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Commission President Mike Rosenau signed a check from the county general fund to buy a crossbow. It wasn't for a deputy. It was for a fellow commissioner.



In 2019, the Tucker County Commission set up a program so sheriff's deputies could buy law enforcement equipment using county money and repay it later.

Prosecutors say Commissioner Fred Davis used that program five times to buy guns, ammunition and weapons for himself. The money was interest-free taxpayer money, and he repaid it through his paycheck.

On August 12, 2025, Mike Rosenau signed a \$3,990.75 county check to buy a crossbow. It wasn't for a deputy. It was for a fellow commissioner.

Prosecutors say Davis was the one who benefited. The next day, the commission voted unanimously to approve the expense.

Now all three Tucker County commissioners face criminal charges for unauthorized spending of public funds.

Mike Rosenau was trusted with your tax dollars. He signed the check.

“He signed the check.”



Tucker County deserves better.

Vote Jon Bush for County Commission – November 3.

Sources: Tucker County Circuit Court filings; WDTV, Aug. 7, 2026; The Inter-Mountain, Aug. 2026.
All three commissioners have pleaded not guilty and are presumed innocent.

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SPORTS

Tucker XC Is Headed to State Meet After Strong Regional Finish



Single A Regional 2 All Regional Team.



Landon Wilfong crosses the finish line as Tucker's top finisher.

By: Adam Freeman
The Mt. Lions of TCHS showed up and showed out at the regional XC meet last Saturday at South Harrison High School. The boys team put together a score that would get them third overall out of eight teams and qualify them for the state meet.
The Mt. Lions' top finisher was Landon Wilfong with



2026 TCHS Cross Country Team with Coach Derek Bolyard(R)

a time of 18:47.43, good enough for sixth place. Draven Bunnell was not far behind, coming in eighth place with a 19:25.83, with Liam Gilligan right behind him in ninth place with a time of 19:29.15. All three runners made the all-regional team with their top-10 finishes.
The boys team was rounded out with Evan Spencer in 27th and Riley Coffman in 30th. The top five individual runners who are not part of a team also qualify for states; that's where

Tucker's only female runner comes into play.
Juniper Judy posted a time of 23:39.15, which gave her a sixth-place finish good enough to send her to the state meet along with the boys team. Judy also earned herself a spot on the all-regional girls' team with the top-10 finish. The State Meet is Saturday, October 31, at Cabell Midland High School; the girls will begin at 1:00 p.m., followed by the boys at 1:45 p.m.

Tucker Valley Football Takes Down Morgantown South, 44-20



Fletcher Hyre extends the ball past the pylons for the Wildcat touchdown.

By: Adam Freeman
The Tucker Valley Wildcats traveled to Westover Middle School last week in what was a beautiful backdrop for a middle school football game, overlooking Morgantown from a nearby ridge top. Their opponent was Morgantown South's "B" team.
The Wildcats took no time getting on the board as Fletcher Hyre took the opening kickoff 65 yards to the house. With a failed two-point try, the score was 6-0 just a few seconds into the contest. Tucker Valley would then recover an onside kick, and a few short plays later, Hyre would score again, this time via a 17-yard run. QB Bentley Haddix would add the two-point try, and Tucker led 14-0. The following kickoff was muffed by the Mohigans, setting up Tucker for Hyre's third first-half touchdown, this one from a 19-yard hard catch and run on a



Nelson Herron secures the catch for the two-point conversion.

bubble pass from Haddix. Easton Wolford punched in the two-pointer, and the Wildcats had a big 22-0 lead to end the first.
Tucker would score first in the second period as well. This time, Braxton White took a reverse seven yards in. Haddix would find his tight end, Nelson Herron, on the two-point try, and Tucker had a commanding 30-0 lead. South would get things going offensively before the half as they connected on a 27-yard passing touchdown, with a failed point after. Tucker took the lead into the half at 30-6.
To start the second half, the Wildcats brought in their JV offense, and Morgantown would capitalize on the opening pos-



Tristan Pitzer sacks the Mohigan quarterback.
session on a 45-yard pick-six to cut the lead to 30-12. Tucker's next score would also come from defense, as Braxton White muscled the ball away from the Mohigan quarterback and ran 46 yards the other way for a Tucker Valley touchdown, and the lead was at 36-12.

Morgantown would get another score through the air, this time on a 10-yard passing touchdown to make the score 36-20. The Wildcats would get one more score to really put the game away as Hyre would score his fourth touchdown of the game on a 41-yard run to bring the final score to 44-20 in favor of Tucker Valley.
Quarterback Bentley Haddix finished the evening with 75 yards passing and one touchdown. Fletcher Hyre had 58 yards rushing and two touchdowns, 65 yards receiving and one touchdown, and a 65-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. Noah White pitched in 54 yards on the ground, and twin brother Braxton finished with 32 yards rushing and a score.
Tucker Valley now sits at 5-2 overall, with their lone losses to Bridgeport and West Fairmont. They will return home this week for their final contest of the season as they play host to Pendleton County on Thursday, October 29, with a 6:30 p.m. kickoff. This will also be eighth grade recognition for football and cheer, with a start time of 5:15 p.m.

SPORTS CONTINUED ON P10

TC Football Downed in Charmco, 43-20

By: Adam Freeman
The Mt. Lions football team made the long trip to Charmco, WV, last week to take on the #9 ranked Cavaliers of Greenbrier West High School. West would get on the board first with a four-yard passing touchdown and a kicked extra point; the home team was up 7-0.
The Cavaliers would get the next two scores of the first period as well, via a 19-yard run and a safety, to have an early cushion of 16-0 over the Mt. Lions. Tucker would, however, get the first score of the second period off a 19-yard pass and catch from Branson Hyre to Cade Rapp, with a failed two-point try; the score was at 16-6. Greenbrier West would answer the score with one of their own from an 18-yard passing touchdown to extend their lead to 22-6. The Mt. Lions would show some fight again, answering with a 14-yard pass from Hyre to

Evan Hexom to bring the game to 22-12 with under a minute to play in the first half. Then the Cavaliers would get possibly the most important score of the game, a 63-yard scamper down the sideline to make the margin a three-score game at the half, with a score of Greenbrier West 29, Tucker County 12.
The third period was all Cavaliers' as they posted two touchdowns in the period while Tucker was held scoreless. The Mt. Lions would find the end zone again in the fourth period as Sawyer Fansler scored on the ground from seven yards out to make the final score in favor of Greenbrier West, 43-20.
Tucker was only outgained by 40 total yards as they amassed 262 yards to West's 302 yards. Quarterback Branson Hyre finished the evening 6 of 18 passing for 80 yards, two touchdowns, and one interception, to go with 16 carries for 11 yards.

