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# **First responder identification badges** discussed at County Commission

By Milda M. Mullins Moorefield Examiner

During public comments at the last County Commission meeting held on Tuesday, Feb. 1, Ambulance Authority and County Emergency Response Team member Fran Welton asked Commissioners about issuing identification badges for emergency crews.

"There seems to be a problem with identification badges or shirts or jackets being worn by people responding to emergencies, our EMTs and our paramedics" said Welton.

"I notice Derek (Alt) has his identification badge there. That's not happening in all situations and that's not happening as part of their groups' policies."

She continued, "I don't know what your opinion is. You might think about what your they're a volunteer agency – they're respondexpectations are of the care that is being provided to Hardy County citizens."

Also in attendance at the meeting, Hardy County Emergency Ambulance Authority Executive Director Derek Alt reiterated previous points regarding why badges could be challenging for crews outside of HCEAA.

paid system. These are career individuals for unteers would be "judged" for not wearing the actual agency, HCEAA, so that being said, company badges. we are at the building ready to respond. It's a

little difficult with your volunteers," said Alt. "It was brought up at the Ambulance Authority meeting. You know, people have a couple different vehicles. You may be at the store when a call comes in and you respond. It's going to be a little bit difficult to wear badges or shirts and stuff like that."

Alt continued, "with the other agencies in the county, it's kind of at their discretion. You have to consider too, Wardensville is not a very large community. Most people know the individuals who are in the unit and if they do manage to respond in that agency's vehicle, that should suffice. I see it from both sides, I don't disagree with Fran, but as far as that, ing from home."

Commissioner David "Jay" Fansler asked if the badge issue could hurt volunteer crews in the county. "Let's say for instance, the Ambulance Authority would wear badges, but if Wardensville volunteers don't, would that, so to speak, belittle them when they go on a

"The only thing I can say on it is we are a call?" said Fansler, questioning whether vol-

Alt reiterated that the crew is made up of volunteers and explained that due to the differing situations between HCEAA's Company 3 and Wardensville's company 1, the badge-wearing system would work differently amongst crews as well.

"The thing is, Company 21 (West Hardy Emergency Ambulance Service) all got badges. The only company that hasn't gotten badges as far as I know is Wardensville, but my thought is: why am I making badges for them if they're not going to use them," said 911 Center and Office of Emergency Management director Paul Lewis.

Alt followed, "well I mean, you can make badges, but again to what end?'

Lewis added, "what's the use in me wasting my money to make those badges if they're just not going to use them? Then what's the purpose?'

Alt replied, "I don't disagree." "To me I've looked at it from a legal issue. Let's talk about the volunteers – they answer all emergencies. You're talking about tourism

so you have people on the Corridor, they're being picked up by someone who had no identification, they just showed up on an ambulance and maybe people don't particularly like their service," Welton explained as an example.

"The only thing they have seen is an ambulance. They have no way of knowing who their provider of the service is. My past experience has been as a volunteer and I've run for different ambulances when I was young enough to hold up my end of the cot. It was required of me to have identification on me."

She continued, "it was required by the groups I ran with that we have to have identification. This is not just a Hardy County issue. This is a rural America issue of improper identification when emergency services show up. A word of encouragement may be helpful."

Commissioners heard the back and forth, but ultimately did not make a decision regarding identification badges. They agreed the issue could be solved within the Ambulance Authority.

The next Ambulance Authority meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 16, at the HCEAA building at 17940 State Road 55 in Baker.

# Three more die of **COVID-19** bringing total to 49 confirmed deaths

By Milda M. Mullins Moorefield Examiner

Three more residents, an 86-year old male, a 60-year old female, and a 60-year old male, have died from COVID-19 bringing the county death toll to 49 confirmed deaths.

As of Sunday, Feb. 13, there are 9 new cases, 17 active cases, 1 hospitalization. 49 confirmed deaths. 4,273 positive confirmed cases, and Continued on page 4

# A sanctuary on Main Street Natural Sovereignty offering restorative sound bath services



Photos by Milda M. Mullins Samantha Howell (left), who works at Natural Sovereignty, sits room for guests who want to come and relax. with owner Jameson Paul Freeman (right) in the shop.



The front room of Natural Sovereignty, which serves as a sitting



Gemstones, antiques, and more, which according to Freeman are free to touch and enjoy, are featured throughout the shop.

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Tucked away at 166 North Main Street in Moorefield is Natural Sovereignty, a shop that focuses on providing sound baths for the community.

Natural Sovereignty's sound baths utilize Tibetan singing bowls as part of a sound healing process that occurs in a peaceful dimly lit room complete with crystals, salt lamps, and more.

Owner and operator Jameson Freeman said he wants the space to be "a sanctuary on Main Street."

"You know, this place - Hardy County, Grant County, Pendleton County, Hampshire son from this. I need to understand this pain.'

a strong resonance here and it's the mountains and the rivers and the people and all of that, but it's also the combination of histories and the natural landscape with I think a kind of an underlying human emotional sense of frustration," said Freeman.

County - this area is very energetic. There's

"It's interesting to feel the beauty - which is unmatched – and the variety of human emotions that don't necessarily match the beauty. I believe any form of pain can be alleviated and I think often the first step to alleviating pain is to let go of needing it anymore."

Freeman continued, "I've experienced this thing where I'm like 'oh, I have to get to the bottom of this, I have to really get the les-

Then I started to realize, there is no bottom.

Your misery, you can just keep digging. On the other side of that, there's also no top to joy. When I discovered sound healing a couple years ago, it was sort of the first method of releasing pent up energies that didn't require any work."

Freeman explained that he has done a variety of yoga practices as well as other self-realization and restorative practices, but noted the sound baths require little to no effort on the recipients' part and participants need no expertise to benefit from it.

Additionally, the calming effects of sound baths reportedly provide health benefits such as lowering blood pressure, suppressing headaches, and more stemming from stress

"Sound baths are a way to reset without having to put in more work into your healing or into your focusing or into your alignment. You can just receive and let go of whatever is needed. Oftentimes it helps to have an intention," said Freeman.

relief.

"I think for a moment you come into alignment with who you really are because there's nothing else but a moment of self connection. Anything that's not helping you, at least for a moment, is not in your awareness. You can let go of it and that makes room for what you want."

Freeman said he's hoping to cultivate a space for peace, somewhere people can just be and process without expectations or out-

### side stressors.

Samantha Howell, who works at the shop, said her first time experiencing the sound bath was a combination of exciting as well as calming.

"Just the visualization - the colors, the pictures I could visualize - it was crazy. I tried meditation on my own before, but could never follow through with it. I came here and it's just out of this world," she said.

Freeman started Natural Sovereignty in the county a few months ago. The beginning of his journey into it, however, started years

"My father passed away suddenly on Thanksgiving eve in 2018. It was unexpect-Continued on page 4

# LET THERE BE LIGHTS



New LED field lights are being erected at East Hardy High School (left) and Moorefield High School (right). Moorefield's lights went up by Feb. 7; East Hardy's lights are expected to rise soon.



# **OPINION**

# From other editors' desks . . .

# West Virginia lawmakers should reject limit on access, vote no on House Bill 4260

As they have since 2019, a few lawmakers in Charleston want to make sure you have reduced access to what government at all levels is doing. It has become an annual tradition for a clutch of them to support changes in the way required legal advertisements are made available to you, the taxpayers.

This year, Delegate Brandon Steele, R-Raleigh, is pushing for House Bill 4260, which would establish a centralized website clearinghouse for county and municipal legal advertisements, requiring the State Auditor's Office to build and maintain the site. It would also reduce time limits for certain kinds of legal ads to remain published in newspapers.

Much of that action was addressed last year in Senate Bill 642, which is now law. However, that legislation increased public notice by adding online publication through the yet-to-be-completed government website without reducing print publication in local communities.

Oddly, Steele's mission to reduce your access to public information hinges largely on the idea that said information will be available on a website. This during the same legislative session in which we have repeatedly been told internet access in West Virginia is woefully inadequate -300,000 of the approximately 700,000 addresses in the Mountain State do not have adequate broadband service, according to West Virginia Department of Economic Development Secretary Mitch Carmichael.

Lawmakers also have repeatedly lamented that our state has among the oldest populations in the country. More than one-fifth of the population is over 65 — a population that still tends to get more of its information from newspapers than do younger generations.

Steele is fully aware of these numbers. One almost gets the feeling he is hoping to take advantage of them. Increasing the opacity of government, but particularly for those, one could argue, who have the most interest in knowing what their governments are doing, serves only government and King Bureaucracy, and Steele knows it.

Taxpayers should have as many ways as possible to see what governments are doing. After all, THEY are paying for it. Limiting one of those options, and making the other option a fox-guarding-the-henhouse centralized website to whom not everyone has access is intentionally poor stewardship of our money. Surely lawmakers who understand that will toss this bill into the trash where it belongs.

# **My Unbased Opinion** By David O. Heishman

Doghouse is lonesome. As I sit at Big House's dining room front window writing, I look out and see its metal roof, still snow covered from last night's three-inch fall. Had I been there when snow fell, my crackling cedar and white oak fire would have melted it clear.

Not only roof still snow covered. but canvas-covered, ready-use pile on North end of creek side deck is covered, too. Had I been there last night, I'd have left tracks in the snow when I picked up wet wood to take in to dry and when I left this morning. Unless Tommy's cows left trails closely wrapped around outside corners and steps, there'll be no evidence of recent occupancy at all.

Last winter I became aware that Doghouse might not be best accommodation for an old man who swallows twenty-couple pills each day, a large share of them to make me either pee or stop peeing. Cold nights with wind at twenty-five miles per hour make hitting a plastic five gallon drywall compound bucket, crowded into a deck rail corner, challenging. In addition, I had several close calls on

early morning dashes to Big House's board thunder mug, Pap wanted bathroom comforts which left me a Works Progress Administration disgruntled.

Several years ago I bought a genuine official Hardy County Board of Education thunder mug (enameled potty bucket) at one of their junk and surplus sales. I thought I might build a three foot by three foot Johnny House in a corner of the deck using that bucket as a portable waste receptacle. Building project was held up by rumor that if certain green busybodies found it, I could be reported and fined. It's been less worry to just set bucket inside the door and then dump it in out of the way places later. We maintained an outdoor toilet

(Johnny House) near Big House until at least 1960. I've written about travels to and from that small sanctuary when I was small. I remember telling you about the old red rooster which lived to give me floppings as I traveled the path to and from. It wouldn't have stayed handy, in use as long as it did except that in good, not so cold weather, Pap preferred it to our new indoor facilities.

Just as I have the genuine school

# **GLANCING BACKWARD**

# FROM THE MOOREFIELD EXAMINER ARCHIVES

# **Fifteen Years Ago** February 14, 2007

The County Commission was told that Mountain Medical, the county's newest health provider would be opening for business in the coming week

The Board of Education requested the Department of Highways lower the speed limit to 35 on WV 55 in the area of the Middle School, the coming Intermediate School and the County Day Care Center. A response from the DOH basically stated that the Highway Department didn't think a lower speed limit would be feasible.

A truck owned by H. L. Wilson was crashed into the guard-rail on the Capitol Beltway dumping some 200,000 eggs

Wardensville's Police Chief Jeffrey Driskill announced plans to increase the public readiness in homeland security initiatives, emergency preparedness, family safety and business security

Margaret Kifer Myers, 65, Lost River Park Road, died Feb. 4...John William Crites, 81, Rig, died Feb. 7...Violet Ratliff Shockey Piraino, 76, Burlington, died Feb. 4...Ralph McClellan Wratchford, 74, Baltimore, died Jan. 5...F. Elwood Miller. 88, Romney, died Feb. 4...Ashley Megan Myers, 18, Winchester, died Jan. 28 as a result of an automobile accident

Irvin Lee Sherman, 78, died Feb. 3...Irene Spitz Ansel, 76, died Feb. 8...Brook Weldon Shoemaker, 60, Mathias, died Feb. 1...Kasey Renee McDaniel, 3, Shenandoah, died Jan. 28 in the UVA Hospital...Grace C. Combs, 99, died Feb. 7...Jesse C. Combs, 94, Romney, died Feb. 6... Charles A. Redman, 97, died Jan. 28 in Bay Shore, NY...Arnold L. Helmick, 82, died Feb. 5...Virginia Miller Klepper, 79, Airville, PA, died Feb. 2.

Moorefield defeated Shenandoah Valley Academy 58-48 and Frankfort 60-35...MHS lost to Petersburg 58-54...East Hardy defeated Paw Paw 100-71...Bryan Washington signed a letter of intent with West Virginia University and Eric Skovron signed with Shepherd.

# **Forty-five Years Ago** February 16, 1977

Twenty people began the organization process for a community theater group to put on amateur produc-

tions. The average value of rural land in

59, Stillwater, OK, died Jan. 22... Thomas M. Poland, 79, Rio, died Feb. 8...James L. Teets, 40, Wardensville, died Feb. 9...Don Landacre, 44, Baker, died Feb. 12...Alice Davis Davis, 84, Wardensville, died Feb. 11

(WPA) concrete toilet base. There

were several built around Wardens-

ville and he hoped to pick one up

when he found some owner disman-

tling a no longer needed facility. He

never acquired one. Most owners

simply broke them up and dumped

I've discussed firewood in this

column many times. I've enjoyed

learning about and working with it

most of my life. One of best machin-

ery purchases I've ever made is my

tractor-mounted hydraulic splitter.

It's slow for real production, but it's

Favorite "get things started and

warming" wood is Eastern Red Ce-

dar. I have plenty on my land. Cedar

grows fast and tall with shallow roots

which pull up in high winds. Trees

will continue to live and grow while

attached to mother earth by only a

years in contact with soil while oth-

er conifers generally decay except

for resinous knots which may last a

Red Cedar heart wood lasts many

fraction of its standing roots.

fast enough for me.

them in the hole they had covered.

Mary Katherine Hinkle and Glenn Roy Sherman were married Feb. 1...Phyllis Ann Poland and Vincent Lee Sager were married Jan. 25.. Thelma Jean Keplinger and Sloan W. Kuvkendall were married Jan. 15... Joyce Conrad and Rudolph Dove were married.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Gull, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Billmeyer, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Helmick, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest See, twins, a son and a daughter, Kevin Ernie and Kim Ellen...to Mr. and Mrs. Orman Whetzel a son to Mr and Mrs Glen F Sweitzer, a daughter, Glenda Sue. Moorefield lost to Keyser 64-43.

# **Seventy-five Years Ago** February 19, 1947

Mineral County teachers issued a West Virginia rose 25 percent over state-wide call to teachers to go on

girls lost to Circleville 19-12 and defeated Ridgeley 16-14.

# **Ninety Years Ago** February 18, 1932

The home of Will Caplinger, at the

mouth of Shoemaker Hollow near Lost City, had been destroyed by fire. Quentin Evans had completed his course at Shepherd College and returned to Moorefield.

Laura Hook Pease had died in Wardensville.

Born to Coach and Mrs. R. J. Douglas, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. William Grafton, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. John Harman, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sager, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Brent Billmeyer, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Brown Riggleman, a daughter.

Moorefield had won five games of 11 played...a protest had been filed with the State Athletic moguls over the Keyser game, but no decision had been made.

# **105 Years Ago** February 15, 1917

es of the estate of Law-The trust



used as driven property corners

which were still set solid after forty

years. Reclining Cedars generally

work up fast. Wood is light enough to

be easily handled and splitter doesn't

Main heating wood supply is

White Oak. I cut them up when they

are dead. They last in contact with

soil better than other oaks and most

other deciduous trees. Wood den-

sity is their secret. That's the reason

White Oak is used to make whiskey

barrels. I cut up dead and down wood

first. Standing dead White Oak will

likely last another year before it de-

At the rate I'm using wood this

year, I'll have plenty left over,

stashed beneath Doghouse, waiting

to be carried in for next year's heat.

Mark this year down as first ever

I've used more wood pellets in Big

House than I have split cedar and

oak in Doghouse. Older I get, my life

changes more and faster.

cays beyond usable.

even realize it is working.

