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Picnic to Leave Thomas



Picnic in Thomas photo courtesy of Facebook

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

A Thomas staple is headed to Charleston. Taco restaurant Picnic announced on September 30 via their Facebook page that they intend to close shop October 19th in anticipation of their impending move to the Charleston area.

According to the Facebook post, the move is part of "a new partnership to allow us to expand all over our beloved state of West Virginia" with a fleet of mobile trucks and brick and mortar locations. The post reassured customers that the restaurant was not, "disappearing from these beautiful mountains we are just building stronger foundations."

In their Facebook statement, Picnic thanked the community. "Most importantly, we want to thank you," the statement read. "Each and every one of you – old friends who have been with us from the beginning – standing out in the rain and snow waiting for some delicious food out of our togo window. And thos who have joined us more recently, thank you for basking in the sunshine on our lawn, sitting at our picnic tables and filling our indoor dining room. Thank you for spreading our name to friends and family. Each and every moment is ours, together – Thomas is where Picnic was created. That will always be close to our hearts as we grow and walk into new beginnings."

The last day for operations at the Thomas location, according to the post will be October 19th. There is no word on when operations will resume at the new locations.

Picnic has been in business in Thomas for the past four years, according to the post. The Parsons Advocate reached out to Picnic for comment, but received no reply as of press time.

County Signs Letter of Support for CityNet

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

The Tucker County Commission approved a resolution to sign a letter of support to assist CityNet with a grant application for what Tucker County Commission President Mike Rosenau described as the next round of grant funding for internet rollout in the County. "What this letter of support is, their company is vying for the grant that is coming out through the State to provide the nonserved residents of the County Internet and wifi," Rosenau said.

Rosenau said that the letter would not be the only one the Commission would consider supporting. According to Rosenau, the County supports all the internet companies that come through Tucker County because they just want to see the citizens receive service. "We support all of them that come through here," Rosenau said, "because we just want them to get it."

Rosenau said that he is concerned that families with children could fall behind if they do not have adequate internet service. "If your child didn't have a connection to the internet," Rosenau said, "they would be a year behind. Those are the concerns I have as a Commissioner and a grandfather."

Rosenau said he is confident the Commission will receive requests from other providers who seek support for their own grant applications. "I'm sure we will get one from Frontier, I'm sure we will get one from Prodigy," Rosenau said. "The major companies that already have a footprint in our County, they'll apply for this grant."

The Commission approved a motion made by Rosenau unanimously to sign the letter of support for CityNet. "I make a motion that we approve the letter of support for CityNet for their grant application," Rosenau said.

Free Program at Blackwater Falls November 2 Honors Early Coal Miners

What was life like for coal mining families in Tucker County, West Virginia one hundred years ago?

A community cast will "bring to life" newly-uncovered personal stories from the "handloading era" of West Virginia coal mining, on Saturday, November 2, 2024 from 2:00-4:00 PM at a free, family-friendly program at Blackwater Falls State Park

Lodge in Davis, WV.

The historical program features excerpts from a series of 1967 recorded interviews with ten early Tucker County mining families: Mr. and Mrs. Patsy Balassone, Peter A. Barmer, Frank Colabrese, S. L. Elza, Patsy Greco, Frank Lencek, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Losh, Charles Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Perkins, and Charles Shaffer.

The interviews tell a personal and moving story of pioneer workers and families who built West Virginia. In 1967, the interviewed miners were elderly and had retired, having worked underground during the pick-and-shovel "handloading era" of roughly 1880 to 1930. The miners' (and their wives') recollections of this tumultuous time have been stored for nearly sixty years; now they are being brought to life by WVU history students and community groups.

The community cast presenting excerpts from the uncovered 1967 interviews includes Rafe Pomerance, Casey Rucker, Bill Peterson, Chip Chase, Elaine George, Tom Yocum, Ruthie Melnick, Chuck Nichols, and Carl Harr. Local folk musicians Gerry Milnes and Mike Miller will perform.

Participants will listen to actual interview excerpts and dramatic readings, and scholars will discuss this exciting new historical source material. Descendants, friends, neighbors, and relatives of the interviewees are invited to attend this program and to share information, photos, documents, and artifacts. A reception will follow the program.

Admission is free; space is limited. If possible please register in advance at https://saveblackwater.org/early-mining-voices or call 304-345-7663.

The program is being organized by the nonprofit group Friends of Blackwater, partnering with the Tucker County Historical Society; ArtSpring; the Tucker County Highlands History and Education Project; Cottrill's Opera House; and with financial support from the West Virginia Humanities Council and the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area.



County Applies for Courthouse Improvement Grant

By: Lydia Crawley
The Parsons Advocate

The Tucker County Commission passed a resolution at its meeting Wednesday, September 25th that cleared the way to complete a grant application. According to County Administrator Shelia DeVilder, the County has applied for a CFIA Courthouse Facilities Grant for the second phase of the HVAC system in the old courthouse building. "My application for the CFIA Grant, which is the Courthouse Facilities Grant, for the second phase of the HVAC is due on Friday," DeVilder said.

Tucker County Commission President Mike Rosenau explained that the CFIA Grant was what had previously funded the exterior restoration project of the Courthouse. "What we apply for each year is a courthouse improvement grant," Rosenau said. "That's how we got all the brickwork reworked on the outside because our bricks were deteriorating because the Commission in the past had determined it was best if we painted them."

Under the previous project, Rosenau said, the mortar work was done starting at the clock tower at the top of the building and worked down. "What happened was, it was a moisture barrier," Rosenau said. "So the mortar, we had to start at the top at the clock tower. The clock tower was ready to fall off."

Rosenau said the project proceeded a little each year. "So through Courthouse Facilities, we redid the whole outside of our building a little each year." Rosenau said.

The current project the grant application is being submitted for, Rosenau said, is to improve the air quality in the building and bring air conditioning into the structure. "So what we are trying to do now, this is a historical building so it qualifies, is the air quality in this building doesn't meet the standard of the current what it is supposed to do now. Plus there is no air conditioning in this building."

Phase one that was completed, Rosenau said, brought the electrical work into the building. "So we've started the first phase of this," Rosenau said. "With the first grants that we got to do the the electrical with the set up getting ready to start."

Phase two, according to Rosenau will involve installation of air conditioning into the first floor offices. "The next phase that we're applying for are another set of grants to go with the next level," Rosenau said. "It will be like the offices on the first floor will be air conditioned."

DeVilder added that phase two would also bring in fresh air flow to the building. "It will bring in fresh air flow," DeVilder said.

Rosenau said they were hopeful that the following year would see the addition of the courtroom to the project. "The next year we are hoping, if we get it again, it would be like the courtroom," Rosenau said.

Rosenau said the County cannot afford to do the project all at once and can only complete it in stages as funding becomes available through the State. "We can't afford to do it all at once," Rosenau said. "So we just do it as we can get approval through the State."

The total cost of the project by the completion is anticipated to be between \$1.5 and \$2 Million with inflation figured in. DeVilder said the grant requires a 20% grant match. "The overall project is probably going to be \$1.5 Million to \$2 Million by the time it gets done," DeVilder said, "with inflation and everything because it will take phases for several years to actually be able to afford a 20% grant match."

A resolution was passed by the Commission which gave Rosenau the authority to act as its representative in contractual agreements on matters pertaining to the CFIA Grant. "This resolution just gives me (authority) as Commission President to intercede on behalf of the contractual agreements with the Courthouse Facilities Improvements," Rosenau said.

Tucker FFA Competed at WVU in Morgantown



The Tucker FFA livestock judging team of Matthew Stoner, Elaina Owens, Bailey Lewis and Emily Snyder traveled to Morgantown on September 26th to West Virginia University farm to compete in the statewide Fall CDE for Livestock Judging. This is a team event where students observe livestock, select livestock for marketing and breeding, and market livestock to meet consumer demands. Animal species that were

judged included beef, sheep, goats and hogs. There was a total of nine classes in which students had to rank. There were multiple animals within each class, placing the best to the least quality for the diameter of the class. After the scorecards were graded, students then had to give oral reasons for the placement of each pen, within a two-minute time limitation for each class. The team placed 14th overall out of 31 teams.



BITUARIES

Dorothy Jean White Simpson

Dorothy Jean White Simpson, age 87 years, a resident of the Holly Meadows Community, Parsons, WV, departed this life Sunday morning, October 6, 2024, at Autumn Lake Health Care at Crystal Springs, WV, with her family by her side and under the care of Mountain Hospice.

She was born on Wednesday, May 26, 1937, at Job, West Virginia, a daughter of the late Snowden Scott White and Flora Long White. On July 24, 1958, at Oakland, Maryland, she was married to William Lee Simpson, who preceded her in death November 19, 2011.