See TC FOOTBALL page 10



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News of Record

The following criminal complaint has been filed in the Tucker County Magistrate office:

- **Earnest Godbey**, of Parsons, was charged with one count of DUI-1stOffense and one count of Speeding. According to the complaint on Monday, Oct. 19 Trooper R.K. Stewart was conducting routine road patrol in the area of US48 at the Randolph/Tucker County Line when he observed a black Chevy Spark traveling East at 77 mph in a posted 65 mph zone. He initiated a traffic stop near mile marker 46.5 in Tucker County. Upon contact he identified the driver as Earnest Godbey and he smelled a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the suspect’s person. He asked the suspect to exit the vehicle and he conducted field sobriety field tests on the suspect which he failed. A Preliminary Breath Test was administered which showed a .110 BAC. Due to the totality of these circumstances Stewart placed the suspect under arrest for the misdemeanor offense of: DUI-1st Offense and

Speeding. He then transported the suspect to the WVSP-Elkins Detachment for an approved secondary chemical test on the Intoximeter in which he blew a .109. The suspect was then transported to TVRJ to await arraignment.

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

- **Roger Lee Channell and Kimberly Joan Channell**, Black Fork District, Transfer on Death Deed: .56 acres Pheasant Run to Brittany Dove Arbogast and Carl Chase Channell.
- **Paul Magness and Meredith Magness**, Davis Corporation, Lot R, Williams Avenue to Davis and Elkins Properties LLC, \$90,000.
- **Katherine Jadick**, Dry Fork District, Unit/Lot 40, Section B, Black Bear Woods Resort Development to Dana C. Adamson and Eric A. Stack, \$280,000.
- **Patrick J. Vaughan and Timothy D. Vaughan**, Dry Fork District, Lot 88 Winterhaven, 0.444

- acres +/- to Melissa D. Zellers and Jeffrey Zellers, \$940,000.
- **Edward A. Gabris, Trustee, Linda L. Gabis, Trustee; Edward A. Gabris Revocable Inter Vivos Trust; Linda L. Gabris Revocable Inter Vivos Trust**, Lot 26, Cabin Mountain to TDPC Land Management LLC, \$500,000.
 - **James Murraye Seay and Riley Elixabeth Seay**, Dry Fork district, Lot 2 of Blackwater Annex, Timberline Subdivision, 3.832 acres +/- to PFF LLC, \$445,000.

PACKED HOUSE

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Fraser Jackson an international correspondent from FRANCE 24 out of Washington D.C. (pictured standing in blue) was also on hand for the Town Hall meeting in Davis, October 19th.



It was a packed house with residents of Tucker County and their supporters filling the Town Hall, its walls, its floors and spilling onto the concrete ramp outside during to Town Hall in Davis October 19th.



Ace Parsi, Democratic Congressional Candidate for District 2, was on hand to support the people of Tucker County October 19th.

a much needed economic shot in the arm for a County where many of its youth are leaving for greener fields elsewhere following graduation. There seems to be a general consensus that many who stay struggle to find the kind of high paying opportunities that once flourished in the area.

Washington D.C. T.V. Reporter Molly Martinez and her camera crew were on hand to document Tucker County’s stories in their own words for a global audience. For many who were on hand, especially those from Tucker United, she summed up the situation succinctly.

“Tucker County is getting screwed,” Martinez said.

“And the amount that we are uncovering that they are not even covering is unconscionable.”

Martinez led the Town Hall with a series of questions about how the Data Center Project will impact the community, but also HB 2014 and other related issues. Resident after resident stood and raised concerns about potential impacts on existing lung conditions, the area becoming like the Loudoun County, VA Data Center Alley, impacts on tourism, as well as lack of transparency and local control.

Also present was U.S. House District 2 Candidate Ace Parsi (D). Parsi was on hand to lend his support to the residents of the community who were fighting back against the project. In recent months, Parsi has made several visits to the County for various events including the Tucker County Fair and when the Democrats held a press conference at the Davis Town Hall.

“You are decent people and you believe that other people should act decently. That is not what is happening here. If this was a good deal, for this area, they would have you vote on it. They would have you vote on it. If this was economic development for you. Who is against economic development? Whose against jobs? They would have you vote on it. The reason they took that voice away from you is that they know, they know full well, this is a bad deal for you.” - Ace Parsi

Parsi said that he had traveled the entire district and said that Tucker County inspired many because they have refused to “lay down and lay over and let this happen.” He said that the people of Tucker County inspired him as well.

“This is the time when we say ‘Enough is enough.’ West Virginia is used to being the resource colony for someone else’s profit,” Parsi said.

Martinez has been a reporter with Gray Television’s Washington News Bureau since March of 2022.

Road Work Information

County Route 219/4 (Mackeyville Road) will have a full road closure beginning Monday, October 26, 2026, through Saturday, November 7, 2026, for work related to the Roaring Run Bridge project

TUCKER COUNTY, WV - County Route 219/4 (Mackeyville Road) will have a full road closure, at 7:00 a.m., beginning Monday, October 26, 2026, through Saturday, November 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., for work related to the Roaring Run Bridge project. Work will begin at the intersection of US 219 and County Route 219/4 (Mackeyville Road) and will end approximately 0.30 miles south on Mackeyville Road. Road-closed signs will be placed at both ends of the work site. All traffic must seek alternate routes. There will be no special allowance for emergency vehicles, school buses or United States Postal Service. All traffic needing to access Mackeyville Road will have to enter from the Hambleton side.

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What’s ? Happening

Tucker Co. Chamber's Training Workshop

The Trusted Source Advantage: Digital Discoverability for Today's Businesses. Wed. Oct. 28th 4PM, Davis Room at Blackwater Falls Lodge.

