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Camp Horseshoe Granted 60-Year Historic Lease by US Forest Service



YLA Executive Director David King talks about the history of Camp Horseshoe at the signing of a historic 60-year Historic Lease with the National Forest Service.



YLA Executive Director David King examines a letter written by the first Camp Director Frank Little and his wife.



YLA Executive Director David King, right, and Forest Supervisor for the Monongahela National Forest Shawn Cochran, left, shake hands following the signing of a historic 60-year lease for Camp Horseshoe.

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Ohio-West Virginia Youth Leadership Association became the 10th entity to be granted a Historic Lease by the US Forest Service for Camp Horseshoe located in Monongahela National Forest outside of St. George. According to National Forest Service representatives, the 60-Year Historic Lease is only the 10th to be issued by the Forest Service. Camp Horseshoe previously held a Special Use Permit through the Forest Service.

“So, I think you're confidence,” YLA

Executive Director David King said. “Your confidence in saying 60 years, that's a vote of confidence. That's also, just as in 1940, look around, see what needs done, save the kids.”

Serving the children of the community has been at the forefront of the Camp since its inception, according to King. “Those founders, they wanted something more than a camp setting in a beautiful place,” King said. “They wanted that, but they wanted a camp that would help kids kind of discover what they could be. And the kids would go back home, having had a great time ok, but realizing their call to

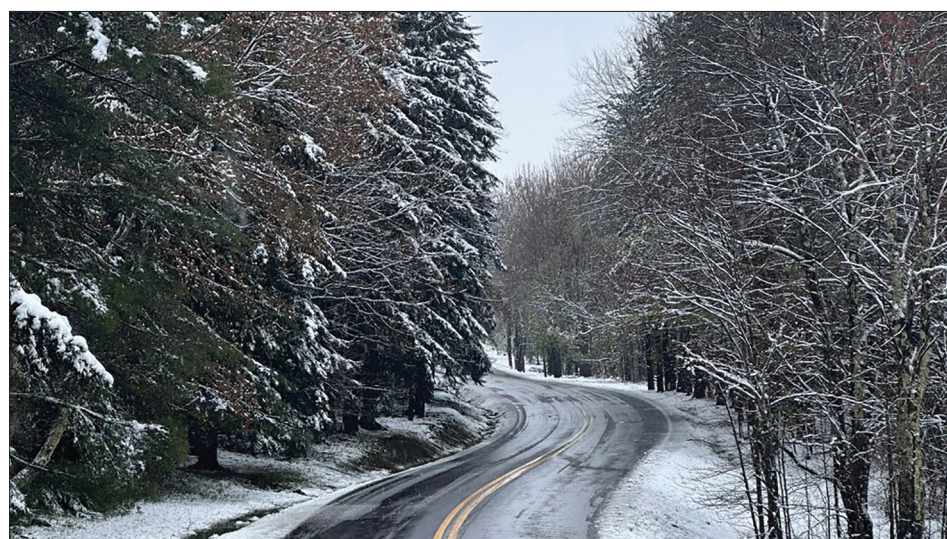
make a difference.”

King said that former campers often approach him as adults to thank him for the experiences they had as children at Camp Horseshoe. “They will say things to us like, 'Hey, I'm not on welfare,'” King said. “I have a job and my kids go to school' and they will say the reason that happened was right here. Because whatever situation they came from, that doesn't mean anything here. Its not where we came from, its where we're going.”

According to King, one of the first programs that the Camp implemented was a program for at risk youth in 1940. “Right

off the bat in 1940 and this is typical of Horseshoe over these 80 years,” King said, “the judge in Clarksburg, now a long time passed away, he was always having kids brought before him...and he wanted something to get the kids out of their environment. So, right off the bat, one of the things Horseshoe did was a special program for kids that are on the wrong path to try to turn them around.”

King said that the founders would be proud of the difference the Camp has made, but that it is needed today more than ever. “It think these two guys and the
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OEM Addresses Preparation for School Snow Days

By: Lydia Crawley
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Tucker County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Kevin White addressed the Tucker County Commission regarding the levels of preparation required for the upcoming winter weather, as well as with the decision to call off school due to inclement weather. The report was part of the Commission's October regular session.

White informed the Commission of his office's efforts to support the school system in inclement weather. “We are currently beefing up and getting ready for the winter season,” White said, “as far as it goes, supporting the school system with their morning calls and weather reports and stuff like that when severe weather is expected.”

According to White, his office receives calls in the evening regarding what is expected for the following school day. “We have an eight or nine o'clock call each

night that give us what is expected for the school days,” White said, “so that I can relay that to the school superintendent and then they can make an educated decision on what they are going to do with school.”

White said that he is aware of the mixed feelings of the community when school is canceled. “One of the things I will add is that I know there is mixed feeling when school is or isn't canceled,” White said. “It isn't just somebody that goes in and the superintendent says there's no school today.”

Several different agencies are involved in the decision, according to White. “There's a lot of effort that is put into that throughout the course, whether its law enforcement, emergency services, state road,” White said. “They all communicate with each other to decide if it is possible to get school in or not that day.”

White said he can only speak to the
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OEM Command Trailer Repaired Following Catastrophic Electrical Failure, Shelter Construction Progressing



Director of the Tucker County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Kevin White updates the Tucker County Commission on his office's activities at the regular meeting at the Tucker County Courthouse.

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Tucker County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Kevin White addressed the Tucker County Commission in regular session. White reported on the status of his department's mobile equipment trailers and the county funded shelter project to protect them.

“The Command Trailer, Communications Trailer is ready...to be picked back up,” White said. “It suffered a catastrophic failure due to an electrical issue that was unpreventable to our knowledge.”

According to White, the failure was due to moisture inundation to the fuse box.

“Somehow, somehow, some moisture got inside of the contactor, the fuse box basically,” White said. “And when we turned on the power, it fried itself.”

White said the cost of repair was \$483. “It is back,” White said. “And it was only...483. It wasn't a large bill to get it fixed, but it is fixed and operational.”

The unit should be back in the county and available for use by the weekend, according to White. “We'll be going this week sometime, maybe this weekend to get it picked up and get it back into the county so it can be used if necessary.”

Tucker County Commissioner Mike Rosenau asked about the status of the shelter the county had funded for the equip-
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Mallow Faces 34 Counts of Fraud Following Grand Jury Indictment

By: Lydia Crawley
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Following a Grand Jury Indictment, Clayton Mallow was charged with 34 counts of Fraud and Related Activity in connection with Access Devices. The access was alleged to stem from Mallow's position at Nationwide Insurance in Parsons, according to August 9th News of Record in the Parsons Advocate. Mallow appeared in person with Attorney Fox before Judge Courier of the 21st Circuit Court of West Virginia at the Tucker County Courthouse in Parsons on October 16th.

The Defense waived a reading of the Indictment. Judge Courier informed Mallow of the Grand Jury charges. The Indictment included 34 counts of Fraud and Related Activity in connection with Access Devices. According to Judge Courier, each count comes with a possible 10 year sentence as well as up to \$1,000 fine, if convicted.

Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney

Savannah Hull Wilkins said that witnesses would be appearing during trial. Judge Courier granted release of the Grand Jury minutes 10 days before trial based on the fact.

Wilkins said that a “significant amount of charges” had been added in the case, including 10 additional counts in Randolph County. Wilkins also requested home confinement for Mallow. “Mr. Mallow continues to violate no matter what the conditions,” Wilkins said.

Wilkins said the facts of the case involved Mallow's unlawful access of account numbers. The account numbers were further used to make a vast amount of purchases for minors in exchange for dirty socks and underwear from said minors, according to Wilkins. Some of the purchases were delivered to Mallow, Wilkins said, with others delivered directly to the minors involved. According to Wilkins, the case is sexually motivated with Mallow using the soiled garments to please himself. Wilkins said there were also allega-
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Grand Jury Indicts Pifer in Child Abuse Case

By: Lydia Crawley
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A Grand Jury has indicted Maverick Pifer. Pifer is accused of child abuse resulting in bodily injury and strangulation, according to the indictment. Pifer appeared in person at court. He was represented at the Call Back Appearance by Attorney Brent Easton before Judge Courier of the 21st Circuit Court of West Virginia at the Tucker County Courthouse in Parsons.

Judge Courier informed Pifer that the Grand Jury had returned an indictment on two counts: one count of child abuse resulting in bodily injury and strangulation. Judge Courier also informed Pifer that if convicted on the charges, Pifer could face a possible 1-5 year sentence and \$100 to \$1,000 fine on the Child Abuse charge, as well as 1-5 year sentence and up to \$2,500 fine on the strangulation charge.

Bond in the case had been posted and Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney Savannah Hull Wilkins requested from the court that additional

stipulations be met by the defendant including no contact with the minor.

The court acknowledged a previous ruling by Judge Ryan that ordered supervised visitation of the minor. Judge Courier granted the condition with, “contact in accordance with the ruling from Judge Ryan.”

Wilkins said that witnesses will be appearing at trial. In accordance, Judge Courier ordered that the Grand Jury minutes would be distributed before trial.

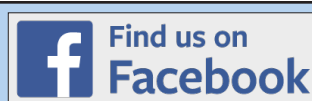
Judge Courier questioned the attorneys on the matter of processing of Pifer. “My notes say Mr. Pifer wasn't processed on everything,” Judge Courier said. “Is that true?” Both attorneys said that everything was in order with Pifer's case.

Pifer was directed by the court to remain in contact with his attorney while on release and to attend his next appearance date. “Keep in touch with Mr. Easton in the meanwhile,” Judge Courier said.

No trial date has been set on the matter as of yet.



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Camp Horseshoe

Forest Service can look on the 80 some years of making a difference, a long-term difference, in community after community,” King said. “Today we’re called to step that up,” King said. “60% of the kids have mental health issues. Tucker County has 60 kids that are homeless. That’s Tucker County. 6,000 kids in West Virginia have no place to go. Foster Care is full, Grandma and Grandpa that’s all full, there’s 6,000 left over.”

King said the Camp has also served youth leaders throughout its history as well. “So over the years when you look at its history, there’s Leadership Camps for kids that are doing good, the Wellsburg Lions Club in 1947 started something called Leaders At Camp,” King said. “And what they wanted was for experienced teenagers across

West Virginia (to know) that there was more to learning than just reading, writing and math and science. That’s important, but how do we contribute to our community.”

According to King, the efforts of the Lions and the court, as well as other organizations has led to underprivileged youth being able to attend camp. “It’s always been a camp where, even today, not one kid pays what their week of camp costs,” King said. “Some of the 12-year-olds, they were going because there’s food, they’re not going to get beat on.”

On display at the signing were several historic exhibits from Camp Horseshoe including a letter written by Frank Little and his wife about the early days of the Camp. “They talk about Mrs. Little was also the Nurse, the Cook, the Secretary and

using her pots and pans to cook the first meals,” King said. “Some of the kids, the camp fee would have been just a few dollars, but that was a lot of money, so some of the kids paid their fee by bringing a chicken and she would cook the chicken.”

King also acknowledged the long-standing relationship that the Camp has had with the Forest Service. “For a partnership that started in, officially in 1940, but if you read some of the things in the file, I think maybe 1938 or so. A lot of conversations that ended in 1940 with...the 1940 Permit.”

The original document was signed by West Virginia Agriculture and Forestry Hall of Fame member Arthur Wood, according to King. “The signatures on here are Arthur Wood, well known, and for us, a fellow named Frank Little,” King said.

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Snow Days

outside components that go into the school’s decision-making process. “I can’t speak for the school system,” White said. “But I can speak for the components that we’ve put together to make sure that our kids are safe on a daily basis.”

Tucker County Commissioner Mike

Rosenau thanked White for his efforts. “I can speak on a grandparent’s point of view,” Rosenau said. “Thank you for keeping our kids safe.”

White said his department tries to assist. “We try to do our part,” White said.

Rosenau acknowledged that people

will always complain. “You’re going to have people complain about everything,” Rosenau said. “I thank you for all you do.”

