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Council Adds Two Members



Greg Alderman and Ed Klinovski take the oath of office as Wardensville Councilmen. Mayor Betsy Orndoff-Sayers administers the oath.

Photo by Jean Flanagan

By Jean A. Flanagan
Moorefield Examiner

Greg Alderman and Ed Klinovski took the oath of office as members of the Wardensville Town Council during the council's regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 9.

Both men have served on the council in the past. Alderman was first elected in 2012 and was appointed mayor in 2017 following the resignation of Mayor Barbara Radcliff. He was defeated by current mayor Orndoff-Sayers in the 2018 election.

Klinovski was appointed to the council in 2016 to fill the unexpired term of David Tweet. Klinovski did not run for re-election in 2018.

E-Government

Terry Triplet, with the West Virginia Treasurer's Office described

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PSD Board Approves Bids

By Jean A. Flanagan
Moorefield Examiner

By this time next year, the communities of Ft. Run and Dover Hollow should have public water, the farms along Trough Road should have fire protection and water customers on Trout Run Road should have dependable service.

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Eastern WV CTC Receives Grant To Implement Potomac Highlands Food Co-Op

Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College announces that it is the recipient of a USDA Local Food Promotion Program (LFPP). The program is designed to develop and expand local and regional food business enterprises to increase domestic consumption and access to locally and regionally produced agricultural products

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OPINION

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I was wondering why the Moorefield Examiner decided to take “Lady” out when referring to the Girls teams? I saw the tweet from the Examiner Sports. I couldn’t

believe it. Then actually said they “was sorry if they offended anyone”.

It’s outrageous! When referring to a all girl team you should use the word Lady! This tweet is

all over Facebook. And people are not happy.

In my opinion you should not cow down to the 00.1% of the population that could or would get offended if you use the word “Lady”.

As this .001% surely does not pay the bills at the Moorefield Examiner.

Respectfully,

Mary Weir

Former Lady Jacket!



MY UNBASED OPINION

By DAVID O. HEISHMAN

I remember bailing out of the school bus end of Big House’s lane soon as driver, Mr. Warner Orndorff, cracked the door open wide enough to let me. A hundred yards to Big House, maybe one twenty to back door hard as I could go. Bang the back door latch open, skid around the corner through dining room door, and there it was, center of the table.

Sears Roebuck Christmas Catalog. Another kid at school had told me theirs was delivered yesterday and I knew ours must have come today. From the kitchen sink, Mom admonished, “You better get your feeding chores done before your father gets home and you start looking at that Christmas book.”

Before Amazon, before internet, even before Pap got us a television there was no way to know what

wonders might appear under the Christmas tree with my name on the tag. Best I could do was ask for things I’d learned about from other kids. Mom and Pap knew what I had already and what I needed. It was the new, different and exciting surprises I craved.

Most of those came from Sears’ wish book catalog pages filled with toys for toddlers right on up to adults. Best progression I remember was cowboy guns which fired paper caps, to Daisy Red Ryder lever action BB gun to the Savage single shot 20 gauge shotgun I still own and shoot.

I remember the three speed, 26 inch, English bicycle with hand brakes I got to replace a coaster brake, 24 inch, fat tire Mom had helped me buy with money from my Godfather, her first cousin. I’d usually get a biggy like ice skates or

BB gun each Christmas with smaller surprises beside it.

Every Christmas for several years, I’d get a new pocket knife. Usually a cheap two blade Barlow appeared in my stocking. Sometimes I’d spot a small package under the tree tagged “To David From Father” which almost invariably contained a knife. I’d open it first so I could use it to open rest of my presents

I’d ask for knives with three or four blades from the catalog, but Pap bought cheaper because he knew I’d likely lose them anyway. He wanted me to have one handy to cut hay bale twine, so regular replacement was in his interest too. The soft steel in those Barlows built sharpening skills I use and appreciate today.

Beside me as I write this column is oldest Sears wish book I could

GLANCING BACKWARD

FROM THE MOOREFIELD EXAMINER ARCHIVES

Fifteen Years Ago
December 22, 2004

According to the WV Public Service Commission the natural gas leak that led to the Mathias garage explosion and fire appeared to be caused by external pressure on a feeder line into the building.

Seven months after Pilgrim’s Pride closed the turkey processing plant at Hinton, it reopened under the ownership of the Virginia Turkey Growers Cooperative.

U.S. Senator Robert Byrd obtained \$8.7 million in funding for Dam 16 in the Lost River Watershed.

The Examiner recognized Lucille Gohdes for “Making a Difference” in Hardy County.

A report from the Southern Legislative Conference stated that West Virginia received more federal highway money per person than any other Southern state, yet the roads were among the most dangerous in the nation.

After 30 years, Harold Michael announced his retirement from the Nationwide Insurance business.

Ina Miller Leatherman, 81, died Dec. 12...Wilbur Lee Brill, 86, Wardensville, died Dec. 11...William L. Clark, 83, died Dec. 14. He had been a county extension agent in Hardy County for several decades...Russell William Fitzwater, 82, died Dec. 17.

Jessica Dawn Baker and Dennis Wayne Simmers, Jr. were married June 5...Jody Elizabeth Bosley and Jeffrey Blaine Morgan were married June 20.

East Hardy boys lost to Pendleton 60-57 and Frankfurt 73-50.... Moorefield boys lost to Keyser 62-58 and Bishop Walsh 72-54... East Hardy girls beat Paw Paw 59-38 and Union and lost to Pendleton 55-28...Moorefield girls lost to Pendleton 36-29 and Harman 52-39 and beat James Wood 46-35.

Thirty Years Ago

December 20, 1989

Moorefield Elementary School was named a West Virginia Exemplary School, one of three in the state to be so honored and the only one to have rebuilt following the flood on 1985.

David S. Ryan announced auditions for “Bye, Bye, Birdie”.

The Kiwanis named Johnny Bowman, Leon Reel, and P & J Market winners of the Christmas lighting contest.

Roy Oliver Strawderman, 67, Mathias, died Dec. 12...Ida Ruckman Tusing, 91, Winchester, died Dec. 11...Herman Wade Fitzwater, 83, Mathias, died Dec. 15... William Harrison Kemp, 87, Petersburg, died Dec. 14...Jonah Funkhouser, 87, Baker, died Dec. 13...Bertha Shanholtz Ritter, 87, Clarke County, died Dec. 8.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barr, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Shirk, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Jack R. Taylor, a daughter.

Forty-five Years Ago
December 18, 1974

Potomac Edison officials were still assessing damage caused by the Dec. 1 snowstorm, described as the “worst in memory.” More than 11,000 customers were without power for a few hours up to 5 days.

Moorefield Lions voted to support Hardy Telephone’s proposal to offer extended area service.

The Jaycees were organizing a series of cultural excursions to Washington. The first was to see the Washington ballet perform “The Nutcracker Suite”.

Grace Miller Hawse, 89, Baker, died Dec. 12...Adrian Lee Wilson, 25, Flint, Michigan, died Nov. 24 in an automobile accident.

Edith Patricia Barb and Edwin Randolph Turner, Jr. were married Oct. 12...Julie Denise Barr and Kenneth Randolph Shobe were married Aug. 17...Janet Teets and Daniel L. Aylor were married Nov. 23.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Gapp, a son, Matthew Vance.

Moorefield lost to Ridgeley in overtime 63-61.

Sixty Years Ago
December 23, 1959

More than 5,000 people visited the new Hawse Food Market grand opening.

The Lions Club had prepared 55 Christmas baskets for delivery to needy families in the area.

Edgar Kile announced that five units of the newest and largest motel in the area were ready for guests.

Ashby Doman, 89, Capon Bridge, died Dec. 8...John Mackrel Malone, 87, died Dec. 12 in Staunton...William Eugene Souder, 37, Bergton, died Dec. 15... Robert Sine, 60, Star Tannery, died Dec. 18.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar George, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Fazzalore, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Kesner, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sears, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Yankee, a daughter.

Moorefield defeated Charles Town 62-39 and lost to Keyser 56-47.

Seventy-five Years Ago
December 20, 1944

The Moorefield Public Library was forced to close on Wednesday afternoons due to a shortage of coal for heating. It would be open only on Saturday afternoons.

Hardy County was less than \$10,000 short of its goal of \$101,000 for the Sixth War Fund Drive.

Lt. Leonard Paul Mathias was awarded the Navy Air Medal, the Navy Cross and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was nationally mentioned as one of the Navy’s outstanding pilots. He was credited with scoring a hit on an enemy

find in Big House. Mom kept a bunch of Sears catalogs. She piled a few in bottom of a storage cabinet in the “end room”. This one is dated 1967, I was in West Virginia University, not bailing off any school bus to get it, but likely looking it over pretty closely when I got home on occasional weekends.

Kids today no longer have Sears Christmas wish book, to look forward to. They have Amazon. Still, that wish book was a great Christmas excitement jump starter and I miss it.

No Moorefield Examiner next week since Christmas falls on publication day. No gifts or Amazon cards to pass out to you folks, my readers, so you’ll have to settle for this column and my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



carrier, sinking two Japanese cargo vessels and a Japanese destroyer. Lt. Mathias was a former teacher in Mathias.

Pvt. Raymond Teets had been missing in action since Nov. 13.

Capt. Dolan S. Ritchie, 28, drowned on Ceylon Island, Nov. 25...Carrie Stultz, 56, Nokesville, VA, died Nov. 15...Mabel Lowry Wilkins, 28, Falls Church, died Dec. 14 in Woodstock...Catherine Gent Bay died Nov. 13...the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cline, Wardensville, died Dec. 13.

Mary Virginia Barb and Pvt. Roosevelt Reynolds were married Dec. 13.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Austin Heishman, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wilkins, a son, Gary Curtis.

Moorefield defeated Mathias 55-15.

Ninety Years Ago
December 19, 1929

R. C. May of Mathias had been appointed a county commissioner to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Godlove.

The Council had purchased and installed a new curtain on the stage of Inskeep Hall, in place of the one destroyed several months earlier. Other equipment for the stage purchased by Mrs. Hinkle had also been installed.

P. W. Inskeep had resigned from the Board of Directors of the South Branch Valley National Bank. W. N. Welton was appointed to fill the vacancy until the January election.

Robert Stallings of Maysville had accepted a position as bookkeeper at the Atlantic Flour Mills here.

The Mose Sherman family of Old Fields had reported six cases of typhoid fever. All were getting along.

Susan Burns McNeill, 77, had died at her home.

Grace A. Miller and Elbert H. Davidson were married.



found at ready.gov/car

Other information is available from the AAA senior driving website: <https://seniordriving.aaa.com>

Merry Christmas

We almost forgot . . . the Winter Solstice arrives Saturday, Dec. 21 at 11:19 a.m. That’s the shortest day and longest night of the year. But then each day a few more minutes are added to daylight and the days begin to be a little longer.

Happy New Year

With that, we’ll wish you a wonderful Christmas. There won’t be an Examiner on the 25th, but we’ll be back the first of the year

Remember Christmas?

The following editorial has been published in the Examiner a number of times. We feel it is still relevant, in fact, possibly more so than when first printed. We keep hoping we will all remember the real reason for this holiday.

It’s marked in red on the calendar, an annual event on December 25. It’s not just one day, but a whole season generally beginning with Thanksgiving. Obvious signs are found in stores with decorated windows and displays. Cities string colored lights in profusion and huge evergreen trees are erected in parks and on civic plazas.

The air waves are filled with seasonal music -- “Santa Baby” and “All I want for Christmas” and sometimes an Old English carol or religious hymn is heard. Television treats its glassy-eyed viewers to elaborate specials and most advertising takes on the holiday theme.

Street corners sport part-time Santas. Magazines feature ideas for festive food and gift wrappings and homemade decorations. Millions of greeting cards are sent in once-a-year communications and mailmen stagger under the weight of packages.

Remember Christmas?

There was 1941 (for this country at least) when we found ourselves involved in the great world conflict. Or 1929 when high living plunged us into the great economic crash. The holiday seasons weren’t quite so joyous during those years, and the following ones weren’t much better.

We might go back even further -- back to the year 753 of Rome (so dated by the monk Dionysius Exiguus, though later scholars changed the date to 1 A.D.) December 25 of that year was noteworthy on several accounts. The Middle East was torn by internal strife and monarchs demanding high taxes from an already poor population. Some astronomers recorded the appearance of an unusually bright star. And the rural regions of Judea were awed by the presence of three wealthy scholars who queried them about the birth of a king.

Remember Christmas?

That was when it all started. A Babe born in a barn. A Child whose very existence brought fear into the hearts of powerful men and hope for the masses. His life was to be devoted to teaching and healing. His death would be violent.

This man-child would be followed by traitors, doubters and fanatics, as well as scholars, tradesmen and slaves. He would bring light to the world, words to the deaf and faith to the hopeless.

His name would be despised by some and exalted by others. He would be called an opportunist, a phony, and a myth, as well as a martyr, a prophet and a savior.

Remember Christmas?

Two thousand years ago a Child was born. Today the Christian world recognizes that event and celebrates the memory on December 25. And somewhere under all the glitter and glow of the festivities there does lie a deeper meaning.

Do you remember Christmas?

From our house to yours, we send holiday greetings filled with warmth and good will.

We thank all of you for your support as subscribers, as advertisers and as our readers and contributors.

From all of us at the Moorefield Examiner, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Phoebe and David Heishman

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News

West Virginia Agency Wants to Trim Graduation Requirements

(AP) - The West Virginia Board of Education is once again trying to reduce high school graduation requirements.

News outlets report the board voted Wednesday to open two proposals to public comment until Jan. 24. One such proposal involves lessening the number of social studies credits required to graduate. It would essentially require students study all of U.S. history in one course instead of two and reduces the number of required social students credits from four to three.

The policy was previously proposed and abandoned after officials said public comments were overwhelming against the change. The board and Department of

Education have pushed for the single course known as U.S. Studies Comprehensive since at least 2016. Previously, students had to take a course that covered U.S. history up to World War I and then another course that covered material left out of that course.

“What we found in our social studies curriculum is, we teach the same concepts a couple of different times in the sequence of courses,” schools Superintendent Steve Paine said Wednesday.

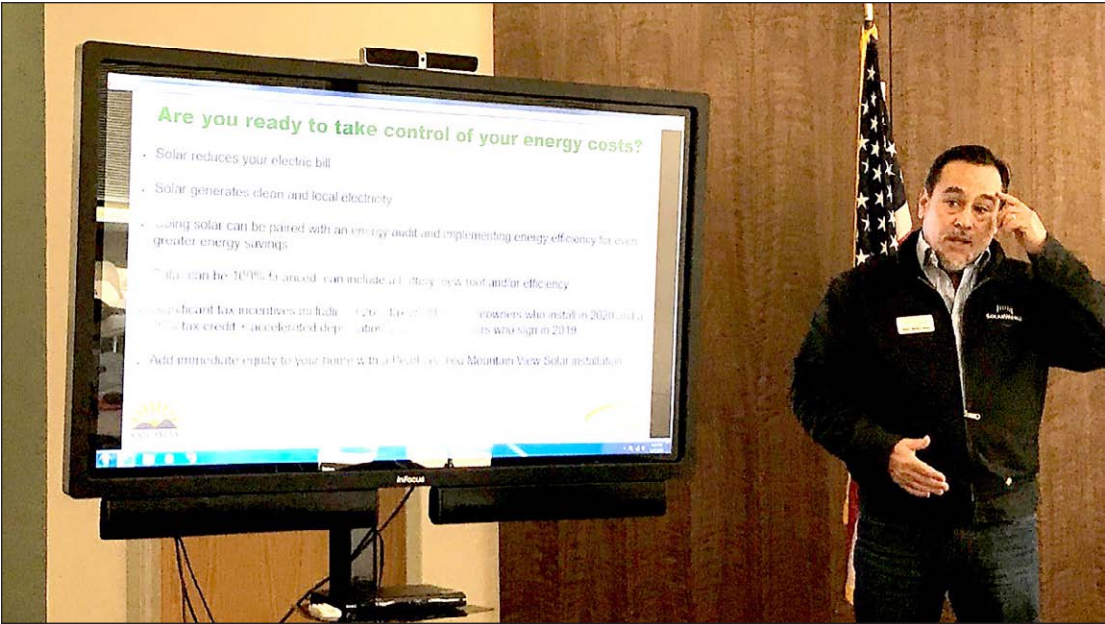
The proposal also would nix the current requirement that students take a world studies course and would allow students to take other social studies classes to replace the currently required civics course. The same proposal would also

stop requiring counties to offer economics and geography, in addition to offering the two courses summarized in U.S. Studies Comprehensive.

