



# State Police Motorcycle Unit Roars Back to Life



Photo by Jean Flanagan

The West Virginia State Police's Motorcycle Unit made its debut at the Moorefield Volunteer Fire Department Parade.

By Jim King  
*Hampshire Review*

West Virginia's first State Police motorcycle unit in more than 40 years rode in the Moorefield Volunteer Fire Company's parade last Thursday.

It was the unit's first appearance in the Potomac Highlands region since being formed at the beginning of the month.

First Sgt. Kevin Plumer of Romney and Sgt. Chris Siler of Elkins rode the pair of Harley-Davidson Electra Glides up Main Street and across Spring Avenue into Town Park.

The unit was reintroduced for the 100th anniversary of the creation of the West Virginia State Police.

"Motorcycles are part of the state police tradition, and this is our centennial," said Col. Jan Cahill, the state police superintendent.

About 30 troopers were interviewed in February, 17 were chosen for a 2-week training program in Charleston and 14 completed it, a southern unit of 7 and a northern one, headed by Plumer out of the Romney detachment.

The other northern unit members are Siler and corporals Zach Nine, Nick Campbell, Sammy Smith, James Barker and Mike Link.

The 2-week training program at Chuck Yeager Airport "by far was one of the harder classes I've done," Plumer said. It was hosted by the Northwestern University /Harley-Davidson law enforcement motorcycle operator school.

The motorcycle unit will be in Hampshire County this coming Thursday for the county fair parade and in Petersburg next week for the Tri-County Fair parade.

But, Plumer said, the real work will be

more than ceremonial. The unit will be working crowd control at WVU football games this fall.

And, he said, a big reason for reinstituting the unit was the ease that motorcycles have to get to accident scenes on busy highways.

"With crashes on the interstate, it can be hard to get cars through to your crash," he said. "Motorcycles can get there a lot faster."

Motorcycles were used by the state police since the agency was created in 1919 — although in that year the motorcycles were outnumbered by horses.

In 1932, motorcycles outnumbered cars in the state police, which had 62 motorcycles and 55 cars on the road that year. The motorcycle unit was disbanded in the late 1970s.

A couple other reasons for reinstating the unit are to jumpstart public interaction and

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## Wilson Pleads Guilty to Wanton Endangerment

By Jean A. Flanagan  
*Moorefield Examiner*

Judge C. Carter Williams of the 22nd Judicial Circuit, heard plea agreements and motions in Circuit Court on Thursday, July 18.

Dawson B. Wilson, 52, of Wardensville, pleaded guilty to one count of wanton endangerment with a firearm. He was indicted in June on eight counts after he fired a gun in close vicinity of eight people in his home.

The penalty for wanton endangerment with a firearm is not less than one year and not more than five years in prison or one year in jail.

Wilson admitted he fired the gun, but said it went off accidentally. "I just wanted those people to get out of my house," he said. "The gun went off. It was an accident. The bullet went into the floor."

According to the plea agreement, Wilson will be sent for a 60-day evaluation. If the evaluation is favorable, the prosecuting attorney will not oppose probation.

Wilson was remanded to custody. Judge Williams scheduled a status hearing for Tuesday, Aug. 27.

A preliminary hearing on a motion to revoke the probation of Heiskell Smith, 78, of Wardensville was held. Smith entered an Alford plea to two counts of third-degree sexual assault in 2015.

An Alford plea is not an admission of guilt, but an agreement that the prosecution has enough evidence to prove guilt.

Smith was originally charged with multiple counts of sexual assault, sexual abuse and incest.

He was sentenced to not less than one year and not more than five years in prison for each count to run consecutively and ordered to register as a sex offender for life. The prison sentence was suspended and Smith was placed on supervised probation for five years. "It doesn't appear that Judge Parsons ordered extended supervision, which is mandatory," Judge Williams said.

In January, Smith was charged with three counts of failure to register as a sex offender, which is a felony. He pleaded guilty to one count

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## Flying High



Photo by Cassy Miller

A drone photo of those attending the Hardy County Farm Bureau annual picnic.

## Hardy County Farm Bureau Hosts Annual Picnic

By Jean A. Flanagan  
*Moorefield Examiner*

While the nearly 100-degree heat kept some away, more than 120 people attended the Hardy County Farm Bureau Annual Picnic on Saturday, July 20.

"There were a lot of kids," said Farm Bureau member and host Ron Miller. "They were all anxious for the hayride. We wanted to have

a campfire, but it was just too hot."

The day was filled with food and fun and community. The menu featured pulled pork, BBQ chicken and sweet corn. Everyone brought a covered dish or dessert.

"We cooked the sweet corn in an iron kettle over an open fire," Miller said. "Elwood Williams said the chicken was good and if anyone knows chicken, it's Elwood."

The event was held in a rebuilt

barn at the Ron and Patty Miller's Big Ridge Farm.

"I used to milk cows in that barn when I was a kid," Miller said. "In 2014, we tore it down and saved the wood and rebuilt it using as much of the old wood as we could."

Miller said farmers should consider joining the Hardy County Farm Bureau. Tyler Bradfield serves as President, Dennis Funk is Vice President and Leona Dove is

Secretary/Treasurer.

"You can get discounts at Nationwide Insurance," Miller said. "We have people in Charleston looking out for our interests."

For information about the Hardy County Farm Bureau, contact Leona Dove at 304-897-5254 or Bobby Jones at Nationwide Insurance, 701 N. Main St. in Moorefield.



## Dozens March in Kiddie Parade

Thanks to the efforts of a number of Moorefield residents, the Poultry Week Kiddie Parade was reborn on Monday, July 22. Kids of all ages marched on Elm Street. A good time was had by all.

## Teachers Spend Summer Learning Math Strategies

By Jean A. Flanagan  
*Moorefield Examiner*

Hardy County teachers spent part of their summer in professional development activities revolving around the Math4Life program. The statewide program is a comprehensive effort to increase student achievement in math, beginning in Pre-Kindergarten.

"Each county devised their own plan," said Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Strawderman. "The state provided a template, but there was no official format."

The first step was to create a Leadership Team, Strawderman said. That was done in January/February and consists of representatives from every school in Hardy County, the Board of Education and the Central Office.

"We surveyed teachers and asked

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Photo by Jennifer Strawderman

Hardy County teachers listen as a presenter from the West Virginia Department of Education suggests innovative ways to teach math.

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OPINION

Corridor H: Virginia Officials Must Take an Interest

A couple of weeks ago we read an editorial in the Elkins Inter-Mountain about Corridor H. We liked what our friends in Elkins had to say and we intend to reprint most of it here for you to see that once again our neighbors to the west are concerned about the completion of the Appalachian Corridor clear to the West Virginia-Virginia line. We just hope our neighbors to the East will join the effort.

“Making West Virginia’s mountain playground more accessible to tourists from the East Coast would be an enormous boon to our state.

“Both our U.S. Senators — Republican Shelley Moore Capito and Democrat Joe Manchin — referred to this during a visit to the Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuge in Tucker County. The two, along with U.S. Secretary of the Interior David Bernhardt, were there to inspect work on a new visitors center for the refuge.

“Construction of most of Corridor H in northeastern West Virginia already has made the state easier to reach for many travelers, as Manchin and Capito noted.

“The sooner the highway is completed, the better. On critical section, taking Corridor H to the Virginia border, is set for construction in 2027.”

Right now, work is being done from Kerens toward Parsons. There s a segment from Parsons to the section of the Corridor now completed just east of Davis and Thomas. There s another segment from Wardensville to the state line and then there the segment from the Virginia line to I-81.

“But as matters stand, construction will stop short of the originally intended eastern terminus with Interstate 81 in the Shenandoah Valley.

“Virginia officials seem uninterested in the project.”

Which is intriguing to us since the completion of the Corridor as planned would give a direct 4-lane route into Front Royal and the Inland Port there with hundreds of trucks coming out of the Mountain State with tons of product from timber to coal (as long as it s being mined) to anything we produce for shipping overseas.

Since the planned eastern bound rail connection in the southern part of the state seems to be falling apart, now is the time for us to push the completion of the road. It s taken us 54 years to get this far, seems to us it s time for the state to finish Corridor H and benefit from being able to ship product out and bringing tourists in.

“Here’s hoping that both West Virginia and federal officials can convince those in Richmond to change their minds.

“Corridor H was intended to be a link between West Virginia and the eastern United States. As it stands, the highway falls short of that.”



MY UNBASED OPINION

By DAVID O. HEISHMAN

EVERY TIME! Every time I walk into the KacKapon Restaurant in Wardensville, I have same thoughts. Same memories. It’s happened for years. More years than I like to remember, but it’s good memories from a long time ago.

Brown Hott’s Lumber Yard. I remember big piles of carefully stacked rough cut lumber in neat rows. Stacked with sticks between layers for air circulation, faster curing and drying. Stacked in order by length and thickness of boards and variety of trees from which it was sawn.

Mr. Hott lived in one of the homes behind Wardensville School. His son, Gerald, was my best buddy back then. Still is one of my best, though I haven’t seen him much for years.

We played Cowboys and Indians in that lumber yard. A wonderful place to sneak up on each other with cap pistols either drawn, or waiting in their holsters for fast draws we’d seen in Western’s at Doric Theater on Saturday night. Gene Autry, Roy Rogers and Johnny

Mac Brown taught us how.

Parents didn’t seem to mind our playing there. It was right beside the highway, which as long as we stayed out of the road made our play safer because the whole passing community could keep an eye on our antics. Mom worried most about traffic while Pap cautioned most about snakes we might encounter in tall weeds between stacks.

“Mr Brown” also had first television I ever saw. I remember a big piece of dark furniture with a small glass covered picture tube peeking out, knobs on the front and I think it had a “rabbit ears” antenna. One or two channels, maybe, and I think one we watched was Channel 3, Harrisonburg.

“Pick Temple’s Ranch” was our favorite show. Saturday afternoons, late. It ended at 4:30. I remember because I was supposed to be home by 4:30 every evening. Our first meeting after each episode I’d missed part of involved Gerald bringing me up-to-date on what I’d missed.

The show’s format included bleacher seats filled with little kids. “Pick” talked with the children and whatever, but then he’d break the show for a serial western run in little snatches. Each piece was an exciting few moments of riding and shooting and cowboys falling off their horses.

One section every week we thought stupid. Pick would select a kid from the audience, seat him/her on a wooden rocking calf and let the kid say hello to folks back home until the calf bawled. “Hi Grandma, Hi Daddy, Hi Jeanie, BAAAAH! I can still close my eyes and hear that damn calf bawl.

Gerald and I outgrew the lumber yard. We moved on to activities such as an unsuccessful attempt to start a big Caterpillar bulldozer off its pony engine one Sunday afternoon at Warden Lake’s construction site. Later we pitched horse-shoes up behind Mr. Walter Sager’s store. It was only a short sneak across Main Street to Mr. Hott’s shops where we’d com-

mander a pickup truck with diesel fuel tank in the back and tour remote parts of eastern Hardy County. Desire for a fire to illuminate night swimming holes brought about innovation in that we found a small amount of diesel fuel poured into/over a small pile of earth and stones burns for quite a while though the black smoke doesn’t help the flavor of hot dogs.

Lots of memories begin with meals at the Kackapon. Folks comment on my distracted manner while I sit waiting for my food to be brought out. Highest among those thoughts are memories of my days growing up with Gerald and all the antics we pulled off.

From kids who were cautioned to look out for traffic as they played Cowboys and Indians to men who have lived to retire from business management and raised multiple children of our own, we’ve earned the right to relax and remember in peace and quiet.



GLANCING BACKWARD

FROM THE MOOREFIELD EXAMINER ARCHIVES

Fifteen Years Ago August 4, 2004

Highway Commissioner Fred VanKirk urged Moorefield public officials to put aside their differences on a Corridor H Moorefield bypass. He recommended locating connecting to U.S. 220 north and west of Caledonia Heights.

Columbia Gas announced plans to open a gas storage field in eastern Hardy County and a small portion of Hampshire County. When full it would hold 12 billion cubic standard feet of natural gas.

Emily Weese was crowned WV Poultry Queen 2004. Runners up were Nicole Riggleman, Julie George, Janel Hedrick and Cassie Hedrick.

School Superintendent Ron Whetzel told the Board of Education that only 60% of the students were reading at grade level. He said the schools had to work smarter, not necessarily harder to get the remaining 40% at grade level.

A number of poultry farms could be defined as confined animal feeding operations (CAFO) that would be covered by proposed permits to eliminate animal waste from being discharged into rivers and streams.

Hardy and Jefferson counties had reported finding dead birds testing positive for West Nile Virus.

Thurmond Scott Reynolds, 83, died July 29. For a number of years he owned and operated Reynolds Feed and Grain...Henry Keith Alt, 76, Arthur, died July 25...Mildred Shanholtz Belt, 76, died July 22.

Mary Elizabeth Snyder and Timothy R. Redman were married June 4.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ward, a son, John Kelly...to Sheril Ours and Paul Iman, a son, Dami-an Paul.

Thirty Years Ago August 2, 1989

U. S. Senator Robert C. Byrd obtained \$1.5 million for a poultry research laboratory in Hardy County. This was in addition to \$2.275 million received earlier to establish the research.

At the same time, Byrd obtained \$4 million for a flood prevention dam on the Lost River.

The state tax officials announced a crackdown on out of state sales and use tax evaders.

Blanche Wolfe Thorne, 76, died July 24...William Arthur Neff, 80, Inwood, died July 21.

Kelly Lynn Crites and Joseph Emory Dolan were married June 17.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. David Smith, a son, David McClellen.

Forty-five Years Ago July 31, 1974

Kimberly Lynn Phares was crowned 1974 Poultry Queen. Runners up were Molli Moomau and Peggy Faye Simmons.

Poultry growers and representatives from the industry met with elected officials in Washington to discuss problems with processors.

Kenton Lambert announced that the Farmers Home Administration had grown to \$64.8 million in West Virginia.

Born to Commander and Mrs. X. F. Mezadri, a son.

Sixty Years Ago August 5, 1959

Carol Jane Harper was crowned the WV Poultry Queen.

Total valuation for Hardy County grew from \$17.8 to \$18.6 million. Taxpayers were to get a real increase as taxes for the town, the county and the board of education

were all to increase.

Vincent Trown had opened a shoe repair shop.

Ella Dietz Gochenour, 71, Lost River, died Aug. 5.