The next meeting of the Tucker County Commission will be held at 4 p.m. on October 25th at the Tucker County Courthouse Old Courtroom.

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OEM Trailer

ment trailers. “On that same note,” Rosenau said. “Are the covers that we had installed for the rest of your equipment, are they in place?”

According to White the base has been erected and is leveling. “The pillars are erected and leveling,” White said. “So basically, it’s like a footer, its complete. The call has been made and been placed, about two weeks ago, to the company to start erecting the awning.”

White said he was hopeful the canopy could be installed soon, but was unsure of an exact schedule for completion of the project. “I’m not sure what their schedule is,” White said. “But we’re hoping they will get started on that real soon and then we can get all the trailers back where they belong.”

The shelter should hold nearly all the trailers and equipment needed, according to White. “Basically, we should be able to get almost every one of our units underneath there and stored out of the weather,” White said.

Rosenau commented that the shelter would prevent problems the equipment is currently experiencing. “Which will help alleviate the problems that we are having currently,” Rosenau said.

White said the trailers were in need of maintenance when he first became Director. “One of the things

that preempted me to get to this point was that was, when I first took over, the trailers were in need of some TLC,” White said. “Let’s just leave it at that. Ceiling, the roof seam seal needed done. Different things like that.”

Sun and weather exposure were the cause of the damage, according to White. “The big thing they told me was that it was due to the UV rays and the weather they were exposed to on a daily basis,” White said.

White said a shelter for the Mobile Command Trailer was constructed to protect the most essential piece of equipment. “So, we come up with the idea of getting one erected to put the Mobile Command Trailer on,” White said. “It was the most volatile piece of equipment we had and it’s really helped with it.”

According to White, the cost to repair the trailers the first year amounted to approximately \$3,000. “Of course, the first year we did it, I think we spent \$3,000 getting them all seam sealed and all that. We won’t have to do that as often with this.”

The project is funded by the county with the land granted by the City of Parsons, according to White. “Now you’ve granted us the money to put another one up,” White said. “The City of Parsons granted us the land to do it on.”

Four of the trailers will be pro-

tected under the project, according to White, with only one trailer remaining outside. “We should be able to get at least four more of our trailers, only leaving the antenna trailer out,” White said.

According to White, the antenna trailer is an open, flatbed and not enclosed like the others. “It is not an enclosed trailer, anyways,” White said. “It’s a flatbed with a raiseable antenna on it.”

White said the care of the equipment is mandated by the grants that supplied them. “So we should be in pretty good shape,” White said. “As far as it goes, taking care of our equipment, which we are tasked to with under the guise of the grants we received them from.”

Rosenau said that the project was the responsible thing for the OEM and County to do. It’s the only thing to do,” Rosenau said. “It’s the responsible thing to do.”

According to White, the new shelter will make the equipment more readily available for use for emergencies. “They’ll be in a better place to be used immediately,” White said, “with less chance that there is something wrong with them when we do need them.”

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Mallow

tions that Mallow had used the account numbers to purchase vapes and alcohol for minors, as well as large screen televisions.

Wilkins said Mallow contributed to the delinquency of minors. According to Wilkins the case is active and ongoing due to the widespread nature of the crimes. Wilkins said minors in several counties were victims with more victims continuing to come forward. Among the counties, according to Wilkins, minors in Tucker, Randolph, and Mon Counties were involved.

Wilkins request for home confinement with no contact with minors stemmed from Mallow previously fleeing misdemeanor charges, according to Wilkins. Wilkins said Mallow had fled Pennsylvania while on probation. Wilkins said the Randolph County charges had been filed the previous Friday and she was not sure that Pennsylvania was aware of the Randolph County charges, but the state was aware of the Tucker County charges.

According to Attorney Fox, Mallow’s Pennsylvania case stems from a plea to a misdemeanor that resulted in nine months of probation. Attorney Fox said his client had not committed any other crimes while out on bond. “There is absolutely no evidence that he has com-

mitted any other crimes while on bond,” Fox said. “It’s a Red Herring to keep him in jail and restrict his movements.”

Fox also said there was nothing in discovery regarding clothing items and asserted that any further restrictions were punitive. “To put more restriction on him is punitive,” Fox said.

Fox acknowledged that Mallow had been arrested in Randolph County on Friday. According to Fox, the Randolph County arrest resulted in 10 charges with \$1,000 cash bond. “Bond should remain the same,” Fox said. Fox also said his client made no admissions when he was arrested in Randolph County.

According to Wilkins, body cam footage is available. “I have not been able to review those yet, but it is my understanding that statements were made,” Wilkins said.

Fox said Mallow has a new job starting on Thursday and counseling beginning Wednesday. “He needs help and he needs the opportunity to do that,” Fox said.

Wilkins said Fox’s claim was false. “It is false to claim none of these crimes occurred after he was on bond,” Wilkins said. “I can file a written motion outlining.”

Wilkins further said that the underwear from juveniles was found during a

search and acknowledged by the defendant. According to Wilkins, a large number of juveniles were selling underwear to Mallow.

Fox said the accusation that he lied was false and referenced the criminal complaint from June. “To call me a liar is totally ridiculous. I have (the complaint) right here in my hand.”

Wilkins likened the ongoing investigation to a domino effect as more interviews and victims come forward.

Judge Courier asked Community Corrections if they had any thoughts on the case. Dustin Luzier addressed the court and said his program has clients in other counties and have the ability to accommodate home confinement, as well as daily check-ins, counseling and evaluations. Luzier also said they can supply anything their therapists suggest. “We’d be more than happy,” Luzier said.

Judge Courier ruled that Mallow be monitored and check in with Community Corrections to allow them to evaluate the level of check-in appropriate to the case. Mallow was further ordered to have no contact with juveniles by in person, internet, or social media by Judge Courier. “It splits the difference between what the State requests and the request not to be more restrictive,” Judge Courier said.

News of Record

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

- City of Parsons, Black Fork District, Lot 143 Section C to Deborah L. Pase and Roberts N. Pase, Jr., \$1,600.
- Virginia K. Simmons, Parsons Corporation, Lots 3 and 4 Race Street to Christopher Freeman, \$150,000.
- Marsha K. Moss, Black Fork District, 9.84 acres to Ashley Rose Ragone and David Matthew Lunger, \$237,500.
- Robert Vernon and Alice D. Vernon, Davis Corporation, Lot 3 Beaver Creek Village to Emily Renard and Joao Morgado, \$60,000.
- Ada Cross, Black Fork District, 2.29 acres and 0.06 acres to Carlo Ricottilli \$1,111.
- Edward Cross, Deloris Nestor, Omer Roy Cross, Julie Cross Weese and Julie Cross Weese, Black Fork District, 2.29 acres and 0.06 acres to Carlo Ricottilli, \$1,111.
- Rebecca A. Cantrell and Joshua T. Savielle, Davis Corporation, Part of Lot 2 to Beehive Properties LLC, \$269,000.
- Donald L. Knotts, Black Fork District, 14.55 acres, Lots 108.109 and 110 to Danny Rhodes and Jessica Rhodes, \$125,000.
- Jeffrey P. Kelley and Nancy J. Kelley, Dry Fork District, Lot 9 Yokum Run, .524 acres to Dorotea G. Rutherford, Living Trust; Dorotea G. Rutherford/Trustee, \$535,000.
- Robert T. Metz, Clover District, 0.473 acres to Ricky E. Murray and Kimberly L. Murray, \$2,000.
- Gregory Moore, Administrator; Estate of Linda H. Moore, Desirre Guire, Eva Anne Moore and Candace Decourten, Parsons Corporation, Lot 5 to Randall B. Tasker and Kayla L. Tasker, \$139,000.

The following marriages have been recorded in the Tucker County Clerk’s office:

- Nathan Andrew Rhodes to Madison Rebecca Berkemeier on Monday, Oct. 9, 2023.
- Dustin Jack Rexrode to Krissy Lynn Bell on Saturday, Oct. 21, 2023.
- Travis James Weldon to Lorianne Marie Reinhart on Friday, Oct. 13, 2023.
- Ryan Everett Newman to Rachel Anne Neeld on Friday, Oct. 13, 2023.

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OBITUARIES

William Dean "Bill" Day

William Dean "Bill" Day, age 85 years, a resident of Parsons, WV, departed this life early Tuesday morning, October 24, 2023, at his home. His wishes were fulfilled to be able to be home at the time of his death and with his loving family by his side.

He was born Sunday, September 25, 1938, at Rosendorf, Hendricks, WV, a son of the late William Theodore and Nellie Elizabeth Hinkle Day. He was twice married. First to Eileen Anne Feeney Day and second to Anna Lazzaro Cline Day, both preceded him in death.

Surviving are one son, William Earl "Billy" Day and wife Kim of Parsons; three daughters, Peggy Louise Fulk and husband Skip of Bayard, Maureen Regina Moore and husband Richard of Summerset, PA, and Betty Anne Day McDaniels and husband Terry of Hambleton; one step-son, Larry Cline of Crisfield, MD;



one step-daughter, Brenda Cline Cox and husband Eddie of Richmond, VA; five grandchildren, Blake Moore, Floyd Day, Gina Fulk, Rorry Day, and Dora Nelson and husband Andy.

Preceding him in death are two brothers, Warren Kelly Day and Kenneth Jack Day; and two sisters, Winnefred Eloise Koskela and Peggy Lucille Disney.

He attended Hamrick Elementary before moving to D.C. with his family, and was on the football squad of Wheaton High School in MD. He worked for his dad, who

was a general contractor foreman, in the carpentry and masonry field and worked at various mechanical shops and was head paint technician for Sports Chevrolet Dealership for over twenty-five years in MD., and retired due to his health. He enjoyed gambling and seafood, hunting and fishing. He was loved and cherished by his children and grandchildren.

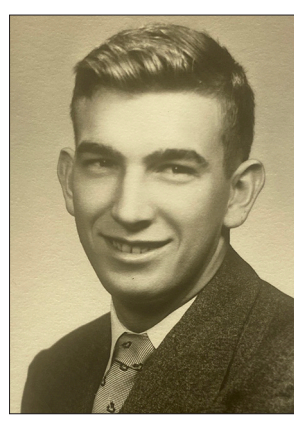
The family received friends at the Lohr & Barb Funeral Home of Parsons on Saturday, October 28, 2023, from 10 a.m. until 12 Noon. Final rites were conducted at the funeral home on Saturday at 12 Noon. Pastor Adam Snyder officiated and interment followed at the Parsons City Cemetery at Parsons, WV. The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements for William Dean "Bill" Day. Condolences may be expressed to the family at; www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com.

Ronald "Ace" Allen Moore

Ronald "Ace" Allen Moore, Sr., 83, a resident of Parsons, passed from this life Friday, October 27, 2023, at Nella's at Autumn Lake in Elkins. He had been in declining health.

Ronald was born Wednesday, January 31, 1940, on Clover Run in Tucker County, a son of the late Howard Moore and Eva Crosten Moore. At Red House, MD, on September 8, 1962, he married Naomi Cassidy Moore, who survives. They had celebrated sixty-one years of marriage.

Left to cherish Ronald's memory besides his wife, are two sons, Ronald Allen Moore, Jr., and wife, Marlene, and Michael Scott Moore, three grandchildren, Brittany, Jacob and Joshie Moore, a sister-in law, Annabell Moore, brothers-in-law, Jack McDonald, William Cassidy and wife, Kathy, Phillip



Cassidy and wife, Evelyn, and Robert Cassidy, several nieces and nephews. Ronald was the last surviving member of his immediate family.

Preceding Ronald in death besides his parents was four brothers, Donald, Frank, Dale and wife, Linda, and Ralph Moore and wife, Kathy, three sisters, Vera Hilliary, Vonda Moore and Barbara McDonald, and daughter-in-law, Eileen Moore.

Ronald was a graduate of Parsons High School with the Class of 1958.

He had been employed in maintenance at Dorman Mills, Parsons Footwear, Canaan Valley Resort and the City of Parsons. Ronald enjoyed wood working, hunting, fishing, ginsenging, and digging ramps. He loved gospel music, the outdoors and working for the city mowing the ballpark and city park. Ronald attended Riverview Chapel.