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# CORRECTION

Kelly J. Shockey, Democrat, Moorefield, is running for Hardy County Circuit Clerk. Her name was incorrectly spelled as "Kelley" in the last issue of the Examiner published on Wednesday, Feb. 9.

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Girls Ball: East Hardy Shenandoah Valley 38-33 and Berkeley Springs 47-42 and lost to Pocahontas 51-44...MHS beat Harman 51-33 and lost to Tygarts Valley 51-40 and Pendleton County 40-34.

Boys Ball - MHS lost to Pendleton 68-39...East Hardy lost to Berkeley Springs 63-42 and Union 46-33.

# **Thirty Years Ago** February 12, 1992

Bill Henry reported to the Town Council that water usage by Wampler-Longacre was about 1.3 million gallons a day. Hester's used about 500,000 a day. The rest the community used between 300,000 and 500,000 a day.

In the same issue, the Town announced it was increasing water rates to finance the expansion.

Senator Thomas J. Hawse III announced he was not going to seek reelection to the State Senate.

Mallie Combs told the County Commission that the RDA had taken an option on land for the new Hardy County Industrial Park.

the past year, the second highest increase in the country.

A group of West Virginia poultry people were to tour the poultry industry in East Texas.

Lewis F. Constable, 66, died Feb. 11...Amos Jenkins, 62, had died in Albuquerque, NM...Herbert L. Wilkins, 80, Kirby, died Feb. 10.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Garrett, a son, Matthew Roger...to Dr. Margaret Beyer and Robert Knisley, a daughter, Lindsev Elizabeth.

Moorefield defeated Franklin 71-68 and Wardensville 56-55...Wardensville defeated Mathias 72-64.

# **Sixty Years Ago** February 14, 1962

The Hardy County Rural Area Development Committee was organized to expand the broiler industry. seek new employment for the unemployed, assist the small farmer, bring in additional industry, expand the tourist industry, explore the possibility of a charcoal plant, promote the growing of Christmas trees, and promote the welfare of the county.

Seven people had filed for two seats on the Board of Education.

the formation of the Rural Area Development Committee and offered support.

Bayard Simon Taylor, 82, South Fork, died Feb. 6...R. J. Douglas, 39-41 and Ridgeley 55-43...MHS

strike opposing legislation which would give them a raise in July. Moorefield teachers had voted not to participate in a wildcat strike.

Lions members were told that over 75 telegrams had been sent to the governor requesting that funding be continued for Reymann Memorial Farms

The Office of Temporary Controls announced that one stamp would be good for ten pounds of sugar on April

Amanda Combs Bradfield, 87, Baker, died Feb. 11...Minor T. Martin died Feb. 7 in Oakland, CA... Spencer Lee Hoover, 60, died in the Roanoke, VA, hospital...Luther A. Mowery, 71, Mozer, died Feb. 5.

Dorothy Bremer and Capt. J. Martin Huffman were married Jan 18 Orpha Christine Miller and John D. Andrukite were married Feb. 15... Applications to wed were issued to Lorraine Caplinger and Leonard Fitzwater...to Nettie J. Malcolm and W. B. Grapes...to Delores Virginia Branson and Gladston Jennings Evans.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Crawford, a daughter...to Mr. and The Community Council endorsed Mrs. Ruby Barr, a son, Allen Howard...to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Wise, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bowman, a son, William Marvin III. Moorefield defeated Circleville

rence A. Reymann the Reymann Farm on Capon River near Wardensville and all its equipment to West Virginia University.

Hardy County was the first county in the state to receive government aid for an approved road. The road was three miles long, located in the government forest in the eastern part of the county. The county paid 15 percent and the government paid 85 percent

The U. S. had flatly refused Germany's offer to discuss differences while the ruthless submarine campaign was in progress. A dispatch from Berlin stated that after Feb. 12 no warning could be expected by any vessel and that the U-boats held supreme and held free sway.

E. C. Beaty had installed a windless station for the purpose of recording the correct time each day.

Will Hendrickson sold his property on Franklin Street to Elmer Ours.

C. L. Mathias was in town making preparations to develop coal found on his land at Mathias.

William Keller Company sold its stock of goods at Oak Dale Store to Kenny Vance of Petersburg. Vance had rented the store and dwelling house and would continue the business

Jehu Wilson had died at Lost River...William H. Harter, Mathias, had died at a store at Potomac Tannery.

# Examiner Says

# The Full Moon

Why a snow moon? Because usu-

### Feb. 17

Former Vice President Mike Pence really stood up to his former boss recently when he said Trump was wrong in saying he (Pence) room full of lawyers that the Vice President only plays a ceremonial role in the counting of the Electoral College votes and that any attempt to do otherwise would have been an extraordinary violation of the law. We jokes. think it's time for Trump to quit trying to overturn the 2020 election and listen to his former Vice President. We know it won't happen, but we like the possibility.

### Is Called

Poultry is making the news again. A chicken was caught sneaking around the Pentagon earlier this

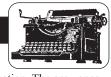
could have overturned the results of month. Apparently, it is now thought the 2020 election. Mr. Pence told a that the answer to "why does a chicken cross the road?" is that she wants to see the Pentagon. That's about the best answer we've heard. Our friend, Martha Roberts, should like this one. She's always sending us chicken

### A Snow Moon

We got introduced to a new word game recently when daughter Hilary was home for a break. It's called Wordle. It's played on your smart phone or computer. You start with a five-letter word and the game marks the letters with colors grey, green and yellow. You keep the green where it is. You keep the yellow, but

not in its location. The grey ones are out. You keep guessing, trying to come up with the word that Wordle wants you to find. It can be frustrating, even to someone who works with words all the time. But, it's also fun and challenging. Hilary has me hooked, but she'll have to play Wordle with me from New Jersey. If interested in playing, go online to https://www.nytimes.com/ games/wordle/index.html. There is only one game a day and everyone is trying to guess the same word. (When we say everyone, we mean a possible 2 million.) At the moment Wordle is free, but as popular as the game is we suspect there will soon

be a charge.



ally there's significant snow in February. According to the National Weather Service, February is the United States' snowiest month. February's full moon is also call the Bald Eagle Moon, the Bear Moon, The Raccoon Moon and the Groundhog Moon by various Indian tribes. No matter what it's called, hope for a clear night so you can enjoy it.

# NEWS

# Moorefield code dictates snow and ice removal

use the recent occurrences of snow and ice to better educate residents on a vital public safety matter: Section 17-7 of the Town of Moorefield Municipal Code of Ordinances states it is the responsibility of each property owner, whether the property is a residence, business, church, public building, empty lot, etc., to promptly remove snow and ice from all sidewalks or public walkways abutting their property.

said the code has a dual benefit: "Obviously, it provides safe, secure public walking ac- until the night before to purchase these items cess for all pedestrians, postal workers, pub-

The Town of Moorefield would like to lic works employees, police, fire, and emer- without the necessary supplies." gency rescue responders, etc. However, what property owners may not realize is they can be held liable for any slip-and-fall incidents on their sidewalks. So adhering to this code is actually a win-win situation that protects both the pedestrian and the property owner."

Shockey said preventative preparation is the key to being ready for quick and efficient snow and ice removal

"Acquiring the correct tools, supplies, and Code Enforcement Officer Vic Shockey chemicals well in advance of any predicted winter storm is a must," he said. "Waiting will only cause shortages that leave many

Shockey said items such as sand and cat litter, although good for traction, only leave an unnecessary mess requiring clean-up afterwards and does little to rid the walkways of ice and snow. "Most salt and ice melt products react in temperatures as low as 15 degrees (Fahrenheit). Sometimes multiple coatings will be required but, more times than not, chemical treatment of sidewalks is going to be the key to quick and efficient ice removal."

For those physically unable to do the removal themselves, Shockey recommends scheduling assistance in advance. "Waiting

until it starts snowing and then trying to lo- results from slip-and-fall accidents. In an efcate help is not going to work. You must take the necessary steps to schedule or contract the assistance you will need well ahead of time.'

When removing snow and ice from property, it is also a violation to shovel or push it into a public street or right-away.

Moorefield Mayor Carol Zuber is adamant that property owners comply with the code.

"I can think of absolutely nothing more important to a municipality than assuring for the public safety and security of its residents," Zuber said. "As a long-time (paramedic) I have witnessed firsthand tragic

fort to assure public safety, I have directed the Town of Moorefield Code Enforcement Officer to strictly enforce this code moving forward. Failure to adhere will result in citations. My administration will not cut corners when it comes to the health and public safety of the residents of the Town of Moorefield."

Further information on this or any code can be found within the official Town of Moorefield Municipal Code of Ordinances, viewable at www.townofmoorefield.com.

# Avian flu found in birds at Indiana turkey farm

high mortality rates among birds has been confirmed at a commercial turkey farm in southern Indiana, federal and state agencies said Wednesday.

The United States Department of Agriculture said its Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service confirmed a strain of highly pathogenic avian influenza at the farm in Dubois County.

State officials have quarantined the farm and its 29,000 turkeys are being euthanized to prevent the spread of the disease, said Denise Derrer Spears, a spokeswoman for the Indiana State Board of Animal Health

The USDA said turkeys from the affected farm will not enter the food supply and issued a reminder that poultry and eggs should be cooked to an internal temperature of 165 degrees (73.9 Celsius) to kill bacteria and viruses.

The agency said avian influenza does not present an immediate public health concern and no human

A strain of avian flu that can cause cases of avian influenza viruses ploys more than 14,000 Hoosiers reached out to known hobby/backhave been detected in the U.S.

The USDA said turkey infections are the first confirmation of highly pathogenic bird flu in commercial poultry in the U.S. since 2020.

The Indiana State Board of Animal Health said samples from the farm were analyzed at the Indiana Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at Purdue University after about 100 turkeys died.

The state agency said the farm is under guarantine and that state officials are working with the poultry producers statewide to increase monitoring of flocks.

A January 2016 outbreak of bird flu in Dubois County affected 11 poultry farms, resulting in the loss of more than 400,000 birds, the State Board of Animal Health said.

Indiana ranks third nationally in turkey production, first in duck production, second in production of table eggs and egg-laying chickens, and is a significant producer of broiler chickens, the state agency said. Indiana's poultry industry em-

and is valued at \$2.5 billion annually

# Avian flu strain at Indiana farm hasn't spread

A strain of avian flu that can cause high mortality rates among birds hasn't spread to neighboring farms since it was confirmed at a commercial turkey farm in southern Indiana, state officials said Thursday.

Poultry farms with a 10-kilometer (6.2-miles) control area around the infected Dubois County farm have completed an initial round of surveillance testing for highly pathogenic avian influenza, and all of the tests were negative, the Indiana State Board of Animal Health said.

Testing of the control-area farms will continue on a weekly basis, the agency said.

The 18 commercial poultry flocks within the control area are under quarantine until further notice, it said.

Animal Health Board staff have turkey production.

yard poultry owners in the control area to schedule testing of birds there, it said.

State officials have euthanized 29,000 turkeys at the infected farm to prevent the spread of the disease, said Denise Derrer Spears, a spokeswoman for the Animal Health Board.

The agency said avian influenza does not present an immediate public health concern and no human cases of avian influenza viruses have been detected in the U.S.

The turkey infections are the first confirmation of highly pathogenic bird flu in commercial poultry in the U.S. since 2020, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has said.

A January 2016 outbreak of bird flu in Dubois County affected 11 poultry farms, resulting in the loss of more than 400,000 birds, the Animal Health Board said.

Indiana ranks third nationally in

# Highlands Bankshares, Inc. reports year end earnings and declares quarterly dividend

Highlands Bankshares, Inc. (OTC: HBSI) announced unaudited earnings of \$4,935,000 for the year ended December 31, 2021. This represents an increase of 47.7% from the \$3,341,000 earned during 2020. On a per share basis, net income was \$3.69 for 2021, compared to earnings of \$2.50 per share for the year ended December 31, 2020.

On February 8, 2022, the Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.45 per share to be paid on March 4, 2022 to all shareholders of record as of February 25, 2022. Based upon the current market price and annualizing the dividends paid to shareholders this quarter, Highlands' current dividend yield is 4.09%.

Jack H. Walters, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the holding company, stated "We are pleased to report earnings for the full year of 2021. 2021 was an excellent year for the Company on many levels. We remain committed to our clients, communities and shareholders and work hard every day to provide excellent banking services to clients, support to our communities and a fair return to our shareholders.'

Highlands Bankshares, Inc. operates 12 banking locations in West Virginia and Virginia through its two wholly-owned subsidiary banks, The Grant County Bank and Capon Valley Bank, and offers insurance services through its wholly-owned subsidiary HBI Life Insurance Company.

# Bill would let unvaccinated W.Va. workers get unemployment

### By Leah Willingham Associated Press

West Virginia lawmakers have advanced a proposal that would allow people who leave their jobs because they are denied a religious or medical exemption to the COV-ID-19 vaccination to receive unemployment benefits.

Republican Sen. Mark Maynard, a sponsor of Senate Bill 576, said Thursday that the legislation was designed with health care workers in mind.

"Our frontline health care workers were required to be in the midst of this battle with COVID in the Senate floor. "When the mandates ia University Health System and started rolling in, they had to make a decision.

ed that their workers become vaccinated against COVID-19, at least five Republican-led states — Arkansas, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, and Tennessee - have passed bills extending unemployment benefits to those who have lost work because of CO-VID-19 vaccine requirements, with more than a dozen more proposals under consideration in other state legislatures.

vaccinated against COVID-19,

Charleston Area Medical Center.

"This piece of legislation merely As more employers have mandat- defends some of those that want to opt out on the vaccination," Maynard said. "This gives them a little bit of a cushion to figure out what they're going to do with their life."

The bill passed the Senate 29-5 and will now be considered by the full House.

Usually, people who quit their jobs aren't eligible for unemployment, unless they had "good cause" to leave. Maynard said people who gious reasons should be protected.

an option," he said, speaking on the care networks: the West Virgin- win spoke in support of the bill. He said that when he initially read the legislation, he assumed he would vote against it.

"It seemed just like another politicized COVID bill," he said.

But as he sat down to read it more thoroughly, Baldwin said he started thinking about it differently.

"I don't think this bill is about COVID. This bill is about workers' rights," he said. "What this bill does is it protects workers to ensure that they have transitional employment support."

Just over 53% of West Virginia A number of West Virginia hospi- are opposed to getting the COV- residents are fully vaccinated, actals have mandated that employees ID-19 vaccine for medical or reli- cording to data from the West Virginia Department of Health and Hu-

West Virginia offers \$1,500 to unemployed residents who find work

Virginia to pay \$1,500 to many un- Program or Temporary Assistance employed residents who return to for Needy Families benefits and are work and remain on the job for eight weeks.

Gov. Jim Justice said Thursday that residents can apply for the onetime payment on the WorkForce West Virginia website.

The program is open to residents

A plan is up and running in West Supplemental Nutrition Assistance hired for a job between Jan. 1 and Aug. 12. Others may be eligible if they complete a WorkForce West Virginia approved training program and obtain a credential.

To get the payment, residents must work at least 32 hours per week on who receive benefits unemployment, average for eight consecutive weeks.

years 2020 and 2021 without even

# including two of the largest health

Democratic Sen. Stephen Bald- man Resources.

# **News Briefs**

mobile will be in Moorefield on Friday, March 4. Donors will be taken at the Moorefield Church of the Brethren at 115 Clay Street from 12:30 until 6:00 p.m. Both Power Red and whole blood donations will be taken. Power Red donors must meet specific eligibility requirements and have type A Neg, B Neg or O blood. The Red Cross is reminding donors of the great need for blood, so please consider the gift of life.

The American Red Cross Blood- award categories are available online in the U.S increased the demand at https://bit.ly/GovArtsAwards2022. All nominations must be submitted to the State Arts Office by Feb. 18, 2022. Mail nominations to Governor's Arts Awards Nomination. The Culture Center, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, WV, 25305 or email to Paul.R.Neil@wv.gov with the subject line Governor's Arts Awards Nomination. For more inforat (304) 558-0240.