Rosalee Dorothy Eye and Charles Miller were married August 5.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Arnold, a daughter, Kim Elaine...to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ely, a daughter, Patricia Lane...to Mr. and Mrs. Orvin Turner, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Wrathford, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Kile, a son.

Seventy-five Years Ago August 2, 1944

Mayor J. Harry Dolan was appointed chairman for Protection Area #3 in an emergency flood plan under the War Department. Counties in Area #3 were Hardy, Pendleton, Hampshire and part of Grant.

Church news: the Presbyterian Church steeple was hit by lightning and the Methodists turned down a \$5,250 bid on the parsonage property including the Colonial style brick residence.

The entire turkey crop in Hardy, Grant and Pendleton counties had been set aside for holiday dinners for fighting men.

An army plane made a forced landing near George Miley’s field. Crews had arrived to dismantle and remove the aircraft to be rebuilt. The pilot was not injured.

A transport plane carrying wounded soldiers and sailors went down between Iceland and Newfoundland. Among those lost was Pvt. Willie Greenwalt of Pendleton County...Pvt. Hoyt Walker, 29, Wardensville, was killed in action on June 9 in Normandy...George O. Sherman, 65, New Carlisle, OH, died July 21 ...Warren David

Souder, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Souder, died July 30...Margaret Elizabeth Rotruck, 67, Knobley, died July 18.

A marriage license was issued to Lillie Lewis and John H. Cook ...Nancy Ann Pugh and Lt. (j.g.) James Lawrence Hamilton were married July 1 in Wheeling...Cora Lee Martin and Everett P. Calhoun, BM 1/c, were married June 16.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Sherman, a son, Roscoe Rodney...to Mr. and Mrs. Ervin May, a daughter...Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Alt, a son, Christian James...to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Flinn, a son, James III.

Ninety Years Ago August 1, 1929

Teachers for the Moorefield schools were as follows: Mr. Clarke was to succeed Mr. Stuckey as principal. Helen Pownell, Mary Virginia Fisher, Suella Harper, Elizabeth Hall, R. J. Douglas and Marion Deahl were in the high school. Virginia Wood, Louise Chipley, Averill Marshall, Mary Fisher, Mrs. Robert Gamble, Mrs. Voight Didawick, and Mrs. R. J. Douglas were in the graded school.

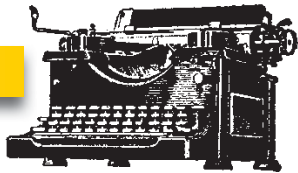
Miss Vernon Rinker had gone to Petersburg where she was to have charge of the telephone exchange for several weeks.

Clifton Malcolm had enlisted in the Marine Corps at Cumberland and left for training at Parris Island, S.C.

O. J. May had moved his sawmill near Baker where he was sawing for P. N. Heishman.

L. P. Whetzel, David Hutter and John Moyers were cutting timber on Burnt Mountain for D. E. Smith.

Virgie Miller and Branson Baker were married.



Interesting how many men are finding out that they should not publicly talk about women in sexual terms or taking advantage of them physically. Men are withdrawing their names from nominations to a variety of positions when their peccadilloes are front page news. But we heard a new one last week. The poet who was nominated for Poet Laureate of New Hampshire was withdrawn by the Governor when a poem he wrote in 2005 was noted as being sexually suggestive about former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. The poet said he doubted anyone had read it. Well, they have now.

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On August 3 Support

Don’t know about you, but we’ve decided that one of the downsides to aging is lack of tolerance to temperature extremes. The heat wave July 19-21 was intolerable. We only have air conditioning in our new addition (bedroom). The rest of the house is cooled (somewhat) by fans. Most of the time that works pretty well, but when the temps are in the 100 degree neighborhood and the humidity is above 90, the fans seem to be just circulating hot moist air. At least the air is moving. But we really miss the shade given by the big old maples we had

to cut down several years ago.

Sons of Confederate Veterans

What was really interesting is that the heat wave was followed by “record cold” according the weather folks. We suppose a 40 degree difference is pretty impressive. But how interesting that the month of July will be known both for record highs and lows.

School Supplies and Food Drive

We are looking for pictures and memories of the Moorefield Air Shows put on in the 40s and 50s.

We would also like to know what you remember about the beginning of Moorefield’s Municipal Airport on Caledonia Hill as well as any stories about the local men who got their pilot’s licenses. They started flying lessons in Cumberland before the war and continued during and after. They started a Civil Air Patrol and introduced local youngsters to flying. We’re trying to help Marie VanMeter of Petersburg pull together a history of flight in the Valley so anything you can add will be appreciated.

At Moorefield Elementary School



# Eastern W.Va. Community & Technical College to Accept Applicants to Nursing Program

Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College will begin distribution of applications to its 2020-2022 Nursing Program Cohort November 4, 2019. All applications and supporting documentation must be submitted February 3, 2020 at 4:30 PM.

Applicants are required to meet a set of academic requirements, which are as follows:

- If applicant has failed from two previous Nursing Programs, applicant will not be considered for admission.
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or have passed the GED US/TASC test.
- Applicant must have a 2.5 GPA or higher from high school or college courses.
- Applicant must be eligible to take college-level English and

Math.

- Applicants must have an adjusted individual cumulative score of 75 or higher on the HESI A2 Test.

Classes will begin August 19, and the last day to register for courses is August 16.

For more information call 304-434-8000, toll free 877-982-2322, or visit [www.easternwv.edu](http://www.easternwv.edu).

For more information about Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's financial aid opportunities, programs of study, workforce training and community education and events, call toll free 877-982-2322; or check the College's website: [www.easternwv.edu](http://www.easternwv.edu).

Serving the residents of Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Mineral, Pendleton and Tucker counties, and fully

accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College is a comprehensive and equal opportunity community and technical college bringing the resources and assets of education that works to the families, communities and employers of the Potomac Highlands. Eastern's service district comprises 3,200 square miles over six counties in the rural Potomac Highlands of eastern West Virginia. Eastern is dedicated to the mission of providing accessible and affordable educational opportunities for academic as well as entrepreneur education and assistance for the Potomac Highlands Regional community.

# New Moorefield Water Plant Construction Contracts Finalized



From L to R, Moorefield Mayor Gary Stalnaker, USDA representative Charlotte Johnson, and Moorefield Recorder Debra Hefner review documents prior to signing contracts to begin construction of the Water Plant project.

By Hannah Heishman  
*Moorefield Examiner*

On Tuesday, July 23, lawyers, engineers, contractors, and Moorefield leadership met to sign contracts and work out final pre-construction details for the Water

Plant project.

"Congratulations," said lawyer John Stump. "This has been a long time coming."

Stump, from Steptoe & Johnson, said the Moorefield Water Plant was one of the ten largest public works projects in W.Va.

Photo by Hannah Heishman

John Rose and Greg Ferri, from Triton Construction in St. Albans, plan to start after Labor Day, and said the project would take about two years.

The project will be supervised by Gwin, Dobson & Foreman, Inc., an engineering firm from Altoona, Pa.

# Grant County Residents Admit to Fentanyl And Methamphetamine Distribution

Melanie Lyn Outen, Ted Alexander Voss, and Michael Dean Smith, all of Petersburg, West Virginia, have admitted to their roles in a fentanyl, heroin, and methamphetamine distribution operation. United States Attorney Bill Powell announced.

Outen, age 47, pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute fentanyl. Outen admitted to distributing more than 64 grams of fentanyl and more than 69 grams of 100 percent pure methamphetamine from January to June 2019 in Grant County and elsewhere.

Voss, age 29, pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute fentanyl. Voss, age 29, admitted to distributing more than 64 grams of fentanyl and more than 69 grams of 100 percent pure methamphetamine

from January to June 2019 in Grant County and elsewhere.

Smith, age 49, pled guilty to one count of aiding and abetting possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine. Smith admitted to distributing more than 69 grams of 100% pure methamphetamine in May 2019 in Berkeley County.

Outen and Voss each face at least five years and up to 40 years incarceration and a fine of up to \$5,000,000. Smith faces up to 20 years incarceration and a fine of up to \$1,000,000. Under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, the actual sentence imposed will be based upon the seriousness of the offenses and the prior criminal history, if any, of the defendant.

These charges are the result of investigations supported by the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) under the

Attorney General-led Synthetic Opioid Surge (SOS)/Special Operations Division (SOD) Project Clean Sweep. This initiative seeks to reduce the supply of synthetic opioids in "hot spot" areas previously identified by the Attorney General of the United States, thereby reducing drug overdoses and drug overdose deaths, and identify wholesale distribution networks and sources of supply operating nationally and internationally.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy D. Helman is prosecuting the cases on behalf of the government. The Potomac Highlands Drug & Violent Crimes Task Force, a HIDTA-funded initiative, West Virginia State Police, and the Charles Town Police Department investigated.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Robert W. Trumble presided.

# What Is Relay for Life?

Cancer has touched each of us in ways some can only imagine. Maybe it was a relative who passed or a friend taken in the prime of their life - cancer continues to kill 7.6 million people around the world each year.

The statistics might seem impossible, but cancer should be scared of the strength in the numbers that oppose it. Joining Relay For Life is a way to battle back and help find a cure for cancer. What started as Dr. Gordy Klatt's run to raise money for cancer research in 1985 has now spread to more than 23 countries and communities around the world - including Grant and Hardy Counties.

On Saturday, Aug. 17, Relay For Life of Potomac Valley will hold its annual event, a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society. The event will be held from noon until 10 p.m. at the Moorefield Town Park on

Spring Avenue. For those who have never attended a Relay For Life, it's a day of celebration, exercise, fundraising, food, music, pageants, and remembrance.

Local businesses, individuals and civic organizations form teams made up of friends, family and employees. The teams each have a goal of raising at least \$100 per person and an overall goal to raise money for the event. Relay For Life of Potomac Valley hopes to raise \$60,000 overall for cancer research this year.

Although all Relays vary, there are a few common features:

- A Survivor Dinner
- An Opening Lap, which starts the Relay event.
- A inspirational Survivor Lap at 6 p.m., in which all the survivors take a lap around the track
- A Luminaria Ceremony at dark, to honor people touched by cancer,

and remember loved ones lost to the disease, by lighting candles and placing them in bags bearing their loved ones names.

- A Closing Ceremony, including a final lap for all participants. Awards are given to teams for various achievements, such as most laps walked and most money raised.

All of the monies raised through Relay For Life benefit the American Cancer Society, whose research continued to help save the lives of millions of people affected by cancer every year. By taking action, people are personally taking steps to save lives and fight back against a disease that takes too much. Please consider participating or just coming to observe anytime on Aug. 17, between noon and 10 p.m. at Moorefield Town Park.

## NEWS BRIEFS

The WV Department of Agriculture has detected boxwood blight at several residential and commercial landscapes throughout West Virginia. Boxwood blight, caused by the fungal pathogen *Calonectria pseudonaviculata*, is the most devastating pest of boxwoods. It was first diagnosed in West Virginia on plants shipped from out-of-state nurseries in July 2015. Potentially infected boxwoods can be confirmed by sending a sample to the WVDA Pest Identification Lab. Pictures of symptomatic plants can also be emailed to [bugbusters@wvda.us](mailto:bugbusters@wvda.us)

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The West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History (WV-DACH) is extending the deadline for entries for its 21st biennial West Virginia Juried Exhibition. Submissions for the exhibit in the form of digital images on CD or USB flash drive will now be accepted until Friday, Aug. 9, 2019. Since 1979, the exhibition has celebrated the exceptional talents

and creativity of Mountain State artists. The show will be on display at the Culture Center in Charleston. For more information, contact Cailin Howe, exhibits coordinator for the department, at (304) 558-0220, ext. 128. A prospectus for the exhibit is available online at <http://www.wvculture.org/museum/juried/2019/juriedexperspectus2019.pdf>.

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From now through Sept. 12 the WV Department of Agriculture in conjunction with the WV Farmers Market Association, the WV Department of Natural Resources and the WV state parks system, will host eight West Virginia Grown farm-to-table dinners. Each event will take place at a state park restaurant, pairing locally grown produce and products for menu items. Those parks nearest to this area are Cass Scenic Railroad (Aug. 29), Cacapon Resort (Sept. 10) and Canaan Valley (Sept. 12). For more information go to [wvstateparks.com](http://wvstateparks.com) or call

1-833-WVPARKS \*\*\*\*\*

According to AAA last week, average gas prices in West Virginia were down to \$2.704. Nationally the average price was down 4 cents to \$2.758. On the week, all but eight states saw gas price averages push cheaper or remain stable. This is the first time in four weeks that the national average has seen a weekly decline. States in the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast region saw pump prices push cheaper or more expensive by as much as a nickel. Two states land on the top 10 list for largest weekly changes: Delaware (-5 cents) and West Virginia (+4 cents). Virginia was still among the 10 least expensive average gas prices at \$2.52. Across West Virginia, prices ranged from a low of \$2.671 in Charleston to a high of \$2.736 at Weirton. Area averages were \$2.847 in Jefferson, \$2.795 in Hampshire, and \$2.721 in Mineral counties. Prices across Hardy County were at \$2.79.

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# Cultivate WV Grants Updated

By Hannah Heishman  
*Moorefield Examiner*

Cultivate WV: Moorefield met Monday, July 22 at Duffy Methodist Church fellowship hall.

Mini-grant money must be spent by the end of September 2019. Pre-Development grant money must be spent by the end of March 2020.

Due to unforeseen complications, a project which involved bridging the South Branch River, was abandoned. Those attending discussed other ideas, including a picnic area and a levee trail. The original project was a trail through land owned by the W.Va. Land Trust.

Attendees also discussed a community celebration, to be held the end of September, likely during Heritage Weekend.

W.Va. Hub Director of Commu-

nity Engagement Amanda Workman said the Hub would provide \$300 towards the celebration. The money could go towards anything from signs at Cultivate projects, to food celebrating projects' completions.

Some attendees provided updates on their mini-grant projects.

Dr. Chuck Terrell from Eastern WV Community and Technical College said they received their 8-foot-tall fiberglass chicken statue. Once painted, it will be mounted and spotlight so that it will be visible from Corridor H.

Terrell said they've dubbed the statue "The Smart Chicken."

Mike Crites, president of the Hardy County Library Commission, discussed displaying more than 450 photographs from the Berdell Bishoff collection. Upon his death, Bishoff left approxi-

mately 3,000 photos and between 200,000 and 250,000 negatives to the community.

