gov/west-virginias-digitial-equity-plan-public-comment/ and https://internetforallwv.wv.gov/plans/

Hard copy comment forms are also available. All hard copy comment forms are due no later than Monday, August 21st and can be mailed to cwallace@regionvii. com or mailed to Region VII Planning and Development Council, PO box 849, 21 East Main Street, Suite 102, Buckhannon, WV 26201.

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Animal Shelter

"So we're working with people all over the county to help them with that."

Falls said that her department was short staffed. "We're pretty short staffed right now and trying to stay on top of everything at the shelter and meeting the needs of the community," Falls said.

According to Falls, the shelter is still issuing spay/ neuter vouchers to residents of Tucker County through a grant program. "We are still plugging away on our spay/

Moonshine

Rucker as Larry Starcher, Legal Aid attorney for Crossland; Susan Callahan as Larry Starcher's Wife, Barbara Starcher; Carl Harr as Joe Heitz, Crossland's moonshine partner; Susan Moore and Diana Vera as the Revenuers; Tom Rodd and Jake Kopec as the Jailer; Rafe Pomerance as Ronald Brown, one of Crossland's attorneys; Susan Moore as the Newspaper Reporter; Tucker County Commissioner Mike Rosenau as Circuit Court Judge David Cuppett; Diana Vera as the Bailiff; Tucker County Sheriff Jake Kopec as J. Patrick Nichols, lawyer for the State; Barb Alford, as Ruby Raines, the daughter of Joe Heitz; and David Roberts as swing. But perhaps the characters who stole the show were the skunks that popped up at the

Court

observation to bring to the bench. I've had some bad examples and I've had some very good examples and I hope to follow those."

Ryan explained his outlook on honor and gentlemanly behavior. "General Lee's Honor Code that he instituted in 1865 was still the only rule in place at the school and it was, 'Every student shall conduct himself as a gentleman," Ryan said. "And if you lied, cheated or steal, there was only one punishment and that was expulsion. There was zero tolerance for anything less than being a gentleman. And that's what I expect in a courtroom. It's what I've always tried to exhibit in a courtroom."

Ryan outlined what his view on the courtroom should be. "It should be that no matter where you come from, no matter where your lawyer comes from, no matter what the charge is, what the claim, what the defense, every single person that comes into this courtroom deserves to have their disputes settled peacefully and without fear of passion or prejudice from the bench," Ryan said. "You should be able to walk into any courtroom in any county, in any state and be confident that you are going to be treated and judged with dignity and fairness and respect. I will strive to deliver exactly that with efficiency, fairness and justice because there is a legal maxim that justice delayed is justice denied."

from his house for that...That's been awesome."

most unexpected times throughout the performance.

Miller, Musicians and Cheyenne Elswick, Graphics.

The production team for the performance included:

Silas Bright, Director; David Roberts, Stage Manager;

Tom and Priscilla Rodd, Authors; Elaine George, Casting;

Jacob Sheckley, Videography; Gerry Milnes and Michael

Director Silas Bright wrote in his Director's Statement

about the project, "My goal in this production is to show

that there is value in fighting from the grassroots, and that

even lawful rulings can sometimes be unjust and carry

drastic communal consequences. This is a story where

our little guy did make it out on top, but there are situa-

tions every day that beckon this same kind of judgment.

neutering grant issuing vouchers to members of the community."

Falls also thanked the county maintenance crew for their help with the air conditioning at the shelter. She acknowledged that one county employee donated a unit from his home to the shelter and installed it for the comfort of the animals. "We're really appreciative of their help on that," Falls said. "Benny actually donated the air conditioner

"That's working together in this community. That's what its all about," Rosenau said.

For more information on the spay/neuter vouchers or to volunteer to walk dogs, contact the Tucker County Animal Shelter at 304-478-6232. The Shelter is located at 586 Brooklyn Heights in Parsons.

The next meeting of the Tucker County Commission will be held on August 9^{th} at 9 a.m. at the Tucker County Courthouse Old Courtroom in Parsons.

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Even if it seems hopeless, always fight on the right side of history, even if justice and law are not direct equivalents."

The Friends of the Blackwater also collaborated with the Tucker County Historical Society, ArtSpring, the Tucker County Highlands History and Educational Project, Cottrill's Opera House and the Aurora Project on the project with support from the Tucker County Foundation and the West Virginia Humanities Council. Assistance was also provided by the Tucker County Commission and the Circuit Clerk's Office.

The performance was followed by a reception with the cast and crew at the Parsons Depot. The reception was catered by Big Belly Deli.

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Attorney Duke A. McDaniel addressed the perception of Ryan as an outsider to the area in his opening remarks at the Investiture Ceremony. "He was somebody who was supposed to be an outsider," McDaniel said. "Well, he's never been to Grant County. I said, 'Oh, yes he has.' You know heritage in Grant County is something too many of us forget."

McDaniel described the family lineage of the Muntzing family in Grant County and the family's long connection to the law in the county. "I looked up to see how many of the Muntzing people since they come to the United States have become lawyers. Right now, there are 12 lawyers from the Muntzing family and there is also, one judge. After this day, we will have two judges. The first clerk of the Grant County Court was Ernest Muntzing. " McDaniel also said the family had two Grant County Sheriffs, as well.

McDaniels addressed concerns raised by the public over Ryan's appointment to the bench. "So, the fact that everyone thought this boy's an outsider, he's been coming over here since he was two years old," McDaniel said. "We must remember that this is only an appointed position and it will be that until May of 2024. In May of 2024, during the primary election, the slate of judges will also be on the ticket. The judges now are nonpartisan and the judges after the election, we will no longer have Tucker County in our circuit." McDaniel also spoke on the importance of trial experience in a judge. "This is one important thing for us trial lawyers in the courts," McDaniel said, "that we have a lawyer that becomes judge that has had trial experience. We have wonderful judges now, but about 90 percent of the judges that we have had in Grant County have been former prosecutors. So, I am so happy that we now have a lawyer with trial experience. I will say for Judge Currier, he was a former prosecutor, and he has learned more quickly than any judge I've seen and he is now a very fine civil judge. Follow his footsteps and remember the dress code is a blue sport coat, gray or tan pants." During his remarks, Judge Ryan corrected McDaniels on the number of Judges in the family. "At the risk of dishonoring my elders, I do have to correct a few things," Ryan said. "One. There are now three judges from the Muntzing family. There is my Uncle Gus, there's my dear cousin Carrie and now there's me."

Ryan thanked Judge Currier for his mentorship. "Judge Currier has been a very generous mentor as I've been preparing to take the bench and I look forward to learning more from you as I go forward," Ryan said.

Ryan also thanked his supporters in his comments. "I should probably thank Governor Justice and Baby Dog. I am very appreciative of the trust and the confidence that not only he, but those who spoke on my behalf and petitioned for my appointment. It is an absolute solemn responsibility and just know that I take it as that."

According to Ryan, he also has roots in Canaan Val-

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ley through his ancestor Solomon W. Costner. "Solomon W. Costner, my great-great-great-great grandfather, was the first permanent settler of Canaan Valley. Now if you can imagine going into Canaan Valley on a horse in 1864 with an axe, a saw and a single shot firearm and he made his homestead there. That's perseverance and toughness and courage that I don't think I can tell."

Ryan also thanked his parents. "My dad was a principal. We got to watch him as a leader, as a teacher, as a disciplinarian and you know kids are mean. I mean kids are really mean and we went to separate Junior Highs, we didn't go to dad's Junior High, but we all ended up at the same High School. And I cannot think of a person, a kid, that ever said a cross word about my dad. I heard a lot of them say, 'Man, I spent a lot of time in your dad's office.' But they would also finish that, 'That guy changed my life.' So we got to watch that and I'm thankful for it. My mom introduced us to the one living God in Jesus Christ, which is the most precious gift."

Ryan is a graduate of West Virginia University. A reception followed the Investiture Ceremony at the family's Fairview Farm in Maysville.

IUCKER COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT

Month of July 2023

- Felony Arrests (charges or indictments) 0
- Persons Arrested on Felony charges 0
- Misdemeanor arrest (charges or indictments) 0
- Persons arrested on misdemeanor charges 0
- Misdemeanor citations issues 0
- Hazardous moving violations tickets issued 5
- Other traffic violations tickets issued 11



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- Hazardous moving violations warning issued 23
- Other traffic violations warning issued 58
- DUI arrest (Driving under the influence) 0
- Motorist Assists ie. broke down vehicle 15
- Vehicle crashes where a crash report was generated 2
- Felony cases fielded resulting in a police report 2
- Misdemeanor cases fielded resulting in a police report 6
- Drugs confiscated in dollar street value amount \$0

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- Other contraband confiscated \$0
- Domestic violence petitions served
- Job Tasks completed 338
- Calls for service either through 911 or walk ins resulting in Police action 150
- Mileage Report (Total miles traveled by the Department patrolling) 6,610 miles

Additional Notes : None

This monthly report has been prepared by Sheriff "Jake" Kopec for educating the public as to how their tax dollars are being put to use at the Tucker County Sheriff Office.

To Receive WV Women In Agriculture Award

Jenningston, WV - Since West Virginia's beginning, agriculture has played an important part in its development. Agritourism has now become a way to keep traditions alive and many women in agriculture are paving the way for a better future. Marsha Waybright is one of them. She will be awarded the 2023 West Virginia Women in Agriculture Award at the West Virginia State Fair on August 13 at 11 a.m.

"I've been farming most of my life but now that we've stepped into agritoursim, I think we are making a huge difference in how people see farming," said Waybright. "We allow people to actually step into our lives on the farm and get a genuine authentic experience. After visitors leave the farm they long to come back and learn more. When you can reconnect people with nature and real life on the farm, they leave with enough knowledge to maybe start a little garden where they live. You give them hope that they can grow or make something on their own. That's pretty empowering in today's world."

Waybright is one of 3 women receiving this annual award. It is given to "women who have made a significant contribution to agriculture and the agricultural industry through forestry, specialized crops and various forms of agriculture within the state," said Kriston Strickler, who heads up the West Virginia Women in Ag program. For each applicant, an application is submitted by friends, family or peers. It is judged by a committee and 3 -4 women are chosen to receive an award. Strickler said Waybright was chosen due to her "huge impact to agriculture. She has an extensive agricultural background and runs three businesses all in the agritourism field. What she has done is just astounding. "

Waybright is the property manager of the Laurel River Club Bed & Breakfast, owner of Laurel Fork Farm and founder of the West Virginia School of Traditional Skills. She constantly uses her knowledge and skills to teach others how to preserve the land around them from the 200 acre



Marsha Waybright

educational farm surrounding the B&B. Her willingness to "train other people and provide a learning experience, aided in her receiving this award," Strickler said.

"I feel very honored to be recognized as a woman in agriculture; farming is hard but also very rewarding," said Waybright. "I'm so proud of all the other women in agriculture with whom I share the same passion."

These women are mentors and have a deep passion for agriculture. Waybright commented that women "should do something with your life that you don't need a vacation from, something you are passionate about." Her passion for "all aspects of farming and teaching others that they can do all this too may be on a smaller scale, of course, but everyone should have enough knowledge to be able to eat without necessarily depending on someone else to provide for them. I love to teach people and although we all need a break from time to time, you should live your life so that you love and appreciate each day that the good Lord has given you. So many people live their lives just looking forward to the next long vacation. I try to live a life I don't need a vacation from!"

For more information about the Laurel River Club B&B and surrounding farm, upcoming classes through the West Virginia School of Traditional Skills, or to book a stay, please visit www.lrcbnb. com or call (304) 402-7095. Find more info on Facebook, Instagram, TikToc and YouTube.

CLICK IT. DON'T RISK IT.