The other proposal requires middle schools to offer career exploration opportunities, including courses, field trips, mentors and guest speakers. It also would require full-time virtual school programs be offered for grades 6 through 12.

Exposing students to career and technical education in high school won't be enough to “fill the pipeline” with the level of skilled workers needed in the state, said David Perry, the president of the state Board of Education.

Eastern Hosts Solar Summit



Mike McKechnie of Mountain View Solar explains the benefits of converting to solar energy.

The Eastern WV Community and Technical College is making solar power a priority. Sustainable energy solutions are important to Eastern, as the college has a great wind energy program. Now, Eastern is delving into various solar projects.

The college has had a small ground mounted solar panel display and solar powered lights were recently installed in the new parking lot. In addition, a solar powered electric car charging station is currently under construction.

Since solar panels have become more affordable for residents and business owners, Eastern developed a one day program called Solar on the Farm. This session was held on Saturday, Dec. 7 and was an informational event for homeowners, business owners, and agricultural producers.

Because of the net metering program in West Virginia, local consumers who have solar panel systems can connect that energy source to the electricity grid. This program enables most residents with a solar panel system to gain

energy credit on their electric bill for the energy produced.

For example, when the system produces more energy than it is using, which is likely during the summer, the consumer can use that energy credit when the system is producing less energy, as during the winter.

At the Solar on the Farm program, solar energy representative, Mike McKechnie, with Mountain View Solar, LLC, explained this process and also indicated significant federal tax incentives and grant opportunities.

One grant opportunity used for alternative energy application is the USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP), which is applicable for business owners, including farmers.

Jesse Gandee, with the USDA Rural Development Program, presented at the session and discussed the REAP in detail, indicating that business owners may be able to get up to 25 percent of their solar system reimbursed through this grant.

Danny Chiotos, with Vandalia Energy Services, then provided in-

formation on his consulting services. Danny works closely with Mountain View Solar, by helping clients with the REAP grant writing process and walking consumers through the initial process of solar installation logistics.

A local poultry producer, Ward Malcolm, also discussed his solar panel system, including energy savings and the REAP grant benefits. Ward mentioned he was awarded the REAP grant over five years ago and it helped him tremendously in making the project financially feasible.

In closing, as solar energy continues to grow, McKechnie said his company is in serious need of solar technicians. Seeing this workforce need, Eastern administrators plan to continue to discuss with industry partners about the possibility of a solar program at the college. Consumers interested in getting a free quote on a solar panel system can contact Danny Chiotos directly at 304-886-3389 or at <https://www.vandaliaenergyservices.com/>.

Fall Turkey Hunters Harvest Slightly Down from Last Year

West Virginia turkey hunters harvested 1,113 birds during the fall season, according to preliminary figures provided by the Division of Natural Resources.

“As reported in the 2019 West Virginia Mast Survey and Hunter Outlook, this year’s wild turkey brood observations were down slightly from last year, and we predicted the fall turkey harvest would also be lower,” said Mike Peters, DNR game bird biologist.

This year’s fall turkey harvest is only 8% below the 2018 season and the 10-year average. The num-

ber of birds harvested this year is on par with a typical fall season. Another contributing factor to this year’s fall turkey harvest relates to mast conditions, which were slightly above the long-term average.

“Good mast conditions can disperse birds across the landscape and make it more difficult for hunters to harvest a bird,” noted Peters.

“This is the fourth year all 55 counties had at least a one-week season and the second year that Sunday hunting was permitted in all 55 counties on both private and

public land,” Peters said. “This increase in opportunity seems to be having little impact on our wild turkey populations.”

Leading the state was Greenbrier County with hunters harvesting 65 birds, followed by Randolph (61), Upshur (59), Monroe (56), and Nicholas County (51). All of these counties had a four-week season, except Upshur County which had a two-week season. District 3 harvested 284 birds, followed by District 4 (248), District 1 (186), District 6 (151), District 2 (130) and District 5 (114).

West Virginia Residents Head to Canada to Find Affordable Insulin

(AP) - A group of West Virginians left the country Sunday in search of affordable insulin _ they went to Canada, where insulin prices are reported to be about a tenth of what it costs people in the United States.

Across the border, no prescription is even necessary to purchase the life-saving medication, The Charleston Gazette-Mail reports. State data says about 15% of West Virginians rely on insulin. The nonprofit Health Care Cost Institute says insulin cost a person with Type 1 diabetes about \$6,000 in 2016, and prices have only increased since then, making it difficult for even insured people to afford it.

“Insulin isn’t something you can go without, or skip when you can’t afford it,” said Tammy Owen, a volunteer with the West Virginia Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and whose son lives with Type 1 diabetes. “For someone with diabetes, it’s like air. Like water. It’s a basic need, and there are barriers in place that make it inaccessible for many.”

The trip from Morgantown was organized by state health care activists and supported by delegates Barbara Fleischauer, D-Monongalia, and Jordan Hill, R-Nicholas. Fleischauer said their caravan has held news conferences around the state, where they’ve heard about ever-increasing copays for insulin

prescriptions.

“It is really shocking how much some people, especially Type 1 diabetics, are having to pay for life-saving medicine. I do not use the word shocking often, but hearing these personal stories has really affected me,” Fleischauer said in an email.

She plans to introduce a bill next year to cap insulin prescription copays. Such legislation already has passed in Colorado. This isn’t the first such excursion to find affordable medication and showcase the failings of the U.S. health care system. Each seat on this trip cost \$100, though individuals with diabetes didn’t have to pay, thanks to donations and scholarships.

Hunters Harvested 36,796 Bucks During the Traditional Firearm Season

Preliminary data collected from the electronic game checking system indicates that deer hunters in West Virginia harvested 36,796 antlered deer during the two-week buck firearms season, which ran from Nov. 25 through Dec. 7, 2019.

The 2019 harvest was 17 percent below that of the 2018 harvest. The top 10 counties for buck harvest were: Greenbrier (1,511), Preston (1,407), Randolph (1,382), Ritchie (1,244), Hampshire (1,239), Braxton (1,152), Upshur (1,146), Hardy (1,020), Monroe (1,000), and Pendleton (990).

“The harvest during the 2019 traditional buck firearm season was expected to be similar to that of last year; however, the southwestern region of the state had

heavy oak mast conditions, which appeared to have significantly decreased the harvest in that region,” noted Gary Foster, assistant chief of Game Management. “This year’s buck season also opened later and further from the peak of “rut,” which may have contributed to the reduced harvest.”

Deer hunters have several days of opportunity left this year, including the remainder of the archery and crossbow seasons, which run through Dec. 31. The traditional Class N/NN antlerless deer season in selected counties or portions of counties on both public and private land opened on Dec. 12 and will run through Dec. 15. Muzzleloader deer season will open Dec. 16 and remain open through Dec.

22. The Youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS deer season for antlerless deer will be open Dec. 26-27 in any county with a firearms deer season. This will be followed by the reopening of Class N/NN antlerless deer season on Dec. 28-31 in specified counties or portions of counties.

In addition, the primitive weapons “Mountaineer Heritage Season” will be open from Jan. 9-12, 2020.

Refer to the 2019–2020 Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary or visit the DNR website at www.wvdnr.gov for additional details, as well as county and area listings.

News Briefs

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Moorefield on Friday, January 10. Donors will be taken at the Moorefield Church of the Brethren at 115 Clay Street from 12:30 until 6 p.m. Both Power Red and whole blood donations will be taken. Power Red donors must meet specific eligibility requirements and have type A Neg, B Neg or O blood. The Red Cross is reminding donors of the need, so please consider the gift of life.

Attorneys general from 18 states are urging the U.S. Supreme Court to allow construction of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline to continue. West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey said his office will lead the coalition. A friend of the court brief scheduled to be filed Dec. 9 argues that the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Virginia, erred when it ruled last December that the U.S.

Forest Service lacked authority to grant the pipeline rights of way across the Appalachian Trail and through the George Washington and Monongahela National Forests.

Natural resources police in West Virginia are investigating cases of illegally killed deer and timber theft in Randolph County. A group of officers have investigated citizen complaints related to the il-

legal killing of deer over the past month in the rural county, according to a news release on the West Virginia Natural Resources Police’s page on Facebook. Anyone who cuts and sells timber in West Virginia must be licensed or have filed for an exemption.

According to AAA last week, the average gas price in West Virginia was at \$2.545. Nationally the average price was at \$2.573. Com-

pared to a month ago and a week ago, motorists in the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast states are seeing mostly cheaper gas prices. In the region, gas prices range from \$2.76 in Pennsylvania to \$2.30 in Virginia. Across West Virginia, prices ranged from a low of \$2.490 in Huntington to a high of \$2.609 at Weirton. Area averages were \$2.643 in Jefferson, \$2.689 in Hampshire, and \$2.583 in Mineral counties. Prices in Hardy County

were \$2.59 in Wardensville and Moorefield and 2.69 in Baker and Mathias.

Motorists can find current gas prices with the free AAA Mobile app for iPhone, iPad and Android. The app can also be used to map a route, find discounts, book a hotel and access AAA roadside assistance. Learn more at AAA.com/mobile.

Community News

Flu Shots

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

Mobile Office

Members of Congressman Mooney’s staff will be in Wardensville on Tuesday, Dec. 17, from 1 - 2 p.m. to meet with constituents who may be having problems with a federal agency. They will be at the Wardensville Town Hall, 25 Warrior Way. They ask that constituents bring cop-

ies of documentation related to their issues.

Live Nativity

There will be a live Nativity at the Rig Community Center, Friday, Dec. 20, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. There will be music, free food, hotdogs with chili, cookies, hot chocolate and animals for the children to pet.

Food School

The Hardy County Health Department will offer Food School on Monday, Jan. 6, 2020 at 9 a.m. at the Health Dept., 411 Spring Ave. in Moorefield. Classes are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will be no evening class

in January and no Food School in February.

For questions, call 304-530-6355.

Free Classes

Earn your WV High School Equivalency diploma. Prepare for college and careers. Call Hardy County Adult Education at 304-434-8000, Ext. 9234.

Spay and Neuter

Christmas time -- Get the cat and dog spayed or neutered. Spay Today is our area’s non-profit, reduced priced spay and neuter program. The office is in Charles Town, W.Va. Many participating vets over a wide area. Gift certificates available

-- buy now, use later! Spay Today: <https://spay-today.org> or 304-728-8330.

Community Lunches

Community Luncheon is served each Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Duffey United Methodist Church.

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Meals are provided by community churches and everyone is welcome

Hardy County Public Meeting Schedule

• Hardy County Commission -

First Tuesday of each month - 9 a.m. Hardy County Courthouse

- Hardy County Board of Education - First and Third Monday of each month - 5 p.m. Hardy County Board Office, 510 Ashby Ave. Moorefield
- Wardensville Town Council - Second Monday of each month - 6:30 p.m. - Conference and Visitors Center, Main Street, Wardensville
- Moorefield Town Council - First and Third Tuesdays of each month - 7 p.m. Inskeep Hall, 206 Winchester Ave., Moorefield.
- Hardy County Planning Commission - First Tuesday of each month - 7 p.m. Planning Office, Hardy County Courthouse,

Lower Level

- Hardy County Public Service District - First Wednesday of each month - 4 p.m. PSD Office, 2094 U.S. 220 South, Moorefield
- Hardy County Ambulance Authority - Second Wednesday of each month - 6:30 p.m. alternates between Moorefield 911 Center and Baker building.
- Hardy County Rural Development Authority - Does not publish a regular schedule of meetings. RDA Office, 223 N. Main St., Suite 102, Moorefield

Meeting schedules may change because of holidays or other events. Please check with the agency to verify the meeting will be held as planned.

SCHOOL NEWS

Strawderman Receives American Flags for Veterans Graves

William Strawderman has a strong interest in history and the military. When he was in 5th grade, he asked the Lost River VFW if he could help place American flags on veterans' graves for Veterans Day. Of course, they welcomed the help and gave him flags to place on graves in Greenwood Cemetery, just outside of Mathias. He's been doing it ever since.

"He has it down to an art," said Jennifer Strawderman, William's Mother. "He has kind-of mapped out the cemetery and knows where they go."

At an awards assembly at East Hardy High School, Army Veteran Ted Harvey and his wife, Toni, presented William with American flags to place on the graves.

The community appreciates William's dedication to those who made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom.

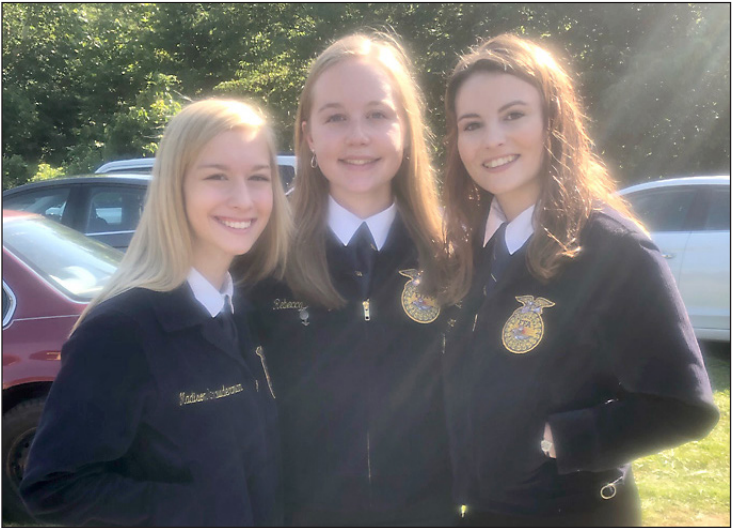


Mathias residents Toni and Ted Harvey present William Strawderman with American flags.

East Hardy High School Honored at State Convention

On July 13, 2019, three East Hardy FFA members received their State FFA Degree at the 91st West Virginia State FFA Convention held at Cedar Lakes Conference Center, Ripley, WV. Those members were Madison Strawderman, Rebecca Whetzel, and Emily Yates. This is the highest degree a state can confer on a member. Congratulations to these young agriculturists and future leaders!

Not pictured is Dillon Miller. Dillon competed in the State Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest. He represented the Eastern Region where he took first place back in March of 2019.



STEM Festival Accepting Proposals

The Mineral County STEM Network will host the 8th Annual Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Festival for area students and parents. The event will be on Saturday, March 28 from Noon - 4:00 p.m. at WVU Potomac State College, Keyser Campus.

Proposal are easy to submit on line and they are due February 1. Spaces fill up, so be sure to submit by the deadline at <http://mineral-stem.com/SpeakerApp.php>.

The mission of the festival is to re-invigorate the interest of our youth in STEM activities and careers by producing and presenting compelling, exciting, educational and entertaining science gatherings. Business, industry and organizations are encouraged to participate by providing a hands-on STEM activities that stimulate interest and inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers. Presentations are needed that appeal to all levels: elementary, middle and high school.

If you have questions about the proposals contact Andrea Schaefer agschafer@mail.wvu.edu at 304-788-7133.

Two EHHS Nominees Receive American FFA Degrees



Pictured is Leanna Basye. Brett Tharp is not pictured.

The East Hardy FFA Chapter had two candidates for the American FFA Degree. On Saturday November 1st, at the 92nd National FFA Convention & Expo, Leanna Basye and Brett Tharp received

their American FFA Degree. This is the highest FFA degree a member can achieve. The East Hardy FFA Chapter is proud of Leanna and Brett for this accomplishment.

MIS Recognized October Leaders



Pictured left to right: Mrs. Champ, Lillie Taylor, Emily Haggerty, Madalyn Ketterman, Kelly Williams

Congratulations to the October Leaders of the Month. The South Branch Cinema 6, South Branch Potomac Lanes

and the Old Fields Country Store provide movie passes, bowling passes and free ice cream cones to the Students, Teachers, Service

Persons and Bus Drivers of the Month. The Hardy County Public Schools appreciate their support.

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AT THE LIBRARY

CLOSED for the Holidays

The Hardy County Public Library will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24 and Wednesday, Dec. 25 for the Christmas holiday. We will also be closed Wednesday, Jan. 1 for the New Year's holiday. Everyone have a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Food (and Other Stuff) for Fines Drive

Continuing until Dec. 31, library patrons can lower - or completely erase - their library LATE FEES

by donating non-perishable food items or personal hygiene products to the library's Food (and Other Stuff) for Fines Drive. For each non-perishable food item or personal hygiene product donated, we will waive \$1 of eligible fines from your account.

Outstanding library items must be returned and donations brought to the library circulation desk before any fines can be forgiven.