Surviving are three sons, David William Simpson of Sugarlands, Hambleton, WV, Thomas Lee Simpson and wife Nancy of Clover Run, Michael Allen Simpson of Hambleton; one daughter, Diana Jean Eye and husband Steve of Holly Meadows; seven grandchildren, Shelly Lynn Simpson, Daniel Lee Simpson, Adam Simpson, Joshua Simpson, Michelle Louria, Amber Nichole Eye, Shena Rena Eye: nine great



grandchildren, Zachary Hart, Maliyah Liske, Josephine Simpson, Hudson Wyatt Simpson, Pasley Piffer, Zoey Simpson, Zane Simpson, Brooklin Louria and Dominic Louria; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death are six brothers, Warren White, Norman White, Brian White, Everett White, Branson White, Harvey White and David White; five sisters, Annie George, Jeanette Warner, Okey Price, Ruth Delaney and Nellie White; and one grandson, David Lee Simpson, who preceded her in death on January 15, 2019.

She attended the tworoom school at Job and Harman High School. She

was a homemaker, and, also cleaned houses for others. She was a former employee of the Tucker County Board of Education working with the Head Start Program, a former employee of the Parsons Nursery Bottom and for thirty years she worked as a caregiver for Cortland Acres, until her retirement. was a member of the Tucker County Senior Center, where she also sang in the choir, and was a member of the Hambleton Pentecostal Church of

The family will receive friends at the Lohr & Barb Funeral Home of Parsons on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, from 10 AM until 12 Noon. Final rites will be conducted at the funeral home on Wednesday at 12 Noon. Pastor Bob Yothers will officiate and interment will follow at the Parsons City Cemetery at Parsons, WV. The Lohr & Barb Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements for Dorothy Jean White Simpson. Condolences may be expressed to the family at; www.lohrbarbfuneralhome.

News of Record

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

David M. Bell and Carol E. Bell, Dry Fork District, Lot 18, Pointy Knob to John Korn and Amir Korn, \$55,000.

MH & EF LLC, Dry Fork District, Lot 23 - .16 acres, Lot 24 - .15 acres, Lot 25 - .15 acres to Kenneth A. Pagliughi and Renee E. Pagliughi, \$115,000.

MH & EF LLL, Dry Fork District, .15 acres to Kenneth A. Pagliughi and Renee E. Pagliughi, \$309,000.

Dale Charles, Clover District, Minerals to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$500. Kezia L. Baker, Clover District, Minerals

to Shiloh Quarry LLC, \$10,000.

William R. Nestor and Barbara A. Nestor, Dry Fork District, Interest in Unit A5 Week 46 Land of Canaan Vacation Resort Inc. to Ronald F. Hendrix and Beth E. Hendrix,

- Andrew D. Spangler, Dry Fork District, Lot 23, Mountainside, 2.19 acres to Mark Erskine Kimball and Grace Kimball,
- \$475,000. William Bradley Stevens and Houston Hayes Walton, Parsons Corporation, .143 acres to Ryan Prevatte, \$220,000.
 - Rodney Liller Co-Conservator Lori Liller, Davis Corporation, Lot 425 Kent Aveto Lori Stutts and Tony Stutts, \$176,000.
 - John S. Odegard and Charlene A. Odegard, Dry Fork District, Interest in Unit G4, Week 11 Land of Canaan Vacation Resort Inc. to Land of Canaan Home Owners Association Inc., \$486.50.
 - Erin C. Mackenzie, Dry Fork District, Parcel, Canaan Mountain to Robert T. Linthicum, Jr., \$125,000.

Tucker County Schools Fall Speech and Audiology Screenings Scheduled

Tucker County Schools will be conducting the fall speech and audiology screenings/ rechecks in our schools. Speech and/or Hearing screenings are scheduled to take place on October 22-23, 2024.

Students who will be screened are as follows: (1) All students entering school for the first time who have not

students (2) All who have been referred for speech or hearing rescreenings; and

been screened at school:

(3) Any teacher referrals for screening.

Parents will be notified if any student should not pass the screening(s).

Those who do not wish their child to be screened must contact their respective school in writing. For additional information, you can contact the Tucker County Schools Special Education Department at 304-478-2771.

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Senior News

St. George Senior Citizens gathered at the St. George Community Church on September 19, 2024. Sharon Daniels led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and asked prayer for the evening and the food. After a delicious covered dish meal, Sheriff Jake Kopec gave a talk warning of scams, selfdefense techniques, being aware of our surroundings, and information on keeping ourselves safe. Sharon Daniels, Deloris Propst, Carol Weinstein, and Jane Pifer gave readings. Door prizes were won by

David Varner, Deloris Propst, and Mabel Fitzwater.

Attending in addition to the above were Anna Fitzwater, Don Nestor, Arlene Ramsey, Don Silk, Raymond Collins, P. Ann Flanagan, Becky Corcoran, April Fitzwater, Wanda Snider, Virginia Popio, Dale Varner, Buddy Arnold, Shirley Cassidy, and Eleanor Nestor.

The next gathering will be on October 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm. Come join us, bring a covered dish, and bring your spook-tacular ghost stories to share.



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If you do not have a church, we invite you to consider

St. John's United Methodist Church

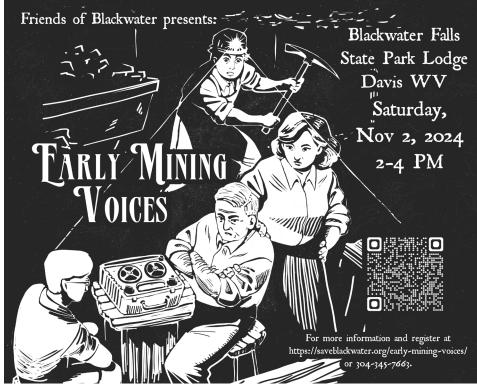
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TURNER'S TIDBITS



This is a photo taken in the corridor connecting the courthouse and the courthouse annex. It captures the season so well. There is an aged football placed in front of a photo of a helmet and football. There is an aged megaphone also in the display. Of course there is a flag wrapping the display. If you get a chance, it is well worth your time to stop and take in the display. It is a very eye pleasing. Ideas, suggestions, comments or items to share contact Tim Turner (304) 478-3389.



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If you have any questions, please call us at 304-478-3533.

What's ? Happening

Food Handler's Class

Sanitarian James Snyder announces that the Tucker County Health Department will be conducting Food Handler's Training Classes at the Senior Center in Parsons on Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Individuals attending the class will be issued a food handler's permit which will be good for two years. A \$10 registration fee will be collected upon admittance. The classes start promptly, and late arrivals will not be admitted.

Leadmine Homecoming

The Leadmine Homecoming will be held on Sunday, Oct. 13 at the Leadmine Community Church Social Hall. Please bring a covered dish to share, and your favorite Leadmine recipe, story or picture. Any questions, please call Peggy at 304-290-7716.

PHS Alumni meeting October 10

Parsons High School Alumni meeting October 10 at TC Senior Center in Parsons. Lunch available at 11:30, meeting to follow shortly after 12:00 noon.

Retired School Employees meeting October 15

TC Retired School Employees meeting October 15 at TC Senior Center in Parsons. Lunch available at 11:30, meeting to follow shortly after 12:00 noon. All retirees are

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.

Oct. 9, 1877: The Episcopal Church created the Diocese of West Virginia. The initial convention of the new diocese met at St. John's Episcopal in Charleston, with 14 clergy and 16 lay delegates.

Oct. 9, 2014: Following court rulings and announcements by the governor and the attorney general, same-sex marriage was effectively legalized in West Virginia.

Oct. 10, 1774: Shawnee warriors led by Cornstalk were defeated at the Battle of Point Pleasant. It was the only major engagement of Dunmore's War and the most important battle ever fought in present West Virginia.

Oct. 10, 1872: Architect Rus Warne was born in Parkersburg. Warne designed many notable buildings in Charleston, including City Hall and the Masonic Temple.

Oct. 10, 1878: Blanche Lazzell was born in Maidsville, Monongalia County. She was one of West Virginia's most notable artists and is recognized as one of America's leading abstract painters and print makers.

Oct. 10, 1948: During a boat-racing event in Charleston, Chuck Yeager flew a Lockheed P-80 Shooting Star under the South Side Bridge, surprising boaters, audience and news media at the event.

Oct. 11, 1811: State founder and U.S. Senator Waitman T. Willey was born near Farmington. Willey proposed the West Virginia Statehood Bill in the Senate and saw to its passage and later signing by President Lincoln. He was then elected as one of West Virginia's first two U.S. senators and served from 1863 to 1871.

Oct. 12, 1877: Howard Mason Gore was born in Harrison County. He served as U.S. secretary of agriculture and the 14th governor of West Virginia.

Oct. 13, 1863: The Battle of Bulltown took place. The location was valuable during the Civil War because the Weston & Gauley Bridge Turnpike crossed the Little Kanawha River on a covered bridge at this site.

Oct. 14, 1943: The army began transform-

invited.