Crites said the display would be up again for Heritage Weekend.

Dave Jopling said the Historical Society museum is still waiting for delivery of a display case and patches.

Michelle Moure-Reeves said that Victoria Adams, who plans to paint a mural on the fence in front of Moorefield Elementary School in conjunction with students, went from 18 students at her first meeting, to three at her second.

Adams will work with the school's art teacher at the beginning of the year, if necessary.

The next Cultivate meeting was tentatively scheduled for Monday, Aug. 12, at the Duffy U.M Church Fellowship Hall.

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Heritage Weekend Tiles

The 2019 Heritage Weekend Tiles depicting the Mathias Barn are available for sale at the Hardy County Public Library.

## MIS 3rd Grade Splash

All incoming 3rd-grade students at Moorefield Intermediate School are invited to the Moorefield Town Pool on Friday, Aug. 2 from 6 - 7 p.m. Meet your child's teacher, swim with classmates and enjoy snacks. Parents must attend with children.

## Music in the Park

A free, family-friendly concert will be held at the Baker Park on Friday, Aug. 2 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Pack a picnic, bring a lawn chair and enjoy the sounds of Tide Spring from Rockingham

County, Va. Their music includes gospel, bluegrass, folk, old time blues and original composition. For information, call Sue at 304-897-6014. The event will be cancelled if it rains.

## School Supply Drive

The Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 582-McNeill's Rangers will hold a school supply and non-perishable food drive on Saturday, Aug. 3, at Moorefield Elementary School from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Stop by and see the cannon.

## Food School

The Hardy County Health Department will offer Food School on Monday, Aug. 5 at 9 a.m. at the Health Department, 411 Spring Ave. in Moorefield and at 7 p.m. at East Hardy High

School. All classes are on a first-come, first-served basis. For information, call 304-530-6355.

## Public Meeting

The Potomac Valley Conservation District board meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2019, at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be held at the USDA Service Center in Moorefield, WV. A copy of the agenda will be available three days prior to the meeting and may be obtained at the District office, 500 East Main St., Romney, WV or by calling 304-822-5174. The public is invited to attend.

## Mobile Office

A representative from Congressman Alex Mooney's office will be in Hardy County on Tuesday, Aug. 13 from Noon to 1

p.m. at the Hardy County Court House, 204 Washington St. in Moorefield, to meet with constituents having issues with federal agencies. They ask you bring any documentation related to the issue.

## Spay and Neuter

Warmer days are here. Time to get your cat and dog spayed and neutered. Spay Today's our area's non-profit, reduced-priced spay and neuter clinic. Choose from many vets over a wide area.

At the time of surgery, initial shots and tests can also be obtained at lower rates. Contact Spay Today at <https://spay-today.org> or 304-728-8330.

## Community Lunch

Community Luncheon is served each Wednesday from 11

a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Duffey United Methodist Church. Meals are provided by community churches and everyone is welcome

## Drivers Needed

The West Virginia Department of Veterans Assistance is looking for individuals to volunteer one day a month to transport veterans to medical appointments for the Veteran Transportation Network. It is free to the veterans. Anyone wishing to volunteer to become a proud driver of Veterans should contact the Voluntary Service Office at the Martinsburg VA Medical Center: 304-263-0811 ext. 3310.

## Smoke Alarms Available

Red Cross 'Sound the Alarm' free smoke alarms will be available in Hardy County through-

out 2019. To register for smoke alarms call the Hardy County 911 office, 304-530-0291. Please give you name, address, phone number and the number of floors in your home. Your local fire company will call you to set up an appointment to install the smoke alarms.

## Drug Take Back

The Moorefield Police Department maintains a permanent collection site for unwanted or expired prescription medication, located in the Police Department at 206 Winchester Ave. and is available to the public Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information check Moorefield Police Department Facebook page or call 304-530-1777.



# BUSINESS

## New Photography Art Studio Opens In Moorefield



Hardy County Chamber of Commerce President Tracey Sherman (right) helps cut the ribbon on the Marshall Photograph Art Studio at 138 S. Main St. in Moorefield. Also pictured are Dixon and Andrea Marshall, owners and operators of the studio.

## Allegheny Bancshares Announces First Quarter Results

Allegheny Bancshares, Inc., the parent company of Pendleton Community Bank, is pleased to announce first quarter 2019 net income of \$858,000 or \$1.03 per share. This compares with first quarter 2018 income of \$939,000 or \$1.12 per share. Return on Average Assets (ROAA) for the quarter was 1.12 percent and the Return on Average Equity (ROAE) was 9.07 percent. This compares to a ROAA of 1.31 percent and ROAE of 10.33 percent for the same period of 2018.

The decrease in net income for the first quarter in 2019 compared to first quarter 2018 was attributed to several factors, and the primary ones include increased loan loss provision (\$105,000) and increased salaries and employee benefits (\$76,000). Net interest income for the quarter increased \$141,000 over 2018; however, did not offset the increased expenses.

Assets increased by 8.1 percent from March 31, 2018 to March 31, 2019 and, at the end of the quarter, totaled \$319,610,000 and Shareholders' Equity at the end of the quarter totaled \$38,961,000.

W.A. (Bill) Loving, President and CEO, indicated he was pleased with the first quarter's performance. According to Loving, "2019 is starting off well for the bank. Loan growth for the first quarter has been strong with a \$6.7 million increase in total loans. In addition, we have seen excellent deposit growth with total deposits up \$11 million over year end. We continue to invest in person-

nel, particularly on the lending side, and we are seeing the fruits of these hires, as we are getting a chance to look at many more loan and deposit opportunities. Coupling our investment in personnel, we are also investing in other growth opportunities such as the upcoming opening of a new full service branch in Wardensville, WV which is slated for an anticipated late second quarter or early third quarter opening. We are confident these investments will set the stage for increased earnings and provide greater returns for our stakeholders. We are coming into 2019 poised for growth and are strategically positioned to provide the services and products our markets require and are asking for. Given where we are today with low unemployment, increased credit quality, and continued strength in deposit growth, we are optimistic that these positive trends will continue through 2019- the result being another successful year for our customers, our team members and communities, as well as our shareholders."

Pendleton Community Bank, an independent community bank since 1925, currently has six full-service financial centers, with 4 being located in the West Virginia communities of Franklin, Moorefield, Marlinton, Petersburg, two offices and mortgage operation in the Virginia community of Harrisonburg, VA, and a loan production office in Wardensville, West Virginia.

## West Virginia Sees Jump in Maple Syrup Production

(AP) - A new report says West Virginia's maple syrup production has nearly doubled in the past year.

According to the West Virginia Department of Agriculture and U.S. Department of Agriculture, maple syrup production increased from 8,000 gallons in 2018 to 14,000 gallons during this year's season.

The Charleston-Gazette Mail reports maple syrup production season runs from early February through mid-March.

West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt said in a statement that the state is seeing more people start their own maple syrup businesses.

The report also noted that the average price per gallon of maple syrup has increased more than 20% from last year, coming in at \$44.60. Bulk prices for maple syrup are also up by 20 cents at \$2.90 per pound.

The majority of this year's harvest was sold bulk.

## Summit Financial Group Reports Second Quarter and First Half 2019 Results

Summit Financial Group, Inc. reported record second quarter 2019 net income of \$8.56 million, or \$0.68 per diluted share. In comparison, earnings for first quarter 2019 were \$7.09 million, or \$0.56 per diluted share, and for second quarter 2018 were \$6.28 million, or \$0.51 per diluted share.

For the six months ended June 30, 2019, Summit recorded net income of \$15.7 million, or \$1.23 per diluted share, compared with \$13.7 million, or \$1.10 per diluted share, for the comparable 2018 six-month period, representing an increase of 14.1 percent or 11.8 percent per diluted share.

Both quarterly and six-month 2019 earnings were positively impacted by increased net interest income resulting primarily from loan growth as well as a higher net interest margin, significant realized securities gains, and the previously announced gain on sale of our insurance agency, Summit Insurance Services, LLC ("SIS") in Q2. These results were partially offset by larger write-downs on foreclosed properties in Q2 with the goal of selling such properties more rapidly.

Summit completed its acquisition of Peoples Bankshares, Inc. ("PBI") and its subsidiary, First Peoples Bank, headquartered in Mullens, West Virginia on January 1, 2019 and converted its business processes and accounts to that of Summit's during Q2 2019; accordingly, PBI's results of operations are included in Summit's consolidated results of operations from the date of acquisition. Therefore, Summit's second quarter and six months ended June 30, 2019 period results reflect increased levels of average balances, income and expenses compared to the same periods of 2018. At consummation, PBI had total assets of \$133.1 million, loans of \$42.4 million, and deposits of \$112.9 million. In addition, our merger-related expenses totaled \$382,000 in Q2 2019 versus \$63,000 in the prior quarter.

### Highlights for Q2 2019

- Loan balances, excluding mortgage warehouse lines of credit, grew \$28.6 million during the quarter, and \$61.5 million year-to-date;
- Net interest income increased 14.90 percent (annualized) primarily as result of loan growth and higher loan yields, while funding costs remained well controlled; these factors also contributed to the 6 basis points increase in net interest margin to 3.72 percent;
- Efficiency ratio was 56.21 percent compared to 55.88 percent for Q2 2018;
- Provision for loan losses was \$300,000 for the quarter compared to \$250,000 for the linked quarter;
- Realized securities gains of \$1.09 million in Q2 2019;
- Write-downs of foreclosed properties were \$1.20 million in Q2

2019 compared to \$249,000 in Q1 2019, while the net gain on sales of foreclosed properties increased from \$1,000 in Q1 2019 to \$156,000 in Q2 2019; and

- Recognized a \$1.91 million pre-tax gain on the sale of SIS.

H. Charles Maddy, III, President and Chief Executive Officer of Summit, commented, "I am very pleased to report that Summit achieved record earnings both for the quarter and the six-month periods just ended. I am particularly gratified by this past quarter's solid core operating performance highlighted by our quarter-over-quarter strong lending activity, growth in net interest income and higher net interest margin. Further, this past quarter's sale of SIS unlocked significant value for our shareholders, as the transaction resulted in a \$0.54 increase in the Company's tangible book value per share, while the entity's earnings historically accounted for less than \$0.01 per share of our quarterly earnings."

### Results from Operations

Total revenue for second quarter 2019, consisting of net interest income and noninterest income, increased 21.7 percent to \$26.1 million, principally as a result of higher net interest income, increased realized securities gains and the gain on the sale of Summit Insurance Services, LLC, compared to \$21.4 million for the second quarter 2018. For the year-to-date period ended June 30, 2019, total revenue was \$48.9 million compared to \$43.6 million for the same period of 2018, representing a 12.2 percent increase primarily as a result of higher net interest income and the gain on the sale of Summit Insurance Services, LLC.

For the second quarter of 2019, net interest income was \$19.3 million, an increase of 11.5 percent from the \$17.3 million reported in the prior-year second quarter and a 3.7 percent increase compared to the linked quarter. The net interest margin for second quarter 2019 was 3.72 percent compared to 3.66 percent for the linked quarter and 3.58 percent for the year-ago quarter. Excluding the impact of accretion and amortization of fair value acquisition accounting adjustments, Summit's net interest margin would have been 3.62 percent for Q2 2019, 3.64 percent for Q1 2019 and 3.56 percent for Q2 2018.

Noninterest income, consisting primarily of insurance commissions from Summit's insurance agency subsidiary, trust and wealth management fees and service fee income from community banking activities, for second quarter 2019 was \$6.81 million compared to \$4.15 million for the comparable period of 2018. Excluding realized securities gains and the gain on the sale of Summit Insurance Services, LLC, noninterest income was \$3.82 million for

second quarter 2019, compared to \$4.06 million reported for second quarter 2018 and \$4.23 million for the linked quarter.

We recorded a \$300,000 provision for loan losses during second quarter 2019 and \$750,000 in Q2 2018. Our provision continues to be directionally consistent with changes in the credit quality in our loan portfolio.

Q2 2019 total noninterest expense increased 20.4 percent to \$15.3 million compared to \$12.7 million for the prior-year second quarter and increased 10.6 percent compared to the linked quarter. Our increased noninterest expense is principally due to higher foreclosed properties expense due to increased write-downs on foreclosed properties with the goal of selling such properties more rapidly and to merger-related expenses.

Noninterest expense for the first half of 2019 increased 16.5 percent compared to the first half of 2018. Our increased noninterest expense is principally due to expenses associated with the acquired PBI operations (including merger-related expenses), increased write-downs of foreclosed properties and to deferred director compensation plan expense of \$594,000 for the first six months of 2019 compared to \$145,000 for the same period of 2018. Under our director deferred compensation plans, directors optionally elect to defer their director fees into a "phantom" investment plan whereby the Company recognizes expense or benefit relative to the phantom returns or losses of such investments. As result of the stock market's exceptionally robust performance during Q1 2019, we recognized significantly greater quarterly deferred director compensation expense than we recognized previously when market values were lower.

### Balance Sheet

At June 30, 2019, total assets were \$2.30 billion, an increase of \$98.6 million, or 4.5 percent since December 31, 2018. Total loans, net of unearned fees and allowance for loan losses, were \$1.81 billion at June 30, 2019, up \$123.8 million, or 7.4 percent, from the \$1.68 billion reported at year-end 2018. Loans, excluding mortgage warehouse lines of credit, increased \$28.6 million during the quarter, or 6.8 percent (on an annualized basis), and have increased \$61.5 million, or 7.4 percent (on an annualized basis) since year-end 2018.

At June 30, 2019, deposits were \$1.80 billion, an increase of \$162.7 million, or 10.0 percent, since year end 2018. During first half 2019, checking deposits increased \$78.0 million or 10.5 percent, time deposits grew by \$67.5 million or 11.1 percent and savings deposits increased \$17.2 million or 6.1 percent.

Shareholders' equity was \$235.7 million as of June 30, 2019 compared to \$219.8 million at December 31, 2018. In conjunction with the acquisition of PBI on January 1, 2019, Summit issued 465,931 shares of common stock valued at \$9.0 million to the former PBI shareholders.

Tangible book value per common share increased to \$17.04 at June 30, 2019 compared to \$15.75 at December 31, 2018. Summit had 12,449,986 outstanding common shares at Q2 2019 quarter end compared to 12,312,933 at year end 2018.