All donations will go to a local food pantry within Hardy County.

*The expiration date on food

items must be at least 1 year (e.g. if today is December 1st, 2019, food donations must be date-stamped December 1st, 2020 at minimum)

*Examples of food items: Canned soups, canned vegetables, canned fruits, juices, dried or canned beans, hot or cold cereals, canned meats, rice or pasta, peanut butter and other spreads, jellies, etc.

*Examples of personal hygiene products: toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrush, floss, mouthwash, deodorant, lotion, shampoo, condi-

tioner, feminine hygiene products, diapers, baby wipes, etc.

*Items of more value will warrant a greater reduction in late fees. The amount waived will be left to the discretion of staff at the time of the donation.

Wipe out those overdue fines by donating items that will help restock our local food pantries and lend a helping hand to someone in need.

New Non-Fiction

The Power of Favor: The Force That Will Take You Where You Can't Go on Your Own by Joel Osteen – Osteen teaches how declaring God's love will bless you with favor and fulfillment.

Leadership in War: Essential Lessons from Those Who Made History by Andrew Roberts – Taking readers from the French Revolution to the Cold War, Roberts presents a bracingly honest and deeply insightful look at nine major figures in modern history: Napoleon Bonaparte, Winston Churchill, Ad-

olf Hitler, Joseph Stalin, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Charles de Gaulle, Horatio Nelson, Margaret Thatcher, and George Marshall.

Free, Melania: The Unauthorized Biography by Kate Bennett – Bennett presents a behind-the-scenes look at the life of the most enigmatic First Lady in U.S. history.

Call Sign Chaos: Learning to Lead by Jim Mattis – General Jim Mattis, former Secretary of Defense, presents an account on learning how to lead in a chaotic world.

PSD Approves Bids

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The Hardy County Public Service District Board of Directors approved the engineers' recommendations to accept the low bid contractors for those projects at their meeting held on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

Bids for the water line extension projects, as well as those for the upgrades to the Baker water treatment plant were opened on Nov. 14 and the low bids were approved by project engineers at Thrasher Engineering prior to the board meeting. Chojnacki Construction, of Hamlin, was chosen for the water line extensions. The project cost is \$990,490.

"The project includes public water service to Dover Hollow, Ft. Run and Killdeer Lane," said PSD Executive Director Logan Moyers. "It also includes upgrading the water line on Trough Road from a 4-inch line to an 8-inch line to provide fire protection. And we

will replace an existing 4-inch line on Trout Run Road. It's only 2,500 feet, but we've had more leaks on that 2,500 feet than the rest of the PSD's 100-miles of lines."

Breckenridge Corporation, of Buckhannon, will install an ion-exchange system at the Baker water treatment facility. The system, manufactured by MIEX, will reduce the amount of disinfection by-products currently in the treated water.

DBPs are produced when organic matter comes in contact with chlorine. The organic matter in the source water in the Parker Hollow Lake is significantly higher than normal.

While the DBPs are not a health hazard, the levels are higher than recommended by the West Virginia Bureau of Health.

"We will purchase the system from MIEX," Moyers said. "Breckenridge will install it and do all the plumbing. They will also construct a building to house the system."

Moyers said, in addition, Breck-

enridge will improve the aeration system in the clear well at the Baker facility and will install an aeration system in the Parker Hollow water tank.

"Aeration helps evacuate one of the DBPs," he said. "It's just another part of our efforts to resolve the DBP issues."

Moyers said resolving the DBP issues will help the PSD improve the water treatment process.

"First of all, we will use a lot less chemicals," he said. "Our guys work hard to find the optimum water quality every day. It changes every day and throughout the day. We have to monitor it and treat the water accordingly."

On a side note - Moyers said Breckenridge Corporation was the company that originally built the Baker water treatment facility in 2011. "It will be nice to work with them again," he said.

Moyers said he expects construction to begin on the two projects in March. The USDA requires a 90-

day bid hold, so the contracts cannot be formally awarded until February. "We will award the contracts and close on the loan then," he said.

Both contracts have five-month lead times, so the PSD expects to be operational by the Fall of 2020.

"Of course, weather is an issue, but Spring is probably the best time of year to start a construction project," Moyers said. "Both contracts have liquidated damage clauses if the contractors don't meet the schedule."

The PSD Board also approved Thrasher to act as resident project representatives or construction managers. "They will be our eyes and ears during the day to day operation," Moyers said.

PSD Facility

Thrasher Engineering has completed the design stage of the the proposed PSD facility and is currently updating plans.

The PSD office and shop/garage were damaged in a flooding event

in June 2016. They have since been operating in a portable office on the premises.

Rather than rebuild on the site, which is prone to flooding, the PSD is pursuing a recommendation by the Hardy County Commission to build on an empty lot in the Robert C. Byrd Industrial Park.

Since the PSD is using grant funds provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA is overseeing the design and construction of the new facility.

"FEMA said we needed an environmental assessment, which would be very costly for us," Moyers said. "FEMA said they would do the environmental assessment at no charge to us. The only downside is that it could take a year to get it done. We can't put the project out for bid until the assessment is done."

Moyers said, since the lot is located in an existing industrial park, the assessment shouldn't take that long.

"If we miss our deadline for using the funds because of FEMA, they will extend the deadlines," he said.

The PSD has until July 2022 to expend the funds from the grant.

In the meantime, the PSD, and Thrasher, are compiling bid documents so they will be ready when the environmental assessment is completed.

The new facility will not entail any increase in rates to customers.

"We have the funds from FEMA and we have been setting aside money for a new facility since day-one," Moyers said. "We may have to take out a loan through a local bank, but it won't require that we raise rates."

The next meeting of the Hardy County Public Service District is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 8 2020 beginning at 4:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the PSD office, 2094 U.S. Route 220 South in Moorefield. The public is invited to attend.

Eastern College Receives Over \$200,000

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and expand market opportunities for farm operations. As part of the program implementation, \$285,805 will be used to develop a Potomac Highlands Food Co-Op.

"Eastern is honored to be selected for the LFPP grant," said Dr. Chuck Terrell, President of Eastern WVCTC. "The Potomac Highlands Food Co-Op seeks to not only meet the demands of the growing agriculture industry in West Virginia but will also provide an opportunity for our Agribusi-

ness students to have hands-on experience outside of the classroom. We are also thrilled that this grant will allow us to provide valuable resources including coordination and educational opportunities for our regional farmers and growers as we work to increase and improve the market for our region of West Virginia."

This project seeks to develop a local farm products co-operative to operate in the Potomac Highlands of West Virginia. The goal is to select the right co-operative model based on needs and re-

sources available, develop member educational and business support services, and start operation of the co-operative by year three of the project.

The LFPP program will strengthen the local food system on a number of levels including building a solid collective sales, marketing and distribution system while providing the resources, training and coaching needed for the Ag community.

The LFPP will be used to establish a new local and regional food business enterprise. A Food Co-

op Coordinator will be recruited in 2020 to lead and manage grant activities. For more information about this project, call Eastern at 304-434-8000 for Dr. Megan Webb, Dean of Advancement and Innovation. To learn more about Eastern's Workforce Opportunity Regional Center contact Dr. Chuck Terrell, President, at (304) 434-8000 ext. 9230.

For more information about Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's financial aid opportunities, programs of study, workforce training and com-

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JAKE LEVI HAWSE

Jake Levi Hawse, 36, of Yellow Spring, W.Va. died on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 in Frederick County, VA.

Jake was born on December 28, 1982 in Winchester, Va., the son of Richard A. and Dian Spaid Hawse of Yellow Spring, W.Va.. Jake was a carpenter by trade, enjoyed hunting, basketball, soccer and riding 4 wheelers.

Surviving along with his par-

ents are three daughters: Madison J. & Cheyanne W. Hawse both of Augusta, W.Va.; Lettie S. Clark of Romney, W.Va. and two brothers: Jeremy A. and Joall C. Hawse both of Yellow Spring, W.Va..

A funeral was held at the Giffin Funeral Home & Crematory in Capon Bridge, W.Va. on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. Officiating was Pastor Alanna McGuinn. Inurnment was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Madison & Cheyanne Hawse Education Fund, C/O Capon Valley Bank, PO Box 124, Gore, VA 22637.

To view Jake's tribute wall, please visit www.giffinfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Loy-Giffin Funeral Home & Crematory.



WILDA PAULINE PHEBUS

Wilda Pauline Phebus, 93, of Baker, W.Va. died on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at her home.

Mrs. Phebus was born on April 24, 1926 in Baker W.Va., the daughter of the late Leo and Cora Dell Miller Smith. She was a cook at Hardy County Schools for 18 years and 4-H camp, also a lifelong resident of Hardy County. She was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church where she enjoyed singing in the church choir. She was a fifty plus year member of the Arkansas CEO's. She was a homemaker, poll worker, enjoyed gardening, canning, baking, and the simple things in life such as nature (flow-

ers, birds, etc.). She enjoyed visiting people and taking them to the store or to appointments.

Mrs. Phebus married Robert A. Phebus on October 6, 1951 in Arkansas, W.Va. Mr. Phebus preceded her in death on March 24, 1970.

Surviving is a son: Richard Phebus (Kathy) of Baker, W.Va.; a daughter: Peggy Phebus of Baker, W.Va.; two grandchildren: Richard Phebus Jr. (Angelia) of Idaho and Amy Phebus of Baker W.Va.; two great-grandchildren: Cassandra Phebus and Wyatt Phebus; and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Phebus is preceded in death by two brothers: Roy H. Smith and

Lyle "Jet" Smith; five sisters: Essie Funkhouser, Florence Smith, Fucia Smith, Effie Bowman and Marie Snyder.

A funeral service was held at the Zion Lutheran Church on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 11 a.m. Officiating was Pastor Gary Koontz. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Zion Lutheran Church, PO Box 225 Baker, W.Va. 26801 or Hardy County Committee on Aging, 409 Spring Ave PO Box 632 Moorefield, W.Va. 26836.



MARY JANE BENSENHAVER

Mary Jane Bensenhaver, age 82 of Petersburg, W.Va. formerly of Daleville, Ala., passed away Tuesday morning, December 10, 2019 at the Grant Rehabilitation & Care Center in Petersburg, W.Va. Born on July 17, 1937 in Petersburg, W.Va., she was a daughter of the late Bryan Franklin Mitchell, Sr. and Jane Brattain Mitchell. She was preceded in death by a grandson, Adam Gemmell and two brothers, Robert Mitchell and Bryan Mitchell.

She was a 1955 graduate of Petersburg High School and a graduate of the now Charleston Univer-

sity with a degree in Social Studies with a math minor. She taught schools all over Ohio and West Virginia. Not to be considered a mild manor teacher, Mary Jane would be considered a muscle car enthusiast. Over the years she owned a 1965 Ford Mustang Convertible, a 1970 Pontiac GTO and a 2004 Pontiac GTO, all with a standard 4 on the floor transmissions and V-8 engines. She enjoyed sport fishing on the Chesapeake Bay with her family, made the greatest cookies and relaxed by crocheting and knitting.

Surviving is her husband Donnie Lee Bensenhaver whom she mar-

ried on September 24, 1965; two sons, James R. (Jacqueline) Gemmell of Pensacola, Fla. and Thomas (Sandra) Gemmell of Smithton, Pa.; grandchildren, Chris Gemmell, Heather Gemmell and Andrea Gemmell; a special neighbor kid that Donnie adopted/mentored, Walter (Michelle) Markivas of Fayetteville, N.C. and a sister, Betty Lu (Allen) Heimbald of Sun City, Fla. along with numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

Funeral Services were conducted 2:00 p.m. Sunday, December 15, 2019 at the Fraley Funeral

Home Chapel, 107 Washington Street with Pastor Brad Taylor as officiant. Interment followed at the Newhouse Cemetery.

Memorials in her honor may be directed to the Petersburg High School Scholarship Fund, c/o Lois Carr, 207 Viking Drive, Petersburg, WV 26847 or to the charity of donor's choice. Condolences, shared memories and photos may be left on Mary Jane's Tribute Wall at www.fraleyfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Fraley Funeral Home.

DERRICK MICHAEL SMITH

Derrick Michael Smith, 34, of Baker, W.Va. passed away on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at his residence.

Born on July 7, 1986 in Harrisonburg, Va., he was the son of Randy L. Smith and Denece P. Buckler.

He was a graduate of East Hardy High School and worked as a mechanic.

Along with his parents, he is survived by a sister, Elisha Pepperman (Dexter) of KY, his children, Aden Smith and Briell Smith of Warrenton, paternal grandmother,

Catherine Smith of Baker, niece Kylie Pepperman and nephew Kasen Pepperman.

Funeral services were held on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, Baker, W.Va. with Pastor Gary Koontz and Pastor Anthony Offitt officiating. Interment was in Zion Cemetery, Baker, W.Va..

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the funeral home to help with funeral expenses.

All arrangements are being handled by McKee Funeral Home, Baker, W.Va.

MAE SEE MONGOLD CORRAL

Mae M. See Mongold Corral, of Timberville, Va. passed away December 12, 2019 at Accordius at Harrisonburg.

She was born January 10, 1923 in Mathias, W.Va. and was a daughter of the late Frank M. and Pammie A. Sirk See.

Mae worked at Walker, Shenandoah Valley Meat Packers, and Evergreen Florist. She was a member of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Harrisonburg. She was a member of VFW Auxiliary Post 9660, Broadway-Timberville Senior Citizens, and Senior Live Dance Group.

Surviving are her children, Mildred F. Branner (Robert N.) of New Market, Frederick L. Mongold (Victoria H.) of Fulks Run, Betty Lou Mongold of Timberville, and L. Lefue Mongold (Cynthia A.) of Broadway; six grandchildren; Gregory A. Branner (Anna) of Fredericksburg, Va., Keith B. Branner of New Market, Austin C. Garber II (Melissa) of Broadway, Travis L. Mongold of Broadway, Janea L. Tusing (B.J.) of Tim-

berville, and Britney J. Mongold of Fulks Run; nine great-grandchildren; a brother, Connie R. See (Emily) of Ocala, Fla. Also surviving are three step-children, Rosa Bare of Harrisonburg, Humberto Corral of Timberville, and Alicia Clark (Keith) of Broadway; eight step-grandchildren; two special nephews, Curtis and Stephen See.

Mae was preceded in death by one brother, C. Brown See; one sister, Rethie Strawderman; and one step-son, Guerrero Corral.

Pastor Angela Dunn conducted a graveside service 2:00 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, 2019 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Cemetery near Timberville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Broadway Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 666, Broadway, VA 22815.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.grandlefuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Grandle Funeral Home in Broadway, Va.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

A Howell game was played on Wednesday, December 11 with four tables in play in the South Branch Duplicate Bridge Club held at Colts Restaurant. There were eight pairs playing 28 boards with an average match-point score of 42.

Overall winners were: Sandra

Evans and Joe Fisher, 54 1/2; Lary Garrett and Bruce Leslie, 47 1/2; Jimi Kimble and Steve Kimble, 44 1/2; and John Childs and Buddy Webster, 44.

The Bridge Club meets each Wednesday at Colt's Restaurant beginning at 7 p.m.

A Heartfelt Thank You

The family of Steven Wilson wishes to express their sincere thanks to all those who visited with him at the EA Hawse Nursing Home during his stay, who sent cards at special times and who made his day a bit brighter by being there when needed. A special thanks to ALL the staff at the nursing home for the excellent care Steve received while living there. Much appreciation goes to the nurses and CNA staff who remained patient when he was not. Also, a special thanks to John Elmore for not only being a friend to Steve but also for making sure all Steve's wishes for his funeral were followed. And to all his EHHS staff who never forgot his generosity to them and to the students, may you always be blessed with love and kindness.

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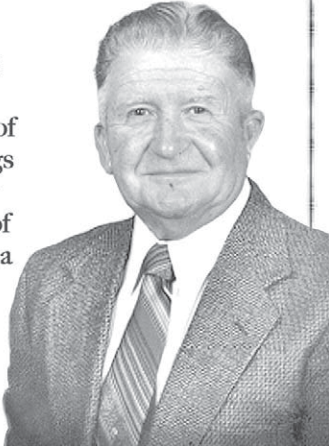
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Canyon Rim Visitor Center in Lansing will remain open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. but will be closed on Christmas and New Year's days.

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ing.

Every Tuesday

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No Moorefield Examiner edition the week of Christmas

The next edition will be published January 1, 2020

The Moorefield Examiner will be closed Dec. 24 & 25 for Christmas and Jan. 1, 2020 for New Year's Day

Wadensville Adds

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a state program that would enable Wadensville to take credit card payments for water, sewer and other charges.