Five Rivers Public Library

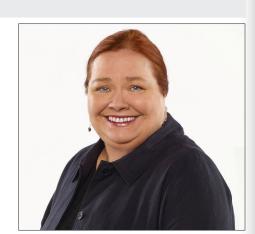
Craft Show / Bake Sale / Chili Hot Dog Sale / Silent Auction & 50/50 at Five Rivers Public Library. Friday, October 11, 2024, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Wood Products, Lions Club Broom sale, Tied Dye clothing, Handmade Jewelry, Natural Salve, etc., Avon, a variety of crafts, Freeze Dried Candy, WV Caring & local Author. Come out and support your local crafters, author and your local public Library.

Buckwheat Dinner

Buckwheat Dinner at St. John's Church, Parsons on Saturday, October 12 from 4pm -6:30pm. \$12 donation for adult meal & \$6 for children 12 and younger. Carry out orders call 304-478-2620. Meal A - (5) buckwheat cakes & (2) cakes of sausage & (1) 4oz. Gravy & (1) biscuit. Meal B - (4) biscuits & (2) 4oz. Gravy & (2) cakes of sausage. Meal C - (4) pancakes & (2) cakes of sausage & (1) 4oz. Gravy & (1)

Meet the Candidates

The Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Meet the Candidates, Tuesday Oct. 15th from 5-7pm. Open to everyone, please bring your questions for the candidates on the November



Oct. 12, 2020: Actress Conchata Ferrell died. Born in Loudendale, Kanawha County, Ferrell was best known as Berta the housekeeper on the CBS sitcom Two and a Half Men. She enjoyed a long career on stage, film and television.

ing parts of Dolly Sods into an artillery range to train military troops bound for duty during World War II. The operation ended on July 1,

Oct. 14, 1947: In a Bell X-1 rocket airplane dropped from a B-29 bomber, Chuck Yeager broke the sound barrier by flying 700 miles per hour. He set another speed record on December 12, 1953, by flying two-and-a-half times the speed of sound in a Bell X-1A.

Oct. 14, 1949: WSAZ-TV went on the air on channel 5. Early shows included the first telecast of a Marshall College (now University) basketball game on December 3, 1949.

Oct. 14, 1985: Kanawha Airport was renamed Yeager Airport in honor of Chuck Yeager.

Oct. 15, 1839: Aretas Brooks Fleming was born in Fairmont. In 1888, Fleming won the Democratic nomination for governor and then won West Virginia's most controversial guber natorial election.

Oct. 15, 1952: During the Korean War, Greenbrier County native Ralph Pomeroy was killed in action near Kumhuwa, Korea, while helping his unit contain an attack. The next year, he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions.

Five Rivers Public Library CRAFIFAIR BAKE SALE Friday, October IIth 10 am-6pm 301 Walnut Street, Parsons WV CHILI DOG SALE

Weather Totals

Sept. 24 - Oct. 1, 2024

Nursery Bottom Parsons

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78° F Max Min 55° F

Precipitation

Week 1.94" September 3.36" October 0.19" 2024 40.30"

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by Linda Thistle

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By Teri Cayton

The Parsons Advocate

I like fall, I love seeing the trees turn color and the fresh smell of the woods on a sunny day. What I really DO NOT like is to walk into a store, or especially a restaurant, and have my nose assaulted by scented candles. I don't understand the attraction to pumpkin spice but I want to protest for my sense of smell and say, "It stinks!"

And after having to put up with that for two months along comes cinnamon scented pine cones for Christmas and it starts all over again. Everyone protests about everything and they have a right to have this stinky stuff smelling up the whole area, so why can't I protest about being consumed by these smells and I can't get away from it.

Momma Said, "What happened to just smelling fresh air and not hav-

Momma (Saíd This column is about tips helpful hints, recipes and words of wisdom I dedicate this column mother.

ing my nose hairs burned out by all this stuff?" I have always been sensitive to smells and these scents are torture for me. Especially when you go shopping and the only way to get away from this stuff is just go home without my purchase.

I guess I will just have to stick to taking walks in the woods and smelling nature instead of all this stuff that says it comes from nature like a candle that is supposed to smell like fresh rain. I mean really what does rain smell like, water? Excuse me, but I will stick to the real stuff.

Self-Saucing Pecan Cobbler

Ingredients

- 6 tablespoons butter
- 1 cup pecans chopped and toasted
- 1 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 ½ cups granulated sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder • ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- 1 large egg beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ³/₄ cup dark brown sugar
- 1 ½ cups boiling water

Instructions

- Preheat oven to 350°F (180°C).
- Add butter to a 9-inch casserole dish and melt in the oven.
- Once the butter has melted,

sprinkle over the pecans.

- In a separate bowl, mix flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt together.
- Whisk the beaten egg, milk, and vanilla and pour into flour mix, stir to combine the batter, but don't over-mix.
- Pour batter over butter and pecans but do not mix.
- Mix together the water and brown sugar and carefully pour over batter without stirring it in.
- Cover with a lid or foil and bake for roughly 30-35 minutes or until risen and firm in the middle.
- Serve hot with vanilla icecream. Store in the fridge for up to 3 days.

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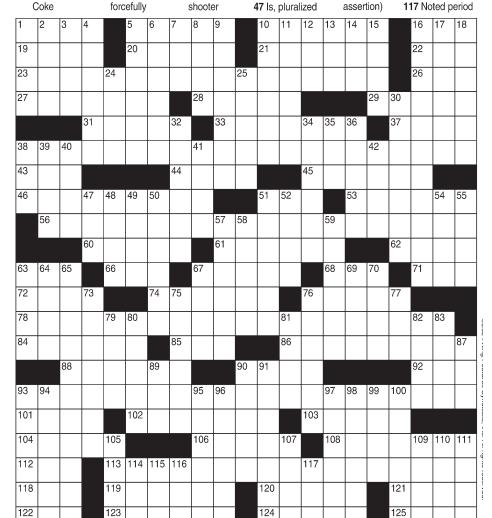
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TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2024 Governmental Activities

ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Cash and cash equivalents \$ 6,842,822 Investments 387,019 Taxes receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible taxes 32,128 Deposit with Retirement Board Food service receivable 13,068 12,338 Other receivables Prepaid expenses 34,444 Due from other governments: State aid receivable 55,708 244,792 PEIA allocation receivable Reimbursements receivable 2,563,624 Capital Assets: Land 85,819 Buildings and improvements 30,588,689 Furniture and equipment 1,374,345 Vehicles 2,145,721 Construction in process 401,507 Less accumulated depreciation (23,166,571)Total capital assets, net of depreciation 11,429,510 Right-of-Use Assets: 170,676 Equipment Subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) 422,660 Less accumulated amortization (260,080)Total finance lease assets, net of amortization 333,256 21,948,709 Deferred outflows of resources: 130,649 Other post employment benefit (OPEB) 60,418 Total deferred outflows of resources 191,067 Total assets and deferred outflows of resources 22,139,776 LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION **Liabilities:** Salaries payable and related payroll liabilities 804,744 340,105 PEIA premiums payable Compensated absences 16,862 270,763 Accounts payable Other post employment benefit payable 11.118 Due to other fiscal agents 36,000 Long-term obligations: Due within one year: 28,996 Finance lease liability SBITA liability 28,866 Due beyond one year: Finance Lease liability 127,898 30,000 SBITA liability Net pension liability - Proportionate Share 147,621 Net other post employment benefit (OPEB) liability - Proportionate Share (44,823)**Total liabilities** 1,798,150 Deferred inflows of resources: 50,037 Pension Other post employment benefit (OPEB) 57,804 Total deferred inflows of resources 107,841 Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources 1,905,991 Net Investment in Capital Assets \$ 11,429,510 Restricted for: Special projects 648,818 Capital projects