As announced in Q3 2018, the Board of Directors authorized the open market repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of the issued and outstanding shares of Summit's common stock. The timing and quantity of stock purchases under this repurchase plan are at the discretion of management. The plan will expire December 31, 2019, but may be discontinued, suspended, or restarted at any time at the Company's discretion. During Q2 2019, 235,717 shares of our common stock were repurchased under the Plan at an average price of \$25.74 per share. Through June 30, 2019, the Company has repurchased 447,540 shares under the Plan since its inception at an average price of \$23.99 per share.

### Asset Quality

As of June 30, 2019, nonperforming assets ("NPAs"), consisting of nonperforming loans, foreclosed properties, and repossessed assets, were \$34.9 million, or 1.52 percent of assets. This compares to \$34.4 million, or 1.53 percent of assets at the linked quarter- end, and \$36.5 million, or 1.66 percent of assets at year end 2018. During Q2 2019, nonperforming loans increased \$3.50 million as result of two commercial real estate loan relationships in Virginia totaling \$3.85 million that became nonperforming, while foreclosed properties declined by \$3.00 million as result of sales activity and the prior noted write-downs.

Second quarter 2019 net loan charge-offs were \$280,000, or 0.06 percent of average loans annualized; while adding \$300,000 to the allowance for loan losses through the provision for loan losses. The allowance for loan losses stood at 0.72 percent of total loans at June 30, 2019, compared to 0.77 percent at year-end 2018.

Summit Financial Group, Inc. is a \$2.30 billion financial holding company headquartered in Moorefield, West Virginia. Summit provides community banking services primarily in the Eastern Panhandle and Southern regions of West Virginia and the Northern, Shenandoah Valley and Southwestern regions of Virginia, through its bank subsidiary, Summit Community Bank, Inc., which operates thirty-two banking locations.

## AG Announces Equifax Claims Process Now Open

Attorney General Patrick Morrisey announced West Virginia consumers affected by the massive Equifax data breach can now file claims as part of a \$425 million consumer restitution fund.

The claims process is now open. Eligible consumers must submit restitution claims online or by mail before Jan. 22, 2020.

"Now is the time for consumers to take action," Attorney General Morrisey said. "The Equifax data breach put nearly half of our state's population at risk of identity theft. Our settlement now gives consumers a chance to recoup unauthorized charges to their accounts or money spent to secure their identities in the days that followed."

The \$425 million consumer restitution fund is just one aspect of a much broader settlement, which also requires Equifax to pay West Virginia nearly \$2.4 million, a dra-

matically enhanced amount because of the state's independent lawsuit against the credit reporting firm.

The data breach, announced by Equifax in September 2017, put more than 730,000 West Virginians at risk for identity theft and financial fraud. Attorney General Morrisey's lawsuit followed months later and became one of the first state suits against Equifax.

Those wishing to file a claim, receive more information or register to receive email updates about the claims process should visit <https://www.ftc.gov/equifax>. Consumers can reach the settlement administrator by phone at 1-833-759-2982.

West Virginia consumers can also contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-368-8808 or the Eastern Panhandle Consumer Protection Office in Martinsburg at 304-267-0239.

## Jobless Rates Rise in Most Counties

(AP) - Unemployment rates rose in 52 of West Virginia's 55 counties in June. WorkForce West Virginia says jobless rates dropped in Pocahontas County and remained steady in Braxton and Calhoun counties.

Jackson County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 3.1 percent was the lowest in the state, followed by Jefferson Coun-

ty at 3.3 percent and Berkeley and Pendleton counties at 3.7 percent.

Calhoun County had the highest unemployment rate at 9.6 percent. McDowell County was next at 9.4 percent and Roane County was at 7.9 percent.

West Virginia's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dipped to 4.7 percent in June. The national rate was 3.7 percent.

## Eastern WVCTC Offers New Emphasis on Agribusiness

Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College announces that it will offer courses in Agribusiness during the Fall 2019 semester. The courses will allow for students to earn an Associate in Applied Science in Business Management with an emphasis in Agribusiness.

Classes will begin August 19, and the last day to register for courses is August 16.

The two Agribusiness courses offered are BUS 230 - Introduction to Agribusiness and BUS 232 - Agribusiness Entrepreneurship. BUS 230 is an introductory course covering various topics in agribusiness including production, food consumption, marketing and the linkages between agribusiness and other sectors of the economy. BUS 232 will present the process of bringing an agricultural product from conceptualization to market, product service analysis, market research evaluation, ways to finance a startup, operations of the business, and development of a business plan for agricultural products.

For more information call 304-434-8000, toll free 877-982-2322.

For more information about

Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's financial aid opportunities, programs of study, workforce training and community education and events, call toll free 877-982-2322; or check the College's website: [www.easternwv.edu](http://www.easternwv.edu).

Serving the residents of Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Mineral, Pendleton and Tucker counties, and fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College is a comprehensive and equal opportunity community and technical college bringing the resources and assets of education that works to the families, communities and employers of the Potomac Highlands. Eastern's service district comprises 3,200 square miles over six counties in the rural Potomac Highlands of eastern West Virginia. Eastern is dedicated to the mission of providing accessible and affordable educational opportunities for academic as well as entrepreneur education and assistance for the Potomac Highlands Regional community.



AT THE LIBRARY

Summer Reading Program Ending

The last day to get credit for any books read during the Summer Reading Program and to deposit any tickets in the prize bags is Saturday, Aug. 3. Winners will be drawn at noon on Monday, Aug. 5. All winners will be notified by phone. Good luck!

New DVDs

*Hellboy* (R) – Hellboy, caught between the worlds of the supernatural and human, battles an ancient sorceress bent on revenge.  
*Alita: Battle Angel* (PG-13) – A deactivated cyborg is revived, but cannot remember anything of her past life and goes on a quest to find out who she is.  
*Missing Link* (PG) – While trying to gain acceptance into the club of elite adventurers, Sir Lionel Frost travels to the Pacific Northwest to find Bigfoot and ends up helping him find his distant relatives in the legendary valley of Shangri-La.  
*Critters Attack!* (R) – When a young woman reluctantly accepts a babysitting job, she brings the chil-

dren on a hike and they are terrorized by mysterious alien critters.  
*Master Z: Ip Man Legacy* (NR) – While keeping a low profile after his defeat by Ip Man, Cheung Tin Chi gets into trouble after getting in a fight with a powerful foreigner.  
**New Fiction**  
*Game of Snipers* (Bob Lee Swagger; 11) by Stephen Hunter – When Bob Lee Swagger is approached by a woman who lost a son to war and has spent the years since risking all that she has to find the sniper who pulled the trigger, he knows right away he'll do everything in his power to help her. But what begins as a favor becomes an obsession as he tracks a sniper who is his own equal ... and attempts to decipher that assassin's ultimate target before it's too late.  
*True Believer* by Jack Carr – A string of horrific terrorist attacks throughout the Western world prompts James Reece's recruitment by the CIA to help turn the perpetrator, a former Iraqi commando, against his masters while unraveling a geopolitical conspiracy.  
*Labyrinth* (FBI; 23) by Catherine

Coulter – Agent Sherlock risks losing her career--and her sanity--over a case that is more complicated and twisted than any she's ever encountered.  
*Smokescreen* (Eve Duncan; 26) by Iris Johansen (Reg. Print, Audiobook) – Forensic sculptor Eve Duncan journeys to Africa to help families torn apart by a violent attack deep in the jungle--but she may be putting herself in more danger than she knows.  
*Never Have I Ever* by Joshilyn Jackson – Amy Whey is proud of her ordinary life and the simple pleasures that come with it. Her greatest joy is her family and her steadfast and supportive best friend Charlotte. But Amy's sweet, uncomplicated life begins to unravel when the mysterious and alluring Angelica Roux arrives on her doorstep one book club night.  
*Dark Age* (Red Rising; 5) by Pierce Brown – A decade ago Darrow led a revolution, and laid the foundations for a new world. Now he's an outlaw. Cast out of the very Republic he founded, with half his fleet destroyed, he wages a rogue war on Mercury. Outnumbered

and outgunned, is he still the hero who broke the chains? Or will he become the very evil he fought to destroy?  
*The Islanders* by Meg Mitchell Moore – Over the three short months of summer, three strangers meet and grow close, sharing secrets and burying lies. As the truth gradually emerges, each of them will be forced to decide what they value most, and what they are willing to give up to keep it.  
*Living Lies* (Harbored Secrets; 1) by Natalie Walters – When Lane Kent stumbles across a body in the Georgia woods, she must team up with the town's newest deputy and decide if revealing her darkest secret is worth saving the life of another.  
*Mind Games* (Kaely Quinn, Profiler; 1) by Nancy Mehl – When an anonymous poem predicts a string of murders, ending with her own, FBI Behavioral Analyst Kaely Quinn is paired up with Special Agent Noah Hunter, who resents his assignment. But this brazen serial killer breaks all the normal patterns, and soon Noah and Kaely must race against time to catch the

murderer before anyone else--including Kaely--is killed.  
**New Non-Fiction**  
*Beyond Charlottesville: Taking a Stand Against White Nationalism* by Terry McAuliffe – The former Governor of Virginia shares his insights into the violent Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville and the actions he believes are necessary to prevent hate crimes.  
*Fire and Fortitude: The US Army in the Pacific War, 1941-1943* by John C. McManus – McManus takes readers from Pearl Harbor--a rude awakening for a ragtag militia woefully unprepared for war--to Makin, a sliver of coral reef where the Army was tested against the increasingly-desperate Japanese. In between were nearly two years of punishing combat as the Army transformed, at times unsteadily, from an undertrained garrison force into an unstoppable juggernaut, and America evolved from an inward-looking nation into a global superpower.  
*Be More Japan: The Art of Japanese Living* by DK Travel – This guide blends both travel informa-

tion and cultural insights into a single book, helping readers understand and experience the best of Japan, both at home and abroad.  
*Solve Your Money Troubles: Strategies to Get Out of Debt and Stay That Way* by Amy Loftsgordon – This book covers a broad range of topics and strategies, so readers can tackle all of their financial problems at once while choosing the tactics that work best in their situations.  
**New Jr Fiction**  
*Where the Watermelons Grow* by Cindy Baldwin – Twelve-year-old Della Kelly of Maryville, North Carolina, tries to come to terms with her mother's mental illness while her father struggles to save the farm from a record-breaking drought.  
*Sam Wu Is Not Afraid of the Dark* (Sam Wu is Not Afraid; 3) by Katie Tsang – Sam Wu is NOT afraid of the dark. But it's hard to prove you're brave when you're about to face your greatest challenge: camping. When something starts haunting the woods, can Sam and his crew band together to become Master of the Dark?

Teachers Spend

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them what they needed," she said. "Based on the results of the survey, we highlighted areas of concern."  
Strawderman organized Math-4Life Academies in June to respond to those expressed needs.  
"We spent four days working on Power Standards," she said. "Those are the concepts necessary for each grade level and help students build on the next grade. They learned about vertical alignment -

how one grade builds on the next." Strawderman said she was amazed at the turnout of teachers.  
"We had great attendance," she said. "They gave up part of their summer because they know in the long run this will benefit students. They enjoyed the chance to talk with each other and with teachers in the upper grades."  
The Academies were led by representatives from the West Virginia Department of Education

and were geared to identifying the Power Standards and applying them to grade level instruction.  
"The state has a ton of standards for math," Strawderman said. "Teachers identified those concept that translate to the next high grade."  
The West Virginia Department of Education also provided a Summer Series of workshops and lectures and funding for Hardy County teachers to attend. They were

held in July in various locations around the state.  
"The state gave us funding for stipends, transportation and lodging," Strawderman said. "But again, the teachers stepped up and went to Morgantown and Beckley and South Charleston to participate."  
"We are so very blessed to have dedicated teachers in Hardy County that spend their summers working to improve the quality of edu-

cation we provide our students," said Hardy County Schools Superintendent Sheena VanMeter. "I am thankful for their hard work and I'm certain our kids will reap the benefits."  
The Summer Series included subjects like Mathematics Mindset, Old School vs. New School and Advancing Differentiation. There will be follow-up sessions throughout the school year.  
The WVDE has also developed

a series of online professional development opportunities. All are self-paced and some are offered at no charge to teachers.  
"This is just the start," Strawderman said. "We know that people are reluctant to change. We have to show why we need to do this, then we can address how to do it."  
Strawderman said it is similar to getting students more prepared in math.

"We have to show students why math is relevant," she said. "It's about creating a conversation, asking the right questions. It's not about memorization and the way we learned math. It's about a better way to teach math. It's about showing the student how they will use it later in life."  
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# DNR Seeks Big Bucks and Trophy Fish for National Hunting and Fishing Day Display

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is asking hunters and anglers to enter showcase pieces for the big buck and trophy fish display at the National Hunting and Fishing Day celebration at Stonewall Resort State Park Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 21-22.

Legally harvested, mounted trophy white-tailed bucks with a Pope and Young Club or Boone and Crockett Club net score of 140 or greater may be entered into the display. The DNR also is seeking fish that meet the DNR's trophy citation guidelines.

"This display is a tremendous draw at West Virginia's Celebration of National Hunting and Fishing Days and attracts thousands of visitors each year," said display organizers James Walker and Tyler Evans, DNR wildlife biologists. "This is a great opportunity to show off your big buck or trophy fish."

The display entries will be chosen on a first-come, first-serve basis due to space constraints. No more than five fish of any species will be accepted for the display. Each hunter and angler who dis-

plays their trophy deer or fish at the two-day event will be entered in a drawing for several valuable prizes.

For more information about entering a qualifying buck, email Tyler Evans at [Tyler.S.Evans@wv.gov](mailto:Tyler.S.Evans@wv.gov). For fish, email James Walker at [James.A.Walker@wv.gov](mailto:James.A.Walker@wv.gov). Hunters and anglers also may call 304-924-6211 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

In addition to the DNR, event sponsors include the West Virginia Wildlife Federation and Toyota.



Photo courtesy WV DNR

# USDA Announces Details of Support Package for Farmers

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue today announced further details of the \$16 billion package aimed at supporting American agricultural producers while the Administration continues to work on free, fair, and reciprocal trade deals.