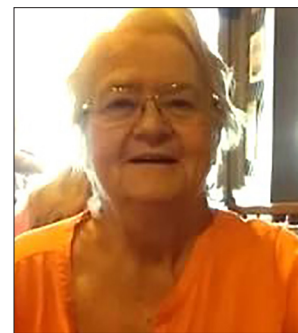
Ronald's request for cremation will be granted. A memorial service will be held at the Hostetler Funeral Home on Saturday, November 4, 2023, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the funeral hour. Rev. James Snyder will officiate, and interment will follow at Parsons City Cemetery. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Ronald "Ace" Moore, Sr. Send online condolences to the family at: www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com.

Betty Lou Lowther Humphrey

Betty Lou Lowther Humphrey, beloved daughter, sister, mother, grandmother, aunt, and friend passed on to paradise October 19, 2023, at home surrounded by loving family and her special pup Buddy.

Born at Skelt, WV to Sarah and Melville Lowther, Betty graduated from Parsons High School in 1959 and attended Fairmont State University and West Virginia University during her career. She was previously married to Otwell "June" Humphrey.

Betty worked for Doorman Woolen Mill, Tucker County Headstart program, the Tucker County Hospital in the kitchen and thanks to her amazing cooking and the love for the kitchen she owned several restaurants in Parsons and worked in many others. She worked at



Cortland Acres Nursing home in activities and as manager of the Pinview Apartments and was past director of the Tucker County Senior Center. Betty worked for Sentry Sign Installers in Sanford Florida before working very hard at retirement and moving back to Parsons. She enjoyed crochet, visiting the beach and reading.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Melville and Sarah, brother Jesse, Donald, Dana, Lester and sisters Areta Jean, Josephine, Carol, Billie, and Myrtle Nell and was survived by her remaining

brother Charles, children Tammy of Sanford, FL, Larry of Parsons, bonus children Beverly Bennett, Cathy Jones, and Eric McCrum, her three grandchildren Kayla, Nick, and Sarah. She also had two great grandchildren McKenzie and Sophia along with special stepchildren, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Betty's wishes of cremation have been honored and a memorial service has been planned for family in November. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Betty Lou Lowther Humphrey. Send online condolences to the family at www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com.

EMS Class Canceled Due to No-Shows

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

Tucker County EMS Training Officer Joe Strait informed the Tucker County Commission that the EMT Course he had scheduled was canceled due to lack of participants to meet the legal minimum for the course.

"Last meeting, I reported to you that we were going to have an EMT Class in Parsons," Strait said. "Unfortunately, that did not happen."

Strait said of those who had registered for the course only seven showed at the time of the class. "The 18 people had originally registered online," Strait said. "Only seven showed up total."

According to Strait, the legal minimum for a course to be held is 12 students. "You have to have a minimum of 12 to have the class," Strait said.

Strait said of the students that did show, two were high school students and all but one was Tucker County residents. "Of that seven, six were Tucker County residents," Strait said. "And two were high school students."

According to Strait he and Tucker County EMS Director Amanda Simmons have a plan to solve the no show problem moving forward, but have to speak to the board before details can be released.

"Moving forward, we've got plans to do something to correct that," Strait said. "Mandy (Simmons) will take care of that at a later date because we have to go through the board."

Strait said the report was a courtesy to the Commission to keep them informed. "I just wanted to report to you," Strait said.

Strait also thanked Kevin White and the Parsons Fire Department. "I also wish to say on a personal note that I want to thank Kevin (White) and Parsons Fire Department," Strait said. "For the last several months, they have supported us with a venue to have training in."

Tucker County Commissioner Mike Rosenau acknowledged the cooperation the various county entities engage in. "In a county this small, it takes cooperation and working together to keep things moving forward," Rosenau said. "And I appreciate all the interoffice things that you do. All the things that you do in working together. It just makes this county a lot better. Thank you all."

The next meeting of the Tucker County Commission will be held at 4 p.m. on October 25th at the Tucker County Courthouse Old Courtroom.



2773: Tucker County EMS Training Officer Joe Strait updates the Tucker County Commission on the details surrounding the recently canceled EMT Class. According to Strait, the class was canceled due to not enough participants showing up at the event. Strait said he had to have a legal minimum of students to hold the course, but EMS were working on holding another course in the future.

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Closing Dates for Monongahela National Forest Recreation Sites

ELKINS, W.Va., -- Most of Monongahela National Forest is open year-round, closing only when access roads are snow-covered. But some developed campgrounds, picnic areas and both visitor centers routinely close from late fall through mid-spring. Visit the Forest's Recreation Conditions Report at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/recmain/mnf/recreation> for the most current information.

Closing dates for recreation sites on the Cheat-Potomac Ranger District (304-478-2000) in the Elkins and Parsons areas:

- Bear Heaven Campground – Dec. 1
- Bickle Knob Observation Tower – Closes when roads are snow-covered
- Horseshoe Recreation Area – Closed for season
- Olson Observation Tower - Closes when roads are snow-covered
- Stuart Recreation Area – Closed for season

Closing dates for recreation sites on the Cheat-Potomac Ranger District (304-257-4488) in the Petersburg and Seneca Rocks areas:

- Big Bend Campground – Oct. 30
- Dolly Sods Picnic Area – Jan. 1
- Gatewood Group Campground – Until Nov. 30 no fees charged. Pack in, pack out with no services
- Jess Judy Group Campground – Oct. 30
- Red Creek Campground – Dec. 31
- Seneca Rocks Discovery Center – Oct. 29 is last day open
- Seneca Rocks Picnic Area – Nov. 30
- Seneca Shadows Campground – Oct. 30
- Spruce Knob Lake – Lake open year-round. Toilets close Dec. 1
- Spruce Knob Lake Campground – Closed for season
- Spruce Knob Observation Tower – Area open year-round (except when roads are snow-covered). Toilets close Dec. 1

Closing dates for recreation sites on the Greenbrier Ranger District (304-456-3335) in the Bartow area:

- Gaudineer Knob Picnic Area – Closes when roads are snow-covered. Toilets close Dec. 1
- Island Campground – Dec. 1

- Lake Buffalo – Lake open year-round. Toilets close Dec. 1
- Laurel Fork Campground – Dec. 1
- Middle Mountain Cabins – Dec. 1
- Old House Run Picnic Area – Dec. 2

Closing dates for recreation sites on the Gauley Ranger District (304-846-2695) in the Richwood area:

- Big Rock Campground – Dec. 1
- Bishop Knob Campground – Dec. 1
- Cranberry Campground – Dec. 1
- Cranberry Mountain Nature Center – Closed for season
- Cranberry River Developed Dispersed Campsites – Area closes when snow-covered. Toilets close Dec. 1
- North Bend Picnic Area – Closed for season
- Summit Lake – Lake open year-round. Toilets close Dec. 1
- Summit Lake Campground – Dec. 1
- Williams River Developed Dispersed Campsites (Sites #1 - #20 located downstream of Tea Creek Campground) – Area closes when snow-covered. Toilets closed Dec. 1
- Woodbine Picnic Area – Closed for season

Closing dates for recreation sites on the Marlinton-White Sulphur Ranger District (304-799-4334) in the Marlinton area:

- Day Run Campground – Dec. 1
- Highland Scenic Highway – Road closes when snow-covered. Toilets close Dec. 1
- Pocahontas Campground – Dec. 1
- Rimel Picnic Area – Jan. 1
- Tea Creek Campground – Dec. 1
- Williams River Developed Dispersed Campsites (Sites #21 to #30 located upstream of Tea Creek Campground) – Area closes when snow-covered. Toilets closed Dec. 1.

Closing dates for recreation sites on the Marlinton-White Sulphur Ranger District (304-536-2144) in the White Sulphur Springs area:

- Blue Bend Recreation Area – Camping closes Dec. 1. Picnicking closes Dec. 1
- Hopkins Knob Fireman's Cabin – Dec. 1

- Lake Sherwood Recreation Area and Campground – West Shore Loop closes Nov. 1. All other camping loops and day use area are closed for season. Lake is open year-round. Lake toilets close Oct. 31

Roadside camping, also called dispersed camping, is available in many areas of the Forest year-round. For more information about recreation facilities, contact the District Office near the location you would like to visit. Contact information is listed at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mnf/about-forest/offices>.



The West Virginia Encyclopedia
www.wvencyclopedia.org



Nov. 4-5, 1985: Heavy rains led to devastating floods in parts of West Virginia. Forty-seven people were killed, and several towns were severely damaged.

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.

Nov. 1, 1688: Morgan Morgan was born in Wales. For many years, Morgan was traditionally considered the first white settler of West Virginia. He settled in the Bunker Hill area in 1731, building a log house that still remains.

Nov. 1, 1848: Israel Charles White was born in Monongalia County. White was West Virginia's first state geologist, appointed in 1897 and serving until his death in 1927, working without pay for all but two of those years.

Nov. 1, 1961: The first non-commercial radio station in West Virginia, WMUL-FM at Marshall University, began broadcasting.

Nov. 2, 1859: John Brown was convicted of murder, treason, and insurrection, in the Jefferson County Courthouse at Charles Town. Brown's raid on Harpers Ferry galvanized the nation, further alienating North and South and drastically reducing any possible middle ground for compromise.

Nov. 2, 1952: Tri-State Airport in Wayne County was dedicated, with the first official landing made at 11 a.m. by Piedmont Airlines.

Nov. 2, 1996: Baseball player Toni Stone died. Born in Bluefield, she joined the

Negro American League in 1953, becoming the first woman to play pro baseball in a previously all-male major league.

Nov. 3, 1947: Kanawha Airport (now Yeager International Airport) was dedicated. World War I ace Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker was among the dignitaries present.

Nov. 5, 1891: Alfred Earle "Greasy" Neale was born in Parkersburg. He was one of West Virginia's greatest all-around athletes.

Nov. 5, 1922: Cecil Underwood was born at Josephs Mills in Tyler County. Underwood, West Virginia's 25th and 32nd governor, served as the state's youngest and oldest chief executive.

Nov. 6, 1863: Confederate troops led by Brig. Gen. John Echols were defeated at Droop Mountain by a larger federal force led by Brig. Gen. William W. Averell. This was one of the most important Civil War battles fought on West Virginia soil.

Nov. 6, 1923: A methane gas explosion killed 27 men inside the Glen Rogers coal mine in Wyoming County. The mine, which opened in 1921, became one of the state's largest. A total of 160 fatalities over a 31-year period occurred at the mine before it was closed.

Nov. 7, 1775: The historic Forks-of-Cheat Baptist Church was organized about six miles north of Morgantown. It is the oldest church with continuous records west of the Alleghenies in West Virginia.

THANK YOU!

Friends of Cheat contacted me about planting trees along the creek bank.

In our conversation, it came up about the flooding issues that I have. Friends of Cheat, Madison Ball said, "I think we can help you with that." She worked on acquiring grants for a new bridge to replace the culverts for at least two years. I am very thankful and appreciative of all that the Friends of Cheat did for me. They are a class act in all that they do in keeping the streams clean.

William Holler

CHURCH BAZAAR

The Hambleton Community Church will be having a bizarre on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

There will be hotdogs, fried bread and other baked goods.

There will be something for everyone.

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FROM THE



BROADBAND LISTENING SESSIONS

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

Region VII will hold a meeting to update the public on the State's BEAD/DE progress on:

Date: Wednesday, November 1
Time: 4:00-6:00 pm
Location: Upshur County Public Library (1150 Route 20 South Road, Buckhannon WV 26201).

Refreshments will be served!

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

For more information, please visit <https://internetforallwv.wv.gov/>



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Thomas Community Center

Thanksgiving Dinner for Pick-up or Delivery

Orders due by November 8, 2023

Dinners Distributed on November 18, 2023 11a-1p

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Community Service Hours Available!