“The service, called L.Gov, allows local governments to take credit card payments online,” he said. “We would help build a payment page on your website. The customers can just go to your website to access the page.”

Wardensville Mayor Betsy Orndoff-Sayers said the town was still in the process of producing a website.

Triplet said the town could also purchase a credit card machine to process payments in house.

“They range in cost from \$150 to \$1,500,” he said. “It depends of the level of sophistication.”

Funds collected by credit card on the website are deposited into the state’s investment account. Triplet said the system generates reports daily.

“You can withdraw them daily,” he said. “You can also access an FTP site to see who has paid.”

There is a 2.25 percent fee which could be billed directly to the customer or billed to the town monthly.

The State Treasurer’s office also offers lockbox services in Charleston. Customers can send payments, via check or money order, to a post office box. The Treasurer’s office retrieves the checks and processes them to the town’s account. The only cost involved is the cost of the P.O. Box at the Charleston Post Office. Triplet did not know the cost.

Councilwoman Charlotte Bowman asked how the water meter readings get to the customer’s account.

“You can just send it,” Triplet said. “We will help you build a spreadsheet, or use the one you’re currently using. We can pick up information several times a day.”

Orndoff-Sayers asked if there were other municipalities similar to Wardensville’s size that are using the system.

“There isn’t anyone in the area,” Triplet said. “You would be the first. I believe Hurricane and Sissonville are using it.”

Triplet said the town could choose to participate in the credit card payment system or use the lock box. “You can decide on one or the other,” he said. “You don’t have to do both.”

Triplet said after the town establishes a website, the credit card system could be installed in a week.

Triplet also suggested the town consider investing its surplus revenue in the state’s investment account.

“The next time you’re looking at interest rates from your local bank, consider calling the State Treasurer’s office to see what we can offer,” he said. “It’s a low-risk investment account.”

Councilman Klinovski said he did everything online, “but some people want that personal connection and want to pay their bills in person.”

Several other members of council agreed that some people don’t use computers to pay bills.

Recorder Ryan Grimm said it would be interesting to see if a change would be a time saving for town staff.

Council took no action.

Mayor’s Report

Orndoff-Sayers thanked several organizations and people for helping with the Christmas Tree lighting and installing the Christmas decorations around town.

“Donald Hitchcock and Hardy Telecommunications put up the tree and Hardy Tele helped with the lights,” she said. “The kids with Big Blue did the Nativity and Karen Findley did other decorations.”

In addition, Orndoff-Sayers

said, Hardy Telecommunications donated poles to repair the footbridge at the park. Kerr’s and Carolyn Conner at Creations Galore also donated material and equipment. The Boy Scouts will repair the footbridge.

Financial Reports

Recorder Ryann Grimm presented Profit and Loss statements for the town’s general account. They showed a negative balance of \$16,772.83.

Grimm said the town’s income was 50.6 percent of budget, when it should be 41.6 percent. “We’re doing good there,” he said.

The town’s expenses were 57.9 percent of budget, when they should be 41.6 percent. “We need to stop spending money,” he said.

Home Rule Update

Orndoff-Sayers said she submitted the annual report to the Home Rule Committee. It detailed the progress on the items listed as reasons for applying and receiving the Home Rule designation.

“We have reduced the number of people on the Wardensville Development Authority,” she said. “We are going through the sales tax process and reducing the number of businesses that have to pay the B & O tax.”

The council voted to approve the second reading of Ordinance #19-06, which would establish a 1 percent sales tax on retail sales within the town limits.

The roll call vote was unanimous.

Other Business

•The council voted to approve Steptoe & Johnson as the town’s bond council for water and sewer issues.

•The council voted to approve Cox, Holiday and Young as the town’s accountant for water and sewer issues.

•The town had no one respond to request for an attorney to represent them in water and sewer issues. They will continue to solicit someone.

•The council discussed several wireless surveillance camera systems for the park and the community center. It was decided to table the discussion as there is no wireless service at the park.

The next meeting of the Wardensville Council will be held on Monday, Jan. 13, 2020 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Conference and Visitor’s Center, 301 E. Main St. in Wardensville. The public is invited to attend.

Hawse Health Center in Baker, WV is pleased to announce the addition of Dr. Jacob Metheny, (DC)

to our Baker facility. Dr. Metheny has opened his appointment schedule and is now providing chiropractic care to the community at large. He will soon have office hours available at the Grove Street health Center in Petersburg, WV as well.

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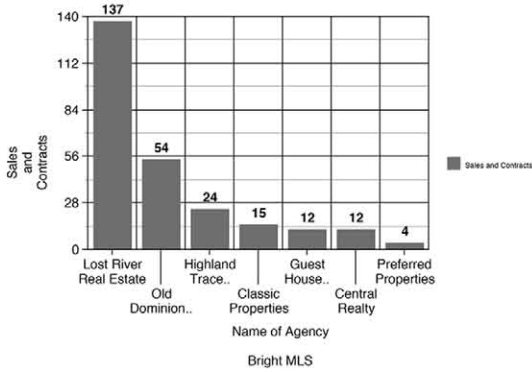
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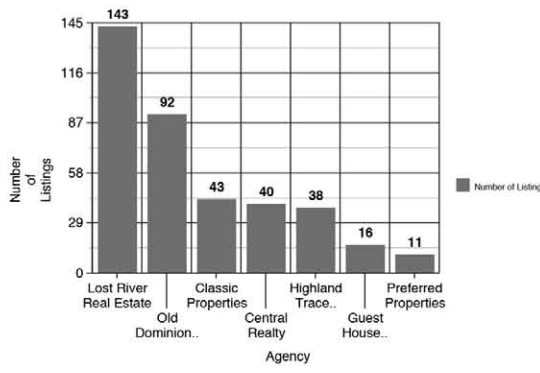
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Girls Teams Duke It Out in Hardy County Bout

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

The Yellow Jackets jumped out to a 15-2 lead over East Hardy in the Hardy Girls Hardwood Classic and buzzed around the perimeter with eight baskets en route to a 59-24 victory in Baker last Tuesday.

“We shot the ball early and Anna [Riggleman] was all over the court. She rebounded and was after the ball. We need to finish more inside along with those 3’s,” Moorefield coach Paul Keplinger remarked.

Moorefield’s Madison McGregor scored a game-high 16 points with a pair of 3-pointers, followed by Lindsey Rinker with a dozen points all coming from the perimeter, Anna Riggleman contributed ten markers and Lexi Gilhuys pitched in eight points including two trifectas.

East Hardy was led in scoring by Tera Jones with 13 points and Katee Short added six points.

Moorefield won the tip-off and McGregor dished to Riggleman for the game opening lead which was a jumper ten seconds into the contest.

The Cougars missed a shot and



Moorefield’s Gianna Fair blocks a shot attempt by East Hardy’s Tera Jones during the Hardy Girls Hardwood Classic in Baker last Tuesday.

Photo by Carl Holcomb

a scramble for the ball ensued with the ball ricocheting off the Yellow Jackets out of play, then East Hardy couldn’t get a pass inbound for a violation.

Rinker drilled a 3-pointer at the 7:05 mark to put Moorefield up 5-nil.

A defensive rebound was collected by Rinker, then Riggleman drew a foul scoring in the paint and missed from the stripe as the score stood at 7-0.

East Hardy’s Makenzie Blair snatched the rebound and fed Tera Jones for a jump shot at the 6:29 mark, 7-2.

A miss with a rebound by East Hardy’s Chelsea Keller came before a walk to put the ball into the Yellow Jackets possession for a 3-pointer by McGregor at 5:38.

The Cougars missed twice and Moorefield recovered as Riggleman collected the board and Remi Hinkle kept the series alive with a toss to Rinker hitting a perimeter shot to go up 13-2 at 5:02.

Riggleman missed free throws, then blocked a shot on the other end of the floor.

Hinkle missed free throws and East Hardy’s Rebecca Whetzel grabbed the rebound, then the

Yellow Jackets forced a turnover resulting in a jumper by Fair.

McGregor stole the ball prior to a walk, then Fair and Riggleman blocked shots.

East Hardy’s Katee Short made a steal and Jones scored to cut the deficit to 15-4 at the 3:14 mark.

Fair added two free throws on the next possession after two field goal attempts went awry.

Gilhuys stole the ball and found Rinker for a 3-pointer at the 2:15 mark, 20-4.

Blair netted a jumper for the Cougars on the ensuing series.

Moorefield took a 20-7 lead into the second period.

After a block by Rinker, Short made the recovery for an East Hardy basket.

East Hardy’s Jaden Fleshman collected a defensive rebound, then Riggleman swiped the ball away and missed the ensuing shot with Fleshman snatching the board again.

After a jump ball, the Cougars stepped on the line during the inbound pass for a turnover.

Riggleman made a leaping save along the baseline for the Yellow Jackets off a missed attempt and

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Vikings Claim Victory In Tip-Off Tournament



Photo by Carl Holcomb

Moorefield’s Anna Riggleman reaches for a loose ball against Pendleton County’s Katie Scott and Mirah Huffman during the Petersburg Tip-off Tournament last weekend.

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

The Vikings have some sort of holiday magic defeating Moorefield in the second tournament of this month claiming their own Petersburg Tip-off Tournament Championship 55-38 after the Yellow Jackets netted the Wildcats 55-41 in the semifinals as Petersburg clipped the Union Tigers 55-34 over this past weekend.

“The games between the two of us there are so many similarities. It is so hard to execute exactly the things you want to do. It is just a matter of who is capable of making a few more plays and we were able to do that tonight. It was a good win for us. Our defense was more aggressive tonight. I was a little disappointed with our effort in defensive execution last night, so that was a point of emphasis and stressor for us tonight. They took the challenge to heart and got things done tonight,” Petersburg coach Jon Webster commented.

The championship game was full of turnovers and cold shooting, especially in the first half of action as Petersburg held a 26-18 lead over the Yellow Jackets at halftime.

Kayla Lantz netted two 3-pointers and a field goal in the first period to lead the Vikings charge with Mickala Taylor adding six points.

Moorefield only scored four field goals in the first period on

shots by Lexi Gilhuys, Madison McGregor, Remington Hinkle and Lindsey Rinker, who had five points to lead the team that frame collecting three free throws.

Petersburg outscored the Yellow Jackets 10-7 in the second period with balanced scoring as five players scored including MacKenzie Kitzmiller (3), Taylor, Kymiee Minnich, Braylee Corbin and Hannah Moyers.

Rinker added a 3-pointer and two free throws in the second period for Moorefield and Riggleman added a jumper.

Moorefield netted 11 points in the third period with nine of those coming from the charity stripe with five by Rinker, two by Gilhuys and two by McGregor plus a field goal.

Petersburg equalized the scoring in the third period led by Minnich’s five points including an old-fashioned three-pint play for a 37-29 advantage.

Both teams combined to miss seven field goals and each had a turnover in the first two minutes of the final stanza before Moorefield scored a pair of free throws by McGregor.

Taylor went to the line for the Vikings on the next possession answering the call, 39-31.

Riggleman made a steal for the Yellow Jackets, but the ball was deflected away by Carley Turner, who was tripped up on the play as the ball eluded everyone out of bounds.

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Hardy County Grapples 10 Medals in Max Horz Invitational Wrestling Tourney

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

Moorefield and East Hardy Wrestling teams combined for ten medals at the 35th annual Max Horz Border Wars Holiday Invitational in Berkeley Springs last weekend and two freshmen for the Yellow Jackets finished as the runners-up in their respective weight classes.

Neither ice nor pouring rain prevented the wrestling adventure to Berkeley Springs on Friday and Saturday as the grapplers melted the ice on the mats splashing to a successful outcome.

Never underestimate the passion and determination of a wrestler as the Hardy County grappling contingent proved they are worthy adversaries in the battle on the mats.

Moorefield freshmen Ryan Hardbarger and Layne Spitzer were runner-up as Grayson Miller placed sixth overall, while sophomores Ty Clayton took a fourth place medal and Matthew Delawder made the podium in sixth place.

“We did pretty good today. We had five boys place here. A lot of freshmen really stepped up to bat getting things done. We still have unfinished goals, but we are working on them.”

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Photo by Carl Holcomb

East Hardy Wrestling’s Dayton Miller made a reversal against Moorefield’s Matthew Delawder turning the move into a pin during the 35th annual Max Horz Border Wars Invitational in Berkeley Springs.

Cougars Drop Vikings in Season Opener

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

Petersburg rifled off eight points to commence the game, then the Cougars retaliated to plunge the Vikings ship 69-54 in Petersburg last Thursday.

“I told our boys to play defense. Credit Dalton Long for hitting those two threes to open it up, but we screwed up a defensive assignment. It took us a little while to figure it out, then once we settled in we were okay. It was early, so we weren’t too concerned. We used to run a 1-2-2, so we knew how to be effective against it. We knew our ability to score on it. Luckily they were our opener, so we practiced for it. I was really proud of our defense overall tonight. We know Justin [Teets] can fill it up and he did well hitting open looks. I was

really proud of his defensive close-outs, they didn’t score much on his side. He did the fundamental things and the game came easy to him. If we continue to do that, then we will do well this year. Petersburg is always a quality team and to get a win here in Petersburg against a good team is good for us. I was really pleased with how under control we were and this was one of our better games,” East Hardy coach Chris Hahn commented.

The Vikings’ Dalton Long rattled off two 3-pointers in the first 26 seconds sandwiching a turnover building a 6-nil advantage, then East Hardy’s Adam Baker was whistled for a charge.

East Hardy’s Seth Smith swiped the ball and was fouled, then Bryce Tharp’s pass eluded his brother Andrew’s grasp out of play.

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Photo by Carl Holcomb

East Hardy’s Justin Teets shoots a 3-pointer against the Vikings during the season opener in Petersburg last Thursday.

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Wrestling

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ing that way. I am proud of East Hardy, they had a good finish and the program is coming along. Hardy County is getting pretty tough in wrestling. I have been around since the beginning, so I am proud of all the wrestlers. They finished ninth and we finished eighth here,” Moorefield Wrestling assistant coach Larry Schoonover commented.

East Hardy freshman Shane Riggle and junior Dayton Miller earned bronze medals, junior SierrMarie Miller and sophomore Dale Hockman garnered fifth place medals and junior Hunter Ames was a place winner in the sixth spot.

“I am very proud of the efforts of all our wrestlers. We won more matches and we had more wrestlers place this year than last year. We are moving in the right direction,” East Hardy Wrestling coach Stevie Miller remarked.

Berkeley Springs hosted this tournament in honor and memory of a former coach with family members helping and welcomed a plethora of talented teams.

Greater Latrobe, Pa. won the the Max Horz championship with a score of 331, followed by Class AAA Martinsburg 191, Class AA Berkeley Springs 180, Class A Wirt County 148, Class AA Bridgeport 146, Class AAA Preston 125, Greater Latrobe B team 108, Class A Moorefield 96, Class A East Hardy 89, Class AAA Hedgesville 84, Fishburne Military Academy 73, Class AA Cameron 64, Class AAA Jefferson 56 and Class AAA Musselman 43.

Moorefield (8th), East Hardy (9th) and Wirt County (4th) were the only Class A schools finishing in the Top-10.

Moorefield’s Layne Spitzer (106-lb.) and Ryan “Bull” Hardbarger (182-lb.) demonstrated tremendous skill and strength to reach the championship bouts and finished as the Max Horz Border Wars Holiday Invitational runner-up for their divisions.

After a bye, Spitzer garnered two pins in the first period of the quarterfinal and semifinal matches to earn a spot in the championship submitting Bridgeport’s Zander Mouser (0:17) with a power-half and put Cameron’s Isiah Bryan on his shoulders carrying momentum flipping over for the fall (0:50).

Greater Latrobe’s Vincent Kilkeary edged out Spitzer with a pin in the first period at 1:22 to claim the 106-lb. title.

Spitzer started the 106-lb. championship match placing his hand on Kilkeary’s forehead (talk to the hand), then Kilkeary responded by wrapping an arm around Spitzer’s neck with Spitzer countering holding the arms as both went to their knees.

After standing up, Spitzer grabbed a leg as his arm was around Kilkeary’s neck for a take-down and tried to move him over.

Kilkeary turned to grab Spitzer’s waist as he was going up in a three-point stance before flipping Spitzer back to the mat.

Kilkeary made a strong head lock and folded Spitzer on his shoulders with his legs around his head applying pressure for a pin.

