

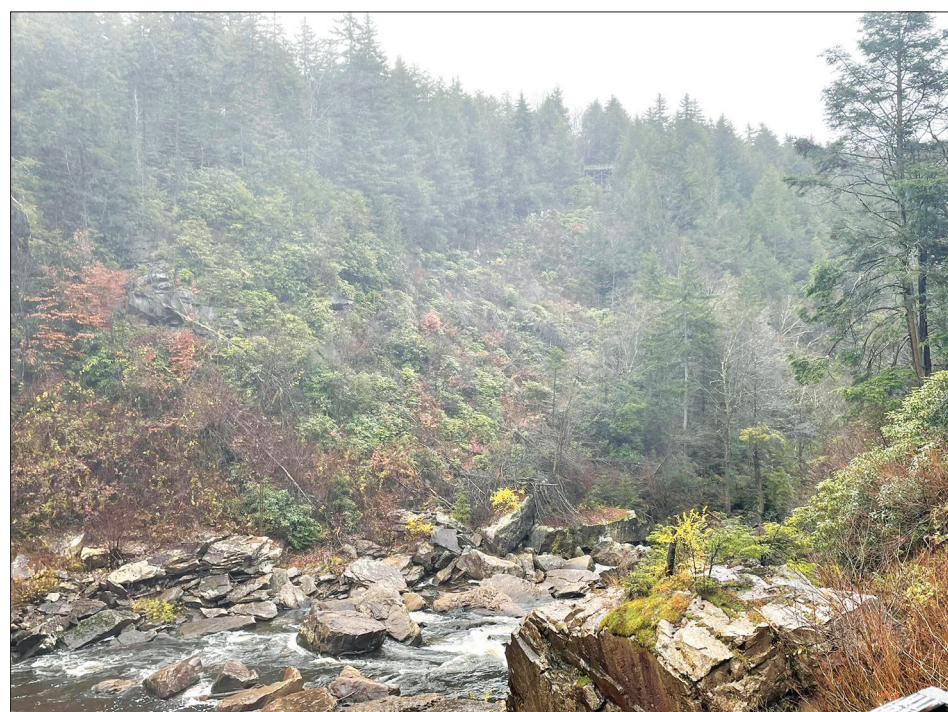
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The Blackwater River has been named on a list of the most endangered rivers in the country by American Rivers. The Blackwater is number 10 on a list of 10 rivers from across the country. The report also includes rivers in New Mexico, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arizona, the Carolinas, Connecticut and Massachusetts, California and Alaska.

American Rivers Lists Blackwater on Top Ten List of Most Endangered Rivers in US

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

Environmental group American Rivers has listed the Blackwater River on its annual list of "America's Most Endangered Rivers" for 2024. The announcement made in mid April listed the main cause to be the construction of Corridor H.

The Parsons Advocate reached out to Jacob Flatley, a Senior Transportation Information Specialist with the Public Relations Division of the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways, about the issue. Flatley said after consulting with Director of the Technical Support Division Travis Long and Chief Engineer of Development Jason Foster, Flatley issued the following statement on the report, "There are two routes under evaluation for the Corridor H, Parsons to Davis, both of which intersect the North Fork of the Blackwater River. While no routes bypass the North Fork without veering into Maryland, alternatives for crossing the North Fork include mitigation efforts to minimize potential ancillary impacts on the stream," Long and Foster stated.

Olivia Miller of the West Virginia Highland Conservancy and Matt Marcus of the Blackwater Bicycle Association discussed the issues surrounding the American Rivers report and the construction of Corridor H with the Parsons Advocate. "Anyone can nominate a river to be a part of this report," Miller said. "Their goal is to amplify voices of local people and communities who are speaking up for a river anywhere in the United States."

Miller said the report categorized the Blackwater as a river "at a crossroads" based on the WVDOH's upcoming route determination. "They call it a river at a crossroads that has a decision that would be made within the next year or two that would determine the fate of the river," Miller said. "And in this scenario, it is the construction of our ROPA of Corridor H."

Marcus said that another environmental study is the result of federal regula-

tory pushback. Marcus also said that the alternate route exploration was also a federal requirement. "They are going to put out a draft environmental impact statement that's the next step," Marcus said. "They've had their Notice of Intent and that was to notify everyone, 'Hey, we're doing another environmental impact statement' and I think one of the reasons for that...is that they were always required to study an alternate route and they never really did. The federal government has always kind of bounced it back and said, 'Hey, you need to study another route.'"

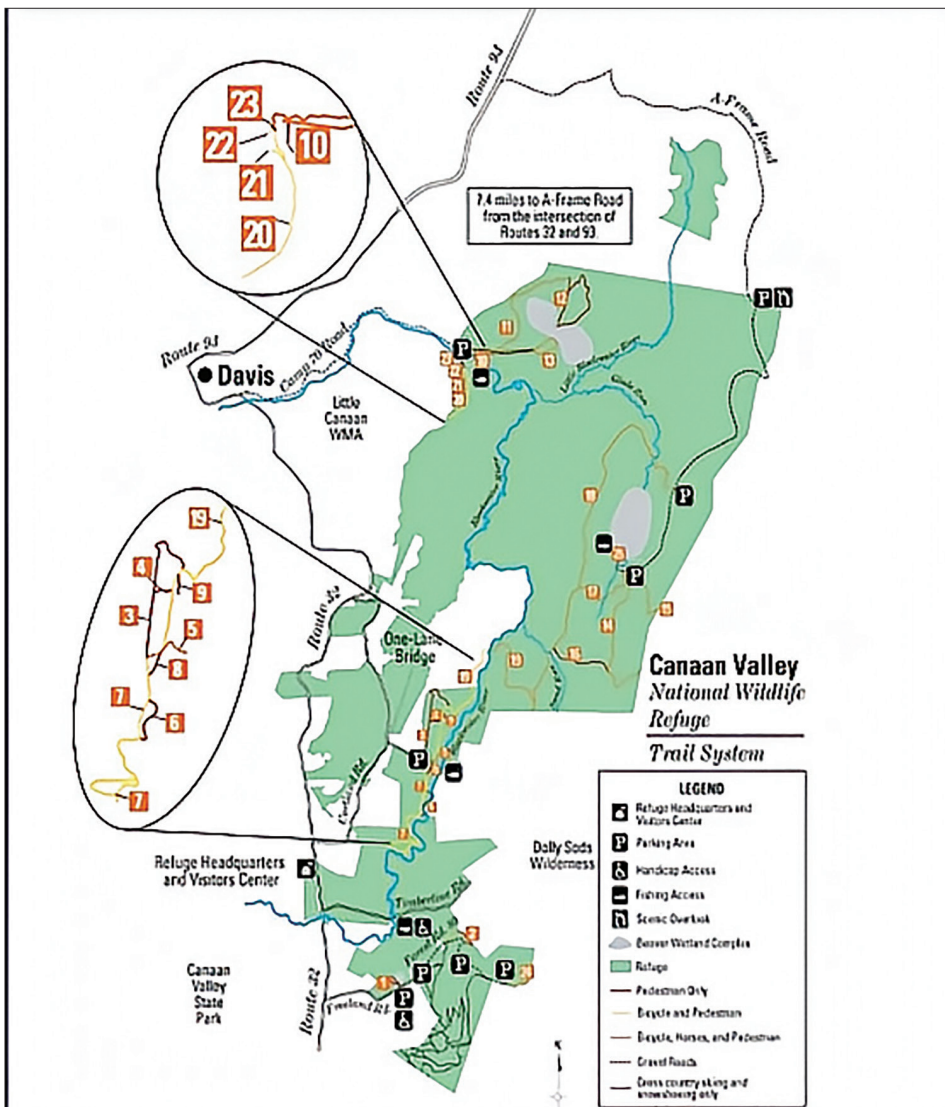
Marcus acknowledged the sentiment within the area that the project is being unnecessarily delayed by these studies. Marcus, who lives in Thomas, said he, like so many others, just wanted the project complete due to the noise and other issues connected to heavy tractor-trailer traffic. Marcus said that he feels that it is not the GoNorth movement that has delayed the construction, but the State failing to meet federal obligations. "It's not the GoNorth people that have delayed it," Marcus said. "It's the State. They didn't do what the federal government told them to do."

Miller said that the State is required to explore other options and assess the least environmentally impactful solution through a federal act called the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). "The process that they have to go through is called the National Environmental Policy Act," Miller said. "And that requires the study of alternatives and that is what gives it its merit, is that they have assessed all possible options and alternatives to best serve the communities and the environment and to cause the least amount of impact."

NEPA is defined by their website as "The Magna Carta of Federal environmental laws" due to being the first established major environmental law by NEPA.gov. The law was signed into law in 1970 by then President Nixon. The NEPA website outlines the requirements of the act as, "NEPA establishes procedural require-

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Grant Funding to Provide Trail Access in Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge



Governor Jim Justice has announced the allocation of \$19 million in grant funding for outdoor recreation in the State. The Nature Conservancy has secured \$300,000 for a Brown Mountain to A-Frame Connector trail. The trail will provide access to additional trails in the Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge. Trail Map courtesy of the Fish and Wildlife service (fws.gov).

