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Commission Names New Road at Camp Kidd

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

During the August 28th regular meeting of the Tucker County Commission, a newly constructed access road designed to allow access to the lower fields next to the Cheat River at Camp Kidd was named by the Tucker County Commission. In a motion made by Commissioner Tim Knotts and approved by the entirety of the Commission, was a formality following research by other county entities. "We're going to name a road," Rosenau said.

Tucker County Commission President Mike Rosenau said that when Camp Kidd was first turned over to the County, access to the lower fields was difficult due to the swampy nature of the terrain by the river. "When Camp Kidd was first turned over to us, there was no way to access our lower fields unless we went through the middle of the golf course," Rosenau said. "And even at the end of the golf course, there was a big swamp there, so you couldn't get through to the fields."

Rosenau said the only viable access to the fields was through a neighboring property. "To do that you would need to ask permission from the land owner to open the gates to get to the lower fields."



A newly constructed access road to the lower fields along the Cheat River at Camp Kidd has been named by the Tucker County Commission as "Cheat River Way." The official naming came as part of the Commission's August 28th meeting in Parsons.

According to Rosenau, this led to the decision to construct an access road. "Well, we felt to utilize those fields, we needed a road down through there," Rosenau said. "So, we the Commission, contacted a Contractor to build us a road, which is really nice."

According to Rosenau the road is com-

plete and available for use, which has opened the lower fields up for a variety of future events and uses, should the opportunities arise. "Anybody wants to go down to the lower fields now and see them, you can," Rosenau said. "We need to utilize them now, we have the opportunity. Say, we want a rodeo or whatever.

So we have a way to get down ourselves."

Tucker County Administrator Shelia DeVilder suggested the name Cheat River Way for the access road, Rosenau said. "Which I think is an appropriate name," Rosenau said. "It's a way to get to Cheat River from our County Farm."

The approval of the name went through a few steps before it came before the Commission for final approval, according to Rosenau. Rosenau said that DeVilder researched the name, as well as the 911 Center confirming that no other roads in the County contained the same designation, prior to preliminary approval and Commission consideration, as well as adjoining landowner considerations to be taken into account. "Shelia did the research, the 911 Center said there is no other Cheat River Way, we're the only landowners that borders that, so Commissioners, what do you think of Cheat River Way?" Rosenau said.

The Commission concurred with the name and in a motion made by Tim Knotts and approved by the Commission unanimously, the motion carried. The new access road to the lower fields at Camp Kidd on what was the former County Farm along the Cheat River will be called Cheat River Way officially.

Thomas Animal Surrender Leaves Shelter Overcapacity

Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

A recent surrender of multiple dogs from a home in Thomas has left the Tucker County Animal Shelter several times over normal capacity, according to Tucker County Animal Shelter Director Stacey Canfield. Canfield informed the Tucker County Commission of the overcapacity situation during the Commission's August 28th meeting. "Our numbers have been crazy," Canfield said. "More so focused on dogs than anything."

Most of the dogs involved in the situation have come from a surrender in Thomas, according to Canfield. "As most everybody knows, there was a situation in Thomas where multiple dogs were found in the home."

Canfield said 19 dogs were surrendered in five days. "In a five day period, we got 19 of them," Canfield said. "On top of us having five dogs in the shelter."

The additional animals have left the facility over capacity, according to Canfield. "So, we are way over capacity in the facility itself," Canfield said.

According to Canfield, the shelter has an optimal capacity to house around eight. "So if you have been there, you know that we have the capacity to house eight safely and ideally," Canfield said.

Newly constructed kennels have allowed for larger areas to house additional dogs,

according to Canfield. "You get a little bit of leeway on the new side, thankfully, because we have expanded the kennels that were there into two larger ones instead of four smaller ones so you can house a couple more animals to a kennel," Canfield said.

Canfield said other kennels do not offer as roomy accommodations. "Right now, unfortunately, we have five in one kennel and four in another and then individual dogs in the other six in the other side," Canfield said.

Canfield said the animals that have come in have been friendly and adjusted to the new environment well. "Thankfully, the groups the came in are friendly," Canfield said. "They had no other choice with the circumstance that they were brought to us from other than to get along with each other and multiple other dogs. So we are very, very happy about that."

According to Canfield only two females have been combative and have led to measures to reduce resource guarding to reduce fighting

among the two females. "But unfortunately with them being housed so closely together, we noticed today that they are starting to fight," Canfield said. "We have two, specifically two tan females, they were jumping on each other immediately of being placed together. So we had to pull all toys, all resources, they could potentially guard over each other, simply

because we don't have a n y w h e r e else for them to go right now. So, just trying to make it safe for them until we can get some kennels put up."

Canfield said new flooring has been installed in the shelter. "The new floors were put in and they are amazing," Canfield said. "They are super nice to clean. They are super nice for the dog's traction. It brightened the entire facility up. It looks like a facility when you walk in there."

The main focus for the shelter is new kennels, Canfield said. "Now our main focus is the kennels," Canfield. "We have a good foundation on the main side...with cinder block walls. Those are perfect. Good to clean, good to keep dogs quarantined from each other and separated."

Canfield said her staff is trying to determine the best way to utilize the space for kennel space. "Now its on the main, wide open side, when you first walk in," Canfield said. "We're trying to look at the most cost effective way and the safest and cleanest way to get some good kennels put up in there, ideally that we could put five to six dogs in, but we just need more than two apartments. That's what we call them are 'apartments.'"