CHARLESTON, WV - The West Virginia Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) is urging drivers on West Virginia roads to buckle up during the statewide Click It or Ticket high-visibility enforcement mobilization that runs from August 4-20, 2023. This mobilization is part of the GHSP's continual efforts to increase seat

be in a vehicle crash."

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

Tucker County's Waybright | Mountaineer Garden Club



Lifetime and Diamond recipients. Seated: Linda Hockman and Sharon Kidwell Standing: Jean Long, Martha Hilton and Vivian Shomo.



Pictured left to right seated: Linda Hockman, Sharon Kidwell, and Patricia Mays, TVDD. Back row left to right: Sandra Hockman, Faith Moore, Jean Long, Martha Hilton, WVGC State President, Vivian Shomo, Glenda Lipscomb, Linda Sherman and Kennetha Greenlief.

Mountaineer Garden Club welcomed WV Garden Club state president, Martha Hilton and Tygart Valley District Director, Patricia Mays, to their annual August picnic at the home of Ben and Jean Long. At the conclusion of the picnic lifetime membership certificates were awarded to Linda Hockman, Sharon Kidwell and Jean Long. Diamond Membership certificates were awarded to Vivian Shomo and Linda Hockman. Patricia Mays, Tygart

Valley District Director shared information re: the Fall district meeting to be held at Adaland in September and invited the members to attend. Martha Hilton, WVGC State President shared information re: Spring 2024 state convention to be held at Glade Springs. All interested garden club members are encouraged to attend. Further information regarding the convention can be found on the WVGC web site.



belt usage in West Virginia.

"We want seat belt use to be an automatic habit for drivers and passengers alike," said Gov. Jim Justice.

In 2021, 40 percent of all passenger vehicle occupants killed in crashes in West Virginia were unrestrained. To help save lives, we need to step up seat belt enforcement, day and night.

Rural drivers may believe that their crash exposure is lower, but in 2021, 62 percent of total vehicle fatalities in West Virginia occurred in rural locations, compared to 38 percent in urban locations.

"We will keep working to spread the message that seat belts save lives until every person in every vehicle is correctly buckled up. Too many people die on our roads because they were not buckled. Just one death is one too many," said GHSP Occupant Protection Program Coordinator Amy Boggs. "A seat belt is your best protection against death or injury should you

Wearing your seat belt is required by law. Don't just buckle up to avoid a ticket. The values of our families' and friends' lives in West Virginia are incalculable. The \$25 violators pay if ticketed pales in comparison to the lives of the people we love most. If you are caught driving while unbuckled and you get a ticket, look at it as your wakeup call. A ticket is far less expensive than paying with your life or the lives of your family and friends.

"At our current seat belt usage rate of 92.5 percent, unbuckled drivers or passengers have a 20.10 times higher likelihood of being killed if they are in a crash. The reality is: seat belts save lives. Not buckling up is not worth the risk. Click It. Don't Risk It," concluded Boggs.

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



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playing in a mud hole after a spring rain

or just hanging out with friends around a

campfire. Momma Said, "Catch hold of

those memories and they will keep you

I really like the nostalgic feeling I get

when I hear something that reminds me

of my youth. Maybe I am getting to a

stage in my life when I feel I am wast-

ing time not getting out and doing some

of the things I did when I was younger.

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By Teri Cavton

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Bohon – Cassidy Family Reunion

The Bohon - Cassidy reunion will begin at noon on Saturday, Aug. 12 at the big pavilion in Mill Race Park. Please bring your favorite covered dish and an item for the auction.

Food Handlers Class

Tucker County Health Department will hold a food handlers permit class on Wednesday, August 9 at the Parsons Senior Center. The class will be at 9 a.m. and at 7 p.m. There will be a \$10 charge for the training class which will be collected upon admittance. The food handler's (card) permit and training will be good for two years. If you have questions regarding the class or training call Tucker County Health Department at 304-478-3572.

Martin VanBuren Bonner family reunion

The annual Martin VanBuren Bonner family reunion will be Saturday, August 19, at Flanagan Hill Community Building in Red Creek. A covered dish luncheon will

be served at 1 p.m. Dinnerware will be provided, bring your favorite covered dish and plan to attend. Everyone welcome.

Nestor – Nester Reunion

Reunion will be held on Sunday, Aug. 13 at the Sycamore Grove Church beginning at noon. Please bring a covered dish and something for the raffle table. A business meeting will follow lunch to elect a new Cemetery Board Member.

Retired School Employees Picnic

Tucker County Retired School Employees picnic is noon on August 16 at Mill Race Park. The WVARSE state president will share updates that day. All retirees are invited to come, bring a covered dish.

Ruth and Arthur Lipscomb Reunion

The annual Ruth and Arthur Lipscomb family reunion will be on Saturday August 19, 2023 at 1 p.m. at the Ferrell Family Campsite in Leadmine. Bring your favorite covered dish for all to share. All are welcome!



Aug. 15, 1906: The Niagara Movement began a five-day meeting at Storer College in Harpers Ferry. The organization was founded in 1905 by a group of Black intellectuals, including W. E. B. Du Bois.

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.

Aug. 9, 1916: A storm front from the northwest

Aug. 11, 1994: The Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge became the 500th refuge in the National Wildlife Refuge system. It is one of the largest and most diverse freshwater wetland areas in central and southern Appalachia.

Aug. 12, 1937: Author Walter Dean Myers was born in Martinsburg. In January 2012, Myers was named the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature by the Library of Congress. He died in 2014. Aug. 12, 1997: The Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel strike ended when 79 percent of the workers approved a new contract. The 10-month walkout was the longest steel manufacturing strike on record when it concluded. Aug. 13, 1900: Railroad mogul and founder of Huntington, Collis Potter Huntington, died. Raised in poverty, Huntington went west when gold was discovered in California. There he became rich, not from mining but by selling supplies to miners.

Aug. 13, 2018: The House of Delegates adopted articles of impeachment against all sitting justices of the Supreme Court of Appeals.

Aug. 14, 1894: Entertainer Ada Beatrice Queen Victoria Louise Virginia "Bricktop" Smith was born at Alderson. She performed in Paris in the 1920s and opened her own club, called the Music Box, in 1926. Aug. 14, 1943: Astronaut Jon Andrew McBride was born in Charleston. McBride became an astronaut in 1979 and piloted the space shuttle Challenger on an eight-day mission in 1984. Aug. 15, 1867: The cornerstone for the first building of the Fairmont Branch Normal School was laid at the corner of Adams and Quincy streets in the heart of town. The first class of students occupied the new building in April 1869. That school became Fairmont State University. Aug. 15, 1946: The first FM radio station in the state, WCFC of Beckley, began regular programming.

By Teri Cayton The Parsons Advocate

Isn't it crazy when you hear a song from your past and it transports you right back to that time? A friend of mine sent me a video of Dr. Hook and the Medicine Show singing Sylvia and that song took me right back to my teens. The only problem is now it is stuck in my head and I catch myself singing it all the time.

If you are a Baby Boomer, someone born in the 1950's, you should have heard this song at least once. If not you should Google it and listen to some real music. Music these days doesn't have a story behind it and that is a real shame, I think it is just a bunch of noise.

I love the music from my era and it is like smelling something that reminds you of your past, the smell of real Christmas trees, mom baking bread, or fresh mown grass. Hearing those songs is just the same, it is a way of remembering things long gone; like your first love,

Tuna Greek Salad

INGREDIENTS

- 2 (2.6-ounce) packages StarKist Selects E.V.O.O.® Yellowfin Tuna with Sun-dried Tomatoes
- 8 CUPS mixed romaine and red leaf lettuce torn into bite-sized pieced
- 1 CUP cherry tomatoes halved
- 1 yellow pepper sliced
 - 1 cucumber halved and sliced
- 2 CUPS cooked pasta such as fusilli, rotini or cavatappi
- 1/2 CUP kalamata olives pitted
- ¹/₄ red onion sliced

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- ¹/₂ CUP feta cheese crumbled 1/3 CUP Greek salad dressing store-
- bought or see below GREEK DRESSING:
- 2 TABLESPOONS red wine vinegar
- 1 TABLESPOON Dijon mustard 2 TABLESPOONS fresh oreg-
- ano chopped
- ¹/₃ CUP extra virgin olive oil

salt and freshly ground black pepper

INSTRUCTIONS

Soak the sliced onion in water for about 10 minutes while you prepare the rest of the ingredients. (This will remove the harsh flavor and aftertaste of the onions.) Drain the onions and dry well with a clean kitchen towel.

Place the romaine and red leaf lettuces in a large salad bowl. Add the StarKist Selects E.V.O.O.® Yellowfin Tuna with Sun-dried Tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, yellow pepper, cucumber, pasta, kalamata olives and red onions.

To make the dressing, whisk the vinegar, Dijon mustard and oregano together in a bowl. Add the oregano and whisk in the olive oil. Season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper.

Drizzle the dressing over the top of the salad and toss the ingredients together. Season with salt and freshly ground black pepper and serve.

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Aug. 9, 1954: Don Chafin died in Huntington. As sheriff of Logan County, Chafin was a bitter foe of union organizers and, with financial support from coal companies, used his many deputies to keep labor organizers out of the county.

Aug. 10, 1920: General Frank Kendall "Pete" Everest Jr. was born in Fairmont. Everest was a military aviator and a pioneer in U.S. rocket plane flying. In 1956, he flew the X-2 at Mach 3, exceeding 1,900 miles per hour and breaking the record of Chuck Yeager, his rival and close contemporary.

Aug. 11, 1844: Emanuel Willis Wilson was born at Harpers Ferry. He served as the seventh governor of West Virginia from 1885 to 1890.

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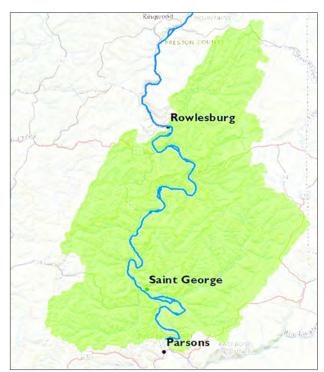
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A No-Cost Service to Help Control Erosion



Targeted Project Area

Friends of the Cheat (FOC) is seeking property owners interested in complimentary tree plantings in the riparian areas(the areas directly next to a stream or river) of their property. By planting trees in these areas, FOC hopes to help reduce stream bank erosion, sedimentation, bank instability, and bank loss in the Cheat River watershed.

The targeted project area, which is shaded green on the map, includes a large portion of the Cheat River watershed. Relevant property locations include the Cheat River mainstream from Parsons to Rowlesburg, Clover Run, Horseshoe Run, Minear Run, Licking Creek, Buffalo Creek, Wolf Creek, Saltlick Creek, and their tributaries. All interested landowners with land in the project area are encouraged to set up a consultation by contacting Madison Ball, Conservation Program Director with Friends of the Cheat, at madison@cheat.org or by calling 304-329-3621 ext. 7.

Friends of the Cheat is a non-profit watershed group, formed in 1994 whose mission is to restore, preserve and promote the outstanding natural qualities of the Cheat River Watershed.

WV IJDC announces funding for Davis Wastewater Treatment Project

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council announced the council approved technical reviews and requests to pursue funding for an additional 11 sewer and water projects. The approval of these reviews and requests helps cities, municipalities and public service districts save taxpayer money and keep their projects moving. Among those are the Town of Davis for a wastewater treatment plant improvements project estimated to cost \$356,000.

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

The council will meet again on Sept. 8. For more information, visit wvinfrastructure.com.

