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Kuykendall Wins in a Landslide

Judge Sides with Kuykendall on South Fork Road Landslide, Criticizes and Mocks DOH Theory about the Legal Liability

By Lon Anderson
Moorefield Examiner

You could say Milam resident Mark Kuykendall won by a landslide.

In Hardy County Circuit Court last Wednesday, Judge H. Charles Carl, III, delivered a nearly complete win for Kuykendall in his suit with the West Virginia Department of Transportation (DOH) over who should be responsible for the clean-up of the June 24 landslide from his property that closed South Fork Road in Milam. Even

now, the two-lane state road is only half open, with the south-bound lane still covered by tons of debris.

The court fight came about when, shortly after the landslide, DOH officials asked Kuykendall to sign a "hold-harmless" agreement that would allow DOH to come on to his property and do the work, but would prevent him from seeking any damages from DOH should his home or outbuildings be damaged.

When he refused to sign the document, DOH left the road closed for a month, only reopen-

ing one lane July 24, and has done nothing since. Kuykendall, in an interview with the Examiner, noted that there had been more than a half-dozen other slides in the area along South Fork Road, all of which DOH had quickly cleaned up.

But in its January 4 filing to the court, DOH asserted a new interpretation of the statute concerning the liability in cleaning up such incidents. As the decision described it, "DOH argues that it is sufficient

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Photo by Lon Anderson

One lane of a small section of South Fork Road remains closed after a landslide on June 24 closed the road completely for a month.

WVDNR Announces Public Meetings

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources will hold 12 public meetings in locations across the state on proposed hunting, trapping and fishing regulations Monday, March 11, and Tuesday, March 12, from 6 to 8 p.m.

A meeting is scheduled in Moorefield at the South Branch Inn, Route 220 N on Tuesday, March 12.

Hunters, trappers, anglers, landowners and others will have an opportunity to review and comment on proposed 2019 hunting regulations for white-tailed deer, wild turkey, black bear and boar, proposed 2020 - 2021 general hunting and trapping regulations and proposed 2020 fishing regulations.

"These public meetings are set up like an open house," said DNR Director Stephen McDaniel. "This informal meeting style allows people to attend at their convenience, learn about proposed regulation changes, discuss these proposals with Wildlife Resources and Law Enforcement staff and comment on the proposed regulations and other wildlife-related issues."

Written comments from the public on these proposed hunting, trapping and fishing regulations also are encouraged. The proposals will be posted on the DNR website soon at www.wvdnr.gov. The deadline for receipt of written comments is April 3, 2019.

J. Carter Retires from PVTA

By Jean A. Flanagan
Moorefield Examiner

J. Carter has been helping people get around all of his adult life. Carter is retiring from his job of 42 years with the Potomac Valley Transit Authority and the community will be hard-pressed to find anyone more dedicated to public transportation than he.

J. Douglas Carter is the son of a Lutheran minister. His first name should be clarified. It's J. It doesn't stand for anything. It's written that way on his birth certificate. "My parents said, at one point, that they didn't want to complicate things," Carter laughed.

Because his father was a minister, the family moved every five to seven years. They ended up in Akron, Ohio as J was graduating high school and he enrolled at Kent State. "I majored in sociology," he said.

The college operated a bus service and Carter began driving in 1971.

"Most of the employees were students," he said. "There were civil servants who managed the operation, but it was mostly student operated."

Being a bus driver led Carter to some unique opportunities.



Photo by Jean Flanagan

J. Carter is looking forward to doing some fishing in his retirement.

In 1973, two professors at Kent State offered a five-week Western Bus Tour for college credit. There were two bus drivers and Carter was one.

"We went through the Grand Canyon, San Francisco, up to

Oregon," he said. "You could get geography and English credits, so I got credits, I got paid and I got to see that part of the country."

But, the trip took all the fun

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Allegheny Dimensions Facility For Sale

By Jean A. Flanagan
Moorefield Examiner

"The building located in the Moorefield Industrial Park that was the former Allegheny Dimensions plant is now being listed with a real estate entity in Charlotte, North Carolina," Hardy County Rural Development Authority Executive Director Mallie Combs told the board at their meeting Thursday, Feb. 28.

"It is my understanding there has been interest in the building. I have forwarded onto the entity a copy of the covenants. We will work with this entity and/or any new business."

Allegheny Dimensions purchased the 350,000 square foot building from the RDA in 2016 and began operations there later that year.

In 2018, Allegheny Dimensions ceased operations at the location.

Combs also reported she met with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the West Virginia Development Office and Thrasher Group regarding the access road from the Robert C. Byrd Industrial Park to Freedom Way and ultimately Corridor H. "Having County Commissioners Michael and Workman present assisted with moving this project forward," she said.

The RDA board approved a resolution to apply for grant funding through the WVDO. Combs said \$400,000 is available for the \$1.9 million project.

The Hardy County Commissioners, Michael, Workman and David "Jay" Fansler, recused themselves from the vote as a similar resolution will come before the County Commission at the April meeting.

Combs reported a grant application for the expansion

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W.Va. Legislature Hears Concerns on Funding For Senior Centers, Family Care-Givers



Bill Carpenter, president of West Virginia Directors of Senior and Community Services, addresses members of the State Legislature.

By Erica Young
West Virginia Press Association

Advocates voiced their concern Wednesday for West Virginia legislative funding necessary for key programs to serve West Virginia's senior citizens.

Speaking Wednesday at the State Capitol, Bill Carpenter, president of West Virginia Directors of Senior and Community Services, said programs such as meal delivery and family caregivers need additional funding.

Representatives from AARP West Virginia spoke Wednesday

about a recent survey on possible programs for senior citizens throughout the state.

The AARP survey shows 93 percent of West Virginians 40 and over feel it is important to have resources in place to allow seniors to remain at home for as long as possible. Four out of five West Virginians are also in support of services that would help seniors live by themselves. The services include meal deliveries and home care providers.

Among the survey's other findings

• More than eight in ten West

Virginians (84%) would prefer to receive care at home from a caregiver if needed for themselves or their loved ones.

• Four out of every five West Virginia voters believe it is important to have services available to help older adults live independently, and support their family caregivers, such as home delivered meal programs and congregate meals, such as senior lunch programs.

"Our survey results indicate that a lot of West Virginians support the critical services that support family caregivers, and that

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Forest Service Plans Prescribed Burns to Benefit Wildlife Habitat and Reduce The Risk of Wildfire

The George Washington and Jefferson National Forests provide habitat for thousands of species across Virginia and West Virginia, including nearly 300 threatened, endangered, sensitive and locally rare wildlife and plants. To help preserve these and other species, Forest Service fire specialists are planning to conduct several controlled burns between mid-March and late May 2018.

• 2,700 acres on Catback Mountain in Page Co., Va.

• 334 acres on Indian Grave Ridge in Page Co., Va.
• 300 acres in Moody in Page Co., Va.
• 400 acres on Buck Mountain in Hardy County, W. Va.

Expect smoke to be visible in Page, Shenandoah Counties in Virginia and Hardy County West Virginia, especially in communities near the burn areas. In all nearby locations the smoke will most likely settle in lower elevations

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OPINION

Poison Precaution

Poison Prevention Week is coming and we would like to suggest that you post a phone number in your cell phone, beside your land line phone, in your computer contacts and anywhere else you might have a reason to be in an emergency.

The number is good for all Poison Centers in the US. It's 1-800-222-1222. When reached, you will have access to doctors, pharmacists, nurses and poison information specialists who can answer questions and tell you what to do. These experts are always on call.

There are hundreds of thousands of people who are exposed to poisons every year. According to the American Association of Poison Control Centers someone calls a center about every 12 seconds. That was about 2.6 million calls in 2017.

In addition to actually talking to the experts you can go online to PoisonHelp.org where you can input the name of the substance someone may be have exposed to and get an instant recommendation as to what to do.

All these are what you do after the exposure. There are other important steps you can take to make your home or office safer and hopefully keep from ever having to call the Poison Control Center.

First, practice safe storage habits. Always store medicines and hazardous substances out of sight and reach of children. Keep substances in their original, child resistant containers

Second, read and follow all labels and directions. Review medicine and product labels before use.

Third, detect invisible threats by having a working carbon monoxide detector in your home.

According to the Poison Control Centers, most poisoning deaths are due to the misuse and abuse of licit and illicit drugs. Other exposures included those to household products, plants, mushrooms, pesticides, animal bites and stings, carbon monoxide, and many other types of non-pharmaceutical substances.

Ingestion was the route of exposure for most of the cases. However, people were also exposed to potentially dangerous substances through the lungs, skin, eyes, and other routes.

One of the benefits provided by the Poison Control Center is that many of the calls can be treated at the site of the exposure, be it home, school, work or outdoors. This saves about \$1.8 billion annually.

Be careful. Be prepared. And don't forget you can call the Poison Control Center number — 1-800-222-1222 — at anytime of the day or night.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Dear Editor,
Last week, our hunger relief organization convened to discuss strategies that could impact our state in the next few years. We opened with a general discussion of what the problems are in West

Virginia that lead to or stem from hunger. The more common topics came up immediately, including addiction, job opportunities, food access and intergenerational poverty. As we delved deeper into the question, two familiar but uncom-

fortable problems arose; the issues of trust and pride.

While it's no secret that West Virginian's struggle with these two issues, the connections to hunger and poverty aren't always transparent. According to Feeding Ameri-

ca's Map the Meal Gap, 267,000 individuals in West Virginia are at risk of hunger daily, including 76,000 children. More than likely a family member, co-worker, or parent that you chat with at your local
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MY UNBASED OPINION

By DAVID O. HEISHMAN

If you are going to amount to anything when you magically attain the status of "Old Man," you need to do some planning and preparation while you are younger and still able. Need for all that planning won't become obvious until you begin jobs, or projects you've whipped right through for years, but suddenly find they are now beyond your capability. Suddenly choices become either get somebody else do it, or simply forget about it and don't do it anymore. Either way you're admitting you are getting "too old to cut the mustard anymore."

I walked out to Big House's back yard fence. A place I go to rest my arms atop a horizontal brace beside a gate from which I can inspect a good portion of my river bottom land. Scoot, my cat, often accompanies me there, hops up on the brace and inspects me closely. Turned my head to avoid her sweeping tail and spotted a tree fallen across electric high tensile fence near far corner of

my garden.

Walked out to check. Fence mashed flat on wet snowy ground. Current pretty well drained off entire fence around that bottom land and along Capon River. Most evenings now Tommy Rinard's cattle come up near that corner for whatever reason old cows take a notion to hang out anywhere while they chew their cuds. Flattened fence opened the way to neighbors taller, more raggedy, enticing hay field. Tree needed a block cut out of it so fence wire could snap back up into place. No problem.

Turned to go get my trusty Stihl power saw. Darn near fell on my face. Ground slippery, steep, rough uneven clumps. Staggered around trying to get my balance. A post close enough to hold me when I caught it. Whoa Baby! Maybe time for a rethink.

Had a little trouble starting my saw last time I used it. At Doghouse, my cabin by the creek, I'd

needed to shorten several chunks of firewood, too long to fit my stove. Picked up saw out of tractor loader bucket, set choke, held throttle open while I threw saw right, yanking starter rope left. One of most dangerous dumb things a man can do working wood, especially while working by himself. Takes six cranks to start old saw when it's cold and hasn't been used for several days.

I found age had robbed me of full throw and heavy yank. Seven yanks later I finally got a pop out of it. Fired up, cut my wood and contemplated my escaping ability to start a cold saw.

Paused and thought about that episode while I stood gripping that post. Turned and took another look at the old fence smashing locust. Reached up to shirt pocket, pulled out my cell phone and called Tommy. He's real close to my age, perhaps a little more able. Talked to his wife, Shirley, who said they

were out of town, but she'd call a grandson who was handy and he'd take care of the problem. She did, he did and fence is back up doing its job.

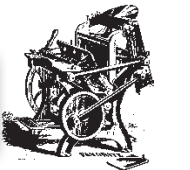
So, how will planning and preparation help me next time I find need to cut up a tree? I'll start with my saw. Clean it up good and take it back to my dealer for a tune up. That'll help it start easier. Maybe second or third throw. Maybe I'll even be able to start it on the ground like I think I'm supposed to. But then again if I have to get down on the ground to start my saw, how will I safely push myself back up onto my feet again while holding it?

Perhaps best plan will be to sell the damn saw, keep my cell phone charged for emergencies and order a load of firewood delivered for Doghouse. Wonder if I'll be able to lay off straight rows in my garden with Pap's old push plow this year?



GLANCING BACKWARD

FROM THE MOOREFIELD EXAMINER ARCHIVES



Fifteen Years Ago
March 10, 2004

Moorefield was investigating a dangerous chlorine leak at the Allegheny pump lift station.

The Hardy County Commission voted to switch telephone service in the Court House to Hardy Telecommunications.

Commissioners were told that construction on the American Woodmark plant was moving ahead after a cease and desist order from the Corps of Engineers was lifted.

Maryland officials were investigating a suspected case of Avian Influenza near Pocomoke City.

Summit Financial Group announced that Sager Insurance Agency was to become part of SFG.

Elson Earl Alt, 68, San Antonio, TX, died Feb. 10...Wayne E. Smith, died Feb. 22 in Tucson, AZ...Carl Jennings Smith, 71, Mathias, died Feb. 28.

Angela Dawn Wood and Nicholas Patrick Tarpley were married Nov. 8.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Rogers, a daughter, Latasha Gayle...to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowers, Jr., a daughter, Ashlee Jean...to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy King, a daughter, Alicen Elizabeth ...to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Carlson, a daughter, Sara Elizabeth...to Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Fitzwater, a daughter, Madison Grace.

The Lady Jackets defeated Tucker County 54-51 to win the Region II for a ticket to Charleston...In Sectional play Moorefield boys defeated East Hardy 63-59 to take the Section II title...in the semifinals MHS beat the WV School for the Deaf 81-48 and East Hardy beat Paw Paw 65-56.

Thirty Years Ago
March 8, 1989

Jeffrey D. Hester was named the

new president and chief operating officer of Hester Industries. Wendell Hester was to become Chairman and chief executive officer.

The Historic Robert Higgins House was being repaired and a fund drive was underway.

Twelve architects were interested in designing the Hardy County Senior Center.

Loy Kenneth High, 72, died Feb. 28. A printer and photographer, he had worked at the Moorefield Examiner, the Hampshire Review and the Grant County Press...May Reel Myers, 72, Berryville, died Feb. 26...Pauline Bowers Polk Hottie, 77, Woodstock, died Feb. 25...Harold Raymond Starkey, 73, Strasburg, died Mar. 3.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wratchford, a son.

Moorefield lost to Circleville 61-50,

Forty-five Years Ago
March 6, 1974

The Interstate Commerce Commission, in trying to revitalize rail passenger and freight service, had the branch line from Green Spring to Petersburg under consideration for elimination. Town officials called a meeting to form a rail users association. Local individuals were to testify at the ICC hearing. Moorefield Lions sent a letter to the ICC and the state Senate asked for a delay of the hearings. After all this, Congressman Harley O. Staggers said the line would stay.