Prior to meeting with the Commissioners, Canfield said she and County staff had spent five hours disassembling and reconfiguring

kennel panels, as well as pressure washing concrete pads. "We spent about five hours taking kennels down and refiguring them," Canfield said. "We pressure washed the back pad and got new kennels put up outside."

Canfield said the main problem she faced was how to get all the dogs outside play time with so many in the facility's care. The solution, Canfield said, has been to rotate groups in and out of the exterior kennel area. "So the problem that we ran into today was when we broke them down outside to bring them inside, where do we turn them out to have some outside time?," Canfield said. "Currently in our care we have 31 dogs," Canfield said.

Canfield said the facility is hoping to transfer 20 cats that are 3 months and older next month to a partner organization. In August, five dogs were transferred to partner organizations and one of the five was adopted within two days. "We're really grateful for that," Canfield said. "Everyone across the State, across Maryland, if you reach out Marion County, especially right now is being hit really, really hard with overpopulation. Its a statewide crisis."

Canfield credited her staff with keeping the shelter going during the crisis. "I have to give credit to staff," Canfield said. "We have been running off of two part-time employees who are supposed to be there five hours a day and the amount of work that is required in that five hours a day is unreal right now. Its exhausting and they are working well over their hours because we haven't had a choice."

In order to meet County requirements, Canfield said the employees would be looking at working a couple of days a week towards the end of the year.

Tucker County Commission President Mike Rosenau thanked Canfield and her staff on behalf of the Commission for their hard work and dedication. "On behalf of the Commission, I want to thank you for all you do for the animals of this County and for us," Rosenau said. "And I mean that."

County Commission Encourages Boards to Attend Training

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

Tucker County Commission President Mike Rosenau encourages local County and Municipal Boards to Attend a training by the State Auditor's Office. According to Rosenau, the training will be held October 23rd in Bridgeport, with other dates and locations available, as well.

Rosenau said that Tucker County Administrator Shelia DeVilder has worked with local Boards make sure they are abiding by the law when it comes to the length of their terms. "Shelia has worked diligently trying to get our boards in line as far as their terms," Rosenau said.

Rosenau said that terms are important because only members that are legally within their terms can vote to disperse funds. "Bylaws we can deal with. Terms, if you've got a member on a board and their term has expired, how can they vote on dispersing funds legally? They can't, because they're no longer a member of the board. So that is one thing that we have really worked on," Rosenau said.

Rosenau said he understands that Boards are volunteer organizations and the pressures they face. "I understand that the boards are voluntary," Rosenau said. Its hard to get people to volunteer for them anyway," Rosenau said.

Rosenau thanked the members of area Boards for their service. "I thank all those serving on the boards because it is a thankless job," Rosenau said. "But we have to

"I encourage them to at least send one representative to this training so they can bring it back to their board," Rosenau said.

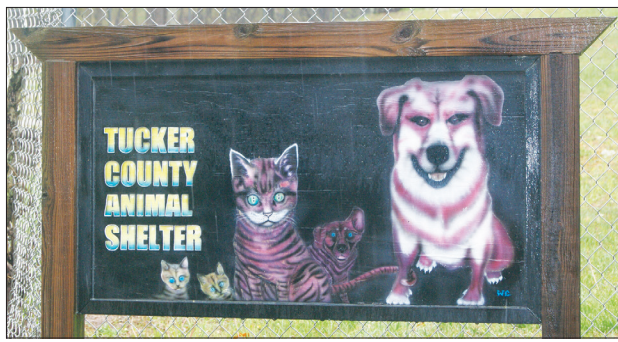
have them."

Rosenau said that he believes in doing things legally in all areas of government and life. "Its the one thing I say all the time, how many times do you hear me say that, 'as long as we do it legally,'" Rosenau said. "So that is what I want to make sure."

Rosenau encouraged the Boards to send at least one representative to one of the upcoming trainings. "These Boards, I encourage them to at least send one representative to this training so they can bring it back to their board," Rosenau said.

According to Rosenau it is especially important for the Authority Boards to attend. "Especially the Authority Boards, the Advisory Boards I'm not as concerned about," Rosenau said. "But the Authority Boards that manage their money need to know how to do it."

According to Rosenau, the training is a regional event to be held in Bridgeport. DeVilder said there are other dates and locations available for the training, as well. For more information contact the Tucker County Commission Office. "It is a Regional training," Rosenau said. "It is Wednesday, October 23rd in Bridgeport."



Over a five day period, the Tucker County Animal Shelter took in 19 dogs from a home in Thomas.

Fair Reports Success

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

The Tucker County Fair has reported record attendance according to Marcy Williams. Williams informed the Tucker County Commission August 28th of the state of this year's

County Fair the Commission's regular meeting. "I just wanted to say that the Fair did really well this year," Williams said. "We had the most people there that we'd had. We had lots of compliments."

Williams thanked the Commissioners for their support of the Fair. "Just wanted to say thank you to all three of you," Williams said.

Tucker County Commission President Mike Rosenau thanked Williams for

the work of Williams and her volunteers on the bleachers in the barn. Rosenau equated the bleachers to walking on a tightrope. "A special thanks to Makenna for all the work she did on the bleachers to make them safe," Rosenau said. "We really appreciate that."

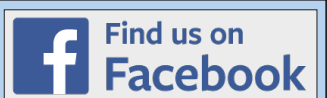
Tucker County Commissioner Fred Davis also thanked Williams for the children's programming at the Fair this year. Tucker County Commissioner Tim Knotts thanked Williams for how the Fair was handled overall. "The Fair was wonderful, thank you," Knotts said.

