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City of Parsons Considers Redesign of City Seal

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

The City of Parsons decided to not move forward with a resolution proposed by Council Member Tim Turner that would have directed City Manager to oversee the redesign of the City Seal. The matter was brought before the Parsons City Council in open session.

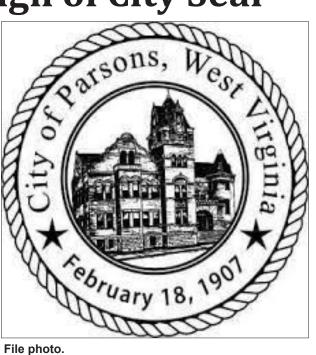
Turner stated that his reason for bring the matter before the board hinged on the current seal's portrayal of the Tucker County Courthouse. "There is a resolution to change the

design of the seal," Turner said. "If you look at the seal, it's the County Courthouse. We don't conduct business in the County Courthouse."

The Council was divided on the issue with some members stating that the Seal should reflect the history of Parsons and what contributed historically to the City and others stating the Seal pictured only the historic section of the Courthouse complex, but that it is the most identifiable building in the city. "We are the County Seat of Tucker County," Council Member Tim Auvil said. "That is the oldest historical structure in our town.'

City Administrator Agnes Arnold stated that she did not feel comfortable being tasked with the redesign as well as said that she is not a graphic designer. Turner said that his resolution, if approved, would only direct her to oversee the redesign process. "I don't think it should be me," Arnold said. "I'm not graphics. I don't feel like that should be on my plate to do that."

Arnold also said that the current Seal is on all City letterhead, documents, official communications and equipment. Arnold also stressed that should the resolution pass, there would be significant cost accured in not only the design process, but in replacing all current Seals on the City's equipment, buildings, websites, letterhead and other official communications. "I do want to express the expense we have in supplies," Arnold said. "We have our maintenance shop up there has the current seal. I just want to throw that out there that it is going to be very expensive and wasteful to the current supplies that we have...It's on all of our information."



reflect the building that business is conducted in. "Their's the Courthouse. It's not the City's," Turner said. "The City does not conduct business there. The City conducts business here. We have the building named after Mr. Rosenau and I feel that it should be on its Seal. Not something that we do not own, nor where we conduct business."

Council Member Melissa Jones said that she felt the current seal image better represents Tucker County. "That building right there represents Tucker County," Jones said. "I understand that it is a historical place and it's been on there for a long time, but I think that we need to have something to distinguish Parsons."

The Council debated over what the wishes of the late Mayor Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau would have been, as well as what the wishes of the Roseanu family were on the subject. Mayor Bruce Kolsun stated that he felt that Rosenau served under the current seal and that is the one that should remain. "In my opinion, his dad served under that Seal," Kolsun said. "I think we need to keep the seal because that is what where his dad served."

Jones suggested that the redesign of the Seal would be an opportunity to showcase young local artists. "I think this would be a good opportunity for our young artists in Parsons to depict something to go in the middle that represents Parsons. Be it the Railroad Trestle or be it this city hall," Jones said.



Bruce Kolsun was sworn in as Mayor of Parsons on Nov. 17 by Sherry Simmons, Clerk of the Tucker County Commission. Kolsun is seen here with his hand on his Bible held by his wife Cynthia. His son, Phillips Kolsun, was also in attendance. Kolsun was elected mayor by the Council on Tuesday, Nov. 14 following the resignation of Dorothy Judy. "I am humbled to represent the City of Parsons and our citizens," Kolsun stated.

Kolsun Appointed **Mayor of Parsons**

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It has become official for Acting Mayor Bruce Kolsun. Kolsun was named Mayor by appointment to complete the term left when Mayor Dorothy Judy resigned October 13th. "The (West Virginia) Code...says that that the council has to appoint a mayor once the vacancy is confirmed," Attorney for the City of Parson Tim Stranko said. "Until the next regular election."

Following some questions by Council Member Melissa Jones, Stranko explained that the appointment would not reset the mayoral term. According to Stranko, Kolsun would only be completing the remainder of Judy's established term. "You are nominating and electing a Mayor to finish the term, the regular term, that Mayor Judy would have," Stranko said. During the appointment discussion and vote, Kolsun relinquished the chair to Council Member Tim Auvil. Kolsun abstained from the vote and discussion on the issue, as well.

Mayor to the City of Parsons, instead of Acting Mayor." Auvil said. The motion was seconded by Council Member James Humphrey.

Kolsun was appointed by unanimous vote by the entirety of the council. All members were present with Council Member David Greenlief appearing via phone and City Attorney Stranko appearing via video conferencing. "Congratulations, Mayor," Auvil said.

Kolsun was also congratulated by the council. "My congratulations, Mr. Mayor," Humphrey said.

Turner stated that he felt the Seal should

Mike Canfield of Tucker County EMS

and OEM Office, has announced plans to

hold a Cave Search and Rescue Course

in Tucker County. There will be cost

of approximately \$61 for the three day

course, according to Canfield. Canfield

said the class would be held on a Friday,

Saturday and Sunday. According to Can-

field he is in need of 30 interested individ-

uals in order to hold the class. "I need 30

Canfield said he anticipates the course

to be held around February, but a lot is

dependent on the availability of students

as to the exact date of the course. The

course will be taught by instructors from

Previously, Canfield had announced

in August his intent to host a series of

free search and rescue courses in Tucker

County. Canfield said he hopes to even-

tually establish a local search and rescue

The free courses announced in August

Land Navigation using Map and

Virginia, according to Canfield.

By: Lydia Crawley

students," Canfield said.

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Auvil made a motion to remove the agenda item. The motion was passed. The next meeting of the Parsons City Council will be held December 5 at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building located at 341 Second Street in Parsons.

> Auvil made the motion to appoint Kolsun. "That being said, I make a motion that we appoint Bruce Kolsun as our

Kolsun thanked the Council for the appointment before resuming his duties as Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

As a result of the appointment, the seat of Recorder will be vacant. The council will address the issue of Recorder at the next meeting with the item being placed on the December agenda. Kolsun will serve as Mayor until June of 2026 under the appointment.

The next meeting of the Parsons City Council will be held on December 5 at 6 p.m. at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building located at 341 Second Street in Parsons.



Walgreen Representative **Issues Statement**

In response to The Parsons Advocate's inquiry about the closure of the Parsons location of Walgreens, a Walgreens representative issued the following statement. "When faced with the difficult decision to close a location,

several factors are taken into account, including our existing footprint of stores, dynamics of the local market, and changes in the buying habits of our patients and customers, among other reasons."