Meet the Cadidates

Hosted by the Tucker Co. Chamber of Commerce. Thurs. Oct. 29th 5PM, Parsons Senior Center.

Free Friday

Free Friday will be held on Friday, October 30, 2026, at 6 pm, at the First United Methodist Church of Parsons. We will be serving a variety of soups, sandwiches, chips, desserts and drinks. This will be the last Free Friday until Spring. Everyone is welcome.

Senior News

The Parsons Senior Center will have a Halloween dress-up parade on Thursday, October 29. The choir will be singing at 10:30AM and lunch is at 11:30AM. Seniors, come in costume and join in the fun, the parade is at 12:00 noon!!

Fall Harvest Celebration

Fall Harvest Celebration at St. John's Church Saturday, October 31st at 3:30pm, with a hay ride, hot chocolate & hotdogs! From 6pm - 8pm we will have Trunk-R-Treat in the parking lot with smores & more hot chocolate! Come fellowship with us!

Trunk N Treat

Saturday, October 31, 2026 | 4:30PM to 6:30PM | 316 Eastern Drive, Moorefield, WV 26836. A family-friendly event, Trunk N Treat on the campus of Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College provides a safe environment for children to trick or treat. Trunkers (participants handing out candy) should RSVP to Monica Wilson, Vice President of Academics and Student Services at monica.wilson@easternwv.edu by Wednesday, October 28, 2026.

The Mountaineer Garden Club

Will be meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd, at the Five Rivers Public Library at 6PM. All are welcome to attend.

College & Career Fair

Get Hired or Prepare for Your Next Move at the College & Career Fair! Thursday, November 5, 2026 | 10AM to 3PM | 316 Eastern Drive, Moorefield, WV 26836. Job seekers do not need to register for the event. Employers/College Recruiters: Please reserve your free spot by clicking here: Fall 2026 College & Career Fair. FREE & Open to the Public. Connect with 50+ employers and 20+ colleges and universities from across the tri-state area. Explore job opportunities, career pathways, education, and transfer options—all in one place. Contact Dixie Heavener, Career Counselor with any Questions: Call: 304-434-8000 ext. 9239 Email: Dixie.Heavener@easternwv.edu. Learn More About Career Services at Eastern WVCTC: Visit: easternwv.edu/career-services.

Wednesday Community Fellowship

November 4th, 6PM at St Pauls UMC, 203 Central Ave, Parsons. “Breakfast for Dinner” theme.

Gospel Sing

Saturday, November 7th at 7PM. St Paul’s UMC. All singers welcome. Come praise the Lord and enjoy local talent. Light refreshments available after music. More info 304-614-3768.

Celebrate Pro-On Trac’s 25th Birthday!!!!

Parsons VFD starting at 6PM. 6 PM - Historic Reenactment 6:30PM - Chuckwagon Light Fare Refreshments 7 PM - Square Dance With Live Music. Free event open to all! Come celebrate our birthday with us!!!

St. John's Women Cookies

Raisin Filled & Peanut Butter Cookies by St. John's Women on November 9, 10 & 11. \$8 donation per dozen. To order call Sally at 304-619-2199.

SONI

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been a lot about, what you said, the permitting and the Air Quality Reports and who filed the reports, Soni said.

“When I think of Data Centers and especially ones that are not built off of the grid, but sort of have their own generation on site, like this one, there’s really three considerations I think really people really think about. One is water, one is noise and one is air quality. I think those are are the three you really think about,” Soni said.

Soni said the first consideration is water. Water has been the topic of many concerns for residents of Tucker County since the project was first announced. With the announcement coming among on the heels of a drought, many citizens of the Towns of Davis and Thomas have concerns about whether the project will impact their water table.

“The thing with AI is, you definitely are using water to cool the chips,” Soni said. “I think that’s just something that is very normal, I think after 2023.”

However, Soni said, after 2027, chips produced after this date will used a “closed loop system” for cooling that will used water once in a sealed system. He described the system like the coils on a refrigerator. This system will drastically reduce a Data Center’s consumption and reliance on water, by sealing its cooling in a continuous internal looped system.

“Basically, what you do is you fill the tank one time and the water cycles through the Data Center and in some cases you will machines called “chillers” that will cool the Data Centers and in others you will have water that will kind of flow outside through pipes and cool outside below about 80 degrees and go back into the system, but you are not really topping up water.

A year or two ago a lot of these liquid cooled Data Centers, the technology was not nearly as good, so you’re just basically drawing on lots of fresh water to cool these things, but now, almost everything being built is closed loop meaning you fill it once and you are really not even topping it up monthly. I think that’s something that has really been solved by the industry in a positive way.” - Deven Soni

Soni went on to say that in recent years, emissions from diesel powered generators have been greatly reduced “by 90 plus percent” and current plants are continuously monitored for efficiency and emissions output.

“There is almost real-time monitoring,” Soni said. “So you have these sensors that every minute are really tracking these things.”

A project like Ridgeline, Soni said could be utilizing this real-time technology to monitor it’s Air Quality. However, given the amount of redactions in the public

permit, it is uncertain.

“It really is tracked and I’m amusing that the county and the region is going to be requesting that data to make sure that its not just kind of a one-time fix, but a permanent fix,” Soni said.

Soni also addressed the issue of noise associated from large Data Center facilities. With the Ridge-line Project, this has also been a topic of debate and concern for many residents in the nearby communities of Davis and Thomas who have seen possible audible noise from the facility as a deterrent to tourism and an irritant to current residents, as well.

“Thirdly, is noise and on the noise side, with the larger faculties, what you have is these noise dampeners that are encasing the generators to ensure that that there’s not a lot of leakage of audible sound off of the property. They usually put these in areas that are more central, in and around the property lines so that you’re not

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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Jack Frost sure has made his presence known this past week. You can tell by the East facing hills because they have turned brown and are falling like confetti. As soon as the sun rises and hits that frost it is all over for this year. **Momma Said**, “Go to sleep little babies, you can’t hang on forever.”