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

A \$300,000 grant, announced as part of a recent \$19 million grant allocation by the Office of Governor Jim Justice for outdoor recreation projects, is slated to create a connector trail from Brown Mountain to A-Frame Road at the Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge. The grant was allocated to The Nature Conservancy to provide access to additional trails within the Refuge area. Mike Powell Director of Land Management and Stewardship for The Nature Conservancy discussed the project with The Parsons Advocate. "The main vision of this is that the trail will connect the northern end of Canaan Valley to the Town of Davis and A-Frame Road to provide access to the northern part of Canaan Valley and longer trail loop opportunities," Powell said.

According to Powell, the project is part of a 1,971 acre land parcel that was purchased by The Nature Conservancy and sold to the Fish and Wildlife Service to become part of the Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge. "The project will occur on what we have been calling the Big Cove Property which is located on the northern part of Canaan Valley," Powell said. "That property was purchased by the Nature Conservancy and then sold to US Fish and Wildlife Service to add 1,971 acres in the northern acquisition boundary of Canaan

Valley National Wildlife Refuge."

Powell said the project opens up an area that had previously been in private hands and had not been available for public use. "The project will improve accessibility because it will be developing trail into an area that has been previously in private ownership and not available for public use," Powell said.

In total, Powell said he estimated that the project will add an additional three miles of trail that is slated to combine new trail construction with road to trail conversion in the area. Powell said there are existing roads in the area that were established for the removal of timber on the property. Powell said part of the trail will follow that road and some will be newly constructed trail. "We are looking at a few different options, but the likely outcome is going to be somewhere around, at least, another three miles of trail," Powell said. "And that will utilize a mix of new trail construction and road to trail conversion."

The project, according to Powell, will increase outdoor recreation opportunities in the area with expanded access for hiking, biking and horseback riding. "It will expand hiking, biking and horseback riding opportunities in that area," Powell said. "This connectivity will provide unique and sustainable opportunities for hikers, bicyclists and equestrian riders."

Powell said that while the grant appli-

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Town of Davis Receives Grant for Sidewalk Improvement Project

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

Governor Jim Justice announced over \$19 million in grant allocations for outdoor recreation projects across the State. Included on the list was the Town of Davis who secured \$100,000 to be used in a project slated to replace and install new sidewalks along the Town's main street of William Ave.

Town of Davis Mayor Al Tomson said the project is slated to be completed in two phases. The grand allocation from the State, according to Tomson, is being delegated to the first phase of the project, design. "This is really a project that is in two phases," Tomson said. "The first phase is design and the second phase is actually the build."

the grant allocation is being applied to the repair of existing sidewalks and

the design of new sidewalks along William Avenue, according to Tomson. "This grant was awarded for the design of repair of existing sidewalks and the design of new sidewalks," Tomson said.

“We want to make the Downtown section of Davis much more walkable and safe,” Tomson said.

Tomson said the Town's goal is to design safer sidewalks. The replacement and construction of new sidewalks, Tomson said, would be included in future grants. "They need to be designed to be safer and then replacements can be built in subsequent grants," Tomson said.

According to Tomson, the design

plan will include new sidewalks from the main business district that connect to Camp 70 road, as well as extending the sidewalks to the ball field on the other edge of town. The new sidewalks, Tomson said, would one day connect to

the proposed trail between Davis and Thomas to run parallel to Route 32. "But we also want to extend the sidewalks from where the shops and restaurants are, all the way past the new Shop 'n Save to connect to Camp 70 road," Tomson said. "And then the other direction, we want to go from about where

the Fire Station is, new sidewalks all the way to the ball field that's at the edge of town and that would ultimately some day connect to a trail that links Davis and Thomas."

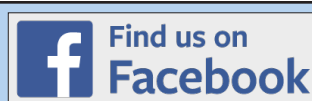
Tomson said that the Town of Davis plans to seek further grant money to complete the project. According to Tomson, the window to apply for the grant sought by the Town began accepting applications on May 1st. "And then we will apply for the construction piece of the sidewalk project," Tomson said.

While there is no definitive timeline for completion, Tomson said he expected the project to be completed within the next one to two years. "One to two years would probably be a reasonable estimate," Tomson said.

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News of Record

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

- **David Scott Messenger**, of Davis, was charged with one count of Domestic Battery. According to the complaint on Sunday, April 28 Deputy C.R. Summerfield and Senior Trooper C.A. Hawkins of the West Virginia State Police, were dispatched to 26 Gross Drive in Davis by Tucker County Communication 911 for a Domestic with injury. 911 advised that the female subject left the residence and was at her neighbors. Officers arrived on scene and were met by the neighbors who stated that Lisa Paugh was inside the house because she ran over, allegedly bleeding from the nose due to David Scott Messenger hitting her. Officers entered the residence and located Paugh inside cleaning herself up in the bathroom. Summerfield observed blood on a paper towel that she was holding beneath her nose, red marks and swelling on the right side of her face, a small abrasion above her left eyelid and a bruise on her left inner thigh. He obtained photographic evidence of the injuries. Paugh stated that her boyfriend, Messenger,

pulled her hair and threw her down, she then pushed him back which caused him to push her over a chair. She also stated that he attempted to put his finger in her eye causing a scratch.

- **Brandon Lee Bryant**, of Parsons, was charged with one count Obstructing an Officer, one count Disorderly Conduct and one count of Intoxication or drinking in public places. The complaint states that on Thursday, May 2 Trooper G.P. Hahn received a complaint of a male walking down Railroad Ave in parsons. He observed a male who was identified as Brandon Lee Bryant staggering down the roadway and at one point was almost struck by a vehicle as he walked out into the intersection. Hahn had previously made contact with the accused on a separate incident where he was located on a park bench drinking an alcoholic beverage in front of children. Hahn advised the accused who was acting belligerent that he needed to go back to where he was staying and that he could not be drinking or intoxicated in public. Hahn had given the accused a disorderly conduct warning on this previous encounter and the accused went back to where he was staying. Upon contacting

the accused Hahn detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from the accused person that was significantly worse than it had been previously. He advised the accused, who was still being belligerent, that he needed to go back to where he was staying to which the accused continued to act in a belligerent and disorderly manner. Hahn attempted to detain the accused and he assumed an aggressive position and began resisting the officer. Hahn placed the accused into custody without any further incident and the accused was transported to the Tygart Valley Regional Jail.

These crimes occurred in Tucker County and all individuals are presumed to be innocent until proven otherwise in a court of law.

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

- Peter C. Johnson, Davis District, Lot 18, Davis Riverwalk, Phase 2, to Lacey Ann Burnett and Ming-Jay Shiao, \$59,000.
- West Virginia Power and Transmission Company, St. George District, Non-controlled access right of way containing 0.24 acres to West Virginia Department of Highways, \$2,150.

We Get Letters

NOI Comments

Poor planning of Corridor H by the WVDOH has created traffic problems in Tucker County, WV. What should have been the first section of road constructed is being built almost last. This poor planning has flooded traffic through the small narrow one way streets of Thomas and on Route 32 that were not intended to take this volume.

I applaud the WVDOH for altering the plans around the Tucker County High School to save lives after the previous poorly planned on-grade intersection was redesigned. Now is the time for the WVDOH to commit to their plan for a pedestrian and bicycle trail between Thomas and Davis regardless of either the R-ROPA or BAA-2 routing of Corridor H. This trail needs to be built now before highway construction begins.

All pedestrians and cyclists using local recreational and major interstate trail routes are forced onto an increasingly busy Route 32 between Thomas and Davis. In 2024 the Tucker County Commission has passed a unanimous Resolution to support the WVDOH to build the separate bicycle and pedestrian facility between the towns. Hopefully the WVDOH will actually follow through with constructing this path, unlike their proposed trail from Davis to Bismarck which was never completed.

Unfortunately the WVDOH has not been working with local groups representing the trail community which are supporting the interests of trail users. Trails are the common factor in the outdoor recreation tourism industry, which is the main industry in Tucker County. I would recommend that the WVDOH involve groups like the Heart of the Highlands, Blackwater Bicycle Association, Chamber of Commerce and the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau in discussions regarding the planning and effects of highways on trails.

While trails are the main attraction supporting our number one industry, the quiet small town charm of Thomas and Davis are bringing in visitors and new residents

to Tucker County. R-ROPA will destroy this ambiance by placing an interstate style highway right inside the Davis city limits and closely surrounding Thomas with a noisy high speed "truck bypass".