Eastern WVCTC Welcomes Lauren Arbaugh to the Workforce Education Department

MOOREFIELD, W.Va. – Lauren Michelle Arbaugh has been hired at Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College as the Workforce Education Program Coordinator. Originally from Gainesville, Florida, Arbaugh now resides in Hardy County with her husband, Sheldon, who also serves as Vice Chair on Eastern's Board of Governors. "I adore my wonderful husband, Sheldon, and our beautiful daughter, Lauren Brooke. He has enjoyed a long career with PCB," said Arbaugh, "and Lauren Brooke is entering her senior year at West Virginia University where she is majoring in Health and Well-Being. We have two awesome dogs, Aslan & Gracie, and one energetic cat, Luna."

Arbaugh has spent more than a decade providing supplemental instruction, both live and online, for students in organic chemistry at numerous universities and colleges, including the University of Florida, Florida State University, the University of Georgia, and the University of Central Florida. "When I moved up to West Virginia, I worked with a residential building contractor where I served as interior project manager as well as the resource manager," said Arbaugh.

Although this is her first position at Eastern, she

as well as serving on Eastern's Board of Trustees. Arbaugh is active all throughout the community by serving on committees to better the region. She serves as a board member on the Hardy County Chamber of Commerce and is Chair of the Celebrate Moorefield committee, where community events like the new farmers market, and food truck pop-ups have led her to interact with and support vendors from all over the Potomac Highlands region.

In her free time, Arbaugh likes to be with family, outside, and learning new things. "The most important part of life for me is time spent with my family, whatever the season may be; we love anything outside. Whether it is hiking, hunting, fishing, or sports, the competitions can be epic," she said, "but I'm also active with gardening and building projects, so I continue to learn new things."

"I absolutely love that Eastern is a team of people who love serving students and their communities in ways that promote lifelong learning and furthering opportunities, no matter the background or time in life" said Arbaugh, "Everyone I have had the pleasure of working with so far has been incredibly positive and excited about all that



August is National Immunization Awareness Month

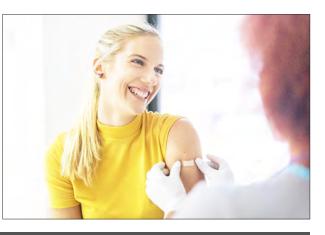
CHARLESTON, W.Va. – As part of National Immunization Awareness Month, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR), Bureau for Public Health joins partners across the country to highlight the importance of routine vaccination for people of all ages.

Governor Jim Justice also proclaimed August as Immunization Month in West Virginia.

"Children and adults are encouraged to keep vaccinations up to date to protect themselves and vulnerable populations from vaccine preventable diseases," said Dr. Matthew Christiansen, Commissioner for DHHR's Bureau for Public Health and State Health Officer. "Vaccines are the safest way to protect against preventable illnesses, and routine well-visits with your physician help ensure you or your child do not fall behind on vaccines."

On-time vaccination throughout childhood provides immunity before children are exposed to potentially life-threatening diseases. Vaccines are recommended for adults based on age, health condition, job, lifestyle, travel, and other factors. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Adult Vaccines Self-Assessment Tool helps users determine when vaccines are recommended.

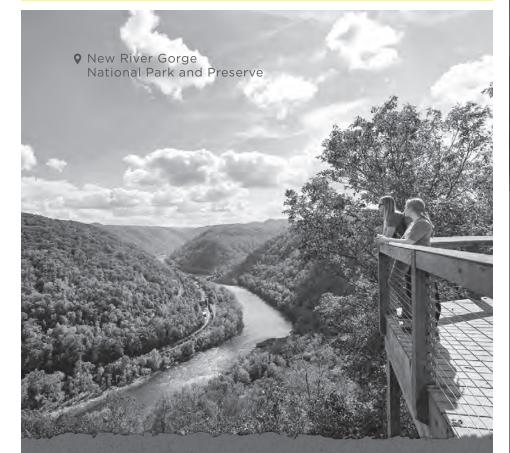
Learn more about vaccines for children and adults at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/index.html. To view and apply for careers in the public health field, visit dhhr. wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx.



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This is a Statement from the Tucker County Hospital of Parsons from January 3, 1944. Mrs. Wotring was a patient at the hospital for 7 and a half days at a cost of \$4.50 per day. Wow, imagine if that was the charge today, of course it was 79 years ago so inflation has taken its toll. The charge for professional services (Doctors care) was \$10.00 and the lab fees were \$5.00. Toal charges were \$48.75, and the bill was paid in full on January 3, 1944. The name of the person that collected the money was W. Hill. Ideas, comments, suggestions or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.



St. George Medical Clinic Celebrates Patient Appreciation Day, Aug. 10

ST. GEORGE, W.VA. -- In honor of National Health Center Week, the St. George Medical Clinic will celebrate Patient Appreciation Day at its two health center locations.

The event will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, in Parsons (8591 Holly Meadows Road) and Canaan Valley (6368 Appalachian Highway). Food trucks will be at each facility, and attendees can pick up information about healthcare services offered, talk with healthcare professionals, and take a tour of the facilities.

Paul Wamsley, CEO of St. George Medical Clinic, invited patients, local county and city public officials, and business owners to attend.

"We are proud to join other health centers from West Virginia and around the nation to celebrate National Health Center Week," Wamsley said. "The goal of the week is to raise awareness about St. George Medical Clinic's mission and increase awareness of how the health centers are providing affordable quality and comprehensive healthcare in our communities."

Nationwide, health centers provide preventive and primary healthcare services to over 30 million people and are the first to respond with wrap-around care during disasters and health emergencies. The model of care is driven by services needed in each unique community.

"Community Health Centers are not just healers; we are innovators who look beyond medical records to address the factors that may cause poor health, such as hypertension, diabetes, substance use, and mental illness," Wamsley said. "We are a critical piece of the healthcare system and work to improve health outcomes for medically vulnerable people. National Health Center Week is an opportunity to highlight this commitment and passion of our staff and supporters who make it possible for our medical clinics to provide quality, comprehensive healthcare services to our patients."

Most insurances cover visits to the St. George Clinic's facilities. As a Federally Qualified Health Center, St. George Medical Clinic offers a slidingfee scale (financial assistance) to uninsured or underinsured patients and to insured patients who meet the income guidelines.

"As a community health center, we strive to provide access to quality healthcare for anyone," Wamsley said. "The sliding-fee scale allows the health center locations the flexibility to waive or lower the fee for their medical services. I am proud of the efforts put forth by our dedicated employees who fulfill our mission daily."

In addition to the two health centers, the St. George Medical Clinics operates several other health facilities in the area: St. George Clinic Pharmacy (221 Pennsylvania Ave., Parsons), St. George Dental Clinic (65 Crestview Drive, Hambleton), St. George School-Based Clinic (138 Crestview Drive, Hambleton), and St. George Canaan Valley Pharmacy (6368 Appalachian Drive, Davis).

St. George Medical Clinic is a nonprofit organization. For more information or to schedule an appointment or to order a prescription, visit www. stgeorgeclinic.org or call 304-478-3339 (Main Clinic), 304-478-6000 (Schoolbased Health Clinic and Dental), 681-435-0011 (Canaan Valley Clinic), and 304-478-3355 (Pharmacy).

Secretary of State Mac Warner to host biennial County Clerk's Election Conference to Prepare for 2024 Elections

More than 150 county clerks, deputy clerks, and election staff members from throughout West Virginia are scheduled to attend a three-day conference at Canaan Valley in Davis, WV focused on cybersecurity and preparation for the 2024 elections. The conference is scheduled to begin on Sunday, August 6, and runs through Tuesday, August 8. According to WV Secretary of State Mac Warner, his office and the WVSOS Elections Division host the conference every other year to help prepare county clerks for national and state elections. "West Virginia leads the nation in safe and secure elections," said Secretary Warner. "My office works closely with our county clerks before, during, and between elections to make sure that we're doing all we can to provide

voters with safe and fair elections." The WV County Clerk's Election Conference is one of the most respected election preparation conferences in the nation. This year, Christy McCormick, the federal chair of the U.S. Elections Assistance Commission (EAC), will be one of the keynote speakers. She will be joined by Sara Hedland from the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) and Sarah Kuzniewski, a program specialist for the federal Elections Infrastructure Information Sharing & Analysis Center (EI-ISAC). "Confidence in the West Virginia elections is at an all-time high," said Secretary Warner. "That's due in great part to the training and transparency found in our election process."

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2023 Governor's Conference On Tourism To Be Held At Canaan Valley Resort

Davis, W.Va. — The annual Governor's Conference on Tourism is scheduled to take place September 10 through September 13 at Canaan Valley Resort in Tucker County.

Tourism professionals and aspiring students are invited to join this year's event, promising an unmatched experience in one of the state's most breathtaking locations. Nestled in the heart of the magnificent Potomac Highlands, Canaan Valley Resort provides the perfect backdrop for an inspiring and productive gathering.

"We are thrilled to host our annual Governor's Conference on Tourism in beautiful Tucker County in September," said West Virginia Tourism Secretary Chelsea Ruby. "We're so appreciative of the amazingly warm welcome we've received from the community already. Jessica Waldo and her team at the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) have gone above and beyond in helping us plan a both memorable and educational conference. We are really looking forward to bringing folks from around the state to enjoy the Valley in the fall while seeing firsthand the growth happening across the Potomac Highlands."

The Governor's Conference on Tourism is renowned for its educational and networking opportunities, catering to individuals at every stage of their tourism careers — from students venturing into the industry to seasoned experts seeking to enhance their skills and connect with peers.

Participants can expect a dynamic agenda filled with informative sessions, engaging workshops and thought-provoking discussions led by prominent figures in the tourism sector. Beyond the professional development opportunities, attendees will have the chance to explore the rich arts community and scenic landscapes of the region.

As part of the conference's activities, the Tucker County CVB will host a Welcome Reception on Sunday, September 10 at the Purple Fiddle with food supplied by Picnic in Thomas and live music from Low Water Bridge Band. Nestled in the Blue Ridge Mountains, Low Water Bridge Band brings a powerfully unique sound that shakes the mountains, rumbles through the hollers and fills the river bottoms. The free concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. Prior to the event, attendees are encouraged to stop in the small mountain towns of Davis and Thomas for an "Artwalk" experience, immersing themselves in the region's vibrant culture and artistic flair.

Registration for the 2023 Governor's Conference on Tourism is now open. To secure your spot and take advantage of early bird pricing, visit https://appengine. egov.com/apps/wv/tourism/govconference.

About the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau

The Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau is a nonprofit marketing



and sales organization whose mission is to promote tourism and advertise Tucker County as a visitor-friendly travel destination.

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Tariff Form No. 8-C PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION (Tariff Rule No. 30-C) PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION WITHOUT PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES NOTICE is hereby given that Canaan Valley Gas Company, a public utility, has filed with the PUB-LIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to 693 customers at Canaan Valley, Tucker County, West Virginia. The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce approximately \$106,913 annually in decreased revenue, a decrease of 7.928%. The average monthly bill for a residential customer using 8 Mcf and a commercial customer using 43 Mcf will be changed as follows:

•	(\$) DECREASE	(%) DECREASE
Residential	\$ 9.184	7.817%
Commercial	\$ 49.364	8.069%
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The decreases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes. Individual customers may receive decreases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested decreased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any decrease in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

A complete copy of the tariff, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers or their agents at the offices of Canaan Valley Gas Company, Cortland Road, Canaan Valley, West Virginia. A copy of the tariff is also available for public inspection at the offices of the Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, WV 25301.

The Rule 30C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the costs of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene and ffect your rights to protest any rate increases and to participate in future proceedings. Request to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. All protests and intervention should be addressed to The Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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Tariff Form No. 8-C

(Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C) PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY, a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers at various locations in the Counties of 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, Mc-Dowell, 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. The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered

by the Public Service Commission, and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will decrease revenue approximately \$50,389,000 annually, a decrease of approximately 24.2%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY will be changed as follows:

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Residential	\$ 14.12	14.36 %
Commercial	\$ 66.16	16.67 %
Industrial	\$ 1,142.00	19.46 %
Resale	\$ 2,226.79	20.39 %

Resale customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY include Canaan Valley Gas Company, Cardinal Natural Gas Company, Consumers Gas Utility Company, Hope Gas, Inc., Megan Oil and Gas Company, City of Philippi, and Southern Public Service Company.