No business was conducted during Williams' presentation and no actions were taken. Williams only appeared to thank the Commission for their support of the Fair.

"We had the most people there that we'd had," Williams said.



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We Get Letters

Fellow West Virginians

West Virginia, out of all 50 states, currently ranks 48th in Education, the Economy, and Health Care, according to US News and World Report.

Our current standing, third from the bottom, is not a reflection of our citizens but a result of our government leaders' misplaced priorities. The legislatures have focused on many of the wrong issues, and the current governor's silence on crucial matters is holding us back from reaching our full potential.

Let us look at the city of Huntington as a case study. Twelve years ago, the city had the most drug deaths in the United States, led the state with people struggling with obesity, and Huntington was in a financial freefall. As the city raced to the bottom, it shared similar challenges with the rest of West Virginia. Now, twelve years later, the city has been rated

again by US News and World Report, but this time as one of the top 100 best places to live (86th and 48th best place to retire) in the United States!

So there is hope. A logical question to ask is what changed. The change is that Huntington elected a new mayor twelve years ago. His name is Steve Williams. He made the difference in Huntington. His vision, business acumen, expertise, and leadership transformed the city. The community was pulled together, and Steve guided the city in a new and positive direction. The citizens have succeeded in Huntington; we all can succeed in West Virginia with him. We need this proven leader to show us the way.

This is not a Republican or Democratic issue; this is a West Virginia issue and it affects all of us. Together, we can make a difference. We need a governor with proven skills and a

track record of getting things done for all West Virginians. Steve Williams is that leader. I have watched Steve's accomplishments over the years and believe that his brand of leadership is what is needed in Charleston. Please Google him and learn more about the difference he can make for our state. Search on Google:

"Steve Williams for WV," or "Steve Williams turned Huntington around. Now he wants to give West Virginia a try"

Steve is a doer; he is our best hope as the next governor, and the time is now. All West Virginians deserve the best possible state - one that ranks at the top of the list and not the bottom. Our future depends on this, and please vote for the best candidate – Steve Williams.

Al Tomson

Tucker Countians:

With Labor Day, political campaigning ad nauseam is upon us.

Nonetheless, I wish to alert voters that we have two candidates running for statewide office with significant ties to Tucker County: Deborah Stiles is running for Commissioner of Agriculture, and my brother, Thornton Cooper, is running for Secretary of State.

Deborah Stiles is a resident of this county and has a lifelong connection to farming and agriculture (her father, Jim Stiles, was Tucker county's ag agent from 1975-95). Deborah was raised on Tyler and Tucker County farms and used her education and agricultural background to become a rural studies and ag research professor. In 2021, she retired and returned to Tucker County to farm but saw the challenges facing the farmers in this state; to address these challenges, she stepped up to run for Commissioner of Agriculture, and in my view is exceptionally well-qualified to govern agricultural matters in this State.

With respect to Thornton, our father, grandparents, two great-grandparents, and one great-great grandparent were Davis residents going back to 1886. Thornton and I own land together in Davis where we manage the apple trees planted by our father in the 1950's. Thornton is a lawyer who devoted his career to public service with the Public Service Commission for 25 years. He was co-valedictorian of South Charleston High School and graduated from Yale in political science before completing law school at WVU. The Secretary of State is chief election officer in

the State. Let me share August 11th comments from Ron Gregory, a news columnist in southern WV, rather than expressing my own bias. "One thing I know for certain: the current Democrat candidate for West Virginia Secretary of State knows more about elections than even those who have been elected to the job as the "chief state election official" over the years It would be difficult for anyone to compare actual election experience with Democrat Secretary of State nominee Thornton Cooper. . . . Any fair person who knows much about West Virginia's election history will certainly remember Cooper as intimately involved in five decades of balloting. When one reaches back to the 1980s for an individual involved in state elections, research will inevitably turn to Cooper, a South Charleston lawyer. Without flamboyance, the man is a living legend in the mechanics of state voting laws. By now, there are few questions that Cooper could be asked about elections where he has not been involved in a similar question or issue years ago (I)t's fascinating to have someone of Cooper's experience and capability on the ballot. Actually, it's quite unusual. This is not some political hanger-on seeking to increase his retirement check. It is, instead, someone who is fair, honest and genuinely qualified to do the job."

Whether you are a Republican, Democrat or Independent, I urge that you vote for these two candidates in November.

John Cooper, Canaan Valley

News of Record

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

- **Carley Brooke Eye**, was charged with Cruelty to Animals. According to the complaint on Tuesday, Aug. 27 Deputy C.R. Summerfield of the Tucker County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) received a call from Tucker 911. They advised they has received an animal complaint and advised the caller stated there has not been anyone around the apartment to care for the animals inside for three days. It was later discovered that the apartment was rented by Carley Eye.
- After further investigation Deputy Summerfield obtained a search warrant for the residence. At approximately 4:49 p.m. on the same date Summerfield and Sgt. B.T. Zirk of the TCSO executed said search warrant. Officers seized 2 kittens, four dogs with assistance from the Tucker County Animal Shelter.
- Upon removing the animals from the residence, members of the Tucker County Animal Shelter stated that the dogs appeared to be very hungry when given treats. Officers did not observe any accessible food for the animals. One white bowl containing water was located on the kitchen floor. Officers observed animal feces throughout the residence. The residence contained a strong odor and appeared to be a health hazard for the animals. It was also observed that the apartment did not appear to have electricity. The animals appeared to be in good health overall, pending results from a veterinary appointment set by the Tucker County Animal Shelter. Summerfield obtained photographic evidence of the residence and the animals seized.
- Ms. Eye was not located at the apartment during the time of executing this search warrant or initially when Summerfield first arrived on scene to obtain statements from the caller.
- This incident occurred in Tucker County.