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TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF AC	CTIVIT	IES
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024		
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	(423,405)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of		
activities are different due to: Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.		
However, in the statement of net assets, the cost of those assets is		
allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as		
depreciation expense. The effect on net assets is the amount by		
which capital outlays exceed depreciation in the current period.		
Depreciation expense		(977,302)
Capital outlays		551,10 4
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of net position, the cost of lease assets is		
allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as		
amortization expense. The effect on net position is the amount by		
which capital outlays exceed amortization in the current period.		
Amortization expense		(30,642)
Capital outlays		170,676
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.		
However, in the statement of net position, the cost of SBITA assets		
is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as amortization expense. The effect on net position is the amount by		
which capital outlays exceed amortization in the current period.		
Amortization expense		(78,464)
Capital outlays		12,348
Certain receivables will be collected this year but are not available		
soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures. This is		
the amount by which such receivables increased (decreased).		(1.045)
Property taxes receivable Operating Grants and Contributions		(1,045) 1,422,199
A portion of the change in fund balances is the proceeds from finance		1,422,177
leases. Those proceeds are not considered revenue items for the		(170,676)
A portion of the change in fund balances is the proceeds from SBITAs.		
Those proceeds are not considered revenue items for the purpose of		(12,348)
Differences in the cost and accumulated depreciation on disposed		
capital assets are reported as a loss and reduction in net assets in the statement of activities.		
Cost of assets disposed		(122,129)
Accumulated depreciation of assets disposed		122,129
Differences in the ROU asset and accumulated amortization on ROU		ĺ
asset terminated agreements are reported as a loss and reduction in net		
position in the statement of activities.		
Right-of-Use assets terminated		(115,095)
Accumulated amortization of assets terminated Compensated absences are reported as liabilities in the statement		71,934
of net assets, but are only reported in government funds to the		
extent they have matured. This is the amount by which		
compensated absences (increased)/decreased.		
Accrued vacation payable		(1,513)
expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of		
pension benefits earned net of employee contributions is reported		
as pension expense District pension contributions		6,196
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions		20,308
Government funds report district OPEB contributions as expenditures.		20,500
However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of OPEB benefits earned		
net of employee contributions is reported as OPEB expense		
District OPEB contributions		11,867
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions		140,379
Finance Lease payables are reported as liabilities in the statement of		
net position, but are only reported in government funds to the extent they have matured. This is the only amount by which finance lease		
payables decreased.		74,770
SBITA payables are reported as liabilities in the statement of net		. ,,,,
position, but are only reported in government funds to the extent they		
have matured. This is the amount by which SRITA payables decreased		40 123

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have matured. This is the amount by which SBITA payables decreased.

Change in net position of governmental activities

TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

8,155,457 20,233,785

				Net (Expense),						
					Operating	Capit		Revenue & Changes in Net Assets Governmental Activities		
		Charges for			Brants and		ts and			
<u>Functions</u>	Expenses	Services			Contributions	Cont	ributions			
Governmental activities:										
Instruction	\$ 8,333,482	\$	1,809	\$	2,321,299	\$	-	\$	(6,010,374)	
Supporting services:										
Students	874,718		-		479,731		-		(394,987)	
Instructional staff	214,576		-		1,228		-		(213,348)	
General administration	522,333		-		-		-		(552,333)	
School administration	625,028		-		-		-		(625,028)	
Central services	374,684		-		-		-		(374,684)	
Operation and maintenance of facilities	1,778,298		-		-		92,165		(1,686,133)	
Student transportation	1,240,189		30,676		_		_		(1,209,513)	
Other support services	_		-		-		-		-	
Food services	1,102,855		-		602,456		_		(500,399)	
Community services			-		´ -		-		-	
Interest on long-term finance leases	9,441		-		-		-		(9,441)	
Total governmental activities	15,075,604		32,485		3,404,714		92,165		(11,546,240)	
	General revenues:		,						*	
	Property taxes							\$	4,961,274	
	Unrestricted state aid								6,695,229	
	Unrestricted investment	earnings							24,692	
	Unrestricted grants and o								609,769	
	Gain (loss) on disposal o								9,851	
	Gain (loss) on termination								(43,161)	
	Transfers in								764,822	
	Transfers (out)								(764,822)	
	Total general revenues, e	extraordinary iten	ns and tra	nsfers					12,257,654	
	Change in net position								711,414	
	Net assets- beginning								19,522,371	
	Net position - ending							\$	20,233,785	

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TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, **BOARD OF EDUCATION** SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Unrestricted

Board Officials	•	
Daniel Evans	\$	4,800
Teresa Simmons		4,480
Cathy Hebb		4,640
Mae Teter		4,800
Kevin White		4,960
Superintendent - Alicia Lambert	\$	98,000

TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, **BOARD OF EDUCATION** SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The list that follows includes the name of each firm, corporation and

person to whom more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) in the aggregate from all funds was paid during the fiscal year, together with the aggregate amount paid, all for the education of students. A V LAUTTAMUS COMMUNICATIONS A. F. WENDLING, INC. 10,078 AASA 470 ABSOLUTE ASSURANCE DRUG TESTIN 590 ADKINS HOME CENTER 12,691 AIR FILTER SERVICES 7,802 AIRGAS 1,863 ALICIA RACHELLE LAMBERT 1,037 ALLEN RAPP JR 671 ALLYSON MCNABOE 1.226 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES 11,069 1,237 AMBER KYLE AMERICAN FIDELITY 89,484 AMSTERDAM 388 AMTOWER AUTO SUPPLY INC 2,012 ANTHONY MCDANIELS 754 687 APPLE APPLE INC 299 APPTEGY INC 8,710 ASE EDUCATION FOUNDATION 408 AT&T MOBILITY 2,138 ATCO INTERNATIONAL

A LITTO TONIE CTORE (AEO	2 (70	ENERGY EXPRESS	4.117
AUTOZONE STORE 6458	2,679 90,594	ERIN MARKS	1,281
BEST LIFE THERAPY LLC		FAIRFAX SAND & CRIJSHED STONE	2,118
BLUE BIRD BUS SALES	192,298	FORK FARMS LLC	4,995
BLIJUM OF TEXAS LLC	2,926	FRIENDLY INFLATABLES LLC	600
BOWLES RICE, LLP	250		16,783
BRANDI MILLER	307	FRONTIER	- ,
BREEZELINE	5,164	FRONTIER COMM OF WEST VIRGINIA	10,946
BREWER & COMPANY OF WV INC.	6,050	FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	3,567
BRUCETON AG-SERVICES INC	277	GEORGE L. WILSON & CO., INC.	2,202
BUREAU-CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCE	3,360	GLOTFELTY ENTERPRISES INC	13,853
CAMBILLAMUSEMENTS	940	GORDON FOOD SERVICE INC	481,123
CAREER SAFE	1 ,224	H & H HARDWARE	7,701
CEV MULTIMEDIA LTD	5,500	HAMRICK PIJBLIC SERVICE DIST	5,381
CHARGINGATU LLC	1,500	HART OFFICE SOLIJTIONS	9,414
CHARLIE OBAUGH AUTO GROUP OF	54,388	HEROES 4 HIGHER	400
CITY ELECTRIC SUPPLY	3,998	HORACE MANN LIFE INSIJRANCE CO	600
CITY OF PARSONS	14,250	HORIZON MEDICAL TECHNOLGIES	3,354
CITY OF THOMAS	24,965	HPS LLC	3,275
COBER CUMMINS	6,650	Hl.JDL	8,000
COLOIJRS 27	16,888	IMAGINE LEARNING LLC	46,106
COMBIJSTION EQIJIPMENT COMPANY,	1,530	IMPERO SOLIJTIONS INC	540
COOLE SCHOOL	2,029	IMSE	13,310
COUNTRY SEEDS & SIJPPLIES	4,062	INTEGRATED SPEECH SOLUTIONS	113,571
CPI	5,398	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	1 ,821 ,883
COMBIJSTION EQIJIPMENT COMPANY, COOLE SCHOOL COUNTRY SEEDS & SIJPPLIES CPI CROOK BROTHERS CIJMBERLAND PIPE & STEEL CIJPTANE L.P. GAS CO., INC. CIJRRICIJLIJM ASSOCIATES, INC. CYNTHIA SHAFFER DAVID W SIMPSON DAVIS ATHLETICS, LLC DAVIS ELECTRICAL SERVICE, INC.	104,006	J. T. MARTIN COMPANY	113,510 113,571 1 ,821 ,883 3,089
CIJMBERLAND PIPE & STEEL	3,260	JAMES ALEX CORK	626
CIJPTANE L.P. GAS CO., INC.	723	JASPER ENGINES & TRANSMISSIONS	5,808
CIJRRICIJLIJM ASSOCIATES, INC.	28,648	JEFFREY HELMICK	732
CYNTHIA SHAFFER	289	JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE	26,596
DAVID W SIMPSON	2,868	JOSTENS	891
DAVIS ATHLETICS, LLC	4,115	KIDWELL AUTO PARTS	6,288
DAVIS ELECTRICAL SERVICE, INC.	ι,831	LAURIE GODFREY	525
DAVIS SHOP N SAVE	457	LEAF.	36,725
DAVIS THOMAS ELEMENTARY MIDDLE	22,285	LIBERTY DISTRIBUTORS, INC.	78,569
DELL COMPUTER COPR	1,925	LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	2,966
DELTA DENTAL OF wv	67,794	LKQ250	345
DEPARTMENT ENV. PROTECTION	260	LLOYD HOFF HOLDING CORPORATION	
DIGITAL INSIJRANCE LLC	1,750	MARCY HEBB	625
DINSMORE ANO SHOHL LLP	15,682	MARION CO. BOARD OF EDUCATION	3,381
DONNA AKINS	588	MASON & BARRY, INC.	35,443
EACTEDN WW. COMMINITY & TECH	2,400	MATHENY MOTOR TRUCK CO	48,168
EASTERN wv COMMIJNITY & TECH EDIJCATIONAL FIJNDING GROIJP, INC	2,500	MCCLAIN PRINTING COMPANY	383
EHRLICH	4,080	MON VALLEY ELECTRIC	141,050
ELECTRONIC SPECIALTY COMPANY	4,080 850	MONPOWER	389.863
ENCOVA INSIJRANCE	24.812		inued on next page
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TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2024