The decreases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive a decrease greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive decreases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested decreased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change

Gas Prices Climb in West Virginia

The national average for a

The average price for gasoline across Northern West Virginia is 19 cents higher this week at \$3.532 per gallon, according to AAA East Central's Gas Price Report.

This week's average prices: Northern WV Average \$3.532 Average price during

the week of July 24, 2023 \$3.343 Average price during the

week of August 1, 2022 \$4.232

The following is a list of the average prices in several West Virginia locations:

\$3.540	Bridgeport
\$3.544	Clarksburg
\$3.485	Huntington
\$3.590	Martinsburg
\$3.540	Morgantown
\$3.533	Parkersburg
\$3.514	Weirton
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gallon of gas surged 16 cents over the past week to \$3.75. The primary cause is the cost of oil, which has increased nearly \$4 in the past few days to hover near \$80 per barrel. As oil accounts for almost 50 percent of the cost of a gallon of gas, higher oil prices usually mean higher pump prices. Today's national average of \$3.71 is 21 cents more than a month ago but 47 cents less than a year ago.

According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand rose slightly from 8.86 to 8.94 million barrels per day last week. Meanwhile, total domestic gasoline stocks dipped from 218.4 to 217.6 million barrels.

At the close of Wednesday's formal trading session, West Texas Intermediate tle at \$78.78 before rebounding Thursday morning. Due to extended repair timelines at refineries, lower refinery oil usage rates typically influence how much oil prices rise. Additionally, the EIA reported that total domestic commercial crude inventories decreased by 600,000 barrels to 456.8 million barrels.

decreased by 85 cents to set-

Motorists can find current gas prices nationwide, statewide, and countywide at gasprices.aaa.com.

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(increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any decrease in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. If a hearing is conducted, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:

Mountaineer Gas Company Office

• 501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Rule 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate adjustments and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All interventions must be mailed or hand-delivered and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Protests may be filed online through the Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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Tariff Form No. 8-C (Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C)) PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Hope Gas, Inc. (the "Company"), a public utility, has filed with the PUB-LIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to all of its customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Boone, Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Jackson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mingo, Monongalia, Nicholas, Pleasants, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Taylor, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood and Wyoming.

The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will decrease revenues approximately \$38.0 million annually, a decrease of 27.50%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	(\$) DECREASE	(%) DECREASE
Residential	\$19.60	16.93%
Small Commercial Sales	\$82.58	20.22%
Small Commercial Transport 1/	\$10.06	0.95%
Large Commercial Sales	\$4,401.82	26.10%
Large Commercial Transport 1/	\$147.70	1.69%
Industrial Sales	\$7,699.35	27.49%
Resale Sales	\$10,509.21	25.57%
Daily Balancing for Transport	\$0.00	0.00%
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1/ To account for decrease in standby rate. Resale customers of the Company include Standard Gas Co., Consumers Gas Utility Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company - Northern Division (Lumberport), Mountaineer Gas Co., Southern Public Service Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company - Northern Division (Blacksville), and Peoples Gas WV LLC.

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A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the Morgantown office of the Company, 781 Chestnut Ridge Road, Suite 100, Morgantown, West Virginia.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

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OF Heather Marie Carr TO THE NAME OF Heather Marie Hutchinson Civil Action No.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given on the 12th day of September, 2023 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the undersigned will apply to the Circuit Court of Tucker County, West Virginia, for the entry of an order by said court to change the name of the undersigned petitioner Heather Marie Carr to the name of Heather Marie Hutchinson. Any party that can show good cause why the name should not be changed may appear at that time and object to the change of name

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I have before me the accounts of the Executor or Administrator of the estates of the following deceased persons: Deceased Personal Representative(s) Sarah T. Fletcher David Benjamin Fletcher

1st publication 8/2/23 149 Medearis Drive 2nd publication 8/9/23 Charlotte, NC 28211

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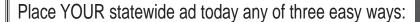
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DEADLINE **3PM FRIDAY**

Nine New Stops Added to WV Waterfall Trail

Gov. Jim Justice announced a major expansion of the popular West Virginia Waterfall Trail. The trail now has nine new stops, bringing the total up to 38 for those looking to explore cascades across the Mountain State. Since its launch last June, the statewide wonder has received over 35,000 participant check-ins with visitors from 49 states and 15 countries.

The trail has received rave reviews which inspired the Department of Tourism to ask West Virginians to help identify new waterfalls. Those nominations led to the addition of several new falls, which will allow those who have already started their adventures to keep exploring.

One of those dedicated "waterfall wanderers" – as the Department of Tourism calls them – is Veronica Lewis. A mother of two from Jackson County, Lewis has visited more than 20 falls with her two daughters.

"I've had the joy of exploring many of West Virginia's waterfalls and thanks to the Waterfall Trail, my love of exploring the outdoors is something I'm able to share with my daughters as a family," said Lewis. "Governor Justice's expansion of the Waterfall Trail will be a great way for more families to take advantage of every bit of the natural beauty and wonder available to us throughout Almost Heaven."

Visitors can now explore 38 jaw-dropping cascades throughout the Mountain State while winning exclusive prizes along the way. Prizes include a West Virginia Waterfall Trail branded sticker, water bottle, and t-shirt – all exclusively available through this program. With the addition of these new waterfalls, the West Virginia Department of Tourism has also commissioned Base Camp Printing Company in Charleston to create a limited-edition waterfall art print that will be mailed to the dedicated waterfall explorers who check in at all 38 cascades along the trail.

Checking into the Waterfall Trail is a simple process made possible by Bandwango, a travel technology platform that makes checking in at each location quick and easy. To get started, visit WVtourism.com/waterfalls and register to have the West Virginia Waterfall Trail passport delivered straight to a person's smartphone. Those who have already registered and want to restart their adventures can text "resend waterfall trail passport" to 1-888-921-5333 to be connected with a support agent.

The nine new waterfalls added to the trail are as follows:

•Westerly Falls — This charming, shortdropped waterfall spans Paint Creek in Fayette County. With water plummeting from 5 to 7 feet high, Westerly Falls is one of the more subtle, yet dynamic falls in West Virginia. Tackle the short and moderately steep walk from the roadside pull-off to creek level for a closer view.

•Pipestem Falls — With a 30+ foot drop on Pipestem Creek, Pipestem Falls is a hidden gem located along Route 20, approximately 11 miles south of Hinton. Follow the wooden steps by the pull off and let the roaring waters guide the way, as the summer leaves hide the falls from the road.

•Falls Mill — Just off U.S. Route 19 on Pleasant Hill Road in Braxton County is a photogenic and wide cascade spanning the entire width of the Little Kanawha River: Falls Mill. Embrace the view from the roadside overlook to catch a truly panoramic snapshot of this expansive waterfall.

•Parkinson's Waterfall — Nestled in Bethany College's leafy and historic campus, this waterfall is a familiar feature to students and a delightful surprise for visitors. Make one's way along Campus Drive until one comes upon a trailhead sign near the Steinman Fine Arts Center, marking the Waterfall Trail. The Waterfall Trail and Sutton Trail form a loop that is approximately one-mile long.

•Mann's Creek Falls — Enjoy sightseeing the many layers of cascading waters at Mann's Creek Falls in Babcock State Park. Begin the journey at the Narrow Gauge trailhead located on the service road below the park's campground. The splashing of the tiny, but mighty, plummeting falls make for a soothing experience after getting some steps in on the Narrow Gauge Trail.

•Sugar Camp Run Falls — Sugar Camp Run Falls is one of a handful of beautiful waterfalls at Babcock State Park. Water rushes between several angular boulders, creating a unique flow – especially after heavy rainfall. Babydog visited the waterfall earlier this spring and word has it that this is the English Bulldog's favorite cascade. Parking in the historic Glade Creek Grist Mill lot provides easy access to the Old Sewell Trail.

•Flanagan Branch Falls — Flanagan Branch Falls is tucked away on the Old Sewell Trail at beautiful Babcock State Park. A person can park near the historic Glade Creek Grist Mill and begin the waterfall venture on the Old Sewell Trail.

•Tucker Falls — Located at Mason-Dixon Historical Park near Morgantown, Tucker Falls is a 14-foot hidden gem. This park borders the Mason-Dixon line, making Tucker Falls one the most northern waterfalls in Almost Heaven. Take a stroll along the banks of Dunkard Creek on Green Trail and cross over to Orange Trail for a combined one-mile walk.

•Loopemount Waterfall — Located near mile-marker 8.1 on the 78-mile Greenbrier River Trail, the Loopemount Waterfall is one of the most remote waterfalls in Almost Heaven. Park near the Harper Road trailhead and walk north. Meander for a little over 2 miles along the lush rail trail to find this Greenbrier County gem. This wide waterflow is the strongest during the springtime, but one can discover a gentle stream during the warmer months.

"The popularity and recognition our West Virginia Waterfall Trail has received is flatout incredible, and I'm excited that we're expanding it today with some really special new falls," Justice said. "I encourage all West Virginians, and all visitors to Almost Heaven, to get out and explore the trail this summer. You'll get to experience the unmatched



Pipestem Falls. Image courtesy of WVWaterfalls.com.

beauty of our Great State, all the while making memories that you'll cherish forever."

As the first waterfall trail in the country, the West Virginia Waterfall Trail has received tremendous national recognition, such as features in top-tier travel publications, including Travel + Leisure, USA Today, Southern Living and Fodor's Travel.

"We are thrilled to see the West Virginia Waterfall Trail receiving national recognition in top-tier travel publications. It's a unique offering for West Virginia as we continue to build our reputation as a true outdoor recreation state," Chelsea Ruby, secretary of the West Virginia Department of Tourism said. "I can't wait to hear more stories and meet more folks out on the trail this summer. It's an absolutely perfect summer activity for those looking to travel the state."

For more information on the West Virginia Waterfall Trail, visit WVTourism.com/waterfalls.