BAA-2 would keep the 24 hour a day truck noise further away from both towns. With R-ROPA all traffic coming from Corridor H, Canaan Valley and Davis going to and from Thomas and Route 219 North will be forced into a two lane Route 32 choke point. Additionally under R-ROPA all northbound traffic will be forced to take on-grade left turns across the high speed "truck route" just to enter either end of Thomas.

BAA-2 would provide three exits (Davis, Thomas and Benbush) instead of one, distributing traffic more efficiently. BAA-2 would also reduce traffic on Route 32 between the towns particularly reducing the left turn traffic onto Route 93/48 from Thomas. This intersection has seen more than its share of traffic accidents since the construction of the Route 48 Davis to Bismarck section.

The problems created by the poorly planned R-ROPA and the high speed "truck route" in Thomas and on Route 32 should be obvious to any decent highway engineer. R-ROPA construction between the two towns and bypass construction closely surrounding Thomas will disrupt residents and visitors for many years. Please keep this noisy Route 48 east west truck route as far away from our towns and State Parks as possible.

You can't solve your previous poor planning with more poor planning. I would like to see the BAA-2 route for Corridor H completed as soon as possible. I never want to see R-ROPA completed and will do all I can do to fight against any highway construction that will denigrate or destroy Tucker County's attractions and quality of life.

Matt Marcus
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I felt compelled to respond to Jeannette T. Ware's letter. I have attended almost every meeting of the planning committee this past year. While many changes have been made, I still have concerns.

First, Jeannette states "we need to preserve what we can of Our Community". We never had these regulations on the residential community before so they are not "preserving" anything. The newer residents of our town may have enjoyed living under HOA rules but I personally do not. Many have visited Davis, said they "love" Davis, move here, then want to change it to the way they lived in the cities. Why come here then is my question. Also, the town does not enforce ordinances on the books now. I example: building permits are not being submitted by all homeowners or in I case I (and the Town) know of was falsified and nothing was done about it.

It seems like Jeannette's main concern is the Short Term Rental MAJOR problem we have. I couldn't agree more! If you take the long view, when most homes in town have been purchased and turned into STR's we would no longer exist as a town. As Davis would have only weekend visitors occupying the homes, there would be no need for a Mayor or council. There would be no one here to govern! Perhaps the county would have to take over water/sewer/trash services. There is a lack of affordable housing for Davis natives so what is their plan? They are stopping the building of apartments in residential sections of town. They want them built in the Industrial section on Rt. 93.

To Davis Residents,

Would you want to raise your children in an Industrial area?

There is a simple solution. Every month I have asked the Planning Committee to only pass the Business/Commercial and Short Term Rental sections of the Zoning Ordinance AS ALLOWED BY WV STATE CODE. They absolutely do not have to pass all or none. Leave the residents out of it!

I encourage everyone who intends to vote to thoroughly read the entire Zoning Ordinance. You can pick up a copy at City Hall. I intend on voting NO on the ordinance as written. If amended to remove the residential section I would vote Yes.

Lori Quattro

Grant Funding

cation was made around a year ago, The Nature Conservancy has been working with the previous land owner and the Fish and Wildlife Service for a couple of years about the plan to connect the trails in the area. "We have been working with the previous land owner and the Fish and Wildlife Service throughout for purchase of the property we transferred with a vision of connecting these trails for at least the last couple of years," Powell said.

Powell said the Nature Conservancy is working with the Heart of the Highlands on the trail project. "The other partner in this grant proposal is the Heart of the Highlands. They are a local trail organization," Powell said. "Their mission is to connect trails for seamless mobility throughout the entire trail system, between Canaan Valley, Blackwater Falls State Park and Davis."

Powell said the project will add to the quality of life for both residents and visitors. "I think another aspect of this, and all of the other trail projects, is improvement of quality of life and healthy outdoor recreation opportunities for residents and visitors alike," Powell said.

Powell said a timeline for the project could not be calculated at the current juncture, but all the organizations involved were working together to move the project forward. According to Powell, there will be multiple meetings scheduled with the Department of Highways and the Fish and Wildlife Service to discuss and plan the trail connection. "Giving a timeline would be almost impossible on that," Powell said. "What I will say is that all parties are working together to move it forward at the speed of trust between all of the entities."

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ments, applying that national policy to proposals for major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment by requiring Federal agencies to prepare a detailed statement on: (1) the environmental impact of the proposed action; (2) any adverse effects that cannot be avoided; (3) alternatives to the proposed action; (4) the relationship between local short-term uses of man's environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity; and (5) any irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources that would be involved in the proposed action."

Miller went on to say that there was never an official determination recorded by the Federal Highway Administration on the ROPA route. "There was never a record of decision made by the Federal Highway Administration to approve the ROPA that they put forth," Miller said.

Marcus said that State enthusiasm to build contributed to "The Road to Nowhere" outside Bowden along Highway 33. Marcus described the history of the project outside Elkins. Marcus also said that the construction of that section destroyed springs that fed the trout hatchery in the area. "You've been to the Road to Nowhere between Bowden, along the Cheat there," Marcus said. "That was when the State decided to go ahead and build it before they got Federal approval and it failed and it almost killed that trout hatchery down there with those big caves along the side of the road. They killed a couple of the springs that feed the State Trout Hatchery. All that combined, they had to redo it and it pushed it up here. So that's the ancient history of it."

The last Informational Workshop hosted by the WVDOH was held February 27th in Tucker County. Additional expected developments are scheduled as a Notice of

Availability of the DEIS in May, a public hearing in June, the end of the DEIS comment period in July, issuance of Combined FEIS/ROD in December followed by the issuance of all remaining project permits and authorization decisions, should a build alternative be selected, in March of 2025.

The American Rivers list was reported as follows:

America's Most Endangered Rivers® of 2024

#1: Rivers of New Mexico
Threat: Loss of federal clean water protections

#2: Big Sunflower and Yazoo Rivers (MS)
Threat: Yazoo Pumps project threatens wetlands

#3: Duck River (TN)
Threat: Excessive water use

#4: Santa Cruz River (AZ, Mexico)
Threat: Water scarcity, climate change

#5 Little Pee Dee River (NC, SC)
Threat: Harmful development, highway construction

#6 Farmington River (CT, MA)
Threat: Hydro dam

#7: Trinity River (CA)
Threat: Outdated water management

#8: Kobuk River (AK)
Threat: Road construction, mining

#9 Tijuana River (CA, Mexico)
Threat: Pollution

#10: Blackwater River (WV)
Threat: Highway development

More information on the Corridor H project is available on the WVDOH website with a site dedicated to updates on the Parsons to Davis project at <https://transportation.wv.gov/highways/major-projects/Corridor-H/route/Pages/Parsons-to-Davis.aspx>. The American Rivers "America's Most Endangered Rivers of 2024" list is available at www.AmericanRivers.org.

Concord University and Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College Partner to Offer Degrees in Nursing

ATHENS, WV – Concord University and Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College (Eastern WVCTC) have entered into a collaborative agreement, in which Concord will provide the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree (BSN) program to Eastern WVCTC students. Students will be required to complete the Eastern Associate in Nursing (ADN). Since the coursework is online, this program increases accessibility to students who live outside the area.

Concord University is also pursuing a national accreditation by the Commission on Colle-

giate Nursing Education (CCNE), which would allow graduates to go across state lines if they want to further their education.

Monica Wilson, Interim VP of Academics & Student Services at Eastern WVCTC says of the agreement, "Our partnership with Concord University presents an exciting opportunity for our RN graduates, offering a seamless pathway to advance their careers through an online RN to BSN program. Through this collaboration, we're inspiring our nurses with the knowledge and skills they need to excel in today's dynamic health-

care landscape, ultimately enhancing patient care, driving positive outcomes and continuing their education."

Michele Holt, Department Chair and Director of Nursing at Concord University, says of the program, "We are thrilled to have the opportunity to partner with Eastern WVCTC for our online RN to BSN program. We believe the drive and dedication of their faculty and students will provide a seamless transition into Concord University's BSN program. We look forward to Eastern students joining us to continue their educational journey to excellence."

For more information, please contact Michele Holt at 304-384-5108 or mholt@concord.edu.

Persons with disabilities should contact Nancy Ellison, 1-304-384-6086 or 1-800-344-6679 ext. 6086, if special assistance is required for access to an event scheduled by the University on campus. Concord University may take pictures at these events for publicity purposes.

OBITUARIES

Cherie Anne Filler

Cherie Anne Filler was born April 26, 1975 and passed away April 12, 2024 in Bossier City, LA. She passed away at home after battling cancer for two years.

Cherie had led a very fulfilling life having had worked in promotions, a traveling nurse for a high

ranking officer in the military and had ran a group home for kids. She always cared about everyone, often more worried about her friends and family than herself. Everybody loved her and looked forward to seeing her smiling face every day. Cherie touched the hearts of everyone she met

and will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her husband Steven Filler, son J.B. and wife Morgan Cowan, son Matthew Cowan, granddaughter Willow Cowan, sister Jennifer Sims, brother Bryon Conaway and her mother and step-father Vivian and Ron Sims.