		General Current	Rev	ecial venue	Scho	ial Revenue ol Activity	Fed and	cial Revenue eral Stimulus Stabilization		Capital Projects		otal
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOU	RCF	Expense	Fur	10	Fund		Fun	а		Fund	G	overnmental
Assets:	KCE	,										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,213,801	\$	_	\$	629,021	\$		\$	_	\$	6,842,822
Investments	Ψ	387,019	Ψ	_	Ψ	027,021	Ψ		Ψ		Ψ	387,019
Taxes receivable, net		32,128		-		-				-		32,128
Deposit with Retirement Board		32,120		-		-				-		32,120
		24 444		-		-				-		24.444
Prepaid expenses		34,444		12.000		-				-		34,444
Food service receivable, net		-		13,068		-				-		13,068
Other receivables		12,338		-		-				-		12,388
Due from other governments:												
State aid receivable		55,708		-		-				-		55,708
PEIA allocation receivable		244,792		-		-				-		244,292
Reimbursements receivable		6,217		676,431		-		1,682,912		198,064		2,563,624
Due from other funds		1,844,950		-		19,797				-		1,864,747
Total assets	\$	8,831,397		689,499		648,818		1,682,912		198,064		12,050,690
Deferred outflows of resources		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total deferred outflows of resources		-		-		-		-		-		-
TOTAL ASSETS PLUS DEFERRED OUTFLOWS												
OF RESOURCES	\$	8,831,397	\$	689,499	\$	648,818	\$	1,682,912	\$	198,064	\$	12,050,690
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOUR	CES		LAN									
Liabilities:	0201	1.12 1 0.12 2.		020								
Salaries payable and related payroll liabilities	\$	633,599	\$	101,173	\$	_	\$	69,972	\$	_	\$	804,744
Other post employment benefits payable	Ψ	9,758	Ψ	952	Ψ		Ψ	408	Ψ		Ψ	11,118
PEIA premiums payable		290,208		34,816		-		15,081		-		340,105
Accounts payable & Payable to others						-				06.705		
		130,115		41,363		-		12,500		86,785		270,763
Due to other fiscal agents		36,000		100 111		-		1 504 051		-		36,000
Due to other funds	_	-		189,111				1,584,951		90,685		1,864,747
Total liabilities	_	1,099,680		367,415		-		1,682,912		177,470		3,327,477
Deferred inflows of resources	_	1,008		667,835		-		1,682,912		113,316		2,465,071
Total deferred inflows of resources		1,008		667,835		-		1,682,912		113,316		2,465,071
Fund Balances:												
Nonspendable		34,444		-		-		-		-		34,444
Restricted		-		-		648,818		-		-		648,818
Committed		-		-		-		-		-		-
Assigned		37,888		-		-		-		-		37,888
Unassigned		7,658,377		(345,751)		-		(1,682,912)		(92,722)		5,536,992
Total fund balances		7,730,709		(345,751)		648,818		(1,682,912)		(92,722)		6,258,142
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF												
RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	8,831,397	\$	689,499	S	648,818	S	1,682,912	\$	198,064	\$	12,050,690
Total fund balance	Ψ	0,051,577	Ψ	002,122	Ψ	010,010	Ψ	1,002,712	Ψ	170,001	\$	6,258,142
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statem	nent o	f net assets diffe	er due i	to:							Ψ	0,230,142
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not fi					orted in	the funds						11,429,510
Finance lease assets used in governmental activities are												333,256
Other deferred charges are not reported in the funds	HOUH	manciai resourc	es and,	illerefore, are	пот геро	ried iii tile rulius						,
Description of the property of the following state of the property of the	1.1	:11 1 11	1. :	1	:1.1.1.							2,463,697
Property taxes receivable and food service billings receiva			nis ye	ar but are not a	vanable	soon enough to p	bay					1 274
for the current period's expenditures, and are therefore												1,374
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pens	ions a	ire applicable to	future	periods and, the	nerefore,	, are not reported	in the fun	ds				
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions												130,649
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions												(50,037)
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB												60,418
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB												(57,804)
Some liabilities, including net pension obligations, are not	due a	ind payable in tl	ne curr	ent period and,	therefor	re, are not reporte	ed in the fi	ınd				ĺ
Compensated absences												(16,862)
Net pension liability - proportionate share												(147,621)
Net OPEB liability - proportionate share												44,823
Finance lease liability, due within one year												(28,996)
Finance lease liability, due beyond one year												(127,898)
SBITA liability, due within one year												(28,866)
SBITA liability, due within one year SBITA liability, due beyond one year												(30,000)
Net position of governmental activities											•	20,233,785
The notes are an integral part of the fine	maic1	stataments ber	tottor 4	o concomio cas	aa tharr	oro not included :	in the nul	ligation but are	oveileti	la ta viavy at the	board off	

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TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Г	or the riscal	rear End	eu June 30, 2					
		General Current Expense Fund		ecial evenue and		Revenue Activity	Fe	ecial Revenue deral Stimulus d Stabilization nd	pital ojects nd		Total Governmental
Revenues:											
Property taxes	\$	4,962,319	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$ _	\$	4,962,319
Other Local sources		95,792		3,628		628,381		_	-		727,801
State sources		8,729,565		398,509		_		_	92,165		9,220,239
Federal sources		359,211		1,092,062		-		8,585			1,459,858
Total revenues	-	14,146,887		1,494,199		628,381		8,585	92,165		16,370,217
Expenditures:											
Instruction		6,995,036		684,518		538,923		739,238	_		8,957,715
Supporting services:		, ,		,		,		,			
Students		743,463		248,167		-		684	_		992,314
Instructional staff		146,921		67,297		-		13,218	_		227,436
General administration		600,408		_		_		-	_		600,408
School administration		771,516		_		_		_	_		771,516
Central Services		453,459		2,986		-		13,797	_		470,242
Operation and maintenance of facilities		1,722,966		_		_		19,190	97,710		1,839,866
Student transportation		1,405,953		2,169		_		24,524	_		1,432,646
Other support services		-,,		_,		_			_		-,,
Food services		394		1,114,368		_		22,250	_		1,137,012
Community services		- · · ·		_		_		-	_		_
Capital outlay		170,676		153,920		_		_	108,412		433,008
Finance Leases:				,					,		,
Principal payment expense		74,770		_		_		_	_		74,770
Interest expense		7,216		_		_		_	_		7,216
SBITAs:		., .									.,
Principal payment expense		_		12,348		-		27,775	-		40,123
Interest expense		_		-		_		2,225	_		2,225
Total expenditures		13,092,778		2,285,773		538,923		862,901	206,122		16,986,497
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over				7 7		,-		,-	,		
expenditures		1,054,109		(791,574)		89,458		(854,316)	(113,957)		(616,280)
Other financing sources (uses):		, ,		(11)				(== ,= -,	(330,50.)		
Proceeds from the disposal of real or persona	l propert	y 9,851		_		_		_	_		9,851
Proceeds from finance lease	1 1	170,676		_		_		_	_		170,676
Proceeds from SBITAs		-		12,348		_		_	_		12,348
Transfers in		211,455		472,345		78,040		2,341	641		764,822
Transfers (out)		(475,900)		(104,410)		(32,463)		(152,049)	_		(764,822)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(83,918)		380,283		45,577		(149,708)	641		192,875
Net change in fund balances		970,191		(411,291)		135,035		(1,004,024)	(113,316)		(423,405)
Fund balances- beginning	-	6,760,518		65,540		513,783		(678,888)	20,594		6,681,547
Fund balances -ending	\$	7,730,709	\$	(345,751)	\$	648,818	\$	(1,682,912)	\$ (92,722)	\$	6,258,142
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VENDOR LIST Continued from previous page		SCHOOL MAINTENANCE SUPPLY, INC	457	US BANK	118,453
MONPOWER.	4,148	SCHOOL MAINTENANCE SUPPLY, INC.	1.779	USI INSURANCE SERVICES LLC	378
MOUNTAIN VALLEY RIDING STABLES	1,000	SCHOOL OUTLET	7.508	VALIC	9,970
MOUNTAINEER GAS	59,282	SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC	1,866	VECTOR SOLUTIONS	5,910
NALCO COMPANY	8,057	SCOTT M. LAMPINEN	11,900	VICKIE NESLER	675
NCS PEARSON INCORPORATED	927	SESC SESC	1,203	VISION SERVICE PLAN	19,958
NEOLA. INC	3,665	SHADE EQUIPMENT CO	8.689	VISTA LEARNING INC	12,348
NETWORKS & MORE! INC	1,062	SHOP AND SAVE	1,360	WASHINGTON NATIONAL INS. CO	15,549
NEWLONS INTERNATIONAL SALES	375	SMART HORIZONS	495	WENDLING	2,542
O.C.CLUSS LUMBER COMPANY	2,093	SOFTDOCS SC, LLC	31.666	WEST VIRGINIA ADJUTANT	75,908
PARCHMENT INC	690	SOSMETAL PRODUCTS INC.	2,167	WESTERN MD SEPTIC	800
PASCO SCIENTIFIC	499	STATE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO., INC	1,108	WILLIAM SHAHAN	664
PASS ASSURED LLC	856	STATE ELECTRIC SOFFEI CO., INC	865	WILLIAMSON SHRIVER ARCHITECTS	168,845
PEARSON EDUCATION	529	STATE TIKE MAKSHAL STATE TAX COMMISSION	284.888	WORLD FUEL SERVICES	142,986
PEIA	515,230	STI NETWORKS	1.610	WV BOARD OF RISK & INSURANCE	131,964
PEIA-RHBT	12,655	STURM ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	1.073	WV CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC	438,543
PHILLIPS ELECTRONICS	21,669	SUNRISE SANITATION SERVICES	108.949	WV DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	3,639
PHONAK LLC	1,023	SUTTER ROOFING AND METAL CO	639	WV DEPT OF EDUCATION	2,000
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS INC	965	TAPCO	590	WV DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE	5,733
POWELL, INC	912	TEACHER DIRECT	690	WV HARVEST	15,209
PRESTON COUNTY SCHOOLS	500	TEAM ONE CHEVROLET BUICK GMC	43,605	WV STATE AUDITOR	26,640
PRESTON-TAYLOR COMM HEALTH CTR	400	THE FINAL TOUCH	2,730	WV TEACHERS DEFINED CONT. SYS	60,449
QUILL CORPORATION	14,703	THE PARSONS ADVOCATE	1,454	WVASA	1,300
RICHMOOR & ASSOCIATES INC	10,713	THE READING WAREHOUSE	1,676	WVCASE	375
RIGNEY DIGITAL SYSTEMS LTD CO	1,352	TRA SCHOOL SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS	2,519	WVDE	2,923
RIVERSIDE INSIGHTS	464	TRANSPORTATION ACCESSORIES CO.	844	WVIAEI	300
ROB'S LOCKSMITH SERVICE	4,254	TRAVELS CL REMITTANCE CENTER	350	WVSBA	10,261
ROBERT BOYLES JR	835	TRIMARK SS KEMP	9.405	YAMIL CONGA	250
ROBERT MASTEN	277	TSA CONSULTING GROUP, INC.	1 .408	ZANER-BLOSER	1,391
ROBERTS ESTATES INC.	53,050	TUCKER CO HIGH SCHOOL	31,720	ZIDE SPORT SHOP OF OHIO INC	502
ROBERTSON HEATING SUPPLY CO	1,707	TUCKER CO SHERIFF OFFICE	13,880	ZINN SEPTIC SERVICE, LLC	2,020
SAFETY KLEEN CORP.	3,472	TUCKER CO SOLID WASTE AUTHORTY	526	ZONES IT SOLUTIONS INC	8,993
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT COMMERCIAL	913	TUCKER COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	3.795		
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR CITY OF THOMAS PROPOSED 56,000 GALLON BENBUSH WATER STORAGE TANK TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA CEC PROJECT #313-210