In May, President Trump directed Secretary Perdue to craft a relief strategy in line with the estimated impacts of unjustified retaliatory tariffs on U.S. agricultural goods and other trade disruptions. The Market Facilitation Program (MFP), Food Purchase and Distribution Program (FPDP), and Agricultural Trade Promotion Program (ATP) will assist agricultural producers while President Trump works to address long-standing market access barriers.

"China and other nations have not played by the rules for a long time, and President Trump is the first President to stand up to them and send a clear message that the United States will no longer tolerate unfair trade practices," Secretary Perdue said. "The details we announced today ensure farmers

will not stand alone in facing unjustified retaliatory tariffs while President Trump continues working to solidify better and stronger trade deals around the globe.

"Our team at USDA reflected on what worked well and gathered feedback on last year's program to make this one even stronger and more effective for farmers. Our farmers work hard, are the most productive in the world, and we aim to match their enthusiasm and patriotism as we support them," Secretary Perdue added.

**Background:**

American farmers have dealt with unjustified retaliatory tariffs and decades of non-tariff trade disruptions, which have curtailed U.S. exports to China and other nations. Trade damages from such retaliation and market distortions have impacted a host of U.S. commodities. High tariffs disrupt normal marketing patterns, raising costs by forcing commodities to find new markets. Additionally, American goods shipped to China have been slowed from reaching

market by unusually strict or cumbersome entry procedures, which affect the quality and marketability of perishable crops. These boost marketing costs and unfairly affect our producers. USDA is using a variety of programs to support American farmers, ranchers, and producers.

**Details of USDA's Market Facilitation Program (MFP)**

MFP signup at local FSA offices will run from Monday, July 29 through Friday, December 6, 2019.

Payments will be made by the Farm Service Agency (FSA) under the authority of the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) Charter Act to producers of alfalfa hay, barley, canola, corn, crambe, dried beans, dry peas, extra-long staple cotton, flaxseed, lentils, long grain and medium grain rice, millet, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, rapeseed, rye, safflower, sesame seed, small and large chickpeas, sorghum, soybeans, sunflower seed, temperate japonica rice, triticale, upland cotton, and wheat. MFP assistance for

those non-specialty crops is based on a single county payment rate multiplied by a farm's total plantings of MFP-eligible crops in aggregate in 2019. Those per-acre payments are not dependent on which of those crops are planted in 2019. A producer's total payment-eligible plantings cannot exceed total 2018 plantings. County payment rates range from \$15 to \$150 per acre, depending on the impact of unjustified trade retaliation in that county.

Dairy producers who were in business as of June 1, 2019, will receive a per hundredweight payment on production history, and hog producers will receive a payment based on the number of live hogs owned on a day selected by the producer between April 1 and May 15, 2019.

Acreage of non-specialty crops and cover crops must be planted by August 1, 2019 to be considered eligible for MFP payments.

The MFP rule and a related Notice of Funding Availability will be published in the Federal Register on July 29, 2019, when signup be-

gins at local FSA offices. Per-acre non-specialty crop county payment rates, specialty crop payment rates, and livestock payment rates are all currently available on [farmers.gov](https://www.farmers.gov).

MFP payments will be made in up-to three tranches, with the second and third tranches evaluated as market conditions and trade opportunities dictate. If conditions warrant, the second and third tranches will be made in November and early January, respectively. The first tranche will be comprised of the higher of either 50 percent of a producer's calculated payment or \$15 per acre, which may reduce potential payments to be made in tranches two or three. USDA will begin making first tranche payments in mid-to-late August.

MFP payments are limited to a combined \$250,000 for non-specialty crops per person or legal entity. MFP payments are also limited to a combined \$250,000 for dairy and hog producers and a combined \$250,000 for specialty crop producers. However, no applicant can receive more than \$500,000. Eligible applicants must also have an aver-

age adjusted gross income (AGI) for tax years 2014, 2015, and 2016 of less than \$900,000 or, 75 percent of the person's or legal entity's average AGI for tax years 2014, 2015, and 2016 must have been derived from farming and ranching. Applicants must also comply with the provisions of the Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Conservation regulations.

Many producers were affected by natural disasters this spring, such as flooding, that kept them out of the field for extended periods of time. Producers who filed a prevented planting claim and planted an FSA-certified cover crop, with the potential to be harvested qualify for a \$15 per acre payment. Acres that were never planted in 2019 are not eligible for an MFP payment.

For more information on the MFP, visit [www.farmers.gov/mfp](https://www.farmers.gov/mfp) or contact your local FSA office, which can be found at [www.farmers.gov](https://www.farmers.gov).

## Wilson Pleads

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in magistrate court and the felony charges were dismissed.

In May, during a home visit by his probation officer, Smith's wife admitted he had been charged with

a crime.

Part of the terms and conditions of his probation are that Smith not

violate any laws and that he report any violation within 24 hours, hence the motion to revoke his probation.

Special Prosecutor John Ours said he was "revolted" at the deal offered to Smith in 2015.

Smith's attorney, Lary Garrett, objected, saying Smith was 78 years old and has cancer.

Probation officer Travis Roberts said he sees Smith at his house usually twice a month.

Judge Williams set a final hearing on the motion for Tuesday, Aug. 27 and released Smith on a \$10,000 personal recognizance bond. "The court has the authority to correct the sentence," he said.

Attorneys for Heather Utt, 30 and Thomas Jones, 54 entered motions to suppress evidence. Both were indicted in June on one count of possession with intent to deliver a Schedule II controlled substance - methamphetamine, one count of conspiracy and one count of gross child neglect.

Williams released both Utt and

Thomas on bond, but ordered them to have no contact.

Utt said she had family in Sutton and Jones said he would live in Exchange.

Both were ordered to return to Hardy County for bond supervision.

Judge Williams continued the case of Brandon Barr, 27, of Fisher to Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 1:30 p.m.

Barr was indicted in June on attempted murder, malicious assault and possession with intent to deliver a Schedule I and a Schedule II controlled substance.

According to Prosecuting Attorney Lucas See, his office has been unable to contact the victim to establish restitution.

Barr's attorney, Larry Sherman, suggested the prosecution consider some form of drug treatment for Barr as part of a plea agreement.

Judge Williams publicly chastised Barr for his behavior at his arraignment. Evidently, after being fingerprinted, Barr smeared fingerprint ink on the walls.

"If this is the way you behave, you are in for a long, agonizing, painful adulthood," Williams said. "This kind of behavior can be used at sentencing."

Barr apologized profusely.

Williams continued the cases of

- Amanda Broadwater, 32, of Keyser to July 23 at 11 a.m.
- Penny Troxal, 47, of Indianapolis, Ind. date undetermined
- Barry Hedrick, 46, of Petersburg to July 31 at 1 p.m.
- Todd Corwin, 31 of Moorefield to July 31 at 1 p.m.
- Jeremiah Dean, 38, of Hagerstown to July 31 at 1 p.m.

Williams issued a capias warrant for Courtney Vance, who did not appear for a motion to revoke her bond.

All of the charges contained in the above-referenced proceedings are merely accusations and not evidence of guilt, and each defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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## State Police

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When the cycles were in Romney Monday, people just gravitated toward them and started asking questions, Plumer noted. "It's a great way to get people interacting

with the police," he said.

And the safety component is key too, both to Plumer, who once worked for the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, and Cahill.

"Safety has been his top priority," Plumer said, "starting with that 80-hour course we did. Has

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# OBITUARIES

## FOSTER EDWARD SEE

Foster Edward See, age 86 of Moorefield, W.Va., passed away on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at his residence. Born on November 29, 1932 in Moorefield, W.Va., he was a son of the late Julian Edward Brill See and Verna Wilson See. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister and one brother.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Delawder See of Moorefield, W.Va.; one sister, Juanita Riggelman of Slanesville, W.Va.; one daughter, Holly Pearce (Jeff) of Moorefield, W.Va.; four sons,

Anthony See (Cathy) of South Hampton, N.J., Eric See (Beverly) of Keyser, W.Va., and Lane See (Mary) and Nathaniel See (Robin) of Bean Settlement, W.Va.; fourteen grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

Mr. See served as a paratrooper in the US Army 11th Airborne and was a retired carpenter and lineman. Foster was also a 1952 graduate of Moorefield High School as well as a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the Walnut Grove Church of the Brethren.

A funeral service was conducted at the Walnut Grove Church of the Brethren, Moorefield, W.Va. on Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. with Pastors Gary Shirk and Don Knotts officiating. Burial followed at the Olivet Cemetery in Moorefield, W.Va. where military graveside honors were accorded.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Walnut Grove Church of the Brethren, P. O. Box 733, Moorefield, W.Va. 26836 or a charity of choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Elmore Funeral Home.



## ROBERT P. 'BOBBY' MILLER

Robert Paul "Bobby" Miller, 72, of Moorefield, formerly of Wardensville, and Winchester, Va. died on Saturday, July 20, 2019 at his home.

Bobby was born on September 19, 1946 in Winchester, the son of the late Reubertis "Pete" and Velma Webster Miller. He worked as a nurse's assistant for Winchester Memorial Hospital, Winchester Medical Center, Shawnee Springs, Evergreen, Hillcrest and E.A.

Hawse Nursing Homes. Bobby was formerly a member of Capon Valley Fire Dept. and NRA.

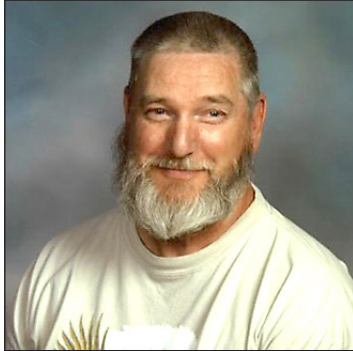
Surviving is a daughter: Hilary S. Miller of Danville, Va.; a brother: James Miller of Wardensville; four sisters: Retta Armentrout of Edinburg, Va.; Terry Lee Mathias of Aurora, N.C.; Alpha Sibert of Strasburg, Va.; Alberta Dove of Wardensville; a special friend of 20 years: Kelly Watkins of Winchester.

A private service will be held at a later date.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Capon Valley Vol. Fire Company, PO Box 308, Wardensville, WV 26851.

To view Bobby's tribute wall, please visit loygiffin.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Loy-Giffin Funeral Home in Wardensville.



## VIOLET MAY WOLFE

Violet May (Spaid) Wolfe, age 100, of Mount Storm, W.Va. passed away Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at Grant Rehabilitation and Care Center in Petersburg, W.Va.

Mrs. Wolfe was born June 11, 1919 in Capon Springs, W.Va. and was a daughter of the late Luther Bell Spaid and Florence Bell (Jenkins) Spaid. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Chester S. Wolfe in 1973; one son, Chester Grant (June) Wolfe; son-in-law, Dennis Pratt, one brother, Martin Spaid and one sister, Daisy Spaid. Mrs. Wolfe was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

Violet was a tough, but sweet West Virginia woman. She raised her children, who were all born at home, in a place and time where



things were rough. She was called Grandma or Nan by people of all ages, whether they were related to her or not. After her husband of 30 years passed away, she spent her time going from place to place helping her children as their children arrived, helping with some elderly relatives and basically helping anyone

and everyone who needed her.

She was a woman of quick wit with a sparkle in her eye and an engaging smile. Everyone she met was treated as a friend and fed well. She had a special place in her heart for animals and always made sure that, wherever she was, all of the animals were taken care of. She worked hard into her late 90s. She cooked, cleaned, did laundry and dishes and helped take care of the babies.

Violet was a wonderful person who was full of life and love for her family and many that she considered as extended family. She will be greatly missed by many.

Violet is survived by one son, Leroy (Roberta)Wolfe of Lahmansville, W.Va.; three daughters, Imogene (Roger) Whetzel of Mt.

Storm, W.Va., Elnor Pratt of Old Fields, W.Va. and Effie (Raymond) Keplinger of Moorefield, W.Va.; daughter-in-law, Paula Wolfe of Rig, W.Va.; 15 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be Friday, August 2, 2019 at 7:00 PM at Maysville Bible Brethren Church with Pastor Lynn Durbin officiating.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to any Animal Rescue of the donor's choice.

Mrs. Wolfe's cremated remains will be buried in the Wolfe Family Cemetery, South Fork Road, Bass, W.Va.

Arrangements are under the direction of Schaeffer Funeral Home, Petersburg, W.Va.

## OLIVER KEITH JONES

Oliver Keith Jones, precious son of Christina Gale Hefner of Moorefield, W.Va., entered his eternal home with God and other loved ones Wednesday evening, July 24, 2019.

Greeting him at Heaven's gate were his father, Duane Keith Jones; paternal grandfather, Wayne Jones; maternal grandparents, Raymond and Geneva Hefner and maternal great-grandmother, Ina George.

Surviving in addition to his

Momma is his paternal grandmother, Charlotte Jones of Berryville, Va.; sister, Andrea Jones Wilson of Winchester, Va.; aunts, Libby (uncle George) of New Market, Va., Abby of Moorefield, W.Va., Amy (uncle Mark) of Fisher, W.Va., Lisa (uncle Kenny) of Berryville, Va., Jennifer of Marshall, Va. along with dearly loved cousins and friends.

Born on October 7, 1996 in Winchester, Va., he was a lover of outdoor activities and building things.

He and his Poppie are working on building a wonderful log cabin for their family.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Condolences, shared memories and photos may be left on Oliver's Tribute Wall at [www.fraleyfuneral-home.com](http://www.fraleyfuneral-home.com).

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Thurs. Aug. 8- Turkey and dressing supreme, green beans, mandarin oranges

Fri. Aug. 9- Cheeseburger on bun w/ lettuce, onions and pickles. potato salad, applesauce, cookie

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

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Those making donations were Lola Crider, Lona Sherman, Ida Staggs, Mabel Dove, Helen Shirk,

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terman 61/1/2; Steve Kimble and Kevin McDonald, 60; Donovan Kimble and Jimi Kimble, 55 1/2.

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*Clarcie "Claire" Largent*

On August 11, 2014, you were taken from us. It is hard to believe that 5 years have gone by. We have cried a million tears. Even though we didn't want to see you in pain any longer, we know that you are in a much better place, free from all the pain. We take comfort in knowing that you are watching over us all. If only Heaven had phones and a staircase to where we could see and talk to you to let you know how much we love and miss you hug you one last time, and tell you how much we love and miss you.

Until we are together again...

We love and miss you!

Robert, Mark, Teressa,  
Justin, Keasha, Ryan, Jaxon, and Blake

## Tears Fall From My Eyes

In Memory of AUSTIN WHETZEL

08/13/2000 - 07/30/2015

As tears roll down my face,

I know you're in a better place.