Discovery Center to Feature Native Americans with Exhibit and Event

Seneca artisans will display their art on Saturday, May 18 for the opening of the newest exhibit at the Appalachian Forest Discovery Center. The public is invited to welcome Native artists as they share their culture with beadwork, corn husk dolls, leatherwork, basketry, foods, and more, with a Seneca Artisan Showcase.

Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area (AFNHA) will celebrate the opening of their new exhibit "Creating Home: Indigenous Roots and Connections in the Appalachian Forest." The exhibit explores the history and contemporary stories of Native American cultures with connections to the AFNHA region and their influence on Appalachian culture. The Appalachian Forest Discovery Center, located at the Darden Mill, 101 Railroad Ave, Elkins, will be open to the public with free admission from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Thursdays through Sundays, from May 18 through the end of October.

"Many people have been told that there were no permanent Native American settlements in West Virginia or that they just used this area for hunting. Yet the names and languages of Indigenous people remain on our landscape in place names like Seneca Rocks, Mingo, and Monongahela," explained Eleanor Renshaw, AmeriCorps member with AFNHA, who led the exhibit's development. "Our exhibit brings together Native stories and arts past and present, along with archaeological research, to show some of the many ways that Indigenous people have lived, loved, and created home in the Appalachian Forest since time immemorial."

The Seneca Artisan Showcase on May 18 will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will feature presentations and demonstrations on Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) art and culture by traditional artists from the Seneca Nation. There will also be artwork for sale and a community supper featuring Appalachian foods with indigenous roots (such as beans and cornbread).

Schedule:
9:30 – 5:30 Artisans showcase with vendor tables

Special demonstrations throughout the day:
9:30 Penny Minner - Split Black Ash Baskets

10:45 Bernadette Scott – Corn as Art

12:00 Chef Lorinda John – Three Sisters Fritters tasting

1:15 Mary Jacobs - Haudenosaunee Clothing From Coverings to Fashion

2:30 Samantha Jacobs – Moccasin Making

4:00 Cliff Redeye – Leatherwork (Leatherwork class Sunday 12-4, \$25 by reservation)

5:30 Exhibit Opening Address - Joe Stahlman

Followed by supper featuring Appalachian foods with Native influence (supper by donation, RSVP encouraged)

There will also be a leatherworking class with Cliff Redeye III on Sunday, May 19 from noon to 4:00 p.m., during which students can make their own carved leather pieces. Reservations are needed for the limited space in the class, which has a \$25 materials fee.

Some of the artisans will also demonstrate and sell their work the same weekend at the Seneca Rocks Discovery Center; Cliff Redeye will demonstrate on Friday, May 17, and Samantha and Mary Jacobs will host demonstrations on Sunday, May 19.

AFNHA will host additional events throughout the summer and fall of 2024 as part of their "Indigenous Voices in Appalachia" program. The next event is planned for June 29 and will feature Indigenous dancers.

Admission to the museum and artisan event is free. Please RSVP for supper or leatherwork class to discovery@afnha.org or 304-636-6182. Visit www.afnha.org for more details, or contact afnha@afnha.org. This program was supported with funding from the National Park Foundation, The West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture, and History, and West Virginia Commission on the Arts.

The Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area conserves, interprets, and promotes forest heritage to enhance landscapes and communities in the highlands of West Virginia and Maryland. AFNHA works with partners to accomplish this through community development, conservation, celebrating cultural heritage, and creating opportunities for transformational experiences. To learn more, see www.appalachianforestnha.org. AFNHA is a member of the National Heritage Area System.

Grant County Bank Annual Golf Tournament to Support Relay for Life and American Cancer Society

Grant County Bank is hosting its 22nd annual Relay for Life Golf Tournament set to take place on Friday, May 3, 2024 at 9 a.m. at the Valley View Golf Club in Moorefield, West Virginia. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society and the Relay for Life.

For more than 20 years, Grant County Bank has been hosting its annual Relay for Life golf tournament. During the 2023 golf tournament, Grant County Bank was able to donate over \$13,000 to

the Relay for Life organization. This year they hope to donate more than \$15,000, thanks to the generosity of sponsors and players.

WHAT: 22nd Annual Grant County Bank Relay for Life Golf Tournament

WHEN: Friday, May 3rd, 2024 at 9 a.m.

WHERE: Valley View Golf Club, 4638 US Highway 220S, Moorefield, WV

WHO: Grant County Bank, golf tournament players, community members

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Application Availability:

Tygarts Valley Conservation District Office
Monday – Friday (7 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.)

Applications are also available at

www.wvca.us/district/tvcd.cfm

All applications are approved based on fund availability.



Dixie Heavener, Title III Project Director and Career Counselor

Eastern College Hosts Successful Inaugural Career Carnival

Moorefield, W.Va. – Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College had a successful inaugural Career Carnival held on Tuesday, April 23, at the main campus in Moorefield, WV. The event, spearheaded by Dixie Heavener, Eastern's Title III Project Director and Career Counselor, marked a significant milestone in the college's commitment to fostering career exploration and community engagement.

The Career Carnival provided attendees with a unique blend of interactive and educational learning activities centered around career and major exploration. Participants immersed themselves in carnival games designed to impart valuable career and college major selection tips. Each station featured informative materials to guide attendees through various career pathways and educational opportunities.

Employer partners at the event were St. George Medical Clinic, Summit Community Bank, WV Appalachian Laborers Union, U.S. Army National Guard, Pendleton Community Bank, WV Jumpstart Program – Office of the West Virginia State Treasurer, West Virginia Paving, Inc., and Clearway Energy Group, alongside several Eastern programs showcasing their offerings. Noteworthy among these were the Hospitality & Tourism Management certificate, Wind Energy Technology program, Solar Installation Tech training, Commercial Drivers License training, Heavy Equipment Operator program, and the Ag Innovation department, each offering insights into diverse career paths and academic pursuits.

With a crowd of enthusiastic carnival-goers, predominantly Eastern students,

the Career Carnival marked a resounding success. Admission was free to both the campus community and the general public, and attendees enjoyed complimentary food and refreshments, including hot dogs, popcorn, pizza, cotton candy, gourmet candy apples, and an assortment of beverages. Transforming the campus lawn into a playground of excitement, the event boasted carnival games, a bustling prize station, and an adrenaline-pumping obstacle course, complemented by the latest tunes mixed by a live DJ.

Reflecting on the success of the Career Carnival, Heavener said, "I love to see our students and community benefiting from the free services and events offered at Eastern through Career Services. This event allowed attendees to network with employers and get a glimpse at some of the great programs offered at Eastern, not to mention have fun playing carnival games focused on career readiness and major exploration. I love my job, and I am motivated to help others find a rewarding career path."

Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College looks forward to building upon the success of the Career Carnival and continuing to serve as a beacon of opportunity and innovation in the community. Are you an employer/organization seeking to participate in future Career Services events? Are you a community member, Eastern student, or alumni requiring career readiness training? Contact Dixie Heavener at dixie.heavener@easternwv.edu or 304.434.8000 ext. 9239. All services and events offered through Eastern's Career Services are free to all.

Sofia Talvik to Appear at Purple Fiddle - Thomas, WV

Thursday, May 23 - 8:00 PM

Ticket Price: \$20

Get ready for an extraordinary night of music at the Purple Fiddle in Thomas, WV, on Thursday, May 23rd, 2024! Brace yourself for a special experience as Sofia Talvik, the acclaimed Folk/Americana artist, graces the stage for a mesmerizing performance.

Hailing from Sweden, Sofia Talvik has enchanted audiences across 48 states in the U.S., blending Nordic and American folk traditions with her ethereal melodies and captivating storytelling. Her perfor-



mances are nothing short of enchanting.

"Coming across like an otherworldly encounter between Joni Mitchell and Kate Bush, her new album, tellingly titled Center of the Universe, is beautiful and beguiling — decidedly precious, precise, and effortlessly

enchanting." - The Alternate Root Magazine

Sofia's latest album, released in 2023, received widespread acclaim and was considered for a Grammy nomination in the Best Folk Album category. Her songs, filled with heartfelt narratives and crafted melodies, resonate deeply with listeners of all backgrounds.

Describing her anticipation for the event, Sofia shared, "I'm thrilled to be performing at the Purple Fiddle. It's a venue with such a unique atmosphere, and I can't wait to share my music with the audience in Thomas."

Veterans to Celebrate Memorial Day

Tuckers County Veterans Association will celebrate Memorial Day with ceremonies to be held in Parsons and Davis. Both ceremonies are open to the public.

On Saturday, May 25 at 1 p.m. the ceremony will be held at the All-Veterans Memorial Wall in Parsons. The wall is located at the intersection of US 219 and WV 72.

On Sunday, May 26, at 1 p.m. the ceremony will be held at the Veterans Monument in Davis. The monument is located on William Avenue next to the Visitors Center.