Christmas Displays Wanted

The Parsons Advocate is seeking unique Christmas yard displays to feature in our upcoming issues. We are seeking large or uniquely themed displays, as well as any displays that may be coordinated to music or

have an FM transmitted musical element. If you know of any unique yard displays, whether musical or not, please submit your suggestions to the Parsons Advocate for consideration.

Lost Person Behavior SAR Incident Command/Management Search and Rescue Courses being offered, INIMS 100, 200, 700, 800 (Done contact Mike Canfield at 304-642-1711. Online)

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Bleeding

- SAR Radio Communication, Ham Radio
- Clue Awareness, Tracking
- Search Strategies
- Knots

Cave Search and Rescue

Course Seeks Students

- Swift Water Awareness
- Scent Theory
- Blood-borne Pathogens
- Crime Scene Prevention
- Air Scent Canine
- Trailing Canine
- HRD Land
- HRD Water
- Drone Safety, Search Strategies with Drone
- ATV Safety, Search Strategies with ATV
- Mountain Bike Safety, Search Strategies with Mountain Bike
- Night Search Operations
- Flora/Fauna (Plant and Animal Awareness)
- Safe Water (How to make water safe to drink)

According to Canfield, interested individuals age 16 and over are eligible to participate and do not have to be associated with emergency services of any kind and there is not a Tucker County residency requirement as the class is open to anyone from anywhere who wishes to attend.

For more information on this or other Canfield said he assembling a list of interested parties for future courses, as well.

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\$3.6 MILLION FOR EIGHT RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN WEST VIRGINIA

Charleston, WV – U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV), member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, announced \$3,619,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development program for eight projects that will spur economic development throughout West Virginia.

"Investing in our communities means long-term economic development that creates and supports good-paying jobs," said Senator Manchin. "I am pleased USDA is investing more than \$3.6 million in these eight vital projects across our state, which include building and renovating several community centers in Hancock, Pendleton, and Randolph counties, enhancing energy research efforts in Morgantown, and providing funding to support Woodlands Community Lenders. As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I will continue advocating for resources that ensure rural communities across the Mountain State have what they need to thrive."

Individual awards listed below: • \$1,772,000 (Loan) – Randolph County Development Authority

o This funding will support building a 26,500 square foot event center. Half of the building will be a theater style seating setup and the other half will be a flexible open space for exhibits and events.

• \$750,000 (Loan) – Woodlands Community Lenders

o This funding will be used to make loans to small businesses in nine counties: Barbour, Randolph, Tucker, Upshur, Webster, Pocahontas, Pendleton, Grant, and Preston Counties.

• \$500,000 (Loan) – Woodlands Community Lenders

o This funding will be used to make loans to small businesses in three counties: Barbour, Randolph, and Tucker Counties.

• \$250,000 (Grant) – West Virginia University Research Corporation

o This funding will support providing technical assistance services to 40 small businesses in Morgan-

Citizens Named in Top 10 Best

town. Striving to develop energy assessments and energy audits for small business located in rural areas.

• \$99,500 (Grant) – Randolph County Development Authority

o This funding will support purchasing equipment and furnishings to complete a conference and event center.

• \$99,000 (Grant) – Pendleton County Economic & Community Development

o This funding will support the creation of a rural business and entrepreneurial innovation center in Pendleton County.

• \$97,750 (Grant) – City of Weirton

o This funding will support the building and development of a conference and event center in Hancock County.

• \$50,750 (Grant) – Experience Learning

o This funding will support renovating and upgrading the Sweetwater Farm Trail Center in Pendleton County.

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 Robert 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, Delores Nestor, Omer Roy Cross, Julie Cross Weese and Julie Cross Weese, Black Fork District, 2.29 acres and .06 acres to Carlo Ricottilli, \$1,111.
- Rebecca A. Cantrell and Joshua T. Saville, Davis Corporation, Part of Lot 42 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 L. Kelley, Lot 9 Yokum Run; .524 cares 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, Eve Anne Moore and Candace DeCourten, Parsons Corporation, Lot 5 to Randall B. Tasker and Kayla L. Tasker, \$139.900.
- Judy C. Rembold, Black Fork District, 65 ¹/₂ acres, to H & A Holdings LLC, \$70,000.
- Richard B. Hedrick and Deborah L. Hedrick, Clover District, 17.8 acres to Robert F. Jackson, \$44,000.



Citizens Bank of West Virginia has claimed another top national ranking, with the recent announcement that the bank has ranked #7 as one of the country's Best Banks to Work For by American Banker magazine and Best Companies Group. The bank moved up 12 spaces in 2023 on the leaderboard, ranking #19 in 2022 on the prestigious list. Each year, participating financial institutions with at least 50 employees are evaluated on their workplace practices and policies. Additionally, employees are surveyed to assess overall workplace attitudes and experiences. Combined scores determine the final best banks ranking "It is an honor to be recognized as one of the top banks to work for in the nation, and we take immense pride in ensuring that Citizens Bank provides a great workplace for our employees," said Citizens President & CEO Nathaniel S. Bonnell. "The results speak volumes to our management quality, excellent benefits and overall culture. We truly care about all our employees, their careers, their families, and their workplace happiness. To have our employees report favorably about their work environment and 2023 Best Small Bank in West Virginia, 2023 Top 200 Community Bank, 2023 Small Business Administration (SBA) WV Community Lender of the Year, 2023 ICBA Top Consumer/Mortgage Lender, and The Inter-Mountain's 2023 People's





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how they feel valued as members of our team is extremely gratifying. We are incredibly proud of our employees and the superior service they provide for our customers and communities."

Bonnell further stated that employee happiness and a rewarding work environment also translates into positive bank performance. "We know that how you treat your staff influences their work and is clearly a testament to all the accolades Citizens has received this year – nationally, regionally, and locally." Citizens Bank was named Newsweek's Choice Best Bank.

About Citizens Bank of West Virginia

Citizens Financial Corp. (OTC: CIWV) is the parent company of Citizens Bank of West Virginia, Inc. with assets of \$630 million and headquartered in Elkins, WV. From six office locations in North Central and northern West Virginia, the bank provides integrated financial services including retail and commercial banking, wealth management, and mortgage services. For more information on Citizens Financial Corp. or Citizens Bank of West Virginia, Inc., visit us online at www.citizenswv.com.

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Gas Prices Still Falling

The average price for gasoline across Northern West Virginia is two cents lower this week at \$3.100 per gallon, according to AAA East Central's Gas Price Report.