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SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH

- 9 AM: Breakfast in the main hall
- 10 AM: Church and Gospel Sing in the Upper Field
- 11 AM: Equestrian Show in the Upper Field
- 11 AM: Adult Strongman Competition at fairgrounds
- 1 PM: Car and Tractor Show at the fairgrounds w/ children's bicycle or power wheel decorating contest

MONDAY AUGUST 21ST

- 11 AM- 6 PM: Open exhibits registration in the main building
- 3-8 PM: Livestock and 4H Exhibits check in at the fairgrounds
- 5-9 PM: HillBilly Fun Attractions at the fairgrounds
- 6 PM: Teen and Queen Pageants at the stage

TUESDAY AUGUST 22ND

- 5-9 PM: HillBilly Fun Attractions at the fairgrounds
- 5 PM: Baby and Children's pageants at the stage
- 6 PM: Poultry and Rabbit Conformation and Showmanship Shows at the barn
- 6:30 PM: Pet Show at the stage

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 23RD

- 5-9 PM: HillBilly Fun Attractions at the fairgrounds
- 6 PM: Conformation and Breeding Shows in the Barn
- 6 PM: Cake Walk sponsored by Celebrate Recovery at the fairgrounds
- 7:30 PM: Live Music by Zona Hester at the stage

THURSDAY AUGUST 24TH

- 5-9 PM: HillBilly Fun Attractions at the fairgrounds
- 6 PM: Showmanship in the barn
- 6 PM: Bingo by WV Caring Hospice Care at the fairgrounds
- 6 PM: Saddles and Smiles Pony Rides at the fairgrounds
- 7 PM: Live Music by Rocky and Nina Hebb at the stage

FRIDAY AUGUST 25TH

- 5-9 PM: HillyBilly Fun Attractions at the fairgrounds
- 5 PM: Live Music by Cody Maxwell at the stage

BARN EVENTS

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FRIDAY AUGUST 25TH

- 5:30 PM: Celebrity Goat Milking Contest
- 6 PM: PeeWee and Old Timer shows

SATURDAY AUGUST 26TH

- 10 AM: Ag Olympics
- 4 PM: Buyers Registration and Dinner
- 5 PM: Pie and Cake Auction
- 6 PM: Livestock Sale

UPPER FIELD EVENTS

SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH

- 10 AM: Church and Gospel Sing
- 11 AM: Equestrian Show

SATURDAY AUGUST 26TH

• 1 PM: Mud Bog

FAIRGROUNDS EVENTS

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- 9 AM: Breakfast in the main hall
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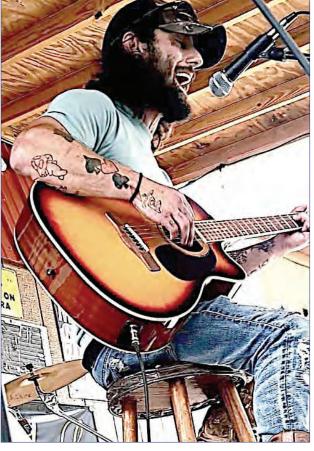
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WELCOME TO THE



CODY MAXWELL

FRIDAY AUG. 25TH AT 5 PM



CODY MAXWELL WAS RAISED IN PARSONS, WV AND CURRENTLY RESIDES IN BUCKHAN-NON, WV. HIS MUSIC STYLE IS COUNTRY, ROCK AND 90S MIX WITH ORIGINALS AND COVERS. HE HAS BEEN PLAYING FOR AROUND IS YEARS BUT REALLY JUST STARTING TO GET BACK INTO PLAYING IN FRONT OF CROWDS AGAIN IN THE LAST YEAR. CODY WILL BE PLAYING AT THE FAIR FRIDAY AUGUST 25 AT 5 PM.

- 5:30 PM: Celebrity Goat Milking Contest at the Barn
- 6 PM: PeeWee and Old Timer shows in the Barn
- 6 PM: Golf Cart Relay sponsored by TCHS Golf Team at the fairgrounds
- 7 PM: Live Music by Carson Peters and Iron Mountain at the stage

SATURDAY AUGUST 26TH

- 10 AM: Ag Olympics in the barn
- 1 PM: Mud Bog in the Upper Field
- 4 PM: Buyers Registration and dinner in the Barn
- 5-9 PM: HillBilly Fun Attractions at the fairgrounds
- 5 PM: Pie and Cake Auction in the barn
- 6 PM: Livestock Sale in the barn
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THURSDAY AUG. 24TH AT 7 PM



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WEDNESDAY AUG. 23RD AT 7 PM



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Thank you for letting me be your 2022 queen and represent Tucker County this whole year and in Charleston for the WV Association of Fairs and Festivals Convention. I'm so extremely thankful to forever have Tucker County as a place in my heart.

– Fesslyn McCaslin



FRIDAY AUG. 25TH AT 7 PM CARSON PETERS AND IRON MOUNTAIN



Carson Peters and Iron Mountain will take the stage at the Tucker County Fair on Friday August 25th at 7 pm.

At only 19 years old, Carson has made the most of his young career. In 2011, 8-year-old Carson made a guest appearance on NBC's "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno", in which he performed for Leno and Betty White. A few years later, in 2014, Ricky Skaggs made one of Peters' biggest dreams a reality, inviting him to perform "Blue Moon of Kentucky" at the Grand Ole Opry. Carson has made several trips back to the Opry since. In 2016, Peters made the trip back to L.A. to be a guest on NBC's "Little Big Shots with Steve Harvey". In 2018, Skaggs once again invited Carson back to Nashville, this time to perform at the 52nd CMA Awards Show, during Skaggs' Country Music Hall of Fame induction performance. Most recently, in 2021, Peters was a contestant on NBC's "The Voice", and received a coveted 4-chairturn with his rendition of the Don Williams classic, "Tulsa Time". Peters chose to continue his journey on the show with coach Blake Shelton, getting to work

with Dierks Bentley and Ed Sheeran in the following rounds of the competition.

After his time on "The Voice", Carson has been spending extra time in the studio. His newest project is a single with his Battle round partner, Clint Sherman, entitled "Happy to Drive", which was released on June 10th. Carson is currently working on a full-length album, which will blend the traditional country sound with his own bluegrass roots.

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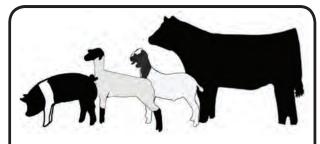


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Julie Koontz- 20, Attends WVU, from Masontown



Rhi Atkins- 18, Graduate of Preston County High School from Arthurdale



Malia Cussins- 16, Attends Tucker County High School from Hambleton





QUEEN CONTESTANTS

Laney Burns- 17, Attends Tucker County High School from Parsons



Megan Raines- Graduate of Randolph County Technical Center LPN Program from Harman



Jaenekia Westfall- 20, Attends West Virginia Wesleyan College from Buckhannon



Kennide Helmick-16, Attends Tucker County High School from Parsons



TEEN CONTESTANTS



Emma Hare- 14, Daughter of Birch and Sherry Hare of Coalton



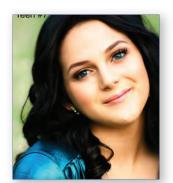
Aleighna Brenwalt- 15, Daughter of Rebecca Brenwalt of Valley Bend



Whitney Robertson- 15, Daughter of Jamie and Pam Robertson of Marlinton



Layla Pell- 15, Daughter of Heather Pell-Monahan and Adam McEldowney of Independence





Everly Blamble- 1 year old,

Daughter of Jonathan and

Samantha Blamble of Parsons

Baby #4

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Katherine Bailey- 4 years old, Daughter of Derek and Ashley Bailey of Petersburg



S'Lena Pitzer- 3 years old, Daughter of Kimberly Shaffer of Hambelton



Laiklynn Michele Smith- 3 years old, Daughter of Aaron and Erin Smith of Parsons

LITTLE



Elli Jane Marsh- 5 years old, Daughter of Chris and Sherry of Nutterfort







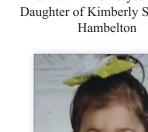
Brynzie Harman- 7 months old, Daughter of Ben and Jillian Harman of Elkins



Chloe Lucille Boyles- 18 months old, Daughter of Robby and Carrie Boyles of Tunnelton

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Trinity Bever-19, Attends Pierpont Community and Technical College from Davis



Rylea Jennings- 20, Attends Glenville State University from East Bank



Coraymalis Martinez-18, Attends Potomac State College from Moorefield

Anniston Long- 16, Attends Tucker County High School from Parsons

TEEN CONTESTANTS



Skylee Ringer- 15, Daughter of Eric and Marlana Davis and Josh Ringer of French Creek



Alyssa Larry- 14, Daughter of Christy Larry of Grafton

Morgan Raines- 15, Daughter of Todd and Cathy Raines of Harman

BABY



Isabella Ringer- 2 years old, Daughter of Martha Ringer of Masontown.



Rylie Hebb- 1 year old, Daughter of Jeffery and Tiffany Hebb of Parsons



Riley Summerfield- 3 years old, Daughter of Canaan and Courtney Summerfield of Parsons



Oakleigh Moats- 4 years old, Daughter of Stephen and Francesca Moats of Moatsville



Tinley Noel Winans- 3 years old, Daughter of Michael and Alisha Winans of Parsons

Brooke Parks- 6 years old, Daughter of Donald Jr Park and Julie Parks of Parsons



Ellieana Grace Ree- 6 years old, Daughter of Thomas and Shasta Ree of Norton



Meredith Brennan- 6 years old, Daughter of Russell and Tiffany Brennan of Petersburg



Kenley Blamble- 6 years old, Daughter of Jonathan and Samantha Blamble of Parsons



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LITTLE



Madelyn Helsley- 5 years old, Daughter of Bruce and Tara Helsley of Kingwood



Mia Dibartalomeo- 6 years old, Daughter of Dylan and Bekah Warren of Parsons and Cory Dibartalomeo of Hambleton

JUNIOR



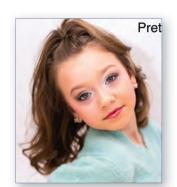
Pierslyn Farley- 7 years old, Daughter of Cameron and Farrah Farley of Elkins



Ellie Cowger- 7years old, Daughter of Thomas and Julie Cowger of Buckhannon



PRETEEN



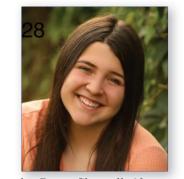
Evelyn Monahan- 10 years old, Daughter of Mike Monahan and Heather Pell-Monahan of Independence



Shylah Kearstin Wolfe- 10 years old, Daughter of Christopher Wolfe and Tiffany Bever of Davis

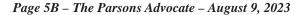


O'della March Parker-10 years old, Daughter of James and August Parker of Petersburg



Amesley Bryna Channell- 12 years old, Daughter of Bryan and Brittany Channell of Parsons







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Diva Ruth Wesoloski- 7 years old, Daughter of Alex and Danielle Wesoloski of Parsons



Alanna Brooke Outlaw- 8 years old, Daughter of Jerrod and Lindsey Outlaw of Petersburg

Norah Jackson- 11 years old, Daughter of Russell and Tiffany Brennan of Petersburg



Sadie Wright- 11 years old, Daughter of Denzil and Gina Wright of MillCreek

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I am proud of the people in our county and especially of our hard working future leaders...our youth. **Mike Rosenau**

Tucker County Commissioner Paid by Mike Rosenau



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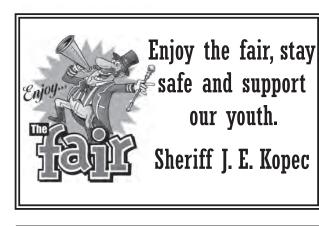


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OPEN EXHIBITS

All Open Exhibits, with the exception of Dept. G, are placed

1st – Blue Ribbon and \$3.00 2nd - Red Ribbon and \$2.00 3rd – White Ribbon and \$1.00

DEPARTMENT "G" - Club Exhibits

These exhibits will be based on chosen themes and judged as to which exhibit portrays the theme effectively, are eye catching, and possess educational qualities.

Blue Ribbon - \$10.00 Red Ribbon - \$7.00 White Ribbon - \$5.00

Class 1 - CEOS Clubs Class 2 - Youth Organizations (4-H, FFA, etc.)

Only one "Best of Show" per department with a Rosette given only.

Department "H" Field Crops

All exhibits in this department must be of 2018 crop. Cannot be oven dried • Only one entry per person per class

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1^{\text{ST}}_{\text{ND}} - $3.00
2^{\text{RD}}_{\text{RD}} - $2.00
3^{\text{C}} - $1.00
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Class: 1 - Hay, 1 flake or slab 2-Sunflower, largest head 3—Sunflower, tallest stalk 4 – Corn. 3 ears, shucked 5 – Corn, tallest stalk 6-Sorghum, 1 stalk 7 – Oats, 1 pint 8 - Oats, 1 sheaf 9-Any other not listed

DEPARTMENT "I" FRESH FRUIT & "J" - FRESH VEG-**ETABLES**

All exhibits in this department must be of 2021 crop and grown in Tucker County. Variety and Hybrid named. No artificial additions can be made to any exhibits. One entry per exhibitor per class --- plates will be provided. Judges reserve the right to cut open and inspect or sample vegetables or fruit.