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Thomas for the proposed 56,000 Gallon Benbush Water Storage Tank until 2:00 P.M. on 5th, November, 2024, at 307 Spruce Street, Thomas, WV 26292 at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

All work as described below shall be substantially complete within 210 calendar days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run and completed and ready for final payment within 240 days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run. Liquidated damages shall be \$1,000 per day.

The work to be bid upon is described as follows: This project consists of the construction of a new 56,000 gallon water storage tank adjacent to the existing water storage tank, installation of new 8" ductile iron water lines and connecting to existing water lines. sanitizing the new water tank and placing it into service, abandoning and removing the existing steel water

tank, installing 6' chain link fencing, and other necessary appurtenances. Contract Documents for the project can be examined at the following locations: Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. City of Thomas

120 Genesis Boulevard 307 Spruce Street Thomas, WV 26292 Bridgeport, WV 26330

McGraw-Hill Information System Company

#2 Players Club Drive Charleston, WV 25311 Contractors Association of West Virginia

2114 Kanawha Boulevard East Charleston, WV 25311

Complete sets of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the office of Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. - 120 Genesis Boulevard, Bridgeport, WV 26330, upon a nonrefundable payment of ONE IUNDRED (\$100.00) DOLLARS, beginning 2nd, October 2024. (able to Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. Digital files may be accessed at no cost by contacting Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. at 304-933-3119 to obtain instructions for accessing and downloading online files.

A two-envelope system will be used. Each must be submitted in a sealed envelope.

Envelope No. I must have the following information presented on the front: Name and address of Bidder.

"Bid on City of Thomas - 56,000 Gallon Benbush Water Storage Tank," Received by City of Thomas, 307 Spruce Street, Thomas, WV 26292.

Envelope No. 2 labeled "Bid Proposal" shall also be placed inside of Envelope #1.

Envelope No. 1 will be opened first and the Bid Opening Requirement items checked for compliance as outlined on the Bid Opening Checklist on page BOR-1 of these contract documents. If such documents are found to be in order, Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal," will then be opened and will be publicly read aloud. If the documents required to be contained in Envelope No. I are not in order. Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal" will not be opened and the Bid will be considered non-responsive and will be returned to the Bidder.

A bidder may not withdraw the Bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond payable to City of Thomas in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the base bid. Prospective Bidders should note that this contract will include the following critical requirements as

identified in the Contract Documents: 1. Bidders must comply with the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Copeland Anti-Kickback

Act, and the Contract Works Hours Safety Standards Act. 2. Contractor is required to provide the Drug Free Workplace Certification in accordance with WV Code

3. All Bidders are required to have a Class "C", West Virginia Contractor's License per Section

§30-42-12 of the West Virginia Code.

Contractor's Sales Tax Exemption

City of Thomas is exempt from West Virginia Sales Taxes and, by West Virginia Code SSI 1-158d, can now extend this tax exemption to Contractors supplying goods on their behalf. The Contractor shall coordinate with City of Thomas the filing of any and all applications to the State of West Virginia, exempting the purchase of the specified Goods from West Virginia Sales Tax and hereby agrees to include the savings from such sales tax exemption in its total base bid.

Each Bidder must fully comply with the requirements, terms, and conditions as set forth in the contract documents to achieve Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation during the performance of this contract. The bidder commits itself to the program for DBE participation and all other requirements, terms, and conditions of the bid conditions by submitting a properly signed bid.

The bidder agrees to make "good faith efforts" to sub-contract a portion of the total value of the contract to Disadvantaged businesses. This shall be done in compliance with the six (6) good faith efforts as outlined in 40 CFR 31.36(e). Failure to demonstrate good faith efforts may lead to rejection of bids. For the purpose of this program, the term "subcontractor" includes all construction, modification, and service work contracted for by the bidder in the execution of the work under this contract. WV Alcohol and Drug Free Workplace Act

West Virginia Code §21-1D-5 provides that any solicitation for a public improvement construction contract requires each vendor that submits a bid for the work to submit at the same time an affidavit of compliance with the bid. The enclosed Drug Free Workplace Conformance Affidavit must be signed and submitted in the first envelope as evidence of the Vendor's compliance with the provisions of Article 'l D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code. Failure to submit the signed Drug Free Workplace Conformance Affidavit in the first envelope shall result in disqualification of such bid. Upon receipt of the advertisement for bids, kindly respond with an expression of interest by 10th, Octo-

ber, 2024, to David Watson with CEC via email at dwatson@cecinc.com.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 10 A.M. local time on 17th October 2024, at City of Thomas located at 307 Spruce Street, Thomas, WV 26292.

City of Thomas reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the reception of bids will be returned unopened to the bidders.