Moorefield area schools closed due to the high numbers of students ill with the flu.

The citizens committee recommended that the county have two high schools.

Lillian Baker Fisher, 97, died March 3...Clary Albert Wilson, 75, Wardsville, died March 1...Leon Rex Grover, 78, Masontown, WV, died March 2...Mary See Dove, 92, Fulks Run, died Feb. 26.

Cathy Denise Elliot and Harold C. Halterman were married Feb. 16...Beverly Jo Bierley and Virgil Wayne Cullers were married Feb. 14.

Moorefield Yellow Jackets defeated Wardsville 57-55 and lost to Keyser 67-58.

Sixty Years Ago
March 11, 1959

The Library Association announced that the June 6 House and Garden Tour had been cancelled.

Moorefield Volunteer Firemen announced that work would begin immediately to remodel Inskeep Hall to accommodate the Annual Poultry Association Convention.

The five executive officers signed the charter for the Mathias Volunteer Fire Company.

Medora Bean Reed, 80, died March 5 in Harrisonburg...Hubert Otterbein Bowman, 69, Sperry's Run, died March 6...Ida Bradford Myers, 77, Old Fields, died March 8...Eugene L. Shobe, 66, Petersburg, died March 7.

Born to AIC and Mrs. Robert Campbell, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Pownell, a daughter, Joyce Kay...to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hartman, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Miller, a son.

Seventy-five Years Ago
March 9, 1944

The Agriculture Extension Service announced the appointment of Allen F. Snyder as farm forester.

The Capon District had bought more bonds than its quota of all types of bonds in the recent fourth war loan drive.

Every food store in the county was to be surveyed by the Price Panel and the clerks of the County War Price and Rationing Board. It was part of the campaign to mobilize price controls among retailers. Maggie Taylor Swisher, 61,

Needmore, died March 4...Wade Hamilton Ludwig, 64, Winchester, died March 2...Browsie J. Smith, about 77, Kirby, died Feb. 29...Virginia Shumaker Reubush, 62, Dayton, died March 1...Annie Whetzel Grandstaff, 66, Woodstock, died March 4...John K. See, 81, died March 4.

Eleanor Welton and Philip Wise were married March 4...Janet Wilson and George Thomas Dodd were married Aug. 19, 1943 ...Virginia Snyder and Jack Tidwell were married Jan. 19...a marriage license was issued to Julia Rebecca Whetzel and Edward Seymour Kuykendall.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Burns, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Moyer, a son, Harold James.

Moorefield lost the first game in the tournament to Davis 40-34. The teams were tied six times during the game.

Ninety Years Ago
March 8, 1929

Attending the inauguration in Washington were the Dr. Brooks family, Frances Holloway, the Ed Gilkensons, Mary Bond Baker, and Emerson Currence, all from Moorefield, and James Teets and H. B. Keener of Baker.

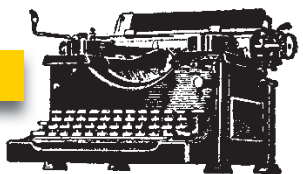
Emily, Mary and Laura Fisher, Quentin Evans and Virginia Frye were all on the graduation list for Shepherd College.

Harold Kotz had associated with the Wardsville Motor Company.

Tilden Godlove had died in Keyser.

Lizzie Culler and Garve Mongold were married...Hazel F. Evans and Ercell Otho Foreman were married Dec. 22.

"Young Stribling," who fought Sharkey at Miami Beach the previous week, had been a visitor in Moorefield in 1916, when he gave an exhibition of boxing.



wind storms that we remember was that the high winds kept on and on for hours. We've never liked wind, unless sailing or flying a kite. But winds that bring damage or are loud and overwhelming are definitely not among our favorite things.

Spring Forward

Speaking of spring...the silver maple off our back ramp is sporting swollen red buds. If we have any more freezes, we may be without a lovely shade tree.

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Teachers Honored for Earning Top National Certification

The West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) and the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) recognized 83 educators as part of the 2018 National Board Certification Recognition Celebration this week. The honorees represent 51 new National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) and 32 educators who successfully renewed their certification.

Stephanie Simmons, a teacher at Moorefield Middle School was one of the honorees.

“Mrs. Simmons is an outstanding educator,” said Hardy County Superintendent of Schools Sheena VanMeter. “You can tell within two minutes of talking to her that her students are the most important part of what she does.

“As a NBCT, She has gone above and beyond what our state and county require of her to reach the highest standard set for teachers in the country. We are blessed she chose to teach in Hardy County.”

National Board Certification is among the highest standard credential for educators in the United States. The process can take up to three years and requires the successful completion of four components: content knowledge, differentiation in instruction, teaching practice and learning environment, and effective/reflective practice.

West Virginia’s support of the program has led to the state ranking 15th in the nation for the percentage of National Board Certified Teachers, and 24th for the



Pictured are MMS Teacher Stephanie Simmons, Dr. Steven Paine, and Kelly Underwood, Stephanie’s fifth grade teacher from Tucker County who also recertified.

number of NBCTs (996). In addition to an annual \$3,500 salary supplement provided by the WVDE, most counties also support NBCTs with additional salary enhancements. WVDE provides mentors to help assist those pursuing their certification, and it also reimburses the \$1,900 in fees associated with the application process.

“National Board Certified Teachers illustrate the best in their field because they have voluntarily invested time, energy and resources to increase their own professional learning while elevating student learning in the process,” said

West Virginia Superintendent of Schools Dr. Steven Paine. “The effect this national certification has on teaching and the impact it has on learning among high-needs students has been proven.”

According to data from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards, Board-certified teachers produce one to two months of additional learning because of their deep understanding of teaching strategies, individualized student learning and content knowledge. The impact is even greater among low-income and minority students.

Come celebrate Mountain State Maple Days in the Potomac Highlands

Honoring the annual maple season, the eight-county region of West Virginia’s Potomac Highlands will be joining with the rest of the state to highlight all things “Maple,” the land, people who produce it and the culture surrounding its enjoyment and use. On March 16, 2019, various sugar houses and other businesses will be joining in the celebration to demonstrate maple syrup production and its many varied applications.

Across the Potomac Highlands region visitors will be able to visit local, family owned and operated sugar houses and participate in a variety of activities. Sugar house activities will range from tree tapping and boiling demonstrations to tours and sampling. If you have never experienced a “sugar camp” now is your chance!

In addition to finding maple at its source, many businesses in the region will be featuring various maple-related specials for the enjoyment of Maple Days visitors. Participating restaurants will fea-

ture maple on their menus, ice cream, donut, coffee and chocolate shops will be using maple for a special twist, a distillery and winery featuring age appropriate maple-themed recipes and even artisans and art galleries working with maple-related products in creative ways. There will also be educational opportunities throughout the region to learn more about the land, the culture and the history of the region from the delicious perspective of maple syrup production and consumption.

The “Potomac Highlands Maple Trail” is perfect example of people coming together to offer a great day and weekend of activities,” stated Dr. Chuck Terrell, President of Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College (Eastern). “Eastern continues to create partnerships and alliances across the region while highlighting all things “local.” We truly are stronger when we work together to create better economic opportunities for our region,” said Terrell.

Eastern is proud to partner with the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, West Virginia University Extension and the West Virginia Maple Syrup Producers Association. Be sure to check out their website and Facebook page for updates, featured participants and even a map of stops you won’t want to miss.

Come celebrate all things “Maple” and spend the weekend in the Potomac Highlands. Lodging is available throughout the region, including establishments, which will be hosting their own maple-themed celebrations. Stay for the weekend and check out what the Potomac Highlands has to offer! If you plan to visit, we recommend reaching out to each sugar house or business directly to confirm their hours of operation.

Look for the maple flags.
Locator Map: www.tinyurl.com/WVMapleDaysRegionalMap
Social media tag: #WVMapleDays2019

Letters to the Editor

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student activity is part of this data. But, just as likely, many folks that suffer from the hunger problem in West Virginia, are not.

Map the Meal Gap is based on data collected by the annual American Community Survey, which collects data from a representative sample, aggregated and then presented in summary form. As someone with a social science research background, I recognize that our issues with trust and pride in West Virginia are difficult to gauge in survey data. Some real responses that I’ve heard over the years include “It’s none of their business” (trust) and “we take care of our own” (pride). As a life-long West Virginian, I’ve probably uttered those phrases many times myself.

The real concern becomes that we don’t allow ourselves to recognize the depth of the problems we are facing, or even admit that they are problems to begin with. We discussed this in strategic planning as if we don’t recognize problem, then we how can we come up with effective solutions.

Hunger is a problem in West Virginia, and a very public one.

We have public programs including The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) that focus on providing excess food to struggling families. TEFAP is a supplemental program that provides food through our two WV food banks to community feeding programs to be distributed locally. All WV counties are impacted by the TEFAP program, receiving annually \$4-5 million dollars’ worth of federal commodities each year. These dollars come in the form of food only.

Unfortunately, funding to operate the program (fuel costs, warehousing and handling, etc.) has only been funded at the 50-60% levels by the federal government historically, leaving the gap to be filled by the state and private sector.

While TEFAP is a critical program in West Virginia, it accounts for only a quarter of the food and programs operated by the

food banks. \$15-20 million dollars’ worth of food is distributed through Backpack programs, mobile pantries, veterans programs and other streams of food distribution models. Which means filling in the gap for a government program always involves tradeoffs for the other programs that the food banks operate.

This year looks to be unlike any of the past years, as due to trade mitigation payment due to the tariff battle, food banks are receiving unprecedented amounts of commodities. West Virginia stands to receive \$6-7 million in additional food commodities in 2019, with little additional funding for getting those foods to the hungry families that need them.

Our West Virginia Department of Agriculture has been an outstanding advocate for the two food banks and their network of 600 feeding programs on the issues that this funding gap will cause. They recognize that without appropriate funding for trucks, fuel, drivers and warehousing costs, the additional commodities could stretch an already delicate infrastructure. But, our communities need the food. Our West Virginia families need the food.

Tuesday, March 5, Governor Jim Justice proclaimed Hunger Free WV Day at the capitol. I encourage every West Virginian to look for ways that they can impact their communities positively in the hunger relief world. Whether that community is your town, your county or your state.

Hunger is solvable if we work together.

Best regards,
J. Chad Morrison
Executive Director
Mountaineer Food Bank

Dear Editor,
Let’s remember our “ancestors” came here legally, to escape socialism and for a better life, they did not sneak in.

This “invasion” has been orchestrated by the progressive to break America and to anything and everything to make the president

look bad; there is no low that they will not stoop too.

Is it not amazing these folks show up just in time for the election?

Who is feeding these people,(they are being fed), from what I see on TV, they have clean clothes, better shoes than most, and who is paying for their cell phones? One might want to investigate planned parenthood as one of the organizations financing the “invasion”.

Yes there is a principle serving is Matt.25, let’s remember who the audience is, they were the Jews, not illegal’s. If anything “Christians” should be doing is helping people become legal and then welcoming them. The United States has a responsibility to protect the borders of this country.

Another question that needs to be asked; Some 225 years ago we fought for our freedom, why should they not fight for theirs? Freedom is never free.

Free phones, free healthcare, free education, free housing, really? The progressives are more concerned about these “immigrants” than the people of the U.S.

We are not a “Christian Nation” 49% of the people in this country don’t think God is important.

If “Christians” want to “feed the hungry, cloth the naked, and visit those in prison, you are welcome to cross the border and help. Oh’ wait a minute; you could be arrested for doing that.

A person should have to prove they are coming here to make a contributing to this country, not get free stuff, who promised that anyway?

Terry Weaver
Wardensville
P.S. if there is anything a “Christian” “should do; is stand up for the “death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus; Argue for the “Values” set forth in the scriptures. Honesty, trustworthiness, credibility, integrity, and” love other as I have loved you” If one does not believe in the Creator, those values are still important.

The right thing to do is come here legally

Cacapon Institute Awards CommuniTree Kits

The Cacapon Institute and the Carla Hardy WV Project CommuniTree has awarded 19 organizations tree kits to plant on public sites across the Potomac Headwaters of West Virginia. In total, they will be investing nearly \$60,000 into the communities in the form of trees, materials and technical assistance. You can find a link to the locations of the plantings at www.cacaponinstitute.org.

Those who will be receiving the trees include:

- Berkley County PSSD - 24 trees

- Blue Ridge CTC Rotaract - 16 trees
- Mountain Ridge Middle School - 24 trees
- Spring Mills High School - 16 trees
- John J. Cornwell Elementary School - 16 trees
- Town of Romney - 16 trees
- Eastern WV Community & Technical College - 16 trees
- Hardy County Extension Office - 16 trees
- Wardensville Garden Market - 100 trees
- City of Ranson - 24 trees

- Deerfield Village HOA - 16 trees
- National Humane Education Society - 16 trees
- Quail Ridge HOA - 16 trees
- Shepherd University TriBeta - 16 trees
- Washington High School Careers in Education - 16 trees
- Keyser High School - 24 trees
- Potomac State College - 16 trees
- Warm Springs Watershed Assoc. - 24 trees
- Pendleton County Extension Service - 16 trees

NEWS BRIEFS

Shepherd University and the West Virginia Library Commission are now accepting short story submissions for the 2019 West Virginia Fiction Competition. The program is a literary competition for writers and storytellers in the state, designed to foster an appreciation of Appalachian culture and values. Any resident of West Virginia or student attending school in the state may submit an original, unpublished work of fiction. Writers should submit their stories, double-spaced and within the 5000-word maximum limit, to Brenda Feltnier, Shepherd University, PO Box 5000, Shepherdstown, WV 25443. The deadline is May 1, 2019. For more information about the West Virginia Fiction Competition, see the website at <https://www.shepherd.edu/ahwir/west-virginia-fiction-competition>.

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection is ac-

cepting applications for its annual volunteer litter cleanup event on streams and public lands. The application deadline for the Make It Shine program is March 8. Applications can be downloaded on the agency’s website at www.dep.wv.gov. The program will provide cleanup materials and other resources to community groups during the first two weeks of April. Last year’s cleanup drew 4,900 volunteers who removed nearly 120 tons of litter, including more than 1,400 tires.

March 19 is Mountain State Maple Syrup Day. Area events include Bowers Maple Farm, Landis Ruritan Club and Southside Depot, all of the Petersburg area; Cool Hollow Maple Farm at Sugar Grove; and Rockhaven LLC at Mathias. There’s also a dinner scheduled at the Mathias school.

According to AAA last week,

average gas prices in West Virginia were up 2 cents to \$2.379. AAA said that even though pump prices are on the rise, the increase has been countered by mostly decreasing demand, leading to the majority of people still paying less than \$2.50. In the Mid-Atlantic, Virginia was among the 10 least expensive average gas prices at \$2.17. North Carolina (+11 cents) was the only Mid-Atlantic and Northeast state to see gas prices jump double digits on the week. Three states saw a nine cent increase, including West Virginia. Across West Virginia, prices ranged from a low of \$2.337 at Charleston to a high of \$2.410 at Morgantown. Area averages were \$2.512 in Jefferson, \$2.434 in Hampshire, and \$2.417 in Mineral counties. In Hardy County, the average gas price was \$2.437. In Moorefield the price was \$2.45 and in Baker it was \$2.39.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Correction

In the Feb. 27 Examiner in the article entitled “Wardensville Town Council Considers Home Rule, Again” the amount of money in the General Fund is misstated. The correct amount in the Town General Fund is \$57,900. The Examiner regrets the error.