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The West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History (WV-DACH) is seeking nominations for the 2022 Governor's Arts Awards. This biennial awards program celebrates the best of the Mountain State by recognizing artists, art educators, and arts organizations. Nomination forms and complete descriptions of

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According to AAA last week, the average price for regular gas in West Virginia was at \$3.307. The national gas price average was \$3.477. Blustery winter weather and geopolitical tensions are helping to drive the price Kerr's Shell in Wardensville and BP of oil higher, which is in the low-\$90s per barrel, nearly \$30 more than in August. The recent cold weather

for heating oil. Meanwhile, the concern that Russia will react to potential western sanctions by withholding crude oil from the already tight global market puts heavy upward pressure on prices. "This shows how events on the other side of the globe can have a noticeable impact right here in the U.S," said Andrew Gross, AAA spokesperson. "And unfortumation contact the State Arts Office nately for drivers, they are reminded of this by higher prices at the pump." Across the state Huntington was high at \$3.335 and Parkersburg was low at \$3.189. Hardy County's gas average was \$3.381. Area prices were Hampshire \$3.340, Mineral \$3.327, Grant \$3.408, and Pendleton \$3.359. In Moorefield, Sheetz was \$3.37 as was Liberty. BP was \$3.38 as was Exxon. in Baker were also at \$3.38.

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# **Pilgrim's** Pride **Releases Q4 Earnings Snapshot** Pilgrim's Pride Corp. (PPC) on

Wednesday reported earnings of \$36.8 million in its fourth quarter.

The Greeley, Colorado-based company said it had net income of 15 cents per share. Earnings, adjusted for non-recurring costs, were 56 cents per share.

The poultry producer posted revenue of \$4.04 billion in the period.

For the year, the company reported profit of \$31 million, or 13 cents per share. Revenue was reported as \$14.78 billion.

# US Sen. from W.Va. Shelley **Moore Capito has COVID-19**

Sen. Shelley Moore Capito of for five days. West Virginia said she has tested positive for the coronavirus.

Capito announced the result Thursday night following a routine test for COVID-19. She said in a statement on her official website that she is asymptomatic.

The Republican said she has consulted with the U.S. Senate's attending physician and plans to quarantine beth Warren.

Capito has said she has been vaccinated for the virus, including getting her booster shot.

Other congressional lawmakers that have contracted the virus in recent weeks include Sen. Mitt Romney, Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Rep. Ayanna Pressley and Sen. Eliza-

# Historic restoration grants deadline in West Virginia is March 31

in West Virginia may be eligible for available. grants through the State Historic Preservation Office of the Department of Arts, Culture and History.

To apply, the projects must include restoration, rehabilitation or archaeo-Historic Places, the department said.

Projects to restore historic sites About \$369,000 is expected to be

The deadline to apply is March 31. More information is available online.

Privately owned properties are eligible if there is evidence of public support or public benefit, the departlogical development of historic sites ment said. Governmental properties listed in the National Register of that are not accessible to the public are not eligible.

# **COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD**

# **HCEAA Rescheduled**

The Hardy County Emergency Ambulance Authority meeting originally scheduled for Feb. 9 is rescheduled until Feb. 16.

### Tri-County Fair Meeting

The annual Tri-County Fair meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2022 at 7 p.m. in the fairgrounds meeting room. The meeting will include electing a director for a 3-year term from Grant, Hardy and Pendleton counties, and reviewing the 2021 financial report. The wearing of masks is strongly recommended and there will be limited seating.

### **Youth Rally**

All teens and youth are invited to attend a youth rally at Moorefield High School on Feb. 19 at 4 p.m.

Free admission and free food, with a musical guest. Contact DJ Taylor for more information.

# **E911 Advisory Board**

The Hardy County E9-1-1 Advisory Board will meet Monday, Feb. 21, 2022 at 7 p.m. at the 9-1-1 Center in Moorefield.

# **Hardy County RDA**

The Rural Development Authority Board Meeting will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 23, in the RDA Conference room.

### **Food Give-Away**

The Moorefield Church of God, along with Mountaineer Food Bank, will host a drivethrough food give-away at East Hardy High School on March 5, 2022, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All Hardy County residents are welcome if you are in need of food, or bring a neighbor.

# **Flu and COVID Shots**

ment will give flu and/or COVID fice at 304-434-2525

shots at the following times:

Flu shots will be given on Monday and Wednesday only, from 8 - 11:30 and 1 - 3:30. You do not need an appointment for a flu shot. Bring your insurance cards. If you do not have insurance, you can still get a flu shot. The Moderna booster is now available. COVID shots are by appointment only and are scheduled on Thurs- Today: 304.728-8330 or https:// day or Friday, depending which shot you need. Call the health department at 304-530-6355 to schedule an appointment.

### **Dead Animals**

The West Virginia Division of Highways wants to remind the public of its policy regarding the pickup and disposal of dead animals. The DOH will only pick up carcasses on state owned highways and will not go on private on a state owned road, please no- Facebook page or call 304-530-Hardy County Health Depart- tify your local district DOH of- 1777.

### **Spay and Neuter**

neutered! Spay Today, (Main WIDE area! Gift certificates can spay-today.org

# **Drug Take Back**

The Moorefield Police Department maintains a permanent collection site for unwanted or expired prescription medication, Association. located within the Police Department. It is located at 206 Winchester Ave. and is available to the public Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m to 4 p.m.

The Moorefield Church of God Food Pantry is open on Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The church is at 212 S. Elm St. in Moorefield. They provide commodities in accordance with federal USDA policy.

### **Heritage Tiles Available**

The 2021 Heritage Weekend Tile House tiles are now available for purchase at the Hardy County Public Library. The tiles are \$15 each, with all proceeds benefiting the ongoing efforts of the Hardy County Tour & Craft

### **Honor Veterans**

The American Legion wants to make sure they honor each Veteran who is buried in Hardy For more information check County with a flag on their grave property. To report a dead animal Moorefield Police Department for Memorial Day. Please contact Equivalency diploma. Prepare Karen Malcolm at 304-257-6458 for college and careers. Call Harwith the name and grave site of dy County Adult Education at these honored veterans. You can 304-434-8000, Ext. 9234.

text the name and site or leave her a voicemail. You can also email her at kcmalcolm@hardynet.com.

### **Project Hello There**

Lost River Projects invites people of all ages to send greetings to residents of EA Hawse Nursing Center who have been without visitors due to the Covid-19 pandemic. You do not need to know anyone personally! Please send notes and letters to Hello there! c/o Lost River Projects P.O. Box 23, Baker, WV 26801 or by email to lostriverprojects@hardynet. com. Lost River Projects will deliver your notes and letters to EA Hawse Nursing Center in Baker. Thank you!

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# W.Va. Senate rescinds 1972 Equal Rights Amendment ratification

### By John Raby Associated Pres

The Republican-led West Virginia Senate moved quickly Friday to rescind the state's ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment, declaring that it expired in 1979.

All 23 Senate Republicans were sponsors of the measure, including three women. It passed on a voice vote without debate or discussion and now goes to the House of Delegates.

In a statement later, Senate Minority Leader Stephen Baldwin of Greenbrier County said "it's a sad commentary that in America in 2022 equal rights are still being debated. We should be moving forward, not backward. Women deserve be treated equally under the law; that should not be controversial."

The American Civil Liberties Union's West Virginia chapter issued a statement that it will fight the resolution as it heads to the House.

"It is outrageous that the Senate would go back on its commitment that woman should have equal rights to men," the ACLU said.

West Virginia ratified the amendment in April 1972, the same year that Congress sent it to the states. States were given seven years to ratify, then the deadline was extended to 1982. The amendment wasn't approved by the required three-quarters of states before the deadline.

In January 2020, Virginia lawmakers approved the amendment, becoming the 38th and final state needed. But the Justice Department said in an opinion that month that the vote was too late. In March 2021 a federal judge agreed, dismissing a lawsuit filed by three Democratic state attorneys general that had sought to force the federal government to recognize Virginia's vote.

The West Virginia Senate resolution, which was introduced Thursday, declared that the state's approval expired in 1979. In giving a description of the measure, Jefferson County Republican Patricia Rucker said it "just clarifies that the resolution that was passed by the Legislature is no longer valid.'

the measure and asked if anyone had vote voice was then taken, and some in the chamber gave a no vote.

"Clarifying that WV wants to rescind their ERA ratification when there is a procedural chance it could actually become ratified is perhaps the most @WVGOP thing I could dream up," Kayla Young, a Democrat in the GOP-led House of Delegates, said on Twitter.

It took about 75 seconds from the time the resolution was introduced to its adoption. Baldwin said it was moved to a vote immediately after Rucker described it, leaving no time for discussion.

it," Baldwin said. "She treated it like questions, no one else spoke. The a bill offering to answer questions which is not resolution procedure. But the chair then called for a vote."

Baldwin questioned the purpose of the supermajority GOP's resolution. 'What needs to be clarified?

What's really going on here?" he said. "I think West Virginians are clear. Women deserve equal and fair treatment under the law.'

In 2020 the Democratic-led U.S. House voted to remove the 1982 deadline for the amendment's ratification. The measure has not advanced in the evenly divided U.S. Senate.

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wanted to lay down and get the vi-

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baths when he was still residing in

D.C., but eventually Natural Sov-

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County and is currently open to the

"I came back wanting to be my-

self more more fully. I found myself

much more connected and simulta-

neously I found I wanted to be useful

to people by allowing them to enjoy

being in their physical bodies more,"

Freeman said he started sound

Debate has swirled over what the "The process is for the chair to call amendment, which guarantees men tional Right to Life Committee.

When Rucker urged adoption of for discussion after she introduces and women equal rights under the law, would do.

> According to supporters, the amendment would offer stronger protections in sex discrimination cases and give Congress firmer ground to pass anti-discrimination laws and other protections. Opponents say the measure could be used to erase protections such as workplace accommodations during pregnancy.

> Anti-abortion activists have warned that abortions rights supporters could use the amendment to eliminate abortion restrictions on the grounds that they discriminate against women.

> The resolution is supported by West Virginians for Life and the Na-

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thoughts are temporary – so enjoy it

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# Natural Sovereignty

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ed, in a way, though it was expected, but when that happened, I was kind of primed already for sort of a spiritual something. Often people call it an awakening or a deep dive into myself," he said.

"It was my father's transition at Thanksgiving of 2018 and I didn't want to be around anyone I knew." Freeman, who was residing in Washington, D.C., said that he found himself not wanting to be around anyone from family to friends.

"There was no comfort to be found in my current perspective of my surroundings. The way I was perceiving my life, I wasn't feeling comfort anywhere. So, I fled."

He continued, "I fled to an ashram

India out in the flatlands. It was remote, very remote. The ashram was still being built. There was no plumbing. Everything was dirt floors.'

Freeman went through what he said was "a very rigorous experience" a few months through Christmas and into the New Year going to the ashram a few weeks after his father's passing in 2018 and staying into January of 2019. From that experience, Freeman said he realized he wanted land

"I wanted to get land. I wanted to create a place without the dharma of the ashram. I loved being somewhere. I loved being in silence for long periods of the day. I loved just connecting with the elements."

He explained that while the exin the countryside outside of Mysuru, perience was an overall one he was

glad he did. He explained he struggled with some of the teachings at the ashram, which had a guru element to it.

Freeman said he wanted to create a space for healing away from expectations and the idea that there was a "right and wrong way of understanding.

"I sort of met myself at the ashram. This word sovereignty came to me. I had been saying the word sovereign since high school. The notion of sovereignty and self realization had been something I'm really attached to," he said

"But, I truly didn't know what I was talking about. I would say the words, but its wasn't here in my heart. It was floating around my head

Freeman said being in India following his father's death and going through the experiences he did at the ashram helped bring him to a host of realizations

I wanted to get some land to create a space for healing, but self directed healing," he said. "I've been a legal West Virginia resident since 2020. I started coming out here during the great quieting.3

It was after coming back from India that he said a friend introduced him to sound baths, his first being at a church in Northern Virginia.

"I was then gifted my first Tibetan singing bowl. It was shipped from the mountains of Tibet and had been welded and I thought 'this is an omen," he said.

"I incorporated the bowl into the

COVID

Vaccines for COVID-19 as well as booster shots are being given by appointment on Wednesdays. Thursdays, and Fridays at the Health Department depending on who is receiving the shot and what kind of shot is being received. CO-VID-19 vaccines and boosters are free to receive.

still giving flu shots. To get a flu shot, bring an insurance card. Individuals without insurance can still

North Main Street in Moorefield.

• Thursdays: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Ambulance Authority building in Baker and from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Moorefield

The Hardy County Health Department is located on 411 Spring Avenue in Moorefield. For more inpartment at 304-530-6355.

# West Virginia House passes 10% personal income tax cut

By John Raby Associated Pres

Legislation that would reduce personal income taxes by 10% in West Virginia cleared the House of Delegates on Friday.

Democrats in the Republican-controlled House complained that the bill will hardly help lower-income residents. The bill was adopted 76-20 and now goes to the state Senate.

Gov. Jim Justice tried to reduce income taxes by 60% last year as a way to spur population growth in a relief?" said Kanawha County Demstate that saw the highest percentage ocrat Larry Rowe. "This is not sigof residents leave over the past de- nificant to the people who need the cade. The proposal was unanimously help." rejected in the House.

Householder, a Republican.

But the current bill drew complaints from Democrats because it ers. Amendments to do just that were rejected.

For instance, someone making \$20,000 would receive \$7 back under the proposal while someone making \$92,000 would get \$232 back.

"We need to step back and look at these numbers and say who is it that really needs to benefit from tax

Braxton County Democrat Brent The goal has always been to do Boggs said 70% of the tax cut The initial tax cut, if approved, to have to deal with it."

would be effective next January and cost the state \$96 million in surplus revenue in the next fiscal year and doesn't giving a greater percentage \$265 million in subsequent fiscal of money back to lower wage earn- years if no further changes are made.

Some delegates were concerned about the state's fiscal health moving forward. Although the state currently has a solid surplus, there are plans to give state employees a 5% pay raise and the Department of Health and Human Resources' anticipates a potential shortfall from Medicaid.

The bill would divert half of the state's general surplus normally placed into a "rainy day" fund and instead put it into a new savings fund set up to help pay for future tax cuts.

"There is a train coming straight at us of financial responsibility," Rowe

# *Continued from page 1* 4,207 patients who have recovered.

The Health Department is also

get a flu shot.

COVID-19 testing is still free and open to the public. Testing times are High School. as follows:

• Tuesdays: 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Hardy County Emergency Ambulance Authority build- formation, to get a COVID-19 vacing on 17940 Route 55 in Baker cine or booster, or to get a flu shot, and from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. call the Hardy County Health De-

at Moorefield High School at 401

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said Freeman. "The only thing that's eternal

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an incremental approach, a more go to 20% of the taxpayers. slower, more moderate approach," said House Finance chairman Eric

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said. "And it can either run over us, "That's troubling to me," he said. or we can dodge it, but we're going







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# **New Fiction**

Diablo Mesa (Nora Kelly; 3) by Douglas Preston - An eccentric billionaire's outlandish proposal to finance a scientific excavation of the Roswell Incident site tasks a skeptical Nora Kelly and Special Agent Corrie Swanson to solve the murders of two victims found buried at the site. Soon, their investigation will reveal a powerful force that will stop at nothing to protect its secrets.

Sierra Six (Gray Man; 11) by Mark Greanev – The Grav Man is on a simple mission when he sees a ghost: the long-dead terrorist, though he's remarkably energetic for a dead man. A decade of time hasn't changed the Gray Man. Whatever the cost, he isn't one to leave a job unfinished or a blood debt unpaid.

Death of a Green-Eved Monster (Hamish Macbeth; 34) by M. C. Beaton – Just as the town of Lochdubh gets ready to celebrate his impending nuptials, Hamish Macbeth finds himself with a new murder on his hands. If he doesn't find the killer fast, Hamish's dream wedding could become a nightmare.