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Invitation to Share Ambulance Stories

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If you have had to call for an ambulance in the last year or so, we are asking you to share a story of your experience with Tucker County EMS -- whether it went well or didn't. Your experience will help us to

maintain and improve the level of care our county deserves. As you share your story, you are encouraging our crews to do the best they can and to improve where it is needed.

Want to share your story? If so, please contact us at TCambComs@gmail.com and a board member will reach out to you! By sharing your stories, you not only present awareness

for the glaring need of our EMS for Tucker County, and shed light on areas for improvement, but you also encourage the crews to continue to go forth and serve the community!

Citizens of Tucker County:

We all eat - that's why supporting West Virginia farmers is so important. My Dad, Jim Stiles, a county agriculture agent, understood this. His whole career, he worked to promote agriculture and grow the next generation of farmers. Dad's love of farming meant that my siblings and I grew up in 4-H and FFA. After a career as an educator and researcher in rural and ag policy and as a small farmer myself, I now have the opportunity to do as Dad did -- to help grow West Virginia's future, through its agriculture.

This fall, the name of Deborah Stiles is on the ballot for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture. I ask you for your VOTE.

Since deciding to run for Commissioner of Agriculture, I've travelled across the state, asking West Virginians what they feel should be priorities of our Department of Agriculture. I've been to 41 counties so far and am on track to visit all 55 before November 5th. I'd like to share what I've learned and also hear from you. Please join me, the Tucker County Democrats, many of the other candidates for state office, and Tucker County Commission candidate, Travis "Ben" Hamrick for a **BBQ (free!) and Dessert Auction fundraiser on Sunday, September 22nd. ALL ARE WELCOME from 5:00 to 7:30pm, at the Davis Gym (453 Kent Ave., Davis, WV).** Please call or text to 304-642-5696 to RSVP so we know how much food to prepare. For more information on my campaign, visit www.stilesforwvagriculture.com, or follow me on Facebook, @Stiles for WV Agriculture.

Warm Regards,

Deborah Stiles

(Deb 'ie, to all the high school folks of Parsons High and the TCHS class of '79, with whom I graduated :-)

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SPORTS

Tucker's Defense and Ground Game Dominate the Bulldogs



Sam Marks scans the field for an open target



Jared Reall fights off the tackle from Bulldog defender



Garrett Wilfong sends Reid Kisamore in the air for touchdown celebration

By: Adam Freeman

Tucker County traveled to Mill Creek last Friday to take on the Tygarts Valley Bulldogs and came back home with a 68-0 win. Fueled primarily by a stout defensive effort that included five interceptions, three fumble recoveries, and two safeties. Tucker held Tygarts Valley to 113 total yards in the contest while amassing over 350 for the Mt. Lions. Tucker was led on

the ground by running back, Jared Reall, who finished the night with 13 carries, 124 yards, and five rushing touchdowns. Reall also added a receiving touchdown on the night. Tucker started the night hot and never looked back scoring on all seven of their possessions in the first half which included a 52-yard pass from quarterback, Sam Marks, to receiver, Reid Kisamore. Marks also added another

rushing touchdown on the ground and 132 yards passing. On the defensive side of the ball, Tucker was led by senior outside linebacker, Garrett Wilfong, with 5 1/2 tackles, one for a loss, two interceptions, and one fumble recovery. Linebacker,

Marky Phillips, and defensive end, Luke Barb, each had a safety in the bout. With the win, the Mt. Lions improve to 2-0 on the season and they will return home next Friday, September 13 to face the Cougars of East Hardy.



Amesley Channell gets down to return the volley versus Kasson



Riley Slaubaugh awaiting the next play

Wildcats Fall to Braxton in Season Opener



Quarterback, Branson Hyre, turns the corner and looks for a running lane
Photo credit: Brittany Channell

Tucker Valley Volleyball Takes Loss to Kasson

By: Adam Freeman

The Wildcats Junior Varsity squad fell 1-2 in the match to the visiting Kasson Eagles. The Varsity lost with a score of 0-2 in the contest. Wildcat Volleyball will

resume play on September 9 at Elkins with a 6:00 pm first serve, and with a Tri-match at home on September 10 with Long Drain and Davis Thomas beginning at 5:00 pm.



Wildcats offensive line gets down and ready for the next battle
Photo credit: Angela Teter



TCHS golf coach, Landon Dillard, congratulates sophomore golfer, Nate Davis
Photo credit: Rebecca Moore

Mountain Lions Golf Update

By: Adam Freeman

Last Tuesday, the Mt. Lions traveled to the Pines Country Club to the hosting Warriors of Trinity. Tucker was able to bring home second place as a team in the contest. On Wednesday, they competed against Gilmer County at the Glenville Golf Club. The Mt. Lions had strong individual efforts from sophomore, Nate Davis, and

senior, Brayden Grey. Grey finished in the top three individually. Tucker finished its week at home at Holly Meadows Golf Course where Tucker fell just short of the win, bringing home second place behind Elkins. Tucker has a busy week ahead of them with matches at Stonewall on Monday, home Tuesday at Canaan Valley, and home Thursday at Holly Meadows.