Mobile Office

Members of Congressman Alex Mooney’s staff will meet with constituents who may be having problems with a federal agency. They ask that constituents bring copies of documentation related to their issues. The representative will be at the Hardy County Court House, 204 Washington St. in Moorefield on Tuesday, March 5, from 2 to 3 p.m.

Public Meeting

The Potomac Valley Conservation District board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 6, at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the USDA Service Center in Moorefield. A copy of the agenda will be available three days prior to the meeting and may be obtained at the District office, 500 East Main St., Romney, or by calling 304-822-5174. The public is invited to attend.

Pre-K Registration

The E.A.C.H.S. Head Start program is accepting applications for the Fall 2019 enrollment in its 3-year old and 4-year old programs. Children must be 3 years old by July 1, 2019 to qualify.

Registration will be held from 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. at the Moore-

field Learning Center, 112 Bean’s Lane on Tuesday, March 12, Wednesday, March 20 and Thursday, March 28. Parents should include various documents with their applications. Contact the center at 304-530-7787 for information.

Kindergarten Registration

East Hardy Early Middle School will host Kindergarten Registration for children who will be 5 years old before July 1, 2019. Registration will be held on Wednesday, March 13 from 4 - 7 p.m. Plan to bring your child to the registration as well as several documents. Call 304-897-5970, ext. 9548 for an appointment. Walk-Ins are welcome. This ap-

plies only to students who did not attend Pre-K at EHEMS.

Community Together

The Crest Hill Church on Route 259 in Wardensville will host Community Together on Thursday, March 14, beginning at 6 p.m. Come and bring a friend.

Ambulance Fee

The Hardy County Emergency Ambulance Ordinance Fee is due March 31. Any fee not received by that date is subject to late charges. Send payment to P. O. Box 671, Moorefield, WV 26836. For information, call 304-530-0256.

Planning Meetings

The Region 8 Planning and Development Council will host two planning meetings. The meetings

will be identical in format and last less than two hours. The Council will provide a light lunch.

The first meeting will be held Thursday, March 28, beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Ponderosa Steakhouse, 1542 US Highway 220 N in Moorefield. Lunch will be provided. RSVP by March 22

The second meeting will be held Thursday, April 4, at 11:30 a.m. at The Candlewyck Inn, 65 South Mineral Street, Keyser. Lunch will be provided. RSVP by March 29.

You may RSVP by phone, fax, or e-mail with Carla Dent at 304-257-1221 ext 241, Fax: 304-257-4958 or e-mail cdent@regioneight.org

Flu Shots

The Hardy County Health Department, 411 Spring Ave. in Moorefield has adult and children’s flu shots. They are available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - noon and 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Bring insurance/Medicare card. Call 304-530-6355 for information.

Health Fair

The Hardy County Health Department will host the Annual Health Fair on Saturday, April 13 from 8 - 11 a.m. at Moorefield Middle School. Numerous health screenings and educational exhibits are available at no cost. Various blood tests are available for a fee. Call 304-530-6355 between March 27 and April 10 to register for the blood tests.

HARDY LIFE

J. Carter's Life at PVTA Is Really A History of PVTA



From left, J. Carter, Senator Robert C. Bryd, Vicki Shaffer with the Tri-State Transit Authority and Denny Dawson who was Assistant General Manager of the Kanawah Valley Regional Transit Authority at the time.

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out of driving for Carter and he became a supervisor, training new drivers.

"I missed out on the trip the next summer," he said. "They took a bus to Alaska, but I didn't get to go because I was a supervisor."

"Transportation has allowed me to do a lot of interesting things." After graduating college, Carter worked as a claims examiner for an insurance company. "I absolutely detested it," he said.

A former classmate invited him to move to Fairmont and work in the Region 6 Planning Office.

"The Office of Economic Opportunity, the Federal Highway Administration and the West Virginia Welfare office came up with this program to offer transportation services in rural West Virginia," Carter said.

"I was the coordinator of the Transportation Remuneration Incentive Program or TRIP. The state had contracted with a consultant who came up with a plan to use taxis, Greyhound buses and local transit authorities to provide transit routes in 11 regions. If there weren't any transit authorities, we were supposed to create one."

TRIP was two-fold. It utilized or created transit options for the elderly, low income and disabled in rural areas. It also included a ticket book, similar to food stamps. Eligible individuals could purchase a ticket book for \$1 and could purchase as many as three books per month. The tickets were used to pay for the transportation.

In 1976, three of the 11 Regional Development Council transit authorities went online. The next year, two more followed, one of which was the Potomac Valley Transit Authority.

In 1977, Carter was hired as Executive Director of the PVTA. While the PVTA was formally established, there was no service.

"Ken Dyche was the head of Region 8," Carter said. "He had a plan and the towns and counties had representatives on the board, but that was it. I was hired in September 1977. My task was to put it on the road."

The state had ordered 20 buses for the PVTA, but what they received were not street worthy.

"They were junk," Carter said. "There were bolts with their heads sawed off in the fuse boxes. There were holes in the floorboards that went into the exhaust. We received 18 buses that way."

But rather than delay service, the board decided to borrow three buses and in October 1977, service began.

"We borrowed a bus from Martinsburg and two from Summersville," Carter said. "We had two

that were ours and that's what we started with, five buses."

There were five buses that served five counties - Hardy, Grant, Hampshire, Mineral and Pendleton.

"We went from Franklin and Petersburg to Winchester and from Moorefield and Romney to Winchester," Carter said. "There was a lot of overlap."

In 1977, the PVTA was operating in the Wagner Chevrolet building in Petersburg and had nine employees, including five drivers and Carter.

"Debbie Davis has been here since the beginning," Carter said. "June Barr - Burns Barr Jr. was his name - and Tommy George was our mechanic. We couldn't have done it without those people."

Today, the PVTA employs 37 people, 22 of which are full time. They have a fleet of 28 vehicles.

"I'm extremely proud of where we've come from," Carter said. "But it was certainly a team effort. I couldn't have asked for a better group of people to work with."

In the spring of 1978, the problems with the new buses had been resolved and service was in full swing. Buses went to Cumberland, Md., Winchester and Harrisonburg, Va. Regular service ran between Franklin and Moorefield, Romney and Keyser, Petersburg and Moorefield.

It wasn't long before the idea of dedicated buses for workers was floated. Here was a steady revenue stream because the PVTA could serve a large number of people

Service to JoAnn Curtis Manufacturing began at the end of 1978. Service to Hanover Shoe in Franklin came shortly thereafter. "Employees from an area approached us with the potential for 20 people who needed transportation to Hanover Shoe," Carter said.

The PVTA eventually took workers to Kinney Shoe in Romney, B&O shops in Cumberland, Md. and construction sites in Monterey, Va.

"At their peak, we had six buses a day going to Hanover Shoe," Carter said. "We bought three school buses from Grant County Schools, painted them and used them to take people back and forth."

Currently, PVTA provides five buses to Pilgrim's Pride - four at night and one during the day.

"Pilgrim's uses us as an employment tool," Carter said. "They are very progressive. They allow employees a payroll deduction for the transportation costs."

PVTA also provides services for the Hampshire Special Services Workshop, the Developmental Center and Workshop, and the Potomac Highlands Guild for their clients with special needs.

In 2001, the transit authority began non-emergency medical transports. Initially, the service was extremely expensive for the authority and only became sustainable when the PVTA started billing Medicaid directly.

It wasn't until 1983 that the PVTA was able to replace the 20 buses it bought in 1977.

"How we kept them on the road is beyond me," Carter said. "Some had more than 350,000 miles on them."

Between 1983 and 1985, PVTA replaced half of the original fleet.

Then came the flood. Carter remembers vividly the 1985 Flood and the impact on the small transit authority.

"We had called the Grant County Emergency communications center in Petersburg and we were told, if there was going to be any flooding, it would probably be only a foot or so," he said. "We made the decision to park the buses at the courthouse. We moved files from the bottom drawers to the top and we put our radios and other equipment on chairs. We had no idea what we were in store for."

Carter said the keys to the buses were usually kept on a clipboard and the clipboard was usually kept on an old oil drum by the door. As he was leaving on the evening of Nov. 4, and strictly on a whim, Carter put the clipboard on a nail in the stairway leading to the second floor.

There was no way to prepare for the devastation they found when they were allowed back in the building. An interior wall was gone and all the glass was broken. The back wall of the garage was gone as well and large trees blocked the entrance. Equipment, desks and file cabinets were just gone.

"We got 7 1/2 feet of water," he said. "We had to cut debris with chain saws three days later."

But the buses were safe. And the keys... well, "We were in an old car dealership and there were big double doors leading from what used to be the showroom area. The water pushed the doors open and blocked the stairway, so the keys were spared as well."

After the flood, it was decided that the PVTA could resume operations faster if they were in a new building, rather than try to refurbish the old building, so they moved to the Vacuum Services building on West Central Avenue in Petersburg.

"It was not really adequate for us," Carter said. "The parking lot was not big enough for our buses and the building was too small. But we stayed there for 11 years."

In 1996, the PVTA built its present facility on Providence Lane off Johnson Run Road. "We loved the

Editor's Note:
Like many who experienced the 1985 Flood, PVTA photographs prior to that date were washed away.

new building, we didn't know how to act."

Carter lobbied long and hard for a dedicated garage for the bus fleet.

"Susan O'Connell was the director of the West Virginia Public Transit Division of the Department of Transportation and we butted heads a lot," he said. "I kept after it and we got the first transit authority garage in the state."

The facility was expanded in 2006.

In the late 1970s, the PVTA tried something akin to the Ready-Ride service, but it didn't fare so well. By 2007, a lot had changed and the Ready-Ride was launched in Moorefield.

Customers can pick up the phone, call for a bus and it will be there within 15 minutes. The cost for a one-way ride, anywhere in town, is \$1.50.

The service started slowly, but with a concerted effort at promotion, it has grown from 15 daily riders to more than 60.

Carter again reiterates the PVTA is not just J. Carter.

"It's a joint effort with a lot of good people," he said. "Donnie Wratchford and Juanita Lloyd are just two. It wouldn't be PVTA without them."

"I'm proud of where we've come from and there are a lot of good things ahead."

The PVTA started with a budget of \$250,000 and last year the budget was nearly \$2 million.

The PVTA started with five buses and now has a fleet of 28.

Although the original program was to be a statewide transportation initiative, only the four initial transit systems became operational. One of those is the PVTA.

"I'd like people to look at the PVTA in terms of the benefits to the area," Carter said. "Look at the economic benefit. If someone is making a paycheck and people are earning a living, the whole community prospers."

"People take the bus to make money or to spend money. If they're doing either of those things, it's a good thing for the area."

Carter said he's only ever had one instance when he questioned his choice of careers.

"In 1989, I was accepted to law school at the University of Toledo and I turned in my resignation," he said.



J. Carter in his younger days. The picture dates to the late 1980s.



Governor Caperton, J. Carter and Larry Tucker.

"I knew if I left, I'd never come back. I wasn't real sure I would be better off if I left. So I changed my mind."

Does he regret it?

"Sometimes," he said. Then he laughed, "When the roads are icy and the phone is ringing because people need rides and we can't get the buses moving quickly. That's

when I wonder if I made the right decision. But here I am."

Carter said after retirement, he plans to move to Charleston, live on the water and spend his time with a boat and a fishing rod. "I really enjoy doing those things," he said.

Seems like he deserves it.



A PVTA bus from the 1980s.



J. Carter shakes hands with Governor Arch Moore.



A PVTA bus from the 1990s.



Employees of Hanover Shoe catch the buses after work. Note the refurbished school bus at the far right. The PVTA brought three school buses to transport workers to and from Hanover Shoe.

AT THE LIBRARY

Book Memorials for February 2019

A Secret Gift: How One Man's Kindness—and a Trove of Letters—Revealed the Hidden History of the Great Depression by Ted Gup – given in memory of John M. Sherman by the MHS Class of 1948.

May the Road Rise Up to Meet You by Peter Troy – given in memory of Granville Halterman by the MHS Class of 1948.

Willie Mays: The Life, the Legend by James S. Hirsch – given in memory of Warren Bays.

Joe DiMaggio: The Hero's Life by Richard Ben Cramer – given in memory of Warren Bays.

Monetary Donations for February 2019

Donation given in memory of E. Allen Crites by Elizabeth B. Snyder

Donation given in memory of

Allen Crites by the Betty Wilson family.

Donation given in memory of Russ Newman by the Pink Ribbon Ladies.

Donation given in memory of Russ Newman by Phyllis Cook and Gerry Lawrence.

New Fiction

Cemetery Road by Greg Iles – Just as the political chaos in the nation's capital lifts him to new heights, journalist Marshall McEwan is forced to return home in spite of his boyhood vow to never return. His father is dying, his mother is struggling to keep the family newspaper from failing, and the town is in the midst of an economic rebirth that might be built upon crimes that reach into the state capitol--and perhaps even to Washington.

Silent Night by Danielle Steel

(Reg. Fiction, Lg. Print, Audio-book) – After a shocking accident takes the life of her sister, a childless woman transforms her own world in order to help her struggling niece.

Auntie Poldi and the Vineyards of Etna (Auntie Poldi; 2) by Mario Giordano – When Auntie Poldi finds a body in a vineyard, she sets out to solve another murder--with the Mafia nipping at her heels.

Forgiveness Road by Mandy Mikulencak – In 1970s Mississippi, the lives of three generations of women are thrown into upheaval when a dark secret is brutally exposed.

The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See – Mi-ja and Young-sook, two girls living on a Korean island, are best friends that come from very different backgrounds. When they are old enough, they begin working with their village's all-female

diving collective. Little do the two friends know that after surviving hundreds of dives and developing the closest of bonds, forces outside their control will push their friendship to the breaking point.

The Malta Exchange (Cotton Malone; 14) by Steve Berry (Reg. Print, Audiobook) – A deadly race for the Vatican's oldest secret, Cotton Malone is plunged into a hunt that draws the attention of the legendary Knights of Malta.

The Perfect Alibi by Phillip Margolin (Reg. Print, Audiobook) – When a young woman accuses a prominent local college athlete of rape and another client is facing a murder charge, former MMA fighter-turned-lawyer Robin Lockwood must mastermind two impossible cases, trying to find the hidden truth that links the cases.

Woman 99 by Greer Macallister – When Charlotte Smith's wealthy

parents commit her beloved sister to an infamous asylum, Charlotte knows there's more to the story than madness. She risks everything and follows her sister inside, surrendering her real identity as a privileged young lady to become a nameless inmate.