I close my eyes to see your face,  
suddenly I feel warm embrace.

With a smile so wide,

it brings tears to my eyes.

I try so hard not to cry;

all of my pain I cannot hide.

You always knew just what to say  
to anyone having a bad day.

I don't know if I will ever understand,  
but it must be part of God's plan.

As I look up towards the blue sky,

I imagine you spreading your wings to fly.

Be sure to give your Mom a sign

so she knows you are in Heaven

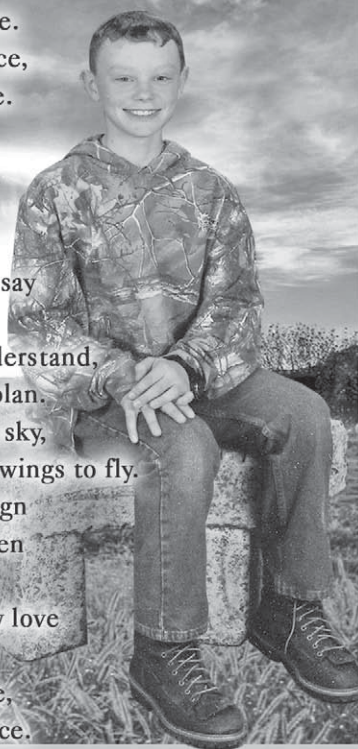
and everything is fine.

Tell everyone there I send my love

to all of the Angels above.

As the tears roll down my face,

I know you are in a better place.



## August WIC Schedule Announced

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## DUPLICATE BRIDGE

A Howell game was played on Wednesday, July 24 with 5 tables in play in the South Branch Duplicate Bridge Club held at Colts Restaurant. There were ten pairs playing 27 boards with an average match-point score of 54.

Overall winners were: Sandra Evans and Bill Fisher, 63 1/2; Mike Hannum and Bruce Leslie, 62 1/2; Helen Chambers and Sue Hal-



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## NOTICE

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Another successful year in the books serving the children of Hardy County! AmericCorps Energy Express would like to thank the following individuals for their willingness to come and read to our children and supporting the success of the program:

Our teen volunteers were Carter Combs, Allison Champ, Samuel Payne, Megan Good, and Darrell Good. Our adult volunteers were Jennifer Champ, who also served as our cook this program, Ashley Wilkins, Judith Hahn, Kathleen Hall, Celia Good, Wesley Jeffers.

Our guest readers were Healthnet Aeromedical Services, Weimer Automotive, Mathias-Baker Volunteer Fire Department, Mrs. Rachel Childers, Mrs. Amanda Brill, Mrs. Ashley Taylor, Mrs. Robin See, Mrs. Kelly Biller, Ms. Cassity Wetzell, Mrs. Rebecca Holler, Ms. Michelle Holstein, Ms. Carrie Vance, Mrs. Jesslyn Dunsmore, Mrs. Amanda Hamilton, Michael Garcia, a Representative of Senator Manchin, and The Mountaineer Timothy Eads.

We would also like to thank Mrs. Day, and Pat Miller for being our cook and custodian, giving us the opportunity to feed and take care of our 38 children. We would also like to give a special thanks to Hardy County Extension Office and the Hardy County Board of Education for their support of the program and for making all this possible.



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## Evans Family Announces Birth

Nathan and Hillary Evans would like to announce the birth of their son, Mickey Wayne Evans. Mickey was born on June 3, 2019. He weighed 3 pounds, 13 ounces and was 18 1/4 inches long at birth. Mickey spent the first three weeks of his life in the NICU at UVA, but has since come home. Mickey is doing quite well, weighing over 6 pounds now.

Parents Nathan and Hillary, grandparents James and Becky Strawderman and Aunt Penny Poe and Uncle Larry Miller and the rest of the family would like to thank the local community, churches, neighbors, employers and coworkers for their continued prayers, words or encouragement and support. Your compassion and care has been a blessing.

## Widder Honored For Planning Efforts



Moorefield resident Tom Widder was honored by the West Virginia Land Use and Sustainable Development Law Clinic for his work in local planning. Widder served as Hardy County Planner and most recently serves on the Moorefield Planning Commission. The award was presented at the Mountain State Land Use Academy 4th Annual Statewide Conference held in Davis in May.

## Williams Receives Honorary FFA Degree



Hunter Williams of Moorefield received the WV FFA State Honorary Degree at the WV FFA State Convention on July 12, 2019 from WV FFA State President Nick Plaugher. The WV FFA State Honorary Degree is given to a select few individuals each year from across the State of West Virginia who are helping to advance agricultural education and the FFA in some manner.

## Day Care Provider Reimbursement Available

Community Enrichment Network, Inc. announces their sponsorship of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). The CACFP is a federally funded program that provides reimbursements to day care providers serving nutritious meals and snacks to eligible children in their care. All family day care home providers licensed through the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources are eligible to participate. If you have questions about the program or would like to enroll as a CACFP participant, please contact Amanda at 304-790-2201.

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## Two From Hardy County Graduate Mountaineer ChalleNGe Academy



Cadet Mason Gribble



Cadet Jacob Swick

The Mountaineer ChalleNGe Academy is pleased to announce Class 1-19 as the 52nd class to complete this West Virginia National Guard Program. Commencement exercises were held Friday, June 14 at Camp Dawson in Kingwood. A total of 155 graduates from 35 counties across the State of West Virginia successfully completed the requirements for graduation. Major General Hoyer congratulated the Cadets and gave the commencement address.

The following Cadets participated from Hardy County:

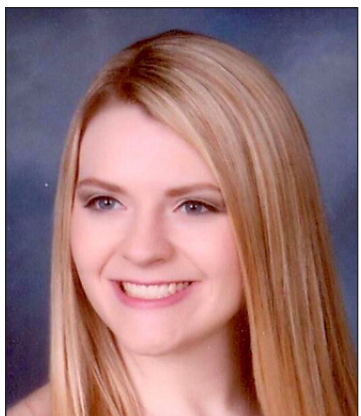
- Cadet Mason Gribble, son of Robert Gribble and Rhonda Gasparro of Moorefield, was in Platoon 3. Cadet Gribble was recognized for receiving the Level One PT (2), Mentorship, as well as obtaining the six Individual Values Recognition Ribbons.

- Cadet Jacob Swick, son of Meranda Murphy of Mathias and Michael Swick of Moorefield, was in Platoon 6. Cadet Swick was recognized for receiving the Level One PT (2), Mentorship, as well as obtaining the six Individual Values Recognition Ribbons. During their time at the Academy, Cadet Swick served in the following lead-

ership positions: Assistant Platoon Leader. All graduating Cadets have completed the 22-week residential phase of ChalleNGe, which includes activities in eight core component areas ranging from Service to Community to Employability Skills. In addition to classroom studies, the Cadets traveled to the State's Capitol in Charleston. Cadets in this class provided 9,210.50 hours of Service to Community for such organizations as American Red Cross (Blood Drive), Trout for Cheat, Preston County Senior Citizens, Boy Scouts of America, Kingwood and Reedsville VFD, Preston County Animal Shelter, Arthurdale Heritage, Knights of Columbus, Preston County Schools, Chestnut Ridge Park, Shaffer Heritage Farms, Christian Help, and the town of Bruceton Mills. Following graduation, these Cadets will begin a one-year post-residential phase of ChalleNGe that includes placement activities in education and/or employment.

Applications are currently being accepted for Class 1-20 that begins in January. Call toll-free at 1-800-529-7700 for more information.

## Bob and Betty Wilson Scholarship Funds Awarded



Emma Baker



Kiersten Coleman



Brittany Cullers



Alyssa Vetter

The Hardy County Community Foundation Bob and Betty Wilson Family Scholarship Fund seeks to support students in their pursuit of higher education in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) related field. This fund awarded four \$1,000 scholarships this year.

Two new scholarships were awarded to 2019 Moorefield High graduates.

Kiersten Coleman will be attending West Virginia University to pursue a degree in Forensics and Investigative Science. She says, "No matter how hard this new journey may be, I am extremely ready to take it on".

Alyssa Vetter will enter the nursing program at Shepherd University with plans to become a pedi-

atric nurse. She hopes to make an impact by spreading kindness and giving back to those in need.

Receiving renewed Wilson Family Scholarships are Emma Baker, a 2018 graduate of East Hardy High School graduate who will be entering her sophomore year at Marshall University and is majoring in communication disorders, and Brittany Cullers, a 2018 graduate from Moorefield High school who is pursuing a degree in Exercise Physiology at West Virginia University.

For more information about the Community Foundation scholarship program or how to start a new fund or contribution to an existing fund call the Foundation office at 304-538-3431 or email [apancake@ewvcf.org](mailto:apancake@ewvcf.org).



# General Jubal Early Returns To The South Branch Valley

On Jan. 27 and 28, 1864, Confederate troops under General Jubal Early are moving through Hardy County towards the little town of Petersburg, with the objective to capture the Federal garrison there, now known as Fort Mulligan. As the troops struggled through muddy roads many of the soldiers wondered why they had tramped around in the rugged mountains for so long in such horrible weather. General Early claimed that there were great supplies of sugar, coffee, meat, flour and fish there, but the solders also learned there were a number of applejack stills in the area and the General was fond of it. (Red Clay To Richmond, by John Fox,III)

On Aug. 17, 2019, General Jubal Early and the Civil War will again come to the South Branch Valley as we once again celebrate Fort Mulligan Day at Petersburg. There will be Civil War camps, re-enactors from the 22nd North Carolina Regiment (Confederate) and the 3rd Maryland Regiment (Union), guest speakers Mike Sipes (General Early) and Jim Goldsworthy, music by the Garrett Highlands Pipes and Drums and a skirmish. Food and hand squeezed lemonade will be available so you can bring a lawn chair and come and spend the day. Festivities will begin at 10 a.m. and close at 4 p.m.

The valley of the South Branch of the Potomac River saw an in-

credible amount of troop activity and action during the Civil War. Its story is hauntingly similar to that of the famed Shenandoah Valley, all be it on a smaller scale. Indeed, if the Shenandoah was the granary of the Confederacy, then this bountiful South Branch Valley may well have been known as its stockyard, for it managed to supply stock to Confederate forces in Virginia at least as late as November 1864.

The Valley was a middle ground, situated between the all-important middle Shenandoah Valley and the Upper Potomac region with its vital coal resources and the B&O Railroad infrastructure centered around Cumberland, Md. The railroad itself cuts across the lower South Branch and each of its auxiliary valleys from which flow its many drainages. In addition to offering agricultural products to the South, it offered a mostly sympathetic populace and innumerable remote avenues of approach for a mobile force bent on the destruction of the B&O Railroad.

Though Lee's army was locked in a stalemate many miles to the south at Petersburg, Va., by June of 1864, and the Shenandoah Valley was under complete Federal control by November of 1864, this area continued to be a dangerous territory for Federal troops until the war ended.

Federal or Confederate troops

occupied the hill and its surrounding area beginning at least as early as August 1861, and were on the ground for at least part of every year of the war. Federal forces time and again tried to use this strategic point as a choke hold against raids on the B&O to the north, and as "jumping-off" point for their own raids further south.

The reasoning is two fold: First, the intersection of the road network at Petersburg and Moorefield and second, the support of the civilian population in the ridges to the west and north provided a sharp counterpoint to the hostility of the civilians in Petersburg and Moorefield and areas east and south.

Fort Mulligan, as it exists today, was constructed August-December 1863, by troops under the command of Colonel James A. Mulligan, from Chicago, Ill. Infantry, cavalry and artillery from West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Illinois carried out the back-breaking labor.

The rugged earthworks bear silent witness to the sacrifices of the thousands of Americans who marched, dug, fought, froze and died here during the war.

The tide of war ebbed and waned across the South during the war, but when troops were in the South Branch, they were always "at the front."

Known locally as Fort Hill, the



Both Union and Confederate re-enactors will participate in Ft. Mulligan Day.

fort was to serve as protection for the South Branch Valley from Confederate forces and also as an auxiliary depot to supply numerous Union troops (supplies was brought from Keyser, then known as New Creek Station by horse and wagon, on their expeditions. The fort was built on the same ground which had previously been fortified camps in October 1861 and May and June 1862.

Constructed of dirt earthworks, the Fort's inner walls were lined with timber. A defensive barrier of cut trees, known as abatis, was on the outer entrenchment walls to prevent a major assault.

There are indications of as many as three entrances and seven gun emplacements. Also with in the Fort were also four bomb-proofs which were used to store rifle and artillery ammunition.

There are interpretive signs throughout the fort which covers approximately six acres with easy access graveled walking trails. Fort Mulligan is located in Petersburg, WV off of Route 28/55 beside Grant Memorial Hospital. There is also a Fort Mulligan facebook page where you can find a schedule for Fort Mulligan Day and more information or call 304-257-4707.

## Eastern W.Va. Community & Technical College Offers New Classes With Emphasis in Agribusiness

Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College announces that it will offer courses in Agribusiness during the Fall 2019 semester. The courses will allow for students to earn an Associate in Applied Science in Business Management with an emphasis in Agribusiness.

Classes will begin August 19, and the last day to register for courses is August 16.

The two Agribusiness courses offered are BUS 230 - Introduction to Agribusiness and BUS

232 - Agribusiness Entrepreneurship. BUS 230 is an introductory course covering various topics in agribusiness including productions, food consumption, marketing and the linkages between agribusiness and other sectors of the economy. BUS 232 will present the process of bringing an agricultural product from conceptualization to market, product service analysis, market research evaluation, ways to finance a startup, operations of the business, and development of a business plan for agricultural

products.

For more information call 304-434-8000, toll free 877-982-2322.

About Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College

For more information about Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's financial aid opportunities, programs of study, workforce training and community education and events, call toll free 877-982-2322; or check the College's website: [www.easternwv.edu](http://www.easternwv.edu).