By: Adam Freeman

The Tucker Valley Wildcats opened their season this past week, at home, versus the visiting Braxton County Eagles. Tucker fell in the contest 30 -14 in what was a physical battle. Braxton got out to an early 14 to nothing lead in the first quarter. However, the Wildcats would answer with a 1-yard touchdown run by quarterback, Branson Hyre. Tucker Valley would hold the Eagles on their next possession and then answer it with another 1-yard touchdown run by Hyre, knotting the score at 14 all. Braxton, would then score on a long touchdown pass on the final possession of the half to make the

score 22-14 going into the break. The second half would only produce one touchdown in favor of the Eagles making the final score 30 -14. The Wildcats were led in rushing by quarterback, Branson Hyre, who had 19 carries, 158 yards, and two touchdowns. The Wildcats offensive line, Wade Boyles, Joel "Money" Jones, Isaiah Boyles, Asher Kisamore, Isaiah Lipscomb and Johnathan Tuttle, dominated throughout the game, owning the line of scrimmage, totaling over 200 yards rushing. Running back, Sawyer Fansler, added 10 carries for 70 yards. Tucker Valley will travel to Pocahontas County next week on Wednesday. Kickoff is set for 6:30pm.

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Tucker Valley Wildcats
Davis Thomas Bears



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OBITUARIES

Donna June (Parsons) Lawrence

Mrs. Donna June (Parsons) Lawrence age 83 a resident of Belington and more recently of the Tygart Valley Health and Rehabilitation at Belington (formerly the Good Samaritan Society of Barbour County, departed this life late Wednesday evening in the care facility. Death was following a period of declining health.

She was born February 27, 1941 at Parsons, WV a daughter of the late Daryl Lovell and Hazel Irene (Shaffer) Parsons. On August 31, 1959 she was united in marriage to Lorren J. "Jack" Lawrence who preceded her in death on April 6, 2002.

Mrs. Lawrence is survived by three sons: Jack Lawrence of Hendricks, WV, Rex "Tex" Lawrence and wife Tammy of Alum Bridge, WV, Greg "Jee" Lawrence and wife Clara of Belington, and one daughter Shelly Krizner and husband Frank of Philippi. In addition to her children,

she is also survived by twenty-six grandchildren, thirty-seven great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents she was preceded in death by one son Todd M. Lawrence, two brothers: Neil and Richard Parsons, and two sisters: Jean Gilmore and JoAnne Sakal.

She was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

She was a 1959 graduate of the Parsons High School and was a longtime member of the Pentecostal Church of God at Hambelton, WV where she was very active.

Mrs. Lawrence was instrumental in her husbands trucking company where she was the office manager of Lawrence Trucking. She loved to travel with her husband Jack, and was an avid flower gardener. She was a great fan of Elvis Presley, but most importantly she loved her fam-

ily very much and would care for any family members or friends that were in need. She was a wonderful wife, mother, sister, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great grandmother. She will definitely be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Friends will be received at the Talbott Funeral Home 56 N. Brandenburg Street in Belington on Saturday September 7, 2024 from 5-9 PM and again on Sunday September 8, 2024 from 8 AM – 1 PM the funeral hour at which time final rites will be conducted from the funeral home chapel with the Bishop Randy Lawrence officiating. Interment will then follow in the Parsons City Cemetery at Parsons, WV. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.talbottfuneralhome.com. The Talbott Funeral Home in Belington is in charge of the arrangements for Mrs. Donna June (Parsons) Lawrence.

Mary Ann Dickerson Phillips

Mary Ann Dickerson Phillips, age 91 years, a resident of Parsons, WV, departed this life Sunday, September 8, 2024, at Lavenders Fields Assisted

Living in Beverly, WV, with her family by her side and under the care of West Virginia Caring. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and are under the

direction of the Lohr & Barb Funeral Home. Condolences may be expressed to the family at; www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com.

Joyce Gale Youtzy Metheny

Joyce Gale Youtzy Metheny, 81, a resident of Parsons, passed from this life Thursday, August 29, 2024, at Cortland Acres Nursing Home in Thomas.

Joyce's request for cremation will be honored. A memorial service will be held at St. John's



Church on Saturday, September 7, 2024, at 11AM. The Hostetler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements for Joyce Gale Youtzy Metheny. Send online condolences to the family at: www.hostetlerfuneralhome.com.

George Kenneth Nine

George Kenneth Nine, age 73 years, a resident of the Location Road, Parsons, WV departed this life Thursday evening, August 29, 2024, at the Ruby Memorial Hospital at Morgantown, WV, under the care of WVU Hospice following a short illness.

He was born Thursday, February 22, 1951, at Location Road, St. George, WV, a son of the late Junior Howard and Daisy Mae Wotring Nine. He had never married.

Surviving are five brothers, Robert Nine of Location Road, Nick Nine and wife Delores of Hambleton, Ronald Nine and wife Darlene of Bruceton Mills, Luther Nine and wife Reva of Blackman Flats, John Nine of Location Road; six sisters, Margaret Nine, Wanda Nine, Shirley Nine,



and Mary Nine, all of Location Road, Sharlet Lipscomb of Kingwood, Betty Petersen and husband Curtis of Crystal Lake, IL; one brother in law, John Curtiss of TX; and several nieces and nephews and great nieces and great nephews.

Preceding him in death are one brother, Amos David Nine; and two sisters, Jane Ellen Nine Curtiss and Beverly Kay Nine. He attended the one

room Fairview School and St. George Elementary School. George enjoyed watching westerns and game shows on TV and mowing the grass and riding his bicycle to visit his friends.