Unto Us a Son is Given (Commissario Guido Brunetti; 28) by Donna Leon – The apparent indiscretion of an elderly family friend involves a reluctant Commissario Guido Brunetti...until the sudden natural death of his friend sets in motion a murder.

The Huntress by Kate Quinn – A battle-haunted English journalist and a Russian female bomber pilot join forces to track down the Huntress, a Nazi war criminal gone to ground in America.

The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides – Criminal psychotherapist Theo Faber becomes danger-

ously obsessed with uncovering the truth about what prompted his client, an artist who refuses to speak, to violently murder her husband in a way that triggers mass public speculation.

Her Father's Secret (Family Secrets; 2) by Sara Blaedel – A woman's murder is only the beginning as Ilka Jensen races to unravel the maze of secrets her father left behind--before she becomes the next victim.

The Devil Aspect by Craig Russell – In 1935 Czechoslovakia, a brilliant young psychiatrist takes his new post at an asylum for the criminally insane that houses only six inmates--the country's most depraved murderers--while, in Prague, a detective struggles to understand a brutal serial killer who has spread fear through the city, and who may have ties to the asylum.

Allegheny Dimension

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sion of the Hardy County Child Care Center was submitted to the Appalachian Regional Commission. The total project will cost \$630,000 and will allow occupancy for 30 more children. "We have requested 80 percent of the cost from the ARC," Combs said.

Ag Land Leases

On Feb. 27, bids were opened for the agriculture land to be leased. Land owned by the RDA,

not currently being developed, is leased to local farmers for crop production. The following people had the high bids:

- Crites Property - Mark Sirk at \$5,001.
- Fisher Property - John Harper at \$930.
- Robert C. Byrd Property - Sam Williams at \$275.
- Baker Property - Matt Teets at \$201.

Combs reported all bids were lower with the exception of the Crites property.

The leases are in effect on March 27, 2019 and run for three years.

Public Access

Combs reported she met with a representative of Steptoe and Johnson law firm regarding Freedom of Information Act requests. The attorney advised the RDA establish a procedure for FOIA requests and a Request Form that is in accordance with WV Code §29B-1.

Combs submitted a sample pro-

cedure to the board but no action was taken.

Other Business

•The WV DOT has paid for 1.7 acres of property along U.S. Route 220 South. A road improvement project is in process and with the payment, Combs expects the project to move forward.

•The Christopher Peacock Company in Wardensville will be working with Thrasher Group to expand their current location, rather than build another facility

as was discussed.

•Downed trees and power outages from the recent storms were discussed. Combs said Potomac Edison and WV Division of Highways were working to restore power and clear roads.

•Combs discussed infrastructure requirements to the Crites Industrial/Business property with the WV Federal EDA representative.

•West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources Job Developer presented two programs to engage businesses in job

training and education for citizens receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. The programs provide subsidy reimbursements for companies that participate.

•The next meeting of the Hardy County Rural Development Authority will be held on Tuesday, March 26 beginning at 11 a.m. The meeting will be held at the RDA Office, 223 N. Main St., Suite 102. The public is invited to attend.

ATTENTION USERS OF THE VALLEY TV CO-OP UHF TV SERVICE

Due to a Federal Government mandated TV channel repack, Valley TV Co-Op must move the Harrisonburg TV channels WHSV 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4. This channel move will be done on Thursday, March 7th weather permitting. After this date you will have to rescan your TV in order to receive WHSV on its new channel.

If you have any problems restoring service, you may contact John Sherman Jr. at the local Radio Shack store, or by calling 304-538-2371. After the rescan, you should have a total of 20 channels available. If not, try disconnecting your antenna, doing a rescan to erase all of the channels, then reconnecting your antenna and doing a rescan again. This should restore all of your channels.

Prescribed Burns

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tions and valleys during the night and early mornings.

Prior to conducting the burn, the Forest Service plans to issue a media advisory to notify local residents. The project areas will close temporarily while the burn is taking place and signs will be posted notifying the public of the closure. We ask that forest visitors use caution when traveling in the vicinity of the prescribed burn.

Safety is our primary concern during these prescribed burns. Those responsible for these burns

are highly trained and have years of experience in protecting surrounding communities, themselves, and the land they are working to restore. Experienced fire specialists will closely monitor local weather conditions, such as wind and humidity, and make adjustments in the schedule as needed to ensure the safety of both crewmembers and local residents. Prior to lighting the burn, crews construct and designate firebreaks to ensure the fire does not leave the burn area. The burn will mimic historic natural fire as much as possible. The fire will move slowly in areas, but

in grassy areas may spread rapidly with high flames for short periods of time within containment lines. Some individual trees will burn, but the fire should travel mostly across the forest floor in wooded areas. In riparian areas we expect the fire to burn slowly and go out on its own.

We are rapidly losing young forests, open areas, and critical wildlife habitat due to 100 years of fire suppression and an aging forest. For thousands of years, fire influenced the diversity of our forests and wildlife. Our lands actually need fire to be healthy. Research

shows that fire naturally occurred every 3-15 years in our area. Prescribed burns create open areas where a diverse mix of grasses, plants, and wildflowers grow and provide valuable food and cover for wildlife. These planned burns help to make the land healthier for people, water, and wildlife, such as bear, deer, turkey, and many migratory birds and many endangered species.

For more information about specific burn projects and their locations, or for our prescribed burn program, please contact the Lee Ranger District at (540) 984-4101.

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OBITUARIES

RONALD EDWARD KESNER

Ronald Edward Kesner, age 68 of Petersburg, W.Va., passed away on Monday, February 25, 2019 at Winchester Medical Center in Winchester, Va. He was born on July 28, 1950, in Moorefield, W.Va., the son of the late Richard Charles Kesner and Gladys (Hose) Kesner Greenwalt and the late Bill and Blanche Shockey who raised him and whom he called mom and dad. On March 19, 2012 Ronald married his wife, Virginia Anne (Barnes) Kesner who survives in Petersburg.

Mr. Kesner attended Moorefield High School. He was a member of the Moorefield Church of God, Sons of American Legion in Moorefield, the NRA, and the Pro Bass Fishing Club. He worked at Rockingham Poultry Plant un-

til his illness. Ronald enjoyed the outdoors, fishing and hunting. He enjoyed making people laugh and was always joking or cutting up. He loved his family and was a man of high faith. Ronald loved his Lord and Savior.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Kesner is survived by: two daughters, Cynthia Kesner and fiancé, Jason Kerns, of Moorefield and Jeane Gibson (Joseph) of Dayton, Va.; two sons, Adam Kesner and fiancé, Crystal, of Petersburg and Jerrod Michael and fiancé, Tammy, of Cabins, W.Va.; two step-sons, Billy and R.J. Vance both of Petersburg; his ex-wife and mother of his children, Janie Michael of Petersburg; one brother, Daniel Kesner (Betty) of Moorefield; three sisters, Bar-

bara Shockey (Steve), Tanja Belt (John), Delores Smith (Donald) all of Moorefield; six grandchildren and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Kesner was preceded in death by: one infant brother, Richard Kesner; one sister, Billy Jo Whiteman and one granddaughter, Cheyenne Hatfield.

A funeral service was held on Friday, March 1, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Chapel of the Basagic Funeral Home in Petersburg, W.Va. with Pastor Steve Davis officiating. Per his request, Mr. Kesner's body will be cremated. Memorial may be made to the family c/o Danny Kesner, PO Box 98, Moorefield, WV 26836. Memories and words of



comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.

All arrangements are under the direction of the Basagic Funeral Home in Petersburg.

HATTIE JEAN PUFFENBARGER

Hattie Jean Puffenbarger, age 91, of Ft. Seybert, W.Va., passed away on Sunday, February 24, 2019 at Pendleton Manor in Franklin. She was born on February 24, 1928, in Moorefield, W.Va., the daughter of the late Russel and Gladys Marie (Foltz) Whittington. On December 26, 1947, Hattie married her late husband, Irvin Puffenbarger, who preceded her in death on January 22, 1986. Three sisters, Betty Fertig, Joyce Ruddle, and Toni Mills and one great-granddaughter, Kaitlyn Marie Brumback, also preceded her in death. She was a member of Linville Creek Church of the Brethren and attended Mt. Carmel and Bethlehem Church's of the Brethren.

A homemaker, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, Hattie, as she was known, loved to quilt, embroi-

der and read mystery books.

Ms. Puffenbarger is survived by: 2 sons, Douglas Puffenbarger (Tamara) of Broadway, Va., Kent Puffenbarger (Christy) of Port Republic, Va.; 2 daughters, Jeannette Williams (Jim) of Columbia, Mo., and Sharon Puffenbarger (Bill) of Fort Defiance, Va.; 7 grandchildren, Andra Brumback (John), Deanna Jenkins (Mike), Jennifer Dove (Steve), Nathan Puffenbarger (Anna), Heidi Buechter (Joe), Colin Williams, and Justin Puffenbarger (Fiance - Hailey); 10 great-grandchildren, David Jenkins (Tracey), Madison Kaplinger (Derek), Leah Brumback, Melanie Branham, Isaac and Mia Puffenbarger, Ryan and Tyler Jenkins, Sam and Corbin Buechter; 3 great-great-grandchildren, Lyle Jenkins, Kali Kaplinger, and Lennon Branham; and 1 step great-great-grandchild,

Brayden Kaplinger; a sister Beverly Eader of Kennington, Md.; Brother-in-laws, Eddie Mills of Frederick, Md., Ona Puffenbarger of Ft. Seybert, Carl Puffenbarger of Ft. Seybert; sister-in-laws, Betty Puffenbarger of Staunton, Va., Barbara Barker (JB) of Christiansburg, Va., Edith Winegard (Shirldon) of Roanoke, Va.; numerous nieces and nephews; and caregivers, whom she considered her daughters and we want to thank, Sherry Helmick and Hazel Asbury.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Feb. 28, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the Basagic Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Eugene Shaver officiating. Interment was in the Puffenbarger Family Cemetery in Ft. Seybert, W.Va. Memorials may be made to Kyle Puffenberger Memorial Scholarship Fund, 4625 Greenawalt Gap Rd., Upper Tract,



W.Va. 26866. Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Basagic Funeral Home.

MURIEL KESSEL LAYTON

Muriel Marceil (Kessel) Layton, age 92 of Petersburg, W.Va. passed away Saturday, February 23, 2019 at Winchester Medical Center in Winchester, Va.

Mrs. Layton was born on November 21, 1926 in Hardy County, W.Va. and was a daughter of the late Floyd G. Kessel and Cora (Fitzwater) Kessel. In addition to her parents, Muriel was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon E. Layton on January 29, 2011 and one brother, Rev. Wayne M. Kessel.

Muriel is survived by two sons, Dr. Dennis Layton and wife Eva of Charlotte, N.C. and Steven Layton of Petersburg, W.Va.; three granddaughters, Dr. Elizabeth Depelteau

of Satellite Beach, Florida; Maggie Layton of Jacksonville, Florida and Yolanda Burney of Mooresville, N.C.; four great grandchildren, Kylie Depelteau,, Eva Dodson, Isabella Anderson and Cody Depelteau, one sister, Doris Allison of Gainesville, Florida; one brother, Gene A. Kessel of Morgantown, W.Va.

Mrs Layton was Valedictorian of Moorefield High School Class of 1943 and graduated from Cathermans Business School in Cumberland, MD. She later was employed by Farmers Home Administration and retired in 1982 after 36 years of service. She was an elder and trustee of the Petersburg Presbyterian Church and also served as deacon

and secretary and had taught Sunday School for several years.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27 at the Petersburg Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Harold Tongen officiating. Burial was in Lahmansville Cemetery.

The family suggest that memorials may be made to Petersburg Presbyterian Church, 20 N. Main Street, Petersburg, W.Va. 26847 or Petersburg Volunteer Fire Company, 49 South Main Street, Petersburg, W.Va. 26847.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg.



VERA KAY FUNKHOUSER

Vera Kay Anderson Funkhouser, 84, passed away on Monday, February 25, 2019 at Clary Grove Rehab Center in Martinsburg following a debilitating stroke.

Vera was born on July 9, 1934 in Wardensville, W.Va. and was the daughter of the late Roy Anderson and Mildred Stephens Anderson.

She was a resident of Hardy County, W.Va. for most of her life

and loved her farm home on Howard's Lick Road near Lost River State Park in Mathias, W.Va. She has spent the last five years living with her daughters. She greatly enjoyed her time spent with her first great-granddaughter, Melody in South Carolina.

She is survived by one brother, Kenneth Anderson; her children; Anna Marie Funkhouser Barney of Martinsburg, Terry Funkhous-

er of Mathias and Sharon Funkhouser Hill of Cordesville, S.C.; grandchildren, Liam Barney, Jeremy Funkhouser, Kirsten Hill and Alexis Funkhouser; great-granddaughters, Melody Kirby and Scarlet Ellis and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Troy V. Funkhouser.

There will be no funeral as she did not want one and a private

family memorial gathering will be held later in the year.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a charity for animals or children of your choice.

Online condolences may be offered at www.BrownFuneralHomesWV.com

Arrangements made by Brown Funeral Home.

AGE IN ACTION

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Meals served at 12:00-12:30

Mon., March 11 - Breaded port patty w/gravy, carrots, parsley potatoes, wheat bread, baked apples

Tues. March 12 - Tuna Noodle casserole, Harvard beets, roll, peaches

Wed. March 13 - Birthday Meal - Pork loin, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, buttered corn, roll, pineapple upside down cake

Thurs. March 14 - Chicken patty on a bun w/lettuce, tomato, onion and mayo, broccoli and cheese, applesauce

Fri. March 15 - Calico beans w/ meat, onions and peppers, cornbread w/butter, side salad, pears

Meals are to be eaten here at the center or at E. A. Hawse Community room in Baker, Thursday's only.

Persons under age of 60 are welcome to come and eat with us at a cost of \$5.25 per meal. That's a deal. Any donation over \$5.25 would be greatly appreciated.

To cancel or order a lunch call 304-530-2256, ext. 231 or 232.

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ACTIVITIES AT MOOREFIELD SENIOR CENTER

Mon., March 11 - Puzzles, crafts

Tues., March 12 - Puzzles, Crafts, Senior Shopping 1:00 p.m.

Wed., March 13 - Puzzles, crafts

Thurs., March 14 - Puzzles, Crafts

Fri., March 15 - Puzzles, Crafts, Bible Study, 11:15 a.m.

Please call about Bingo on Wednesdays.

Bingo with prizes and snacks every Wednesday at 12:30 p.m., except the last Wednesday of the month. Last Wednesday of the month, Bingo with snacks by Grant Memorial Hospice/Bobbie Wolfe.

The seniors have their necklaces and other crafts available for sale. Check them out!

REMINDERS

If you want to pick/up carry out a meal at the senior center, call by 9:30 Wardensville area, please call by 9 a.m. for a home delivered meal.

DONATIONS

Those making donations were Lola Crider, Lona Sherman, Ida Staggs, Patty and Harold Michael, Ashley Davis, Food Lion and the Moorefield Examiner. We would like to thank each and everyone for your donations, they are greatly appreciated. Have a safe and happy week.