"Black Cake" by Charmaine Wilkerson -Two estranged siblings must set aside their differences to deal with their mother's death and her hidden past — a journey of discovery that takes them from the Caribbean to London to California and ends with her famous black cake

Mickey7 (Mickey7; 1) by Edward Ashton - An expendable cloned human used for dangerous space exploration missions refuses to let his replacement clone take his place ... and the survival of both hangs in the balance.

The Boy with a Bird in His Chest by Emme Lund - Though Owen Tanner has never met anyone else who has a chatty bird in their chest, medical forums would call him a Terror. After a decade spent in hiding, Owen takes a brazen trip outdoors in the middle of a forest fire, and his life is upended forever.

The Christie Affair by Nina de Gramont - In 1925, Miss Nan O'Dea infiltrated the wealthy, rarefied world of author Agatha Christie and her husband, Archie. In every way, she became a part of their life — first, both Christies. Then, just Archie. Soon, Nan became Archie's mistress, luring him away from his devoted wife, desperate to marry him at any cost.

A River Enchanted (Elements of Cadence; 1) by Rebecca Ross - On the magical

isle of Cadence, two childhood enemies must team up to discover why girls are going missing from their clan.

Wish You Were Gone by Kieran Scott -What happens when the death of a husband and father isn't the tragedy everyone believes as the mysterious details of his last day of life begin to come to light?

Free Love by Tessa Hadley – In 1967 London, a pretty, dutiful homemaker and wife drinks too much at a party and ends up kissing the son of an old friend who comes for dinner causing her to question her life.

With Love from London by Sarah Jio -When a woman inherits her estranged mother's bookstore in London's Primrose Hill, she finds herself thrust into the pages of a new story — hers — filled with long-held family secrets, the possibility of new love, and perhaps, the single greatest challenge of her life.

### **New Non-Fiction and Bios**

South to America: A Journey Below the Mason-Dixon to Understand the Soul of a **Nation** by Imani Perry – A journey through the history, rituals, and landscapes of the American South - and a revelatory argument for why you must understand the South in order to understand America.

The Power of Thank You: Discover the

Joy of Gratitude by Joyce Meyer – Meyer encourages readers to take a look at themselves and the importance of being thankful.

The Last Enforcer: Outrageous Stories from the Life and Times of One of the NBA's Fiercest Competitors by Charles Oakley – Oakley tells unfiltered stories about his basketball journey and his personal relationships

The Power of Regret: How Looking Backward Moves Us Forward by Daniel H. Pink – Pink presents the idea of regret being a transforming power rather than a drag on our self-esteem and outlook.

Heartbreak: A Personal and Scientific Journey by Florence Williams – Williams explores the science of heartbreak while seeking creative ways to mend her own.

Sickening: How Big Pharma Broke American Health Care and How We Can Repair It by John Abramson – Abramson gives readers the inside story of how Big Pharma's relentless pursuit of ever-higher profits corrupts medical knowledge: misleading doctors, misdirecting American health care, and harming our health.

Born of Lakes and Plains: Mixed-Descent Peoples and the Making of the American West by Anne F. Hyde – A history of the West grounded in the lives of mixeddescent Native families who first bridged and then collided with racial boundaries.

The Treeline: The Last Forest and the Future of Life on Earth by Ben Rawlence - Rawlence gives readers the story of what might soon be the last forest left and what that means for the future of all life on Earth.

Healing: Our Path from Mental Illness to Mental Health by Thomas Insel - Insel presents a map for the re-invention of America's broken mental health care system.

The One Thing: The Surprisingly Simple Truth Behind Extraordinary Results by Gary Keller - Keller explains the success habit to overcome the six lies that block our success, beat the seven thieves that steal time, and leverage the laws of purpose, priority, and productivity.

The Urge: Our History of Addiction by Carl Erik Fisher - A history of addiction: a phenomenon that remains baffling and deeply misunderstood despite having touched countless lives.

Watergate: A New History by Garrett M. Graff - Graff presents a narrative history of Watergate that explores the full scope of the scandal through the politicians, investigators, journalists, and informants who made it the most influential political event of our modern era.

# Former Pendleton Navy base poised to become autism center

# By Rick Steelhammer

Charleston Gazette-Mail

Plans are underway to transform the former Navy Information Operations Command base at Sugar Grove in Pendleton County into a residential community and therapeutic training center for children and young adults on the autism spectrum.

Legacy by Gersh, which operates 13 boarding schools, camps and training centers in New York, New Hampshire, Washington and Puerto Rico serving those on the autism spectrum, has leased the 123-acre site. It had been vacant since 2015.

"We're going through the licensing process now," company founder and CEO Kevin Gersh said recently in a phone interview. "We've met with the governor, the economic development office, the Education Department and other cabinet members and everyone has been very cooperative.

Gersh said Dr. Jeffrey Shrewsbury, former director of the Southern Highlands Community Mental Health Center in Princeton, has been hired to administer the Sugar Grove campus. Legacy by Gersh is advertising to hire a pair of maintenance workers and an office manager to begin readying the site for its first residents, with the hiring of initial on site by September, COVID willing," Gersh said. "We're very excited about opening the campus at Sugar Grove.'

The former U.S. Navy installation was decommissioned Sept. 30, 2015, community there would be the best and sold for \$4 million by the General Services Administration during an online auction in December 2016. Due to its remote location, the base included a nearly self-contained residential community with 90 singlefamily homes for married personnel and a three-story dormitory-style barracks that housed more than 100 single enlisted sailors.

The base also contains a commissary, restaurant-equipped community center, fire department, bowling alley, dining hall, swimming pool, lighted baseball field, office buildings, shops for art and craft hobbyists, tennis courts and direct fishing access to the South Fork of the South Branch of the Potomac.

Mellivora Capital Partners of Birmingham, Alabama, the successful bidder in the auction of the base, announced plans to develop a health care center for military personnel at the site soon after the sale was finalized. After those plans failed to materialize. Meridian Behavioral Health Systems, the parent company of Charleston's Highland Hospital, announced in March 2018 that it

"We hope to have the first children in partnership with Highland and the and learn to navigate our communi-Gersh organization.

By early 2019, that plan, too, had been scrapped, but Gersh remained interested in the site.

"I thought that creating an autism and highest use for the facility," he said.

Gersh parted ways with the Massachusetts recovery center he had been working with to fulfill his part of the arrangement with Meridian. He negotiated a lease for the property. Then he focused on developing the former military base into a place where young people with autism can learn life skills, go to school and get vocational training.

Since the base was designed for pedestrian access for those who lived and worked there, "there is no traffic to worry about, giving children the freedom to get to school, go to the store and get home by themselves," Gersh said. "People can come here

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ty, and then return home and do the same there."

In addition to operating a K-12 boarding school for those on the autism spectrum, Gersh said, the Sugar Grove campus will offer customized therapeutic programs, provide posthigh school vocational training and give all students the opportunity to develop independent living skills.

"We will have our own bakery, raise our own eggs and so some farming" and offer therapy programs incorporating horses and dogs, Gersh said. "Families can come and visit and stay on the premises... We're building something the world has never seen."

When fully operational within about five years, the Sugar Grove campus will accommodate about 400 students, and maintain a staff of about 300, according to Gersh. "It's a big undertaking," he said, "but noth-

an initial group of students will start classes this fall at the former Navy base, he acknowledged it would be wise not to carve that opening date in stone

"But sometimes you put a plan in place and COVID laughs," he said.

Legacy by Gersh's Sugar Grove campus makes use of the support base formerly used to house Navy personnel, dependents, administrative facilities and base amenities. A nearby operations area equipped with numerous parabolic receiver dishes and a 60,000-square-foot underground center was not included in the 2016 auction.

The Navy's presence at the Sugar Grove site began in the late 1950s, when it was selected by the Naval Research Laboratory as the site for a tended to intercept Russian radio and to relocate the base's mission.

While Gersh said he is hopeful radar signals reflected off the moon. The site's remote location and presence within the National Radio Quiet Zone were key factors in the decision to build the giant telescope there.

> Construction of the telescope was halted in 1962, about two years after work began, due to design issues. The project was shelved. In 1969, the site became Naval Radio Station Sugar Grove, handling high-frequency communications traffic from Navy ships, aircraft and overseas installations.

In 1992, the base became a Naval Security Group Activity site, involved in communications research, according to the Navy at the time. But in 2013, the chief of Naval Operations ordered the base closed by the end of September 2015 based on a "determination by the resource spon-600-foot-diameter radio telescope in- sor, the National Security Agency,"

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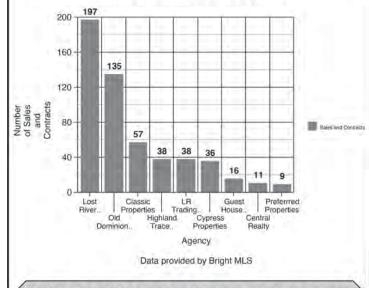


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# **OBITUARIES**

# **FLORA VIRGINIA 'TOOTS' HOSE**



Flora Virginia "Toots" Hose, age 81, of Dover Hollow in Moorefield,

Loring Elwood Barr, age 86 of

Moorefield, passed away Thurs-

day morning, Feb. 10, 2022, at the

Grant Memorial Hospital in Peters-

burg. Born on Dec. 5, 1935, in Hardy

County, he was a son of the late Hugh

Clifton Barr and Stella Rebecca Har-

dy Barr. His loving wife of 59 years,

Mary Catherine (Harman) Barr pre-

passed away Saturday evening, Feb. green thumb. She enjoyed camping 5, 2022, at the Grant Rehabilitation and fishing, and true to her job, she enjoyed cookouts with the family. and Care Center in Petersburg. Born on March 10, 1940, near She will truly be missed by all that Moorefield, she was a daughter of sat at her table

the late Lorenzo Caldwell Ketterman Surviving is a daughter, Betty L. and Dora Frances Fitzwater Ketter-(Allen) Moreland of Scherr, W.Va.; man. Her husband, Jesse Eugene a son, Jesse E. (Deb) Hose Jr. of Hose Sr., preceded her in death in Moorefield; three grandsons, Richie August 2012. Six brothers and five Moreland and Jamie Moreland of Scherr, W.Va. and Jesse E. Hose III Toots retired from the Hardy of Moorefield; three great-grand-County Schools after 40 years of sons; six great-granddaughters; a great-great-granddaughter that will service as a cook and aide. She has an interesting collection of pig figube arriving soon; two sisters, Lilly rines that she had collected over the Bowers of Toms Brook, Va. and Polyears. She enjoyed planting flowers ly McDonald of Strasburg, Va.; and around her home and had a great numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were held or Thursday, Feb. 10, 2022, at the Fraley Funeral Home Chapel at 107 Washington Street in Moorefield Pastors Russell and Lucy Webster officiated. Interment followed at Walnut Grove Gardens on Route 55 near Moorefield.

Memorials may be directed to the Grant Rehab and Care Center's Activity Fund, 127 Early Avenue, Petersburg, WV, 26847. Condolences shared memories and photos may be left on Sharon's Tribute Wall at www.fraleyfuneralhome.com.

Fraley Funeral Home in Moorefield handled arrangements.

# LORING ELWOOD BARR

grandson, Joseph Loring Ludwig, a sister, Cleda Pratt, a brother, Johnnie Barr, an infant brother and an infant sister also preceded him in death. Loring was a graduate of Moore-

field High School, Class of 1954, and was a retired poultry producer and livestock farmer. He was a lifelong member and past trustee of the Oak Dale Christian Church in Rig, a past president of the Oak Dale Civic Center in Rig, and past president of Grant County Farm Services in Pethe Rig Water Association prior to its dissolution.

He was a former member of the Hardy Telephone Company, Inc. Board of Directors since 1978, holding the office of Vice President for many years; past member of the Hardy County Board of Education for 19.5 years, holding the offices of President and Vice President; and

ceded him in death in July 2017. A Council for 16 years, holding the office of President from 1984-1998.

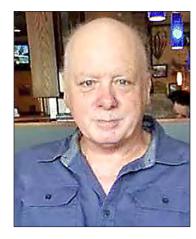
He was a former member of the West Virginia Poultry Association, serving as Vice President and President from 1992-1994, consecutively; a former member of the Association's executive committee and a Lifetime Membership Honoree. He also was a former member and past President of the Hardy County Farm Bureau; he served as President of the tersburg prior to its dissolution, and was also a 60+ year member of the W.Va. Farm Bureau.

Surviving are his children: Lori Kathryn (Dennis) Evans of Moorefield, Joseph Harman (Teresa) Barr of Petersburg, and Suzanne Rebecca (John) Davis of Moorefield; grandchildren, Amber and William Barr, Meredith and Taylor Evans, Leah Jo a past member of the South Branch and Levi Davis; three great-grand-Vocational Centers Administrative sons, Jaxon Kile, Quentin Barr and

Hudson Stickley; a sister, Priscilla Evans of Rig; a sister-in-law, Anna Carol Barr of Mineral, Va.; Steven Pratt, whom he considered a son; and Loring's faithful companion, Snowball

Funeral Services were conducted Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2022, at the Fraley Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Lynn Rohrbaugh officiant. Interment followed in the Newhouse Cemetery. The family received friends before services on Tuesday.

Memorials may be directed to the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews, "The Fellowship", P.O. Box 96105 Washington, DC 20090-6105 or to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516. Condolences, shared memories and photos may be left on Loring's Tribute Wall at www.fraleyfuneralhome.com.



# **ROGER LEE EVERETT**

DAVID ALLEN COBY

Roger Lee Everett, 62, passed away on Feb. 8, 2022, in Dale City, Va. Roger was born on Aug. 26, 1959, in Keyser to the late Frank Penguins fan. He loved to build mod-William Everett and Juanita Pearl Fike. Roger retired from the United States Army after serving in Desert Storm and in the Army Reserves. He married the love of his life, Brenda, Juanita Pearl Everett, and his brother, jah High Cemetery, Purgitsville at on January 7, 1984, in Purgitsville. Glen William Everett. Roger spent 22 years working as a small and large equipment mechanic at Valley Supply and Equipment.

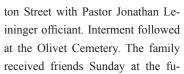
Roger enjoyed spending time outdoors and with his family. He loved sports, and was an avid Pittsburgh els and was a talented wood worker Crites (Rick), and Judy Paul; and a in his free time.

Roger is preceded in death by his parents Frank William Everett and

memory his beloved wife of 38 years Brenda Lee Everett; his children Tra-

vis Wayne Everett (Kara) and Melissa Marie Everett; his siblings Debra Hose (Andy), Rita Everett, Jane (Janie) Everett, Patsy Barnes, Diana host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 19 at Eli-11 a.m. In lieu of flowers donations Roger leaves behind to cherish his can be made in Roger's name to The Wounded Warrior Project or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



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David Allen Coby, age 60 of Do- about his cars. ver Hollow, Moorefield, passed away Wednesday morning, Feb. 9, 2022 at of Moorefield; a brother, Rodney the J.W. Ruby Memorial Hospital in Coby of Moorefield; a nephew, Co-Morgantown. Born on Sept. 6, 1961 rey Coby, a member of the U.S. Air in Winchester, he was a son of Alma Force currently in the United Arab Lee (Shockey) Coby of Moorefield, and the late Glenn Allen Coby. Anyone who knew David, knew he was a tinkerer. He enjoyed working on any- Monday, Feb. 14, 2022 at the Fraley

Surviving is a sister, Lisa Coby

Emirates; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

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Thur. Feb. 24: Baked pork chop, scalloped potatoes, succotash, apple sauce

Fri. Feb. 25: Hamburger on bun w/lettuce, tomato, onion, mayo, tater tots, pears

The Center is now open to serve meals inside. The grab-and-go meals are still being done at this time. That will end but not sure when. Please call in and let us know if you are picking up or eating in with us. Thank you for staying with us through all of the changes.

center or at EA Hawse Community room in Baker (Thursdays only). Person under the age of 60 are wel-\$5.25 per meal. "That's A Deal." Any to the charitable organizations selectdonation over \$5.25 would be greatly appreciated.

Those making donations were Food Lion and the Moorefield Examiner. We would like to thank each and everyone of you for your donations: They are greatly appreciated. Have a safe and happy week.