MENU:

Turkey or Ham, Stuffing
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Rolls, Green Beans, Dessert

Thomas Community Center
Thanksgiving Dinner Order Form:
Due By Nov 1, 2023

Name of Contact: _____
Phone Number: _____
Number of meals: _____
Circle One: Pick-up Delivery
Delivery Address: _____

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What's? Happening

Friends of Cortland Acres

There will be a meeting of the Friends of Cortland Acres Nov. 6 in the Gathering Room at Cortland Acres at 1p.m.

For more information, call Marie Grafton, Activities Director, at 304-463-4181 Ext 218.

Historic Landmark Commission Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Tucker County Historic Landmark Commission on, Mon., Nov. 6, 2023 at the Tucker County Historical Society Museum in Parsons, WV at 5 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Morrisey's Mobile Office Sets November Stops for North Central West Virginia

West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey announced a representative from his office will meet with north central West Virginia residents in November to discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions. "These public events are a great way for consumers to talk one-on-one with our consumer representatives," Attorney General Morrisey said. "Residents can easily get questions answered, learn what is going on in their area and how to keep personal information safe and secure."

Pam Krushansky, a consumer outreach and compliance specialist with the office, will host the event in Tucker County on Nov. 16: 11 a.m. to noon – Senior Center, 217 Senior Lane, Parsons.

For information on additional requirements specific to any location, attendees are encouraged to contact Pam Krushansky at 304-741-5834. In case of inclement weather, please call ahead.

PHS Alumni Meeting

Parsons High School Alumni Meeting Thursday November 9, 2023, at Grand Slam Grill at 1 p.m.

Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction

Parsons Church of God is having a spaghetti dinner/silent auction on Sunday Nov. 5 from noon - 2 p.m. The proceeds benefit Operation Christmas Child and the cost for dinner is a donation. Several local businesses have donated to the silent auction. We hope to see you there.

Upcoming Events at Eastern: Services Presents – Overcoming the Registration Opens for Spring 24 Semester

November 3
Ready to start or continue your education? Then mark your calendars for November 3, when registration opens for the Spring 2024 semester!
We have in-person and online course options, so you can choose what works best for you and your schedule.
New students should apply to attend now at <https://easternwv.edu/apply-now/>.

Then on November 3, you can register for classes the same day.

Lunch & Learn: Mental Health Stigma

Presented by Dreama Kelly, Life Skills Coach and owner of the Your Life Coaching WV, LLC.

This workshop will be held in Room 104b at Eastern's main campus in Moorefield and over Zoom on Monday, November 6 at Noon. RSVP to Monica Wilson, Interim Vice President of Academic and Student Services at monica.wilson@easternwv.edu by Wednesday, October 25 to attend in person. Join the Zoom session on the day of, at <https://bit.ly/3sYBTd>.

Introduction:
"People fear what they don't understand." When it comes to Mental Health Care, this statement is especially true. Individuals suffering from mental health disorders shy away from seeking treatment, many times for the sake of labeling alone. This workshop has been created to shed some light on issues facing society in unimaginable ways."

Description & Objective:
This workshop provides a brief overview of mental health-related maladies, statistics on deaths related to mental health, and stigmas that prevent individuals from seeking treatment for mental health-related issues. The objective of this workshop is to expose misconceptions and common stigmas related to mental health hygiene and treatment.

Sponsored by the Mental Health Grant

Fall 2023 Community Job Fair

The Fall Job Fair at Eastern will be held Tuesday, November 14, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Join us to search the job market, network, and make your next career move!

Contact dixie.heavener@easternwv.edu for more info! Employers who want a table should also email Dixie Heavener.

Art Club

November 15 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm
This is the third meet-up for the Art Club! It will be held on Wednesday, November 15 from 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m. | Room 104b at Eastern's Main Campus.

Feel free to bring whatever materials you would like with you. There are also materials you can use during the club.

Bring your own materials with you to draw from provided prompts, a still life, or whatever you want!

Contact: trent.montgomery@easternwv.edu with any questions.

New York City Bus Trip: Open to the Public!

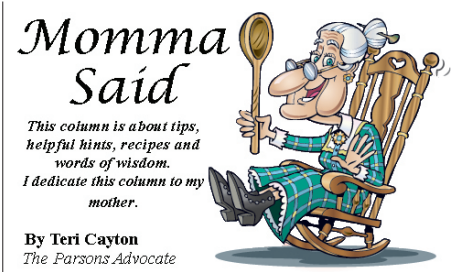
December 2
Leave from Eastern on Saturday, December 2 at 5:30 a.m. and be in NYC from 12 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Open to the general public, tickets are \$130. Reserve your seat on the bus by calling 304-434-8000 ext. 9413.

By Teri Cayton
The Parsons Advocate

The weather has been crazy here, week before it was getting down into the twenties and this week it has been in the mid 70's. We cleaned up the yard here at work a couple weeks ago and they are growing back now because of this warm spell. Momma Said, "Just wait it will probably be snowing next week."

Freya has been adjusting well to home life. She and Gracie were rolling around in the dirt and when they got done I had to run both of them out of the house. They looked like two powder puffs with all the dust coming off them. I guess kids will be kids, I played in my share of dirt growing up and it never killed me so I guess I will just have live with two dusty dogs.

This fall has been one of the most spectacular we have had in a long time. We didn't have all the rain we have had in past years and the



By Teri Cayton
The Parsons Advocate

leaves had a chance to turn and it has been absolutely beautiful, a thing of beauty. The weather we have had this past week could stick around until spring as far as I am concerned.

I wouldn't mind winter so much if it just got cold and stayed that way but we get a cold spell and then it warms up again. You talk about a mess with the dogs, I might as well turn my back yard into a swimming pool, it would be cleaner and I wouldn't have to give them a bath they could do it themselves. Momma Said, "Dreamers will always dream!"

Grilled BBQ Pork Tenderloin

Ingredients

- ½ CUP ketchup
- 2 TABLESPOONS Dijon mustard
- 2 TABLESPOONS soy sauce
- 3 TABLESPOONS olive oil
- 3 TABLESPOONS apple cider vinegar
- 2 TABLESPOON fresh thyme leaves or 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- ½ TEASPOON freshly ground black pepper
- 1 1- to 1½-pound pork tenderloins
- ¼ CUP brown sugar

Instructions

1. Whisk together the ketchup, Dijon mustard, soy sauce, olive oil, apple cider vinegar, thyme and black pepper in a bowl. Place the pork tenderloin in a zipper sealable plastic bag. Pour the marinade over the pork and massage the marinade into the meat. Marinate the pork in the refrigerator for at least four hours to overnight.
2. Remove the pork tenderloin

from the marinade. Pour the marinade into a saucepan and whisk in the brown sugar. Bring the mixture to a boil, lower the heat and simmer for about 10 minutes until the sauce thickens.

3. Heat an outdoor grill or grill pan to medium-high heat. Grill the pork for 15 minutes, rotating a few times during the cooking process. Baste the meat with some of the BBQ sauce and grill for an additional 5 minutes, until the pork reaches the internal temperature of 145°F with an instant read thermometer.

4. Remove the pork from the grill and tent with foil. Let the pork rest for 10 minutes before carving. Slice the meat into thick slices, slicing on an angle across the grain of the tenderloin. Transfer to serving platter and pour the remaining sauce over top. Serve with rice, potato salad, green salad or any of your favorite grilled side dishes OR make quick BBQ pork sandwiches on Kaiser rolls with coleslaw.

Super Crossword "MM, GOOD!"

ACROSS	1 Kiddie-lit elephant	6 Seder bread	11 Warren in the Pro Football Hall of Fame	15 Numbered work of a composer	19 "I'd love to help"	20 Fictional town in an Eastern Lee Masters title	22 Intensity, with "up"	23 Aged female horse that has won lots of singing awards?	25 Dog food brand	26 Flimsy	27 Hive swarm	28 "Lie Down With Lions" novelist Ken	30 Romanov royal	31 -fi film	33 Michael of "Superbad"	34 Stephen of the screen	35 Time when everybody turned down their radios all at once?	41 — v. Wade	42 Aussie critter	43 Soporific drug	44 Electrolysis particles	45 Reading quickly in the Scandinavian manner?	50 Novelist Stout	52 Hammer or Spade	53 History topic	54 Hot tub sigh	56 Tranquility	60 Brainchild	62 Big meeting to discuss protective metal gear?	66 Foot the bill	69 A-bomb, e.g.	71 "— dare?"	72 — Lilly	73 "Tamerlane" poet	74 Cold, damp park birds?	79 Declare	82 Apia locale	83 Elton John's '70s label	84 Figure skater Midori —	86 Bet to win and place	90 Cloning stuff	92 Was an overly aggressive barber?	96 Cato's "to be"	99 — alla Scala	101 Intensity, with "up"	102 Antique auto	103 Trousing in a number-adding contest?	109 Bullring call	110 Balcony box	111 "Send help!"	112 Netflix rival	113 Medium for burning data	115 Pork serving	118 Of sentence units	121 Cork's land	122 Decreed to be the most prudish?	126 Observes	127 Computer programming output	128 More skillful	129 Chances	130 Covered with bathroom rolls, slangily	131 Outback food	132 Fliers' homes	DOWN	1 Strike with the horns	2 Court champ Arthur	3 Lead-in to "done that"	4 "Eek!"	5 Add ammo to texts: Abbr.	6 Emails or texts: Abbr.	7 Wet mo.	8 Come — halt	9 Body not staying at rest?	10 "My treat!"	11 Family in computer games	12 DuVernay of "Queen Sugar"	13 Flawless	14 Request in advance, in a way	15 Spoken exam	16 Sicily's capital	17 A gazillion	18 Brief plugs for political candidates	21 Bread variety	24 — Lube (STP alternative)	29 Chou En —	31 Add fuel to	32 Groups on church risers	33 The Plame affair, informally	35 Hammer or spade	36 52-wk. units	37 Dad's partner	38 Longtime wire svc.	39 Moses' peak	40 Seltzer, e.g.	41 ICU VIPs	46 Imbiber's hwy. offense	47 "— be nice if ..."	48 Like taffy	49 Bea Arthur sitcom	51 Air-testing gp.	55 Hispanic "hello"	57 Intensity, with "up"	58 Loving sound	59 Previous to, poetically	61 12-hour clock toggle	63 Loving sound	64 Fluid dram fraction	65 "Hawaii —" (Jack Lord series)	66 Acer offerings	67 Styled after	68 Orange tuber	70 Say aloud for transcription	75 Net access provider	76 Groom, e.g.	77 "The Dance" singer Brooks	78 Canned heat	80 Good Grips brand	81 Nursery cry	85 Dramatist Clifford	87 Merry-go-rounds	88 Not kosher	89 Hurry-scurry	91 For free	93 Furious state	94 Spill cleaner	95 Sony products	96 1962 Paul Anka hit	97 Tarnished	98 Tarnished	100 Chinese soup	104 Sort	105 Facet	106 "Surprised to run into you!"	107 University in Greenville, South Carolina	108 In a blazing brandy sauce	114 Fed Eliot	115 Ace or queen	116 Fruit drink brand	117 Tip jar bills	118 Nursery school, briefly	119 Play — (perform some songs)	120 Env. items	123 Receivable	124 John in court cases	125 High-tech organizer
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Weather Totals

October 10 - October 17

Nursery Bottom
Parsons

Temperature
Max 73° F
Min 31° F

Precipitation
Week 1.06"
October 1.53"
2023 40.12"

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

U.S. Forest Service

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦
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Puzzle answers page 7

Nellie Heavener Nelson Donates \$30K in Support of Eastern College

Moorefield, W.Va. – Nellie Heavener Nelson has generously donated \$30,000 to Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College on the heels of her 89th birthday, which was earlier this month, on October 3. She visited the main campus with her brother, Estil Heavener, to talk with Jennifer Rexroad, advancement specialist, and Dr. Megan Webb, dean of advancement and innovation, who secured the donation. “It is significant contributions such as this that help change and transform lives for students and their families seeking to improve their life circumstances through higher education,” said Dr. Tom Striplin, president of Eastern.