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Hardy County Committee on Aging is participating in the AmazonSmile program. AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is when customer shop at AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) the AmazonSmile foundation donates 0.5 percent of purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organizations selected by customers. Please remember us as you do your online shopping. AmazonSmile is an easy and convenient way to donate to your local Senior Center. Donations will be used to offset the expenses of our nutrition program. For more information, please call us at 304-

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DUPLICATE BRIDGE

A Howell game was played on Wednesday, Feb. 27 with four tables in play in the South Branch Duplicate Bridge Club held at Colts Restaurant. There were six pairs playing 28 boards with an average match-point score of 42.

Overall winners were Steve Kimble and Bruce Leslie, 58; San-

dra Evans and Bill Fisher, 51; Marion Marshall and Susan Newman, 45 1/2; Lary Garrett and Kevin McDonald, 44 1/2; and Helen Chambers and Sue Halterman 42.

The bridge club meets each Wednesday at Colts Restaurant beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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Student products include Hickory Smoked Hams and Bacons, and Farm Fresh Eggs.

FFA members from the East Hardy, Moorefield, Pendleton, and Petersburg FFA Chapters.

E.A.C.H.S. Head Start Accepting Applications For Fall 2019 Enrollment

The Eastern Allegheny Council for Human Services, Inc. (EACHS) Head Start Program is currently accepting applications for Fall 2019 enrollment.

Registration will be from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm at the Moorefield Early Learning Center located at 112 Bean's Lane in Moorefield on the following days: March 4, March 12, March 20, and March 28. All parents with children who will be three years old by July 1, 2019 are encouraged to apply. Parents should bring the child's birth certificate, immunization record, social security card, health insurance card, and proof of family income (W-2, 1040 Tax Form, Pay Stubs, SSI, etc.) to the registration.

Once the applications are completed, they are scored based upon established selection criteria. Please contact the Moorefield Early Learning Center at (304) 530-7787 for more information.

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Social

March 4 - 8 Is National School Breakfast Week

March 4-8, is National School Breakfast Week across the nation. What is National School Breakfast Week? It is a week-long celebration of the National School Breakfast Program, permanently established in 1975 by an act of Congress. Hardy County Schools celebrates in many ways; decorations, unique menu items and other fun events. This year, the theme is racing, and it focuses on how breakfast 'starts your engines!' Parents, please encourage

your children to eat school breakfast!

On Wednesday and Thursday, the WVU character "Choosy" will visit Moorefield Elementary and East Hardy Early Middle Schools during lunch. "Choosy" is a character that is used to instill health and fitness ideals in students from a young age. This interaction is possible by a collaboration between the Hardy County Child Nutrition Office and the WVU Extension office.

Chamber of Commerce Appoints New Board Members



Photo by Jean Flanagan

The Hardy County Chamber of Commerce appointed four new members to its Board of Directors. They include, from left, Dr. Tom Parisi, Tracy Radcliff, Doug Boswell and Morgan See.

Leatherman-Ginn Engagement Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Leatherman of Wardensville, West Virginia are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Ann Leatherman, to Aaron Harry Ginn, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ginn, also of Wardensville, West Virginia.

The bride-to-be graduated from Marshall University with a Master of Arts degree in Communication Studies. Karen is currently em-

ployed as an administrative assistant in Moorefield, West Virginia.

The groom-to-be graduated from Glenville State College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business. Aaron served in the United States Air Force for four years. He is currently employed as a claims specialist in Winchester, Virginia.

A May 2019 wedding is planned.

Miss Moorefield Contestants Announced



The 76th Miss Moorefield will be held on Saturday, March 9, at 7:00 in the MHS Auditorium.

Contestants pictured are:
Front row, left to right: Car-

men Ketterman, Hadley Nes-selrodt, Madalynn Clayton,

Ruhama Hilemariam, Hanna Hilemariam, Sydney Gribble, Alaisa Martinez Toro, Paige Van Meter, Zanna Parker, Lau-

ren Arbaugh, Keely Weikle, and Nikki Wolfe

Back row, left to right, Erica Kile, Kennedie Hinger, Meghan Wright, Destiny Mongold, Kristin Duncan, Tamiya Miller, Hsu

Lwsin, Alexis Helman, Kylie Martin, Hanna Carlson, Alexandria Wyman, Grace Wrathford, Kiersten Coleman

Not pictured are Sage Dean and Jasmine Montoya.

This Week in West Virginia History

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.

March 6, 1820: Joseph H. Diss Debar was born in France. Diss Debar was the designer of the Great

Seal of West Virginia and the state's first commissioner of immigration.

March 6, 1900: Forty-six men were killed in a mine explosion at the Red Ash Mine in Fayette County. It was the state's first major mine explosion of the 20th century. Five years later, another 24 men were killed in a disaster at the same mine.

March 7, 1929: The Legislature adopted the official state flag. The state's coat of arms is emblazoned in color in the center of the flag. Above the seal is a red ribbon lettered "State of West Virginia," and

a wreath of rhododendron surrounds the lower part of the seal. The white field of the flag is bordered on four sides by a strip of blue.

March 7, 1990: West Virginia teachers went on strike after negotiations with the governor's office and legislature failed to produce agreement on a pay package. Teachers in 47 of the 55 counties were involved in the 11-day strike.

March 8, 1926: An explosion killed 19 miners at Eccles in Raleigh County. Ten men were saved

by barricading themselves in the mine.

March 9, 1965: President Lyndon Johnson signed the act establishing the Appalachian Regional Commission.

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March 9th

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Landslide

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for a person simply to own the land from which the dirt, rocks, or trees have slid into the road, regardless of whether there is fault or causation..."

Judge Carl took strong exception to that DOH argument. "DOH contends...that it is sufficient to impose this onerous liability upon not only an owner, but even an occupant, of property from which an obstruction, such as landslide debris, has entered the road, whether they caused or placed the obstruction in the roadway or not. This argument defies all logic and reason," the judge declared.

"The statute clearly states before a private landowner or occupant has to pay to remove the obstruction, DOH must first show that they (the owner or occupant) caused, contributed or consented to the obstruction being placed in the road," Carl continued. "Prove the landowner caused or placed the obstruction by himself or with his consent and you make him pay."

"...Unless there is some fault on behalf of the landowner, or occupant, it is DOH's duty to maintain the highways and not the private citizen's," the judge said.

In his ruling, Carl also examined some of the ramifications of DOH's proposed interpretation of the law. "...Under DOH's theory, ...either the owner or occupant of the Kuykendall property would be required to either remove the landslide from the highway or reimburse DOH for doing so. Does DOH believe it was the Legislature's intent that private landowners do that type of work in or along the highway? Would DOH even stand for that?"

"How is a private citizen supposed to handle this?" he continued. "Who would be responsible for the engineering and planning, for the safety of the landowners as they work in the roadway...? This is nonsensical....The results of this could be tragic."

"Does DOH believe that Mr. Kuykendall can fix a problem that DOH's own engineers can't?" Carl continued. "This is an ongoing dangerous situation that requires the expertise of the DOH with its vast resources of roadbuilding and engineering experience, equipment manpower and resources to fix...It troubles the Court to even think that DOH would even want or permit private landowners to enter their roadways for such purposes."

Further, the judge asked, would citizens who own land along public roadways "have to wake up each morning and grab a chainsaw, pick or shovel and patrol their land next to the public road to make sure that during the night no tree fell over or rock dislodged and fell into the roadway? That is ridiculous."

"And under DOH's theory," the judge continued, "who would even want to own land along a public roadway? It is disappointing to this Court that DOH is spending its, and the Court's valuable time and efforts fighting this particular issue in Court rather than correcting the extremely dangerous situation it faces with the landslide on South Fork Road."

The decision was not only a huge win for Kuykendall, but also for West Virginia landowners in general. As Kuykendall's attorney, Jared Moore said before the trial, "were the state to prevail with its new theory that a landowner does not have to do anything to cause the slide to be liable for its damage and cleanup, it would create a very dangerous situation for any person owning land in the West Virginia, making them responsible for acts of nature."

Technically, the suit is still open, with the judge indicating in his ruling "If DOH feels it has any evidence that Plaintiff (Kuykendall's) caused or consented to the placing of this landslide into the highway, it's a question of fact and the Court will hear the case." But he also said that "DOH should focus its resources on resolving this extremely complicated obstructed highway issue as quickly as possible in the safest and most efficient manner..." He then granted several motions involving discovery on behalf of Kuykendall.

Kuykendall had contended from the beginning that the slide was caused by the record setting rainfall in 2018, noting that in May and June the area received over 26 inches of rain, and that 2018 was the state's wettest year on record.

"It's clear the Judge put a lot of thought into this—it's a logical and well-reasoned decision," Moore noted after the hearing. "We are very fortunate to have good judges in our circuit who take the time to seriously consider important issues."

Asked how he felt as he was leaving the courthouse, Kuykendall responded smiling, "I sure feel much better now than I did before going into court."

At the Capitol:

Tumultuous Week at The Capitol



By
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A tumultuous week at the Capitol was marked by intense, emotional debate, and a 59-41 passage vote in the House of Delegates of a controversial measure to allow individuals with conceal carry permits to bring firearms onto state college campuses (HB2519).

Long-simmering political tensions in the House boiled over Friday, as several Democratic delegates objected to an islamophobic poster featured in a vendor display outside of House chambers as part of West Virginia GOP Day at the Legislature.

That prompted a rare floor speech by Speaker Hanshaw, calling for decorum and cooperation.

"We have allowed national-level politics to become a cancer on our state, to become a cancer on our Legislature," he told delegates.

On Wednesday, the House passed HB 2519 Wednesday night following a series of procedural moves earlier in the day that had seemingly killed it.

"The only people who want it are the NRA and the CDL (Citizens Defense League). The universities certainly don't want it,"

House Judiciary Chairman John Shott, R-Mercer, said after a vote in House Rules Committee to move the bill off the active calendar – a potentially fatal move since Wednesday was the last day this session that the House could vote to pass House bills.

After a vote on the House floor seemingly locked in that action, the Rules Committee met again Wednesday afternoon, with House Speaker Roger Hanshaw, R-Clay, ruling that committee could vote to move the bill back on the active calendar, which it did on a 11-9 vote.

"It appears the NRA has so many people terrified of going against them," Shott said after the bill was procedurally brought back to life.

Shott, a longtime consistently pro-gun vote, said he opposes the bill because he believes it is legislative micromanagement, and will be costly for colleges and universities to implement.

That set up a contentious and emotional nearly four-hour debate on the bill, as delegates methodically rejected a series of amendments intended to expand exemptions for campus carry, including setting a minimum age of 21.

Proponents of the bill contended it would allow students to protect themselves from violence on campus.

"That's exactly what the opposition wants: Send your children out into the world unprotected," said Delegate Brandon Steele, R-Ra-

leigh. "We can give our students, our young people, the ability to protect themselves."

Opponents of the measure cited widespread opposition to the bill from college administrators, faculty, law enforcement officers, students and parents. "I really believe that there is just as much opposition to this bill from higher education and the general public as there was to Senate Bill 451 from K-12 public education and the general public," Delegate Dave Pethel, D-Wetzel, said of the bill, comparing it to the rejected omnibus education bill.

West Virginia University administrators, recognizing the bill has strong support in both houses, has been trying to add a number of exemptions to the bill to make it more palatable.

"Legislative support for this bill is overwhelming — approximately 2-to-1 in support," WVU President Gordon Gee said in a statement. "In light of this broad legislative support for the campus carry legislation, we have worked diligently to get exceptions to the broad scope of the legislation."

The bill is now in the Senate.

With the legislative session approaching its 60th and final day on March 9, work in the House and Senate turned to finalizing the 2019-20 state budget.

While the two versions of the budget bill are not far off in terms of numbers – the Senate bill currently appropriates \$4.659 billion of general revenue funds, the

House version, \$4.666 billion – there are wide variations to be resolved between the two bills.

One key difference is that the Senate version (SB150) does not include funding for pay raises for teachers and school service personnel. (The House bill (HB2020) includes \$67.7 million to cover the raises, averaging 5 percent overall.)

Senate Finance Chairman Craig Blair, R-Berkeley, said the absence is simply procedural, since the Senate has not yet passed the House's so-called "clean" pay raise bill (HB2730).

However, senators including Sen. John Unger, D-Berkeley, fretted that the omission of teacher pay raises in the Senate budget could be potential retaliation for efforts by teachers that led to the defeat of the Senate's omnibus education bill (SB451), which linked the pay hikes with various educational measures, including establishment of charter schools and education saving accounts.

"Teacher pay should have been included," Unger said, noting that the Senate technically has passed the pay increases in SB451.

Also during the next-to-last week of the regular session, Legislation that would have required state Medicaid recipients to work, train, volunteer or attend substance abuse treatment in order to keep their health care coverage died Wednesday, when the House Rules Committee moved it off the active calendar (HB3136).

W.Va. Legislature

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help older adults live independently at home," said Rich Stonestreet, AARP West Virginia State President. "Caregiving is one of these rare issues that crosses geographic and political lines. This isn't a Democrat issue. It's not a Republican issue. It's a family issue."

Carpenter explained there had been no rate increases since 2009, Carpenter expressed concern about funding for meal delivery reimbursements and support of family care givers.

Looking to Legislative budget process, Carpenter said, "... that's

what we're trying to tell the Legislature ... imagine a utility company being told for 10 years 'you cannot raise your rates' ... I don't think many utility companies would be left."

Delegate Zack Maynard, R-Lincoln, and Senator Rollan Roberts, R-Raleigh, spoke at the conference in support of both AARP and the seniors of West Virginia.

Maynard reflected on his own experience of being adopted and raised by his grandparents. He thanked the senior citizens of the state for their efforts to improve West Virginia.

"Let me tell you something,

folks. Your generation is the greatest generation and what you guys have done for the state of West Virginia is quite amazing. And it's time for the legislators to start having your backs," Maynard said.

Roberts began by joking about his own age. In terms of being a senior citizen, Roberts said he is "totally officially in that ballpark now." Roberts said the issues these people face are important to him because as a pastor, he is accustomed to helping people.

"I appreciate that you all are getting together and working together. That's very important. Hopefully together we can see some great

things happen for senior citizens," Roberts said.

As outlined Wednesday by AARP West Virginia: "Home-based and community-based services provide opportunities for West Virginia residents to receive care in their own home or community. Types of care could include help with personal care, health care, meals, or household chores. Receiving care at home is often less expensive than receiving it in an institution, like a nursing home, and it is often less stressful since care is provided in the comfort of one's own home."