“I am happy I could place in my first individual tournament. It was pretty fun wrestling out there. My favorite move is the power-half,” Max Horz 106-lb. runner-up Layne Spitzer noted.

In the 182-lb. championship

match, Hardbarger battled against Greater Latrobe’s Corey Boerio.

Boerio grabbed Hardbarger’s left leg as Hardbarger put an arm around his neck and they shifted together falling to the mat.

Boerio maneuvered around to the top and stayed on top to the buzzer.

In the third period, Harbarger was on the top position and reached for an ankle simultaneously holding one arm before Boerio made reversal grabbing underneath the arms and tuning Harbarger over for the championship pin at 5:36.

“I’m happy with it, but would rather have first place. I had a lot of fun wrestling. I liked to use the double-leg and single-leg take-downs,” Max Horz 182-lb. runner-up Ryan Hardbarger stated.

East Hardy freshman Shane Riggle was given a first round bye, then pinned Martinsburg’s Emily Earehart in the first period at 1:12

to punch a ticket to the semifinal where he met Kilkeary and went down in a fall at :54 in the first period.

In the consolation bracket, Riggle pinned Mouser in the first period to be in the third place match against Bryan and won by a 12-7 decision.

Riggle showed his might grabbing around Bryan’s waist and shifting his legs underneath twisting for takedowns.

Riggle lifted Bryan up and slammed him to the mat, then proceeded with a head lock.

Holding with a power-half, Riggle was able to shift on top holding for the win.

East Hardy’s SierraMarie Miller started the 113-lb. division with a bye before being pinned in the first period by Martinsburg’s Dylan Technoir in the quarterfinals.

Miller earned a pin at the 0:18 mark of the first period against Musselman’s Jillian Timberlake to advance in the consolation round.

Miller was caught in a precarious position with her arms folded back by Fishburne Military Academy’s Jeffrey Billings in the consolation semifinals during the second period as her back arched over Billings and couldn’t kick out of the hold being pinned at 3:18.

Miller took with fifth place beating Wirt County’s Phillip Balis in a 12-7 decision.

Miller managed to fold Balis arms back and wrap her leg around his neck holding him there for an extended period of time in the third period.

In the 145-lb. weight class, East Hardy’s Damian Iman was pinned in the second period of the first round against Musselman before responding with an early second period pin for a victory against Jefferson’s Paul Breedon at 2:06. Iman was pinned by Bridgeport’s Derek Starkey in the second period at 3:53, who went on to place third with a double overtime win.

Moorefield’s Dominick Davis fought in the same bracket losing to Starkey in the opening round at 1:40 by pin and forfeited the consolation match to Musselman’s Preston Lowe.

In the 152-lb. weight class, East Hardy’s Cole Pustl and Ryan D’Amico would eventually face each other in the consolation bracket with D’Amico winning by a pin in the first period reaching the quarterfinals before losing by a 7-6 decision to Wirt County’s Kevin Lockhart.

D’Amico was pinned by Berke-

ley Springs Gabe McDonald in the opening round at 3:50 and took a bye before facing Pustl in the consolation round.

Pustl won his first match of the tournament with a pin in the second period at 3:40 over Jefferson’s Caleb Wiser, then lost to Berkeley Springs Vaughn Shaw by pin with ten seconds left in the first period prior to facing D’Amico.

Moorefield’s Tyberious Clayton earned a fourth place medal in the 160-lb. weight class.

Clayton started the tournament with a victory over Cameron’s Deacon Carmichael with a first period pin at 1:15 before losing by major decision against Bridgeport’s Aidan Gibson 11-2 to move to the consolation bracket.

Clayton pinned East Hardy’s Mason Miller in the third period at 4:56 before pinning Greater Latrobe’s Mitch Tryon at 4:47 to reach the consolation semifinals.

In the semifinal round, Clayton defeated Wirt County’s Jackson Reeder by an 8-3 decision despite battling with a bloody nose.

Martinsburg’s Kurt Resch won the consolation championship over Clayton with a second period pin with two seconds left on the clock.

Greater Latrobe’s Sam Snyder edged East Hardy’s Mason Miller in the opening round by a 5-4 decision, then Miller had a bye before facing off against Clayton.

There were three wrestlers from Hardy County in the 170-lb. weight class: Moorefield’s Kevin Wetzel, East Hardy’s Patrick Helsley and J.B. Shippe.

Wetzel had a first round bye before losing to Hedgesville’s Gabriel Tost by pin in the first period at 1:05 to setup up a match against East Hardy’s Shippe.

Shippe lost to Greater Latrobe’s Kyle Brewer in the first period by pin before beating Preston’s Curtins Savage by pin in the second period at 4:30 to meet Wetzel.

Wetzel pinned Shippe in the first period at the 1:08 mark to remain in medal contention, but fell one spot short in a 5-0 decision against Martinsburg’s Dante Logan.

Helsley lost by second period pin to Logan in the opening round at 2:46 and was pinned by Bridgeport’s Jeffrey Miler in the consolation bracket in the first period at 0:32.

Moorefield brothers Ryan and Allen Hardbarger joined East Hardy’s Erik Flynn in the 182-lb. weight division.

It was a Hardy County battle in the first round with Allen Hardbarger pinning Flynn in the second period at 2:23 before falling in the first period against Hedgesville’s Maverick Eichelberger.

Flynn and Allen Hardbarger had byes in the consolation round before losing by pins.

Moorefield’s Ryan Hardbarger had a first round bye prior to winning by a 10-3 decision against Berkeley Springs Jacob Roughm then pinned Preston’s Robert Lilly to reach the championship bout.

Greater Latrobe’s Corey Boerio struggled against Hardbarger as the match went into the third period before finding a way to get a pin at 5:36.

Hardy County earned two more medals in the 195-lb. weight class as East Hardy’s Dayton Miller garnered third place and Moorefield’s Matthew Delawder took sixth place with both meeting each other in the consolation semifinals.

Delawder started the tourna-

ment with two victories pinning both Preston opponents Levi Loudermilk at 0:56 and Blayne Fearer at 3:24 before losing in the championship semifinals by a 5-4 decision to Greater Latrobe’s Micah Piper to setup the match in the consolation semifinals against Dayton Miller.

Dayton Miller pinned Cameron’s Nathan Blake in 17 seconds to start the tournament before losing by pin in the second period at 4:52 against Berkeley Springs Jason Shaffer to move to the consolation series.

Miller beat Loudermilk with a pin in 20 seconds and pinned Preston’s Hunter Lantz in the second period at 2:31 to face off with Delawder.

Miller defeated Delawder with a second period pin at 2:47 with a reversal into a power-half before losing to Shaffer in the consolation championship by pin in the first period at 0:40.

Delawder lost to Martinsburg’s Kamaury Forrester in the first round of the fifth place match at 1:42 settling for a sixth place medal.

In the 220-lb. weight class, Moorefield’s Grayson Miller notched a sixth place medal.

After a first round bye, Miller lost to Martinsburg’s D.J. Hasenbuhler in a third period pin at 5:33, then Miller ousted Berkeley Springs Davy Hess with a second period pin at 4:36 in the consolation round.

Grayson Miller continued the momentum with a third round pin against Bridgeport’s Mario Galindo at 5:41, but lost in the semifinals to Greater Latrobe’s Colten Zimmerman by a 9-4 decision.

Preston’s William Marks edged Miller by a 6-0 decision in the fifth place match.

East Hardy’s Matthew Harmon and Caleb Childers competed in the same bracket with Harmon’s only win coming against teammate Childers with a first period pin in the consolation round at 1:28 to reach the quarterfinals before falling out by pin.

In the 285-lb. weight class, there were four East Hardy wrestlers initially listed to compete: Alex Lermineaux (scratched first round), Braden Orndorff, Hunter Ames and Dale Hockman.

Hockman and Ames finished the tournament with medals battling each other in the fifth place match with Hockman winning by a first period pin at 1:29.

Hockman battled another teammate in the second round of the championship bracket facing Orndorff and won by pin in the first period at 1:36.

Orndorff and Ames met each other in the consolation quarterfinals with Ames winning by a first period pin at 1:30 and Orndorff had a surprised look as the referee called the pin.

During the Hockman and Ames match, Orndorff cheered from the coach’s chair shouting out words of encouragement and was clapping for Hockman as he got a power-half and leaned back over Ames for the pin.

Moorefield Wrestling head coach T.J. Van Meter and captain Isaac Van Meter went to Huntington to watch family member Paige Van Meter compete in the state cheer competition.

Moorefield and East Hardy Wrestling teams have made strong statements early in the season testing the mat durability in planting victories en route to the state tournament in Huntington.

Hardy Girls Basketball

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the pass landed in the hands of Isabelle Nesbit for a long range jumper.

Short snatched defensive rebounds around a basket by Jones for East Hardy before Gilhuys stole the ball and was fouled leading to one free throw.

The Yellow Jackets held a 30-13 lead at halftime.

Moorefield created seven scoring possessions off of a dozen turnovers by the Cougars in the third period with the Yellow Jackets going on a 16-0 run over a six minute span.

During that stretch, McGregor hit three jumpers and a 3-pointer, while Gilhuys added a perimeter basket plus Riggleman and Hinkle notched shots in the paint.

Steals were made by Riggleman, Fair, Gilhuys, McGregor, Hinkle and Sterling Kump.

In the last minute of the third stanza, East Hardy’s Jones added two free throws and a jumper with one second left as Moorefield held a 46-17 advantage.

Rinker and Gilhuys added one more 3-pointer apiece in the fourth period as the Yellow Jackets buzzed to a 59-24 victory over East Hardy in the Den.

East Hardy Boys Basketball

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Petersburg missed two field goals with rebounds by Long and Smith before a steal by Kahner Turner resulted in two more errant attempts.

Bryce Tharp grabbed the second rebound and was fouled, then Long stole the ball away and did a give and take with Matt Van Meter setting up a layup by Long at 6:07 for the 8-nil advantage.

It took another minute before the Cougars jumped on the scoreboard with a jumper by Dawson Price sparking an 8-0 run to tie the game in a span of two minutes.

Both teams hit the rim with Price getting the latter board with Christian Dove passing to Justin Teets, who drilled a 3-pointer for East Hardy en route to a game-high 24 points.

Smith was fouled after a steal and made one of two free throws.

Teets stole the ball and found Andrew Tharp for the game-tying basket in the paint at 3:04.

The Vikings responded with a 3-pointer by Quenton Oates to recapture the lead.

Dove dishd to Price for a layup moments later.

Petersburg missed a pair of shots and Baker grabbed the second rebound before losing the ball to Lane Huffman diving to the floor.

Dove notched a defensive rebound and Teets netted a jumper along the baseline to put the Cougars ahead 12-11 with 1:23 left in the first period.

Price blocked a shot and Baker made the recovery, then Teets nailed another jumper.

The Vikings tied the game at 14-11 with a 3-pointer by Huffman with 23 seconds to go in the frame.

Long made an impressive save leaping into the bench area, but the pass was intercepted by Smith to close the quarter.

There was a jump ball and a couple turnovers in both directions to commence the second period with the latter a steal by Charlie Moomau leading to a layup by Long for the Vikings at 6:44.

After a Cougars walk, Baker batted the ball away to Dove for the turnover before missing a shot.

Petersburg’s Matt Van Meter hit a 3-pointer at the 6:00 mark for a 19-14 lead.

Price added a pair of free throws for East Hardy after grabbing an offensive rebound kicking off an 8-0 run.

A steal and score by Smith cut the deficit to 19-18 with 5:10 left in the first half.

We struggled to hit shots tonight. We settled for threes and didn’t attack their zone. We are a young team and still learning. The 1-3-1 got us and confused some of

the kids. We couldn’t adjust to the confusion. We are going to rely on our seniors, but we have a lot of growing to do,” Petersburg coach Todd Heare remarked

Bryce Tharp made one free throw tying the game and snatched a defensive board before being tied up with Long for a jump ball and Price knocked down a jumper for the Cougars to break the tie, 21-19.

After a steal by Dove and a walk, Petersburg missed a shot and Andrew Tharp was sent to the free throw line making one foul shot.

Petersburg’s Cody Nuzum made a basket in the paint drawing a foul in the process and missing the extra shot, then Bryce Tharp collected the board and found Teets for a 3-pointer at 3:15 as the Cougars went up 25-21.

Turner made a spin in the paint for a Vikings score, then East Hardy answered with a putback by Bryce Tharp.

Teets stole the ball and Baker assisted Teets on the next Cougars shot for a 29-23 advantage with 1:16 remaining in the first half.

East Hardy’s Price and Andrew Tharp made several steals over the next minute, but the Cougars only managed one point out of those turnovers.

Long drilled a 3-pointer with six seconds remaining as the Vikings cut the East Hardy lead down to 30-26 at halftime.

In the opening minute of the second half, both the Vikings and the Cougars went perimeter shopping with baskets purchased by Van Meter and Smith, 33-29.

A minute passed and Baker hit a jumper off a pass from Smith for East Hardy, then Petersburg notched a 3-pointer by Long and Baker found the hoop moments later.

Baskets from Price, Teets and Baker over the next few minutes lifted the Cougars into a double-digit advantage with 2:39 remaining having built a 45-35 lead.

East Hardy went into the fourth quarter with a 48-38 advantage over the Vikings and kept the momentum going.

The Cougars outscored Petersburg 21-16 in the final stanza as Teets garnered ten more points for East Hardy and Baker added seven markers, while Turner countered with eight of those points for the Vikings.

Teets closed out the scoring at the free throw line for the 69-54 season opening victory for East Hardy.

East Hardy was led by Teets with 24 points, followed by Baker with 13 points and Price with 12 points.

Petersburg was paced by Long with 18 points and Turner contributed 11 points.

Tip-Off Tournament

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Moorefield retained possession and Rinker knocked down 3-pointer at the 4:46 mark cutting the deficit to 39-34.

Gilhuys and Kitzmiller traded steals, then Riggleman blocked a shot and the Yellow Jackets missed two field goal attempts with rebounds going to Hinkle and Taylor.

Taylor added a free throw for the Vikings.

Turner grabbed a defensive rebound and Minnich scored for Petersburg, then block by Turner led to a basket by Lantz to extend the lead 44-34 with 2:54 remaining.

Petersburg outscored the Yellow Jackets 11-4 in the final two minutes of the championship with Riggleman and Sterling Kump adding the scores for Moorefield.

The Vikings refused to let

Moorefield win the tournament championship again with a 55-38 score.

Rinker scored a game-high 18 points, followed by McGregor with eight points.

Petersburg was led in the championship by Lantz with 14 points, followed by Taylor with 13, Minnich with 11 and Kitzmiller with 10.

“Execution was good at times offensively. Defense execution was not. We really need to get that cleaned up. Missed shots early and that carried over to other parts of the game. We did press a lot and that led to some turnovers and buckets. We have got to use each game and get better at all phases of the game to compete at tournament time,” Moorefield coach Paul Keplinger stated.

The Yellow Jackets started the semifinal match against Pendleton

County with an 11-nil run and took a 15-5 lead into the second period.

Moorefield’s Anna Riggleman scorched the nets accounting for 11 points in that opening frame en route to a game-high tying 17 points matching Pendleton County’s Katie Scott’s total on the night.

Scott stole the ball to start the game, but the Wildcats came up empty and a rebound was made by Brandy Bowers before Moorefield’s Remi Hinkle swiped the ball back.

Hinkle made an offensive rebound and threw the ball to Riggleman for a long-range jumper at 6:33.

Moorefield’s Madison McGregor created a steal, but couldn’t capitalize on the turnover as it took over a minute and change before the next basket which was another jumper by Riggleman after a

rebound by Hinkle again.

Both teams missed shots before Riggleman swiped the ball and scored an old-fashioned three-point play for a 7-0 lead at the 4:17 mark.

The Yellow Jackets pressed to force a walk and Hinkle made a save along the baseline on an errant attempt, then scored on a jumper.

A putback by Riggleman put Moorefield up 11-0 with 3:09 to go in the first period.

Pendleton County finally notched points on a three-point play by Bowers to make it 11-3 at 2:57.

Moorefield’s Lindsey Rinker made an offensive rebound and passed to Lexi Gilhuys, who assisted Riggleman on the ensuing basket.

There was a minute left as Rink-

er stole the ball and scored her first field goal for the Yellow Jackets.

Scott answered for the Wildcats as Moorefield took a 15-5 lead into the second period.

Pendleton County and Moorefield missed four field goals apiece to begin the second period and the Yellow Jackets forced three turnovers during that two minute stretch including steals by Riggleman and Hinkle coming up empty.