This week's average prices: Northern WV Average \$3.100

Average price during the week of November 13, 2023 \$3.126

Average price during the week of November 21, 2022 \$3.605

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

\$3.151	Bridgeport
\$3.147	Clarksburg
\$3.153	Huntington
\$3.065	Martinsburg
\$3.162	Morgantown
\$3.002	Parkersburg
\$3.089	Weirton
\$3.028	Wheeling
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With Thanksgiving fast approaching, the national average for a gallon of gas is steadily declining. Since last week, pump prices have fallen six cents to \$3.30. Since the price peak for 2023, the national average has either fallen or remained flat for 60 straight days. Ten states now have averages below \$3 per gallon. Today's national average is 25 cents less than a month ago and 37 cents less than a year ago.

According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand decreased from 9.49 to 8.95 million barrels per day last week. Meanwhile, total domestic gasoline stocks decreased by 1.5 million barrels to 215.7 million barrels. Lower gas demand, alongside declining oil prices, has contributed to pushing pump prices down.

At the close of Wednesday's formal trading session, West Texas Intermediate decreased by \$1.60 to settle at \$76.66. Oil prices fell due to reduced market concerns that the conflict in the Middle East will escalate, which could lead to a reduction in regional oil production and higher prices. Additionally, the EIA reported that total domestic commercial crude inventories increased by 3.6 million barrels to 439.4 million barrels last week.

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

<u>Obituaries</u>

Robert Lynn Cassiday

Robert Lynn Cassiday, 82, a resident of Hambleton and more recently, a resident of Nella's at Autumn Lake, passed from this life Tuesday, November 21, 2023, at the nursing home and under the care of WV Caring.

Robert was born Wednesday, April 9, 1941, in Thomas, a son of the late William Andrew Cassiday and Bessie Margaret Mick Cassiday.

Left to cherish Robert's memory are two daughters, Danielle Cassiday and companion, Michael Scott, of Beverly and Robert Lynn Garn and husband, Russ, of Pittsburgh, PA, two brothers, Phillip Cassidy and wife, Evelyn of Hambleton, and William Ray Cassidy and wife, Kathy, of Eastlake, OH, a sister, Naomi Moore of Parsons, two grandchildren, Markus Cassiday and Mary Cassiday, four great grandchildren, Hannah Garn, Violet Naomi, and Capri Cassiday, and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Robert in death besides his parents was a sister, Dorothy Mae Helmick and husband, Richard, two half-brothers, Ronald Lee Buckbee and Vernon Buckbee and wife, Mary Ann, and a brotherin-law, Ronald Moore.

Robert was a graduate of Parsons High School with the Class of 1959. He had worked as a diesel mechanic for D&W Truck Lines from which he retired, and had also worked for Kingsford Manufacturing Company, Nelson Tree Service, Hinchcliff Lumber Company, Parsons Footwear, and Dorman Mills. Robert enjoyed hunting, fishing, and digging ramps.

Robert's request for cremation will be honored. A graveside service will be held at Parsons City Cemetery at a later date. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Robert Lynn Cassiday. Send online condolences to the family at www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com

Remembering the Tucker County Bank Building in Parsons



By Belva Dilly

The Tucker County Bank started in 1898 but they didn't have a home of their own until 1903. It was the first bank in Parsons and its first home was in the Circuit Court Clerk's office in the Court House. The building is located on the corner of Walnut and First Street. It is no longer being used as a bank. It moved to a new building in 1969.

The bank built a new building located on the corner of Third Street and Walnut Street. Early photo above right is from the Tucker County Historical Society collection. They bought a house and moved it to another lot and built the new bank. After the Flood of 1985 the bank was purchased by The Citizens National Bank.

While the Tucker County Bank Building was being used as a bank, other floors and parts of the bank were used as a drug store with a soda fountain, bus Depot, law firms, doctor's offices, insurance agencies, a telephone company, Tucker County Board of Education, and the third floor was used as a Masonic Lodge. It is said that the third floor was designed to be used as the Masonic Lodge. The Parsons' lodge formed in 1905 and was located



in this building until the early part of Twenty First Century when they moved to a building located on Route 72 N next to Adkins Builders Supply.

The part that was used as a drug store was sold to Rodney Barb in 1944. The rest of the building was sold to Jane and Nick Barb after the move to the new bank located farther down the street. There was a drug store in the building from 1904 until Barb's closed their doors just a few years ago. The building was later owned by PRO {Parsons Revitalization Organization), with the exception of the part where the drug store was located. That part of the building is owned by Warren Judy. It was a paint store and is now occupied by a restaurant. The second and third floors have had very little interior change. Photo below is a recent view of the building.

This article appeared in the April, 2002 edition of the Tucker County Historical Society quarterly newsletter. The TCHS is a tax-exempt non-profit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. It meets monthly in Parsons with membership open to anyone for annual dues of \$10 mailed to PO Box 13, Hambleton, WV 26269.

Davis Health Welcomes New Pediatrician, Dr. Ebba

Elkins, WV – Davis Health System is happy to welcome Dr. Ebba to its Davis Medical Center (DMC) Pediatric team.

Dr. Ebba has over 30 years of experience in pediatrics, both in private practice and in academia, and has been board certified in Pediatrics since 1993. He recently relocated to Elkins from the Atlanta, GA area.

"After 30 years of practicing in different locations, most of which were in big cities, I wanted to practice in a small town with access to the great outdoors and at the same time affords me the ability literally walk to my clinic," said Dr. Ebba.

Ebba earned his medical degree from Howard University School of Medicine, Washington, D.C. He completed his residency at Emory University School of



Medicine in Atlanta, GA before completing his fellowship at Georgetown University School of Medicine in Washington, D.C.

He is the founding member & president of Gemini Health Care Group, a non-profit health care organization working in Sub-Saharan African countries since 2006. He also is founder and co-chair of Pediatrics by the Nile, and annual pediatric CME based in Ethiopia since 2011.

"We are extremely pleased that Dr. Ebba has joined our Pediatric team," said DHS Chief Medical Officer Catherine "Mindy" Chua, D.O., M.S. "Clinically, professionally and personally, he brings so much to the care of children and their parents. We are beyond happy to welcome him to Elkins."

"What attracted me most to Elkins is its small-town charm as well as its accessibility to big city amenities of Pittsburgh and D.C within driving distance. The hospital staff and clinician colleagues have been welcoming and supportive and the patients have been appreciative," Ebba added.

Davis Medical Center Pediatrics is located on the ground floor of the outpatient clinics. Dr. Ebba joins the Pediatric team of Dr. Amanda Pennington, and Rachel



Anger, NP. They see patients from newborn to young adult for preventive, illness and injury, and chronic disease management.

Dr. Ebba is currently taking new patients. Call the Patient Access Center at 304.637.3894 for information or an appointment.