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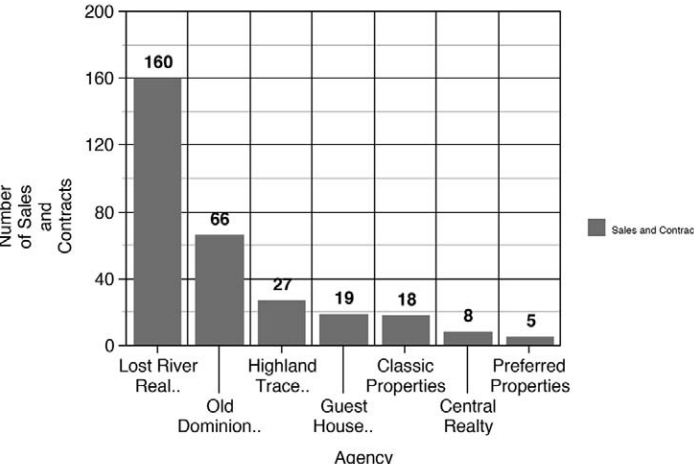
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Triple Threat



Photo by Carl Holcomb
Moorefield's Lindsey Rinker drives against Trinity Christian's Reagan Sharp during the Class A Region II Championship in Morgantown.

Warriors Put Chilling End To Moorefield's Season in Region Championship

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

As the snow fell outside, the gymnasium in Morgantown became frozen as the Lady Yellow Jackets couldn't break the ice on the rim with Trinity Christian icing the court with a 66-44 victory in the Region II Championship last Thursday.

You live and learn. The good thing is we have everyone back next year, Moorefield coach Paul Keplinger stated.

We missed some shots up early and we didn't rebound. Defensively we started switching and it was really screens, we left some people open. Their pressure got to us and we knew they were going to be up in our face. They were physical and you can tell by the officiating. Lindsey [Rinker] had four fouls early and [Reagan] Sharp had a hand on everyone and had one foul the whole game. You can't blame the game on that, but they were physical and had some players step up. They out-played us. They had seniors coming in this year from other schools. We made some good stuff happen this year. We were PVC champions and beat Tucker County, so we accomplished a lot. You've got to win the section, because it is hard to win on the road. Last year we were shell-shocked coming here and their fans got to us mentally, but this year we thought we were ready for all that. They put the pressure on us and sped us up, so we rushed shots. We are learning and we are still young.

Moorefield (13-12) fell to the Lady Warriors (17-8) in the region championship for the second consecutive season and this year cold shooting at 26 percent chilled the air and foul trouble spelled disaster.

The Lady Yellow Jackets missed a field goal on the opening possession of the championship and Trinity Christian's Paige Dixon grabbed the rebound.

Leighton Croft crashed into the paint for the Lady Warriors and drew a foul leading to a pair of free throws for the initial 2-nil lead at the 7:36 mark.

The Lady Warriors applied pressure and Moorefield's Lindsey Rinker made a long pass to a wide open Gianna Fair for a quick basket at 7:27 tying the game.

Rinker swiped the ball and scored on a layup to give Moorefield a 4-2 lead at the 7:03 mark.

Trinity Christian had two errant attempts with rebounds by Rachel Rosen and

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Tucker County Remains King of the Cats, Sending Cougars Down Mountain in Semifinal

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

Tucker County refused to let the Cougars climb to the top as the Mountain Lions thrashed East Hardy for a 56-41 victory in the Class A Region II Section 2 semifinal last Wednesday to earn their 18th consecutive trip into the section and region championship rounds.

The season ended for East Hardy, while Tucker County advanced to the section championship edging out the Pendleton County Wildcats 45-42 with both of those teams advancing to the Region II title games this week for a shot at the state tournament.

Our mindset was to play great defense and we might have a chance to win it. Honestly, we have given up a lot of points to a lot of teams this year, but we always played Tucker County pretty tough defensively. I thought our defense was enough. There wasn't any question about our effort and there wasn't any question about our execution. We did a great job defensively, but we just didn't do enough offensively tonight, East Hardy coach Chris Hahn commented.

I thought their length and our inability to hit outside shots really hurt us tonight. Normally we are hitting a couple outside and that would pull them out. If we are making some out here, then that changes the complexion of the game. We played a bunch of combination of players around the 3-point line, but credit to them for running us off the 3-point line. We had to make it an inside game and their site really disrupted that for us. We were getting whacked early in the season, but to see the turnaround these guys have done is one of my proudest jobs to see where these guys started to where

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Photo by Carl Holcomb
East Hardy's Cole Swanson leaps for a jumper against Tucker County's Wyatt Betler and Holden Young during the Region II Section 2 semifinal in Hambleton.

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Kaylie Laskody before losing the ball out of bounds, then Reagan Sharp snatched a defensive carom.

There appeared to be an illegal screen as Rinker simultaneously deflected the ball out of play.

The Lady Warriors missed and Moorefield's Madison McGregor collected the board.

A steal by Trinity Christian's Leighton Croft turned into a turnover as a walk was called.

Moorefield's Remington Hinkle grabbed an offensive rebound and fed Rinker for a layup at the 5:43 mark for a 6-2 edge.

The Lady Warriors went on a 14-nil run to close the first period taking a 16-6 advantage.

Trinity Christian shot 50 percent for the game and missed the next three attempts with rebounds to Laskody and Rinker.

Moorefield failed to connect and Croft made the rebound which led to a 3-pointer by Laskody at the 4:53 mark as the Lady Warriors sliced the deficit to 6-5.

Croft made a steal and was fouled, then the ensuing possession created a 3-pointer for Sharp as the Lady Warriors took the lead 8-6 at the 4:33 mark and didn't relinquish it.

A turnover by the Lady Yellow Jackets led to a score by Croft as Trinity Christian continued the momentum.

Laskody stole the ball, but next shot was off the mark and Rinker snatched the carom.

Moorefield missed and Fair collected the board, then Rinker dashed toward the basket colliding with a defender which was deemed a charge as Sharp went for a steal.

Sharp drilled a jumper over Fair, then made a defensive rebound with an assist on Croft's field goal to put the Lady Warriors ahead 14-6 at the 2:32 mark.

Both squads missed a pair of field goals over the next minute of action with defensive rebounds going to Gilhuys, Sharp, Rinker and Rosen.

The string of errant attempts came to an end as Croft netted a jumper at the 1:15 mark and Trinity Christian held the 16-6 advantage into the second period.

A double dribble was assessed on the Lady Yellow Jackets to begin the second stanza, then Trinity Christian's Rachel Rosen scored in the paint.

Hinkle made a rebound and netted a jumper for Moorefield at the 7:10 mark to end the scoring drought, down 18-8.

The Lady Warriors responded with a 3-pointer by Sharp on the next series.

Rosen snatched a defensive rebound, then Sharp was fouled and missed both free throws.

Fair hauled in the board and was fouled.

Rinker assisted Gilhuys on a 3-pointer for the Lady Yellow Jackets at the 6:05 mark which cut the deficit to 21-11.

McGregor played tight defense at the mid-court line forcing a timeout, then Rosen hit a jumper coming out of the break.

Gilhuys drove into the paint and dished out to Hinkle for a score at the 5:20 mark.

Rosen collected an offensive rebound and was tied up by Gilhuys for a jump ball, but Trinity Christian missed the next attempt and Gilhuys came away with the carom and drew a foul leading to one free throw made.

Over the next minute, the Lady Warriors scored five points on a Laskody 3-pointer and layup from Sharp as Moorefield missed two shot attempts with rebounds going to Jaclyn Smith and Croft.

The Lady Yellow Jackets hit the rim again and Laskody collected the rebound and was fouled.

Trinity Christian came up empty and the tipped ball landed in the hands of Sharp, but a walk was called.

Hinkle grabbed an offensive rebound and passed to Rinker, who

drew a foul and netted one free throw at the 2:28 mark with Rosen hauling in the rebound off the second attempt.

Moorefield's Gracie O'Neill swatted at a pass and came up with the steal, but the ensuing attempt went awry and the Lady Warriors got the carom.

Sharp scored on a putback as Trinity Christian doubled up on the Lady Yellow Jackets 30-15 with 1:55 remaining in the first half.

At the 1:35 mark, Moorefield ended the field goal scoring drought which lasted nearly four minutes on a jumper by Hinkle.

Sharp went in for a layup, but the ball was knocked loose by Rinker and fumbled out of play by Sharp.

Moorefield missed on a mid-range jumper attempt and Sharp collected the board with a pass going to Laskody for a 3-pointer with 26 seconds on the clock, 33-17.

It has been a big goal of ours all year to go to state and go on from there. Our mentality all year has been to finish and it was really big of us to come out and fight all the way from the beginning to the end this game. It is really big for our six seniors graduating to go out on a big note, Trinity Christian senior Reagan Sharp remarked.

The Lady Yellow Jackets found the rim and Trinity Christian's Maggie Mercure made the rebound, then the last second half-court heave was partially blocked by Rinker.

Moorefield's Madison McGregor drove into the paint and was fouled to begin the second half.

The Lady Yellow Jackets missed their first two shots of the period with rebounds going to McGregor and Rosen before Sharp dropped a jumper for Trinity Christian at 7:31.

Laskody deflected a pass and fell down with the ball bouncing out, then Paige Dixon forced a five-second violation defending on Gilhuys.

After a miss by the Lady Warriors, Rosen and Hinkle locked up trying for the rebound and a jump ball was called.

Rinker made a defensive rebound and was fouled, then went into the paint pulling up for a jumper as Sharp made contact falling backwards and a charge was called.

A technical foul was called on the Moorefield bench as voices were raised about the previous call, then Trinity Christian's Jaclyn Smith hit both free throws at the 6:01 mark.

O'Neill committed a foul, then Rinker went for a rebound and the ball ricocheted out of her hands with Smith snatching up the loose ball.

Fair blocked a shot, but the Lady Warriors recovered and Sharp drilled a jumper.

O'Neill kept the Moorefield possession alive with a rebound, then McGregor knocked down a 3-pointer for a 39-20 score at 5:20.

O'Neill swiped the ball and was closing in on the hoop, when Sharp chased her down preventing the score ripping the ball loose with it going out of bounds.

Rosen made a steal and passed to Smith, then Rinker went for a block and was called for her fourth foul.

Rinker was put on the bench for the remainder of the third period as the Lady Yellow Jackets tried to figure out a new game plan.

Moorefield's Regan Davy lost the ball out of bounds, then O'Neill stole the ball leading to an errant shot attempt with Mercure grabbing the rebound for the Lady Warriors and a walk was called.

Sharp stole the ball and made a breakaway layup at the 3:48 mark for a 42-20 Trinity Christian advantage.

Hinkle scored on the next Lady Yellow Jackets possession about 15 seconds later and timeout was called.

The Lady Warriors missed a shot and Davy collected the rebound, then Moorefield lost the ball out of play.

Trinity Christian missed and there was a scramble for the loose ball with Smith making the recovery despite the hustle by McGregor.

Croft drew a foul and hit both free throws for the Lady Warriors, then Sharp stole the ball and fed Dixon for a basket at 2:29 for a 46-22 lead.

There was an offensive foul called on Davy during a screen and the Moorefield coaches were upset about the whistle, then the referee signaled a technical foul for the outburst on the bench.

Smith added one free throw, then the Lady Warriors were called for a walk and a foul on Sharp moments later as Davy went crashing to the floor.

Gilhuys drew a foul and made both free throws for the Lady Yellow Jackets with 2:03 left in the third period.

Both teams missed field goals with rebounds by Gilhuys and Rosen, then Gilhuys committed a foul with Rosen making one free throw.

Hinkle collected the rebound, but Moorefield missed the field goal and Smith snatched the board.

Rosen hit a jumper on the ensuing Trinity Christian possession.

The Lady Yellow Jackets answered with a 3-pointer by McGregor to cut the deficit to 50-27 with 1:13 to go in the third period.

"When we saw Moorefield play Tucker County, we noticed that Moorefield was controlling the glass and we wanted to mimic that. We knew that if we wanted to come in here and beat a really good Moorefield team, we were going to have to not allow them to shoot three or four times each possession and I thought we did a nice job, Trinity Christian coach Mike Baldy commented.

"Reagan [Sharp] was Reagan tonight, there's not much more you can say. We played our tails off on defense and controlled the tempo the way we played defense. We have to control the tempo down there and defend our butts off which has been our staple here for four years. Focus and energy is exactly what it was tonight and we knew we would have the crowd behind us which is such a big deal for us. On top of that, you have to play with focus and sometimes it can be misguided. You can be beat back door if you're gambling, but we didn't do that. We have a team of veteran players with six seniors and our experience played a big role in that tonight.

Steals by O'Neill and McGregor didn't result in points for Moorefield, then two Lady Warriors players collided on a rebound attempt and a foul was called on Gilhuys leading to one free throw by Smith.

O'Neill collected the board and a long toss by Gilhuys went off the rim.

Gilhuys netted a layup just ten seconds into the final period for the Lady Yellow Jackets.

Moorefield applied pressure and Gilhuys created steal, but the ensuing shot went awry and Sharp grabbed the board.

Croft drew a foul by Fair and added one free throw.

Rinker was back in the lineup and collected a loose ball as it rolled away from Gilhuys and was fouled.

McGregor was at the perimeter line and went to launch the ball, but Laskody smacked the ball down and made contact sending McGregor to the line.

The referee indicated three foul shots, but McGregor was only given two with the first one made and the second rebounded by the Lady Warriors.

O'Neill collected a rebound, then Moorefield missed and Rosen got the board leading to two free

throws by Croft.

Gilhuys drained a 3-pointer, then swiped the ball and drilled another 3-pointer within 13 seconds as the Lady Yellow Jackets cut the deficit down to 54-36 with 5:59 left in the championship.

O'Neill stole the ball, but Moorefield missed two shot attempts with rebounds by O'Neill and Fair before a jump ball given to Trinity Christian.

The Lady Yellow Jackets applied pressure, then Sharp used her elbow to gain separation dribbling away from O'Neill, who fell on the play and a foul was called on O'Neill leading to one free throw made by Sharp.

Both teams missed field goals, then McGregor hit a jumper for Moorefield with five minutes remaining, 55-38.

The Lady Warriors stalled on offense as the clock dwindled down a full minute before a move to the basket was made with Laskody scoring at 3:54.

Gilhuys drew a foul and added one free throw, then Hinkle collected the rebound and the next shot attempt hit the rim with Croft taking it the other way.

Sharp went to the free throw line with 3:20 to go and added one foul shot for Trinity Christian.

Hinkle hauled in the board, then Moorefield missed the next perimeter attempt and Smith got the rebound.

Rinker stole the ball back, but the Lady Yellow Jackets hit the iron again and the ball ricocheted out of play after a tip by Hinkle.

Croft was whistled for an offensive foul after plowing over Moorefield's Isabelle Nesbit.

Moorefield couldn't make a shot and Croft collected the board as the Lady Warriors ate more time off the clock before losing the ball out of play.

Rinker scored on a putback for Moorefield with 1:38 left, but Trinity Christian answered with a jumper by Laskody.

Laskody made a defensive rebound and was fouled during a trap, then added one foul shot.

A 3-pointer was netted by Rinker at the 1:03 mark for the Lady Yellow Jackets with the score at 61-44.

Trinity Christian tacked on five more free throws in the final minute of the championship as Moorefield missed four field goals down that stretch for the final score of 66-44.

Sharp scored a game-high 17 points with nine assists and seven rebounds for the Lady Warriors, followed by Croft with 15 points and Laskody added 14 points.