## Humanities Council Seeks Grant Proposals

The West Virginia Humanities Council is seeking proposals for its upcoming September 1 grant deadline. Four grant categories will be offered to nonprofit organizations that support educational programming. A description of each category follows:

Major grants. This category supports public programs including, but not limited to, lectures, school projects, symposia, panel discussions, reading and discussion series, exhibits, reenactments, and conferences. Major grant proposals may request up to \$20,000. Applicants must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

Media grants. This category supports the planning, scripting, and

production of audio or video materials, websites, or a newspaper series. Media grant proposals may request up to \$20,000. Applicants must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

Publication grants. This category supports the production phase of completed manuscripts on West Virginia topics in the humanities, or manuscripts by West Virginia authors on any subject in the humanities. Only recognized nonprofit and academic presses are eligible to apply. Publication grant proposals may request up to \$20,000. Applicants must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

Teacher Institute grants. This category is available to colleges, universities, and the West Virginia Department of Education to develop summer seminars on humanities topics suited to the teaching needs of elementary or secondary teachers. Applicants may request up to \$25,000, and must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

For more information about the West Virginia Humanities Council grants program contact grants administrator Erin Riebe at (304) 346-8500 or via email at [riebe@wvhumanities.org](mailto:riebe@wvhumanities.org). Grant guidelines and applications are available on the Humanities Council website, [wvhumanities.org/grants](http://wvhumanities.org/grants).

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## HARDY COUNTY

# SPORTS

July 31, 2019

Section **B**

# Legion Baseball Is More Than a Summer Game

By Carl Holcomb

*Moorefield Examiner*

Moorefield American Legion Post 64 Baseball team didn't have a fruitful summer season and will forfeit the upcoming area playoff seeding at Potomac State College, but this organization is bigger than wins or losses teaching core values of citizenship and sportsmanship bringing a sense of pride and respect to the community.

The American Legion is the largest veterans organization in the world with a membership of more than 2.9 million in the United States, District of Columbia and seven foreign countries.

The American Legion was founded in 1919 with all members having been honorably discharged men and women who served their country on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War I, World War II, Korean, Vietnam, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama and Persian Gulf Wars and Conflicts.

When putting on the baseball uniform representing a local American Legion post, players should be reminded of their service and show good sportsmanship.

You represent a post - people

who fought in a war for us. It's an honor to be playing for them. When we step out on the field and we're called Brooklawn Legion Post 72, it's representing a really good cause, Eric Grafton, Legion World Series champion Brooklawn, N.J. Post 72 player.

Moorefield Post 64 is comprised of players from Hardy County, Petersburg and Pendleton County.

American Legion Baseball was founded in 1925 teaching the younger generation of Americans the importance of sportsmanship, good health and active citizenship.

Major John L. Griffith spoke to an American Legion state convention in South Dakota during 1925 about the role athletics can have for youth development and suggested assisting and training young Americans through athletic games as this completion teaches courage and respect for others, fostering their growth into active citizens.

The South Dakota convention agreed and passed a resolution urging the Legion to create an organized summer baseball league and the National Commander James A. Drain backed the resolution which passed that fall at the national convention in Omaha, Nebraska.

American Legion Baseball was

born and the first program in the world to provide a national baseball tournament for teenagers as the players competing are of high school age and first-year college students.

There were 15 states to initially adopt this new baseball program in 1926 organizing and sponsoring the teams.

The postseason tournament remains consistent of the years with 64 teams playing at eight regional sites with eight teams advancing to the American Legion World Series.

The American Legion World Series has been held in Shelby, N.C. since 2011, but the inaugural World Series was played in Philadelphia, Pa. in 1926 with Yonkers, N.Y. Post 321 winning the first title over a team from Pocatello, Idaho.

One tradition that still holds true today is that the winning team is given a trip to the Major League Baseball World Series.

The second year was a struggle financially after the convention met in Paris and wasn't able to support a World Series, but director Dan Sowers managed to obtain an annual \$50,000 donation from MLB to keep this avenue of the American Legion going for the youth of the nation.

Participation increased by 1929 there were teams from every state and the District of Columbia.

The MLB funds were sapped dry in 1933 and Legion Baseball was left without a sponsor as the donation before Sowers turned to a former department commander and newspaper publisher Frank Knox who contributed \$5,000 and wrote letters of introduction to other newspaper publishers who were willing to provide assistance keeping the baseball program afloat with an additional amount of \$28,500 coming from Chicago Daily News, Omaha World-Tribune, the San Francisco Chronicle, Indianapolis News, New Orleans Item-Tribune and the Atlanta Journal.

MLB resumed donations in 1935 and gradually worked back to the original amount and professional baseball currently contributes about three percent of the total budget yearly (\$40,000).

American Legion Baseball has a rich history and now has over 4,000 teams in all 50 states, Canada and Puerto Rico with almost 72,000 youth competing annually from ages 15 to 19.

An interesting fact about American Legion Baseball is that 75 percent continue playing baseball

in college and 50 percent of all current MLB players are Legion alumni.

There have been 81 American Legion alumni inducted into the MLB Hall of Fame including Carl Yastrzemski and Yogi Berra.

Beyond the playing field there are notable Legion Baseball alumni becoming contributing members of society in business, politics and other fields such as journalist and author Tom Brokaw (South Dakota) and former Vice President Dick Cheney (Wyoming).

American Legion Baseball provides deserving players with scholarships and there are college scouts attending games with some tournaments including the Pizza Hut Hillbilly Classic in Elkins which used to designate one day for college scouts to convene at the games.

The Hillbilly Classic was founded by Moorefield Post 64 manager Kevin Reed and it has grown into a major tournament with teams coming from New York to Florida to compete.

Having the combination of players from area high schools joining forces for American Legion has increased the competition level.

American Legion members participate as game managers to vol-

unteering in the concessions stands at various clubs throughout the country.

Players give back to the community in a various acts of kindness.

In Asheville, N.C. Post 70 has its own baseball committee to assist with the overall program and have a very active volunteer group.

Attending a game in Florence, S.C. Post 1, there is an American Legion member selling tickets at the front gate and the color guard does the flag presentation for the national anthem.

Florence Post 1 has been in 15 consecutive state tournaments and has been to the World Series.

American Legion Baseball World Series championship is now televised on ESPN and the rest of the World Series games are live-streamed on ESPN3.

Asheville Post 70 has some notable American Legion records: John Hinson II has a batting average of .652 and on base percentage of .708, while Kris Cline holds four records in runs (37), home runs (11), total bases (83) and triples (four) plus Jack Ponder had the lowest ERA at 1.25 and most strikeouts in a season (70).

Information was gathered from the American Legion website and Asheville Post 70 program.

# Stingrays Earn Seven Gold Medals in Championship

By Carl Holcomb

*Moorefield Examiner*

The Hardy County Stingrays glided through the swim lanes with 26 top-5 finishes including seven gold medals at the Cumberland YMCA Summer Swim Meet Championship held last Saturday in Maryland.

A culmination of four swimming techniques were utilized in the season finale which were the breaststroke, backstroke, butterfly and freestyle formations.

Hardy County had ten swimmers competing in the championship meet with ages ranging from eight years old to 13 years old: Chloe Champ (8), Weston Eye (8), Ella Poling (8), Geoffrey Williams (8), Elizabeth Williams (10), Marcus Cremann (11), Hanson See-Crites (11), Amelia Gagnon (12), Caimy Williams (12) and Chloe Weikle (13).

The Cumberland YMCA Sea Otters hosted the Hardy County Stingrays, Garrett County Manta Rays and Bel Air Swim Club for the championship meet.

The Manta Rays earned the most overall team points for the championship.

I was astonished with how they did, especially with all the improvements on our freestyle and a lot of people got better in their individual events. I just hope for a better season next year, Hardy County Stingrays head coach Andrew Lupton commented.

A lot of our swimmers dropped more than ten seconds since our first meet and times kept dropping during the season.

The first event for the Stingrays yielded a third place medal as See-Crites, Gagnon, Weikle and Caimy Williams joined forces for a time of 3:16.78 in the mixed 13 years old & over 20-year medley relay.

In the initial individual event for Hardy County, Elizabeth Williams won the first of her four medals on the day with a bronze medal time of 2:06.38 in the 9-10 year old 100-yard individual medley A flight.

Elizabeth and Caimy Williams collected the most medals for the Stingrays with four apiece, followed by Marcus Cremann, Weston Eye and Geoffrey Williams with three medals each.

Cremann, Eye and Gagnon attained two gold medals apiece to help with the point total.

The Williams trio of Caimy, Elizabeth and Geoffrey combined for 11 medals to lead Hardy Count-



Photo by Carl Holcomb

Weston Eye and the Hardy County Stingrays were diving into the Cumberland YMCA Summer Swim Meet Championship last Saturday.

ty in the medal count during the swim championship.

Marcus Cremann, Weston Eye and Amelia Gagnon garnered two gold medals apiece for the Stingrays.

Caimy Williams picked up a silver medal in the 11-12 200-yard IM A flight with a time of 3:10.32 which was an improvement of 2.25 seconds.

See-Crites was disqualified in the 200-yard IM B flight for having shoulders past vertical position on backstroke, but managed to secure a pair of third place finishes in two freestyle events later in the meet.

There was a staging area with a bench near the starting area where the swimmers waited for their next event to be called.

Swimmers showed good sportsmanship talking with each other and some of the older swimmers walked over to each swimmer wishing them luck and gave a high-five.

The majority of the swimmers had blue hues on their swimsuits or caps, so that was the unofficial color for the meet.

Hardy County's Ella Poling placed sixth in the 7-8 25-yard freestyle B flight race with a time of 32.92 which was nearly a second

faster than her seed time.

The next race for the Stingrays put Weston Eye on a solo mission in the 7-8 25-yard freestyle A flight earning first place points in a time of 22.28.

Geoffrey Williams made the dive into the water in the 7-8 25-yard freestyle B flight taking third place in a time of 28.45 cutting off 1.15 from the seeded time.

Caimy Williams dove in the lane during the 11-12 50-yard freestyle A flight swimming for a silver medal in a time of 32.29 as the Stingrays kept collecting points.

Hardy County secured top honors in the 11-12 50-yard freestyle B flight as Gagnon grabbed the gold medal in 39.51.

The Stingrays splashed into a silver medal in the 13-14 50-yard freestyle B flight as Chloe Weikle finished in a time of 44.07.

It was a double feature in the 11-12 50-yard freestyle B flight event for Hardy County as See-Crites took third place at 43.08 and Cremann finished in fourth place at 46.59.

Hardy County Stingrays head coach Andrew Lupton and assistant coach Anna Riggelman were sitting near the waiting area by the

start line providing advice for their swimmers and encouraging words of support plus clapping for them during the events.

On the butterfly, both legs must kick at the same time and unfortunately there were disqualifications for alternating kicking by Hardy County's Chloe Champ and Ella Poling in the 7-8 25-yard butterfly B flight.

Weston Eye placed second in the 7-8 25-yard butterfly A flight in a time of 25.94 for the Stingrays.

Hardy County's Caimy Williams earned a silver medal in the 11-12 50-yard butterfly A flight in a time of 40.34 which was .69 better than her seeded time.

Cremann was next in the water for the Stingrays garnering a gold medal in the 11-12 50-yard B flight with a time of 1:15.13.

Poling finished the 7-8 25-yard backstroke B flight in fifth place in 35.68 and Champ took sixth place at 36.82.

Eye sliced nearly two seconds off his seeded time for a gold medal time of 26.28 in the 7-8 25-yard backstroke A flight.

The backstroke events continued as Geoffrey Williams stretched back for a silver medal in a time

of 36.30 for the 7-8 25-yard backstroke B flight.

Geoffrey's sister Elizabeth Williams finished in fourth place during the 9-10 50-yard backstroke A flight race with a time of 1:02.65.

Caimy Williams was next to navigate the water for the Stingrays gaining a second place finish in the 11-12 50-yard backstroke A flight race in a time of 43.50 which was an improved time.

Gagnon and Weikle's turns in the B flight 50-yard backstroke event transformed into disqualifications for the shoulders moving past vertical during the race.

The judges were consistent in the disqualifications as Cremann had the same infraction for his shoulders in the 11-12 50-yard backstroke during the B flight race, while teammate See-Crites was docked for a delay initiating a turn.

Hardy County didn't let those setbacks hinder the swimming efforts in next races as Geoffrey Williams cut his time down by two seconds to 1:00.18 for a silver medal in the 7-8 50-yard freestyle B flight.

See-Crites made the dive back into the pool taking a bronze medal in a time of 1:42.89 for the 11-12 100-yard freestyle B flight race.

The Stingrays Chloe Champ placed sixth in the 7-8 25-yard breaststroke B flight with a time of 37.69, while teammate Ella Poling was disqualified for a scissors kick.

Eye was disqualified for taking two strokes under water for his 7-8 25-yard breaststroke A flight event.

In the 7-8 25-yard breaststroke B flight, Geoffrey Williams was disqualified for non-simultaneous arm movement.

Elizabeth Williams put Hardy County back on track with a fifth place medal in the 9-10 50-yard breaststroke A flight having an improved time of 1:04.54.

Two events later, however, Gagnon was disqualified for a one-handed touch on the wall for the 11-12 50-yard breaststroke B flight.

The Stingrays negated those infractions with a gold medal effort from Cremann in the 11-12 50-yard breaststroke in an improved time of 1:02.91.

Champ earned a second place finish during the 7-8 100-yard freestyle B flight with a time of 2:39.59.

Hardy County capped off the individual events with a pair of gold medals for Elizabeth Williams (3:49.64) and Amelia Gagnon (3:25.19) in the 200-yard freestyle B flights for their respective age groups.

During the final relay for Hardy County, Geoffrey Williams and Weston Eye rushed over to Coach Lupton to ask which lane they were supposed to be stationed and he quickly raised two fingers, then they got to the proper spot just before the race started.

The Stingrays took seventh place in the mixed 9-12 200-yard freestyle relay in a time of 4:21.53 with Champ, Geoffrey Williams, Poling and Eye.

Hardy County showed tremendous effort this season and the numbers kept improving throughout the five-meet summer session proving next year will yield better results in the pool.

Trophies were handed out for the top swimmers in each flight group and the Stingrays remained in the gymnasium showing sportsmanship cheering for their opponents.



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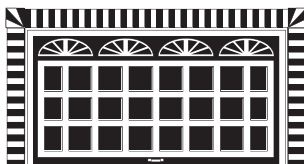


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## NOTICE OF ANCILLARY FILING WITHOUT AN

**ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE**  
Notice is hereby given that a foreign will or affidavit has been filed before Hardy County Commission at 204 Washington Street, Rm. 111, Moorefield, WV 26836.