Veterans are once again selling bricks for the wall in Parsons. The bricks are to honor those who have served our country. To purchase a brick, please provide a copy of the Veteran's DD-214 to any member of the Association. The cost of each brick is \$60.

The Association is also looking for new members to join our group. This is open to all Veterans, current service personnel of the military and to the general public. Meetings are held the last Monday of each month and are rotated between Parsons and Thomas. Please contact one of our veterans for further information about meeting times and location.

SENIOR NEWS

The St. George Seniors met on April 18, 2024 at 6:00 pm for a covered dish supper at the St. George Community Church. Sharon Daniels welcomed everybody, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and blessed the food. After a delicious meal, Sharon started off the program of Show-N-Tell by showing pictures of when her family rode horses in the area and particularly the St. George Day parade.

Linda Bonner shared her history book of the baseball games and stadiums she had visited. Brenda Jones and Sherri Smith shared a stash of vintage Christmas cards which would have been sent out in the mid 1900's. Doloris Propst exhibited her lovely antique quilt and Eleanor Nestor displayed her handmade baskets. Becky and Kevin Arbogast entertained the group in song.

Attending in addition to the above were Dale Varner, Anna Fitzwater, Don Nestor, Sue Carroll, Wanda Snider, Shirley Cassidy, Raymond Collins, Jane Pifer, Mabel Fitzwater, Sylvia Rosenau, Buddy Arnold, Jim Poling, Janice Poling, Carol Weinstein, Pete Kuhn, Virginia Popio, April Fitzwater, and David Varner.

The next meeting is Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 pm. Come, bring a covered dish, and enjoy good food and fellowship. The Parsons Senior Center provides door prizes and a van for transportation. For any questions concerning the services of the Senior Center, please call 304-478-2423.

Tucker County Chamber of Commerce 46th Annual Awards Banquet

Guest Speaker Mark Bowe, Entrepreneur, On-Camera Host, TV Producer

Mark Bowe worked his way through West Virginia University as a coal miner, earning a bachelor's degree in business administration. He is a craftsman, a businessman, a historian, and a passable break-dancer (if you give him enough room). Mark also holds a master's degree in safety management from WVU's College of Business.

Mark Bowe began his career as a coal miner and he keeps his blue-collar roots close to his heart and in everything he does. In 1996, Mark created his business, Barnwood Living, where he & his crew rescue pioneer-era structures and give them new life. Mark took this business and went on to host and star in the 15-seasons-strong Magnolia Network (formerly DIY) hit tv show "Barnwood Builders."

Commanding households around the globe, Mark's antics and ability to connect with real people, no matter their walk of life, secures the popularity of this docu-series that was the most-watched show in the DIY network's history. The series maintains a top spot on the Magnolia Network, as well as home on the MAX streaming platform with over 97 million subscribers worldwide. Mark has expanded Barnwood Living as a lifestyle brand including men's gifts, apparel and home goods. These products embody the spirit of hard work, kindness, and pride in a job well done.

Over a career spanning thirty years, Mark has built and explored, pushed limits and discovered that the route to success is often outside the box. He's honed traditional old-world skills and had the fortune to work on exceptional projects. Mark has replaced a slate roof on Andrew Johnson's house, hand-blown glass, made bricks, built houses without a single nail, hand-cut stone from a cliffside to erect a chimney, made cedar

shakes, and forged his own tools in the blacksmith shop he built. Mark has stood inside Native American cliff dwellings that less than 100 people have visited in 10,000 years and discovered Finnish settlements in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Uncovering the how and why—reanimating history not just explaining it—is what ignites Mark, and it's what keeps his audience leaning in to see more.

In resurrecting the past, Mark lights on ways to build for the future. He has repurposed a shipping container as a log cabin and invented a folding house. He holds the patent on a R300, tornado-proof, hurricane-proof, and fireproof house design. Mark seeks to change the way we think about housing and shelter forever, but to do that, he returns to the past again and again to find the way forward.

Mark is simultaneously a fierce businessman and soulful philosopher, with a penchant for a good punchline. He is a storyteller, rooted firmly in the stories of his own rise, a laborer, still cleaning the dirt from his fingernails, and a seer with a keen eye for what's next. He's a natural charmer who can read a room, or a person, in a split-second. His secret? Paying attention to the details and looking for the connections. This isn't unrelated to his ability to uncover the stories in the walls of our oldest human dwellings. It's all connected, which is the main concept of what's behind everything Mark does.

Join us at the 46th Annual Awards Banquet, May 16th at 5:30pm in Bear Paw Lodge at Canaan Valley Resort ski area side. Tickets are \$40 and need to be reserved by May 10th. You can reserve tickets online at tuckercountycommerce.org or by calling 304-259-5315.

Annette Fetty-Santilli is a Top Fundraiser at PurpleStride

Annette Fetty-Santilli of Philippi, Community Partner for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network PanCAN) in West Virginia was one of the top fundraisers at the annual Pittsburgh PurpleStride: the Walk to End Pancreatic Cancer on Saturday, April 27. She raised over \$15,000 as captain of Team West Virginia for the event.

The Pittsburgh PurpleStride is one of the nation's Top 10 PurpleStrides, and raised over \$470,000. Team West Virginia raised over \$16,000, which was good enough for 4th place. Both Annette and pancreatic cancer survivor Carol Adams Miller



of Parkersburg were both members of the Grand Club for raising over \$1,000.

On Saturday, April 27, there were 60 PurpleStrides all over the nation. Two PurpleStrides, Los Angeles and New York City, raised over \$1,000,000 each.

Annette has been volunteering for PanCAN since her 38-year old brother passed away from pancreatic cancer. In 2016,

she was named the 2016 National PanCAN Community Advocate of the Year, and served on the National Volunteer Advisory Council.

For more information about PanCAN in West Virginia contact Annette at 304-621-3648 or asantilli@pancanvolunteer.org or join the West Virginia – Pancreatic Cancer Action Network Facebook group.

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What's? Happening

REVIVAL

The Davis United Methodist Church invites you to join them for a revival featuring Pastor Henry Miller preaching the word of God and singer Joyce Igo. This event will be held at 7 p.m. nightly on Monday, May 13, Tuesday, May 14 and Wednesday, May 15.

Friends of the Mountaintop Public Library

Friends of the Mountaintop Public Library will hold their annual membership meeting on Thursday, May 16, at 5:30 pm at the library in Thomas. Please join us to learn more about the organization and upcoming events to support the library. For more information, call 304-642-8728.

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PHS Alumni Meeting May 9, 2024

Parsons High School Alumni Meeting is Thursday May 9, at Grand Slam Grill at 12:00 noon.

Gospel Sing

Maple Spring Church invites the public to attend a special music program presented by "The Reeds", a southern gospel quartet, on Saturday, May 18 at 7 p.m. The church is located at 3075 Maple Spring Highway in Eglon. There will be refreshments after the performance in the church basement. A special love offering will be collected for the singers.

By Teri Cayton

The Parsons Advocate

We are slowly destroying the only place we can call home. With pollution slowly choking us to death and global warming soon to drown us with the melting of the Polar Ice Caps, now, I hear on the news that we have another threat to contend with. Chocolate may be in jeopardy, yes believe it or not the cacao plants are contracting Covid. The plant that produces the seed that is eventually made into chocolate has contracted a virus that is slowly killing them.

The trees can be vaccinated, but it is very expensive and the farmers that produce the cacao cannot afford to have this done. I think I have heard of everything now, I did not know a plant could contract a virus. Momma Said, "You learn something new every day." What will the world be without chocolate? One of life's little indulgences may be going, going, gone.

I try to think of how simple life used to be without having to worry about all this stuff. You didn't worry about drowning from rising tides, and the only real pollution around us growing

Momma Said

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

By Teri Cayton
The Parsons Advocate



up was the smoke from home fires. We did have a lot of acid runoff from coal mines and I hated to see that, but we didn't have any big factories around to spew crap into the air.

We also didn't have so many unknown illnesses. Your muscles hurt from a hard day's work, but now I have so many unexplained aches and pains that it is hard to keep up with and that is without lifting a finger. The doctors put it off to old age but I know in my soul that this is not normal aging. Too many cases of dementia, heart problems and so many unknowns, that I believe it all boils down to "Big Pharm." Momma Said, "All they want to do is push another pill down our throat, not try to find out the root of the problem and stuff their own pockets."

Rhubarb Bread

Ingredients

- 1 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 ¼ cups brown sugar, divided
- ⅔ cup vegetable oil
- 1 large egg
- 2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 ½ cups chopped rhubarb
- ½ cup chopped walnuts
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon butter, melted

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C). Lightly grease two

9x5-inch loaf pans.