Scott netted a putback at 6:04 and made a steal and another basket at the 4:58 mark as the Wildcats cut the deficit to 15-9.

Hinkle swatted the ball up for a steal and was fouled on the drive scoring both free throws.

The last minute and a half of the second period, Moorefield outscored the Wildcats 6-2 for a 25-15 halftime advantage with field goals coming from Gilhuys, Hinkle and

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Request for Bids

The Hardy County Commission is requesting proposals for the installation of a generator at the Hardy County Courthouse located at 204 Washington Street in downtown Moorefield, WV.

Services:

The contractor must carry out the work described in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Wage rates paid by contractors must comply with "WV Fair Minimum Wage Rates (Prevailing Wages)."

Scope of work:

- Provide and install a 100KW 120-208 3 phase, natural gas powered generator, along with an 800 amp automatic transfer switch, required 800 amp 120-208 3 phase fusible disconnect, and conduit and wiring to provide a complete electrical system.
- Contractor/ business is responsible for inspections and coordination of work with gas and electric utility providers.
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Qualifications

The contractor/ business must:

1. The contractor must carry out the described work in compliance with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. All applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations apply. State prevailing wage rates apply.
2. Have successfully completed three similar projects in the past 5 years on historic buildings.
3. Must have a current business/ contractor license and be current on Workers Compensation.
4. Have the ability to complete the project by May 30, 2020.

Expression of Interest

No later than Noon, January 6, 2020 individuals and firms interested in undertaking the project should submit the following to: Rose Helmick, Hardy County Coordinator

204 Washington Street
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1. Letter of Interest
2. Statement of qualifications.
3. Assurances that the proposed schedule is feasible.
4. Three or more samples of previously completed similar work.
5. References-Minimum of five.
6. Cost of project- broken down by proposed job scope with recommended equipment, warranty, installation and labor cost.

A pre-bid walk can be arranged by contacting Rose Helmick at 304-530.0284.

Selection Process

The Hardy County Commission will review all proposals and select a contractor/ business based on:

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Hardy County Commission will make their selection within two weeks of receiving the bids and may want to sign a contract with the consultant by three weeks of receiving the bids.

Payment Process

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12/18

SEASONAL RECEPTIONIST for tax office. Mid January thru Mid April. Send resumes to: RT-CPA PO Box 655, Moorefield, WV 26836 12/21

NOTICES

FOUND ITEMS: Hello Taylor (Evans) from Davis, WV. Found box of keepsakes, year books, report cards, pictures, etc. Wishing to return. Please call 304-538-2302. Leave message for Mr. Rich. 1/1

WANTED

HOUSEKEEPER (light duties-cooking)/roommate. Room and board. Call 304-897-6915. 12/18

LEGAL ADVERTISING

County of Hardy, ss: Notice of Administration / to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the following estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Hardy County Clerk's Office at 204 Washington Street, Moorefield, WV 26836-0200. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file notice of an objection with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-2-43.

Settlement of the estate(s) of the following named decedent(s) will proceed without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

Publication Date: Wednesday, December 11, 2019
Claim Deadline Date: Sunday, February 9, 2020

ESTATE NUMBER: 117
ESTATE NAME: JOHN RICHARD ALDEN
ADMINISTRATRIX: BRIAN C ALDEN
9262 SPRUCEWOOD ROAD
BURK, VA 22015-3559

ESTATE NUMBER: 1870
ESTATE NAME: MAYNARD WOODROW BRILL
EXECUTRIX: REBECCA ANN BRILL
1379 TROUT RUN ROAD
WARDENSVILLE, WV 26851-8013
ATTORNEY: JONATHAN G BRILL
ROMNEY, WV

ESTATE NUMBER: 1876
ESTATE NAME: SUSAN DIANE HILL
ADMINISTRATRIX: MERISSA HILL
612 STRAUDEMAN RD
MATHIAS, WV 26812-8279

ESTATE NUMBER: 1857
ESTATE NAME: LEONARD CORWIN MARTIN
EXECUTRIX: JUANITA V MARTIN
112 SPRING AVE
MOOREFIELD, WV 26836-1031
ATTORNEY: WILLIAM H JUDY III
JUDY & JUDY
PO BOX 636
MOOREFIELD, WV 26836-0636

ESTATE NUMBER: 1871
ESTATE NAME: RICHARD JOSEPH MORVILLO
EXECUTRIX: FLORENCE MORVILLO
11807 TROUT RUN ROAD
WARDENSVILLE, WV 26851-8041
ATTORNEY: VINCENT J MATA
SHENANDOAH ESTATE
PLANNING & ELDER LAW PLC
150 EAST KING STREET
STRASBURG, VA 22657-2235

ESTATE NUMBER: 1868
ESTATE NAME: MARIE FRANCIS POWERS
EXECUTRIX: LISA THOMPSON AKA LESIA THOMPSON
110 BENTLEY COURT
HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740-9771

ESTATE NUMBER: 1875
ESTATE NAME: VIOLET CHRISTINE RICE
ADMINISTRATRIX: PAMELA RATCLIFF
703 LEE STREET
MOOREFIELD, WV 26836-1079

ESTATE NUMBER: 1867
ESTATE NAME: BETTY ELLEN SEE
ADMINISTRATOR: ANTHONY F SEE
2431 NORTH FIRELANE ROAD
SOUTHAMPTON, NJ 08088-3539

ESTATE NUMBER: 1856
ESTATE NAME: FOSTER EDWARD SEE
ADMINISTRATOR: ANTHONY F SEE
2431 N FIRELANE RD
SOUTHAMPTON, NJ 08088-3539
ATTORNEY: WILLIAM H JUDY III
JUDY & JUDY
PO BOX 636
MOOREFIELD, WV 26836-0636

ESTATE NUMBER: 1865
ESTATE NAME: GARY GAMBLE SMITH
EXECUTOR: STEPHEN G SMITH
PO BOX 281

OLD FIELDS, WV 26845-0281

ESTATE NUMBER: 1864
ESTATE NAME: JUNE ANN SMITH
EXECUTOR: STEPHEN G SMITH
PO BOX 281
OLD FIELDS, WV 26845-0281

ESTATE NUMBER: 1860
ESTATE NAME: ARVIN DON WHETZEL
EXECUTRIX: JACQUELINE S HAMILTON
1450 HOWARDS LICK ROAD
MATHIAS, WV 26812-8097

ESTATE NUMBER: 1882
ESTATE NAME: MARION B WILSON
EXECUTRIX: ELANIE F MAY
124 TRUMPET VINE DRIVE
WHITE POST, VA 22663-1884

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 12/02/2019

GREGORY L ELY
Clerk of the Hardy County Commission
By
Loretta L. Humbertson
Deputy Clerk

12/11, 12/18 2c

INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Moorefield is requesting bids on two projects: 1) Roof Replacement and 2) Foundation Repairs for the ROBERT HIGGINS HOUSE located at 202 Winchester Avenue Moorefield, WV 26836. The Projects are to be completed by May 30, 2020. All work described in the following Scope of Work must be completed in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

SCOPE OF WORK:
ROOF

- Remove and dispose of existing roof materials including gutters and downspouts.
- Examine and repair or replace (in-kind) existing deck materials as needed.
- Install synthetic underlayment and ice and water shield at penetrations and 36" back from eaves.
- Install 22-24 gauge standing seam roof system, approximately 675 square feet. Standing seam roofing shall be hand-seamed and finished in Galvalume in color approved by the Town of Moorefield and SHPO.
- Install snowbirds and flashing around chimney, color to match new roofing.
- Install 4" half round 20-22 gauge aluminum gutter system and 3" round downspouts in Kynar 500 Finish, color to be approved by the Town of Moorefield and SHPO. Downspouts to drain at least 1'-0" away from foundation wall.
- Deduct Alternate: Please provide unit pricing for the following item.
- Installation of mechanically-fastened standing seam roofing system.

SCOPE OF WORK:
FOUNDATION

- Repair existing stone foundation around perimeter of building using like material including appropriate venting as needed, approximately 74.5 linear feet.
- Add Alternate: Please provide unit prices for the following items.
- Inspect existing foundation by removing approximately 40 square feet of non-historic flooring and replace with material sourced from attic floor. Replace flooring material in attic with new material to match existing as closely as possible.
- Install insulation between floor joists.
- Install vapor barrier underneath floor joists.

MATERIALS:

All proposed materials and colors shall be submitted to the Town of Moorefield for approval prior to installation. The Town of Moorefield, in consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office and the state's grant monitor, will either accept or reject the proposed material within 3 working days of the submittal.

MANDATORY PREBID:

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at 206 Winchester Avenue Moorefield, WV 26836 on
January 8, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. EST. Contractors may bid on one or both projects.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Contractors must submit proof of appropriate licenses and insurance and demonstrate that they can complete the project in a timely manner. Additionally, contractors should submit proof of completion of three similar projects within the past four years that have complied with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

12/18, 1/1 2c

HARDY COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE 2020

The Hardy County Public Service District will hold its regular scheduled board meetings on the first Wednesday of each month, 4:30 p.m. at the office of the District located at 2094 US 220 South, Moorefield, West Virginia. If the first Wednesday is a holiday, the meeting will be held on the second Wednesday of that month. The purpose of these regular meetings is to conduct regular business. The Agenda for each regular meeting will be posted at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

The schedule for the year 2020 meeting dates is as follows:

January 8, 2020
February 5, 2020
March 4, 2020
April 1, 2020
May 6, 2020
June 3, 2020
July 1, 2020
August 5, 2020
September 2, 2020
October 7, 2020
November 4, 2020
December 9, 2020

12/18 1c

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PURCHASE OF ASSETS AND ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITIES OF A BANK

Summit Community Bank, Inc., 310 North Main Street, Moorefield, West Virginia, 26836, has made application with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for permission to purchase the assets and assume the liabilities of MVB Bank, Inc., 301 Virginia Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia 26554, and establish branches at the following locations of MVB Bank, Inc.: (i) 651 Foxcroft Avenue, Martinsburg, West Virginia 25401; (ii) 231 Aikens Center, Martinsburg, West Virginia 25401; (iii) 5091 Gerrardstown Road, Inwood, West Virginia 25428; and (iv) 88 Somerset Boulevard, Charles Town, West Virginia 25414. It is contemplated that the four branches of MVB Bank, Inc. listed above will continue to be operated following the consummation of the purchase of assets and assumption of liabilities of MVB Bank, Inc. as branches of Summit Community Bank, Inc. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its regional office, Ten 10th Street, NW, Suite 800, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3649, not later than January 18, 2019. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file at the regional office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request. The public is also invited to submit written comments regarding this application to the West Virginia Board of Banking and Financial Institutions. Write Commissioner of Banking, 900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 306, Charleston, West Virginia 25302. 12/18, 1/1, 1/15 3c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA IN RE: THE CHANGE OF NAME OF DAVID WAYNE BARR TO DAVID WAYNE BARR Circuit Court Case Number 19-P-50 Notice of Application of Change of Name

Notice is hereby given that on the 19 day of February 2020 at the hour of 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard, Loring Barr, Guardian for David W. Barr 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 David Wayne Barr to David Wayne Barr.

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 12 day of December, 2019.
Kelly J. Shockey, Clerk
Deborah J. Hines, Deputy

12/18 1c

Nelson Legal Services, LC

Jonie E. Nelson
Attorney at Law

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Contact Information
Ms. Nicole M. Hevener, Associate Superintendent
Pendleton County Board of Education
P.O. Box 888
Franklin, WV 26807
Telephone: (304) 358-7065 x122
Email: nhevener@k12.wv.us
County Website: www.pendletoncountyschools.com

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Grant Memorial Hospital
P.O. Box 1019, Petersburg, WV 26847
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MERRY CHRISTMAS



Coloring Contest Winners

1st Place Ages 8-10 (Top)

Gracie Combs

Age 10 of Fisher

See runners-up on Page 9B

1st Place 5-7 (Bottom)

Jeremy Moyers II

Age 7 of Moorefield

See runners-up on Page 12B





Christmas Memories

Going back to December 24, 1974. Our first Christmas as man and wife. Growing up we always had a cedar tree. So I just had to have one. John left our apartment on the hunt for one. Seems like he was gone forever. He came home with a cedar tree. He stopped at Keppy's Market. He got the last one, I was so happy. John was my hero. Been my hero for 45 years. But the first Christmas will live with me forever.

Eva Paugh

Every year, the season of Christmas brings many emotions into play. I am always excited for Christmas day to arrive, but there is a lot of prepping that goes into it. Growing up, my family has done lots of traditions for Christmas. Every time we spend with each other is another memory to add to the books. One tradition that my parents do on Christmas day is tie a ribbon across the banister and the wall to the staircase to prevent us kids from rushing down the stairs to see all of the gifts under the tree. The ribbon would be cut when Mom and Dad were ready. As a kid, this

was so hard to do. All I could think about was rushing down the steps to see the tree and maybe even the snow if it was a white Christmas. I had no patience for it so my brothers and I would try to sneak down the steps when no one was looking. When they were finally ready to go, I went downstairs to the plate of cookies and glass of milk I left for Santa. As always, they were gone with only crumbs remaining. Then, I would rush to the tree to admire the gifts that were wrapped so festively. It was our tradition on Christmas to eat breakfast and read the True Christmas History be-

fore the first present was opened. Mom and Dad would cook our brunch while I peeked at the presents to decide which gift that I wanted to open first. When it was finally brunch we ate the food at the dining room table with the finest of dishes we owned. It felt like we were in a movie. After breakfast we moved into the living room to light our last advent candle and read the story of the birth of Jesus. I'm very thankful for all of the traditions that my family has done throughout the holidays because it has taught me a lesson: we are rushing around thinking about the per-

fect gift to give someone when in reality, all we need is the people around us and love. God gave us the ultimate gift of his Son. My parents wanted us to slow down and really live in the moment rather than rushing to the gifts or it would be over too soon. Family traditions are very special to me even though I don't have a perfect family. We all have our crazy sides, but we still love each other despite all of the differences we may have.

Savannah Keller, Junior Crew
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Letters to Santa

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I want a baby bathtub and I want a new
tablet.
See you soon!
Angel

thing Baby Shark, Toy Story or Peppa Pig,
Cubby the Curious Bear, and games. Mer-
ry Christmas Santa!
Love,
Bayleigh

J.W.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a puppy, kitten
and electric guitar.
Danika Paige Vetter

Love,
Khaled.

Dear Santa,
I have been really good this year. I
would like to have a drum set, toy dog,
markers, a new coloring book, a remote
control snake, some doll babies, some
sweet pants. Thank You.
Kaitlyn Hose

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I would like a 5 Sur-
prise Uniform Squad Mystery Capsule,. I
would also like a toy catthat walks and says
Meow.
Love,
Emma Hylton

Dear Santa,
My name is Bayleigh Marie Crites and
I am the 5 years old daughter of Stanley
and Brittany Crites of Mathias, WV. I
have been a pretty good girl this year. I
would like Juno My Baby Elephant, any-

Dear Santa,
My name is J.W. and I am 7 years old
.I would like an RC race car ,a cozmo tiny
robot, a fort nite nurf gun with darts and I
want for all my family and friends to have
a Merry Christmas.
Thank you,

Dear Santa,
I want a real pony to take care of. It will
be my best friend..I'll love it forever. That
is my biggest wish. Thank You Santa.

P.S. I will put milk and cookies on the
table for you.

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Letters to Santa

Continued from page 3B

Dear Santa,
My name is Margo and I am 4 years old. This year I have been good some of the time. I would like this Christmas; a Barbie, Princess playdate Ariel, camera, and a case of pencils. I will leave you milk and cookies.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love,
Margo

Dear Santa,
I will like it if you would get me a Saint Bernard to cuddle and love on every night in bed..
From,
Gracie
P.S. Please bring Mommy something nice.