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# **WVDEP** now accepting applications for **2022 state Make It Shine Spring Cleanup**

### **By Terry Fletcher** W.Va. DEP

Applications are now available

for the 2022 West Virginia Make It Shine Spring Statewide Cleanup. The annual event is sponsored by the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection's (WVDEP) Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan (REAP).

This year's event will be held during the first two weeks of April (April 2 through April 16) and applications are due March 11.

provide resources such as cleanup materials, waste hauling, and landfill fees to community groups volunteering to conduct litter cleanups in state streams or on public lands.

The WVDEP encourages all volunteers to wear a mask and stay socially distant during their cleanups in order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

nearly 170 groups participated in the 2021 statewide spring cleanup, 5530. removing just over 754,000 pounds

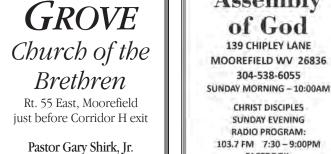
from 737 acres of public lands and 46 miles of streams, while remediating 144 dumps.

The online application is available here: https://apps.dep.wv.gov/ ppod/make it shine.a5w. Once your project is approved, REAP staff will coordinate delivery of cleanup supplies and waste hauling and disposal. For more information, contact More than 4,800 volunteers from Chris Cartwright at DEPwvmis@ wv.gov or by phone at 1-800-322-

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> REAP, whose motto is 'Keeping WV Clean and Green,' was created in 2005 and strives to clean up West Virginia and rid the state of litter. The program empowers citizens to take ownership of their communities by providing technical, financial, and resource assistance in cleanup and recycling efforts. More information is available on the REAP webhttps://dep.wv.gov/environpage: mental-advocate/reap/Pages/default.



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# **COMMUNITY**

# **In-person 'Discover Potomac** State Day' event set for Feb. 21

# By Deborah Swick-Cruse

Let's face it, the last couple of years for college-bound students have been somewhat challenging. While virtual visits are a great alternative for students who can't always make the physical trip to campus, due to geographical or time constraints, there's nothing quite like experiencing a college campus in person.

Faculty and staff at West Virginia University Potomac State College are eager to once again welcome prospective students to their beautiful campus in Keyser, W.Va., during the College's Discover Potomac State Day event on Monday, Feb. 21.

"The most exciting thing about this event is bringing prospective students back on campus and witnessing their excitement as they immerse themselves into their college exploration while touring the campus, meeting current students and asking faculty and staff questions about financial aid, classes and other topics of interest," said Program Manager

Leslev Stark

An assortment of engaging activities and events have been scheduled to make the college experience everything it should be, including information stations, an academic fair, application reviews, and other available resources like diversity, library resources and mental and physical health. A complimentary lunch and gift will also be provided.

But college isn't just about academics, it's about self-discovery and enjoying the journey. So, with that in mind, a pop-up hot chocolate bar will be offered along with creating memories by taking selfies with family and friends alongside the College's oversized HOME letters. And for those who want to experience more campus life, the women's and men's basketball teams are scheduled for

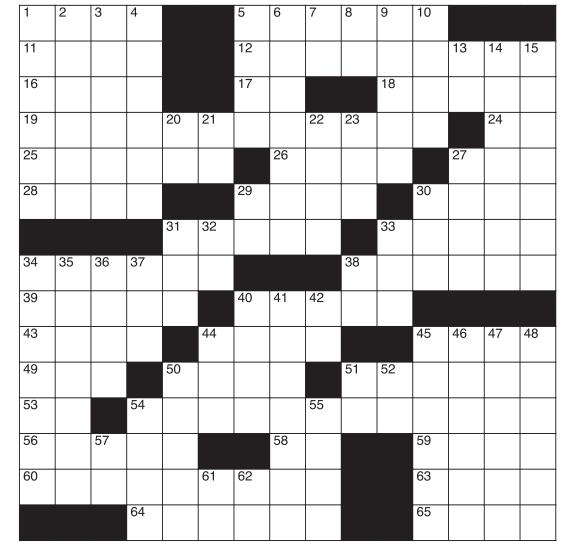
tip-off at 5 and 7 p.m., respectively. "No matter where you are in your college exploration process, we will help you discover the opportunities available by starting or continuing your college experience at Potomac State College. We offer a unique op-

portunity to experience the benefits of the WVU system on a small campus," said Beth Little, dean of Enrollment Management and University Relations.

Students who have already applied for admission to the College, along with students who apply during the Discover PSC event, will be entered in a drawing for a \$500 tuition scholarship and will also have the opportunity to win a \$500 book scholarship.

Although prior registration is not required, registering in advance is encouraged by visiting http:// go.wvu.edu/discoverPSC. For information regarding the event, contact the Office of Enrollment Services at 304.788.6820 or at go2psc@mail. wvu.edu.

For those unable to attend the inperson Discover PSC Day event but who still want to see the campus, sign up for one of our Tour Guide Live virtual sessions. These sessions cover all things PSC and you can ask questions in real time.



CROSSWORD

# WVDOH sponsors free STEAM bridge design contest for middle and high school students

The 2022 West Virginia Bridge Design and Build Contest is now underway! All West Virginia students in grades 6 through 12 are encouraged to submit bridge designs for a chance to win cash prizes, including a Grand Prize of \$500

Participation in the contest is entirely free and open to students in public school, private school, or who are home-schooled. Everything a student needs to compete, including a free download of bridge design software and a tutorial by Secretary of Transportation Jimmy Wriston, P.E., is available at the Bridge Design & Build Contest website, https://wvbridgedesignandbuildcontest.com.

Students have until Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022 to register and submit their bridge designs.

The contest, sponsored by the West Virginia Division of Highways, BridgeWalk, and West Virginia De-

The Preservation Alliance of West

Virginia announces organizational

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By Danielle Parker

Preservation Alliance of W.Va

partment of Education, pits middle and high school students to pursue a school and high school students against one another to see who can design the best bridge using standardized design software. The goal is the build a safe, well-engineered bridge for the least cost, just like engineers at the DOH do every day.

"Anyone who is interested in science, engineering or anything like that should take the opportunity to learn about bridge design and engineering," said Garrett Ferguson, a Frankfort High School Student who is a past winner of the contest. "There are a lot of things you wouldn't get to learn in normal school.<sup>3</sup>

In its 21st year, the contest is designed to encourage STEAM education and inspire tomorrow's engineers today. The WVDOH cosponsors the annual contest to support education, and hopes that participation will inspire middle school ing "Heads up; phones down!"

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career in engineering.

Every student who makes it to the finals receives \$100. First place high school and middle school winners take home \$500, second place winners receive \$400, and third place winners get \$300. Every student who participates in the contest gets a free BridgeWalk tour for themselves and their families.

Contest finals will be held Saturday, March 26, 2022. Finalists will be notified no later than March 4, 2022.

With work continuing in all 55 counties across the state, the West Virginia Division of Highways and the West Virginia Department of Transportation remind the public of the importance of keeping everyone safe in work zones by keep-

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- 5. Functional
- 11. News magazine
- 12. Popular treat
- 38. Detonations 39. Intestinal 40. EU cofounder Paul-Henri

tor for the alliance. AmeriCorps members are cata- the City of Ronceverte's Museum, lysts for change within partner or- the Cockayne Farmstead in Marshall ganizations. They take on projects County, the Harrison County WV to promote cultural heritage tourism, Historical Society in Clarksburg, place-based education, and community development. Site sponsors usually have history-related missions munity Development Corporation, such as, historical sites, museums, and the WVU BAD Buildings prohistoric landmarks commissions, gram at the Northern WV Brownmain street organizations, and histor- fields Assistance Center. To learn ical societies, but other organizations more about these site sponsorship are also eligible.

serve more of the Mountain State's opportunities, the Alliance is also acunique cultural resources," explained cepting applications for paid Ameri-Danielle Parker, the executive direc- Corps site placements. Current openings are with organizations including the Kanawha Salines Foundation in Kanawha County, the Sutton Comand AmeriCorps placement oppor-

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- 16. Area units
- 17. Artificial intelligence
- 18. Marten valued for its fur
- 19. Forms of matter
- 24. Home of the Dodgers
- 25. Bordering
- 26. Part of the eye
- 27. It might be nervous
- 28. Visualizes
- 29. Crest of a hill
- 30. Measures engine speed (abbr.) 60. Swam underwater
- 31. Tears in a garment (Br. Eng.)
- 33. Not easily explained
- 34 Song in short stanzas

# **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Small bone in middle ear
- 2. Long, angry speech
- 3. Move out of
- 4. Male organ
- 5. Two-toed sloth
- 6. Making dirty
- 7. Article
- 8. Oil company
- 9. Emits coherent radiation
- 10. Amounts of time
- 13. Unit equal to one quintillion bytes (abbr.)
- 14. Forbidden by law
- 15. Drains away
- 20. Not out
- 21. Sea patrol (abbr.)
- 22. Bird genus
- 23. Gratuity
- 27. and feathers
- 29. Spiritual part of an individual
- (ancient Egypt)
- 30. Hot beverage
- 31. Pouch

44. New Mexico mountain town 45. Gobblers 49. Insecticide 50. Golf scores 51. Has its own altar 53. "Pollock" actor Harris 54. Being livable 56. NHL play-by-play man 58. "The Great Lakes State" (abbr.) 59. Unpainted 63. Native American people 64. Containing salt

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Answers key is on the back page

# THIS WEEK IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY



The Clay County Wild Man

By Michael Keller W.Va. Humanities Council

The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www. wvencyclopedia.org.

Feb. 16, 1821: Morris Harvey was born near Prosperity in Raleigh County. Harvey's gifts to the Barboursville Seminary led to its name being changed to Morris Harvey College in 1901. The institution is now known as the University of Charleston

Feb. 16, 1951: Second Lieutenant Darwin Keith Kyle died during an intense exchange against Chinese forces in Korea. He was awarded the Medal of Honor.

Feb. 17, 1735: Morgan Morgan tia in the 201st Field Artillery, which



**Gov. Gaston Caperton** 

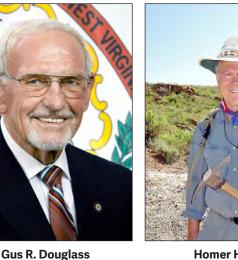
is considered the oldest military unit than a self-made loincloth. in the United States.

Feb. 18, 1890: Ellison Mounts, a cousin to the Hatfield family, was hanged for murder, ending the Hatfield-McCoy Feud.

Feb. 18, 1969: Hundreds of miners in Raleigh County went on strike over the issue of black lung. Within days, the walkout spread throughout southern West Virginia.

Branch of the State Normal School en Delicious apple the official state was established by an act of the legislature. The first session of the college opened on January 14, 1873, in the old Gilmer County courthouse.

Feb. 19, 1908: Orval Elijah Brown was born near Lizemores in Clay County. Brown, a free-spirited individual, gained notoriety as the "Clay County Wild Man" during the Great Depression for his untamed physical beard and the wearing of little more



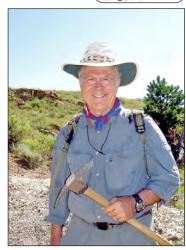
Feb. 19, 1943: Author Homer Hickam was born in Coalwood, Mc-Dowell County. Hickam's second book, Rocket Boys: A Memoir, was published in 1998 and became a runaway bestseller.

Feb. 20, 1875: The West Virginia Legislature approved a bill to move the state capital back to Wheeling.

Feb. 20, 1995: The West Virginia Feb. 19, 1872: The Glenville Legislature voted to make the Goldfruit.

Feb. 21, 1895: Bluefield Colored Institute was established by the legislature to prepare black West Virginians for the teaching profession. After several name changes, the school became Bluefield State College in 1943

Feb. 21, 1940: Former Governor Gaston Caperton was born in was commissioned a captain of mili- appearance that included a flowing Charleston. Caperton defeated Arch (304) 346-8500; or visit e-WV at Moore to become the state's 31st www.wvencyclopedia.org.



Homer Hickam

governor.

Feb. 22, 1927: Longtime Agriculture Commissioner Gus R. Douglass was born in Mason County. Douglass, a Democrat, was first elected commissioner of agriculture in 1964. Reelected nine times, Douglass was the longest serving agricultural commissioner in the country.

Feb. 22, 2018: 33,000 schoolteachers and service personnel walked off the job over wages and health benefits. The strike drew national attention, and teachers in five other states organized work stoppages.

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# End to nuclear plant ban signed by West Virginia governor

### By John Raby Associated Pres

ing in to diversify the coal-dependent state's energy offerings.

Justice said in a letter that any development or placement of nuclear technologies in West Virginia "must be done thoughtfully and, above all, safely.'

The Republican governor said lawmakers must continue to research and monitor nuclear initiatives "to ensure appropriate regulatory or safety measures are in place as new technologies are developed and implemented."

Justice called the bill "a positive step" in modernizing the state's regulatory environment, but said "we must work to ensure only positive outcomes from this legislation by continually evaluating any concerns and implementing best pracrequired."

was enacted in 1996, but nuclear the NEI. power has in recent years gained support as a tool to keep climate away from carbon dioxide-emitting change under control, with propo- fossil fuels to reduce greenhouse nents noting that it emits few plan- gas emissions and stave off the

on average than nearly any other energy source.

West Virginia is the nation's West Virginia Gov. Jim Justice second-largest coal producer, beon Tuesday signed a bill eliminat- hind Wyoming, and accounted for 5 ing the state's ban on nuclear power percent of the nation's total energy plants but cautioned against jump- production in 2019, ranking fifth among the states, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration

> But West Virginia has lost thousands of coal jobs in the past decade as companies and utilities explore using other energy sources such as natural gas, solar and wind.

> According to the Nuclear Energy Institute, coal provides 88 percent of West Virginia's energy needs, followed by 5 percent rom natural gas, 3.3 percent from wind, 3.1 percent from hydroelectric and 0.2 percent from other energy sources.

There are nuclear power plants in 28 states, although Georgia is the only state with a nuclear project currently under construction. Among surrounding states, there tices in any regulation that may be are a combined 8,500 nuclear energy jobs in Maryland, Ohio, Penn-The state's ban on nuclear plants sylvania and Virginia, according to

Some states are transitioning et-damaging emissions and is safer worst effects of a warming planet.



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# HARDY COUNTY



East Hardy's Brandon Parker and Union's Daniel Savage chase after a loose ball in Baker.

# East Hardy grabs Tigers by the tail

### By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examine

The Cougars pounced to a 16-nil lead and thrashed to a 34-11 halftime advantage over Union, then kept the attack in full throttle during the second half for a 66-42 victory making the Tigers whimper in Baker on Thursday.

East Hardy's Andrew Hahn started the game and sparked the 16-0 run with a jumper off an assist from Noah Lang.

"We did a good job rebounding

gun. Tonight we didn't have a lot of set offense and got a lot of transition points. We like running that secondary break and it led to a lot of good looks. We were able to get into our groove pretty early," East Hardy coach Chris Hahn noted.

Union hit the rim thrice with relast ricochet was tipped over to East Hardy's J.W. Teets.

Teets located Lang to drive inside for a layup at 6:40.

Teets and Lang made steals, but

and running. Our game is run and drew iron on the shot attempts with Lang missing on a layup and collecting the ricochet to feed Teets for a 3-pointer at 5:25

> J.W. Teets swiped the ball again and fed brother Justin Teets for a perimeter basket giving the Cougars a 10-0 lead at 4:50.

J.W. Teets hauled in a defensive bounds by Daniel Savage and the rebound and was fouled, then Lang garnered a layup.

> An errant Tigers inbound pass rolled off the back of Lang and corralled by Brandon Parker.

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# East Hardy swings Hardy Hammer on Moorefield Wrestling Senior Night By Carl Holcomb

Moorefield Examiner

East Hardy Wrestling waved the Hardy Hammer trophy after the Cougars disrupted Moorefield's senior night with a 51-24 victory on Wednesday in retaining county bragging rights.