City of Thomas By: Jody Flanagan Title: Mayor

Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. 120 Genesis Boulevard Bridgeport, WV 26330

THANK YOU FOR READING THE PARSONS **ADVOCATE**

Serving the people of Tucker county since 1896

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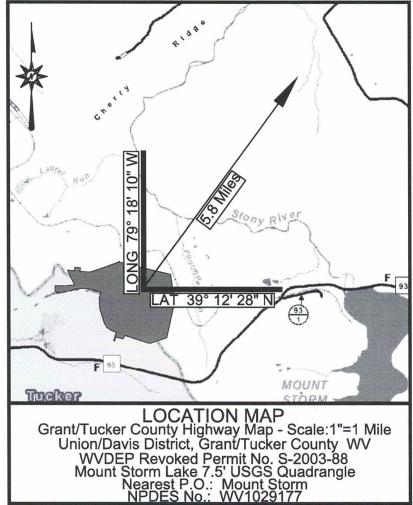
Notice is hereby given that WVDEP OFFICE OF SPECIAL RECLAMATION, 601 57TH SE, CHARLES-TON, WV 25304 has submitted an application for reissuance of Article 11/WVNPDES Permit No. WV1029177 to the Department of Environmental Protection, 47 School Street, Suite 301, Philippi, WV 26416-1150 in order to operate a treatment facility in the N/A seam/mineral bed. The operation will discharge treated storm water into Fourmile Run of Stony River of N. Potomac River and is located 5.8 miles southwest of Mt. Storm in Union and Davis Districts of Grant and Tucker Counties, Longitude 79° 18' 10" and Latitude 39° 12' 28" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

The Department of Environmental Protection is seeking information on private surface water intakes for human consumption located in the above listed receiving streams and located down stream of this operation. Please provide your name, phone number, mailing address, the name of the stream being with the intake, and the physical location of the intake. This information needs to be submitted to the address above.

An anti-degradation review has been conducted. Tier 1 protection is afforded because effluent limitations ensure compliance with water quality criteria for all designated uses. Where applicable, a full Tier 2 antidegradation review has been conducted.

Comments on the Article 11 WV/NPDES application or requests for a public hearing regarding the Article 11/NPDES application shall be in writing and if a public hearing is requested shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Such written comments or requests should be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) at the address above, and must also reference the Article 11/NPDES permit number shown above. Comments received by 11/8/2024, or thirty (30) days from date of publication, will be considered. A copy of the Article 11/WVNPDES application, draft permit and fact sheet (if required) will be available for inspection and obtaining copies during normal business hours at the DEP Regional Office located at the address above.

DEP Telephone No. 304-457-3219 Article 11/NPDES Permit No. WV1029177



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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 November 19, 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): Call Contract State Project Federal Project Description

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HIGH FRICTION SURFACE TREATMENT COUNTY:

5% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN

DBE GOAL: ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractors' 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 submit electronically with their bid a Proposal Guaranty Bond 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 deferment, 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.

TOWN OF DAVIS, WEST VIRGINIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND ABSTRACT OF BOND ORDINANCE

Notice is hereby given to any person interested that on September 30, 2024, the Town Council of the TOWN OF DAVIS, West Virginia (the "Town") adopted an ordinance which, among other things:

- 1. Authorized the design, acquisition and construction of certain extensions, additions, betterments and improvements (the "Project") to the Town's existing combined waterworks and sewerage system (the "System"), the permanent financing of such costs thereof through the issuance of not more than \$3,775,000 in aggregate principal amount of Combined Waterworks and Sewerage System Revenue Bonds, Series 2024 B (CWSRF Program) (the "Bonds").
- 2. Directed that the Bonds be issued in such principal amounts, bear interest at such rate or rates, not exceeding the then legal maximum rate, mature on such dates and in such amounts and redeemable, in whole or in part, as prescribed in a supplemental resolution.
- 3. Directed the continuation of a revenue fund and the disposition of the System revenues; provided for the payment of operating expenses of the System and debt service on the Bonds; directed the creation of a sinking fund and a reserve account for the Bonds and creation of the renewal and replacement fund; and directed the creation of a bond construction trust fund and the disbursement of Bond proceeds.
- 4. Provided that the Bonds shall not be or constitute a corporate indebtedness of the Town within the meaning of any statutory or constitutional limitations, but shall be payable solely from the Gross Revenues of the System; pledged the Gross Revenues of the System to payment of the Bonds and established the rights of the registered owners of the Bonds to such Gross Revenues; provided certain conditions for the issuance of additional bonds.
- 5. Provided for insurance coverage on the Project and the System, enforcement of collection of fees, rates or other charges for the System and other covenants in favor of the registered owners; established the events of default and the remedies of the registered owners; and provided for the modification or amendment of the Ordinance upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Ordinance.

The Town contemplates the issuance of the Bonds described in, and under the conditions set forth in the Ordinance abstracted above. Any person interested may appear before the Council of the TOWN OF DAVIS at a regular meeting on October 23, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Davis, 505 Williamson Ave., Davis, West Virginia, and present protests and be heard as to whether the above-described Ordinance shall be put into effect.

A certified copy of the Ordinance as adopted by the Council of Town on September 30, 2024, is on file with the Recorder for review by interested persons at the Town Hall during regular office hours.

Monongahela National

Forest Issues Fire

Restriction for Dolly

Sods Wilderness

ELKINS W.Va., September 17, 2024 - Effective imme-

diately, building, maintaining, attending, or using a wood or

charcoal fire or campfire is prohibited on all National Forest

lands, roads, and trails within the confines of the Dolly Sods

Wilderness. The area incorporated into this restriction is within

the Monongahela National Forest, Cheat-Potomac Ranger Dis-

The purpose of this fire restriction is to protect public health

and safety and natural resources by prohibiting recreational

fires during periods of high fire danger. West Virginia is in a

prolonged drought leading to decreased fuel moistures across

the forest. Current and predicted weather shows little to no

relief heading into the fall season. In addition, any fire starting

Wilderness has restrictions in place already that make sup-

pressing fires more difficult than non-wilderness areas. Dolly

Sods has the added complexity of being a known unexploded

ordinance area, further hampering firefighting tactics and

endangering the welfare of the public and emergency respond-

Further information may be obtained at the Cheat-Potomac

Ranger District Office at 304-478-3251, and at the National

in the wilderness would prove difficult to suppress.

Forest Supervisor's Office at 304-363-1800.

trict, Randolph, Grant and Tucker Counties, West Virginia.

/s/ Robert North Recorder of the TOWN OF DAVIS, West Virginia

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0678-G-D HOPE GAS, INC.

Application to change depreciation rates.

NOTICE OF HEARING

On August 7, 2024, Hope Gas, Inc. (Hope) filed an application to change depreciation rates (Application) pursuant to Rule 20 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Procedural Rules), 150 C.S.R. 1 and its general ratemaking authority under W.Va. Code § 24-2-3. Pursuant to Procedural Rule 20.4, the proposed rates could go into effect sixty days from the date of filing. However, Hope requested that the Commission approve the proposed revised depreciation rates for implementation effective with the effective date of new base rates that will be established in Hope's next Rule 42T base rate case filing. Hope anticipates that it will file its next Rule 42 base rate case after January 2025.

The Commission set a procedural schedule, including a hearing date on the Application that will begin at 9:30 a.m. on January 29, 2025, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene within 30 days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. All requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's <u>Rules of Practice and Procedure</u>. The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments and requests to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to the Commission Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public comments may also be filed online at http://www.psc.state.wv.us.scripts/onlinecomments/default.com by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

HOPE GAS, INC.



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Legal Notice

The Tucker County Clerk's Office will conduct a test of the Election Equipment and Ballot Inspection in the Tucker County Courthouse Annex room 205, The test is open to the public and will be conducted on Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

BY ORDER OF THE TUCKER COUNTY

CLERK OF TUCKER COUNTY

SHERRY SIMMONS

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I have before me the accounts of the Executor or Administrator of the estates of the following deceased persons:

Deceased Personal Representative(s) George Kenneth Nine Junior Nick Nine 1st publication 10/2/24 PO Box 144 Hambleton, WV 26269 2nd publication 10/9/24 Joyce G. Metheny 1st publication 10/2/24 Tina Metheny 100 Katmandu Blvd. Hendricks, WV 26271 Tehya R. Smith-Maize 2nd publication 10/9/24 Staci Diane Smith 1st publication 10/2/24 18 Bristol Ave 2nd publication 10/9/24 Parson, 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

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

The City of Parsons is accepting statements of qualifications from qualified professional engineering consulting firms to provide the necessary engineering services needed for their developing Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project. The goal of this project is to help develop a plan and an appropriate course of action to either improve or replace the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant and bring the Plant into compliance with DEP regulations. Professional services will include, but not be limited to, the following: completion of preliminary report to be used for the preparation of applications; project design; preparation of all necessary permit applications; preparation of plans, specifications, and bidding documents; assistance during bidding; construction administration services; and construction inspection services

Sources of funding for this project may include, but are not limited to, Appalachian Regional Commission, HUD Community Development Block Grant Program, USDA Rural Development, US Environmental Protection Agency, WV Clean Water State Revolving Fund, and WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council.

Procurement of said services will be in accordance with WV Code Chapter 5G and 2 CFR 200. All firms interested in being considered for this selection must submit at least five hard copies and one electronic copy of a proposal detailing qualifications, technical expertise, management and staffing capabilities, related prior experience, and professional references.