Rosen had a game-high ten rebounds and contributed seven points for Trinity Christian in the championship win.

It means so much to go to state. We've worked so hard together as a team. It means so much to work together and finish like we did. Now we will go to the state tournament and hopefully finish there," Trinity Christian senior Rachel Rosen noted.

Moorefield was paced by Gilhuys with 15 points and six rebounds plus four assists, followed by Rinker with ten points and five rebounds with three steals and assists, McGregor contributed nine points with three rebounds and Hinkle pitched in eight points with eight rebounds.

Fair's two blocks in the championship gave her a total of 78 blocks for the season which is the most in program history.

The Lady Warriors join Tucker County as the Region II co-champions and representatives at the state tournament this week.

Moorefield has the entire roster back next year with this experience to bolster a potential return to another regional title game with hopes of reaching the state tournament for the first time since 2004.

Class A Region II Section 2 Boys Basketball Playoff Recap

February 25
Section 2 Quarterfinals
Harman 61, Moorefield 58

The Yellow Jackets were tied with Harman at 10-all after the first period of the Region II Section 2 quarterfinals, then commandeered a 30-23 edge at halftime. Moorefield held a 44-42 lead entering the fourth period, but foul trouble became a huge factor as the Panthers shot 31 free throws.

Moorefield's Chase Vance scored a game-high 21 points with six rebounds and three assists, followed by Brent Moran with 16 points and Thomas Williams contributed 11 markers.

Harman's Clayson Knotts scored 13 points in the victory.

East Hardy 79, Paw Paw 41

East Hardy slashed past the Pirates in the Region II Section 2 quarterfinals with Adam Larson leading the charge with 24 points, followed by Cole Swanson with 18 points.

Paw Paw was guided by Colby Ridgeway with 20 points and Nick Hiatt with 10 points.

February 27
Section 2 Semifinals
Tucker County 56, East Hardy 41
Pendleton County 70, Harman 40

March 1
Section 2 Championship
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A WALK THROUGH THE WOODS

By DONOVAN BREGG



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Howdy Hardy County,

My name is Donovan Bregg and for the next six months I will hike the entire Appalachian Trail, or AT, with my girlfriend, Pam Caruso.

The Moorefield Examiner has graciously agreed to allow me to give those in the county that raised me an opportunity to follow our greatest adventure so far. Look forward to our updates and stories in the best darn local paper around.

I grew up in Wardensville and graduated from East Hardy High School in 2007, attended WVU and earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, then worked at the Intensive Care Unit of Berkeley Medical Center in Martinsburg, where I met Pam, a fellow nurse. Later, I went back to school and earned a Master of Health Sciences with a specialty in Nurse Anesthesia. I am a practicing Nurse Anesthetist at Berkeley Medical Center, but soon I will be a thru-hiker on the AT, one who attempts to hike the entire trail end to end.

This journey is 2,192 miles long, commonly rounded up to 2,200, and will take Pam and I from Springer Mountain, Georgia through 14 states including West Virginia with the destination of Mount Katahdin, Maine. Typically, the trail comes near a small town similar in size and friendliness to any you'd find in Hardy County every three to five days where we'll resupply and occasionally enjoy the comforts of a warm bed and hot shower.

This adventure began on the morning of March 4 when we headed to Georgia. We began walking on March 5. Here's a summary of a few of the items we'll be carrying the whole way. We'll share a tent that weighs less than two pounds and is conveniently supported by

our hiking poles. Along with our sleeping pads which keep us off the ground and dry, we'll each have down quilts to keep us warm. Between these and our clothes, we've slept comfortably at five degrees Fahrenheit, much colder than anywhere on the AT is anticipated to be. Somehow, we managed to carry all of this and a heck-of-a-lot more, including three days of food and two liters of water each, at 21 pounds for my Osprey pack and 17.4 for Pam's. This is considerably lighter than most who have attempted this and we really prioritized light gear. I even cut off all the tags every gram of weight counts when you're carrying it for 2,200 miles. I'll reference individual pieces of gear as they come up as necessary in our tale.

The first question of the three I often get is why? Why are you both dropping everything and putting your lives on hold to walk on some dirt path through the woods for six whole months? I get this a lot, so you'd think I'd have a good answer by now, but I don't. Often, I just reply, Why not? In truth, I'm nearly 30 without any real responsibilities other than work and a couple dogs. I don't want to wait for retirement to do what I want life is far too short and unpredictable for that. If I were more responsible, maybe I'd settle down,

buy a house on some land, and have a couple kids, but I'm not yet. Instead, I'll lead my girlfriend on a dirt path through Appalachia for six months.

The second question is how do you get your food and supplies on the trail? For months, we have prepared what feels like hundreds of resupply boxes that will have everything we need to survive except water (we'll find that on the trail and have a few ways to make it safe to drink) and our good friend, Kevin Johnson, will periodically ship them to us to pick up at Post Offices along our journey. Please send them Kevin, we're counting on you! The third, I'll address in a later piece. That's called a cliff-hanger.

This journey has been my dream since I read Bill Bryson's fantastic and hilarious book, A Walk in the Woods. While we won't be working from March through the end of August, we've been saving, preparing, and piecing together gear for over three years. While this may seem sudden to you, we can't wait. We'll be thinking about you on our good days, on our bad days, and are excited to share our tent and lives with you. This wouldn't have been possible without the support of all our many friends and our fantastic families. They all know who they are and how much we ap-



Pam Caruso and Donovan Bregg

preciate them. You can check up

on our Instagram @thruorfalse to see the photos that will represent

lifetime memories for us.

Happy trails,
Donovan Bregg & Pam Caruso

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they finished. I know our record isn't great, but you look at the work these guys have put in since December and how much better they got by the end of the season. I couldn't be more proud of how hard they worked and how much they progressed in a season.

Tucker County missed its initial field goal during the opening possession of the game and East Hardy's Aden Funkhouser snatched the rebound.

The Cougars hit the rim and the ball ricocheted out of play.

A defensive rebound was made by East Hardy's Chance Dove, then the Mountain Lions Corrick Ambrose created a steal leading to a jumper by Cameron Wamsley at the 6:36 mark.

Funkhouser drew a foul and went to the line at the 6:19 mark missing the first free throw and making the second one as a Tucker County fan dressed in a banana costume shouted I am a banana during the second attempt.

There was a costumed dinosaur dancing around the sidelines with the banana guy too.

The game went on despite the comical sideline shenanigans as both teams missed four field goals apiece over the next couple of minutes, then finally Funkhouser added a free throw tying the game at the 3:45 mark, 2-all.

After a miss by the Mountain Lions deflected off East Hardy out of bounds, Tucker County's Owen Poling lowered his shoulder driving near the top of the paint to draw a foul.

Tucker County's Jeffrey Snyder nailed a jumper for the first basket of his game-high 21 points coming at the 3:15 mark which gave the Mountain Lions the lead.

Poling stole the ball, then Ambrose scored on a putback as Tucker County extended the lead.

East Hardy's Christian Dove snatched an offensive rebound and passed to Andrew Tharp, who assisted Cole Swanson on a jumper at the 2:30 mark.

The Mountain Lions responded with a bucket from Snyder on the following possession, 8-4.

Tucker County's Holden Young and East Hardy's Cole Swanson collected defensive rebounds, then Chance Dove garnered a layup for the Cougars at the 1:34 mark.

The Mountain Lions answered with a 3-pointer from Young.

Swanson sliced into the paint for a layup as the Cougars pulled to within three points, 11-8 with one minute left in the first period.

Tucker County's Cameron Wamsley knocked down a jumper after grabbing an offensive rebound.

Funkhouser snatched an offensive board and netted a putback for East Hardy which was part of his team-high 18 points on the night making it 13-10.

A foul was called on Chance Dove, then Snyder started to drive inside and Funkhouser reached in trying to pry the ball loose and was assisted a foul.

Tucker County's Augustus Mullenex hit a shot in the paint with one second on the clock to extend the lead to 15-10.

The Cougars Adam Baker and Chance Dove set a trap to begin the second period which forced

Tucker County into a walk.

Snyder garnered a defensive rebound, but the Mountain Lions lost the ball out of bounds.

Swanson made an offensive board, but the next shot also hit the rim and Snyder was fouled on the rebound attempt.

Swanson swatted a shot by Tucker County and the Cougars recovered the ball leading to a putback by Funkhouser at the 6:00 mark, 15-12.

The Mountain Lions fumbled the ball out of play, then Young swiped it back and passed to Snyder, who was fouled and added one free throw at 5:15.

Baker tried to make a saving rebound along the baseline, but was off-balanced leaping and threw the ball toward a Tucker County player and it was determined to have missed and possession went to the Mountain Lions.

Funkhouser swiped the ball and netted the breakaway layup to cut the deficit to 16-14 at the 4:52 mark.

Snyder dashed inside on the ensuing series and lifted the ball into the hoop for Tucker County.

A defensive board by Snyder led to a rim rocker, then East Hardy's Christian Dove hauled in a rebound before the Cougars lost the ball out of bounds rushing a pass.

Swanson snatched a defensive rebound, then Funkhouser was whistled for a walk.

Tucker County's Raheim Lamb stumbled shifting his feet for a turnover, then Swanson collected an offensive rebound for the Cougars keeping the possession alive for Funkhouser drawing a foul leading to two free throws made at the 3:09 mark, 18-16.

The Mountain Lions went up 20-16 on a jumper by Snyder at the 2:56 mark.

A defensive board went to Snyder and his pass went up to Ambrose for a layup.

East Hardy hit the rim after a timeout and Mullenex took the rebound which led to a score by Snyder off an assist from Ambrose. Snyder couldn't corral the next rebound as it bounced out of play, then East Hardy's Christian Dove nailed a jumper off an assist from inbound Cole Swanson.

After a jump ball, the Mountain Lions also scored off an inbound pass play with Snyder scoring at 1:22 for a 26-18 lead.

East Hardy missed the next two shots, then Ambrose was fouled on a rebound and hit one free throw.

The Cougars walked twice in the final 40 seconds and Tucker County missed three field goals, but held a 27-18 advantage at halftime.

Swanson forced a jump ball to start the third period and the possession arrow was for Tucker County, then Betler collected an offensive rebound and passed to Wamsley for a jumper over two defenders.

Snyder blocked a shot by the Cougars, then Tucker County walked.

Ambrose made a block and save, but the Mountain Lions failed to connect on the next series and East Hardy's Adam Baker collected the board.

The Cougars came up empty with Ambrose taking the rebound, but his pass was intercepted by Chance Dove.

Dove drew a foul and notched one free throw for East Hardy at the 5:56 mark, 29-19.

After a rebound by Wamsley, Snyder knocked down a jumper.

Wamsley made a save off a rim ricochet before the Mountain Lions coughed the ball up.

East Hardy's Chance Dove had a huge bounce off the rim during a perimeter shot which landed in the net for three points as the deficit was now at 31-22.

Better netted a jumper for Tucker County on the next possession off an assist from Snyder.

A minute later, Funkhouser scored for the Cougars.

Tucker County netted two more field goals over the next 40 seconds with the help of a turnover as Wamsley and Snyder scored to extend the lead to 37-24.

Ambrose made a defensive rebound, but East Hardy's Christian Dove stole the ball and garnered a layup at 2:42.

Both teams missed baskets, then Tucker County's Rudy Pennington netted an old-fashioned three-point play at the 2:05 mark or a 40-26 advantage.

Swanson drew two defenders and dumped the ball off to Funkhouser, who drew contact and missed the ensuing free throws.

A defensive rebound by Swanson led to a score this time around for the Cougars as Christian Dove assisted Seth Smith on a basket with 1:29 remaining in the third period, 40-28.

East Hardy's Chance Dove forced a turnover as Pennington fumbled the ball out of play, but the Cougars missed their shot and Pennington collected the board.

Tucker County missed and Swanson hauled in the carom, then the Mountain Lions fouled twice and deflected two passes.

Baker made an offensive rebound, but the ball was swiped away by Young, who immediately stepped out on the sequence for another turnover.

The Cougars hit the rim twice with rebounds going to Christian Dove and Poling.

East Hardy fouled twice before Baker made a defensive rebound and a half-court attempt by Chance Dove at the buzzer went awry.

Starting the fourth period, East Hardy's Chance Dove collected a defensive rebound before the Cougars were called for a double dribble.

Dove snatched another rebound, but the Cougars hit the rim and Snyder took the next carom.

Betler grabbed an offensive rebound and Baker blocked his shot, then Betler gathered up the ball and was fouled by Baker leading to one free throw made at the 6:54 mark.

Betler blocked a shot by Swanson, then Ambrose drew a foul and made both free throws as Andrew Tharp fouled out.

Chance Dove was fouled and didn't connect at the charity stripe with Snyder making the rebound, then Smith swiped the ball back and was hacked with his free throw attempt hitting the iron.

The Mountain Lions scattered a couple free throws over the next couple of minutes as East Hardy committed two turnovers and missed a field goal.

A jumper by Funkhouser ended



Photo by Carl Holcomb

East Hardy's Aden Funkhouser releases a shot in between Tucker County's Corrick Ambrose and Jeffrey Snyder during the playoffs in the Mountain Lion lair.

the scoring drought for the Cougars at the 4:36 mark as Tucker County held a 46-30 advantage.

Ambrose netted a layup on the next Mountain Lions series, then Wamsley blocked a shot by East Hardy.

Smith stole the ball for the Cougars, but the ensuing shot met the rim and Swanson garnered the board before having Wamsley block his shot.

Funkhouser drew a foul on a block attempt by Snyder and added one free throw a 3:46.

Mullenex assisted Snyder on a basket during the following Tucker County possession.

East Hardy's Alex Miller assisted Swanson on a drive and ditch play at the 2:42 mark for a 52-33 score.

Wamsley missed two free throws, but grabbed the tipped ball and scored a jumper.

Funkhouser knocked down a 3-pointer for the Cougars with 2:20 remaining, 54-36.

Chance Dove stole the ball for East Hardy and dishd to Funkhouser for a basket at 2:04.

Dove swiped the ball again and was fouled, but missed both free throws and Funkhouser collected the board.

A 3-pointer by East Hardy's Cole Swanson with 1:31 left cut the deficit down to 54-41.

Tucker County added a couple free throws on the next possession from Young for the final score of 56-41.

Snyder made a defensive rebound, then Baker swiped the ball and the Cougars drew iron twice in the final seconds with rebounds to Miller and Wamsley.

I thought our defense was tremendous. I thought we did a nice job early, we let them have some offensive rebounds and we kind of took care of that in the second half, Tucker County coach Jim Ambrose remarked.

"[Aden] Funkhouser is a nice player and he goes to the glass hard, so we tried to keep him off the glass. I felt like we did that and we executed and took care of the basketball. We got real patient in the second half and made good shots around the basket. That was the key. We were settling for some quick shots early and they tried to speed the game up bringing up some pressure. They play hard and are well-coached and we knew that coming in tonight. We had to settle in and do our game and hopefully by the second quarter take control and that's what we did. This is our 18th straight time making the section championship. won't 15 straight region titles to go to state before losing the last two region championships. We want to play

here for the region and we want to go back to Charleston, that's the bottom line and that's what these kids work for all year. We had tough schedule and our record doesn't show how good we can be. We are hoping we are playing our best basketball next year. We have to take care of the basketball and guard, we have to defend or it will be a long night.