Albert Nelson and Nellie Heavener Nelson

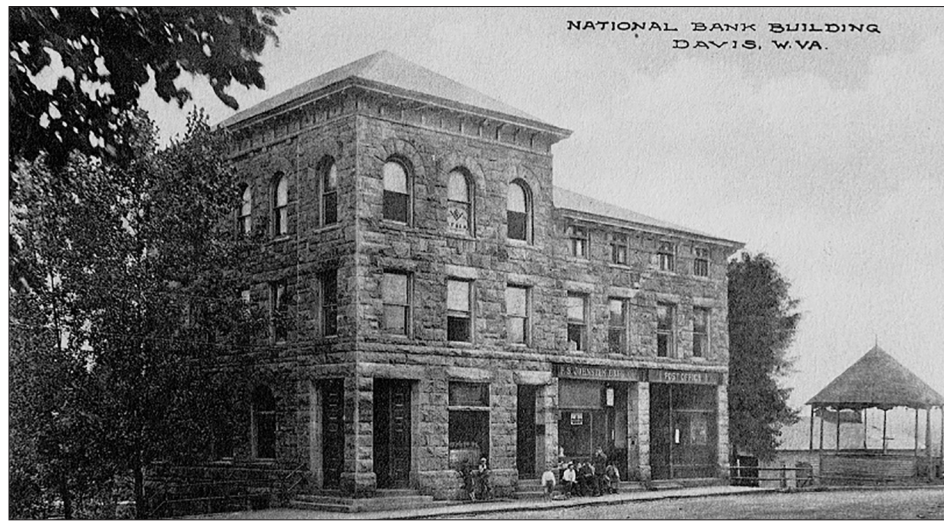
Of the full amount, \$25,000 will go towards a new nursing scholarship fund and renaming the Eastern Nursing Lab. A name plaque will be installed above the Nursing department to name it the Albert & Nellie Heavener Nelson Nursing Lab. The naming of the room and scholarship incorporates Nellie’s late husband, Albert Nelson. The Albert & Nellie Heavener Nelson scholarship fund will award \$1,000 to five nursing students. Mrs. Heavener Nelson’s brother, Estil Heavener, will present the award to the students in the future. The other \$5,000 will go towards student scholarships and be recognized as a Platinum Sponsor on the Foundation’s new donor wall. Monica Wilson, interim vice president of academic and student services said, “Mrs. Nellie Heavener Nelson’s generous donations, past and present, to the college is a testament to the impact that dedicated individuals can have on our institution, our students, and the communities we serve.”

Naming rights for rooms at Eastern and the donor wall are two of many initiatives that the Eastern Foundation has to build support for the college. The goal is to acknowledge and recognize donors in the Potomac Highlands region who support Eastern. The Foundation hopes it also brings in the interest of potential donors who support providing innovative higher education to the community. In addition, there will be a \$1 to \$1 match through a

Department of Education Award known as the Title III Award. “It was a pleasure to meet with Mrs. Nellie Heavener Nelson in person and learn about her vision for the success of the Eastern nursing program and establish a permanent scholarship in honor of her and her late husband Albert Nelson”, said Rexroad, “We were honored to also host Mr. Estil Heavener, Mrs. Heavener Nelson’s brother, during their visit to the campus.” The Eastern Foundation welcomes you to contact Jennifer Rexroad, advancement specialist, by emailing Jennifer.Rexroad@easternwv.edu or calling 304-434-8000 ext. 9258. To learn more about ways to give and support this unique giving opportunity, the matching campaign, donor recognition levels, and naming opportunities on campus, visit <https://easternwv.edu/foundation/giving/>.

About The Eastern Foundation Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit that works with the college to raise funds for scholarships and advancement. Foundation activities include campaigns such as Giving Tuesday, online fundraising, and the foundation’s annual Farm to Table event. To learn more about the Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College Foundation, visit easternwv.edu/foundation.

TURNER'S TIDBITS



This is a photo of the National Bank of Davis erected in 1892. This photo was taken before 1915 because the west wing was added that year. The building is made of native stone and 50,000 feet of maple flooring was secured from Canaan Valley from the farm of W. O. Johnson to be used within the building. The bank was on the first floor along with the Johnson Drug Store and the Post Office. The second floor over time housed the Meyers Insurance Company, attorneys, dental offices, Duncan Telephone Company, Davis Public Library. When I lived in the building, there were three apartments on the second floor. The residents were Mrs. Karl Deal (Mr. Deal was an insurance salesman), Mrs. Elsie Bible, and the Pells. The third floor over time housed the Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star, American Legion, Knights of Pythias Lodge, and the Davis Women’s Club. I lived in the back apartment on the third floor, Eleanor Jenkins lived in the front apartment and the other part of the building was used by the Masons and Eastern Star. Ideas, comments, suggestions, or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

Tucker Community Foundation Grant Application Deadline is November 3!

Tucker Community Foundation will be awarding grant funding to organizations, volunteer groups and people working to make a positive change in their communities in Barbour, Grant, Mineral, Preston, Pocahontas, Randolph and Tucker counties in West Virginia, as well as Garrett, Maryland. To be considered, groups must be working within the foundation’s eight county service areas.

To make the process easier this year, everyone will use the regular Grant Form. To download a grant application, go online at www.tuckerfoundation.net/endowed-funds/grants/. If you have any questions please feel free to call our office between 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 304-478-2930

Grant applications must be turned into Tucker Community Foundation’s office located at 100 Education Lane, Parsons WV 26287 by November 3rd at 3 pm. They can also be mailed, to PO Box 491, Parsons WV 26287, with a postmark date of November 3rd. Grants can be electronically submitted to: grants@tuckerfoundation.net.

“Grant season at the foundation is always a time of great excitement”, said Michael Moore, Chief Financial Officer of the Tucker Community Foundation. “Each year we are

reminded of the efforts of hard-working folks who work to make our communities better”. As a community foundation, our mission is, “Creating opportunities for the communities we serve”.

Grant applications can cover a wide range of charitable service areas including the arts, education, health and safety, emergency services, community development, parks, libraries, historic preservation and more. In years past, grants have helped a high school theater group afford building supplies to construct a set or a church’s food pantry to restock its shelves or for a search and recovery crew to afford new emergency equipment.

The foundation’s grant funding is due to the generosity of donors who have established and contributed to the more than 140 endowed funds and unrestricted funds established through the foundation. While some funds are targeted to support specific charitable areas, others are written to have a much wider reach. All grant awards are based on a competitive application process. To see the full list of endowed funds supporting this year’s grant season, please visit www.tuckerfoundation.net/endowed-funds/grants.

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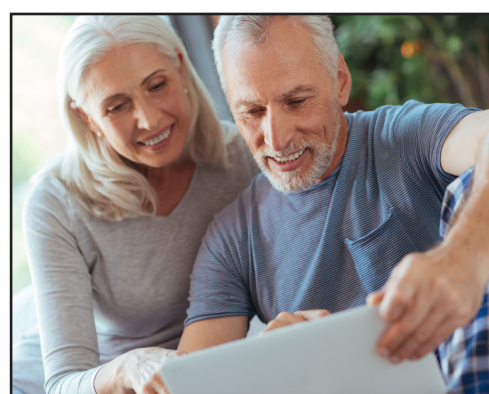
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SPORTS

MT. LIONS HOLD OFF PETERSBURG RALLY TO WIN AT HOME 30-27

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

PARSONS – The Tucker County Football team hosted Petersburg on Friday October 27th. The Mt. Lions built a 30-14 lead and then Tucker County held off a Vikings comeback to collect the win 30-27.

Tucker County won the coin toss to start the game and deferred their option until the second half. This gave Petersburg the ball to start the game. The Mt. Lions forced a Vikings punt, but Tucker County fumbled the punt to give the visitors the ball at the Mt. Lions 29. Petersburg would then cash in on a 3 yard touchdown run with 7:50 left in the first quarter. The 2 point conversion was good to give the Vikings the 8-0 lead. Tucker County responded with a good drive that was capped by a 14 yard touchdown pass from Ethan Rosenau to Garrett Wilfong. The PAT was good on a Wilfong pass reception to make the score 8-8 with 2:09 left in the first. Then in the second quarter the Mt. Lions defense would step up as Maddox Anderson collected an interception and returned it 59 yards down the sideline for the touchdown. The PAT was good on a Jared Reall run to give Tucker County the 16-8 lead with 8:18 left in the second quarter. A punt by the Vikings on their next possession gave the Mt. Lions the ball back at the Tucker County 27. Then the home teams offense put together a 6 play 73 yard drive. Blaike Adams finished off the drive with a 5 yard touchdown run with 4:34 left in the first half. The 2 point conversion failed to put the score at 22-8 Tucker County. The Vikings would get the ball back at midfield late



Tucker County's Blaike Adams runs after a catch against Petersburg on Oct. 27th. The Mt. Lions won the game 30-27. Photo by Brittany Channell.



The Mt. Lions receiver Garrett Wilfong avoids the Peterburg defender on Oct. 27th. Tucker County held on for the 30-27 win. Photo by Brittany Channell.

in the second quarter. Petersburg then got a big touchdown play on a 53 yard touchdown pass with 28 seconds left in the first half. The PAT was no good to make the score 22-14 Tucker County at halftime intermission.

The Mt. Lions got the ball to start the third quarter and wasted no time getting the ball into the endzone. Rosenau connected with Anderson on a bubble screen and then Anderson raced 62 yards for a touchdown. The PAT was good on a Wilfong pass reception to give Tucker County the 30-14 lead with 10:05 left in the third quarter. Petersburg was forced to punt, but the Vikings defense would get a big play on the next Mt. Lions possession. The visiting team would inter-

cept a Rosenau pass and return it 45 yards for a touchdown with 5:35 left in the third. The PAT was no good to cut the Tucker County lead to 30-20. The Vikings would then add another score with 4:15 left in the fourth quarter with a 20 yard touchdown pass. The PAT kick was good to make the score 30-27 Mt. Lions. Tucker County's Reall carried the ball 6 straight times to pick up a couple first downs and the Mt. Lions ran out the clock to hold on for the 30-27 win.

Ethan Rosenau led Tucker County on 13 of 20 passing for 216 yards and

Jared Reall finished with 17 carries for 108 yards rushing. Maddox Anderson had 5 receptions for 97 yards and Blaike Adams added 4 receptions for 63 yards for the Mt. Lions. Garrett Wilfong chipped in with 4 catches for 56 yards and Owen Knotts led the Tucker County defense with 8 tackles.

#1 Tucker County(9-0) will host Hampshire next Friday November 3rd at home for the last game of the regular season. Kickoff is set for 7pm. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

AREA SCHEDULE:

Friday November 3rd
Tucker County Football vs Hampshire @ Home 7pm

Friday November 17th
Tucker County Girls' Basketball Scrim. vs Frankfort @ Home 6pm

TUCKER COUNTY CROSS COUNTRY COMPETES AT STATE MEET



Lady Mt. Lions runners Katie Hicks(left) and Addie Moats(right) competed in the State Meet on Oct. 28th. Hicks finished 12th and Moats finished 23rd. Photo by Sarah Hicks

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

ONA – The Mt. Lions Cross Country team traveled to Cabell Midland High School to compete in the State Championship Meet on Saturday October 28th.

In the Girls' race Tucker County had 2 runners competing at the State Meet. Katie Hicks was the top runner for the Lady Mt. Lions as she finished in 12th place with a time of 20:51.10. Tucker County runner Addie Moats took home a 23rd place finish with a time of 21:53.29.

The Mt. Lions Boys' team would race next. The top finisher for Tucker County would be Alex Boyles in 42nd place with a time of 18:54.56 and Lynk Suesli placed 49th with a time of 19:18.21. Cameron Judy was right behind in 50th place with a time of 19:18.26. The remaining runners for the Mt. Lions are as follows: 60th-Allan Boyles(19:58.04), 65th-Nate Ricottilli(20:16.84) and 70th-Ryan Scott(21:33.14). The Tucker County Boys' finished 9th overall as a team. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.Com.



Tucker County Cross Country team and coaches gather for a team meeting before the State Meet on Oct. 28th. Photo by Sarah Hicks.