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Class: 1-Apples, 3 of each 1a, red apples, any variety 1b, green apples, any variety 1c, yellow apples, any variety Shape 22 - Pumpkin, 1 each 1d, crab apples 2-Berries, 2a - Blackberries 2b - Blueberries 2c-Raspberries 2d - Elderberries 23 - Gourds, 1 each 24 - Rutabaga, 1 each 2e- Other berries not listed 25 – Squash, 1 each 3 – Grapes, 1 bunch 3a -Purple, any variety 3b-Red, any variety 3c - Green, any variety 4-Peaches, 3 of each, any variety 5 – Pears, 3 of each, any variety 6 – Plums, 3 of each, any variety 7 – Other fruit not listed, 3 of each squash Department "J" Fresh Vegetables 2ND- \$3.00 - \$2.00 ${}^{2}_{3}RD - {}^{52.00}_{-} {}^{52.00}_{-}$ water Class: 29 - Radishes, 3 each 1 - Beans, 3 pods30 - Tomatoes, 31a-Bunch Beans 1b – Pole Beans 1c – Half Runners 1d – Lima 1e - Bird Egg/Horticulture beans

listed 2 - Beans, 1 pint, shelled bu processed 2a-Bunch Beans 2b-Pole Beans 2c-Half Runners 2d – Lima 2e-Kidney 2f – Bird Egg 2g - Other Bean, listed 3 - Beets, 3 each 4 - Brussel Sprouts, 3 each 5-Broccoli, 1 head 6-Cabbage, 1 head 6a - White/Green 6b – Red 6c – Other Cabbage 6d - Largest Cabbag 7-Carrots, 3 each 8 – Cucumbers, 3 each 8a – Pickling 8b – Slicing 8c- Other, Cucumber 9-Celery, 1 bunch 10 - Cauliflower, 1 head 11 – Eggplant, 1 each 12-Kale, 1 bunch in water 13-Kohlrabi, 1 each 14-Herbs 14a - Basil 14b - Dill14c - Garlic 14d-Oregano 14e - Mink, any vari 14f - Sage 14g-Rosemary 14h – Any Other not listed 15 - Lettuce, 1 head bunch in water 16-Onion, 3 each 16a – White 16b-Red/Purple 16c-Yellow 16d - Other variety listed 17 – Okra, 3 pods 18-Peas, 3 pods 19-Peppers, 3 each 19a = Green Bell19b - Yellow Bell 19c-Red Bell 19d - Jalapeno 19e - Hot Yellow 19f-Hot Green 19g-Hot Red 19h-Cherry 19i - Pimento 19j - Long Sweet 19k - Long Hot 19L - Other Pepper listed

20-Parsnips, 3 each

21 - Potatoes, 3 each

21a-Yukon Gold

21b – Kennebec

1f - Other Beans, not

, not	30g – Cherry
	30h – Hybrid, yellow
ut not	30i – Hybrid, green
	30j – Hybrid, red
	30k – Roma or Italian
	30L – Other Tomato not
	listed
	30m – Largest Tomato
	31 – Turnips, 3 each
, not	32 – Watermelon, 1 each
	32a – Red Inside
	32b – Yellow Inside
	32c – Seedless
	32d – Largest
	22 Contribution 1 or sh
	33 – Cantaloupe, 1 each
	34 – Honey Dew, 1 each
	35 - Peanuts, 1 plate of 5
ge	36 - Rhubarb, 3 stalks
	37 – Most Unusual Vegetable
	38 – Other Vegetable, not listed
rs	DEPARTMENT" K" – BAKED
	GOODS/CANDY
	One Entre concernent concernent
	One Entry per person per class •
	Enclose in a clear Ziploc bag
	Put Items on Styrofoam or
	Paper Plates –
	Judges will have the right to cut
	and taste all entries
ioty	1 st - \$3.00 2 nd - \$2.00 3 rd - \$1.00
iety	2^{nd} \$2.00
	2 rd \$1.00
Uarb	5 - \$1.00
Herb,	Section 1 – Cakes
d or 1	(Frosting optional. Purchased
1 01 1	Cake mixes are not permissible.
	All but
	¹ / ₄ of cake maybe removed after
	judging.)
v not	Class:
y not	1 – Angel Food Cake
	2 – Chopped Apple/Applesauce
	3 – Carrot
	4 – Chocolate
	5 – Pound
	6 - White
	7 – Cupcakes, any flavor
	8 – Decorated
	9 – Diabetic
	10 – Other Cake, not listed
	10 – Other Cake, not listed
	Section 2 – Cookies, Plate of 3
	Class
	Class:
a i	1 – Bar Cookies
r, not	2 – Drop Cookies
	3 – Filled Cookies
	4 – No Bake Cookies
	5 – Rolled Cookies
	6 – Decorated Cookies
	7 - Brownies

30g-Cherry

1 – Assorted, 1 plate 2 – Chocolate Fudge, 3 3 – Hard Tack, ¹/₄ cup 4 – Peanut Brittle, 3 pieces 5 – Peanut Butter Fudge, 3 pieces 6-Hooch, 3 pieces 7 - Diabetic, 3 pieces 8 – Other Candy, not listed, 3 pieces Department "L" - Canned goods and Preserved Foods NOTE: Items must have been canned during the past year. All

exhibits must be in standard EMBOSSED (any questions, call 304-478-2949) canning jars. NO MAYO JARS. DO NOT **REMOVE RINGS.** All entries are to have NEW rings and lids. Only one entry can be made by a person in each class. Miscellaneous category can only be used if there is no other class for the product. Example: mixed vegetables must be under mixed vegetable, not in the miscellaneous category. JUDGES RESERVE THE **RIGHT TO REMOVE RINGS** AND OPEN JAR AND SAM-PLE ENTRIES. (This would be done only when the top jars need further judging to determine placings.) (1) No creamed soups or creamed vegetables combined will not be accepted. (2) Recipes containing cornstarch for pie filling or meat and vegetables combined will not be accepted. (3) U.S.D.A. recommendations must be followed. (4) Exhibits should be labeled as to content! (5) No Commercially Prepared Products Permitted. (6) Must write year (2018) on lid with black permanent marker.

 $1^{\text{ST}}_{\text{ND}}$ - \$3.00 $2^{\text{RD}}_{\text{RD}}$ - \$2.00 3^{C} - \$1.00

before entered.

pint or quart.

jars will be

be over

prevent

Class:

following year.

Section 1 – Fruit

1-Apples, sliced

2 - Apple sauce

3 – Blackberries

and lids.

DO NOT REMOVE RINGS

All entries are to have NEW rings

Must be a standard canning jar,

NO Half gallon or mayonnaise

Accepted. Canned goods cannot

1 year old. Jars will be marked to

Them from being exhibited the

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(Processed)

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Class:
 1 - Beans
         1a – Green, any variety
         1b – Wax
         1c-Lima
         1d - Shelled Beans, any
variety
2-Beets
3 – Cabbage
4-Carrots
 5 - Corn
6 - Cauliflower
 7 - Corn and Tomatoes
8 – Greens, any variety
9 – Peas
 10 - Peppers, plain
 11 – Pumpkin
 12 - Ramps
 13 - Sauerkraut
 14 – Soup
         14a-vegetable
         14b - Tomato
         14c - Other homemade
soup
 15 Squash, any variety
 16 – Fake Pineapple
 17 - Sweet Potatoes
 18 - Tomatoes
         18a-Red
         18b – Green
        18c-Yellow
 19 - Stewed Tomatoes
 20 - Other canned vegetable
 Section 5 – Pickles, Relishes, &
Sauces
Class:
1 – Catsup
2-Relish
        2a – Corn Relish
        2b-Hot Pepper
        2c-End of Season Relish
        2d - Other Relish, not
listed
3 – Cucumber Pickles, sweet
 4 – Cucumber Pickle, dill
5 - Cucumber Pickle, bread &
butter
6 – Cucumber Pickle, limewater
 7-Hot Peppers, pickled
8 – Hot Peppers, in oil
 9 – Peppers in Tomato Sauce
 10 - Mixed Pickled Vegetables
 11 – Pickled Beets
 12 – Pickled/Spiced Fruit
 13 - Pickled Beans
 14 - Pickled Ramps
 15 - Pickled Zucchini
 16 - Sandwich Spread
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22 – Mustard 23 - Other, not listed

21 – Salsa

17 – Chili Sauce

19-Pizza Sauce

18 - Tomato Sauce

20 - Spaghetti Sauce

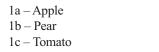
21c - Red

9-Other Cookie, not listed 21d-Blue/Purple 21e-Katahdin Section 3 – Pies 21f-Other, Potato (All but 1/4 pie may be removed 21g – Largest Potato after judging.) 21h – Most unusual Class: 1 – Crumb/Graham Cracker 22a - Halloween 2-One Crust, filled- with or with-22b - Sweetout topping 22c - Mini 3 -- Two Crust, fruit 4 – Other Pie, not listed 22d - Largest 5. Apple dumpling Section 4 - Bread 25a-Acorn 25b - Crookneck Class: 1 – Biscuits - 3 25c – Zucchini, green 25d - Zucchini, yellow 2 - Muffins, fruit filled - 33 – Sweet Rolls, 3 25e – Butternut 25f-Spaghetti 4 – Yeast Rolls, 3 25g – Pie Pan 5 – Salt Rise Bread– ½ Loaf 6 - Yeast Bread - White, 1/2 Loaf 25h-Largest 25i- Regular straight neck 6a- Monkey Bread 7 – Yeast Bread – W. Wheat, $\frac{1}{2}$ 26 - Sweet Corn, 3 ears loaf 8 - Fruit/Vegetable Bread, 1/2 loaf 26a – white 26b-yellow 8a – Banana 27 - Sweet Potatoes, 3 each 8b-Pumpkin 28 - Swiss Chard, 1 bunch in 8c – Zucchini 8d – Raisin 8e – Other 9 - Cornbread, 3 squares or muf-30a - Beefsteak, red fins 30b - Beefsteak, pink 30c-Beefsteak, mixed 30d - Ox heart, red Section 5 - Candy 30e - Ox heart, pink 30f-Pear Class:

7 – Brownies

8 – Diabetic

Section 6 - Butters, James, Jel-4 – Cherries lies, & Preserves 5 - Blueberries Class 6 – Grapes 7 – Huckleberries 1 - Butters8 – Peaches 1a-Apple 9 – Plums 1b-Pear 10 - Pears11 - Raspberries 1d – Peach 12 – Rhubarb 1e - Other Butters, not 13 - Strawberries listed 14 – Pie Filling 14a – Apple 14b-Berry 2 a 14c-Peach- Blackberry 14d - Mincemeat 14e - Other Pie Filling 15 – Other Fruit, not listed 2d-Blueberry 2e-Peach Section 2 – Juices 2f-Pear 2g-Mixed Class: 2h - Tomato 1 - Grape2-Apple 3-Jelly 3 – Tomato, any color 3a-Apple 4 - Other Juices, not listed Section 3 – Meats 3d - Elderberry Class: 1 – Beef 3f-Peach 2 - Pork3g - Plum3 – Poultry 4 – Rabbit 5 – Sausage 6-Venison 3k-Grape 7 - Other Meat, not listed 31-Mixed 3m - Other Jelly



2 - Jams and Preserves

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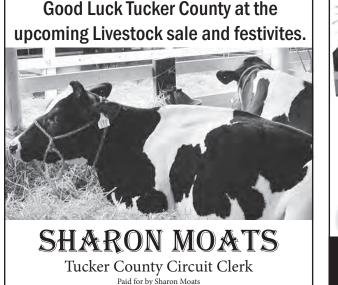
- 2b-Raspberry 2c-Strawberry

 - 2i –Other Jams/Preserves
 - 3b-Blackberry 3c - Strawberry
 - 3e-Current

 - 3h Red Raspberry
 - 3i Black Raspberry
 - 3j Blueberry

4 - Marmalade, any variety

Section 4 - Canned Vegetables







Section 7 - Other Farm Prod-

ucts

OPEN EXHIBITS

Class: 1 - Eggs, 1 doz. 2 - Dried Corn, 1 pt. 3 – Dried Beans, 1 pt., any variety 4 – Dried Apples or Fruit, 1 pt. 5 - Molasses 6 – Maple Syrup 7-Wine 7a – Dandelion 7b - Fruit 8 – Soybeans, 1 pint 9 – Popcorn, any variety 9a-3 ears, shucked 9b-shelled, 1 pt. 10 - Nuts10a – walnuts, shelled 10b-Walnuts, whole 10c – Hickory, shelled 10d - Hickory, whole 10e - Other Nuts, not listed 11 – Honey 11a – Jar, strained 11b-Comb 12 – Sunflower Seeds, 1 pint 13 – Chestnuts, 1 pint 14 - Lard15 - Other Farm Products, not listed

DEPARTMENT "M" – HOME ARTS

Articles which have been winners in this department if previous years will not be eligible for entry. Only one entry per person permitted in each class. Attach a return address label to the back of the exhibit tag for each item exhibited.