The family will receive friends at the Lohr & Barb Funeral Home of Parsons, WV on Friday, September 6, 2024, from 10 AM to 12 Noon. Final rites will be conducted at the funeral home on Friday at 12 Noon. The Rev. Kevin Hostetler will officiate and interment will follow at the Limestone Cemetery at St. George, WV. The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements for George Kenneth Nine. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.com

Kathy Jean Villalobos

Kathy Jean Villalobos, 64, of Thomas passed away on August 31, 2024, at Peace Healthcare at Dennett Road. Born on September 8, 1959, in Parsons, she was the daughter of James W. and Frances L. (Paugh) White whom survives.

She was a graduate of Mountaineer High School. She worked for Cortland Acres in the dietary department until retirement. She was a member of the Thomas United Methodist Church. Kathy enjoyed crafts, knitting,



and going shopping. She loved time spent with her family.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her son, Timothy R.

White of Thomas, four grandchildren, Zaden A. White, Bryce White, Noah White, and Braxton White.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Matilda Starr Villalobos.

Kathy's wishes for cremation was honored. There will be a celebration of life held on Saturday, September 7, 2024, at 1 PM in the Thomas United Methodist Church.

The Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home is honored to be serving Kathy's family.

Pamela Dawn Frye

Pamela Dawn Frye, 63, of Davis, WV, formerly of Barboursville, WV, passed away Thursday, September 5, 2024. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at the Wallace Funeral Home & Chapel, Barboursville. Burial will be in Frye Cemetery, Salt Rock. She was born February 9, 1961, in Huntington, a daughter of the late Gerald Eugene Frye and Carolyn Sue Rowe. She was preceded in death by her husband Tad Holipski. She is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Sara and Bobby Layne



of Barboursville; son and daughter-in-law, Ben and Megan Wilks of Poca; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Suzanne and Jeremy Luck of Milton and Sommer and Paul Ristow of Huntington;

three brothers and sisters-in-law, David and Terri Frye of Salt Rock, Christopher Whitney of Ona, and Stephen and Stephanie Whitney of Barboursville; and five grandchildren, Peyton Black, Caleb Black, Noah Black, Audrey Walker and Abram Wilks. Pam was a beloved member of the Canaan Valley Community. She leaves behind a tribe of close friends. Visitation will be from 12 to 1 p.m. Tuesday prior to the service. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.timeformemory.com/wallace.

Attorney General Morrisey Warns College Students of Identity Theft Risks

CHARLESTON — West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey is urging college students to be cautious as another school year begins and sensitive information is shared.

College is the first time many young adults are in charge of their own personal affairs, which makes them susceptible to scammers. Identity thieves may take advantage of students' newfound freedom to try and access personal and sensitive information.

"As they set out on their own, college students may forget how important it is to safeguard personal information," Attorney General Morrisey said. "Not doing so can cause a lot of unwanted issues and headaches down the road as it may make them vulnerable to identity theft."

"College is an amazing time for new experiences," the Attorney General continued. "You must make sure that you take the right precautions against fraud and identity theft. It can be very harmful to your financial future."

Students should use strong passwords to protect access to devices and never

share or leave personal information on display.

Billing statements and other sensitive information should be shredded or kept secure rather than keeping them indefinitely.

Students should also be wary of any unsolicited attempt to gain access to personal information and never divulge such information without verifying the authenticity of the recipient.

Additionally, college students are encouraged to download firewalls and software that prevent computer viruses and spyware from affecting their devices.

Some social media sites and email services allow users to set a two-factor authentication that requires them to verify each login. This will let students know if an unauthorized person attempts to access their account.

Anyone with questions should contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-368-8808 or visit the office online at www.ago.wv.gov.

Tucker County Welcomes Fall with a Slate of Exciting Events

Davis, W.Va. — As the fall colors emerge in Tucker County, West Virginia, residents and visitors are invited to celebrate the season with a lineup of events that highlight the region's natural beauty, community spirit and cultural heritage.

The 35th Astronomy Weekend, scheduled for September 12-14 at Blackwater Falls State Park, kicks off the fall events. Known for its expansive dark skies, the park provides an ideal setting for both amateur and experienced astronomers. Attendees can enjoy daytime presentations and take part in nighttime star parties at the Harold Walters Nature Center. This event is free and open to the public.

Following the celestial showcase, the Parsons Fireman's Homecoming Carnival will take place from September 24-28. This annual festival in Parsons combines carnival rides, games and live music.

The town of Davis will host the Leaf Peeper's Festival on September 27-29, a celebration of the beautiful autumn foliage. The weekend-long event features a 5K/2K Run/Walk, a car show, live music, food vendors, local brews and a craft show, all set against the stunning

backdrop of the colorful leaves.

Rounding out the event season is ARTober Fest, from October 4-6 at Timberline Mountain. Now in its fourth year, this festival, hosted in partnership with ArtSpring WV, showcases the work of local artists and offers a variety of family-friendly activities, live music and food.

"Attending a fall event in Tucker County is a unique opportunity to experience the warmth of our community and the beauty of our fall landscapes," said Jessica Waldo, Executive Director of the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau. "Each of these events offers a special glimpse into what makes Tucker County such a great place to visit."

For event information and to start planning your fall getaway to Tucker County, visit gettuckerred.com/autumn-unbound.

About the Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau

The Tucker County Convention and Visitors Bureau is a nonprofit marketing and sales organization whose mission is to promote tourism and advertise Tucker County as a visitor-friendly travel destination.