The goal of the competitive process is to objectively select the firm who will provide the highest quality of service. Accordingly, technical expertise and related experience will be weighed heavily. The candidates judged most qualified based on a review of the statements of qualifications will be interviewed. The firm determined to be the most qualified based on an evaluation of the interviews will be asked to prepare fee proposals for engineering services as project scopes are finalized.

Please submit five hard copies of all requested information to: City of Parsons c/o Mike Simmons, Administrator, 341 Second Street, Parsons, WV 26287 and one electronic copy to Carrie Wallace at cwallace@regionvii.com.

Proposals will be accepted until Friday, October 11, 2024, by 3 p.m. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all submissions. All work will be performed in accordance with the regulations issued by State and Federal agencies relative hereto. The selected candidate may be required to comply with Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 11246, Section 109 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Conflict of Interest Statement, and the Access to Records provisions. The City shall ensure, to the fullest extent possible, that positive efforts are made to utilize small businesses, including those in rural areas, minority-owned firms, and women-owned business enterprises. The City will not discriminate against any interested individual or firm on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, age, handicap, or national origin in the award of the contract.





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Tucker is Too Much for Pendleton, Win 38-13



Reid Kisamore leads Cade Rapp into the endzone.

By: Adam Freeman

This past Friday, Tucker County traveled to Franklin to take on the Wildcats of Pendleton County. Neither team would find the end zone in the first quarter in what was a back-and-forth contest. Tucker would strike first on a 5-yard rushing touchdown by Jared Reall, the two-point attempt failed, and the Mt. Lions led 6-0. Tucker was able to find the end zone again set up by a 53-yard pass from Sam Marks to Reid Kisamore and a 3-yard rumble into the end zone by Reall. Again, the conversion was unsuccessful pushing the score out to 12 - 0. Pendleton, however, would answer with a 17-yard touchdown pass and they failed the extra point to put the score at 12 - 6. Tucker would counterpunch before the half and drove in the third of Reall's first half touchdowns, this time from 14 yards out. The



Garrett Wilfong leaps into the air for the reception.

two-point conversion struggles continued with the third failed attempt of the half. However, Tucker would possess the lead 18-6 going into the break. Pendleton County would come out of the gate hot to start the second half and connect on a 10-yard touchdown pass, adding the PAT on a successful kick putting the score 18-13. The Mt. Lions would answer with a 51-yard kick return by Luke Barb which would set up a 9-yard touchdown pass from Marks to Garrett Wilfong. With another failed two-point try, Tucker leads 24-13 going into the fourth. On the following possession linebacker, Jared Reall, would deliver a massive hit, as the QB released the ball, allowing fellow linebacker, Marky Phillips, to intercept the pass and take it into the end zone. A blind side block penalty would negate the TD, but the interception would stand. Just a few plays later, on a



Colton Teter seals the edge for Jared Reall. (Photo by **Angie Teter)**

beautifully executed 22-yard screen pass from Marks to Cade "Mini Cooler" Rapp, the Mt. Lions would again find pay dirt, and for the fourth time in a row the two-point attempt was unsuccessful. The Mt. Lions would find the goal line once again before the end of the game on a 9-yard rushing TD by Marks. That would prove to be the final score on the contest at 38-13. Tucker was led on the ground by Reall who finished with 220 yards rushing and 3 touchdowns. Quarterback, Sam Marks, would finish 8 of 10 passing for 119 yards with 51 yards rushing and a touchdown on the ground. Tucker was led on defense by linebacker, Garrett Wilfong, who accounted for 8 solo tackles and 4 assisted. The Tucker County Mt. Lions will return home this Friday to take on the Moorefield Yellowjack-

TC Golf Wraps Up Season

By: Adam Freeman

The Tucker County Mt. Lions Golf team wrapped up its season last week with regional play at Canaan Valley State Park, where 13 teams competed on wet and rainy conditions which resulted in some struggles across the board. Tucker would finish the match in sixth place and Brayden Grey would be the low scorer finishing 11th overall out of 52 contestants. The two teams to compete in the state tournament from the region will be Gilmer County and the Regional Champions Petersburg who were dominant all season in regional play. The region also saw two strong



2024 Tucker Golf Team, left to right, Dominick Del-Signore, Nate Davis, Brayden Grey, Drew Simmons and head coach Landon Dillard.

individual efforts from East Hardy's, Jordan Teets (regional low medalist), and Tygarts Valley's, Avery

Row-Sponaugle, who will both go on to compete at the State Tournament for the individual championship.

Suesli Medals for Mt. Lions

By: Adam Freeman

Tucker County Cross Country team participated in Keyser's inaugural Charlie Kuh Invitational on Saturday, October 5th. The boys ran with 12 other schools that day. The Mt. Lions came in fourth with Lynk Suesli, eighth, bringing home the only medal for Tucker. He ran a 18:01 with Alex Collar coming in next for the team at 18:29. Cameron Judy finished with a 20:02, Allen Collar, 21:21 and Liam Gilligan crossing the line at 21:30.

The Girls finished eighth as a team. Addi Moats led the Lady Mt. Lions with a time of 23:33. Lela Wright was second for the Ladies at 28:59. Lilly Collar's time was 32:47. Adrianna Tuttle finished with a 40:32 and Kaydence Rosier crossed at 41:48.

The Cross-Country team will host their home invitational Tuesday, Oct 8th with girls race starting at 5:00.

Tucker County will also be hosting the Potomac Valley Conference Champion-



Lynk Suesli

ship at Camp Kidd Tuesday, October 15th with the first race starting at 5:00pm

TC Volleyball Sweeps Keyser

By: Adam Freeman

The Tucker County Volleyball squad hosted the Golden Tornadoes of Keyser this past week. The Mt. Lions would sweep the Tornadoes in three sets in a match that included a protest of the net height and the eventual forfeit by Keyser. The first set was won by Tucker with a score of 25-20. The second set was when the game had some controversy when Kevser's coach protested the net height. After the short delay, Tucker would go on to win the set 25-17. The third set began with a lot of emotion from both squads, and when TC was up 21-17, a yellow card was issued to a Keyser player, causing the opposing coach to pull his squad and leave the gymnasium at Tucker County High School. With the exit arrived a Tucker County Victory in the match. Tucker has three matches this week, with a home match vs. Southern Garrett on October 7th, a trip to Petersburg on October 8th and a home match with Moorefield on October 10th.



Raven Matthews go up for the block.



Ava Shaffer gets set for the serve.



Kyra Sovine returns the volley.

Wildcats Wallop Cee Bees 44-0

By: Adam Freeman

The Tucker Valley Wildcats played host to the visiting Cee Bees of Clay Batelle last week in Parsons. The Wildcats would start the game on defense and safety, Fletcher Hyre, would take a 65-yard pick six to open the scoring. Big brother, Branson Hyre, would add the two-point conversion and Tucker was up 8-0 early. On the following possession Tucker's, Branson Hyre, would block the fourth down punt giving the Wildcats excellent field position. One play later, Sawyer Fansler, would add a 17-yard touchdown run, the two-point try was no good and the score was 14-0. The next defensive possession ended with another blocked punt, this time by Wade Boyles. The Wildcats would take advantage and punch in a 21-yard touchdown run by Branson Hyre. Quinton Teter would add the two-point play making the score 22-0. Tucker's defense would continue to dominate, this time via an interception by cornerback, Quinton Teter. Two plays later Titus Bowley would take a 15-yard run into the end zone. With the two-point added by Braylon Simmons, Tucker was up 30-0. The Wildcats would force a fumble and regain possession on the next series. Bowley would then take a reverse around the end for a 37-yard touchdown run, the two-point attempt was no good and Tucker was leading 37-0. The Cee Bees offensive struggles would continue, and they would turn the ball over on downs. Tucker would find the end zone one more time before the half



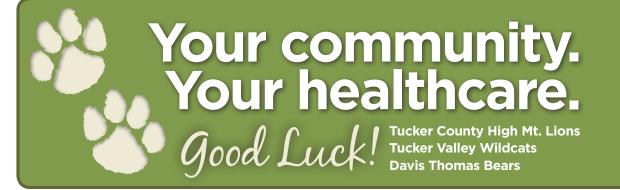
Braylon Simmons makes the defenders miss. (Photo by Angie Teter)

on a 15-yard scramble by Teter. Johnathan Tuttle would convert the two-point play and the score was 44-0 going into the half. The game would have a running clock for the remainder of the contest and Tucker would get the win with a final score of 44-0.



Wade Boyles drives the Cee Bee defender.

With the win, Wildcats improve to 3-1 on the season with an upcoming Saturday trip to Paden City on the schedule. Kickoff is set for 1pm.





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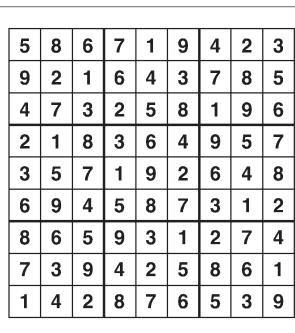
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