2. Stir together milk, lemon juice, and vanilla in a small bowl; let stand for 10 minutes.

3. Mix together 1 ½ cups brown sugar, oil, and egg in a large bowl. Combine flour, salt, and baking soda, and stir into sugar mixture alternately with milk mixture just until combined. Fold in rhubarb and walnuts. Pour batter into prepared loaf pans.

4. Combine remaining ¼ cup brown sugar, butter, and cinnamon in a small bowl. Sprinkle this mixture over the unbaked loaves.

5. Bake in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted into the center of a loaf comes out clean, about 40 minutes.

e-WV The West Virginia Encyclopedia

www.wvencyclopedia.org

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.

May 8, 1864: Clarence Wayland Watson was born in Fairmont. Watson was a prominent coal baron and served in the U.S. Senate from 1911 to 1913.

May 8, 1998: Former U.S. Senator Jennings Randolph died at the age of 96. He was first elected to the House of Representatives in 1932 and served a total of 40 years in Congress.

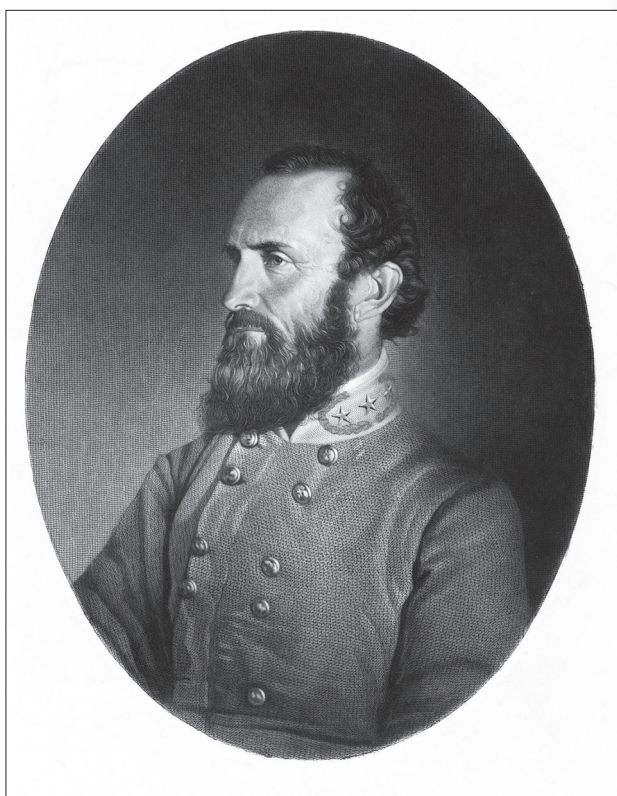
May 9, 1800: Abolitionist John Brown was born in Torrington, Connecticut. His 1859 raid on Harpers Ferry galvanized the nation, further alienating North and South in the lead-up to the Civil War.

May 9, 1843: Confederate spy "Belle" Boyd was born in Martinsburg. On July 4, 1861, Boyd shot a Yankee soldier and started her spy career.

May 9, 1863: Confederate raiders arrived at Burning Springs, Wirt County. There they set fire to 150,000 barrels of oil, oil tanks, engines for pumping, engine houses, wagons, and oil-laden boats.

May 10, 1908: The first official observance of Mother's Day was held at Andrews Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton and simultaneously in Philadelphia. The holiday resulted from a vigorous campaign by Anna Jarvis, who wanted to commemorate the spirit of her mother's work as a social activist.

May 10, 1960: John F. Kennedy defeated Hubert Humphrey in the West Virginia primary. It dispelled the widely held belief that being a Roman Catholic



May 10, 1863: Just before dying of wounds suffered at the Battle of Chancellorsville, Stonewall Jackson uttered the words, "Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees." He is buried in the Stonewall Jackson Cemetery in Lexington, Virginia.

was an insurmountable obstacle to becoming president.

May 11, 1909: Filmmaker Ellis Dungan was born. After years of working in the feature film industry in India, he settled in Wheeling, where he shot documentaries and produced films for the state and the region.

May 11, 1930: Physician John C. Norman, Jr., was born in Charleston. A noted thoracic and cardiovascular surgeon and researcher, he was best known for his work toward creating an artificial heart.

May 12-14, 1921: Bullets peppered down on about a dozen mining towns in the Matewan-Williamson area, and non-union miners fired back, in what became known as the Battle of the Tug. Three people were shot and killed.

May 13, 1962: Editorial

cartoonist Henry Payne was born in Charleston. In 1989, Payne was the first editorial cartoonist in the country to make his work available via computer.

May 14, 1878: Photographer Rufus "Red" Ribble was born in Blacksburg, Virginia. For nearly 40 years he traveled the coal-fields making panoramic photographs of miners, towns, family reunions, church congregations and school groups.

May 14, 1906: Social reformer Mary Behner was born in Xenia, Ohio. From 1928 until 1937, Behner worked in the coal camps along Scotts Run near Morgantown, fighting poverty and creating social and educational outlets for families.

May 14, 1943: Alan Mollohan was born in Fairmont. Mollohan served in the U.S. Congress from 1983 to 2011.

Weather Totals

April 23 - April 30

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Parsons

Temperature

Max 87° F
Min 30° F

Precipitation

Week 0.12"
April 5.06"
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Snowfall

New Snow 0"
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by Linda Thistle

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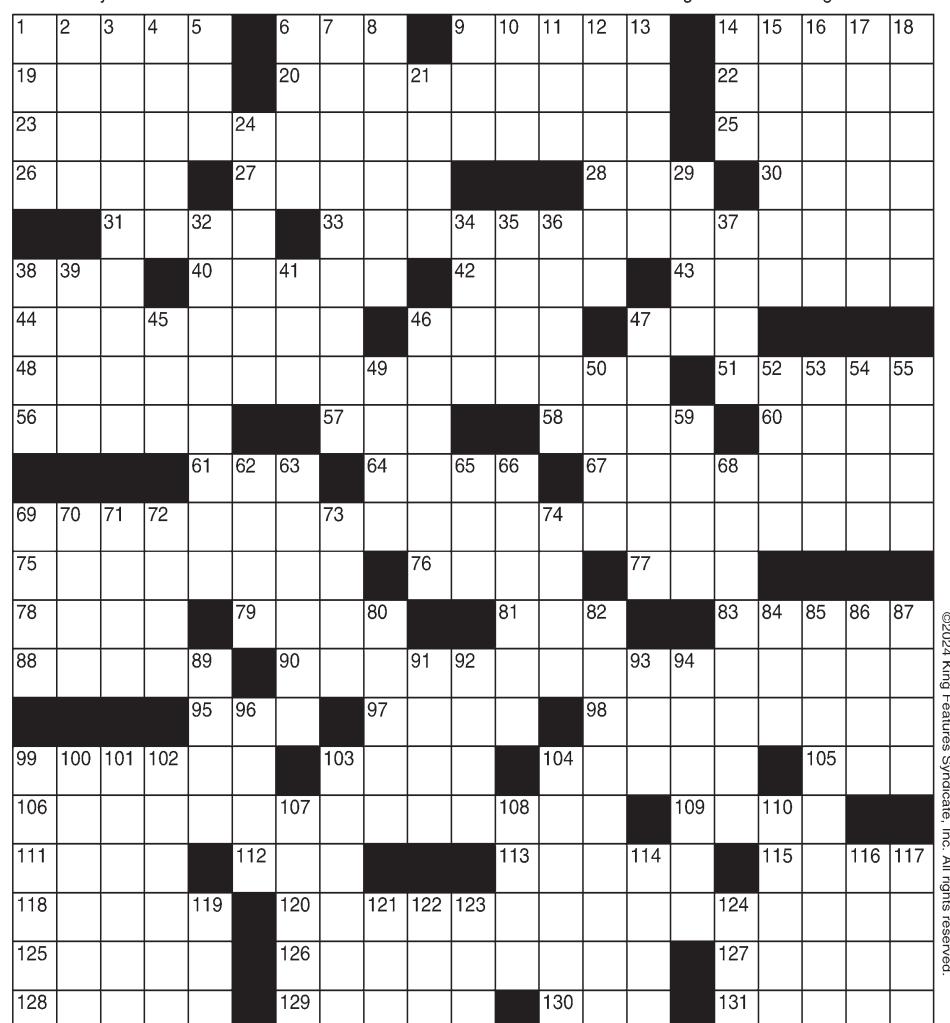
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| 1 Pour drippings on | 57 Pro photog's camera | 109 See 10-Down | 9 Federal health agcy. | 46 Amount of jelly or olives | 87 Gumbo, e.g. |
| 6 J. Edgar Hoover's org. | 58 Bamboozle | 111 Best Picture of 2012 | 10 With 109-Across, Beatles song or album | 47 Visit casually | 89 Horse gait |
| 9 Blocks up | 60 "Pride and Prejudice" | 112 Arbor Day mo. | 11 Brand of nail polish | 49 Smeltery stuff | 91 The last Mrs. Chaplin |
| 14 Sailing | 61 Fleming actress Jennifer | 113 Poker champion Stu | 12 Start to melt | 50 Sammy with 609 homers | 92 Rod's partner |
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| 20 Arsenal for weapons | 64 Shaving balm brand | 118 Top hats' go-wilts | 14 Liable | 53 — -Pei | 94 Whirling |
| 22 Limericks, e.g. | 67 Handheld telescope | 120 Riddle's answer | 15 "It's a shame" | 54 Additionally | 96 "Exile" New Age singer |
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| 26 Drain-clearing chemicals | 76 "Star Wars" princess | 127 — Carlo | 18 Size up | 62 Doing the job | 101 Yule drink |
| 27 Forster's "— With a View" | 77 To this point | 128 "Full House" actor Bob | 21 Rikishi's sport | 63 A ripe old age | 102 Singer Snow |
| 28 Frequently, to a bard | 78 Uganda's Idi | 129 Walk over | 24 Golfed acceptably | 65 Sports draw | 103 One hanging ten |
| 30 Unadorned | 79 Side in sports | 130 Crimson, e.g. | 29 "Bye 4 now" | 66 The way things stand | 104 Ember |
| 31 Brandy fruit | 81 Pewter metal | 131 Limerick penner Nash | 24 Guffed | 68 Scrams | 107 Eye-teasing paintings |
| 33 Riddle, part 2 | 83 Kinds | DOWN | 34 Membrane enclosing a fetus | 69 Tablet since 2010 | 108 San — Obispo, California |
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| 43 Sings Alpine-style | 97 Bucks' mates | 4 In need of a massage, maybe | 38 Additionally | 73 Ark crafter | 117 Yaks, e.g. |
| 44 "Listen up!" | 98 Car fuel device brand | 5 History unit | 39 12:00 p.m. | 74 Alexander of Reagan's Cabinet | 119 Former Brit. Airways jet |
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Greetings Town of Davis Residents,