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Tariff Form No. 8-A (Tariff Rule 8.1 A et seq.) PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION WITHOUT PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES

NOTICE is hereby given that Tire & Rubber, Inc. (TRI), a commercial solid waste facility and a public utility, has on July 31, 2024, lied with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA (Commission), an application containing increased rates, tolls, and charges for furnishing landfill waste disposal services to customers at TRI's solid waste facility in Lewis County, West Virginia (Landfill).

Table with 5 columns: Tires From Individuals (size 425 X 20 inches or smaller), Current, Proposed, (\$ Increase), (%) Increase. Rows include Passenger Car Tires, Passenger Car Tires on Rim, Light Truck Tires, etc.

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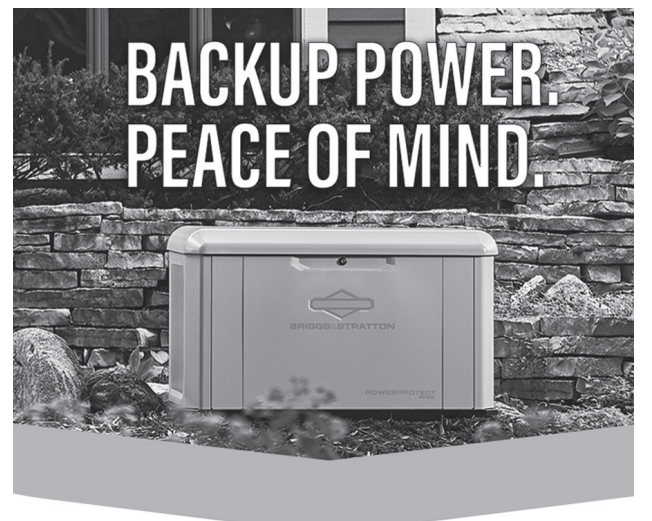
TRI has no resale customers. The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive an increase or decrease greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average.

Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within thirty days, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely protest or notice of intervention can affect your rights to protest any rate increases or to participate in future proceedings.

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of TRI to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at 710 Grass Run Road, Weston, WV 26452.

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

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Any of the aforesaid tracts or lots may be redeemed by any person entitled to pay the taxes thereon at any time prior to the sale by payment to the Deputy Commissioner of the total amount of taxes, interest, and charges thereon up to the date of redemption.

Given under my hands this 14th day of August 2024. G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. G. Russell Rollyson, Jr. Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands for Tucker County

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The LegendAnd His Dream!! And it was Repeat Winners!!!

By Deborah Chapman

Labor Day weekend is always marked with the extraordinary tournament held in honor of the legendary man and coach: Neil Gutshall. Every year we write about Coach Gutshall and his demeanor and vision. However, without Coach Gutshall's initial volunteer work, Holly Meadows Golf Course may not be the excellent course it is today. His dream was to have a top-notch golf course that the community could afford and would forever enjoy. Through his many tireless hours, Coach Gutshall helped to create Holly Meadows Golf Course as one of the most beautiful golf courses where all could play and enjoy a round of golf. Coach Gutshall loved golfing, and he wanted to create a venue where everyone would have an opportunity to learn and to love the game. Coach Gutshall's name is very much respected throughout the community. His love of coaching and his love of golf draws the admiration of all. Jeff Felton of California, formerly from Tucker County and is an annual hole sponsor said, "what a nice way to honor such a humble man." Coach Gutshall always spoke highly of his players on and off the field. Because of his demeanor, Coach Gutshall was very much respected and regarded as one of our finest coaches in Tucker County. One of his former students, Mrs. Angie Evans said, "Neil Gutshall was one of my teachers and is very much respected throughout the county." Mrs. Evans, her husband, and two sons have been hole sponsors for many years. She said, "we are glad to help honor such a nice man and to also support the Holly Meadows Golf Course."

Many volunteers are following in Coach Gutshall's footsteps. Under the direction of his son, Tom Gutshall, and the Tucker County Parks and Recreation Board, Holly Meadows continues to develop and thrive. Each year we have competitors that are continually amazed at how much the Holly Meadows Golf Course improves. Among this year's record 128 golfers, you repeatedly hear compliments about how beautiful the setting and surround-

ings are and as always, the key question is, "how do we keep the course in its present unspoiled conditions?" Our answer is always, "the volunteers make this golf course one of the best places to play golf." Just as Coach Gutshall did, volunteers such as the late Bob Gainer, takes pride in making Holly Meadows Golf Course a place golfers want to return.

Many golfers say that Holly Meadows course conditions are unparalleled to other courses that are much bigger and have the personnel needed for maintenance and preservation of their courses. The competitors cannot believe that work on the course is done through its membership and volunteers. On any given day of the week, you will find such volunteers as Bill Evick, Joe Evans, Nick Channel, and Eldon Plaugher working on a project from cutting trees, treating the greens, and filling holes in the driveways. Because of the course conditions and the actual tournament competition, we have golfers returning year after year including Gary Chenoweth from Texas to compete. We have several father and son teams that say this is one competition that they enjoy the most because they can play as a father /son team. One competitor, David Murphy said, "how many people get to compete in an athletic competition with their father." "We definitely are making memories, and I wouldn't miss this opportunity to be with my dad." Because the tournament is "flighted," everyone competes with like abilities, creating the best competition possible. Every year, competitors are greeted with an outstanding venue. Tom Gutshall, (president of the golf course committee) and Bob Gutshall, sons of Neil Gutshall both agree that their dad would be so pleased that so many golfers come to Holly Meadows and compete in his honor. This year the tournament had a record 128 golfers playing as a two-person team scramble ranging from the incredibly young golfers to our seniors. Golfers in this year's event experienced some fierce weather on Saturday that included high winds, pelting rain, and a lightning

delay for more than an hour. However, they persevered and finished the first day of competition. On the second day, weather forecasters were not promising; however, the weather held, and golfers were able to complete tournament play.