Dear Santa,
I love you! I've been good this year. I've been good in school and I do what I'm supposed to. I want an LOL doll for Christmas and a walking unicorn toy. We are going to leave you chocolate cookies and carrots for the reindeer.
Love,
Chloe Sherman

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I would like a baby shark plush cube, American girl doll of the year 2019, hatchimals royal Hatch.
Delanie Wolfe

fake flowers, phone, bike, purse, shoes (pink), a toy bear, arts and crafts, books and fake candles. I will leave milk and cookies for you.
Love,
Chastity Christian

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas!
Bryson Wagnor

Dear Santa,
I want an Iphone eleven pro please. Thank you for Christmas. I want a real horse. I want a Lusitano horse.
Love,
Aryiah Hinzman

Dear Santa,
My name is Darah See. I am 6 years old. This year for Christmas I would like to go to Great Wolf Lodge. I have been pretty good this year. I promise to leave cookies and milk and if you are lucky, a small gift.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Darah See

Dear Santa,
I had a great year. I hope you and your elves had a great year too. I am writing this letter because I wish to have a toy hamster and cage, a toy little bird and a remote control cat. A baby dream house with babies and a toy puppy.
Trinity Sampson

Dear Santa,
I wish for Spiderman, Venom, Ryan, Ben 10.
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Evan Rohrbough

Dear Santa,
I would like some tractors.
Jeremy Wagnor

Hello Santa,
How are you? Today I just have this for you to look at. Bye Bye!
Elijah Haines

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some good toys. My sister is only a month old but can you bring her some toys too? I will be good forever.
Love,
Jaxson Moreland

Dear Santa,
I hope I'm on the nice list this year. I want a toy jeep, fake nails, emoji coat, emoji shoes, fake flowers, art kit, locked diary, rug for my bedroom and baby stuff. I hope you stay sake on Christmas Eve.
Love,
Marie Christian

Dear Santa,
I would like a purple and yellow bike with a basket, nintendo switch with a case, off road hover board, trampoline, rubics cube; all kinds, cat jewelry, hatchimals royal snow ball, baby sitters club books.
Thank you,
Danica Wolfe

Dear Santa,
Please let people not like reciving, but giving.
Sincerely'
Hannah Wangerin

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie house, Barbies, a new coloring book, a new princess castle, a new LOL doll and new shoes.
Addison Fitzwater

Dear Santa,
I have been a really good girl this year. I am asking for a toy car, a hat, hair bands,

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Delegate Isaac Sponaugle

Letters to Santa

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Dear Santa,
I want a guitar, a VR headset. I will leave cookies and milk for you.
Ethan Smith

Dear Santa,
My name is Ryan Riggleman and I am 3 years old. I have been awful onery this year, but I know it is only because I am little and still learning. For Christmas, I want either a dinosaur toy or an airplane. My family is spending Christmas with Mickey Mouse this year so I am so happy that you are coming to my house a few days early.
Thank You Santa,
Love Ryan

Dear Santa,
My name is Gage Riggleman and I am 6 years old. I have been a very good boy this year. For Christmas, I want the "Kirby" game for my nintendo switch. I also want to have a wonderful Christmas adventure with my family at Disney World!
Love, Gage

Dear Santa,
I want frozen stuff. Don't worry, I've been good.
I Love you,
Peyton Riggleman

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old and I have been good this year. I would like a yoyo and some hot wheels cars, a nerf gun and legos. I would also like the game sharkbite. I will put some cookies and carrots out for you and a glass of milk.
Love,
Luke Holliday

Dear Santa,
My name is Reese. I want an Anna dress and Anna boots and Anna stuff. I also

want a sled and a reindeer..
Reese Keplinger

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy dog and Kitty cat.
Brysen Keplinger

Dear Santa,
I would like an Elsa vanity and a hat-chamal. I would like a Tots headquarters. Have a Happy Christmas Santa.
Love,
Rylee Keplinger

Dear Santa,
I've been really good this year. I'd like to have some slime, a lot of markers and colored pencils, six coloring books and you can bring me any other toys that you want.. Don't forget to celebrate Jesus birthday.
Love you Santa.
Aubriana Rose Marquess

Dear Santa, I love your elf and I love you. I want for Christmas is a bubble gum factory and dogs. I want jenga blocks.
Love,
Jace Smith

Dear Santa,
Happy Thanksgiving. I am a good girl every day at school! I want a baby doll and slim and coloring books for Christmas.
Love,
Sadie Smith

Dear Santa,
I like you and want a unicorn, slim,. I want a luv a bella. I've been so good today.
Love,
Korie Smith

Dear Santa,
My name is Isabella Pratt. I am 2 ½ years old. My Mommy and Daddy are helping me write this. I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I want make-up, nail polish, some new clothes, Hatchimal, puzzles, basketball hoop for inside, train roller coaster and anything else you would like to bring me. Don't forget my puppies, Gypsy, Milli and Ivy. I'll leave you milk and cookies and carrots for your reindeer.
Love,
Isabella

Dear Santa, My name is Ryker Nash and I am 3 years old. This year for Christmas, I would really like some legos,a new tablet, a nerf gun, a Peppa Pig house and anything else you think I would like. Please bring my Mommy something nice for Christmas too.
Ryker Nash

Dear Santa,
My name is Anna Elizabeth Mae Crites and I am 2 ½ years old. My Mommy is helping me write my letter to you. I have been a pretty good girl this year. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a princess buggy. I would like for you to bring my friends, Teagan, Kasen, Gabby and Jesse something nice too. I will leave milk and cookies on the kitchen table for you and nasty ol' carrots for your reindeer.
Love, Anna

Dear Santa,
My name is Shayla Rohrbaugh from Maysville, WV. I am 8 years old and go to Maysville Elementary. I have been a good girl. I would like an I pad, American boy doll,and some LOL's. Please leave me something at MawMaw and Pappy's house in Fisher,WV. Please leave my little cousin LW something nice too. Have a safe trip!.
Love,
Shay

Dear Santa,
My name is Frayah Fitzwater and I am only 6 months old. Mommy and Daddy always say that I am a very good baby girl., so it must be true, This year santa I would like some learning toys, some clothes, shoes and an Elmo doll. Also Santa my big sister is the best big sister a girl could ask for, so if you could get her what she wants for Christmas that would make me a very happy baby. Thank you so much Santa.
Yours Truly,
Frayah Fitzwater
P.S. Santa, don't forget our cousins Ar-kind and Acacia will be up here in West Virginia this year.

Dear Santa,
My name is Annikha Fitzwater and this year has been pretty eventful for our little family. Although I'm sure you already know that and I have been a good girl this year. Learning how to be a big sister is a big job but I'm learning to do my best and help Mommy. Santa, this year I would like a new bike, books, learning tablet and some new clothes. Thanks bunches.
Yours Truly,
Annikha Fitzwater
P.S. Santa, don't forget that Arkind and Acacia will be up here in West Virginia this year.

Hi Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I would like to have a puppy,Prayers for my family. I will leave you cookies and milk on the table. I will leave carrots out for the reindeer, Say Hi to Mrs. Claus
Thanks Santa,
Shakira Helmick


Dear Santa,
Can you bring me a nintendo switch and a bakugan, a magic set and books and maps.
Love,
Cameron Boyd

Dear Santa,
My name is Raelynne but I like to be called "Sissy".I have been a super good girl this year because I want you to visit. If any bad was done this year my brother Keltie boy did it!. My absolute favorite thing is baby dolls. I actually have a bunch but I can never have too many. LOL. If you have time bring each of my family something nice because I Love them.
Sincerely, Raelynne Keplinger
Age 2

Dear Santa, My name is Kelton but I'm normally use to being called "Bubby or Keltie Boy' Santa. I really tried hard this year to be good but you know, stuff happens.I'm still hoping you will visit this year because being onery just comes with being a boy. Right? I'm a huge hunter so anything camo will be fine with me. I'm mostly a Daddy's boy but if you would bring my Mommy something nice to. Oh yeah?My sister tells that I am the trouble-maker, however she isn't always the sweet princess, but you can still bring her something.
Sincerely,
Kelten Keplinger
Age 4

Dear Santa,
My name is Connor William Ault. I am 6 years old and in first grade. I have tried and tried to be a very good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a nerf gun, army men, army vehicles, drone, books to read.
Please Santa don't forget my family. My big brother Trevor, Mommy, Daddy (CR), Grandma, Pappy and April. I will leave you milk and cookies (that Mommy didn't burn) and carrots for your reindeer.
Thank You Santa,
See you soon,
Connor William

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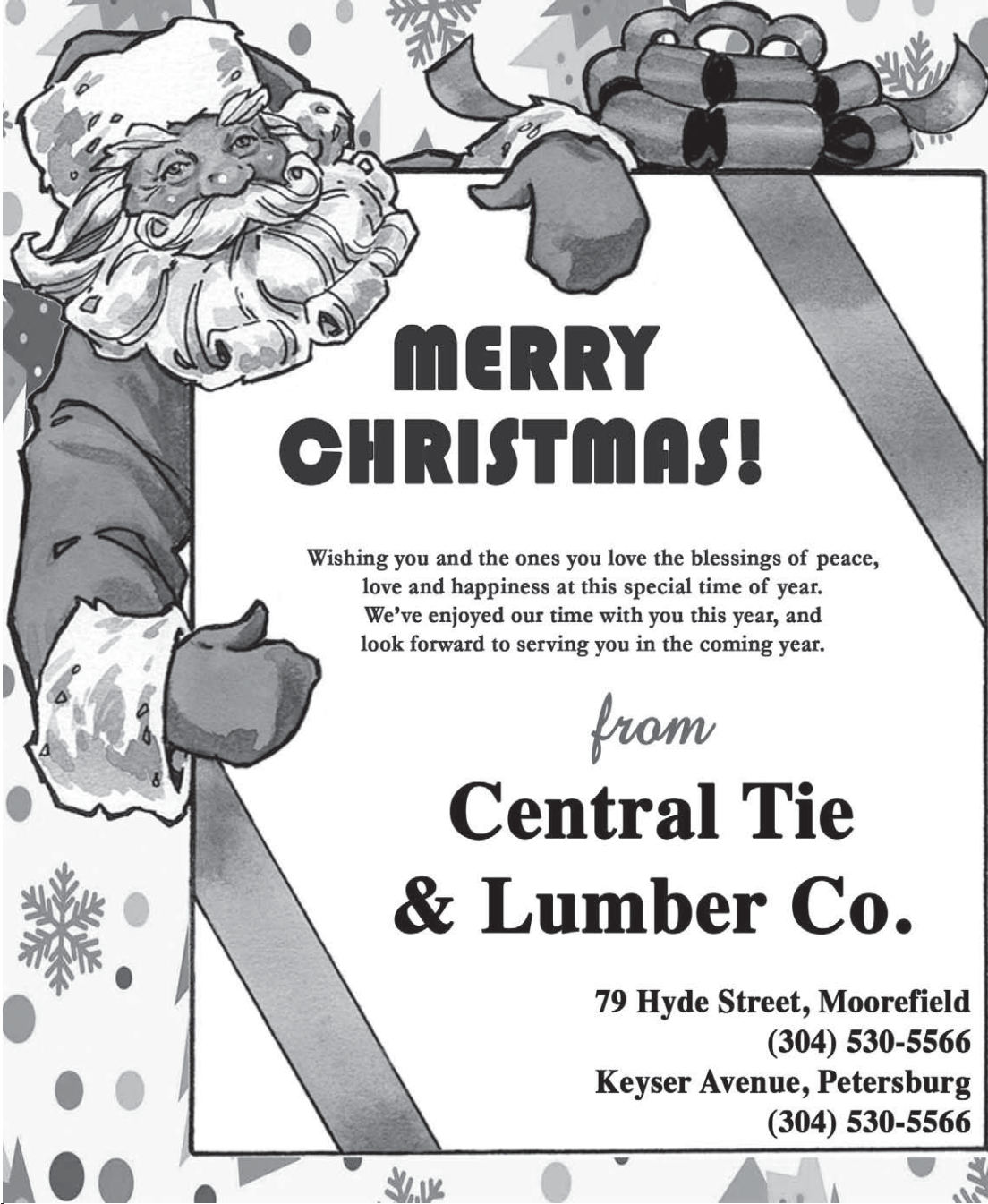
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Letters to Santa

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Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I really want \$100.00 this year. I will leave milk and cookies for you and carrots for you reindeer.
Love,
Brooklyn George
Age 9

Dear Santa,
My name is Rowan Noelle Swain. I am 8 months old so my Mommy is handling our communication this year. I hope this letter finds you and Mrs. Claus well. Obviously, my wish list isn't too long this year but I fully intend to make up for it in years to come.
I really like footed pajamas. I'm growing like a weed and a girl can never have too many clothes. I love to play with learning and interactive toys as well.
I realize you are extremely busy this time of year but if you could please give extra attention to the children who's parents are away from home serving our country this time of year. Their entire family sacrifices so much, I would like them to know my family and I are thinking of them.
Thanks again, Santa! You'll be hearing from me next year.
Until Then,
Rowan Noelle Swain
8 months

Dear Santa,
I would like to get the yellow Nintendo Switch with the Luigi ghost game. I circled a bunch of stuff in the catalog that I'm not

sure mom and dad will get me, so if you could do some of those too I would love it.
Love,
Hazel

Dear Santa,
I hope you aren't too busy. I will leave you a plate of cookies and some carrots for the reindeer. I'd like nerf guns, I pad, sliding shorts, legos, bike horn and a Steelers Ju-Ju Smith Shuster jersey.
Love,
Will See III

Dear Santa,
Thank you for my ping pong table you brought me last year. This year I would like Goosebump books.
Love,
Kage Stump

Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old .I would like American doll plus some clothes, plus a phone, a dress for American doll plus a tablet but I will give it to my little sister to play games on it and listen to Baby Sharks.
Love You,
McKenzie George

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. I would like to have one hundred dollars, plus I would like nerf guns, plus dinosaurs and army trucks, pants and shirts.

Love You.
Jase George

Dear Santa,
This year for Christmas I'd like a cotton candy hair doll and a princess carriage with horses that go up and down.
Love,
Kiersten Molen

Dear Santa,
My name is Bethany Fitzwater. I am 3 years old. I have been a good girl most of the time. For Christmas I would like some Barbies, clothes, an ice cream truck and anything else you would like to bring me. Please bring my family some presents too. Also thank you for everything you brought me last year. I will put cookies out for you.
Your friend,
Bethany Fitzwater

Dear Santa,
I want to thank you for my gifts from last year. I have had fun playing with my ice cream set. Please have a safe trip and take care of the reindeer. I have tried really hard to use good manners and make good choices.. I would really like a doll house this year. My brother has been extra special this year as well. Please bring him a nintendo switch.
Merry Christmas,
Riley Riggelman

Dear Santa,
I love you so much! I want a tablet for Christmas, please. We will leave you out some cookies and milk. Also I would like a pogo stick, not that big though. I hope you have a nice Christmas.
Love,
Ethan Edward Mills

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I would like Harry Potter stuff, pet stuff, Warrior cat books, stuff a love and breyers.
Aspen Cabral

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Bella. I hope I have been a good girl. My Elf came last night, they have been watching me and my brother. I love the slime kit but it got sticky and I had to throw it away. I want a new baby doll, I want a boy.
Love,
Bella Linville

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Nintendo switch for Christmas. I would also like to have the slides and ladder game, monopoly and chess. Thank You and I will leave you some cookies and milk. Rudolph will have a carrot.
Love,
Jayla

Dear Santa,
I want a big shot 11 double shootout basketball game. A gaming headset 8 inch jumbo tennis ball set of 4 for Roscoe and electronic super slam basketball game, Coleman power sports go cart and a razor full face helmet.
Jaedyn Funk

Dear Santa,
My name is Jonah G. George and I turned 4 years old today, December 9. I have tried really hard to be a good boy this year for Mommy and Daddy. I would love to have a Muppet baby house, drums, guitar, and karaoke machine. I really want these things because I love music so much. And thank you for coming to see me and my sister at our birthday party. It was so much fun! I will leave big cookies and milk for you this year and big carrots for your reindeer.
Love,
Jonah