Dr. Ebba



The family of Leota Knotts Parsons would like to thank everyone who sent flowers, gifts, cards and visited at the funeral home.

We would also like to thank the First United Methodist Church for the wonderful dinner afterwards and to Pastor Julie Davis for leading the funeral service.

Your kindness touched our hearts in this difficult time.

Thank you so much!

Page 4A – The Parsons Advocate - November 29, 2023 Hinkle Appears Following No Show Confusion

By: Lydia Crawley *The Parsons Advocate*

Following a Grand Jury Indictment on seven charges, Crystal Hinkle, appeared in court on November 15th. The charges included Fraudulent Registration of a Vehicle, Possession with Intent to Deliver and Driving While Revoked for DUI.

Last month, Hinkle had failed to appear following her Grand Jury Hearing. There was some confusion noted in the court over whether she had been formally informed of the appearance date which led to the rescheduling of the hearing.

Hinkle appeared in person along with her attorney Morris Davis. Judge Courrier asked if the defendant had a copy of the Indictment. The defense indicated that they did not. The defense waived the reading of the indictment. The court granted the Grand Jury minutes in accordance with the rules because the witness will be testifying during the case.

The issue of bond was addressed during the hearing. Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney Savannah Hull Wilkins requested cash bond as well as Community Corrections supervision and registering with the State Patrol barracks. The defense objected to the proposal of Community Corrections supervision. "I don't think her non appearance would be a concern for the court," Davis said.

Judge Courrier took the middle ground on the issue of bond. "I'll split the difference," Judge Courrier said. He ordered a PR Bond of \$10,000 with Community Corrections for, "supportive services and any monitoring she may need," Judge Courrier said. Hinkle was also ordered to report to the State Police Barracks. Wilkins said she would have her office contact the State Police and inform them that Hinkle would be coming by after court.

Judge Courrier asked the attorneys if there would be any suppression motions in the case and both attorneys indicated that there would not be. According to Wilkins, Hinkle left the scene and no statements were taken at the time of the incident. "She left the scene and there were no statements from her," Wilkins said.

Hinkle was initially charged with Fictitious Inspection and Driving While Revoked. Hinkle was scheduled for a follow up hearing in December.

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This is a CB card for Cooper's Restaurant which was in Davis. The late Martin "Red" Cooper was the owner and operator of the establishment. Red Cooper served as mayor for the town of Davis, was a contractor and a Christmas Tree Farmer. Many folks used C B Radios and there was a Radio station for tourist Information. Most folks will remember the demise of Red's wife Ida Mae. She came home from shopping in town when she was kidnapped. The kidnapper had demanded \$750,000.00. He made his first call to the Elkins Inter Mountain office. He made a second call to the State Police Station and had Ida Mae to talk to the Police to verify he had indeed kidnapped her. She was eventually taken to a swampy area 14 miles from her home and shot her twice. She succumbed to the shootings. The kidnapper was picked up by the police within a short amount of time. When I lived in Davis, a lady told me a list of possible women to kidnap had been found and she was number 3 on the list. Ideas, comments, suggestions, or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

Stoop Appears After Arraignment

By: Lydia Crawley The Parsons Advocate

Nathan Stoop attended his first hearing after arraignment. Judge Courrier presided over the hearing. Stoop appeared in person along with his attorney Mr. Prentice. Tucker County Prosecuting Attorney Savannah Hull Wilkins represented the State in the case.

On the issue of suppression, Prentice indicated that he had a number of motions to file in the case. "There are motions I intend to file," Prentice said.

According to Prentice, his client has been doing well on bond. "Nathan has been doing well on his bond," Prentice said. "There have been no hiccups, as well."

Wilkins countered the fact that there have been issues since Stoop was released on bond. According to Wilkins, the victim has seen Stoop in Tucker County on numerous occasions and was even waved at by the defendant. "She did see Mr. Stoop in Tucker County and he did wave at her," Wilkins said.

There is a no contact order in place in the case, according to Wilkins. Wilkins said she was not going to ask for bond revocation. "I'm not going to revoke bond over a wave," Wilkins said. Wilkins did, however, request the court stress the importance of compliance to the order.

Should any further incident occur, Wilkins said she would ask that bond be revoked. "If anything like this happens again, I will file a motion to revoke," Wilkins said.

Prentice said he was unaware of any issues, but strongly objected to what he termed a "banishment from Tucker County." Stoop resides in Randolph County, according to Wilkins. Prentice said there are a number of reasons why Stoop would be in the County including shops, restaurants and various appointment. According to Prentice the no contact order was not in dispute. "We have no problem with the order to avoid her home," Prentice said.

Judge Courrier explained the scope of the no contact order to Stoop. "Just make sure you have no contact of any kind," Judge Courrier said. "Formal, informal. No go-betweens or anything that can be interpreted as contact." Stoop said he understood the no contact order when asked by Judge Courrier following the court's explanation.

A follow up hearing has been scheduled for January in the case.

Oh deer! West Virginia leads the nation in deer strike accidents



CHARLESTON, WV – Hunting isn't all we think about when it comes to deer. According to insurance statistics, the Mountain State leads the nation in deer strike accidents on the state's roads.

"We live in a mountainous, rural area where wildlife is prevalent," said Joe Pack, P.E. West Virginia Division of Highways (WVDOH) Chief Engineer of Operations. "The more rural the area, the more likely accidents are to happen."

Between January 1, 2023, and Monday, November 20, 2023, 10,618 deer were hit on West Virginia highways, as well as 15 bears. Coyotes and other wild animals are WVDOH field offices spread throughout the state.

"We treat it just like any other road obstruction," Pack said. A deer in the middle of an interstate poses more of a threat to the public than a deer on the side of a rural road, so the WVDOH takes care of the most dangerous sites first.

But WVDOH work crews might not be aware of every single animal strike. If you see a dead deer or other animal in or near a state roadway, you can report it through the Safety With Action Today (SWAT) hotline. Call 1-833-WVROADS, email WVROADS@wv.gov, or visit https://dot-

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also occasionally struck by cars on Mountain State roads.

Cleaning up after those accidents falls to the men and women who work in the

forms.wv.gov/cra to file a report of an animal strike online.

Citizens may also contact their local WVDOH field office.

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p.m., Central Ave., Parsons, WV.

Friends of Cortland Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Friends of Cortland Acres Monday, Dec. 4 in the Gathering Room at Cortland Acres at 1p.m.