It is still very nice during the day and it could stay this way until May and then warm up. I would be a happy camper for sure. Mom loved this time of year because two of her favorite things were happening. Number one, the chestnuts are beginning to fall and two it is squirrel season. She loved to hunt and boil then roast chestnuts.

She loved to fry up three or four big squirrels and make gravy out of the pan drippings. I sure I have told you before how much she loved cracking the skulls and eating the brains. On those occasions I

Momma Said

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

By Teri Cayton
The Parsons Advocate



tried to eat very fast so I could leave the table as soon as possible. **Momma Said**, “Yum, Yum eat’em up.”

I didn’t mind eating squirrel, it was just the thought and sound of her cracking that skull that made me want to run for the hills. She was raised in a time when you didn’t waste anything. Gran used to utilize everything just to get by. Momma Said, “Waste not, want not.” At that time, it was just her and mom and she worked very hard in a mining town to provide for the both of them.

Garlic Butter Chicken Bites

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 1/4 pounds boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into bite-sized pieces
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

DIRECTIONS:

- Cut the chicken and pat dry with paper towels. Add to a bowl with the flour, Italian seasoning, onion powder, red pepper flakes, salt, and pepper. Toss until the meat is well coated, and set aside.
- Warm the oil and 1 tablespoon of butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the chicken pieces in a single layer, leaving some space between each (work in batches, if needed).

- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/4 cup unsalted butter, divided
- 4-5 cloves fresh garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley, finely chopped

- Cook until the meat is golden brown on the bottom, about 3 minutes. Flip the chicken and cook for 2 minutes longer.
- Add the remaining butter, garlic, and parsley. Stir well and cook for 1-2 more minutes or until the chicken reaches 165°F internally.
- Season to taste with additional salt and pepper if needed. Serve the garlic butter chicken bites hot.

Weather Totals Oct 13 - Oct 20, 2026

Temperature	
Max	82° F
Min	28° F

Nursery Bottom Parsons

Precipitation	
Week	2.31"
October 2026	5.52"
	56.36"

U.S. Forest Service

Super Crossword

GIVE P’S A CHANCE

ACROSS

- 1 "It's — cause!"
6 Square mile, say
14 Puccini's "— Butterfly"
20 Roping event
21 Broken ceramic bit
22 Trapped after a blizzard
23 Stumbled and really hurt?
25 Starting a golf game, with "off"
26 As yet unborn
27 Don't fully believe
29 Rind
30 Winged seed of a maple or elm tree
31 Stress felt after eating jalapeños?
36 Arranged like a ladder
38 Organic compound
39 Gymnast?
47 Banquet
51 One giving paid money back
52 U.S. territory since 1898
53 Noonday nap
54 Sight-related

- 55 Flooring square
58 Person walking with a limp?
60 Actor Mineo
62 Lac liquid
64 Pro vote
65 OR hookups
66 Bribed a judge in order to win?
74 Body part with three bones
75 Wriggly fish
76 Tram cargo
77 Actor Linden
78 Battles between
Thelonious Monk and Dizzy Gillespie?
83 Ex-U.N. leader Annan
86 Martini & — (vermouth)
90 DeGeneres and Burstyn
91 Get really wet
93 Exchanges favors, in politics
95 More guileful
96 Mailed in the opposite direction of?
99 Hoops great Bryant
101 Last Greek letters

- 102 Bounding along merrily on a Swiss mountain?
108 Himalayan guide
114 Johnson who directed "Knives Out"
115 Electric fan's sound
116 Dissolves out via percolation
117 Riddle
119 Sluggish mammal wearing a pair of hats?
124 Golden ager
125 Fearful
126 San Diego ballplayer
127 Third-largest Danish city
128 Cold carnival treat
129 Tarnish
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1 "— a jealous mistress"
2 — Doone (cookie brand)
3 Strong dislike
4 Train system in Philly
5 Heavy drinker
6 Raised coif
7 Negating word
44 British tavern

- 8 "What was — do?"
9 General —'s chicken
10 Sound made during a physical
11 Novelist Charles
12 Mistake
13 Do a tally of
14 Glove alternative in dialect
15 High card
16 Heavy slumber
17 "Sayonara!"
18 76-Across digger
19 A right one is 90 degrees
24 Wiped clean
28 Male sibling, in dialect
31 Father: Prefix
32 Pixieish sort
33 Good bud
34 Prudish sort
35 Opera singer Anne — von Otter
37 Tech news website
39 To and —
40 Sales agt.
41 Small newt
42 Old cereal with an alien mascot
43 Open, as a drink bottle
44 British tavern

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46 TV prizes
48 Meat jelly
49 Actor Carell of "Vice"
50 Sailors, colloquially
53 Spherical bacterium, informally
56 Zodiac feline
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63 ET's craft
66 Cave dwarf
67 Insinuate
68 Dawn moisture
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84 Writer Fannie
85 Ames' state
87 35mm camera type

- 88 — -mo replay
89 Doctrine
92 Psy and BTS' music genre
94 Very excited, slangily
96 Meeting, informally
97 U.K. record label
98 Lion lair
100 Watch out for
102 Playground rejoinder
103 Like ruled paper
104 Pamphleteer Thomas
105 Saint — and Nevis
106 Writer Shaw
107 Teaser ad
109 Lock holders
110 Dazzling success
111 1970s sitcom
112 — dish (bio lab item)
113 Ghostly white
116 — majesty (high treason)
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2026 GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION

EARLY VOTING

Tucker County Courthouse Annex - Room 202
OCTOBER 21, 2026 - OCTOBER 31, 2026
MONDAY - FRIDAY
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

SATURDAYS
OCTOBER 24, 2026 AND OCTOBER 31, 2026
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2026 IS THE LAST DAY FOR EARLY VOTING

GENERAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 3, 2026 \$3-1-31

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POLLS CLOSE AT 7:30 PM

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(2025-C-000039 - TUCKER COUNTY - KARL B. MYERS)

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Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number.	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2025-8227.	\$ 3.58
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor’s Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 901.60
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,244.87

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SONI

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hearing things, you’re seeing things, that are off the property line.” - Deven Soni

Soni suspects that the height of the finished project may be only as high as a two to three story building, due to the weight. He said that Data Centers tend to be “extremely, extremely dense and heavy.”