Tucker County Boys' Cross Country team start the race at the State Meet on Oct. 28th. The Mt. Lions Boys' teams finished 9th overall. Photo by Sarah Hicks.



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DMV Surpasses 80,000 Driver's License Knowledge Tests Taken Online

Over 30,000 tests have been taken in the last year alone, making DMV a leader in innovation, safety, and convenience to customers with the graduated driver's licensing process

CHARLESTON, WV—West Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Commissioner Everett Frazier is pleased to announce that over 80,000 knowledge tests have been taken online through DMV's secure online services portal since its implementation in February 2021. The online knowledge test saves customers time, and is a benefit for those who get test anxiety.

"We are thrilled to see so many customers take advantage of the online driver's license knowledge test. We recognize that some people simply don't do as well with test-taking, and being able to do it securely from the comfort and convenience of home is a real benefit," said Commissioner Frazier.

For customers to use the online services portal to take the knowledge test, they must have access to a computer with a camera, mouse, and keyboard. Go to the DMV website at dmv.wv.gov, and click on the Online Services Portal at the top of the page. From there, simply choose the "Drivers" column, and then the link to "Register now and immediately take your knowledge test online." Notes and tips to assist customers in taking the online knowledge test may be found here before beginning: <https://transportation.wv.gov/DMV/Drivers/Pages/What-You-Should-Know.aspx>.

After customers pass the test, they will still need to come into a regional office to present their documents and have their picture taken, but the online testing process significantly cuts down the time needed in an office, and also often makes anxious test-takers feel more comfortable.

Several high schools across the state are also using the DMV's online services portal in their Driver's Education classes. Teachers are able to assist students with logging in, and then the students may take the online knowledge test at school, which is a benefit especially if students may not have access to a computer with keyboard, mouse, and camera built in at home. Test scores are good for 30 days after a passing score, which gives customers plenty of time to visit a regional office at their convenience. DMV recommends that you take advantage of their appointment scheduling system to make the process even easier and more efficient.

"It's exciting to see that our efforts to provide more convenience and options to our customers are really being utilized," said Commissioner Frazier. "We have a strong Graduated Driver's Licensing (GDL) program that emphasizes safety and supervised driving to not only make our roads safer, but help new drivers feel more

comfortable and confident behind the wheel."

In addition to the online knowledge testing option, over this past summer DMV introduced a partnership with the Parent's Supervised Driving Program, which provides guidebooks for new drivers, as well as an "app" for parents and caregivers to download to make training and monitoring new drivers easier. The RoadReady mobile app is available for iPhones at the App Store and for Android on Google Play.

"Safety on our roadways for all drivers is one of DMV's biggest priorities, and we are fortunate to have strong safety and enforcement programs and messaging through the Governor's Highway Safety Program," said Commissioner Frazier. "I also plan to continue exploring new and innovative technology to bring convenience to our customers--not just the drivers, but everyone who owns a vehicle, our commercial drivers, and our dealers, too. We've got some exciting opportunities on the horizon, so continue checking in with us!"

For more information on online knowledge testing, the Parent's Supervised Driving Program, or the RoadReady app, please visit the DMV website.

WVDNR stocks 43 waters

SOUTH CHARLESTON, W.VA. — The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources announced on Monday that 43 waters were stocked during the first week of fall trout stocking and that two anglers have already entered valid tag numbers into the Monster Trout Contest.

During the weeks of Oct. 16 and Oct. 23, the WVDNR is stocking more than 40,000 pounds of trophy-size and monster trout at 43 lakes and streams around the state. Of that total, 35,000 pounds of trout weighing 1-2 pounds and 6,500 pounds of monster trout weighing 3-6 pounds will be stocked. Out of the monster trout, five fish will have a tag that can be redeemed for a grand prize.

Anglers who catch one of the five tagged fish and submit a photo with the tag number will be eligible to win a weekend cabin stay at a West Virginia State Park or a Cabela's prize package. Entries must be submitted by Friday, November 17. To learn more about the Monster Trout Contest, visit WVDnr.gov/fall-monster-trout-stockings.

The following waters were stocked during the week of Oct. 16:

- Anthony Creek
- Big Clear Creek
- Blackwater River

- Brandywine Lake
- Buckhannon River
- Buffalo Fork Lake
- Cacapon Park Lake
- Coopers Rock Lake
- Cranberry River
- Elk River (Randolph, Webster)
- Evitts Run
- Glade Creek of Mann
- Glade Creek of New River
- Knapps Creek
- Lost River
- New Creek Dam No. 14
- North Branch of Potomac River (Jennings Randolph Tailwaters)
- North Fork South Branch
- Opequon Creek
- Pendleton Lake
- Pinnacle Creek
- Pipestem Lake
- Pond Fork
- R.D. Bailey Tailwaters
- Rockcliff Lake
- Seneca Lake
- Shavers Fork (Bemis)
- Shavers Fork (lower section)
- Shavers Fork (upper section)
- South Branch (Franklin)
- South Branch (Smoke Hole)

- Spruce Knob Lake
- Summersville Tailwaters
- Summit Lake
- Sutton Tailwaters
- Teter Creek Lake
- Tygart Lake Tailwaters
- Tygart Valley River Headwaters
- Upper Guyandotte River
- Watoga Lake
- West Fork Greenbrier River
- Wheeling Creek
- Williams River

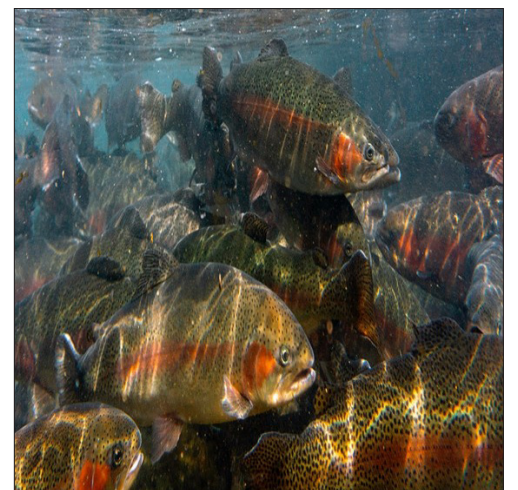
Wheeling Creek in Marshall and Ohio County and Glade Creek of Mann (Babcock State Park) have been added to the fall stocking list. Upper Shavers Fork will not be stocked on FS Service Road 209 due to road construction by the U.S. Forest Service. The remainder of the Upper Shavers Fork stocking locations will receive fish.

In November and December, the WVDNR will also stock trout on the Elk River in Webster County as part of a pilot program to evaluate the economic impact of trout stocking in the area. Stockings, which will occur at the usual stocking locations, will include 750 rainbow trout each month for a total of 1,500 additional trout stocked in the Elk River.

For a complete list of waters receiving a fall trout stocking, anglers should check pages 14-15 in the 2023 Fishing Regulations Summary. The WVDNR also posts trout stocking updates online at WVDnr.gov/fish-stocking.

All anglers 15 years and older are required to have a West Virginia fishing license, trout stamp and a valid form of identification while fishing for trout. Licenses and stamps can be purchased at 175 retail locations across the state or online at WVfish.com.

To learn more about fishing opportunities and trout stockings in West Virginia, visit WVDnr.gov/fishing.



Tucker County CVB Celebrates Statewide Success Following the 2023 West Virginia Governor's Conference on Tourism

Davis, W.Va. — The Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) hosted the 2023 West Virginia Governor's Conference on Tourism on September 10 through 13 at Canaan Valley Resort. The event featured valuable educational sessions and networking opportunities, and had a record-breaking attendance, with over 300 members of the tourism industry present.

The highlight of the conference was Governor Jim Justice's announcement regarding the incredible tourism numbers for 2022. Last year marked a pivotal time for West Virginia's tourism industry, with an economic impact exceeding \$7 billion. This number reflected a remarkable 17% increase in visitor spending compared to pre-pandemic levels, in stark contrast to the overall 1% post-pandemic recovery experienced across the United States.

Tourism Economics, an affiliate of Oxford Economics specializing in measuring tourism spending and economic impact, reported that West Virginia attracted \$5.3 billion in direct expenditures from visitors in 2022. The thriving tourism industry not only contributed significantly to the state's economy but also had a profound effect on the local workforce.

With over 53,000 jobs sustained across West Virginia, it now accounts for one out of every 16 jobs in the state. These jobs generate nearly \$2 billion in annual income, substantially contributing to the prosperity of our region.

The 2023 Governor's Conference on Tourism's success can be directly attributed to the businesses in Tucker County. The Tucker County CVB would like to extend its gratitude to the local businesses that played a significant role in making the conference a success, including the businesses that remained open for the Art Walk in Davis and Thomas. Special recognition goes to John Bright and the staff at the Purple Fiddle, as well as Yessi and the staff at Picnic in Thomas for their outstanding contributions, including fantastic food at the Welcome Reception. The enthusiastic response from conference attendees underscores the excellence and hospitality of the Tucker County businesses.

"We are proud of the remarkable growth in not only our State's tourism industry, but also Tucker County's. The Governor's Conference was a testament to the community coming together and their dedication to the tourism sector," said Jessica Waldo, Executive Director of the Tucker County CVB. "We want to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to this success."

The Tucker County CVB looks forward to a promising future for the tourism industry, working hand-in-hand with statewide partners to ensure that West Virginia remains a top travel destination. For more information, visit gettuckered.com.

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.

First Lady Cathy Justice, WV Dept. of Arts, Culture and History invite artists to create ornaments for the 2023 Artistree



CHARLESTON, WV — First Lady Cathy Justice and the West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History invite West Virginians of all ages, including artists of all disciplines, to create and submit hand-crafted ornaments to be displayed on a Christmas tree at the West Virginia Culture Center this holiday season.

Celebrating its 12th anniversary as a First Lady initiative, Artistree 2023 asks West Virginia residents and artists to create an ornament that "Celebrates Christmas in West Virginia."

"This year I want to see the moments that make Christmas in West Virginia so special," First Lady Justice said. "When making your ornaments, think about our state symbols, West Virginia landmarks, or your favorite holiday memories. Your art will bring the spirit of Christmas in West Virginia to life."

Ornaments must be hand-crafted and suitable for hanging on a tree. Size and weight should be taken into consideration.

The deadline for submitting ornaments is Friday, Nov. 17, 2023.

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As the Leaves Continue to Fall, So Do Gas Prices

The average price for gasoline across Northern West Virginia is 10 cents lower this week at \$3.233 per gallon, according to AAA East Central's Gas Price Report.

This week's average prices: Northern WV Average \$3.233

Average price during the week of October 16, 2023 \$3.338

Average price during the week of October 24, 2022 \$3.568

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

\$3.195 Bridgeport

\$3.316 Clarksburg
 \$3.277 Huntington
 \$3.307 Martinsburg
 \$3.299 Morgantown
 \$3.075 Parkersburg
 \$3.230 Weirton
 \$3.165 Wheeling

Trend Analysis:

Despite global tensions causing ripples through the oil market, the national average for a gallon of gas is maintaining its annual autumn dip, falling six cents since last week to \$3.54. Today's national average is 31 cents less than a month ago and 25 cents less than a

year ago.

According to the most recent data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand increased from 8.58 to 8.94 million b/d last week. On the other hand, total domestic gasoline stocks decreased by 2.4 million barrels to 223.3 million barrels.

Although higher demand and tightening supply typically increase pump prices, stabilized oil prices have had the opposite effect. At the close of last Wednesday's formal trading session, West Texas Intermediate remained unchanged at \$86.66. Earlier in the

week, the price of oil rose due to concerns that the Israel-Hamas war could lead to reduced oil output from countries in the region, but those concerns have subsided for now.

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

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Don't Let Tire Pressure Monitors Leave You Feeling Flat

Automotive engineers put pressure sensors to the test

A new study by AAA finds that in-vehicle tire pressure monitoring systems (TPMS) are generally accurate, but to be certain, motorists should still check their tire pressure manually. Tires are the only part of the car that come in contact with the road, and proper inflation is the key to safety and better gas mileage.