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

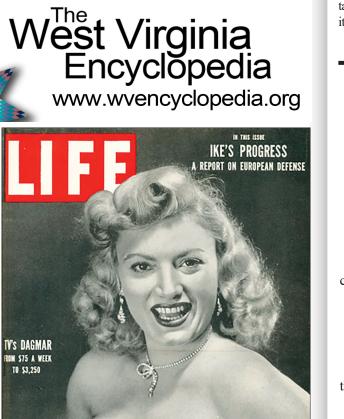
Nov. 29, 2001: Writer John Knowles died in Florida. Knowles, born in Fairmont, attained literary fame in 1959 with his first novel, A Separate Peace.

Nov. 30, 1796: Brooke County was established under an act of the General Assembly of Virginia. The county was formed from part of Ohio County and named in honor of Robert Brooke, governor of Virginia.

Dec. 1, 1797: Journalist and politician John S. Gallaher was born in Martinsburg. He owned or managed several Whig newspapers and was instrumental in establishing the free school system in Virginia. He played a prominent role in having early railroads routed through the Eastern Panhandle.

Dec. 1, 1936: Artist Ellie Schaul was born in Massachusetts. Since moving to West Virginia in 1956, she has been one of Appalachia's most enduring artists.

Dec. 2, 1859: John Brown was hanged at Charles Town in Jefferson County. Maj. Thomas J. Jackson, later nicknamed "Stonewall," was among those commanding the Virginia forces standing guard at the



JULY 16, 1951

Nov. 29, 1921: The actress Dagmar was born Virginia Ruth Egnor in Lincoln County. Her acting career took off in 1950 when she was hired to be on NBC's "Broadway Open House," the network's first late-night television show.

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Dec. 3, 1921: Operatic soprano Phyllis (Smith) Curtin was born in Clarksburg. She made her debut with the New York City Opera in 1953, where she sang both classical and modern repertoire.

Dec. 3, 1949: WSAZ-TV provided the first telecast of a Marshall College (now University) basketball game. The television station, the 72nd in the nation and the first in West Virginia, was an affiliate of WSAZ radio station. Dec. 4, 1901: Construction of the present Cabell County Courthouse was completed. An extensive remodeling was completed in 1940. Dec. 4, 1883: Social reformer Stella Fuller was born Stella Lawrence Cremeans in Point Pleasant. In the 1940s, Fuller opened a relief operation on Huntington's Washington Avenue. Eventually, the Stella Fuller Settlement expanded into the area's largest haven for the disadvantaged and homeless. Dec. 5, 1892: Daniel D. T. Farnsworth died at the age of 73 in Buckhannon. As state senate president, Farnsworth succeeded Governor Boreman, who resigned in the last days of his term after being elected as a U.S. senator by the state legislature.

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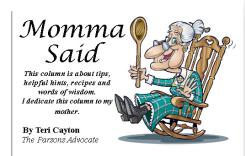
By Teri Cayton

The Parsons Advocate Here we are in the last week of Novem-

ber 2023 and the end of the year is coming fast. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and didn't eat too much. If you were out there deer hunting, I hope you got meat for the freezer. Momma Said, "You have to strike while the iron is hot and provide for the family."

If the economy keeps going the way it is, we will all be out hunting for something to eat. I went to the store the other day and was going to get some peanut M&M's. I rounded the corner and they were right at eye level as I automatically reached to get the bag I noticed the price. OMG, I had to take a step back and look again at the price, it was \$15.49 for a bag of candy.

Unfortunately, for the ole sweet tooth, I



didn't take home any candy. The price for groceries is out of sight and I can't imagine having a family with three or four kids and try to keep everyone fed properly. I know Mom had a hard time doing it 60 years ago and I can't see how families make it today. We did raise a lot of our own food and mom was great at canning, freezing and preserving all sorts of food. Momma Said, "Take advantage of what you have when you have it because it may not be there tomorrow."

Red Lobster Cheddar Bay Biscuits

Ingredients

- 1 ¹/₂ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 ¹/₂ cups cake flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons garlic powder • 1 1/2 sticks softened and cubed
- 2 cups 4 oz. shredded cheddar

cheese

• 1 ¹/₂ cups buttermilk

Garlic Topping

• 1/2 stick butter

• 2 cloves garlic, finely minced or through garlic press

- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon dried parsley

Instructions

• Preheat oven to 425oF (210oC). Line 2 baking sheets with parchment.

• Start out with the Butter Topping: In a small bowl, combine butter, minced garlic, garlic powder and parsley. Microwave until the butter melts, roughly 30 seconds. Set aside.

• To make the biscuits: In a large bowl, whisk both flours, baking powder, baking soda, salt, and garlic powder until combined. Add in the cubed butter and using your fingers, rub it into the flour mixture until it resembles coarse breadcrumbs.

• Add in the shredded cheese and mix to combine.

• Add in the buttermilk and mix until combined. Mix until all of the dry mix is wet. You will notice this is a soft batter and not dough.

• Using a 1/3 measuring spoon (large spoon), scoop the biscuit mixture onto the prepared baking sheets. Bake the biscuits for 10 minutes, and then remove and brush with butter mixture, and then bake for an additional 5 minutes until the tops are puffed and golden brown.

· Allow biscuits to cool on baking sheet for 5 minutes then transfer to a wire rack. Serve at room temperature or while slightly warm.

• Storage: Can be stored at room temperature in an airtight container for up to 2 days.



execution of the abolitionist who led the raid at Harpers Ferry.

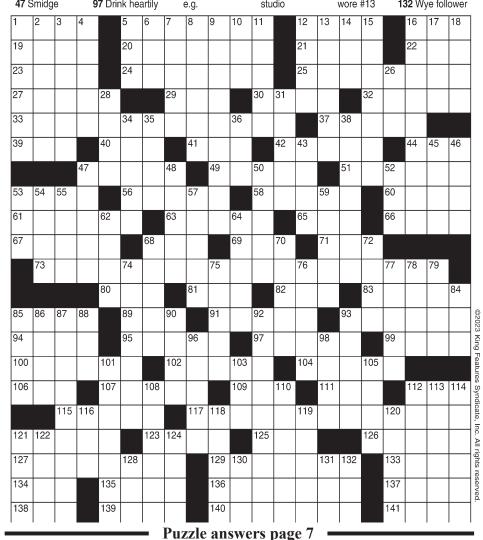
Dec. 2, 1933: The Charles Town Race Track opened shortly after West Virginia legalized racing and parimutuel betting. The Jefferson County complex contained 22 buildings and included 12 stables.

Dec. 3, 1787: James Rumsey demonstrated the steam engine he invented on the Potomac River near Shepherdstown. This was 20 years before Robert Fulton's boat, though the Fulton design was more practical, and it is Fulton who is honored today as the inventor of the steamboat.