Snyder led Tucker County with 21 points, followed by Ambrose and Wamsley with 11 markers apiece.

Funkhouser paced the Cougars with 18 points, followed by Swanson with 11 points in their final game wearing an East Hardy uniform.

Swanson showed great sportsmanship hugging one of the Tucker County players after the game.

East Hardy seniors Aden Funkhouser, Cole Swanson and Chance Dove played with tremendous heart during their final high school career game, while fellow senior Adam Larson didn't play due to illness.

East Hardy coach Chris Hahn embraced each of his seniors and shared a few special words with them.

The Mountain Lions continued their quest to be the top cats in the region.

Jackie Rigglesman Joins Marauders as Assistant General Manager

By Nate March
Bradenton Marauders

The Pittsburgh Pirates today announced the hiring of Jackie Rigglesman as Assistant General Manager of the Bradenton Marauders. Incoming Marauders General Manager Craig Warzecha announced the appointment. Warzecha has been the team's Assistant General Manager since 2017. Rigglesman's first day with the organization in Bradenton will be March 1, the same day Warzecha officially assumes the General Manager role.



Jackie Rigglesman

Rigglesman joins the Pirates and Marauders following four seasons with the Rich Baseball Operations. She most recently served as the Assistant General Manager of the West Virginia Black Bears. The Black Bears, based in Morgantown, are the Class A Short Season affiliate of the Pirates. Rigglesman was a member of the inaugural Black Bears staff in 2015 and was promoted to Assistant General Manager in 2016. She was named NY-Penn League Female Executive of the year in 2017. During her time with the Black Bears, Rigglesman directly contributed to growth in ticket sales, corporate partnerships, and player participation in the Morgantown community. She also oversaw merchandise sales, media relations, and coordinated promotional theme night activities. Jackie's wealth of experience and familiarity with the Pirates organization make her well-suited to hit the ground running on March 1," Warzecha said. "She is a great addition to our team as we prepare to celebrate the 10th season of Marauders baseball at LECOM Park."

I am excited about the move to Bradenton and look forward to both Pirates Spring Training and the 10th season for the Marauders, Rigglesman said. I want to thank Rich Baseball Operations and the Black Bears for four great years and for the opportunity to prepare for this next step in my career. Rigglesman holds a master's degree in sports management from West Virginia University. The Marauders home opener is Saturday, April 6 at 6:30 p.m. Season tickets, group tickets, All-You-Can-Eat five game plans, and single game tickets are on sale. The

LECOM Park ticket office hours are 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on weekdays when there is not a Pirates Spring Training home game. On Saturdays, the box office is open from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. when there is not a home game. Spring Training day-of-game box office hours are 9:00 a.m. until 30 minutes after the final out. For more information about the Bradenton Marauders, please call 941-747-3031, visit www.BradentonMarauders.com, or email MaraudersInfo@pirates.com. Editor's note: Jackie Rigglesman is a Moorefield, W.Va. native.

THE OLD MASTER

By Jay Fisher

WVU won its first basketball game since Feb 2 with an upset over TCU, a 104-96, triple overtime thriller. The freshmen played well, with Jordan McCabe having a huge 25 point, 11 assists game, and Derek Culver's 20 point, 20 rebound game (the first in about 40 years for WVU). This win capped off some optimism that was growing after the roster changes from a couple weeks ago. The team seemed to be playing harder and better, but wasn't able to win. The TCU game changed that. I do think that there has been some addition by subtraction. The team seems to have better overall chemistry. Also, the fewer substitution options means that many of the young players aren't being yanked after one mistake; on a related note, they seem to be playing more freely, and less afraid. The euphoria of that win was short-lived, unfortunately. WVU went on the road to Oklahoma, and it was the familiar tale of a strong start followed by an offensive drought. A 17-9 lead became a 42-28 halftime deficit. One interesting note: after some lackadaisical defense on a fast break, Huggins made a massive substitution and put in Taevon Horton, Trey Doomes, Derek Culver, Jordan McCabe, and Jermaine Haley. That group cut a 69-46 deficit to an 82-70 final. The game was basically over when they went in, but they played pretty well as a group, and that is what you want to see at



did knock off Kansas, and had a game against #1 Baylor, but they may need at least one upset in the Big 12 tourney to sneak into the Big Dance. The swimming teams tried to earn invites to the NCAA Championships during their Conference Championship this past weekend. It was a good weekend, with multiple individual and relay school records broken. But the invite times look like they may be faster than in recent years, so several swimmers are on the bubble on whether or not they make it. Finally, the rifle team will be hosting the NCAA Championships at the Coliseum this weekend, where they will try to win National Title #20. Notes: Tonight's game against Iowa State tips at 7:00. It will be televised by ESPNU. The regular season finale at Oklahoma State will be at 4:00 on Saturday. It will be on one of the ESPN family of channels, so check your listings. The golf team had a third place tie in a good field for the Florida State Seminole Invitational. They are now #40 in the nation, and Max Sear is now 19th in the Palmer Cup standings. Madelin Gardner of the track team qualified for NCAA Indoor Nationals this weekend. She will compete in the pole vault for the second straight year. She is tied for ninth nationally heading into the championships. The gymnasts had their best road score of the year with a 196.1 at Ohio State. Road scores factor

3 hits in a 2-0 win. This is encouraging for WVU to hang with a top 10 team on the road. The Big 12 has several ranked teams, and this is a positive sign that the Mountaineers can be competitive. The wrestling team competes in the Big 12 Championships this weekend, and the results will help determine who from WVU gets to go to their NCAA Championship meet.

into the NCAA Regional Qualifying criteria, so this is good for the team, and should help them get a slightly better seed. The baseball team headed way West to take on the defending NCAA champions, (and current #6 ranked) Oregon State. The first game was a tough 9-2 loss, but the second was a much closer loss, 4-2. In the final game, WVU pitchers allowed just

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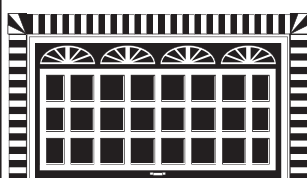
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Why am I receiving this report?

In compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments, the **Hardy County Public Service District** is providing its customers with this annual water quality report. This report explains where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. The information in this report shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2018 or earlier if not on a yearly schedule.

If you have any questions concerning this report, you may contact **Connie Sherman, Administrative Assistant**, (304) 530-3048. If you have any further questions, comments or suggestions, please attend any of our regularly scheduled water board meetings held on the **1st Wednesday** of every month at **4:30 p.m.** in the **conference room of our office located at 2094 US 220 South, Moorefield, WV.**

Where does my water come from?

Your drinking water is **purchased** from the Town of Moorefield which uses **surface** water from the South Fork and the South Branch of the Potomac River. Trout Run Road and Marvin Chapel drinking water is **purchased** from the Town of Wardensville which uses **ground** water from the Hawkins Farm Spring/Wardensville Spring originating at Anderson Ridge and two supplemental wells located near the spring.

Source Water Assessment

A Source Water Assessment was conducted in 2006 by the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health (WVBPH). The intake that supplies drinking water to the **Town of Moorefield** has a higher susceptibility to contamination, due to the sensitive nature of surface water supplies and the potential contaminant sources identified within the area. This does not mean that this intake will become contaminated; only that conditions are such that the surface water could be impacted by a potential contaminant source. Future contamination may be avoided by implementing protective measures. The source water assessment report which contains more information is available from the WVBPH 304-558-2961. A Source Water Assessment was conducted in 2007 by the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health (WVBPH). The intake that supplies drinking water to the **Town of Wardensville** has a moderate susceptibility to contamination, due to the sensitive nature of surface water supplies and the existing potential contaminant sources identified within the area. This does not mean that this intake will become contaminated; only that conditions are such that the surface water could be impacted by a potential contaminant source. Future contamination may be avoided by implementing protective measures. The source water assessment report which contains more information is available from the WVBPH (304) 558-2961.

Why must water be treated?

All drinking water contains various amounts and kinds of contaminants. Federal and state regulations establish limits, controls, and treatment practices to minimize these contaminants and to reduce any subsequent health effects.

Contaminants in Water

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits of contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The source of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) includes rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and, in some cases radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring, or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Water Quality Data Table

Definitions of terms and abbreviations used in the table or report:

MCLG - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL - Maximum Contaminant Level, or the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technique.

MRDLG - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal, or the level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect benefits of use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

MRDL - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level, or the highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

AL - Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

TT - Treatment Technique, or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Abbreviations that may be found in the table:

ppm - parts per million or milligrams per liter

ppb - parts per billion or micrograms per liter

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in water

NE - not established

NA - not applicable

The **Town of Moorefield, Town of Wardensville and the Hardy County Public Service District** routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. The tables below show the results of our monitoring for contaminants.

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants Town of Moorefield Water System

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Microbiological Contaminants						
Turbidity (Plant #1)	N	0.05 100% of monthly samples <0.29	NTU	0	TT	Soil runoff
Turbidity (Plant #2)	N	0.09 100% of monthly samples <0.29	NTU	0	TT	Soil runoff
Total organic carbon (Plant #1)	N	1.4	ppm	NA	TT	Naturally present in the environment

Total organic carbon (Plant #2)	N	1.6	ppm	NA	TT	Naturally present in the environment
Inorganic Contaminants						
Nitrate (Plant #1)	N	0.47	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (Plant #2)	N	0.48	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; erosion of natural deposits
Barium (Plant #1)	N	0.0032	ppm	0	2	Erosion of natural deposits & discharge of drilling waste
Barium (Plant #2)	N	0.033	ppm	0	2	Erosion of natural deposits & discharge of drilling waste
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine	N	1.2 Yearly Avg. Range 0.6 – 1.4	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDLG	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	24.2 Yearly Avg. Range 13.8 – 31.8	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	34.88 Yearly Avg. Range 9.22 – 49.4	ppb	NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Table of Test Results - Unregulated Contaminants

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Sodium (Plant #1)	N	3.23	ppm	NE	20	Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (Plant #2)	N	3.46	ppm	NE	20	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate (Plant #1)	N	6.71	ppm	250	250	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate (Plant #2)	N	7.09	ppm	250	250	Erosion of natural deposits

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants Town of Wardensville

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants						
Nitrate	N	0.27	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leakage from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine	N	1.765 Annual Avg. Range 79 – 2.2	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDLG	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	11.1	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	9.55	ppb	NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants Hardy County Public Service District – US 220 South (WV3301607)

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine	N	0.95 Annual Avg. Range 4 – 1.6	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDLG	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	43.5 Annual Avg. Range 28.6 – 63.2	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	36.25 Annual Avg. Range 11.4 – 64.8	ppb	NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants – Hardy County Public Service District – US 220 North (WV3301608)

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine*	N	0.96 Annual Avg. Range 5 – 1.4	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDL	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	30.95 Annual Avg. Range 17.5 – 47.5	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	58.15 Annual Avg. Range 13.4 – 98.3	ppb	NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

*During the reporting year 2018 we received "Notice of Violation" letters from WVBPH

for missing a required chlorine residual associated with the entry point to a distribution system, failing to submit sufficient chlorine residual readings and missing a required chlorine residual associated with a bacteriological sample due to a typographical error on the water sample form. We updated and submitted the sample report with the missing chlorine residual, but it was not received in time to avoid a violation. A "Notice of Violation" was mailed to each customer of this water system per the public notice requirements.

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants – Hardy County Public Service District – Trout Run Road (WV3301609)

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine	N	1.25 Annual Avg. Range 0.9 – 1.4	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDL	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	19.3	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	22.1		NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants Hardy County Public Service District – WV State Route 55 (WV3301610)

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine	N	0.96 Annual Avg. Range 4 – 1.5	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDL	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	32.64 Annual Avg. Range 1.98 – 70.5	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	53.875 Annual Avg. Range 13.4 – 106	ppb	NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or nervous system and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants – Hardy County Public Service District – South Fork (WV3301611)

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine	N	1.03 Annual Avg. Range 4 – 1.5	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDL	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	43.725 Annual Avg Range 29.5 – 66.8	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	42.22 Annual Avg Range 13.7 – 65	ppb	NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or nervous system and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Table of Test Results - Regulated Contaminants – Hardy County Public Service District –Marvin Chapel (WV3301612)

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit of Measure	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants						
Copper*	N	0.568	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing
Lead*	N	1.2	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Chlorine	N	0.82 Annual Avg. Range 0.4 – 1.4	ppm	4 MRDLG	4 MRDLG	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic acids (HAACs)	N	5.21	ppb	NA	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N	35.3	ppb	NA	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination

*The District's collected samples from 5 area residences on 8/7/18. Only the 90th percentile is reported. None of the samples exceeded the MCL.

WE ARE PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE HARDY COUNTY PSD MET ALL FEDERAL AND STATE WATER STANDARDS FOR THE REPORTING YEAR 2018.

Additional Information

All other water test results for the reporting year 2018 were all non-detects.

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness in drinking water. We monitor turbidity because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Hardy County PSD is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on 03/01/2019

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Clerk of the Hardy County Commission
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PUBLIC NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS

OF WARDENSVILLE PUBLIC HEARING ON REVISION TO CODE

Notice is hereby given that, at its regular meeting of February 19, 2019, Wardensville Town Council read and gave initial approval to the following ordinance upon first hearing: Amendment 19-01, which, if finally adopted, will correct clerical errors and affirm, adjust and clarify a series of 2016 amendments related to business licenses and taxes.

Final review and adoption of this ordinance shall take place during a public hearing scheduled during a special meeting of Wardensville Town Council on Monday, March 18, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Wardensville Visitor and Conference Center, 301 East Main Street, Wardensville W.Va. Notice is hereby given that any interested party may appear before Council during this meeting to be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.

The proposed ordinance in its entirety may be inspected at Wardensville Town Hall, 25 Warrior Way, Wardensville, W.Va., Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA IN RE: THE CHANGE OF NAME OF: M.W. TO M.S. Circuit Court Case Number: 19-P-17

NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF CHANGE OF NAME

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 Day of April, 2019 at the hour of 9 a.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard, Brandy Spencer will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Hardy County, WV, at the Courthouse thereof in the City of Moorefield for the entry of an Order by said Court changing the name from M.W. to M.S.

Any person who has objection to the change of said name for any reason may appear at the time and place set forth

above and shall be heard in opposition to such change. The publication shall contain a provision that the hearing may be rescheduled without further notice or publication.

Given under my hand this 25 day of February, 2019.
Kelly Shockey
By Mary Brennskag

3/6 1c

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.bids.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 March 19, 2019 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

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The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure 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.

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Division of Highways

Aaron Gillispie,
Acting Deputy State Highway Engineer – Planning and Programming

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