That no appointment or administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of law but that a foreign will or affidavit of heirs of the decedent has been filed with the Hardy County Commission, and is of record in the Hardy County Clerk's Office.

Any person interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or Affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this state must be filed 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.

1st Publication Date: Wednesday, July 31, 2019

Claim Deadline Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019

DECEDENT:

ARTHUR WAYNE WRATCHFORD  
356 PARKWAY STREET  
WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA, 22601

FILED BY:

CARL E WRATCHFORD  
2061 OLD FIELDS ROAD  
OLD FIELDS, WV, 26845

RELATIONSHIP:

BROTHER

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 7/22/2019

GREGORY L ELY  
Clerk of the Hardy County Commission  
7/31, 8/7 2c

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON CASE NO. 19-0661-PWD-CN HARDY COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

Application for a certificate of convenience and necessity for a waterline extension and Baker Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project in Hardy County.

### NOTICE OF FILING

On July 18, 2019, Hardy County Public Service District (District) filed a duly verified application for a waterline extension and Baker Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project in Hardy County.

The Project will consist of waterline extensions and upgrades and an upgrade to the existing Baker Water Treatment Plant. The proposed project will extend potable water services to the residents of the Dover Hollow, Fort Run and Killdeer Lane areas as well as improve potable water service to customers on Trough Road and Trout Run Cutoff. The water line extension would install approximately 22,550 LF of water line along with thirty-eight (38) meter settings and other system appurtenances. The upgrade to the Baker WTP includes the addition of an Ion Exchange system.

The upgrade would help the Baker WTP to meet EPA regulations concerning Stage 2 Disinfection Byproducts.

The application is on file with and available for public inspection at the Public Service Commission, 201 Brooks Street, in Charleston, West Virginia.

The District estimates that the project will cost approximately \$3,028,000. The project is proposed to be funded with a \$2,073,000 loan at 2.5% for 40 years from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) and a USDA RD grant of \$955,000.

No increase in the District's water rates will result from the proposed project. The District will continue to bill under its current water rates on file with the Commission:

**APPLICABILITY**  
Applicable within the entire territory served.

**AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE**  
Available for general domestic, commercial and industrial water service.

**RATES**  
First 3,000 gallons used per month \$12.99 per 1,000 gallons  
Next 7,000 gallons used per month \$9.41 per 1,000 gallons  
Next 40,000 gallons used per month \$3.89 per 1,000 gallons  
All over 50,000 gallons used per month \$3.63 per 1,000 gallons

**MINIMUM CHARGE**  
No minimum bill will be rendered for less than the following:

5/8 inch meter	\$38.97 per month
3/4 inch meter	\$58.46 per month
1 inch meter	\$97.43 per month
1-1/4 inch meter	\$142.24 per month
1-1/2 inch meter	\$194.85 per month
2 inch meter	\$311.76 per month
3 inch meter	\$623.52 per month
4 inch meter	\$974.25 per month
6 inch meter	\$1,948.50 per month
8 inch meter	\$3,117.60 per month
10 inch meter	\$6,235.20 per month

**RETURNED CHECK CHARGE**  
A service charge equal to the actual bank fee assessed to the District or a maximum of \$25.00 will be imposed upon any customer whose check for payment is returned by their bank due to insufficient funds.

**MUNICIPAL EXCISE TAX SURCHARGE**  
The municipality listed below, having imposed a public utility tax computed on the basis of two percent (2%) on the revenues from water sales by Hardy County Public Service District within the corporate limits of such municipality, said tax shall be billed as a "surcharge" to the customers receiving service within the corporate limits.

The water utility is required to collect the utility tax pursuant to West Virginia Code §8-13-5a.

Customers receiving water service within the corporate limits of the specified municipality shall pay a surcharge based on the following surcharge rates:

Town of Moorefield Utility Excise Tax Rate 2% Surcharge Tax Rate 2%

**DELAYED PAYMENT PENALTY**

The above schedule is net. On all accounts not paid in full when due, ten percent (10%) will be added to the net current amount unpaid. This delayed payment penalty is not interest and is to be collected

only once for each bill where it is appropriate.

**RECONNECTION CHARGE - \$25.00**  
To be charged whenever the supply of water is turned off for violation of rules, nonpayment of bills, or fraudulent use of water.

### TAP FEE

The following charges are to be made whenever the utility installs a new tap to serve an applicant:

A tap fee of \$150.00 will be charged to customers applying for service before construction is completed adjacent to the customer's premises in connection with a certificate proceeding before the Commission. This preconstruction tap fee will be invalid after the completion of construction adjacent to an applicant's premises that is associated with a certificate proceeding.

A tap fee of \$350.00 will be charged to customers applying for service outside of a certificate proceeding before the Commission for each new tap to the system.

### LEAK ADJUSTMENT

\$1.67 per 1,000 gallons is to be used when the bill reflects unusual consumption which can be attributed to eligible leakage on the customer's side of the meter. This rate shall be applied to all such consumption above the customer's historical average usage.

### SECURITY DEPOSIT

Not to exceed one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual estimated charge for residential service or one sixth (1/6) of the annual estimated charge for commercial service, or fifty dollars, whichever is greater.

### PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

Where connections, hydrants, sprinklers, etc., on private property are maintained by customer:

2-inch service line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or connections \$6.30 per month

3-inch service line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or connections \$11.34 per month

4-inch service line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or connections \$18.90 per month

6-inch service line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or connections \$37.80 per month

8-inch service line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or connections \$63.00 per month

10-inch service line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or connections \$75.60 per month

12-inch service line with hydrants, sprinklers, and/or connections \$94.50 per month

The District does not have any resale customers.

Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or request to intervene within thirty (30) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely protest or request to intervene can affect your right to protest aspects of this certificate case, including any associated rate increases, or to participate in future proceedings. All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or request to intervene. Requests to intervene must comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All protests and requests to intervene should be addressed to Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323.

In the absence of substantial protests within said thirty (30) day period, Commission may waive formal hearing and render its decision based on the evidence submitted with the application and the Commission's review thereof.

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### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE is hereby given pursuant to and by virtue of the authority vested in the Substitute Trustee, Pill & Pill, PLLC, by that certain Deed of Trust dated June 26, 2008, executed by the Borrower, Warren Bays, to Richard A. Pill and David D. Pill, the Trustees, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Book 241, at Page 302. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 9378 South Fork Road, Moorefield, WV 26836. Pill & Pill, PLLC was appointed as Substitute Trustee by an APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated July 19, 2019, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 314, at Page 291. The Borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustee has been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustee will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Hardy County, in Moorefield, West Virginia, on the following date:

August 22, 2019 at 12:02 p.m.

All that certain parcel of land situate in the South Fork District, County of Hardy, State of West Virginia, being known and designated being the residue of a 6 acre tract, situate approximately eight miles from the Town of Moorefield, along both sides of the South Fork Secondary Highway in South Fork District, Hardy County, West Virginia and on which lot there is situate a small log or frame dwellinghouse and this property was originally a tract of land containing 6 acres more or less, that was conveyed to J. R. Butts, et als by deed bearing date January 4, 1906 from John Redman, et als and the courses and distances as set forth in the deed last above mentioned are as follows:

Beginning in the river running with the line between Valentine See, the original tract which was conveyed to Adam See Jr.'s heirs, thence North 63.30 West to a great rock on the mountain side, thence South 26.30 West to a hickory tree, a corner on or near the line agreed upon now east to a rock by a public road, thence with the paling fence to a water willow by the side of the run, marked as a side line to the river, thence down the river to the beginning corner, supposed to be six acres, more or less.

Less and except that parcel of land deeded to the State Road Commission of West Virginia, being known and designated as follows:

Beginning at a point 20 feet left of center line Station 113 + 46 as shown on the survey for Project No. S. 502-(4) South Fork District, Hardy County, West Virginia as is referenced on plans on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of said Hardy County, said point being in the property line between the parties of the first part and Beulah G. See, single, and being also in the Southerly right of way for said project; thence South 50° 37' West parallel to and 20 feet left of center line for a distance of 472 feet, more or less, to a point 20 feet left of State 118 + 18, said point being in the property line between the parties of the first part and Omer C. Wolfe and wife; thence North 37° 35' West along said property line for a distance of 40 feet more or less, to a point 20 feet right of said Station 118 + 18; thence North 50° 37' East parallel to and 20 feet right of center line for a distance of 458 feet, more or less, to a point 20 feet right of Station 113 + 80, said point being in the northerly right of way for said project and also in the property line between the parties of the first part and Beulah G. See, single; thence South 57° 45' East along said property line for a distance of 22 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing 0.5 of an acre, more or less, including that portion of the present right of way that lies within the above described parcel of land.

Being the same property conveyed to Dorothy Butts Sindelar and James G. Sindelar by the Deed dated 3/29/1965 and recorded in Deed Book 112, at Page 488, in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia. The said James G. Sindelar departed this life, testate, on or before February 27, 1970, and, pursuant to the survivorship provisions of the aforesaid Deed, fee simple title vested in Dorothy Butts Sindelar. The said Dorothy Butts Sindelar departed this life, testate, on or before September 27, 1982, and, pursuant to her Last Will and Testament, of record in Will Book 19, at Page 583, fee simple title was devised unto Warren Bays.

NOTE: By a 1977 Plat of Survey of record in Book 146, at Page 571, the subject property was described as consisting of 9.37 acres, more or less.

**TERMS OF SALE:**

1) The Property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.

2) The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-1.

3) The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.

4) The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.

5) The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate said property, and any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.

6) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale.

Pill & Pill, PLLC, Substitute Trustee  
BY:

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE HARDY COUNTY COMMISSION will hold a public hearing on the 06th day of August, 2019 at 11:00 AM, in the Hardy County Commission Meeting Room located at 204 Washington Street, Moorefield WV 26836.

The purpose of the public hearing is to hear comments on the proposed new division lines between the two precincts.

A map of the proposed new lines are available in the Hardy County Clerk's Office, 204 Washington St, Room 111, Moorefield WV 26836; (304-530-0250); the

Precinct 1 (the War Memorial Building) and Precinct 2 (Wardensville Community Center); Capon Magisterial District.

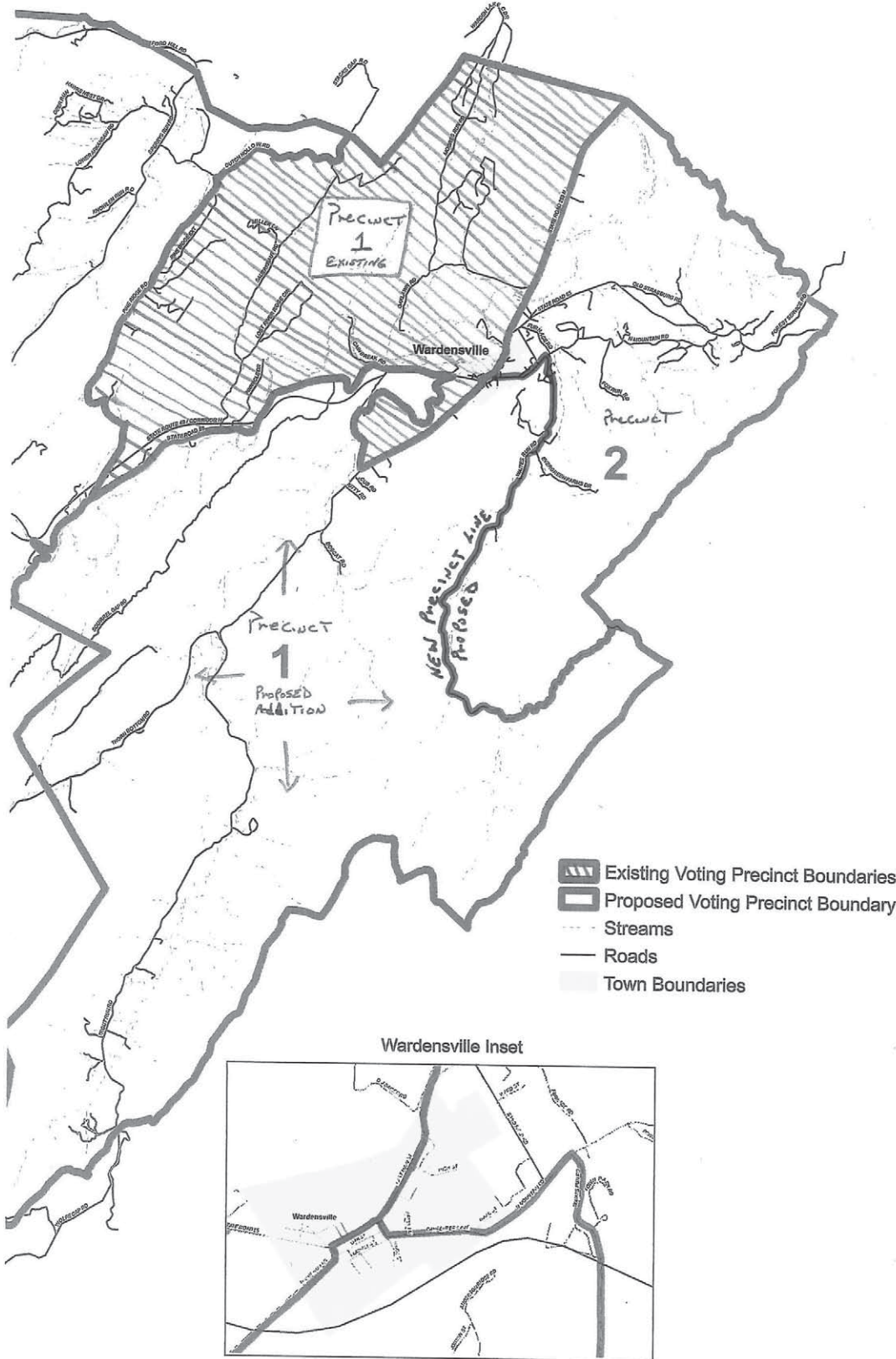
The purpose of the new division lines is to balance the number of registered voters between the two precincts.

A map of the proposed new lines are available in the Hardy County Clerk's Office, 204 Washington St, Room 111, Moorefield WV 26836; (304-530-0250); the

Wardensville Town Office, the Wardensville Community Center (Precinct 2) and the War Memorial Building (Precinct 1).

For further information contact the Hardy County Clerk at 204 Washington Street, Rm 111, Moorefield, WV 26836 tele# (304)-530-0250.

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