There will be a public meeting on Saturday, May 11 at 10:00 AM in the Davis Fire Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to answer any questions and better inform the public about the proposed Zoning Ordinance.

For your information:

- Most of the extra zoning requirements have been removed from the original draft ordinance.
- The ordinance establishes zones in the Town.
- Short-term rentals will be limited in the Residential, R1, zone. They are NOT limited in commercial zones or where there is a Homeowners Association (HOA).
- Commercial businesses are restricted from the Residential, R1, and R2 zones.
- Signs, such as billboards and large neon signs, are restricted in Davis.
- What exists currently is "grandfathered."
- Home businesses are allowed in the Residential, R1, and R2 zones.

The draft Zoning Ordinance (version December 2023) including the Zoning maps are on the Town of Davis website:

<https://daviswv.us/notices/zoning-ordinance-december-2023/>

Remember that our election on the Zoning Ordinance is scheduled for Saturday, June 8, 2024. Please note that only registered voters in the Town of Davis are eligible to cast a ballot. Make sure you're prepared!

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Help Wanted -The Five Rivers Public Library is seeking an energetic, flexible and punctual person to fill a part time library assistant position. Check the library's website <https://fiverivers.wvlibrary.info/> and/or facebook page for more information. Application deadline is May 29, 2024 @ 5:00 p.m. Applications can be picked up at the library or can be downloaded from the web page.

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SPORTS

Mt. Lions Baseball Tie with Tygarts Valley, Fall to East Hardy

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

PARSONS – The Tucker County Baseball team hosted Tygarts Valley on Wednesday May 1st. The Mt. Lions battled the Bulldogs to a 4-4 tie. The game had to be called a tie because of issues with the field lights.

The game went scoreless through 2 innings, until Tygarts Valley got on the scoreboard with 1 run in the top of the 3rd inning. Tucker County responded in the bottom of the 3rd as they plated 2 runs to give the Mt. Lions the 2-1 lead after 3 innings. The visiting Bulldogs would add 1 run in the 4th inning and 1 run in the top of 5th inning to pit the score to 3-2 Tygarts Valley. Tucker County then tied the game at 3-3 in the bottom of the 5th. The Bulldogs then put another run on the board in the 6th inning to put Tygarts Valley up 4-3. Tucker County then tied the game in the bottom of the 7th inning 4-4. This would force the game into extra innings, but the field lights were not functioning properly, so it was decided to call the game a tie at 4-4.

Ethan Rosenau led Tucker County with 3 hits on 4 at bats and Justin Robeson added 2 hits for the Mt. Lions. Nate Ricottilli had 1 hit(double) and Maddox Anderson chipped in with 1 hit for Tucker County. Xander Lambert and Blaike Adams would add 1 hit each for

the Mt. Lions as they collected 9 hits total.

Ethan Rosenau got the start on the mound for Tucker County as he went 4 innings, while Robeson and Anderson entered the game in relief.

BAKER – The Mt. Lions closed out the regular season on Thursday May 2nd at East Hardy. Tucker County struggled at the plate as the Cougars took the victory 12-2.

East Hardy scored first as they plated 1 run in the 1st inning to get the 1-0 lead after 1 inning. The Cougars would produce 3 runs in the 3rd inning to increase their lead to 4-0 after 3 innings. East Hardy then exploded for 6 runs in the 4th inning to take a commanding 10-0 lead after 4 innings. Tucker County then got on the scoreboard in the top of the 5th inning as they plated 2 runs to cut the Cougars lead to 10-2. East Hardy then responded in the bottom of the 5th with 2 runs to end the contest by the final score of 12-2.

Tucker County was led at the plate by Nate Ricottilli with a double and Ethan McCrum had 1 single for the Mt. Lions in the loss.

Nate Ricottilli got the start on the mound for Tucker County as Xander Lambert and Justin Robeson entered the game in relief.

The Mt. Lions were scheduled to start Sectional Playoffs this week. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.



Tucker County's Xander Lambert fields the ball in a recent game. Photo by Dave Helmick.

Tucker Softball Opens Sectional Play with Win Over East Hardy

By Dave Helmick
TuckerCountySports.Com

CAMP KIDD – The Lady Mt. Lions Softball team started Sectional playoffs with a game at home on Tuesday April 30th against East Hardy. Tucker County jumped out to the lead and never looked back to secure the win 8-0.

The Lady Mt. Lions got on the scoreboard first as they scored 3 runs in the 2nd inning to take the 3-0 advantage after 2 innings. Tucker County would then add 5 runs in the 4th inning to make the score 8-0 Lady Mt. Lions. East Hardy was unable to score to extend the game as Tucker County got the win by the final of 8-0.

The home team collected 7 hits on the evening as Rachel Felton led the Lady Mt. Lions with 2 hits. Katie Hicks collected an inside the park home run to right field for her 1 hit and Reagan Herron hit a double to right field for her 1 hit. Addie Hicks, Ava Shaffer, and Peyton Hicks added 1 hit each for Tucker County in the win. Peyton Hicks went the distance on the mound for the Lady Mt. Lions as she struck out 7 batters in her 5 innings of work.

FRANKLIN – Tucker County Softball traveled to the top seed in the Section, Pendleton County on Wednesday May 1st. The Lady Mt. Lions scored first, but the Lady Wildcats used 8 hits to score 13 runs as they defeated Tucker County 13-1.

The visiting Lady Mt. Lions would score first as they



Tucker County player Addie Hicks makes a catch in a recent game. Photo by Dave Helmick.

led after the top of the 1st inning 1-0. Pendleton County then responded in the bottom of the 1st as they scored 5 runs to put the score at 5-1 after 1 inning. The Lady Wildcats then added 2 runs in the 3rd inning to make it 7-1 Pendleton. The home team then exploded for 6 runs in the 4th inning to put the game out of reach. The Lady Wildcats defeated Tucker County by the score of 13-1.

The Lady Mt. Lions managed just 2 hits on the night as Addie Hicks and Peyton Hicks had 1 hit each. Brianna Gooden took the loss on the mound for Tucker County and Ava Shaffer entered the game in relief.

MOOREFIELD – The Lady Mt. Lions traveled to Moorefield on Friday May 3rd for a Sectional Elimination game. The game went 3 innings and was stopped at the top of the 4th inning due to rain as Moorefield was leading 5-0.

The Lady Yellowjackets scored all their runs in the 2nd inning as they led the game 5-0 when it was suspended after a single by Katie Hicks at the top of the 4th inning. The game was rescheduled for Saturday, but the field conditions and weather would not allow the game to be played. They are scheduled to play the contest on Monday May 6th at 6pm.

The Lady Mt. Lions had 2 hits in the game before the stoppage of play. Ava Shaffer and Katie Hicks had 1 hit each. The winner of this game will advance in Sectional play and the losing team will end their season. For more information go to TuckerCountySports.com.

Ohio West Virginia YLA Provides Summer Food Service Program

The Camp Horseshoe announces its sponsorship of the federally funded Summer Food Service Program. The camp will be held at Camp Horseshoe 3309 Horseshoe Run Rd on June 30 – July 27.