"It's a great thing. We wrestled well. The kids are moving and getting ready for the postseason. It was a good event and a good experience for everybody. They are progressively getting better and learning and willing to learn. They are putting in the hard work in practice and it is paying off dividends," East Hardy Wrestling coach Steven Miller remarked.

"It is bragging rights for the county and it is good for the county. We are progressively moving in the right direction. I am personally 14 years into coaching wrestling, so watching the youth and all of us come together to make this work is great. Hardy County Youth Wrestling is growing as a whole and that is the whole purpose to become a feeder program for the high school."

Prior to the Hardy County Ham- year's Class A state wrestling team gineering.



Hardy Hammer: Moorefield's Riley Pillus and East Hardy's Brandon Jones battle together looking for an opportunity to make a move for a takedown.



were selected as the Homecoming



Photo by Carl Holcomb

East Hardy senior Damian Iman signs with the Shenandoah University Football program alongside EHHS coach Devon Orndorff, mother Sheril Plum and brothers Braxton and Slade Plum.

# Iman signs to play football at Shenandoah University

By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examiner

East Hardy senior Damian Iman signed his national letter of intent to play football for Shenandoah University this past Thursday.

The Shenandoah Hornets compete in the NCAA Division III within the Old Dominion Athletic Conference and finished 7-3 last season with a conference record of 3-3.

"It's awesome, just to be able to play the game for four more years is amazing. It's the next step and I have been playing football for ten plus years. To be able to play for four more years is great. Their coaching staff was straight up forward with me. They told me if they didn't think I could play, they would never reach back to me. They thought I could play and reached out to me, so I knew there was something there for me," East Hardy Football senior Damian Iman remarked.

The Cougars have been known for years as a spread offense and Iman Continued on page 12

mer Throwdown, members of the Hardy County Youth Wrestling team showcased their talent with exhibition matches

Moorefield Wrestling honored its three seniors, twin siblings Madalynn and Tyberious Clayton along with Matthew Delawder.

championship.

earned their 100th career victories this season and Madalynn Clayton statistician.

Madalynn Clayton plans to attend West Virginia University in the All three were members of last honors program and study civil en-

Tyberious Clayton is consider-Tyberious Clayton and Delawder ing several options after high school including joining the United States Marine Corps, collegiate wrestling recorded the milestones as the team or going to an auto body shop school.

Delawder plans to attend WVU and major in criminology.

Madalynn Clayton and Delawder were both on the tennis teams and

royalty as queen and king, respectively

Tyberious Clayton and Delawder were both members of the football team.

"It's always fun to see the little guys wrestle, especially those seven or eight year olds running actual Continued on page 10

# Yellow Jackets charge past Keyser



Photo by Carl Holcomb Moorefield's Silas Inskeep crashes into Keyser's Braydon Keller during a jumper in the Hive.

# By Carl Holcomb

### Moorefield Examine

Forget the cash in the wallet, Moorefield took the cards dealt and charged from an early deficit to rally and secure a 55-47 victory over the Golden Tornado on Tuesday in the Hive.

The Yellow Jackets found themselves in a predicament from the beginning as Keyser spun to a 12-nil lead and maintained the advantage going up by as many as 14 points in the third period.

Moorefield was without senior guard Dean Keplinger in the first period due to a team punishment and managed to fight back to garner its first lead with only four minutes remaining in the contest.

"Early, we were making bad passes, bad decisions. It took us a little while to adjust and settle down. After we did, we brought ourselves back in the first half within five, then they made a run in the third quarter,' Moorefield coach Scott Stutler remarked.

"We just stuck with it and our kids played hard and battled back and that's what you want to see this time of year. It was good to see we could take a lead and stay ahead after coming from behind. We did a good

job down the stretch making foul shots and holding the ball. Our defensive is getting better and did a good job holding them to 47 points."

Moorefield's Blake Funk hauled in a defensive rebound to commence the game, but the Yellow Jackets fumbled the ball out of bounds.

Keyser started its run with a jumper by Hunter Van Pelt at the 7:15 mark.

The Golden Tornado began full-court press and kept up the defense forcing Moorefield to make some mental mistakes during the run.

Van Pelt made a steal during a trap and missed the ensuing shot, but Braydon Keller grabbed the rebound and was fouled before Sammy Bradfield knocked down a shot during the possession.

Noah Broadwater created a steal for the Golden Tornado and fed Alec Stanislawczyk for a layup and a 6-0 lead at 5:54.

Keller fought for a rebound with Funk crashing to the hardwood, then Moorefield's Coleman Mongold blocked a shot. Keyser recovered the ricochet and Brad-

field notched a field goal. Mongold and Broadwater traded steals Continued on page 10

Wheels fall off Moorefield as Warriors Roll to victory

### By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examiner

The Yellow Jackets had a solid game plan in the first half going at their own pace holding a narrow halftime lead, then the wheels fell off with disastrous dividends as Trinity Christian preyed on the mistakes leading to a 75-52 victory in Moorefield on Monday.

"We played great in the first half, then we fell apart in the second were too sloppy," Moorefield coach Paul Keplinger stated.

Moorefield's Amber Williams commenced the game with a defen- range jumper as the Yellow Jackets sive rebound.

Sterling Kump dished to McKenna Crites for a layup as the Yellow Jackets scored the initial basket at 7:37

ensuing possession to make 4-nil at 7:11

tin at 6:55.

The Yellow Jackets responded with a jumper by Teia Ray off an assist from Williams.

ball ricocheted out of play, then ets 16-14. Crites made a spinning layup for an

8-2 edge with six minutes left in the first period

Ella Lynch drilled a 3-pointer for Trinity Christian on the next series. Austin swiped the ball, but was whistled for a walk moments later.

Moorefield broke the press and Williams finished off the drive with a layup.

Kyndel Kisner hauled in an offensive rebound and hit the jumper for a 10-7 score at 4:40.

Trinity Christian's Avonna half. We made too many mistakes. Brown forced a turnover during a just throwing the ball away and trap, but the ball was intercepted they scored in transition on us. We by Moorefield's Kaleigh Hunt and snatched back by Maggie Mercure leading to one free throw at 3:07.

> Kump dished to Hunt for a midwent up 12-8 at 2:40.

Trinity Christian tied the game within 40 seconds as Jenna Barnett made a layup, then Avonna Brown grabbed a defensive rebounding be-Kump collected a defensive fore Barnett took a trip to the free board and Crites hit a jumper on the throw line making both shots, 12all at 2:02.

Kump notched two field goals Trinity Christian got on the in a 20 second span thanks to a deboard with a jumper by Olivia Aus- fensive rebound by Hunt as Moorefield went up 16-12.

Trinity Christian's Abigail Fisher made a steal and dished to Barnett for a basket with 20 seconds left in The Warriors hit the rim and the the frame, trailing the Yellow Jack-

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# **Applemen prevent Cougars bite in defending girls state title**

**Bv Carl Holcomb** Moorefield Examine

Musselman won the West Virginia Girls State Wrestling Championship for the third consecutive season in Parkersburg by staving off East Hardy for the second year in a row as the Cougars claimed the runner-up spot trailing by just 15 points.

Musselman Girls Wrestling team claimed the state championship with 104 points with eight wrestlers, compared to East Hardy with the largest contingent of nine grapplers collecting 89 points with one individual state title garnered by Nahkita Bauserman and Victoria Ames

### took the silver medal.

"Nahkita won the state title. She has been wrestling for me for eight years or more. Victoria, on the other hand, placed second and has wrestled for three years. I'm extremely proud of all of these girls. They've worked hard all season in the weight room and on the mat. Nahkita was absolutely ecstatic about winning the state title," East Hardy Girls Wrestling coach Steven Miller commented

There were 38 total teams competing in the high school division with Madison weights and third place went to Cabell Midland with 64.5 points.

A couple other eastern panhandle teams making the Top-10 were No. 7 Spring Mills and No. 10 Hampshire.

East Hardy sophomore Nahkita Bauserman made a low senior Caitlyn Ward in sixth place. huge improvement from last season's fourth place finish to claiming the state championship this year in the 185lb. weight class.

"I felt ecstatic and extremely happy, because it was the first time I've ever won first place in anything and it even made me cry a little bit I was so happy," East Hardy Girls Wrestling state champion Nahkita Bauserman remarked.

East Hardy senior Victoria Ames was in third place at the girls wrestling state tournament last year and took a step up earning a state runner-up spot in the 150-lb. divi-

East Hardy senior Courtney Shank garnered a fourth place finish in the 160-lb. weight class, followed by fel-

East Hardy junior Gabreanna Miller took fourth place overall in the 150-lb. weight class.

East Hardy senior Madison Heishman placed fifth overall in the 123-lb. weight class.

East Hardy freshmen rounded out the scoring: Jessica Dove in sixth place (140), Chelsea Mills in seventh place (160) and Samara Pyles did not finish due to injury and was eighth overall.

East Hardy Girls Wrestling showcased its talent and how much it has grown and will continue to strive to gain another state title opportunity next season.

# S P O R T S

# Warriors puts up shield and drives back East Hardy



Photo by Carl Holcomb East Hardy's Autumn Crites tries to make a steal against Trinity Christian's Katrina Hyde in a trap with Addison Armentrout. By Carl Holcomb

Moorefield Examiner

Trinity Christian built an 18-point lead in the second period and a 17-point advantage in the third period before the Cougars clawed back to a single digit margin in the final stanza and the Warriors shielded the final attacks for a 53-40 victory in 3:03 mark, 5-2. Baker on Friday.

with a game-high 20 points which included four perimeter baskets, followed by SuCora Brown with 13 points.

East Hardy was paced by Brooklynn Tinnell with 13 points, followed by Autumn Crites and Gabreanna Miller with nine points apiece.

Gabreanna Miller grabbed a defensive rebound to begin the game for the Cougars, then Trinity Christian's Abigail Fisher stole the ball which led to a 3-pointer by Katrina Hyde at the 7:12 mark.

Over the next two minutes, East Hardy's Crites and Tinnell garnered two steals, but the Cougars hit the 12-4. rim four times despite rebounds by Chloe Miller and Tinnell after those takeaways.

the 5:15 mark for a 4-nil Warriors edge.

The Cougars hit the rim thrice and had the ball stolen by Trinity Christian's Kyndel Kisner and Brown, but the Warriors failed to convert and also missed five field goals as two minutes elapsed.

Trinity Christian drew iron on two free throws, then Ella Lynch grabbed the rebound and committed a walk.

Gabreanna Miller put East Hardy on the board slipping behind the defense in the paint to the hoop at the a 3-pointer by Barnett at 6:40.

Jenna Barnett guided the Warriors 3-pointer by Kisner within 11 sec- breakaway. onds

> anna Miller snatched offensive rebounds prior to a jump ball and a foul 5:47.

by the Cougars.

Brown tried to corral a rebound and lost the ball out of play.

Addison Armentrout grabbed an offensive rebound for the Cougars and made the putback to cut the deficit to 8-4 at 1:49.

Steals created by Trinity Christian's Barnett and Kisner led to a pair of field goals by Brown and Barnett in the final minute of the first period as the Warriors extended the lead to

The Cougars hit the rim twice in that last stretch.

East Hardy missed a field goal Fisher knocked down a jumper at to start the second period and Trinity Christian's Brown snared the rebound before being tied up for a jump ball by Chloe Miller.

> The Warriors drew iron twice and East Hardy's Addison Armentrout grabbed the latter board before the ball was stolen by Maggie Mercure.

Kisner collected the rebound off Mercure's missed layup and netted the basket at 7:03.

Tinnell crashed into a defender and a walk was called, then Trinity Christian converted the turnover into

Trinity Christian's Avonna Brown The Warriors responded with a swiped the ball and scored on the

The Warriors applied pressure East Hardy's Chloe and Gabre- with Barnett making the steal and score to extend the lead to 21-4 at

East Hardy's Autumn Crites received a pass at the top of the key from Gabreanna Miller and knocked down a shot just inside the perimeter line at 5:24.

Barnett drilled a 3-pointer at the 4:23 mark to create a 25-7 advantage. The Cougars lost the ball three times over the next minute, but the Warriors failed to capitalize.

East Hardy's Addison Armentrout created a steal and Crites forced a walk on defense during that time.

After two jump balls, Gabreanna Miller scored inside the paint on a pass from Crites as the Cougars made it 25-9 with 2:55 left in the first half.

It took nearly two minutes for the next field goal as both teams squandered opportunities at the rim and were butterfingers with the ball before Armentrout made a putback at 1:02 for East Hardy.

Crites created a steal with under 30 seconds and the rim wasn't friendly twice, but the Cougars maintained possession as a ricochet went off the Warriors and Tinnell sank a jumper with eight seconds on the clock as Trinity Christian carried a 25-13 lead into halftime with the final shot sailing awry.

a steal by Trinity Christian's SuCora Brown, but possession changed 1:45 remaining in the third period. hands with a walk.

Tinnell making a baseline save and back in the last minute and change.

Gabreanna Miller collecting the latter rebound prior to being fouled. East Hardy's Emma Heishman snatched an offensive rebound and

connected on the jumper at 7:38. The Warriors scored twice in 15 seconds as Brown made a layup, then Lynch stole the ball and dished

to Barnett.

Both teams found the rim twice over the next minute and change, before Gabreanna Miller dropped in two foul shots at 5:33.

East Hardy's Chloe Miller swiped the ball and the ensuing field goal attempt hit the rim, but Heishman hauled in the board and nailed a 3-pointer to slice the deficit to 29-20. Trinity Christian answered with a perimeter basket by Barnett at 4:16, 4:37 left. 32-20.

The Cougars missed free throw attempts, then Barnett hit another 3-pointer.

Avonna Brown collected a defensive rebound and made a layup on the other end for the Warriors to go up 37-20

Covering a minute, East Hardy's Gabreanna Miller hit two free throws, then Armentrout made a steal setting up Chloe Miller for a la-The third period commenced with yup and Tinnell swiped the ball for a jumper closing the gap to 37-26 with

Trinity Christian's SuCora Brown East Hardy missed two shots with recorded two free throws and a put-

East Hardy's Brooklynn Tinnell created an old-fashioned three-point play with ten seconds on the clock which made the score 41-29.

The Warriors didn't realize the free throw was made and were just standing there as the referee explained what happened.

Armentrout stole the ball, but missed the shot at the buzzer.

A steal and score by East Hardy's Brooklynn Tinnell in the fourth period at the 6:37 mark made it 43-29.

Both teams missed several shot attempts over the next two minutes, then a swipe by East Hardy's Chloe Miller with a dish to Crites for a layup closed the gap to 43-34 with

Trinity Christian's Katrina Hyde responded with a 3-pointer, then Armentrout answered with a layup for the Cougars.

A score along the baseline by Olivia Austin and a steal by Avonna Brown led to a basket in the paint by SuCora Brown as the Warriors went up 50-36 with 2:17 remaining.

East Hardy's Brooklynn Tinnell added a couple free throws and a layup over the next minute and change, but not enough to rally as the Warriors won 53-40.

Trinity Christian and the Cougars joined in a circle at the conclusion of the game for a prayer.

# Wrestling

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wrestling moves, chain wrestling and running cradles. They looked good tonight," Moorefield Wrestling coach T.J. Van Meter commented.

"It's bittersweet. That senior class has been apart of a lot. Their freshmen and sophomore years, we had a really good dual team. As freshmen we set the school record for dual wins at 34. They were part of a state championship team last year. With Ty and Matt earning their 100th wins this year, we have had just six total in school history and the second pair in the same graduating class two years in a row is amazing. They have contributed a lot to our program in their four year careers. Not any one match sticks out to me tonight. East Hardy has come a long ways with their program and Steven, Mason and Derek have done a great job over there. I knew what they had this year. I put a plug in for them to be in the state poll. They are ranked fifth in the current poll and deservedly so."

East Hardy took an early lead 18-0 lead with forfeits given to Shane Riggle, Shawn Bodkin and Samara Pyles, then Moorefield's Riley Pillus garnered a forfeit to slice the deficit to 18-6.

Pillus (138) remained on the mat battling East Hardy's Brandon Jones in an exhibition match with Jones gaining the win with a 10-nil decision.