Dec. 3, 1871: Statesman Newton Diehl Baker was born in Martinsburg. Appointed by President Woodrow Wilson, Baker served as secretary of war from 1916 to 1921. Baker oversaw U.S. involvement in World

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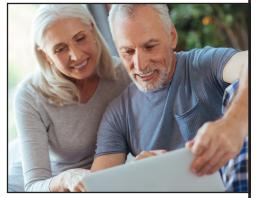
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WILLIAMSTOWN RUNS BY THE MT. **LIONS FOR SEMI-FINAL WIN 45-8**

By Dave Helmick TuckerCountySports.Com

PARSONS - The #2 Tucker County Football team hosted #3 Williamstown in the Semi-Finals of the West Virginia Football Playoffs on Friday November 24th. The Mt. Lions got down early and were unable to mount a comeback as defending State Champion, Williamstown picked up the road playoff win by the final score of 45-8.

The Mt. Lions won the coin toss and deferred their option to the second half. The visiting Yellowjackets got the ball to start the game and drove the ball down to the Tucker County 30, but they failed to convert on fourth down to give the Mt. Lions the ball. Tucker County was forced to punt on their first possession. Williamstown then put together a scoring drive on their second possession on a 5 yard touchdown run by Maxwell Molessa. The 2 point conversion was good on a run play to make the score 8-0 Yellowjackets with 1:41 left in the first quarter. Tucker County then put together a drive that put the ball down to the Williamstown 30 as the first quarter ended with the score 8-0 Williamstown. However, the Tucker County drive would end on an interception by the visiting Yellowjackets. The defending State Champs then marched the ball down the field on a 60 yard drive that was capped off on a 2 yard touchdown run by Carson Haines with 5:56 left in the second quarter. The PAT was good on a run play to put the score to 16-0 Williamstown. The Mt. Lions were forced to punt the ball back to the Yellowjackets and the visitor offense went to work again. Williamstown then scored on a 29 yard touchdown run by Molessa. The PAT was good on a run play to up the lead for the Yellowjackets to 24-0 with 2:40 left in the second. Tucker County then put together a drive that took the ball into Williamstown territory, but the drive stalled. The Yellowjackets then got the ball back late in the first half, but the Mt. Lions defense held Williamstown on a pass play at the end of the second quarter to keep the score at 24-0 Williamstown at the halftime break.

Tucker County received the kick to start the

third and the offense would go to work. The Mt. Lions drove the ball down inside the Williamstown 25 yard line, but Tucker County failed to convert on a fourth down to give the Yellowjackets the ball back. The visitors then got their offense rolling again as they marched down the field and scored on a 16 yard touchdown run by Molessa. The 2 point conversion was good on a run to make the score 32-0 Williamstown with 5:29 left in the third. The Mt. Lions offense would get on the scoreboard on their next drive as Ethan Rosenau connected with Jared Reall on a screen pass and Reall raced 65 yards for the touchdown. The PAT was good on a pass play from Rosenau to Garrett Wilfong to make the score 32-8 Yellowjackets with 5:00 left in the third. The Tucker County defense continued to struggle to slow down Williamstown as the visiting Yellowjackets scored again on a 4 yard touchdown run by Louis Goodnow with 2:01 left in the third quarter. The 2 point conversion was no good to put the score to 38-8 Williamstown. The Yellowjackets would add one final score in the game on a 27 yard touchdown run by Molessa with 55 seconds left in the third. The PAT kick was good off the leg of the Brylee Jones of Williamstown to make the score 45-8. The reserve players finished the game for both teams in the fourth quarter as the game ended with the final score of 45-8 Williamstown. The Yellowjackets with the win advanced to the State Championship game on December 2nd in Wheeling against Greenbrier West.

Ethan Rosenau ended the game for Tucker County with 16 of 29 passing for 173 yards, 1 TD, 2 Int. Jared Reall led the Mt. Lions in receiving with 4 receptions for 94 yards. Maddox Anderson had 35 yards receiving and Garrett Wilfong added 32 yards receiving in the loss for Tucker County. Williamstown outgained the Mt. Lions in total offense 442 to 189.

Tucker County ended their season with a 12-1 record. Special thanks to the following seniors for their great career's at TCHS: Ethan Rosenau, Maddox Anderson, Blaike Adams, Gavin Mullenax, Owen Knotts, Racer Channell, Hunter Ware and Aedan Kirk. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.Com.

AREA SCHEDULE:

Thursday November 30th Tucker Valley Girls' Basketball vs Petersburg @ Home 6pm Friday December 1st Tucker County Girls' Basketball vs Pendleton County, Varsity only 6:15pm Tucker Valley Boys' Basketball @ Belington 5:45pm Wednesday December 6th Tucker County Boys' Basketball vs Pendleton County @ Home 5:45pm Friday December 8th Tucker County Girls' Basketball vs East Hardy @ Home 6pm Tucker County Boys' Basketball @ Grafton Tournament 7:15pm



Tucker County captains Jared Reall(30), Owen Knotts(62), Maddox Anderson(88) and Ethan Rosenau(10) before the game against Williamstown on Nov. 24th. The Mt. Lions fell in the contest 45-8. Photo by Brittany Channell.



The Mt. Lions running back Jared Reall carries the ball against Williamstown Nov. 24th. Tucker County fell in the game 45-8. Photo by Brittany Channell.



Tucker County's defense makes the tackle against Williamstown on Nov. 24th. The Mt. Lions fell in the contest 45-8. Photo by Brittany Channell.



The Mt. Lions player Maddox Anderson looks for yardage after a reception against Williamstown on Nov. 24th. Tucker County dropped the game 45-8. Photo by Brittany Channell.

TUCKER COUNTY LADY MT. LIONS POISED FOR ANOTHER STRONG YEAR



2023-2024 Tucker County Girls' Basketball Seniors(L-R): Addie Hicks(12), Brylee Wetzel(20), Macy Helmick(22), Ericka Zirk(30), Avery Colebank(14) and Katie Hicks(21). Photo by Becky Moore.