Meals will be provided to all eligible children free of charge. (To be eligible to receive free meals at a residential camp or an enrolled program, children must meet the income guidelines for reduced price meals in the National School Lunch Program. The income guidelines for reduced price meals by family size are listed below.) Children who are part of households that receive SNAP and/or TANF assistance are automatically eligible to receive free meals.

Eligibility is based on the following income guidelines:

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly
1	\$27,861	\$2,322
2	37,814	3,152
3	47,767	3,981
4	57,720	4,810
5	67,673	5,640
6	77,626	6,469
7	87,579	7,299
8	97,532	8,128
Each additional person:	9,953	830

For more information about Camp Horseshoe's Summer Food Program, please call Leslie at 304-478-2481.

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TURNER'S TIDBITS



This is a photo of B. White. He is sitting on his bed and to the left of him are several saw blades hanging on the wall. It is interesting to see the blades hanging close to his bed. I guess he was protecting them or perhaps had them close by and ready to use. Perhaps he was sharpening them as he had time. Men working in the lumber business worked very hard. Ideas, comments, suggestions, or photos to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.

AREA SCHEDULE:

Wednesday May 8th
Tucker County Baseball – Sectionals – TBA
Tucker County Track – Regionals @ Doddridge County 3pm

Thursday May 9th
Tucker County Baseball – Sectionals – TBA

Saturday May 11th
Tucker Valley Track @ Harry Green Invit. – Bridgeport 9am

Friday May 17th
Tucker County Track @ State Track Meet – Charleston – TBA

Saturday May 18th
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Notice of Public Comment Period
State of West Virginia
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Division of Water and Waste Management
601 57th Street, SE
Charleston, WV 25304
Telephone: (304) 926-0440
Fax: (304) 926-0463

Public Notice No.: SM-40-2024
Public Notice Date: May 7, 2024

GENERAL WV/NPDES WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT
STORMWATER DISCHARGES FROM SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE
STORM SEWER SYSTEMS
WV/NPDES PERMIT NO. WV0116025

The Division of Water and Waste Management is proposing to reissue the West Virginia National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Water Pollution Control Permit WV0116025. The General Permit covers discharges to waters of the state from small municipal separate storm sewer systems as defined in the General Permit. It is proposed that this General Permit be issued for a five-year term.

The reissued General Permit will supersede the existing General Water Pollution Control Permit No. WV0116025, which expired on August 11, 2019.

The Director of the Division of Water and Waste Management retains authority to require any owner/operator to apply for and obtain an individual WV/NPDES Permit. This authority will be exercised when the Director determines that such individual permits will better protect the receiving water.

The draft permit and fact sheet are available on the WVDEP website at https://dep.wv.gov/WVE/Programs/stormwater/MS4/Pages/default.aspx. Hard copies are available for review at WVDEP headquarters in Charleston or any of the agency's regional field offices, and can be mailed upon request.

Hearing impaired individuals having access to a Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) may contact our agency by calling 1-800-422-5700. Calls must be made between 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any interested persons may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments will be accepted until June 21, 2024. They should be addressed to:

Sharon Mullins
Division of Water and Waste Management
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, WV 25304
Attention: Sharon Mullins
E-mail: Sharon.A.Mullins@WV.gov

All comments received within this period will be considered prior to acting on the draft General Permit. Correspondence should include the name, address and telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised.

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The PY 2024-2028 Business Plan for the Region VI Workforce Development Board (WDB) is available for public comment beginning May 6, 2024, through May 18, 2024. It can be viewed on the Region VI WDB website at www.regionviwv.org under the Public Information tab. A copy of the plan may also be requested by calling the Region VI WDB office at (304) 3689530. Public comments on the plan can be mailed to: Maria Larry, Executive Director I Region VI Workforce Development Board, 17 Middletown Road, Fairmont, WV 26554. Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities / WV Relay 7-1-1



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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division of Highways
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until June 11, 2024 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

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

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

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

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Notice is hereby given that a foreign will or affidavit has been filed before the Tucker County Commission at 211 First St., Suite 205, Parsons, WV 26287.
That no appointment or administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of law but that a foreign will or affidavit of heirs of the following decedent has been filed with the Tucker County Commission and is of record in the Tucker County Clerk's Office.
Any interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this State must be filed with the County Commission within 60 days after the first publication date within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

1st Publication Date: May 1, 2024
Decedent: Mark Bailey
Filed By: Marthanne Bailey
7037 DeBold Rd.
Sabillasville, MD 21780

Relationship: Spouse
Subscribed and sworn to before me on April 22, 2024
Sherry Simmons
Tucker County Clerk

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1st publication 5/8/24 PO Box 514
2nd publication 5/15/24 Davis, WV 26260
Mary Rosalie Snyder Marian Browning
1st publication 5/8/24 436 Charlie Moore Rd.
2nd publication 5/15/24 Parsons, WV 26287

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

ATTEST: SHERRY SIMMONS, TUCKER COUNTY CLERK

Adaland Mansion Celebrates Mother's Day with Favorite Menu



Guests at Adaland Mansion's annual Mother's Day Buffet will be treated to a delicious, mouth-watering meal followed by some of the amazing dessert choices pictured above. Reservations for the buffet may be made by calling 304-457-1587 and leaving a message with name, number of reservations, and time being reserved.

"We look forward to welcoming many of our regular visitors and many new ones to Adaland's annual Mother's Day Buffet on Sunday, May 12 in the beautifully restored 1872 mansion off Rt. 76 four miles north of downtown Philippi," says an Adaland spokesperson.

Guests to the popular annual buffet may choose from three seatings on this special day: 12:30, 2:15, and 3:45 pm. Adaland Mansion's former veteran cook Lucy Williamson has come out of retirement to prepare one of her best-loved meals for Mother's Day. She will fill the buffet table with ham and raisin sauce, baked chicken with dressing, cabbage and noodles, parsley red potatoes, green beans, carrots, crisp salad with Lucy's famous dressing, homemade rolls, and an assortment of cakes and pies for desserts. All will be topped off with coffee and Adaland's signature peach tea.

Mouth-watering food, the charming ambiance of the mansion, and gracious hosts will all contribute to making the dinner a very special event for the very special women being honored on Mother's Day, whether mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters, or friends.

To reserve seats for the May 12 buffet, call 304-457-1587 and leave a message including name, the number of people attending, and the time being reserved. People leaving reservation messages will be called to confirm the reservation. Cost for the dinner is \$35 per adult and \$15 for children.

To learn more about Philippi's historical gem, visit Adaland Mansion at Philippi at www.adaland.org and on Facebook.

West Virginia Department of Human Services Observes Mental Health Awareness Month

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The West Virginia Department of Human Services (DoHS), Bureau for Behavioral Health (BBH) unites with agencies across the state and country during Mental Health Awareness Month to emphasize the vital role mental health plays in overall health and well-being.

Governor Jim Justice also proclaimed May as Mental Health Awareness Month in West Virginia.

This year's national theme, "Where to Start: Mental Health in a Changing World," acknowledges that dealing with life's pressures can be overwhelming, and everyone deserves to feel supported and empowered to seek help when needed. Using person-first language can reduce stigma about mental health, and the #BeThe1To campaign provides steps everyone can take to prevent suicide.

"This month, we aim to shine a light on the importance of mental well-being in our communities," said Christina Mullins, DoHS Deputy Secretary of Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders. "In times of struggle, it's crucial to utilize the resources available to help our friends, family, and neighbors navigate their journey towards healing and resilience. When we extend compassion and understanding to those in need, West Virginians can bolster one another in difficult times."

Resources include HELP4WV, which offers a 24/7 call, chat, and text line at 1-844-HELP4WV that provides immediate help for any West Virginian struggling with an addiction or mental health issue. The helpline provides assistance to those who need help themselves, or guidance to those seeking help for loved ones. The Children's Crisis and Referral Line, a separate source of support provided by HELP4WV, is also available around-the-clock to assist in finding the most appropriate available treatment for youth behavioral health needs.

The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline offers 24/7/365 access to trained crisis counselors who can help those experiencing



mental-health related distress including thoughts of suicide, mental health or substance use crisis, or any other kind of emotional distress. Residents can also call or text 988 if they are worried about a loved one who may need crisis support. 988 also serves as the Veterans Crisis Line (press option 1).

DoHS's BBH also administers a number of programs to promote the behavioral health of children and youth in West Virginia communities through primary prevention and individualized services for mental health, substance use, and intellectual and developmental disabilities. As part of its annual block grant report to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), BBH is seeking feedback on mental health services that West Virginians receive anytime between October 1, 2023, to August 1, 2024. There are three survey options for adults above age 18, youth between ages 12 to 17, and parents of children and youth who receive services.

To view and apply for careers in the behavioral health field, go to dhr.wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx.

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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.

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.**

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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