Moorefield's Dylan Colassesano (145) wrestled against East Hardy's Victoria Ames

Ames notched a takedown in the first period and prevented another point in that frame.

Colassesano earned a reversal and pinned Ames in the second period

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with the latter resulting in a breakaway score for the Golden Tornado going up 10-0 at the 4:47 mark.

A steal by Keyser's Lonnie Pridemore would setup a basket from Broadwater for the 12-nil lead at 3:22

The Golden Tornado forced another turnover, then Moorefield's Ronald Griest and Silas Inskeep blocked field goal attempts prior to a jump ball

Keyser missed two field goals and Moorefield's Karson Reed snatched the latter board and Inskeep kept a rimmed shot alive collecting a tipped rebound.

Inskeep found Griest for a 3-pointer as the Yellow Jackets finally got on the scoreboard with 1:54 left in the first period.

other end as Moorefield cut the defi-

Moorefield's Mongold and Funk grabbed defensive caroms, but both times the ball would be fumbled away.

**Moorefield Boys Basketball vs Keyser** 

Reed collected another defensive board for the Yellow Jackets and this time maintained possession leading to a 3-pointer by Keplinger at the 3:46 mark, 17-12.

Keller hauled in an offensive rebound and made the shot at 3:20 for Keyser

Keyser's Seth Healy grabbed a defensive rebound and located Broadwater going up court for a layup.

Moorefield responded with a jumper by Reed at the 2:39 mark, 21-14

After a field goal by the Golden Tornado, the Yellow Jackets garnered the next two field goals off the hands of Ryan McGregor in a span Griest hauled in a defensive board, of a minute with assists from Inskeep then Reed made a putback on the and Keplinger to close the gap to 23-18.

Keplinger sliced into the paint for a Moorefield layup on the next series. After a Keyser turnover, the Golden Tornado forced a ten-second violation on the Yellow Jackets.

Bradfield knocked down a 3-pointer for the biggest Keyser lead of the game, 36-22 with 4:55 left in the third period.

A little over a minute elapsed with missed buckets in both directions prior to Mongold creating an oldfashioned three-point play sparking a 13-0 run for Moorefield.

Mongold hit a traditional 3-pointer at the 3:04 mark as the momentum was swinging.

Mongold and Van Pelt traded steals, then Keyser hit the rim twice with Mongold collecting the last rebound.

Keplinger recorded a layup for the Yellow Jackets, then made a steal and was fouled.

Inskeep assisted McGregor on

layup, then the Yellow Jackets forced a turnover leading to a jumper by Keplinger to pull within one point with 4:34 remaining, 43-42.

Both teams missed shots, then Keyser lost the ball out of bounds with Inskeep swatting at the ball.

Inskeep gave the Yellow Jackets the lead with 3:57 left, 44-43.

Keplinger stole the ball and missed the breakaway layup, but Mongold was trailing on the play to place the ball into the hoop at 3:22, 46-43.

There were two turnovers apiece over the following minute including steals by Keplinger and Mongold.

The Golden Tornado added two free throws to make it 46-43 with 2:22 to go.

The Yellow Jackets stalled the offense before Keplinger assisted Mc-Gregor on a 3-pointer to extend the lead to 49-45 with 1:23 remaining.

Keyser missed two foul shots, then seven seconds later Keplinger notched two charity stripe buckets.

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at 2:16.

There were some blood timeouts in the 152 bout between Moorefield's Grant Sherman and East Hardy's Tyler Tarallo.

Tarallo fought through the blood and his teammates made sure his shoes were checked and thumbs up was given before earning a second period pin at 3:48 for a 24-12 lead.

Moorefield senior Tyberious Clayton (160) came out on crutches and had his hand raised in front of the home crowd for the final time.

East Hardy senior Damian Iman (170) garnered an 8-3 decision over Moorefield senior Matthew Delawder.

Mason Miller (182) gave the Cougars another win with a first period pin at 1:41 over Moorefield's Braeden Jones.

East Hardy had six more points added on a forfeit given to J.B. Shipe in the 195 class.

Moorefield's Ryan "Bull" Hardbarger (220) collected a victory with a first period pin at 1:45 over East Hardy's Matthew Harmon.

The Yellow Jackets kept the momentum going as Aiden Jones (285) pinned East Hardy's Brennan Miller in the first period at 1:06 to cut the deficit to 45-24.

The final match of the Hardy Hammer Throwdown was the 106 class, where East Hardy's Milton Funkhouser pinned Moorefield's Jean Gonzalez in the first period at 0:38 for final score of 51-24.

East Hardy Wrestling defended the Hardy Hammer and moved into the Class A poll as the fifth ranked team in the state for the first time in program history.

### cit to 12-5 at 1:11.

Keyser missed three field goals in the final minute, despite forcing a turnover.

The Golden Tornado started the second period with a steal by Bradfield which led to a bucket by Broadwater

Moorefield answered with a 3-pointer by Mongold at the 7:38 mark. 14-8

Keyser responded with a perimeter basket of its own by Jacob Weinrich on the next series.

Bradfield recorded another steal and was fouled immediately, then the Yellow Jackets brought in Dean Keplinger.

Keyser hit the rim and Moorefield's Blake Funk forced a jump ball, then Inskeep was fouled in the paint and added one free throw.

Inskeep intercepted a pass, but the ball was lost out of bounds moments later on a deep throw.

Kevser was whistled for a charge at the end of the first half which spawned a technical foul, but the Yellow Jackets failed to connect on the free throws entering the break.

Moorefield's Karson Reed snatched a defensive rebound to begin the third period, then the Yellow Jackets were assessed a charge.

It looked like a karate move with a kick as Bradfield netted a unique jumper with contact leading to an old-fashioned three-point play as the Golden Tornado took a 26-18 lead at 7:17

Keyser's Hunter Van Pelt grabbed a defensive board and scored on the ensuing possession.

Reed corralled an errant shot and made the putback for the Yellow Jackets

Keyser's Stanislawczyk netted a jumper, then Bradfield swiped the ball leading to a 3-pointer by Broadwater for a 33-20 advantage at 5:42.

jumper as Moorefield cut the Keyser lead to 36-32 with 1:09 remaining in the third period.

Moorefield's Levi Thompson grabbed a defensive rebound and looked like a quarterback finding Mongold on a deep wheel route setting up an old-fashioned three-point play for the 13-0 run and now trailing 36-35 with 40 seconds to go.

Keyser finally shook off the drought with a 3-pointer from Weinrich with 15 seconds left.

Mongold hauled in an offensive board and sank the putback just before the buzzer as the Yellow Jackets cut the deficit to 39-37

Keyser took a 43-38 lead just two minutes and change into the final stanza on baskets from Broadwater, while Moorefield hit the rim four times during that stretch and mustered one foul shot by Mongold.

Keplinger collected an offensive rebound and found McGregor for a

Mongold made a steal after a rebound by Healy and passed to Mc-Gregor, who was fouled with 42 seconds on the clock and nailed both fouls shots giving Moorefield a 53-45 advantage.

After a jump ball, Keyser's Broadwater drilled a jumper and timeout was called with eight seconds left.

Inskeep made a deep inbound pass to Mongold, who was fouled and garnered both free throws with six second remaining to seal the win for the Yellow Jackets, 55-47.

Keyser missed a long perimeter bucket and Reed corralled the final carom of the game.

Mongold scored a game-high 19 points for the Yellow Jackets, followed by McGregor with 13 points and Keplinger pitched in 11 points.

The Golden Tornado was led by Noah Broadwater with 15 points.

# **Moorefield Girls Basketball vs Trinity**

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Moorefield commenced the second period with a 7-0 run as Kump made a putback, then Williams stole the ball setting up a free throw by Crites and a walk by the Warriors led to a jumper by Williams.

Hunt hauled in a defensive carom and Ray dished to Williams for a layup as the Yellow Jackets took a 23-14 advantage at 6:28.

Kisner hit a jumper for the Warriors, then SuCora Brown notched a steal before hitting the rim.

Kump cut into the paint for a

Moorefield basket at 5:28. Both teams missed shots and the Yellow Jackets fumbled the ball away before Trinity Christian's Avonna Brown landed a jumper 4:14.

Brown swiped the ball and added a free throw to cut the deficit to 25-19.

The Warriors sliced the margin down to one point with a 3-pointer from Barnett with two minutes left in the first half coming after a steal by Austin

Both teams committed walks, then Crites netted a layup for the Yellow Jackets

Avonna Brown tied the game for

the Warriors with 33 seconds remaining in the first half.

Moorefield regained the lead on a jumper by Kump with 15 seconds on the clock and carried a 31-29 edge into halftime.

Trinity Christian walked in the final second and Hunt chased down the ball nearly connecting at the buzzer.

Moorefield's Kaleigh Hunt collected a defensive rebound to commence the third period, but Trinity Christian's Jenna Barnett swiped the ball and made the tying layup.

Warriors a 34-31 edge at 6:40 after a

missed shot by Moorefield.

Williams hit a jumper on the ensuing Yellow Jackets possession and Crites blocked an attempt.

Brown added a free throw for the Warriors, then Moorefield lost the ball three times and Trinity Christian coughed up the ball twice.

Moorefield's Seanna Heavner notched a jumper at 5:03 to tie the game, then the Warriors took the lead again on a free throw by Mercure.

Hunt scored in the paint as the Yellow Jackets swapped the lead again at 4:40, 37-36.

A pair of 3-pointers by Maggie

Mercure sandwiched a layup by Barnett with two of the buckets coning off turnovers as the Warriors took a 46-39 lead at the 2:55 mark.

Crites netted a layup and a minute alter knocked down a 3-pointer to help the Yellow Jackets pull within two points, 46-44 at 1:47.

The Yellow Jackets had the ball stolen several times in the last minute and change as the Warriors had baskets made by Barnett and Kisner (trey) to take a 53-44 advantage into the fourth period.

Trinity Christian outscored the Yellow Jackets 22-8 in the final stan-

Moorefield hit the rim 11 times in the fourth period and committed six more turnovers in the loss. Crites and Williams guided the

za for the 75-52 victory.

Yellow Jackets with 14 points apiece, followed by Kump with 12 markers.

Barnett scored a game-high 21 points for the Warriors, followed by Lynch with 15 points (all 3-pointers) and SuCora Brown contributed 13 points for the win.

Moorefield visits Allegany tonight, hosts Tucker County tomorrow and greets Charleston Catholic for the season finale on Saturday.

A 3-pointer by Ella Lynch gave the

**East Hardy Boys Basketball vs Union** 

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East Hardy's J.W. Teets collected a rebound and hit a jumper, then Hahn swiped the ball and dished to Justin Teets for the 16-0 advantage at the 2:50 mark

Union got on the board at the 2:20 mark as Sammy Jones drilled a 3-pointer, 16-3

Justin Teets recorded a layup for the Cougars, then made a steal and hauled in an offensive rebound leading to a jumper to extend the lead to 20-3 with 1:38 left in the first period.

Hunter Gaither added the last point of the first period at the free throw line for the Tigers (0:31) for a 20-4 score.

The Cougars scored the first eight points of the second period on field goals from Hahn, Kollin Quarles (two) and J.W. Teets with two of those shots coming off steals by Justin Teets and Parker for a 28-4 lead at 4:07.

Quarles added three rebounds and a blocked shot during that stretch to overcome two turnovers by the Cougars Union's Devin Gaither notched a

jumper at the 3:10 mark.

Sammy Jones snatched a defensive

rebound for the Tigers and was locked up by Lang for a jump ball.

Lang scorched the net with a jumper on the ensuing possession, then Union answered with a 3-pointer by Gaither to cut the deficit to 30-9 at the 2:34 mark. Union's Jacob Wolfe added two free

throws about a minute later as both teams hit the rim during that stretch.

East Hardy's Justin Teets garnered a layup with 16 seconds on the clock, then swiped the ball and went in for another score just 11 seconds later to build a 34-11 advantage at halftime.

J.W. Teets opened the third period

with a Cougars steal with a pass to Hahn for the basket.

A shot by Union ricocheted out of bounds off East Hardy, then Teets swiped the ball again and fed Parker for a jumper at 6:19.

Parker grabbed a defensive rebound, then found Justin Teets for a perimeter bucket as the Cougars went up 41-11. Over the next two minutes, Union's

Devin Gaither added a field goal and free throw, before Josh Burdock contributed a 3-pointer to make it 41-17 at 3:50.

There were a couple turnovers in

both directions prior to another perimeter shot from Burdock with 2:04 remaining in the frame.

The Tigers forced another turnover which resulted in a free throw by Hunter Gaither and a putback by Jacob Wolfe for a 41-23 score with 1:33 to go. East Hardy's Justin Teets drilled a

3-pointer at the buzzer for a 44-23 advantage.

The Cougars held a 22-19 edge in the fourth period to commandeer a 66-42 win.

Justin Teets poured in 11 points for East Hardy in the final stanza to create a

game-high 30 points.

Noah Lang pitched in nine points in the last period to develop 15 points on the night.

Union was paced by Savage with seven points in the fourth period and Burdock added another five points in that frame.

Burdock and Devin Gaither guided the Tigers with 11 points apiece in the loss

In JV action, Southern Garrett defeated the Cougars 54-41

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> LEGAL BILLINGS TRUSTEE'S SALE OF

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE VALUABLE REAL ESTATE The undersigned Substitute Trustee will, by virtue of authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust being dated Au-gust 28, 2020 by and between MARSHALL F. COMBS II to Mark H. Wright and/or Bradford Ritchie, Trustees, securing SUM-MIT COMMUNITY BANK, in the payment of the certain Department. a certain Promissory Note, said Note now in default, and said Trust Deed of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Court

of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Trust Deed Book 323 at page 364, on Friday, February 18, 2022 beginning at 12:00 Noon, of that day at the Elm Street entrance to the Hardy County Courthouse, Moorefield, West Viroffer for sale at Public Auction to the ginia, highest bidder the following described real

All that certain tract or parcel of real estate, together with all rights, rights-of-ways, improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, located and situate on the west side of South Elm Street, near Winchester Avenue, in the Town of Moorefield, Moorefield Corporate District, Hardy County, West Virginia, known as 105 South Elm Street, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds description incorporated in that certain deed to William J. Teets dated October 30, 1946, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Vir-ginia, in Deed Book No. 82, at Page 354, to which reference is now made for any and all pertinent purposes. Being the same tract or parcel of real

estate conveyed unto Marshall F. Combs II from Garnett M. Self, widow, by Deed dated May 30, 2000, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Com-mission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Deed Book No. 256, at Page 597. Reference is hereby made to the aforesaid deed and other documents therein referred to and same are incorporated herein by reference, for all proper and pertinent reasons. The real estate is identified for tax as-

sessment purposes in the Hardy County Assessor's Office on Tax Map 3, as Parcel 0088.

The subject properties will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property. FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that

there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer. Pursuant to the Deed of Trust,

the Trustee may postpone the sale by pub-lic announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The party secured by the Deed of Trust reserves the right to purchase the property at such sale. Said Substitute Trustee was duly ap-

pointed by instrument dated September 30, 2021 and of record in the Hardy Coun-ty Clerk's Office in Trust Deed Book 334 at page 747. TERMS OF SALE

\$5,000.00 on day of sale and balance upon closing, not to exceed thirty days. Announcements made at sale take precedence over any written notice or advertisement.

Persons interested in the Persons interested in the property may contact Tina L. Martin, Sum-mit Community Bank, (304) 530-0522, or James Paul Geary II, 104 N. Main Street, Petersburg, West Virginia 26847, (304) 257-4155

JAMES PAUL GEARY II, TRUSTEE P. O. BOX 218 PETERSBURG, WV 26847

Iman Signing -

(304) 257-4155

# 2/2, 2/9, 2/16 3c NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE HARDY COUNTY EMERGENCY AMBULANCE AUTHORITY (HCEAA) 17940 STATE ROAD 55

# BAKER, WV 26801

BAKER, WV 26801 304-897-6050 The HCEAA is holding a public hear-ing for the purpose of receiving written or oral public comment(s) pertaining to the operations of the emergency ambulance system within Hardy County. The annual Public Hearing is scheduled for February 16, 2022, 6:30 p.m. at the Baker Building, 17240 State Boad 55 Baker WV

17940 State Road 55, Baker, WV This required public hearing shall be held in conjunction with the regular HCEAA Board Meeting to provide the Hardy Coun-ty Ambulance Authority sufficient time to consider any inservice and the conserve consider any improvements or changes in service and to account for said changes when submitting the annual budget re-quest to the Hardy County Commission. Please notify the HCEAA at 304-897-6050 in advance for any necessary accom-mendations. modations.