Dear Santa,
My name is Jocalynn D. George and I just turned 6 years old on Thursday, December 5. I have tried really hard to be a very good girl this year at home and at school! I would love to have a telescope, sequin pocketbook, and a hatchimal nursery for Christmas. In return I promise to leave extra milk and cookies this year and carrots for your reindeer.
Love,
Jocalynn
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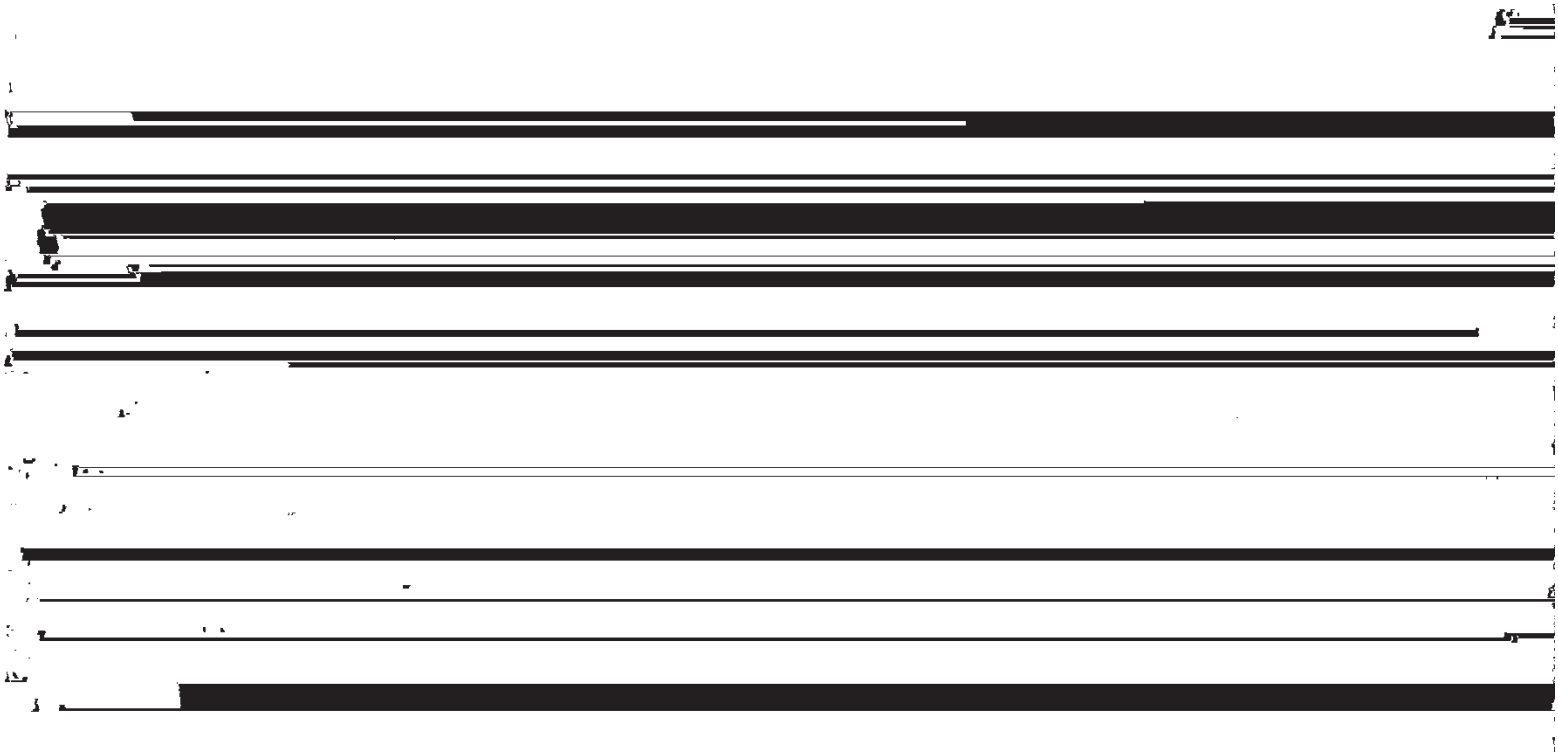
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Oh Christmas Tree

Tricks for Preserving a Fresh-Cut Tree



Christmas trees are an iconic symbol of the holiday season. Whether they are personal trees nestled in the corner of a living room for families to enjoy or towering evergreens serving as the focal point of a town square, Christmas trees are a wonder to behold.

Many people have fond memories of time spent around the Christmas tree sharing gifts and family traditions. Live trees and their pine-like aroma can be especially nostalgic trees to include in holiday plans. The National Christmas Tree Association says that approximately 25 to 30 million real Christmas trees are sold in the United States every year. North American trees hail from all 50 states and areas of Canada.

While freshly cut trees can be particularly beautiful and aromatic additions to the season, they require a bit more work than artificial trees in order to remain beautiful and thrive throughout the holiday season. Maintenance can help keep Christmas trees as perfect as possible.

- Even though it is tempting to buy a real tree as early as possible, their shelf life is limited even with the best care. Dural Christmas Tree Farm advises that, under the best conditions, a real tree should last up to four weeks before drying out.
- Consider the needles when looking for a real tree. Pull your hand toward your body along the branches. If many needles fall off, the tree is past its peak.

- Think about the room in which the tree will be located. Leave at least 6 inches between the tip of the tree and the ceiling, accounting for the height of the tree stand as well.
- If needle retention is a goal, the Scotch pine variety has the best needle retention and a high survival rate, lending to its popularity, offers Precision Tree and Landscape. Douglas fir and balsam fir are other durable trees.
- If possible, buy a freshly cut tree from a reputable nursery or tree farm, advises The Old Farmer's Almanac. Many pre-cut trees sold elsewhere were likely cut weeks before and may not be fresh.
- Cut the bottom of the tree trunk before bringing it home to facilitate the uptake of fresh water

daily. Trees can absorb as much as a gallon of water in a day, so make sure the tree gets fresh water every day.

- Keep trees away from as many heat sources as possible and away from direct sunlight to prolong longevity.
- According to Karabin Farms in Connecticut, to make a Christmas tree last longer, boil a gallon of water and then dissolve one cup of sugar in the water. Allow to cool. After freshly cutting the trunk, pour in the warm sugar water. Continue to add fresh, cool, plain water to the tree stand afterward.

Once needles begin to fall off with frequency, the tree is reaching its prime. Remove it so it does not become a fire hazard.

What To Do with the Christmas Tree After the Holidays?

When choosing a real Christmas tree for holiday celebrations, consumers should think about the many ways that trees can be repurposed after the holiday season. Some towns collect discarded trees to use them for various purposes. However, homeowners can get in on the action as well. The Old Farmer's Almanac offers these great ideas for post-holiday tree use.

- Prop up the tree near a bird feeder to provide another perch and shelter to birds that stick close to home in winter, such as chickadees and finches.
- String the tree with various treats for birds and put it in a sheltered location. Ideas include homemade suet, cranberries

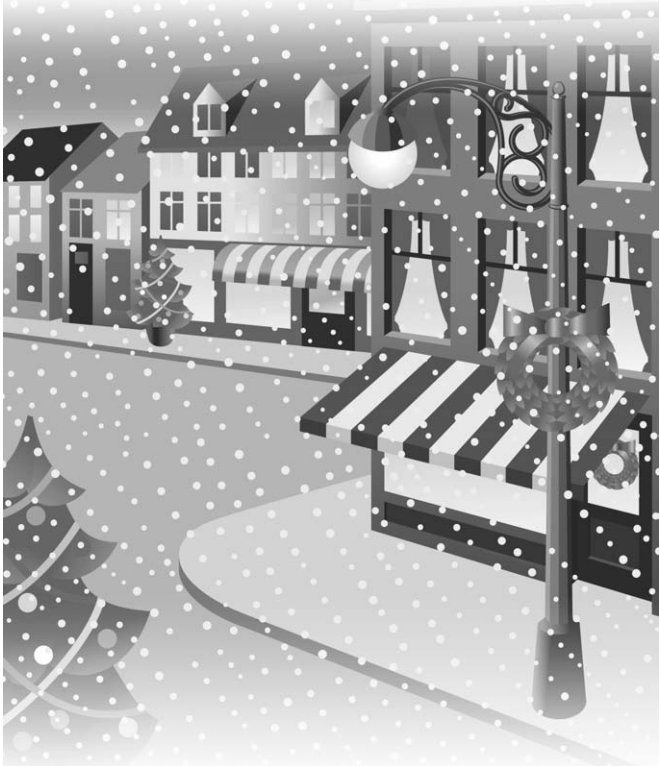
- and millet.
- Mulch the tree and use it in the garden in the spring.
- Use boughs to insulate perennials in the garden.
- Keep some branches to use as kindling

- in a wood stove or fireplace, or as aromatic logs for next year's yule fire.
- Sink an old tree in a personal pond. Fish and tadpoles will live and lay eggs around this sheltered area.
- Collect some pine needles and sew them into fabric packets to make scented

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- There are many imaginative ways to come up with handy uses for Christmas trees once the holiday season ends.

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Make Homemade Holiday Wreaths the Easy Way



There are many different ways to decorate homes and businesses for the holidays. Tall evergreen trees are among the most visible symbols of the holiday season. However, wreaths hung on doors, windows or fences also are ubiquitous this time of year.

Wreaths adorn homes primarily during the holidays of Easter and Christmas. Wreaths have also been worn around the head or neck in ceremonial events around the globe for centuries. It is believed the first wreaths date back to ancient Greece and Rome. Members of the Greco-Roman society were known to hand-make ring-shaped items using fresh tree leaves, small fruits, flowers, and twigs. Often-

times these headdresses symbolized a person's social status. Others suggest wreaths evolved to become a Christian symbol of immortality.

Regardless of how wreaths are viewed, many people like to display wreaths for the holidays. Wreaths can be purchased premade, but making a wreath on your own can make the holidays even more fun.

One of the easiest ways to make a wreath is to design it around a circular floral foam form. Gather supplies to make the wreath. For traditional wreaths, supplies will include sprigs of evergreen (real or artificial), ribbon, floral wire, bows, and artificial berries. Working around the foam form, arrange the boughs of evergreen, using the floral wire

to wrap or pin into the foam itself. Keep the layers coming until you get the desired coverage. Embellish with a ribbon or place a bow.

The blog A Piece of Rainbow says that creating a wreath jig is an easy way to make a wreath. Cut a dollar-store laundry basket bottom from the top ring to make a template, on which you can place wreath-making materials so they keep their circular form. Use floral wire or natural jute string to tie the materials together. Experiment with fresh evergreen, twigs, holly branches, or whatever materials you choose.

Thick card stock also can serve as the wreath template. Attach artificial flowers or leaves, spray snow, ornaments, or other items to the card stock ring with a firm adhesive.

Many craft stores sell wreath forms made of natural vines that have been strung in a ring. These can be decorated in their entirety or left a little sparse to let the natural twine show through.

Wreaths may seem like complicated creations. But a little imagination and the right materials is all it takes to create a homemade wreath.

Happy Holidays!

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Coloring Contest Runner's-Up | Ages 8-10



1st Runner Up | Jaedyn Funk, Age 9, of Wardensville



2nd Runner Up | Shayla Rohrbaugh, Age 8, of Maysville



3rd Runner Up | Aubriana Marquess, Age 9, of Moorefield



4th Runner Up | Peyton Ketterman, Age 9, of Moorefield

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Safe Holiday Entertaining in a Pet-Friendly Household



The holidays are a time to spend with friends and family. Celebrating and entertaining are large components of what makes Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years festivities so enjoyable. Holiday hosts with pets must consider companion animals when planning the festivities.

The holiday season brings added dangers for pets. The American Veterinary Association notes that, by keeping hazards in mind, pet owners can ensure their four-legged friends enjoy the season as much as everyone else.

- Secure the tree. Securely anchor the Christmas tree so that it won't tip over on anyone, including rambunctious pets. Also, stagnant tree stand water can grow bacteria. If a pet should drink the water, it may end up with nausea or diarrhea. Replenish the tree basin with fresh water daily.
- Skip the candles. When creating mood lighting, opt for electronic or battery-powered lights instead of open flames. Pets may knock over candles, and that can be an instant fire hazard.
- Keep food out of reach. Situate food buffets beyond the reach of hungry and curious animals. Warn guests to promptly throw out their leftovers so that dogs and cats do not sneak away with scraps that may cause stomach upset or worse. Real Simple magazine warns that fatty foods can promote pancreatitis — a potentially dangerous inflammation of the pancreas that produces toxic enzymes and causes illness and dehydration. Small bones can get lodged in a pet's throat or intestines as well.
- Avoid artificial sweeteners. Exercise caution when baking sugar-free desserts. The artificial sweetener xylitol can cause dogs' blood pressure to drop to dangerously low levels. Xylitol is found in some toothpastes and gum, so tell overnight guests to keep their toiletries secure to avoid accidental exposure.
- Be cautious with cocktails. If the celebration will include alcoholic beverages, the ASPCA says to place unattended adult beverages where pets cannot reach them. Ingested alcohol can make pets ill, weak and even induce comas.
- Be picky about plants. Mistletoe, holly and poinsettias can be dangerous in pet-friendly households. These plants can cause gastrointestinal upset and may lead to other problems if ingested. Opt for artificial replicas instead. If guests bring flowers, confirm they are non-toxic to pets before putting them on display.
- Watch the door. Guests going in and out may inadvertently leave doors open. In such instances, pets who get scared or are door dashers may be able to escape the house. Put a note by the door to watch for escaping pets.
- Designate a safe space for pets. If the holiday hustle proves too much for cats, dogs, birds, and more, give the pet a safe, quiet spot away from the crowds.

Holiday hosts should factor in pet safety when they open their homes to guests.

Holiday Hosting in Small Spaces Doesn't Have to be a Big Feat

Gatherings of family and friends are a big part of the holiday season. Hosting such gatherings can be a great way to show loved ones how much you appreciate them, and hosting also saves hosts the trouble of traveling during one of the most hectic travel seasons of the year.

When hosting a large crowd at home, space can be a difficult hurdle to clear. However, a few helpful strategies can help space-starved hosts pull off a holiday soiree where everyone is comfortable.

- Pare down the menu. Holiday feasts don't have to resemble medieval banquets with excessive amounts of food and drink. Hosts with small kitchens and tiny dining quarters can pare down the menu, limiting offerings to just a single entree and a few simple side dishes, so everyone feels comfortable at the table and has ample room to eat. A small menu also gives hosts more time to spend with their loved ones during the festivities.
- Don't overdo it on drinks, either. When planning the drinks menu, avoid offering cocktails, which take time to prepare and often require guests to visit the kitchen for refrigerated ingredients. Limit drinks to wine, beer, water, and soft drinks, storing cold beverages in a cooler kept outside on a front or back porch or in an area outside the kitchen so cooks can work without interruption.
- Move some furniture. If your main living space is small, consider moving some bulky furniture into a bedroom or office where guests won't be spending time. Then make better use of the open living space by placing folding chairs or other accommodations to ensure there's ample seating for everyone. A single recliner can only be enjoyed by one person, but removing it from a room may create enough space for as many as three folding chairs.
- Go small on decorations. If you know you'll be hosting in advance of the holiday season, decorate with guests in mind. That might mean skipping a six-foot Christmas tree in favor of one that takes up less space. Avoid leaving any fragile decorations out, as adults or overexcited kids may knock them over as they try to navigate a cramped space.

Holiday hosting can be fun, even in small spaces. A few simple tricks can make even the smallest spaces accommodating.

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Season's Eatings

Celebrate the Season with Enjoyable Desserts

FAMILY FEATURES

Whether you're huddled around the fireplace, gathered at the table or strolling through a winter wonderland, the holidays are all about enjoying pure and memorable moments with family and friends. With all of the seasonal gatherings, you can certainly expect that almost any host or guest will attempt to provide a classic holiday treat for everyone to enjoy.

This year, you can give your traditional holiday bake a refreshing twist sure to spread all kinds of holiday cheer with this Enjoymint Peppermint Pie topped with Homemade Whipped Cream, which can be easily whipped up with less than 10 ingredients total.

From pumpkin pies to gingerbread cookies and everything in-between, an option like DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream can be a must-have kitchen staple this season, one you can feel good about knowing it's sourced from trusted dairies.

For more recipes for the holidays and every day, visit DairyPure.com, and find DairyPure on Facebook, Instagram and Pinterest.



Enjoymint Peppermint Pie

Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 20 minutes

- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 2 1/2 cups DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream, divided
- 8 ounces soft peppermint candy
- 1 chocolate cookie crust
- crushed peppermint candies, for garnish

Soften gelatin in water; set aside.

In small saucepan over low heat, cook 1/2 cup whipping cream with candy until candy melts.

Add gelatin; mix well.

Whip remaining whipping cream. Let gelatin mixture cool and fold in whipped cream, reserving 1/2 cup for garnish.

Pour into crust. Chill.

Before serving, top with reserved whipped cream and crushed peppermint candies.



Homemade Whipped Cream

- 2 tablespoons granulated or confectioners' sugar
- 2 cups DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract or liqueur

In chilled glass bowl, add sugar to whipping cream. Using whisk or hand mixer, incorporate sugar into heavy whipping cream until it begins to thicken, leaving visible trails. Continue to whip until soft peaks start to form.

Fold in vanilla extract or liqueur. Serve immediately or refrigerate and remix 1-2 minutes before serving.

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2nd Runner Up | Khalea Leatherman, Age 6, of Moorefield



3rd Runner Up | Aryiah Hinzman, Age 7 1/2, of Moorefield



4th Runner Up | Bryson Wagnor, Age 6, of Wardensville

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