"Whether in rain, sleet, snow, or dry conditions, tires are designed to work best when properly inflated," said Mike Hoshaw, vice president of automotive services, AAA East Central. "Even though AAA research finds that tire pressure monitoring systems work as intended, a tire can

be more than 20% deflated before it triggers the dashboard warning."

Using 2022-2024 models, AAA engineers evaluated 11 passenger vehicles including sedans, pickups and SUVs, with "direct" TPMS, which uses air pressure sensors mounted in each wheel. According to the AAA study, the average percentage difference between displayed and actual tire pressure was between 1.2% and -1.5%, depending on tire location. Additionally, the amber warning TPMS light illuminated when tires were under-inflated to 75% of the posted pressure (located on the sticker inside the door jam) for five of eleven test vehicles. Five of the six remaining test vehicles illuminated the TPMS warning dashboard light when tires were deflated from 70.3 to 72.9% of posted pressure, depending on the test vehicle.

Key findings from

the study:

- No significant error in displayed tire pressure readings was noted for any vehicles evaluated within the study.
- The largest percentage difference in reported vs. actual tire pressure was 3.3% percent.
- The large pickup truck had a significantly higher posted pressure than other test vehicles.
- One vehicle did not illuminate the TPMS warning light even when one of its tires was deflated to only 65% of the recommended posted pressure, despite the immediate update of pressure readings in the instrument cluster.

AAA's recommendations:

AAA urges motorists to utilize displayed tire pressures in the instrument cluster and keep tires inflated to the vehicle's posted pressure rather than relying solely on the TPMS light to determine when a tire needs to be re-inflated. TPMS lights only illuminate when one or more tires are severely underinflated, so drivers should regularly check the displayed tire pressure at each corner. In addition, not all vehicle

TPMS systems provide pressure readings. Some systems, especially on older vehicles, only have a warning light if one or more tires are low.

AAA encourages motorists to check their tire pressure monthly (either in the instrument cluster or using a gauge), even if their TPMS light is not illuminated. And with winter approaching, it's important to remember that cold weather makes the air denser, so the pressure in the tire is reduced, triggering a dashboard warning. Do not ignore the warning even if the light goes off after driving because the tire is likely low. For this reason, tire pressure should be checked when cold.

Please refer to the full report for methodology details - including specific vehicle makes/models, tire brands and specifications, and testing equipment.

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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)
Ernest B. Turner	Connie Barkley
1st publication 11/1/23	108 Blackman Flats Rd.
2nd publication 11/8/23	Hambleton, WV 26269

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

ATTEST: SHERRY SIMMONS, TUCKER COUNTY CLERK

LEGAL

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE SITUATE TN TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA FAIRFAX DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY given to you that pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned Substitute Trustee, Jaclyn L. Nichols, said Substitute Trustee having been appointed by Miners & Merchants Bank as Substitute Trustee, which document is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed of Trust Book 320 at page 435 and pursuant to that certain Deed of Trust executed by Jeffrey D. Hebb, Sr., Perry D. Hebb and Louise Y. Hebb securing Miners & Merchants Bank, Thomas, West Virginia, in the payment and performance of certain obligations set forth therein, which Deed of Trust bears date of October 27, 2014, and which Deed of Trust is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission, Parsons, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 270 at page 433, and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party of the said Deed of Trust to foreclose thereunto and the makers of the said note and obligations having failed to pay the obligations as provided under the terms of the said Deed of Trust and Note and the holder of said Deed of Trust and Note having declared the whole of said indebtedness to be due and payable, and having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in writing to make sale of the said real estate, located in Fairfax District, Tucker County, West Virginia and described in said Deed of Trust as follows:

Map: 208A Parcel: 18

The following piece or parcel of real estate, situate in the City of Pierce, Fairfax District, Tucker County, West Virginia, together with any and all appurtenant easements which may benefit same, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a mine roof bolt set on the North margin of an abandoned railroad grade, thence S 60°35'21" E. 177.15 feet to a mine roof bolt set as the point of intersection of the North margin of the abandoned railroad grade, and the West margin of Perry Avenue, thence with the West margin of Perry Avenue

S 11°40' W, 143.70 feet to a mark on a rock, which is approximately in the center of a 36 inch culvert, there being two culverts of 36 inch size at the location, said mark is located in the North most culvert, thence N 77°03' W, 168.76 feet to a mine roof bolt set on the North margin of a stream, thence N 11°40' E, 191.40 feet to the beginning, containing .65 acres, more or less, as surveyed by Jerome E. Burch on November 3, 1987.

And being the same real estate conveyed unto Jeffrey D. Hebb, Sr. by Perry D. Hebb and Louise Y. Hebb, husband and wife, by deed dated August 3, 2007, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Tucker County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 191, at page 672.

The above real estate is subject to a reservation of a Right-of-Way reserved by Perry D. Hebb and Louise Y. Hebb, husband and wife, across the northwestern corner of the above described real estate.

Further, the above real estate is subject to a reservation of a life estate of Perry D. Hebb and Louise Y. Hebb, husband and wife.

I, Jaclyn L. Nichols, Substitute Trustee, shall offer for sale the above-described real estate at public auction at the front door of the Old Tucker County Courthouse, 215 First Street Parsons, Tucker County, West Virginia, 26287 on:

November 10, 2023
 at
 3:00 p.m.

The real estate identified above will be sold in its present (AS IS) condition, and the highest bid may be accepted by the Substitute Trustee, and the Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenants and/or persons occupying any of the above-described parcels of real estate to vacate the real estate. Any personal property remaining on the real estate after the date of the public sale will be disposed of and considered abandoned by the successful bidder or bidders.

TERMS OF SALE

1. Cash in hand on day of sale or 10% of the purchase price by certified check or by a letter of credit from a leading institution on day of sale delivered to the Substitute Trustee and approved by the said Substitute Trustee, or such terms as agreed to by the Substitute Trustee.
2. The above-described parcel of real estate will be sold subject to all prior liens senior in priority to the Deed of Trust, described above, the redemption right of the Internal Revenue Service as set forth in 11 U.S.C. Section 7425, and any and all unpaid real estate taxes or encumbrances and claims in favor of any municipality, county, or government entity, or other party, if any, and also further subject to any covenants, restrictions, conditions, reservations, rights-of-way and easements recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office prior to the Deed of Trust and affecting the subject real estate as well as any prescriptive easements that are unrecorded, if any, that may exist. The successful bidder shall pay all transfer stamps and recording fees, associated with the deed to be issued by the Substitute Trustee and the successful party shall have twenty (20) days to close the transaction after the public sale.
3. The above-described real estate will be sold by the undersigned Substitute Trustee at public auction to the highest bidder subject to the right of the undersigned Substitute Trustee to reject any and all bids if, in his opinion, said bids are inadequate.
4. The owner of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust shall have the right to bid at the public sale; and
5. The public sale shall be without representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied, and the Deed to be issued in this matter shall reflect the same and shall be a Special Warranty Deed.
6. Any items that are left on the real estate shall be considered abandoned and may be disposed of by the Purchaser.
7. Such other terms as may be announced at the time of sale

The undersigned Substitute Trustee reserves the right to continue the public sale or to adjourn the public sale for a time or from time to time without further notice other than oral public announcement at the time and place of sale as hereinabove set forth or at any continuance or adjournment thereof.

The Sale shall be made WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE of any nature.

Any questions regarding the Public Sale should be directed to the undersigned Substitute Trustee.
 Jaclyn L. Nichols
 Attorney At Law
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 Parsons, West Virginia 26287
 434-409-9426
jackienicholsesq@gmail.com
 WWSB 13730

Given under my hand this the 11th day of October, 2023.

Jaclyn L. Nichols
 Jaclyn L. Nichols
 Substitute Trustee

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE SITUATE IN TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA PARSONS CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY given to you that pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned Substitute Trustee, Jaclyn L. Nichols, said Substitute Trustee having been appointed by Mountain Valley Bank, N.A. as Substitute Trustee, which document is recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed of Trust Book 320 at page 418 and pursuant to that certain Deed of Trust executed by Alica M. Uffman securing the Mountain Valley Bank, N.A., Elkins, West Virginia, in the payment and performance of certain obligations set forth therein, which Deed of Trust bears date of June 3, 2022, and which Deed of Trust is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission, Parsons, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 314 at page 131, and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by the secured party of the said Deed of Trust to foreclose thereunto and the makers of the said note and obligations having failed to pay the obligations as provided under the terms of the said Deed of Trust and Note and the holder of said Deed of Trust and Note having declared the whole of said indebtedness to be due and payable, and having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in writing to make sale of the said real estate, located in Parsons Corporation, Tucker County, West Virginia and described in said Deed of Trust as follows:

Map: 2 Parcel: 13.2

Beginning at a point 18 feet north of the center of Delta Route 2 (Lick Run Road) and 220 feet westerly of its intersection with County Route 17 (Road to Clover), set a 1 inch square Iron Post as witness corner to the northern edge of Delta Route 2 (Lick Run Road). Thence with the northern edge of said road, the line

S. 55-37 W. 228.4 feet to a point in the line of Nestor, 63/69, witnessed by a Steel Fence post 20 feet from said road center in the next line, thence with said Nestor,

N. 28-22 W. 307 feet to a point in the fence at the corners of Nestor, 63/69 and Harold E. Nestor 63/80 set a 1/2 inch Iron Pipe thence through the grantor,

S. 83-26 E. 184.1 feet to a point set a 1 inch round Iron Shaft, thence S. 51-10 E. 190.7 feet to the beginning.

Containing 1.02 acres, more or less, as surveyed by John Campbell, July 1976, and as depicted on a plat recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed Book 89 at page 269 and made a part of this description.

Included herewith as part of the grant herein is an easement to run with the land for use as required for sewer and water liens over the remaining lands of the Grantor (Ruth Parsons in vesting deed), and a right of way in perpetuity for a driveway over the remaining lands of the Grantor (Ruth Parsons in vesting deed).

Being the same parcel of real estate conveyed by Deed of Rebecca L. Polomski and Peggy S. Kumpf, to Arica M. Uffman, dated June 3, 2022, which deed is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Tucker County Commission in Deed Book 246 at page 463.

I, Jaclyn L. Nichols, Substitute Trustee, shall offer for sale the above-described real estate at public auction at the front door of the Old Tucker County Courthouse, 215 First Street Parsons, Tucker County, West Virginia, 26287 on:

November 10, 2023
 at
 2:00 p.m.

The real estate identified above will be sold in its present (AS IS) condition, and the highest bid may be accepted by the Substitute Trustee, and the Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenants and/or persons occupying any of the above-described parcels of real estate to vacate the real estate. Any personal property remaining on the real estate after the date of the public sale will be disposed of and considered abandoned by the successful bidder or bidders.

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Tucker County Centers Against Violence



As we close out October. The communities, residences, organizations and Centers Against Violence of Tucker County acknowledged October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Purple is the color that is utilized during the month. Purple is a symbol of peace, courage, survival, honor, and personal dedication to Domestic Violence Awareness.

If you drove through Parsons, you may have noticed the Awareness Sign on the bridge and the purple bows/ribbons out front of courthouse. During the month the

signing of the proclamation was signed on October 17 at City Hall.

Picture includes Right to Left is Officer N. Gidley city police, Kimberly Shaffer Centers Against Violence Tucker Co Advocate for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, Bruce Kolsun Mayor of City of Parsons stand in for Judy, Margot Evick Director of Child Advocacy Center, Stormie Meloy Family Advocate Tucker/Randolph, City Police Chief K. Keplinger and city officer R. Rosier. Also, during the month Tucker County schools TCHS

and TVEMS participated on purple day to help show awareness.

Domestic Violence is the willful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and/or other abusive behavior as part of a systemic pattern of power and control perpetrated by one intimate partner against another. It includes physical violence, sexual violence, threats, and emotional abuse. October is a time to remember and honor all victims, as well as raise awareness to help prevent Domestic Violence. The impact of Domestic

Violence directly affects our society across all economic, racial, and societal barriers, and prevention is essential to ending this harmful cycle, continuing to work together we can create a community where people thrive in safe and healthy relationships. Centers Against Violence services are confidential and are provided free of charge.