By Chris George TuckerCountySports.Com

HAMBLETON - The Tucker County Lady Mountain Lions head into the 2023-2024 season with plenty of talent and experience back from a season ago where they came up just short in the State Championship game. The Lady Mountain Lions instead had to settle for the Class "A" State Runner-Up trophy.

and will be a big part of the team this season. A pair of newcomers to the backcourt this season will be sophomores Makenna Evans and Mayah Gross. Evans (5'6) guard and Gross (5'8) guard were two of the top players on the junior varsity club a year ago. Both will add speed, quickness and good scoring ability to this lineup. Another newcomer at the forward position will be sophomore Maddy Helmick. Helmick will add depth up front where she was a solid contributor a season ago on the JV team. Other players that look to see varsity action this season will be juniors Reagan Herron, Emily Snyder and Sutton Pase. The 2023-2024 schedule once again is solid from top to bottom. This Friday, the Lady Mountain Lions will open the season at home against Tygarts Valley. The rest of the regular season portion of the schedule features non-conference foes in Lincoln at home on Dec 21st. Charleston Catholic and Tug Valley away on January 12th and 13th, Home with Southern Garrett MD on January 18th. Then the Ladies will make a trip to Grafton to take on the Lady Bearcats on January 20th. They will then remain on the road to take on the Braxton County Lady Eagles on January 23rd. Finally, Tucker County will play the Gilmer County Lady Titans home and away during the regular season. Tucker will also host their Mount Storm Powerstation Holiday Tournament on Dec 28th and 29th. This Tournament will feature Class "AAAA" Hurricane and Class "AAA" Grafton along with Class "AA" Frankfort. The entire regular season schedule can be found on TuckerCountySports.com under the Schedules tab. Head Coach Helmick is excited for the season as he states, "We have 6 seniors returning and we have 7 of 10 varsity players back, we hope to build on the successful season we had last year." Helmick also said, "Our depth will be an asset again this season as we look to put 10 players on the floor every night." Once again you can catch the Tucker County Lady Mountain Home Games on the Tucker County High School Gym YouTube Live page. Chris George will once again be back to announce a select number of these games throughout the season. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.com.

Tygarts Valley @ Home 5:45pm Saturday December 2nd Tucker Valley Girls' Basketball vs South Middle @ Home 2pm **Tuesday December 5th** Tucker County Girls' Basketball @

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION Project No. 15318-000 Cabin Run Pumped Storage, LLC

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS (November 2, 2023) On July 12, 2023, Cabin Run Pumped Storage, LLC, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pur-

suant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Cabin Run Pumped Storage Project to be located near the Stony River and unincorporated community of Bismarck in Tucker and Grant Counties, West Virginia. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters

owned by others without the owners' express permission. The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) a 8,700-foot-long, 80-foot-high rock-fill embank-ment dike creating an upper reservoir with a 60-acre surface area and a 4,800-acre-foot storage capacity at a normal maximum water surface elevation of 4,030 feet above mean sea level (msl); (2) a 7,200-footlong, 80-foot-high rock-fill embankment dike enclosing a lower reservoir with a 60-acre surface area and a 4,800-acre-foot storage capacity at a normal maximum water surface elevation of 3,530 feet msl; (3) a 400-foot-long, 24-foot-diameter vertical power tunnel/shaft connecting a 4,650-foot-long, 24-foot-diameter horizontal power tunnel to the powerhouse; (4) a 550-foot-long, 120-foot-wide, 100-foot-high powerhouse housing four 57.5-megawatt (MW) reversible Francis pumping-generating units with a total installed capacity of 230 MW; (5) a 4.5-mile-long, 230-kilovolt transmission line from a proposed substation near the powerhouse to an interconnection point; (6) a substation including two 120 megavolt amperes generator step-up units; (7) a 20-foot-long, 20-foot-wide, 15-foot-high concrete pump station on the south bank of the Stony River (upper end of Mount Storm Lake), capable of conveying water at 50 cubic feet per second through a 3,400-foot-long, 2-foot-diamenter steel conduit to the lower reservoir for fill or refill purposes; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an annual generation of 671,000 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Nate Sandvig, Rye Development, LLC, 830 NE Holladay St., Portland, OR 97232; email: nathan@ryedevelopment.com; phone: (503) 309-2496.

FERC Contact: Woohee Choi; email: woohee.choi@ferc.gov; phone: (202) 502-6336.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at https://ferconline.ferc. gov/eFiling.aspx. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room IA, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-15318-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-15318) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary

Head Coach, Dave Helmick returns for his seventh year to lead these young ladies. Gone from a season ago is all state and 1,000 plus point scorer and 1,000 plus rebounder in Kadie Colebank. Kadie has taken her talents into the Mountain East Conference where she is currently playing for the Wheeling University Lady Cardinals.

However, coach Helmick has yet another Mountain East Conference product to be in guard Macy Helmick. Helmick (5'8 SR) is the leading returning scorer (12 ppg) from a season ago. Helmick recently signed to play basketball for West Virginia Wesleyan College next year. She will once again be asked to start at one of the guard positions, where she showed a season ago she is one of the top all around guards in Class A with her scoring and defensive ability. Brylee Wetzel (5'7 SR) will join Helmick in the backcourt. Wetzel averaged (10 ppg) a season ago. Avery Colebank (5'9 SR) returns for her final season. The Guard/Forward will be asked to once again supply this team with her good outside shooting (5 ppg) and solid rebounding from the wing.

Up front at the forward position, coach Helmick has a pair of talented 6-foot forwards. Ericka Zirk (6'1 SR) returns with three years of varsity experience. ZIrk (8 ppg) has improved each season and looks for her senior season to be her best. She will add scoring and rebounding inside. Raven Matthews (6'0 JR) showed her strong presence a season ago. Matthews will not only be a force on the boards but will provide a strong rebounding presence inside. Between Zirk and Matthews there will be plenty of blocks and rebounds for these two young ladies this season. Katie and Addie Hicks also return at the guard position to add not only scoring but strong defensive play. The twins (5'3 SR's) were both solid all-around players last year

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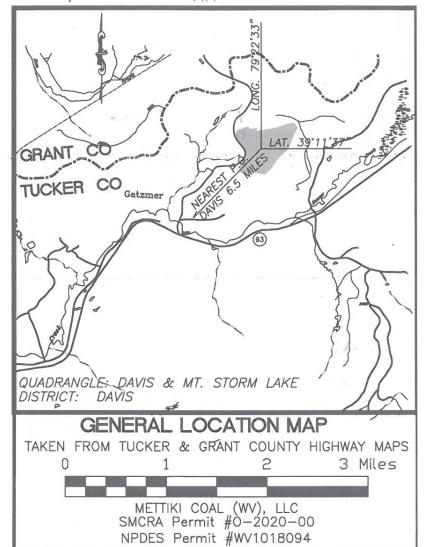
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 23-0773-G-CN-PW

HOPE GAS, INC. Application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct new and uprated facilities NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARINGS CONSTRUCTION OF PIPELINE FACILITIES IN MONONGALIA AND MARION COUNTIES, WEST VIRGINIA

On September 22, 2023, Hope Gas, Inc; (Hope) filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (Commission) an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (Application) for Hope's construction of new and uprated pipeline facilities substantially adjacent to existing pipeline infrastructure (located in Monongalia and northern Marion counties, West Virginia) (Project) to enhance the reliability of service by increasing the delivery of additional gas supply to the Morgantown, West Virginia area served by Hope, including to enhance reliability of service to critical public services such as important medical facilities in that area. Hope expects to commence construction on the Project on November 1, 2024, and to place the Project facilities into service on November 1, 2025. The Application is not proposing any immediate changes to Hope's rates.