“So you generally want everything on a single floor. The typical ceiling height you want to see is about 20 feet,” Soni said. “The generator is also not that tall. Think of what an Amazon warehouse looks like, only shorter.”

On the subject of job creation, Soni had the following to say about what Ridgeline could mean for Tucker County:

“These things do typically employ, especially within the first couple of years, thousands of people who require a bunch of training. The thing I think about is, people think and kind of worry about AI taking away jobs. This is one those situations, where you are really kind of creating a highly skilled workforce in an industry that is growing really rapidly. It has large demand for the foreseeable future. That to me is a positive. You have a lot of companies that are willing to put a lot of money into local populations that they can take out to other jobs, other sites, including the ones that are there because think of it, you are almost running almost a power plant,...a computing facility. So, all these roles that are required and the majority of them end up hired locally and stay local.” - Deven Soni

Soni said that in his experience he has seen these kind of projects be a benefit to some smaller communities that do not have larger employers. In his opinion, it is an area that is often overlooked when looking at how complex data center complexes can be, he said.

Construction time for Data Centers, typically run approximately two to three years, Soni said. However, it is not as simple as raising a few girders and welding a few frames, he said. Following initial construction, the workforce would likely dwindle from thousands to hundreds on site 24-7.

“But, I think the more important thing is that is not just about you build it and the jobs go away,” Soni said. “There is a lot of internal maintenance and work: electrical, plumbing that’s required to make it operate, so that’s. Its not necessarily as many, in the hundreds, not the thousands, but like I touched on, when you have a trained skillforce they can find other opportunities.”

On the matter of light pollution, Soni said that Data Centers require almost no outside light. Beyond normal street lighting or any other building, he could not foresee Ridgeline having any light pollution impact on the area.

“Almost zero. You really don’t need

any light outside,” Soni said.

Recently, concerns were raised from a study of the substructure of the reclaimed mine land site chosen for the project. In the study, concerns were raised that there could be problems with the sturdiness of the land beneath the project site that could impact the stability of the Power Plant’s future at the site.

Soni said that while concerns of building on any reclaimed mine land would be valid, he also said these kinds of projects are extremely expensive.

“There is certainly a possibility. These things are extremely heavy. But I think the other way I would put it is these things are extremely, extremely expensive,” Soni said.

At a project cost of roughly \$30 to \$50 Billion for a Data Center Complex, retrofitting of any area is well surveyed, studied and examined multiple times, he said.

“So I think from that perspective, the way I’d see it is there’s going to be a lot of engineering to make sure that is accounted for because I think it is such a big risk for the company to make that mistake,” Soni said.

Diesel storage tanks have long been a topic of debate, regarding the Ridgeline Project. The proposed Power Plant is designed to store millions of gallons of diesel on site to power the diesel backup generators at the site. Local activists, officials and citizens have spoken out with their concerns about the large storage tanks and their proximity to Davis-Thomas Elementary School, as well as the Towns of Davis and Thomas.

“Natural Gas depends on a pipeline and if that pipeline gets disrupted, then that gets tricky,” Soni said. “So, usually what these companies will do is, they will say, well we will have 24, 48 hours of backup systems.”

Soni said that in regions with large diesel backup systems and majority natural gas usage, such as the Rigeline facility is designed to be, the facility often opens the land to the natural gas companies to store their natural gas on site. He said that such cooperative agreements are common among companies in other projects that he has witnessed.

From his bio:

Deven Soni is CEO and founder of Vertical Data, an AI infrastructure company providing GPU servers, data center colocation and GPU financing to enterprises scaling their compute capacity. Soni began his career as an M&A investment banker at Lazard before joining the technology private equity teams at Goldman Sachs and Highland Capital Partners. He has co-founded and led multiple companies across technology and digital assets...He also served as founding COO of Tokens.com. He holds a BS from the University of California, Berkeley.

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Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor’s Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 901.22
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,214.52

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Tucker County Development Authority, Tucker County, West Virginia, is in the process of obtaining Statements of Qualifications from qualified architectural and engineering firms to provide a variety of professional services for the Tucker County Development Authority, including the Tucker County Business Park located at Davis, West Virginia, and other Authority properties and development projects on an as-needed basis. Professional services to be provided may include, but are not limited to:

- Site planning and development, including grading, drainage, stormwater management, and related infrastructure;
- Surveying, mapping, environmental and geotechnical assessments, and other site investigations;
- Roadway and site access planning, design, development, and permitting, including coordination with the West Virginia Division of Highways;
- Water, wastewater, stormwater, electric, telecommunications, and other utility planning, design, permitting, and infrastructure development;
- Preparation of preliminary engineering reports, feasibility studies, plans, specifications, cost estimates, permit applications, and bidding documents;
- Assistance with federal, state, and local permitting and regulatory requirements; Architectural and engineering services related to the planning, design, permitting, and construction of buildings and related facilities;
- Review of proposed private development and tenant site plans;
- Construction administration, inspection, and related implementation services; and
- Other architectural, engineering, and related professional services necessary to support the planning, permitting, infrastructure development, construction, and continued development of the Business Park and other Authority properties and projects.

Services will be authorized through individual Task Orders as projects and scopes are identified and approved by the Authority.

Sources of funding for these projects may include, but are not limited to, the Appalachian Regional Commission, U.S. Economic Development Administration, West Virginia Department of Economic Development, West Virginia Economic Development Authority, USDA Rural Development, West Virginia Division of Highways, West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council, and other federal, state, local, or private sources. Procurement of said services will be in accordance with West Virginia Code Chapter 5G, 2 CFR Part 200, where applicable, and other applicable federal and state requirements.

All firms interested in being considered for this selection must submit by email a Statement of Qualifications 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 or team of firms best qualified to provide the required professional services. Accordingly, technical expertise, qualifications, and related experience will be weighed heavily. Firms determined to be most qualified will be invited to participate in interviews. Following the selection process, the Authority will negotiate the scope of services and a fair and reasonable fee with the highestranked firm in accordance with applicable law.

Please submit Statements of Qualifications by email to:

Mr. Steve Leyh, Executive Director Tucker County Development Authority steve@tuckerwv.com

Statements of Qualifications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 20, 2026.