(Items must be made during the past year And not have been previously exhibited at The Tucker County Fair. $1^{\text{st}}_{\text{rd}}$ - \$3.00 $2^{\text{nd}}_{\text{rd}}$ - \$2.00 $\frac{2}{3}$ rd - \$1.00 Section 1 – Appliqued, any item

Section 2 – Crochet Class: 1 – Afghan 1a – Baby 1b – Large 2 – Baby Clothing, any item 3 – Childs Clothing, any item 4 – Adult Clothing, any item 5 – Doll Clothing 6 – Doily Centerpiece, colored 7 – Doily Centerpiece, white 8 – Booties, Socks, or Slippers 9 - Sweater

16-Other Crochet Item, not listed Section 3 – Cut Work, any item Section 4 – Embroidery Class: 1 - Centerpiece, colored or white 2 – Dresser Scarf 3 – End Tables Doily's 4 – Pillowcases 5 - Tea Towel 6 – Wall Hanging 7 – Pictures (framed) 8 - Liquid Embroidery 9 – Candle wicking 10-Crewel Embroidery, any item 11 - Chicken Scratch, any item 12 - Counted Cross Stitch 13 – Other Embroidery, not listed Section 5 – Knitting Class: 1 - Afghan1a – Baby 1b – Large 2 – Baby Set – booties, cap & Sweater 3 - Hat4 - Scarf 5 - Sweater6 – Socks/Slippers 7 - Other Knitted Article, not listed

15 – Crochet Hat

Section 6 – Needlepoint

- Class: 1 - Bag 2 - Cushion3 – Wall Hanging 4 – Picture (framed) 5 – Pretty Punch 6 - Other Needlepoint Item Section 7 - Quilts Class: 1a-Applique, baby 1b-Applique, large 2a – Embroidery, baby 2b - Embroidery, large 3a - Baby Machine Pieced/ Machine Quilted 3b - Large Machine Pieced/ Machine Quilted 4a - Baby Machine Pieced/ Hand Quilted 4b-Large Machine Pieced/Hand Quilted 5a - Baby Hand Pieced/ Hand Quilted 5b - Large Hand Pieced/ Hand Quilted 6a - Baby, knotted 6b-Large, knotted 7 – Old Quilts (over 50 years old) 8 - Ouilted Wall Hanging 9 – Quilted Cushion 10 - Ouilted Table Runner 11 – Other Quilted Item
- **DEPARTMENT "N" Hobbies** No more than one entry for each classification allowed. Must have been completed in the year of 2018. Pictures and drawings must be mounted on a firm backing. 1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.00 $2^{\text{nd}}_{\text{rd}}$ - \$2.00 3rd - \$1.00 Division 1 – Youth, 12 and under Division 2 – Teenage, 13-18 Division 3 – Adults, over 18 Section 1 – Handwork Class: 1 – Baskets 2 – Bead Craft 3 - Candles4 – Ceramics 5 – Craft Sticks 6 – Decorations (Seasonal) 6a – Christmas 6b – Easter 6c-Thanksgiving6d – Halloween 6e – Other 7- Cushions 8 - Decorated Shirt 9 - Decorated Box 10 - Dolls10a - Soft Sculpture 10b – Apple 10c - Corn Husk 10d - Mop10e – Type 11 – Decoupage, any item 12-Class Craft 13 – Hand Crafted Flowers

3 – Plastic Bags

5 – Other Type Rug

Section 9 – Sewing

3 – Doll Clothing

2 – Child Clothing, any item

4 – Woman's Clothing, any item

5 – Man's Clothing, any item

7-other Sewn Item, not listed

4 – Woven

Class:

6 - Coat

- 14 Fun Foam 15 – Jewelry
- 16 Leather Work
- 17 Latch work Item
- 18 Macramé
- 19-Metal Work
- 20 Model Making
 - 21 Plastic Canvas
 - 22 Pom Pom Craft
 - 23 Recycled Craft
 - 24 Refrigerator Magnet
 - 25 Sand Art 26 -- Shell Art

- 29b Wooden 29c - Other Toy 30 - Wood Carving 31 - Wood Working 31a - Furniture 31b-Clock31c - Picture Frame 1 – Baby Clothing, any item 31d - Other Wood Work
 - 32 Decorated Gourds 33 – Door Hanging
 - 34 Wall Hanging
 - 35 Other Handwork

Section 2 – Art (Only 1 entry per category is allowed)

Class:

1 – Black and White Pen, Pencil or Charcoal 2 – Colored Pencil, Chalk, Crayon, Marker 3 - Oil or Acrylic on Canvas Board 4 – Water Color 5 – Paint by Number 6-Painted Rock 7-Collage

Section 3 – Photography (any size)

- Class: 1a - Digital Art, color 1b – Digital Art, b/w 2a-Animals or Pets, color 2b-Animals or Pets, b/w 3a-People, color 3b – People, b/w 4a - Landscape, color
- 4b Landscape, b/w
- 5 Photo Collage
- 6 Insects/Butterflies
- 7 Other not listed

DEPARTMENT "O" - Flori-<u>culture</u>

Only one exhibit per class. Accessories are permitted to complete or enhance the design or to suggest a theme for the flower arrangement. Glass bottles are provided for the flower specimens. Attached a return address label to the back of the exhibit tag for each item exhibited.

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Section 1 – Annuals

- Class
- 1 Ageratums, 2 stems 2 -Asters, 3 blooms 3 – Calendula, 3 blooms 4a – Celosia, crested, 1 stalk
- 4b Celosia, plumed, 1 stalk
- 5 Coraopolis, 1 bloom

10a-Daisy, Shasta, 1 bloom 10b-Daisy, Gloriosa, 1 bloom 10c-Daisy, other, 1 bloom 11 - Marigold, 1 bloom 12 - Petunias, 3 blooms 13 – Nasturtium, 3 blooms 14 - Salvia, Scarlet Sage, 1 spray 15-Snapdragons, 1 spike 16--Zinnias, 1 bloom 17--Pansies, 1 spray 18--Inpatients', 1 spray 19--Sunflower, 1 bloom 20 - Other ANNUAL type flower not listed

Section 2 - Biannual

Class 1 – Digitalis 2 - Foxglove3 – Holly Hocks, 1 stalk 4-Feverfew 5—Lupine, 1 bloom 6 - Other Biannual type flower not listed

Section 3 – Perennials

Class 1 - Chrysanthemum 2-Delphinium, 1 spike 3-Echinaceia 4-Gailardia, 2 stems 5—Phlox 6 a-Roses, hybrid tea, 1 bloom 6b--Roses, floribunda, 1 spike 6c--Roses, grandiflora, 1 bloom 6d--Other Rose not listed 7 - Other perennials type flowersnot listed-Daisy 8 - Blackeye Susan, 1 bloom

Section 4 – Shrubs

- Class 1 - Berried, 1 spray
- 2-Flowered
- 3. Hydrangea
- 4 Butterfly
- 5-Other Shrub Type Not Listed

Section 5 – House Plants

- Class
- 1 African Violet
- 2-Begonia
- 3-Ferns
- 4-Vine type
- 5—Cacti or Succulents
- 6—Spider Plant
- 7-Mini Garden, Terrarium, or
- Dish
- 8-Garden Plant
- 9-Other House Plant Not Listed

Section 6 - Artistic Arrangements

- Class
- 1—Dried Flower Arrangement -Silk Flower Arrangement

- 10 Table Cloth 11 – Home Décor
- 12-Wall Hanging
- 13 Pot Holders
- 14 Scarf
- Section 8 Rugs
- Class:

1 – Braided

2-Crocheted

- 27 Tatting $\mathbf{28}-\mathbf{Tole}$ Painting, on any item 29 - Toy

Ceramic/China

- 29a Stuffed
- Cone Flower, 1 blog 7 - Cosmos, 2 sprays8a-Dahlia, small, 1 bloom 8b--Dahlia, large, 1 bloom 9-Gladiola, 1 spike
- 3—Wildflower Arrangement
- 4-Mixed Flower Arrangement
- 5—Live Flower Arrangement



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exhibit or try a game of skeeball!

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EXTRA EVENTS

CHURCH AND GOSPEL SING TAKING PLACE SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH AT THE **TUCKER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS.**

Messages provided by Phil Dent, Adam Snyder and Chopper Evans. Gospel music will be provided by Leadmine Church Choir and Breanna Megan.

CAKE WALK sponsored by CELEBRATE RECOVERY will take place Wednesday August 23rd at 6 PM

BINGO sponsored by WV CARING HOS-PICE CARE will take place Thursday August 24th at 6 PM

PONY RIDES provided by SADDLES AND SMILES will take place Thursday August 24th at 6 PM

TUCKER COUNTY SCHOOLS GOLF TEAMS ARE HOSTING A GOLF CART RELAY!

Participants will drive their carts to different putt putt stations around the fairgrounds. To go to the next hole, they have to make the shot. The fastest time to complete the course is the winner! Proceeds benefit Tucker County Schools Golf Teams. \$25 entry Fee. Prizes for winners.

ADULT STRONGMAN COMPETITION

taking place Sunday August 20th at 11 AM at the fairgrounds.

FAIR FUN & GAMES

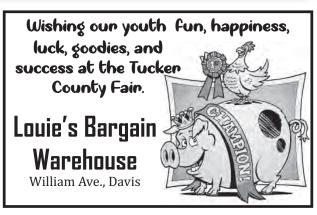


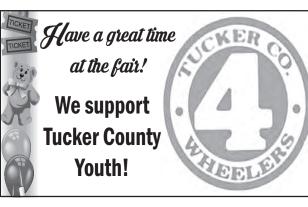


Wishing laughter and fun to cheer your days at the Tucker County Fair as we proudly support our youth.

Savannah Hull Wilkins Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney Paid by Savannah Hull Wilkins







A Fair promotes diversity, brings neighbors into dialogue, increase creativity, offers opportunities for civic pride, improves our general psychological well-being. In short, a fair makes a better places to live.