If you or a loved one needs information, someone to talk to, someone to listen and cares please reach out to 304 478 3338 or 304 940 2444.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 23-0670-PSD-CN

CANAAN VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

Application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to construct an expansion project to provide sewage treatment service to new customers to be treated at the Zone D Plant (including additional lines, lift stations, pumps and related apparatus) along Appalachian Highway (W. Va. State Rt. 32), Bensland Road, Cortland Road, and Maple Grove Road in Canaan Valley, near Davis, Tucker County, West Virginia.

REVISED NOTICE OF FILING

On August 3, 2023, the Canaan Valley Public Service District (CVPSD) filed an application, duly verified, for a Certificate to construct certain additions and improvements to the Zone D wastewater transmission and treatment system in Tucker County. CVPSD seeks in this proceeding (1) to obtain a certificate of convenience and necessity to expand its service in Zone D to serve additional resale, commercial and residential customers and users and (2) to the extent necessary, to seek approval of a new tariff (a) to cover any projected increase in its operational and maintenance costs for its entire system and customer base, and (b) to cover the costs not covered by grants and interest free loans which will be reasonably incurred to make the improvements requested in this application for a certificate of convenience and necessity. The proposed project will serve customers along Appalachian Highway (W.Va. State Rt. 32), Bensland Road, Cortland Road, and Maple Grove Road in Canaan Valley, near Davis, Tucker County, West Virginia.

On October 18, 2023, the District filed a revised application.

The revised application is on file with and available for public inspection at the Public Service Commission, at 201 Brooks Street, in Charleston, West Virginia.

The Canaan Valley Public Service District estimates that construction will cost approximately \$3,405,000.00. It is proposed that the construction will be financed as follows: A debt forgiveness loan from the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) in the amount of \$1,500,000; a \$500,000.00 grant from the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (WVJDC); and a loan from the WVDEP of \$1,405,000.00 with a term of 40 years, with an annual interest rate of 0.25% and an annual administrative fee of 0.25%.

The utility anticipates charging the following sewer rates and including the following tariff language for its customers:

APPLICABILITY:

Applicable within the entire area served.

AVAILABILITY:

Available for General Residential, Commercial, Industrial, and Sale to Resale Customers.

MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE:

\$86.00 per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU)¹

DELAYED PAYMENT PENALTY:

The above schedule is net. On all accounts not paid in full within thirty (30) days of the date of the bill, ten percent (10%) will be added to the net current amount unpaid. This delayed payment penalty is not interest and is to be collected only once for each bill where it is appropriate.

TAP FEE:

The following charges are to be made whenever the Utility installs a new tap to serve an applicant: A tap fee of \$300.00 will be charged to customers applying for service before construction is completed adjacent to the customer's premises in connection with a certificate proceeding before the Commission. This pre-construction tap fee will be invalid after the completion of construction adjacent to an applicant's premises that is associated with a certificate proceeding. A tap fee of \$300.00 will be charged to all customers applying for service outside of a certificate proceeding before the Commission for each new tap to the system.

8.97% CASH WORKING CAPITAL RESERVE INCREMENT:

8.97% of total billings at the indicated rates is required to be recorded as a credit to "Miscellaneous Operating Reserves", with related collections to be charged to "Other Special Funds" and deposited into a distinct CWCR Bank Account.

¹An EDU is equivalent to 280 gallons per day.

BILLING:

Whenever sewage treatment is disconnected or stopped at a customer's request, and a request for reinstatement of sewage treatment service to the same premises is made by the customer of record or any adult member of that customer's household in the next succeeding twelve months, the customer shall pay a reconnection fee of \$100.00 and an additional sum equal to the minimum charge per each billing month, or portion thereof, for the period of time that service was disconnected. These rates represent no project-related rate increase. Language changes are to become effective upon substantial completion of the project unless otherwise ordered.

NOTE: Because CVPSD does not meter the sewage collected from each customer, all customers and resale customers within Zone D are invoiced for one Equivalent Dwelling Unit (1 EDU) (280 gallons per day) or a smaller percentage of one EDU in some instances. The WVPSC has approved billing by EDU by the Canaan Valley Public Service District.

These rates represent no project-related rate increases to become effective upon substantial completion of the project.

	Current Rate per EDU	Proposed Rate per EDU	% Increase	\$ Increase per EDU
Residential	86.00	86.00	-0.0%	\$-0-
Commercial	86.00	86.00	-0.0%	\$-0-
Industrial	None			
ReSale	86.00	86.00	-0.0%	\$-0-
Other	None			

Current resale customers of Canaan Valley Public Service District in Zone D include Black Bear Woods Resort Owners Association, Beaver Ridge Resort Owners Association, North Point Owners Association, and Northlake Owners Association. The resale customers to be added in the proposed expansion project include Deerfield Village Owners Association, Inc., and Windwood Water Works, LLC.

The proposed rates and charges among the various classes of customers are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing.

Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or request to intervene within thirty (30) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely protest or request to intervene can affect your right to protest aspects of this certificate case, including any associated rate increases, or to participate in future proceedings. All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or request to intervene. Requests to intervene must comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All protests and requests to intervene should be addressed to Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323.

In the absence of substantial protest received within thirty (30) days of this publication, the Commission may waive formal hearing and grant the application based on the Commission's review of the evidence submitted with the application.

CANAAN VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

WVDNR seeks meat processors for Hunters Helping the Hungry program

Hunters have donated more than 1 million pounds of nutritious venison over program's 32 years

SOUTH CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources today announced a need for additional meat processors to participate in the Hunters Helping the Hungry program, a collaborative effort with food banks to help provide nutritious protein to hungry people around the state.

"Over the past 32 years and with the help of hunters and meat processors around the state, we've been able to provide more than 1 million pounds of highly nutritious meat for people in need throughout West Virginia," said WVDNR Director Brett McMillion. "Meat is in high demand at food banks around the state, so we're asking for more processors to step up and help out. We also want to encourage hunters to get in the woods this fall, fill the limit on their license and stamps and then donate any extra meat to processors."

Wild game is often healthier than many commercially available proteins. According to the Cornell University Cooperative Extension Service, a three-ounce serving of venison has 102 calories, 19.5 grams of protein and just 2.06 grams of fat, while a 3-ounce serving of lean ground beef has 114 calories, 15.41 grams of protein and 5.36 grams of fat.

Meat is first donated by hunters, who take their deer to a participating meat processor where it is ground, packaged and frozen. The Mountaineer Food Bank in Gassaway and Facing Hunger Foodbank in Huntington then pick up donated meat

from processors and distributes it to individuals and families in need through a statewide network of 600 charitable food pantries, soup kitchens, senior centers, shelters, community centers, orphanages, missions and churches.

To participate in the program, processors need to be certified with either the U.S. Department of Agriculture or the West Virginia Department of Agriculture. Once certified, processors should express their interest in participating by sending a copy of certification to the WVDNR's Hunters Helping the Hungry program coordinator, Trevor Moore, by calling 304-924-6211 or sending an email to trevor.m.moore@wv.gov. Once approved, processors can begin receiving and storing meat for pick up. Processors are reimbursed at a rate of \$3 per pound.

Since the program was started in 1992, more than 1 million pounds of venison from 28,826 deer have been donated and processed. During the 2022 seasons, hunters donated 681 deer, which provided 24,580 pounds of venison for individuals and families in need. To learn more, visit WVDnr.gov/hunters-helping-the-hungry.

For season dates, bag limits and other regulations, hunters should consult the West Virginia Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary, available online at WVDnr.gov and at WVDNR district offices and license agents around the state. To purchase a hunting license, visit WVhunt.com.



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West Virginia Office of Broadband publishes BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 2 for public comment

The West Virginia Department of Economic Development, Office of Broadband, (WVDED), published the BEAD Initial Proposal Volume 2 for review and comment. Comments will be accepted for 30 days, beginning October 20, 2023. The document is available here.

The WVDED in partnership with Region VII Planning and Development Council will host a public meeting to provide details about the Initial Proposal Volume 2 on November 1, 2023, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm, at the Upshur County Public Library at 1150 Route 20 South Rd. in Buckhannon, WV.

Volume 2 follows the requirements of the National Telecommunication and Information Administration (NTIA) to address the following topics: Local coordination, sub-grantee selection for deployment and non-deployment, implementation activities, labor standards, workforce readiness, provisions for minority and women owned businesses, cost and barrier reduction, climate assessment, low-cost broadband service, regulatory issues, middle class affordability, and other components as required by NTIA.

The WVDED and the Regional Planning and Development Councils have previously collaborated on multiple broadband planning initiatives and performed public outreach meetings earlier this year. This meeting will also provide general updates on the State's

BEAD and Digital Equity Programs.

The WVDED is responsible for deploying local and federal broadband funds, including \$1.2 billion in federal Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) funding for broadband development in West Virginia. BEAD is administered by NTIA. The BEAD application requires several steps: a Five-Year Action Plan, Initial Proposal Volume I, Initial Proposal Volume 2, followed by a Final Proposal. The BEAD Program also requires states to coordinate efforts with Digital Equity planning, workforce development, and capacity building.

Public Comment Sought

WVDED seeks public comment to ensure that this document reflects the needs of West Virginians. All members of the public are encouraged to provide feedback on the contents of the Initial Proposal Volume 2 via:

- Online Comment Form, found here.
- Printable Comment Form, which can be printed here and mailed to the WVDED at 1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East, Building 3, Room 600, Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Comments must be postmarked by November 20, 2023.
- Copies of the Initial Proposal Volume 2 will be available at each of the State's 11 Regional Planning and Development Councils (RPDCs).

This Week's Submitted Photos



This week's picture of a sunrise in the Nursery Bottom, was taken by Teri Cayton.

Creative Entrepreneur Fellowship Opens Applications for 2024

Tamarack Foundation for the Arts (TFA) is proud to announce the opening of applications for the Creative Entrepreneur Fellowship (CEF). The call for applications to artists working and residing in West Virginia opens November 1, 2023. The CEF program provides entrepreneurship training and financial literacy education, helping artists boost their business practice with mentoring, education and resources. The program also provides experiences, connections, skills and relationships with West Virginia professional artists and arts institutions to support the fellows in their career goals. Online submissions open on November 1 for the

2024 cohort of Creative Entrepreneurs Fellows on the TFA's website.

Each year, the TFA's Creative Entrepreneur Fellowship program awards up to five fellowships to qualified and talented artists working in the fields of traditional and fine craft or visual arts. As of 2023, CEF has named 5 cohorts, with a total of 24 Fellows. The deadline for applications is January 13, 2024. The new CEF cohort will be announced in April 2024. The Fellowship provides technical training, mentoring, consulting, branding, and a \$2,500 award to assist each fellow with the successful development and launch of their creative business. Through increased

visibility, marketing and networking we assist each fellow to integrate into local and regional markets and access to professional development.

TFA's Creative Entrepreneur Fellows are artists who demonstrate not only a superior level of mastery in their craft, but also the aptitude to become successful professionals capable of leading well-managed creative enterprises. Fellows represent the potential for outcomes beyond the scope of their individual bodies of work and are viewed as future contributors to growing local economies and businesses that make communities more desirable places for all.

The Tamarack Foundation for the Arts is a West Virginia nonprofit organization which offers programs designed to support artists in all stages of their development. Through fellowships and professional development training the foundation fosters emerging artists, assists mid-career artists and showcases master artists. Questions about the program can be directed to Robby Moore, TFA's Art Extension Educator, in partnership with WV SU Extension Service, at robby@tamarackfoundation.org. Visit www.tamarackfoundation.org for more information about TFA and all of their programming.

YOU CAN HELP...

WARM THE CHILDREN

Providing New Winter Clothing for Local Children in Need



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

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

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

How will the children's clothing be purchased?

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

CLIP & MAIL

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

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

MAIL TO: **WARM THE CHILDREN FUND**
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

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