All work will be performed in accordance with applicable federal and state laws, regulations, and requirements. The selected firm will be required to comply with applicable Title VI, nondiscrimination, equal opportunity, conflict of interest, access to records, and other applicable federal and state requirements.

The Tucker County Development Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all submissions.

Steve Leyh

Executive Director

Tucker County Development Authority

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(2025-C-000013 - TUCKER COUNTY - PURNELL ENTERPRISES, LLC)

To: BRADLEY JAMES DUMAS, BRADLEY JAMES DUMAS, BRADLET JAMES DUMAS, DONALD LEE JOHNSON, JP MORGAN CHASE, AMERICAN EXPRESS, OCCUPANT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardian s, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

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You will take notice that PURNELL ENTERPRISES, LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2025-C-000013**, located in DAVIS CORP District, LOT #132 40 X 140 which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of DUMAS JEANNE A, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of TUCKER County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 5, 2026. PURNELL ENTERPRISES, LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after April 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 2027 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2024 - 3100.	\$ 750.56
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2025 - 3119.	\$ 780.97
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor’s Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 952.12
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 2,695.25

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2027, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. *If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.*

Given under my hand October 9, 2026

Christal G. Perry

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Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

Nonentered Lands of TUCKER County, State of West Virginia

**Please return this letter and payment to the
West Virginia State Auditor’s Office, County Collections
Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Building 1, Room W-114
Charleston, West Virginia 25305.
Questions please call 1-888-509-6568**

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Open House Schedule

Valley North Transmission Project



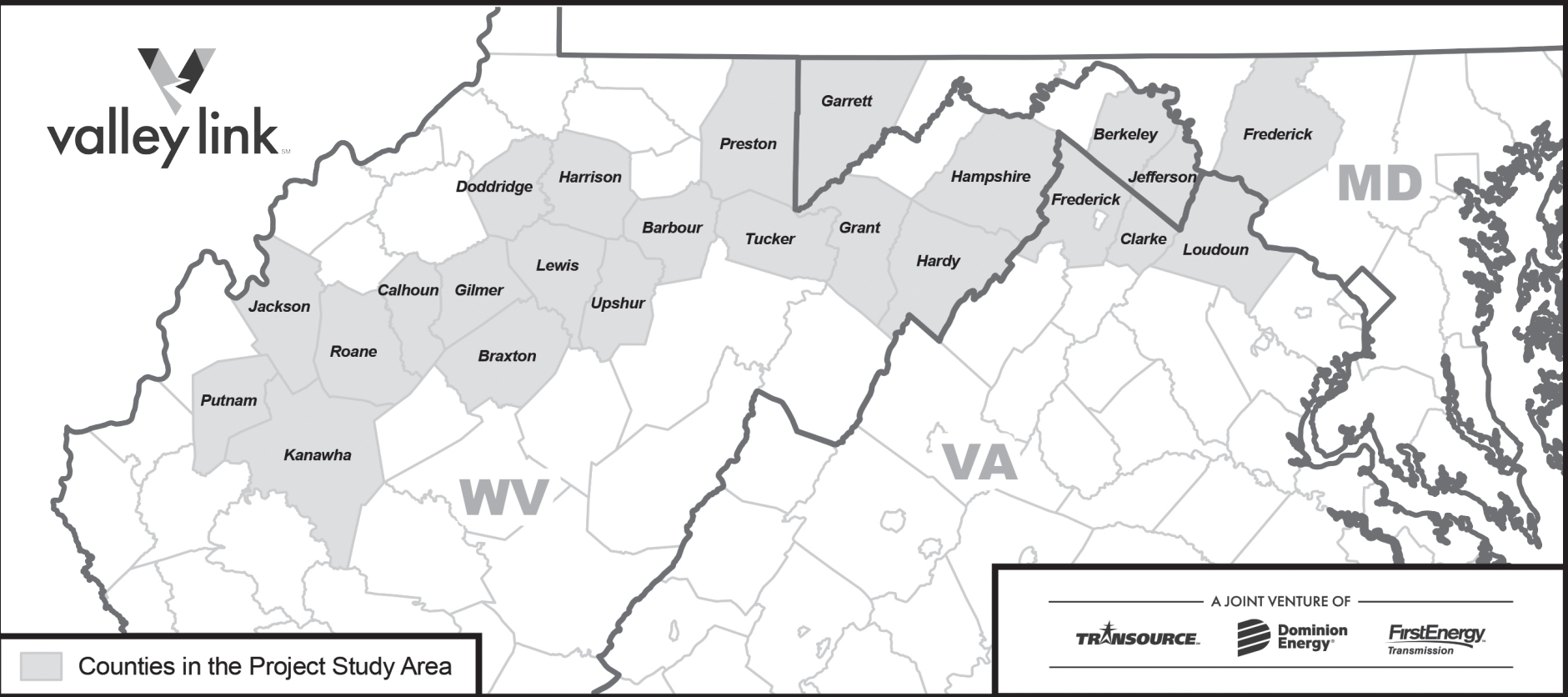
PJM Interconnection LLC, the federally regulated regional transmission operator, selected the Valley North Transmission Project to strengthen the region’s electric transmission backbone, support long-term reliability and help meet growing energy needs across the Mid-Atlantic region. Valley Link Transmission LLC - a joint venture of Dominion Energy, FirstEnergy Transmission and Transource Energy - plans to build approximately 260 miles of new 765kV electric transmission line between Putnam County, West Virginia, and Frederick County, Maryland, along with two new substations in Hardy County, West Virginia, and Frederick County, Maryland.

We invite landowners and community members to attend a new series of open houses before a final route is selected for the proposed Valley North Project. The project team will share potential routes developed using feedback received during the summer open houses. Input from landowners and the community can help identify property-specific considerations as the route evaluation process moves forward.

During our summer open houses, landowners and community members shared information about homes, farms, businesses, local resources and other considerations. The project team used that input to develop potential routes for additional review. If you have not yet connected with the project team, please use this opportunity to review the updated information and share details about your property or community.