The proposed Project facilities, which are subject to change: begin near Wadestown, Monongalia Coun-ty, West Virginia (Wadestown), west of WV-7; traverse easterly crossing WV-7 and continuing to a point on the Monongalia-Marion county border after crossing near WV 218; traverse easterly through northern Marion County to a point on the Marion-Monongalia county border after crossing and near CR 25; traverse easterly crossing CR 37 and continuing easterly crossing US 19 from the north at a location just north of Hope's proposed Black Knight measurement and regulation station (Black Knight), which is approximately 1.7 miles west of 1-79 at Grapevine Hill; traverse north from Black Knight crossing CR 1924, and then traverse northeast crossing 1-79 and WV 7; and terminate at a location northwest of Star City/Osage, West Virginia. In total, the Project facilities, which include pipeline, measurement and regulation stations, and other appurtenant facilities, traverse approximately 30 miles on existing and new right of way. A map of the Project facilities as well as a listing of all required permits and approvals are contained in the Application. A map of Project facilities can also be found at:

https://hopegas.com/docs/PSC_Overview_map_Morgantown_Connecttor.pdf.

The Application is on file with and available for public inspection at the Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia, and is available online at the Commission website (www.psc.state.wv.us).

The current estimated total Project cost is approximately \$177 million. The potential rate impact for the Project is unknown at this time and Hope will seek to recover the actual cost in future rate proceedings.

The Commission will conduct a public comment hearing on the Application at 5:30 p.m. on December 14, 2023, at the Public Service Commission headquarters, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. Those wishing to speak at the public comment hearing may sign up in person at the Commission headquarters before the hearing or pre-register to speak virtually by 4:00 p.m. December 14, 2023, by providing their name and phone number to Andy Gallagher at agallagher@psc.state.wv.us or 304-340-0820. For those who pre-register to attend virtually, the Commission will call each person in order of registration during the public comment hearing.

As an alternative to speaking at the public comment hearing either virtually or in-person, individuals or entities interested in providing written comments regarding this case should submit their comments by mail or hand delivery to Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323, or on-line at by clicking on "Submit A Comment" in the left column and following the directions provided. All written comments should be marked with Case No. 23-0773-G-CNPW. Interested persons may also attend the public comment hearing in-person or via webcast to observe the public comment hearing. The webcast may be viewed by clicking "Commission Webcast" located under the "Inside the PSC" section in the left column on the Commission's website: www.psc.state.wv.us.

The Commission has scheduled an evidentiary hearing for Tuesday, December 19, 2023, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the Public Service Commission headquarters, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. The Commission may cancel the evidentiary hearing for good cause shown and interested persons intending to attend the hearing should monitor the Commission web docket.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written request to intervene and pre-filed direct testimony no later than December 4, 2023, unless such date is otherwise modified by Commission Order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your right to participate in aspects of this proceeding. All requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All requests to intervene should contain the case name and number and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. In the absence of substantial protest, the Commission may waive formal hearing and grant the Application based on the Commission's review of the evidence submitted with the Application.

HOPE GAS, INC



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A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Conference, for General Construction, has been scheduled for the 30th day of November 2023 at 11:00 a.m., at Davis-Thomas Elementary/Middle School. A site visit will be conducted following the meeting at both schools.

The contract documents are available only from the architect's electronic distribution system. Login credentials will be sent to all prospective contractors and subcontractors after the request is made to biddocs@wsgarch.com. Addenda will be only distributed electronically from the Architects electronic distribution system to bidders registered in attendance at the mandatory pre-bid meeting

Each Bidder must be registered with the West Virginia Department of Tax and Revenue prior to the time and date for Receipt of Bids in order for his Bid to be considered. Each Bidder's registration certificate number shall be written in the space provided on the Form of Proposal.

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Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age and a resident of Parsons, West Virginia.

Members of the PPRC are expected to attend all meetings, regularly scheduled on the second Monday of every month, starting at 5:00 P.M. (EDT). Attendance to special meetings and committee meetings are also necessary. Meetings are held at the Charles W. "Bill" Rosenau Municipal Building, located at 341 Second Street, Parsons, West Virginia. Members do not receive any compensation for their services on this board.

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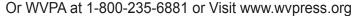
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PARSONS FORMER MAYOR JUDY SELECTED AS CHRISTMAS PARADE MARSHAL

Parsons, West Virginia - It's time to prepare for the holidays in the Small City with a Big Heart, and a special person that has proudly served the Parsons community for many years will have a big part in this year's celebration! On Tuesday, November 22nd, Parsons Mayor Bruce Kolsun announced that former Mayor Dorothy Judy will serve as the grand marshal for this year's Christmas parade.

Everyone is invited to join Mayor Kolsun and Grand Marshal Dorothy Judy at this family-friendly event. The parade has become a tradition in Parsons, bringing together participants and sponsors from across the

ST. PAUL'S UM CHURCH Christmas toy drive

We are accepting new and gently used toys to help local families celebrate the Christmas season! Donations are being accepted between now and December 1st at

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This year's themed Merry Grinchmas Parade, will be held on Saturday evening, December 9th, beginning at 6:00 P.M. on Pennsylvania Avenue near Parsons Shop 'N Save. We encourage everyone to come out early to enjoy the festivities at the Tucker County Courthouse Plaza. Activities start at 4:00 P.M. which include music, free hay wagon rides, free hot chocolate and cookies, free s'mores over an open fire, and much more. The Craft Show runs from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Parsons Volunteer Fire Department. Following the parade, awards will be presented at the Tucker County Courthouse Plaza and Santa Claus will be at the Parsons Volunteer Fire Department to meet and greet everyone.

Mayor Kolsun encourages those interested in participating to creatively decorate their vehicle, flatbed trailer, wagon, or march in costumes. The parade is also great for promoting your business or organization while celebrating the holiday spirit. The deadline to register is Friday, December 1, 2023.

If you would like to register for the parade, please contact the Parsons Business Office at (304) 478-2311 or email mistee.griffith.parsonswv@gmail.com.



Mayor Kolsun





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First Ankle Replacement At Davis Medical Center!



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

How can I help?

Simply complete the coupon below and send it with your donation to the address on the coupon. Thanks for your generosity. *All donations are tax deductible.* Shoppers to parents sho like you, an to help by o this worthw CLIP & MAIL

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.

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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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