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# Notice of Administration to Creditors,

Notice of Administration to Creditors, Distributees & Legatees Notice is hereby given that the follow-ing estate(s) have been opened for pro-bate in the Hardy County Clerk's Office at 204 Washington Street, Moorefield, WV 26836-0200. Any person seeking to im-peach or establish a will must make a com-laint in accordance with the providence of plaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file notice of an objection with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-2 and 44-3 and/or

44-1-14A(10). Settlement of the estate(s) of the following named decedent(s) will proceed with out reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commis-sioner. If no reference to a fiduciary commissioner is listed herein, claims against the estate(s) must be filed in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-1-14A(10). First Publication Date: Wednesday, Febru-

ary 9, 2022 Claim Deadline: Sunday, April

10, 2022

ESTATE NAME: EXECUTORH ALBERT J WRATCHFORD AKA H.J. WRATCHFORD

139 SOUTH ELM STREET MOOREFIELD WV 26836

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ESTATE NAME: SHERYL F ORNDORFF (AKA LILLY) ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATOR CTA

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ESTATE NAME:

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on 02/01/2022

Gregory L Ely Clerk of the Hardy County Commission 2/9, 2/16 2c

# IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GRANT COUN1Y, WEST VIRGINIA IN THE MATTER OF

# A. L. L. CASE NO. 21-JA-24 ORDER OF PUBLICATION

TO: Joshua Smith - putative father #1 You are hereby notified of the above of Grant County, West Virginia. You have been identified as the father of A. L. L., born August 25, 202.

The action pending is an abuse and neglect case which can result in the termi-nation of parental, custodial and/or guardianship rights to the above child which is the subject of these proceedings. Aban-donment of this child has been alleged in these proceedings. You are advised that parent. custodian and/or quardian everv is entitled to and has a right to counsel at

every stage of this proceeding. An Adjudicatory/ Accelerated Disposi-tion hearing is currently scheduled in this matter for

March 31st, 2022, at the hour of 9:45 a.m. The hearing will be held in the court-room of the Grant County Courthouse, 5 Highland Ave., Petersburg, West Virginia. You should appear at this hearing to pro-tect and defend your interests. You can obtain a copy of the Petition filed in this matter and further information about the case from the Grant County Circuit Clerk's Office. Idephage. number 204 952 4545 Office, telephone number 304-257-4545, or from Brent Easton, an attorney that has been appointed for you at 304-940-2627. Failure to appear and/or file a response to this action can, and probably will, result in the loss of your rights to said children. Bardley D. Goldizen

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney State Bar No. 12741 5 Highland Ave. Petersburg, WV 26847 304-257-2323 2/16, 2/23 2c

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM: EASTERN WEST VIRGINIA

FROM: EASTERN WEST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY DATE: February 9, 2022 ELECTION NOTICE – The Board of Di-rectors of Eastern West Virginia Commu-nity Action Agency, dba Eastern Action is comprised of representatives from Private Business, Public Officials and Low-Income members. This board governs the activi-ties of Fastern Action

ties of Eastern Action. Low-income Board members are elect ed by low-income individuals to represent their interests on the Board of Directors The election for a low-income Eastern Ac-

tion Board member representative will be held at all Eastern Action offices from Feb-ruary 14, 2022 through February 28, 2022. Ballots for Low-income Board members are available at your local Community Ac-tion office or online at www.easternaction. org.

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### TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated August 18, 2006, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of No. 156401, in Book No. 222, at Page 272, John Zaccaro and Tisha A Smith did convey unto Dean Hackemer, Trustee(s), cer-tain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Sub-stitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by Wells Fargo Bank, NA to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the in Moorefield, West Virginia, on March 17, 2022 at 12:45 PM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging situate in 02 - Lost River District, Hardy County, West Virginia, and more particu-larly described as follows:

ALL THAT certain tract or parcel of real ALL ITA1 certain tract or parcel of real estate, situate in Lost River District, Hardy County, West Virginia, designated as Lot 8B Charles Emswiller Subdivision, con-taining 1.33 acres, more or less, together with all rights, privledges, improvements, with all rights, privledges, improvements, rights-of-way and appurtenances there-unto belonging or in any way appertain-ing, and being more particularly described according to a "Plat of Survey for Charles L. Emswiller," as prepared by Frank Whita-cre, Licensed Land Surveyor, on February 9, 1976, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia in Map Book No. 1, at Page 9, to which reference is hereby made.

made. AND BEING the same tract or parcel of real estate which was conveyed unto Justice Seay from Granville E. Bare and Wesley G. Bare by Deed dated February 18, 2005, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Hardy County, West Virginia, in Deed Book No. 284, at Page 611, to which reference is hereby made for any and all pertinent pur-poses. This tract is designated in the Of-Virginia, on Tax Map No. 527, as Parcel 14.0009.

For purposes of West Virginia Code, Chapter 38, Article 1, Section 4, any no-tice of Trustee's sale shall be mailed to the Grantors at the following address (o such other address subsequently provided by the Grantors to the Beneficial Holder in writing): 949 Grizzly WV 26812 At the time of the execution of the Deed

of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 949 Grizzly Road, Mathias, WV 26812.

The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the record-ing costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for pay-ment of all real estate taxes.

The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject prop-erty to vacate said property. TERMS: \$9000.00 in cash and/or cer-

tified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30

days of the day of sale. FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer. Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the

Trustee may postpone the sale by pub-lic announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the

property at such sale SENECA TRUSTEES INC. 5000 Coombs Farm Drive, Suite 104 Morgantown, WV 26508

(304) 413-0044	
(304) 292-2918	
Toll free: (888) 534-3132	
Reference File No. 79611	
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### NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

(2020-S-00000002 - Hardy County PURNELL ENTERPRISES) To: CLARENCE MONK, CLARENCE MONK, CLARENCE J MONK, CLARENCE MONK, CLLARENCE J MONK IN CARE OF

ARTHUR C HALTERMAN, ARTHUR W HALTERMAN, ARTHUR C HALTERMAN, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, repre sentatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other par-ties that may have any interest in the subject property. You will take notice that PUR-NELL ENTERPRISES, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cer-tificate of Sale: 2020-S-0000002. LOT 24A 3.23 AC SEC 2 GRETCHEN ACRES HAL-TERMAN, located in CAPON, which was returned delinquent in the name of MONK CLARENCE J, and for which the tax lien(s)

RACHEL MILLER, ARTHUR W PARTNER,

thereon was sold by the sheriff of Hardy County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 6th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022.

\$232.30 Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with inter-est to March 31, 2022. \$127.17

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with in-terest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.

\$897.47 Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. \$388.17

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - ca-shier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Steven Dawson, Sheriff and Treasurer of Hardy County.

\$1.645.11

Cost of Certification of Redemption cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to the The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Audi-

\$35.00

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2022, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office County Collections Office, County Collections Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305.

Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2 2/16, 2/23, 3/2 3c

# NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

(2020-S-00000009 - Hardy County ARAHS TACTICAL LLC)

To: BONNIE L MURPHY, or heirs at law devisees, creditors, representatives, suc-cessors, assigns, all known heirs, guard-ians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delin-quent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property. You will take notice that ARAHS TACT CAL LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-0000009, LOT RJ BEAN ET AL, located in MOOREFIELD CORP, which was returned delinguent in the name of MURPHY BONNIE L and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Hardy County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 6th day of November, 2020, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022 as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows: Amount equal to the taxes and charges

due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2022. \$719.99

Amount of subsequent years taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with inter-est to March 31, 2022.

\$573.32 Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for

preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. \$812.04

Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022. \$0.00

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Steven Dawson, Sheriff and Treasurer of Hardy County.

\$2,105.35

Cost of Certification of Redemption cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to the The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor

You may redeem at any time before

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office

County Collections Office, County Collec-

Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West

Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd East,

Questions please call 1-888-509-6568

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

THAN WALTERS) To: FRANCIS E WARD, JR., DORTOTHY

WARD, FRANCIS E WAR, JR., DOROTHY M WARD, or heirs at law, devisees, credi-

tors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided

other parties that may have any interest in

the subject property. You will take notice that NATHAN WALTERS, the purchaser of

the tax lien(s) on the following real estate

Certificate of Sale: 2020-S-00000016, 1.03 AC WARD located in CAPON, which was

returned delinquent in the name of WARD FRANCIS E JR & DOROTHY, and for which

the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Hardy County at the sale for the

delinquent taxes made on the 6th day of November, 2020, has requested that you

be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2022, as provided by law, unless before

that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last

due on the date of the sale, with interest, to

on the property, since the sale, with inter-est to March 31, 2022. \$497.32

Amount paid for Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for

preparation and service of notice with in-terest from January 1, 2021 following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2022.

Amount paid for other statutory costs

Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - ca-

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Steven Dawson, Sheriff and Treasurer of

Cost of Certification of Redemption -

cashier check, money order or certified

check must be made payable to the The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Audi-

You may redeem at any time before

March 31, 2022, by paying the above total

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office

County Collections Office, County Collec-tions Division, 1900 Kanawha Blvd East,

Building 1, Room W-114, Charleston, West Virginia, 25305.

Questions please call 1-888-509-6568

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Amount of subsequent years taxes paid

day, March 31, 2022 will be as follows: Amount equal to the taxes and charges

March 31, 2022.

\$367.07

\$821.24

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Continued from page 9 transformed the ground attack in a key role at running back garnering 846 yards with 11 touchdowns this year.

Defensively, Iman recorded over 50 tackles as an outside linebacker and notched two touchdowns with one return measuring over 40 yards.

Iman has been a member of three straight state quarterfinal football playoff teams for East Hardy during his career and was named as an All-Potomac Valley Conference first team running back in his senior campaign

Iman knows about grit and determination, gaining strength and mental fortitude competing in football and wrestling.

"I am very proud of him and very happy for him. He's had a long road to get to this point, filled with obstacles and hard work. He is no different than any other prospect or athlete we have in this school. He comes from a hard working, good family that taught him how to use good manners and be respectful and how to earn respect from his coaches and teammates. He's embodied that to the best of his ability," East Hardy Football coach Devon Orndorff commented.

"We're all very proud of him. I'm

not sure if anyone could have surprised me more than Damian did, in a good way. He's been working hard, sitting behind starters in the past, waiting to have his chance to come out and perform. He never let it slip through his fingers. Back in our flex days at the beginning of the year, he grabbed his position by the horns and didn't let go. He is one of those type of kids who refuses to lose. He made sure he did everything he could do to help this program go in the direction we had it going and like the guys did before him. He takes a lot of pride in this school and it shows and that is part of the reason why he was so successful. Always rewarding

to see student-athletes be just that, student-athletes. Student first, athlete second. All of our coaches do a great job preaching that here at East Hardy High School and I couldn't be more proud of him embodying that and I am excited for what is in store for his future.'

Shenandoah University should be a good fit for Iman, having a small campus with solid programs.

"It's tiny. Most classes are all in one building and just a few buildings all together next to each other, plus the dorms are right there too," Iman noted.

mitories converted from hotels with added. access to swimming pools and exercise rooms.

Iman plans to major in Criminal Justice at Shenandoah University with a minor in either sociology or division of natural resources.

Iman holds a 4.0 grade point average at East Hardy High School.

It has been a long road for Iman having transferred to East Hardy in his freshman year and the school community accepted him with positive reinforcement and hopes that acceptance multiplies in Winchester and is proud to represent the Cougars at Shenandoah University.

"East Hardy isn't known for people playing past high school, so this helps them to see you can play in college and be from East Hardy. It means everything to know I was welcomed into East Hardy from being a transfer and opened arms to allow me to become what I have become," Iman said

Shenandoah University showed a lot of interest in Iman during the recruitment phase and the decision was made to join the program after much reflection and research.

"Shenandoah University showed



First, the good news: WVU ended its seven game losing streak with a nice 79-63 win over Iowa State. The Mountaineers did a good job of controlling the game, and even though the Cyclones made a couple of second half runs, WVU always fended off those with runs of their own.

But good feelings about how the season might finish went away with the very next game at Oklahoma State. West Virginia actually got off to a decent start, and held a seven point lead (19-12) halfway through the first half. But that was the high point of the afternoon. The Cowboys had an 8-0 run in the next two minutes, and ended up with a 36-30 halftime lead. It wasn't a great first half, but WVU was still in the game.

Then the second half happened.

Simply put, it was horrible. Oklahoma State began with a 16-2 run to take a 52-32 lead. From there, they cruised to a big 81-58 win. The damage was done inside. OSU was 18-24 on shots close to the basket (including way too many alley oops). WVU, by contrast, was just 5-13. WVU was outrebounded by 24. They were outscored in the paint 40-24. They shot under 32% for the game. Sean Mc-Neil only took 5 shots. Taz Sherman scored 12 points, but took 16 shots to get there. Just a miserable game.

The next game is important, but it will be a tough one. Kansas comes to Morgantown, where they have had trouble in the past, but this WVU team will need to improve quickly. The Jayhawks starting forwards David McCormack (19 points, 15 re- Plus.

bounds) and Jalen Wilson (23 points, 8 rebounds) dominated the Mountaineers inside in the game at Kansas. Given the results of the Oklahoma State game, it's easy to thing they will again have their way in the paint. (KU outscored WVU in that game 54-20 in the lane)

This team is in trouble – there is no sugar-coating it. The inside game has been absent most games, and the outside shooting has been inconsistent. They haven't been able to really find a solution, whether in scheme or personnel. We will see what happens.

The Kansas game is this Saturday in Morgantown at 8:00pm. It will be on ESPN. The team then heads out on the road to play TCU on Monday at 8:00pm. That will be on ESPN

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Shenandoah University Football is led by head coach Scott Yoder (43-42), who is the all-time wins leader in program history entering his 10th season at the helm and just the third coach for the Hornets since restarting the program in 2000.

Yoder is on the NCAA South Region advisory committee and promotes racial equality and diversity on campus.

Due to NCAA regulations, Coach

Yoder couldn't provide a comment of-the-art athletic facilities and dor- er schools looking into me," Iman about Damian Iman since he is a recruited player.

> "NCAA rules prevent me from making any comments about recruited student athletes," Shenandoah University Football coach Scott Yoder stated

Shenandoah University was originally founded in 1875 in the Virginia town of Dayton and moved to is current location in Winchester during 1960.

According to the institution's website, there are approximately 4,000

students with over 200 areas of study Shenandoah University is one of six institutions in Virginia with ties

to the United Methodist Church. The school's mission statement is to educate and inspire individuals to be critical, reflective thinkers, lifelong learners; and ethical, compassionate citizens who are committed to making responsible contributions within a community, a nation and the world.

Iman is prepared for playing football at the next level for the Hornets.

# Tell Your Delegate you oppose House Bill 4260

Government is doing big things in West Virginia, but House Bill 4260 will make it harder for you to know it.

Just last year, the West Virginia Legislature passed a law to create a government website to add online publication of the state's public notices and legal advertisements to the traditional newspaper publication.

That law increased public notice. All West Virginians benefited.

Now this year — before that website is even complete — some Delegates want to change the law and reduce public notice.

HB-4260 could eliminate the second and third public notice you now get in the local newspaper, making it less likely residents will see news about items such property forfeitures, tax sales, changes in mineral and natural gas rights, plans to locate waste facilities and many other issues that could impact you.

> Let your Delegate know you oppose HB-4260 Find your representative's contact information at wvlegislature.com

It's simple: Keep public notice about your community in your community