Please attend the open house that works best for you. Each open house will include project information, updated potential routes and opportunities to speak one-on-one with project team members. The open house format does not include a formal presentation, so you may arrive at any time between the scheduled hours, move through the information stations at your own pace and have one-on-one conversations with project team members.

There is an open house near you. Please join us!



Please stop by anytime between the scheduled hours listed below - there is no formal presentation. You are welcome to attend any of the open houses that are most convenient for you.

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Misty Mountain Event Barn 430 Misty Mountain Road Fisher, WV 26818	Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2026 5 - 8 p.m. Tucker County High School 116 Mountain Lion Way Hambleton, WV 26269	Thursday, Nov. 5, 2026 5 - 8 p.m. Frederick County Middle School Cafeteria 4661 North Frederick Pike Winchester, VA 22603
Thursday, Nov. 5, 2026 5 - 8 p.m. Sissonville Middle School 100 Middle School Lane Charleston, WV 25312	Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Lovettsville Game Protective Association 16 South Berlin Pike Lovettsville, VA 20180	Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. The Event Center at Brushy Fork 929 Brushy Fork Road Buckhannon, WV 26201
Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Spencer Armory 206 East Main Street Spencer, WV 25276	Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Old Capon Bridge Middle School (Capon Bridge Community Complex) 195 Capon School Street Capon Bridge, WV 26711	Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Stonewall Resort - Roanoke Event Center 940 Resort Drive Roanoke, WV 26447
Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Ranson Civic Center 432 West 2nd Avenue Ranson, WV 25438	Thursday, Nov. 19, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Gilmer County Recreation Center 1365 Sycamore Run Glenville, WV 26351	Thursday, Nov. 19, 2026 4 - 7 p.m. Brunswick Fire Hall 1500 Volunteer Drive Brunswick, MD 21716

Can’t attend in person? Participate through the virtual open house.

Visit vltransmission.com/valley-north for project materials, schedule updates and virtual open house information.

Your Input Can Help Inform the Next Steps

Please review the updated potential routes and share information about your property, planned development, access needs, agricultural operations, natural or cultural resources, or other local considerations. **Submit comments by December 18, 2026.**

Learn More and Stay Connected:

vltransmission.com/valley-north

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October Yards of the Month



Selections for residential October Yard of the month was Jason and Angie Browning's home in River Bend Estates. They decorated an old farm wagon with corn stalks, mums and pumpkins for a colorful display. Also selected for residential YOM was the home of Jim and Sandy Summerfield on Long Street. Large lush ferns line the front of the home as well as large colorful mums at the entry. A delightful addition was the labradoodle who greeted us joyfully.



Business YOM's selection is one of the newer businesses about to open in town, The Walnut Inn owned by Josh Poling and Warren Judy. Again mums were the choice of the month along with fledgling pines in the raised bed along the front and a delightful green door..It was a wonderful day to tour the Parsons area and see all the homes decorated for fall. A big thank you to all the citizens of Parsons who make the community shine. See you in April when we begin another year of selections.



Sports

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Bears Inaugural Soccer Season Comes to Close with Pair of Wins

By: Adam Freeman

The Bears soccer team from Davis Thomas saw their inaugural season come to an end with a pair of wins. DT first faced Webster County on October 13th. This match saw the Bears strike first as Kyree Dillard would hit the back of the net at the 10th-minute mark to give DT a 1-0 advantage at the break. At three minutes into the second half, the Bears would extend their lead as Walker Litzaui scored to make the score 2-0. Not long after Litzaui's score, the Highlanders would answer with a score of their own. However, the rest of the way was all Bears, seeing scores from Karac Snider and Ellis Sherald to settle the score at 4-1 in favor of the home-standing Bears on their 8th-grade night.

On October 16th, the Bears would see their season come to an end with a trip to Nutter Fort to take on the Irish of Notre Dame. The Irish fell to DT back on September 26th, 4-0, in Canaan Valley. However, the start of this one had a different tune as

the game was scoreless through the first 13 minutes. That would change when Nick Crawford scored in the 14th minute to give the Bears a 1-0 lead. Later in the game, in the 21st minute, the Bears were awarded a penalty kick after a Highlander player handled the ball. John Lutz was chosen for the penalty kick and executed it with vigor, putting the Bears up 2-0. The lead would remain at two until around three minutes to play in the half, when a slow-rolling kick would slip between the feet of goalkeeper Malik Dillard to bring the Irish within one at 2-1. A few moments later, the goalkeeper for the Irish would get called for handling the ball outside the 18-yard line, and DT was awarded an indirect free kick. The kick would not find its mark, and DT remained ahead at 2-1.

The Bears would hold on and battle tough to the end and maintain their lead to take the win in their last game of the 2026 season. The Bears end the season with a 5-2 record and hope that the season is a springboard for soccer in the community.



Karac Snider (10) Nicholas Crawford (11) Noah Luzier(1) Kyree Dillard (5)

TC FOOTBALL

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Jon Tuttle brings down the Cavalier ball carrier.



Sawyer Fansler evades the defender.

Sawyer Fansler was the Mt. Lions' leading rusher on the night with 14 carries for 95 yards and a score. Cade Rapp had 14 carries for 51 yards, along with one reception for 19 yards and a touchdown. Junior Evan Hexom also collected two catches for 24 yards and one touchdown.

The Mt. Lions' record now stands at 3-5 as they are set to make the trip to Grant County next week to take on the AA Petersburg Vikings.

Lady Mt. Lions Volleyball Prepares for Regional Play

By: Adam Freeman

The Tucker County Lady Mt. Lions volleyball teams wrapped up another busy week on the court as the junior varsity squad finished its season and the varsity team prepared for regional play.

The TCHS junior varsity team finished its season this past week with matches against Pendleton County and Elkins. The Lady Mt. Lions played two sets against Pendleton County, falling 25-22 and 25-15. They then faced Elkins in a three-set match, winning one set. Elkins took the match with scores of 28-15, 26-24, and 15-2.

The varsity team also faced Pendleton County, battling through four sets. Tucker County won the third set but ultimately fell to Pendleton , with scores of 25-18, 25-14, 25-25, and 25-20.

On Thursday, the Lady Mt. Lions faced Elkins. Tucker County struggled throughout the match, falling in three sets with scores of 25-17, 25-12, and 27-25.