Golfers were provided lunch each day and agreed that the tournament's organization was flawless and very enjoyable. On the first day of the tournament, St. George Medical Clinic provided a \$50,000 prize for a hole-in-one and on the second day, Performance Motors of Elkins provided money towards a new car for a hole-in-one. While no one won these prizes, it goes to the integrity of the tournament that such support was provided by two wonderful businesses. However, many businesses throughout Tucker and Randolph County provided hole sponsorship and/or door prizes that always have created a successful tournament.

This year marked a very extraordinary finish. In the Championship Flight the winners, Hopwood/Shreve were also last year's winners. They were very excited!

- The results were:
- Championship Flight-1st (Shreve/Hopwood), 2nd (Allen/ Williams), 3rd (Gissy/Pinkney), 4th (Mohre/Young)
 - First Flight- 1st (Carr, Gorham), 2nd (Sublett/Rainieri) 3rd (Haddox/Haddox), 4th (Clifton/Dennison)
 - Second Flight- 1st (Cooper/Landis), 2nd (Swecker/Swecker), 3rd (Laulis/Laulis), 4th (Gutshall/Cappy), 5th (Carpenter/Carpenter), 6th (Pennington/Evans)
 - Third Flight- 1st (Zimmerman/McGreal), 2nd (Bolyard/Mason), 3rd (Sims/Sims), 4th (White/Holt)
 - Fourth Flight- 1st (Evick/Spears), 2nd (Peasley?Moyer), 3rd (Ritter/Thorne), 4th (Kimble/Channel), 5th (Mason/Mason), 6th (Sperry/Sperry), 7th (Putman/Putman), 8th (Higgins/Mackey)
 - Fifth Flight- 1st (Chenoweth/Louk), 2nd (Allen/Allen), 3rd (Miller/Carr)

The 11th Annual Neil Gutshall Memorial Golf Tournament Held on August 31, September 1st

Tucker County Parks and Recreation and Holly Meadows Golf Course would like to thank ALL the participants, volunteers and hole sponsors for making The Neil Gutshall Memorial Golf Tournament a GREAT SUCCESS !! Especially St. George Medical Center for presenting a \$50,000.00 prize for a hole-in-one and Performance Motors of Elkins a prize towards a new car for a hole-in-one.

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Tucker County Run For It Teams Need You to Help Make a Difference!

Tucker County teams are vying for more than \$70,000 in Run For It awards, along with teams from Barbour, Grant, Mineral, Pocahontas, Preston, and Randolph Counties in West Virginia and Garrett County, Maryland. Run For It is a 2k walk and 5k race hosted by the Tucker Community Foundation. The race will start at 11:00 AM on September 28, 2024, in Davis, WV, in conjunction with the annual Leaf Peepers Festival.

Seventy-four teams will participate, raising funds for causes in the mentioned counties. Tucker County residents can support their favorite teams by entering the race as participants on a team or by submitting team sponsor donations to as many teams as they wish. Since 2007, Tucker County teams have brought home \$1,265,124 in awards and team sponsor donations to their respective causes.

This year there are 25 teams from Tucker County participating in Run For It: Andy's Run, Appalachian Expeditions, Blackwater Falls State Park Foundation, Canaan Valley State Park Foundation, Canaan Valley Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary Power, Cottrill's Opera House, Davis Riverfront Ramblers, EB3, Friends of Blackwater, Fresh Canvas, Heart of the Highlands Trail System, Highlands Trail Foundation, Hinkle House Hustlers, Kenneth Honey Rubenstein Center – Fun Friday Project, Mountain Lauren Learning Cooperative, Mountaintop Readers, Saddles and Smiles, St. George Academy Preservation Society, St. George Clinic, Timberline Ski Patrol, Tucker County Giving Circle, Tucker County Young Life, Tucker Runners, WVHighlands Artisans Group STArt, and WV State Council Trout Unlimited.

To learn more about these teams, sign

up to participate, or donate to your favorite cause(s), please visit runsignup.com/Race/WV/Davis/RunForIt. You can register online until September 21st or in person at the Davis Fire Hall, 610 William Avenue, Davis, WV 26260, on Friday, September 27th, from 5:00-7:00 PM and Saturday, September 28th, from 8:00-9:30 AM. Team sponsor donations can also be mailed to the Tucker Community Foundation at TCF-RFI, P.O. Box 491, Parsons, WV 26287. All team sponsor donations must be made and postmarked by September 9th.

For the past 16 years, Run For It has attracted serious racers and families to our area and supported local businesses. In 2023, the event drew 1,389 walkers and runners, raising \$287,595. These funds have been instrumental in supporting 79 non-profit organizations and groups in the Potomac Highlands and beyond, a testament to our community's strength and resilience!

To learn more about Run For It, please visit runsignup.com/Race/WV/Davis/RunForIt or tuckerfoundation.net/run. You can also contact the Foundation by email at runforit@tuckerfoundation.net or by phone at (304) 478-2930.

About the Tucker Community Foundation:

The Tucker Community Foundation operates in nine counties—Barbour, Grant, Mineral, Pocahontas, Preston, Randolph, Tucker, and Upshur Counties in West Virginia and Garrett County, Maryland. Inspired by the 1985 flood, the Foundation's mission is to create opportunities for the communities it serves. For more information on the Foundation, please call the office at 304-478-2930 or visit www.tuckerfoundation.net.

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