Riley Barb

Tucker County Magistrate

Paid by Riley Barb





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5TH ANNUAL MUD BOG

The Tucker County Fair will be hosting the 5th annual MUD BOG on Saturday, August 26th at Camp Kidd in Parsons, WV. Racing will begin at 1 PM. Spectators can begin entering the gates at 11 AM and the cost is \$10 with children 12 and under free. There will be handicap parking available! There will be other events going on like a kids mud bog and foot race through the mud pit for cash! Food vendors and HillBillyProud will also be on site. If you are interested in participating in the mud bog, the classes are outlaw, little outlaw, super modified, modified, super stock and stock. For racers it is 100% payback and sponsored added payouts in every class. Rules can be found on Facebook at Tucker Co. Fair Mud Bog. Driver registration will open at 9 am on the 26th and close at noon. A short drivers meeting will conduct at 12:45 before the first vehicle hits the pit at 1! For more information or questions, feel free to contact Dani at 304-704-5277.





TUCKER COUNTY FAIR Open Horse Show Sunday August 20th 11:00 AM

TUCKER COUNTY FAIR OPEN HORSE SHOW

Sunday, August 20, 2023 Camp Kidd

9:30 a.m. Registration 11:00 a.m. Show Starts

> Judge: Maria Shubert \$5 Per Horse \$3 Class Fee

- 15. Western Pleasure
- Adults W/J/G • 16. Western Pleasure
- Open W/J/G/L
- 17. Trail W/T/G
- Small Fry • 18. Trail W/T/G
- Youth

 19. Trail W/T/G Adults
- 20. English/Western Horsemanship W/T/J/G Junior (Tucker County
- G Gait C - Canter L -Lope

W - Walk

T - Trot



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Small Fry (9 yrs and younger) Youth (12 yrs and younger) Adults (19 yrs and older)

- 1. Showmanship Junior (Tucker County J.E.T.S only) (9-11 yrs)
- 2. Showmanship Senior (Tucker County J.E.T.S only) (12yrs and up)
- 3. Showmanship Small Fry
- 4. Showmanship Youth
- 5. Showmanship Adults
- 6. Leadline
- 7. English/Western Pleasure W/T/ J/G Junior (Tucker County J.E.T.S only) (9-11 yrs)
- 8. English/Western Pleasure W/T/ J/G Senior (Tucker County J.E.T.S only) (12yrs and up)
- 9. English Pleasure Small Fry W/T/G
- 10. English Pleasure Youth W/T/G
- 11. English Pleasure Adults W/T/G
- 12. English Pleasure Open W/T/ G/C
- 13.Western Pleasure Small Fry W/J/G
- 14. Western pleasure Youth W/J/G

J.E.T.S only) (9-11 yrs)

- 21. English/Western Horsmanship W/T/J/G Senior (Tucker County J.E.T.S only) (12yrs and up)
- 22. English Equitation Small Fry W/T/G
- 23. English Equitation Youth W/T/G
- 24. English Equitation Adult W/T/G
- 25. Western Horsemanship Small Fry W/J/G
- 26. Western Horsemanship Youth W/J/G
- 27, Western Horsemanship Adults W/J/G
- 28. Pole bending W/T/G/C
- 29. Pole bending W/T/G
- 30. Clover Barrels W/T/G/C
- 31. Clover Barrels W/T/G
- 32. Flags W/T/G/C
- 33. Flags W/T/G
- 34. Straight Barrels W/T/G/C
- 35. Straight Barrels W/T/G
- 36. Ribbon Race W/T/G
- 37. Egg and Spoon W/T/G
- 38. Water Glass W/T/G
- 39. Costume







2023 SHOW & SALE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY AUGUST 20

• Equestrian Show in the upper field at 11 AM

MONDAY AUGUST 21

- Open exhibits registration in the main building 11 am 6 pm.
- Animal drop off from 3pm to 8pm. Barn is closed to the public during this time.

TUESDAY AUGUST 22

- Poultry and Rabbit Conformation and Showmanship
- Wednesday August 23
- 6 pm: Confirmation and breeding shows

THURSDAY AUGUST 24

• 6 pm: Showmanship

FRIDAY AUGUST 26

- 5:30 PM: Celebrity goat milking contest
- 6 PM: PeeWee/Old Timer Show
- Saturday
- 4 pm 6 pm: Exhibitor & Buyer Meet and Greet
- Bidder numbers and buyer meal vouchers will be given.
- 4 pm 6 pm: Buyers Dinner
- 5 pm: Pie and Cake Auction
- 6 pm: Livestock Auction

Proxy bidding will be available again this year. If you need this accommodation, please contact Marcy Williams at 304-614-5889.

Tucker County Fair 2023 Tag Day

Market Steers - 10

Exhibitor	Wt	Tag #	Comments
Braxton Smith	542	480	
Zada Carr	664	682	
Bella Carr	558	683	
Sidney Simmons	475	684	
Sean Simmons	593	417	
Laney Burns	670	606	
Makenna Evans	681	WV RUP 260	
Tate Mullenax	646	WV RUP 115	
Marky Phillips	408	630	
Sydney Vandevener	640	676	

Feeder Steers - 9

Exhibitor	Wt	Tag #	Comments
Alaina Owens	122	691	
Maci Owens	272	693	
Paityn Clower	180	451	
Delbert Wilkins	261	463	
Emma Thornhill	175	471	
Zada Carr	263	677	
MaKenna Evans	204	411	
Sidney Simmons	172	413	
Sean Simmons	207	415	

Lamb - 17

Exhibitor	Wt	Tag #	Comments
Alyssa Lewis	58	694	
Baylee Lewis	52	695	
Easton Wolford	70	454	
Easton Wolford	66	455	
Emma Thornhill	69	468	
Emma Thornhill	72	467	
Tate Mullenax	100	SF41	
Tate Mullenax	115	SF39	
Christy Friend	22	484	
Colton Friend	21	486	
Neaveh Stout	35	483	
Hunter Stout	27	485	
Emily Snyder	78	678	
Emily Snyder	78	679	
Kristen Ritchey	88	690	
Buck Yates	64	406	
Buck Yates	63	407	

Goats – 16

Exhibitor	Wt	Tag #	Comments
Wyatt Clower	47	452	
Wyatt Clower	43	459	
Shaylea Wolfe	53	481	
Shaylea Wolfe	66	482	
A	10	101	

Feeder Heifer – 7

Exhibitor	Wt	Tag #	Comments
Mark Phillips	182	408	
Marlee Evans	195	412	
Zada Carr	263	677	
Sidney	189	699	
Vandevender			
Gunner Smith	221	469	
Alaina Owens	122	691	
Delbert Wilkins	185	464	

Ava Wilfong	42	491
Ava Wilfong	31	493
Abby Wilfong	59	489
Abby Wilfong	43	490
Alaina Owens	40	494
Alaina Owens	25	495
Hannah Cussins	44	687
Kate Falls	33	688
Marlee Evans	60	409
Marlee Evans	58	410
Sidney Simmons	28	416
Sidney Simmons	24	414

Market Hogs – 32

Exhibitor	Wt	Tag#	Comments
Laney Burns	96	456	
Laney Burns	100	457	
Delbert Wilkins	36	466	
Delbert Wilkins	39	465	
Ethan Carr	33	458	
Ethan Carr	42	461	
Haley Tuttle	41	460	
Haley Tuttle	40	462	
Tate Mullenax	144	SF55	
Tate Mullenax	111	SF54	
Gunner Smith	65	470	
Gunner Smith	56	477	
Braxton Smith	55	479	
Braxton Smith	66	477	
Owen Knotts	113	487	
Owen Knotts	130	488	
Zada Carr	68	496	
Zada Carr	64	499	
Bella Carr	63	497	
Bella Carr	78	498	
Hannah Cussins	139	686	
Hannah Cussins	134	680	
Kristen Ritchey	101	696	
Kristen Ritchey	129	698	
MaKenna Evans	124	700	
MaKenna Evans	138	401	
Marlee Evans	138	402	
Marlee Evans	132	403	
Jacob DeVilder	139	404	
Jacob DeVilder	140	405	
Colton Radford	111	418	
Colton Radford	126	420	

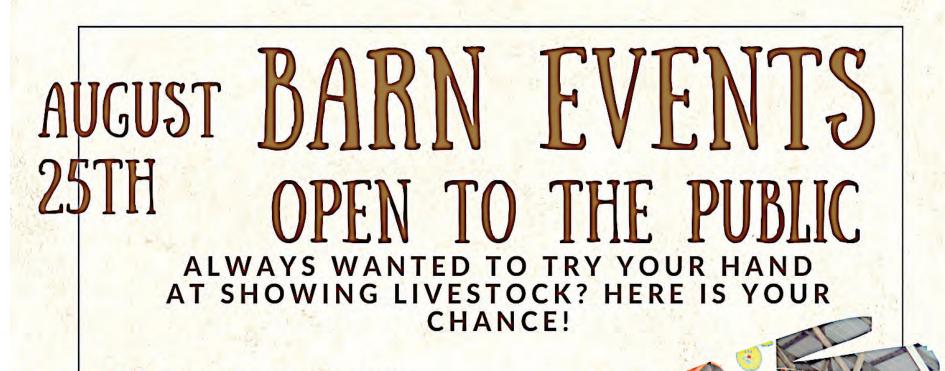
Breeding Heifer - 3	Bred Heifer - 1	Cow/Calf - 2
Sydney	Sydney	Sydney
Vandevender	Vandevender	Vandevender
Zada Carr		Zada Carr
Alaina Owens		

Breeding Goats - 5	Breeding Sheep -2	Breeding Rabbits - 2
Paityn Clower (DAIRY)	Tate Mullenax	Paityn Clower
Wyatt Clower (DAIRY)	Riley Malcom	Delbert Wilkins
Shaylea Wolfe		
Shaylea Wolfe		
MaKenna Evans		

Rabbits - 32	Chickens - 26	Ducks - 2	Turkeys - 2
Kate Falls	Kate Falls	Ava Wilfong	Ava Wilfong
Ava Wilfong	Emily Snyder	Abby Wilfong	Abby Wilfong
Abby Wilfong	Alaina Owens		
Alaina Owens	Gunner Smith		
Shaylea Wolfe	Braxton Smith		
Colton Friend	Shaylea Wolfe		
Cassidy Friend	Delbert Wilkins		
Christy Friend	Baylee Lewis		
Hunter Stout	Maci Owens		
Navaeh Stout	Easton Wolford		
Delbert Wilkins	Emma Thornhill		
Alyssa Lewis	Marlee Evans		
Baylee Lewis	MaKenna Evans		
Maci Owens	Rachel Hile		
Laney Burns	Sydney Vandevender		
Easton Wolford	Jacob DeVilder		
Marlee Evans	Broderick Yates		
MaKenna Evans	Sidney Simmons		
Jacob DeVilder	Sean Simmons		
Marky Phillips	Coleman Shiflet		
Broderick Yate	Hannah Heckler		
Colton Radford	Bella Carr		
Kaden Hebb	Zada Carr		
Kiley Hebb	Haley Tuttle		
Hannah Heckler	Denton Streets		
Bella Carr	Owen Knotts		
Zada Carr			
Haley Tuttle			
Ethan Carr			
Denton Streets			
Owen Knotts			
Riley Malcom			



BUYER REGISTRATION: 4PM BUYERS DINNER: 4PM-6PM WHEN REGISTERING FOR YOUR NUMBER YOU WILL RECEIVE TWO MEAL TICKETS FOR USE AT THE DESIGNATED AREA.



CELBERTY MILKING 5:30PM IN THE BARN BEFORE THE SHOWS SEE WHICH LOCAL FAVORITE IS THE BEST MILKER!

PEE-WEE SHOW

6:00PM IN THE BARN 3 - 8 YEARS OLD REGISTER AT THE ANNOUNCERS STAND

OLD TIMER SHOW

IM MEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PEE - WEE SHOW 18 YEARS AND OLDER NO SHOWING EXPERIENCE NEEDED! REGISTER AT THE ANNOUNCERS STAND

We're Hosting Lots of Fun At the Tucker County Fair

Visit one of our tents for a chance to win giveaways and prizes!







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