The varsity team will travel to Lincoln on Monday for a tri-match with Notre Dame. Regional play begins Wednesday with a single-elimination match as Tucker County hosts Pocahontas County. Game time is set for 6 p.m.

The winner will advance to face the winner of the Pendleton County and Union matchup on November 4, with a trip to Charleston on the line.

THANK YOU FOR READING

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

NOTICE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY

The 160 acres of land at 80 Mackeyville Rd (at the intersection of Rt 219 and Mackeyville Rd) is PRIVATE PROPERTY.

Hunting, fishing, and trapping is expressly forbidden by the landowners, Bernettie Gnegy, Deborah G Graham and Donna Gnegy Spradlin.

**"No trespassing is allowed.
Violators will be prosecuted."**

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THE TUCKER COUNTY AMBULANCE FEE

TUCKER COUNTY VOTERS SAID NO. TWICE.

So Mike Rosenau charged you anyway.

After voters rejected EMS levies at the ballot box two times, Commission President Mike Rosenau stopped asking. He used a state code provision to impose a **2% fee on lodging, ski rentals, bike rentals and recreation** — no vote of the people required.

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When we have to raise taxes on the residents that live here solely, it has failed twice.

— MIKE ROSENAU, TO 12 NEWS

A NEW TAX BY ANOTHER NAME

1

PASSED WITHOUT WARNING

The fee was approved without being posted on the county website or discussed at prior meetings. Local business owners said they were blindsided.

2

CHALLENGED IN FEDERAL COURT

Timberline Mountain sued, arguing the fee pushes lodging charges to 8%, above the state's 6% cap. A federal judge refused to throw the case out, writing that the ordinance targets tourism while exempting activities residents attend

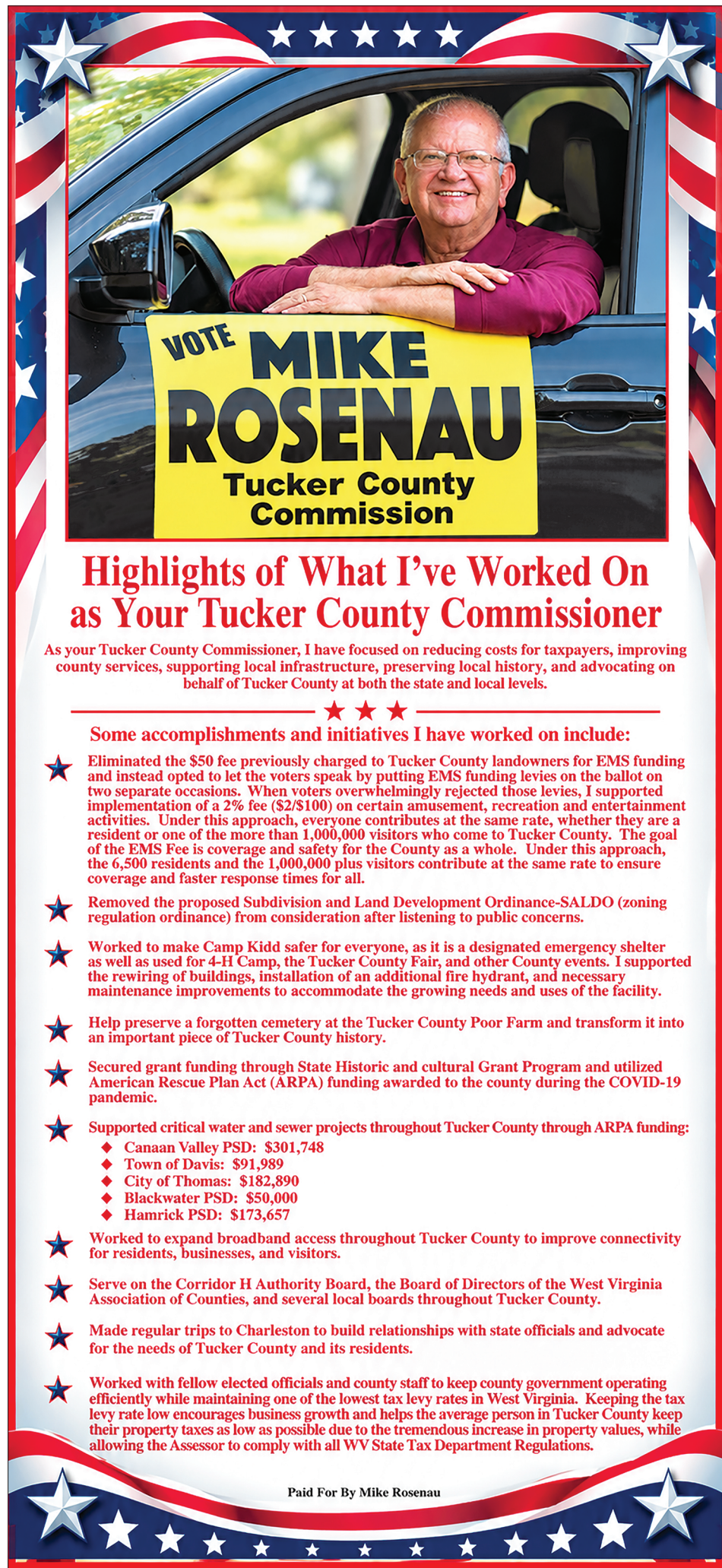
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COSTING TAXPAYERS TO DEFEND

Instead of a fair funding solution, Tucker County is now paying lawyers to defend Rosenau's fee in federal court.

Thank you to all of the kind words and support during this difficult time. Also want to thank Kimbles Funeral Home, J.D. Wilkins and Hal Hevener for officiating, Pendleton Lodge #144 A.F.&A.M, U.S. Air Force Honor Guard for the graveside service. We appreciate your compassion and friendship as we navigate through our grief.

The family of
Rev. Leon H Hevener



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

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

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

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

How will the children's clothing be purchased?

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

CLIP & MAIL

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

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

MAIL TO: WARM THE CHILDREN FUND
 c/o The Parsons Advocate
 P.O. Box 345, Parsons, WV 26287
 or drop off at the Advocate's office at 219 Central Ave., Parsons, WV

