

# Second criminal investigation still open... **Object of deputy's threat fears for safety**

By Ken Bustin Moorefield Examiner

As Sheriff's Deputy Tommie Mc-Causley continues training, preparing to return to duty, West Virginia State Police have confirmed that a criminal investigation into McCausley, involving an alleged threat to another former employee of the Hardy County Sheriff's Department, remains open.

On Thursday, State Police Sergeant Waylon Roden, the investigation's lead officer, confirmed that he had not yet made his report on the to comment further.

Earlier this year, a Hardy County citizen provided a recorded conversation to State Police and the Hardy County Sheriff's Department. In the recording, McCausley allegedly made a death threat against a third person.

The Examiner has reviewed the recording, which has also has been civil suit against McCausley and Hardy County Sheriff Steve Dawson.

matter to Special Prosecutor John sources identified as McCausley is ers and devices for security issues. It concerned for my friends and anyone Ours. Citing inability to discuss an heard saying, "...it's took everything was that scan that allegedly revealed active investigation, Roden declined I had in a year and two months - al- a "back door" into one or more of most three months - not to put a bul- the Department's computers and let between somebody else's f---ing eves...

Although the recording does not identify the target by name, sources unanimously concluded that the statement's context made it clear that it was directed at David Maher, the former Hardy County Sheriff's Office Public Information Officer and submitted as evidence in a pending Technical Operator. Maher is also the person originally tasked by former Sheriff Bryan Ward with scanning In the recording, a voice multiple the Sheriff's Department comput-

also allegedly turned up the files that launched the first investigation into

McCausley. Maher, as well, believes that the threat was directed at him. He said that he takes it very seriously, and fears for his life and safety and that of his family.

"When I heard the recorded stateit caused great fear and anxiety that harm would come to me and my family," Maher said, adding, "I am also newsworthy to report.

else connected to this case - or who knows the true facts of the case."

Maher and other sources even expressed concern that Examiner staff should beware of possible retaliation from McCausley or the Sheriff's Department.

Sheriff Dawson dismissed those warnings as "ridiculous," before directing the reporter not to make further calls to him for comment.

"You do your job and I'll do ment made by Deputy McCausley, mine," Dawson said, adding that he would contact the Examiner with statements when there was anything

In response to further questions about the matter, Maher replied, "I am not able to discuss the matter any further due to the ongoing civil case involving the Hardy County Commission, the Hardy County Sheriff and Sheriff's Department, and Deputy McCausley."

That matter is expected to come before Judge Lynn Nelson in May or June.

Dawson said McCausley is scheduled to return to active service on May 14.

## W.Va. Legislature technology committee hears plans for residents' 'Digital I.D.' and digital government transformation

By Matt Young W.Va. Press News Sharing

The West Virginia Legislature's Joint Committee on Technology met on Tuesday for the final time during April's Interim Session. The first item discussed was Senate Bill 527, intended to "supplement and amend appropriations to the Department of Administration, Office of Technology.

Mark Scott, cabinet secretary of the Department of Administration, provided testimony before the committee.

"The goal of SB 527 is to enable robust digital government transformation," Scott began. "One of the things we hear over and over again is that the citizens need an easier way of accessing data. One of the things that we can do for that is what's called 'Digital I.D.' - one user I.D., one password allows you to do all your governmental services.3

Scott explained how the ability to complete multiple transactions simultaneously, such as renewing driver's, hunting or fishing, and home-businesses licenses, will make for a far more "user-friendly" experience.

"Also, we want to ensure that West Virginia is a good steward of technology funding - we're going to get an unprecedented amount of federal funding," Scott added. "We're going to make sure it is utilized right - in a structured and organized way.' Scott cited "use of technology through enterprise services," and "holistic cyber-risk management" as the intended usage for a portion of the federal funding. According to Scott, the most obvious challenge lies in maintaining the technology that the state is using



Christopher Short and Madison Moyers landed in the top 10 of the DECA ICDC Virtual Business Retail competition.

# **DECA: MHS' Moyers and Short** earn a spot in international Top 10

By Amelia Gagnon Special to the Examiner sent 17 students to Atlanta this year to trepreneurship; Madison Moyers and

compete, representing West Virginia. Christopher Short in Virtual Business The students in attendance were: Retail; and Levi Thompson in Vir-Abigail Leininger and Amelia Ga- tual Business Entrepreneurship. The

**Community-wide** baby shower to share resources, love in Wardensville May 14

By Patty Austin

Capon Valley Neighbor to Neighbor

A Community Baby Shower will welcome all expectant and new mothers on Saturday, May 14 at the War Memorial Building shelter in Wardensville during the hours of 1-3:00 p.m.

Capon Valley Neighbor to Neighbor will host the Baby Shower, offering baby gifts and information, refreshments, and neighborly love. There will even be treats for the siblings. Information will be available about healthy babies and other helpful resources.

Neighbor to Neighbor is looking for families with children one-year-old and younger, and families who are currently expecting a baby. All are welcome to this first-time event for our community. JoAnn Spaid is heading up refreshments, including cupcakes made by Kathy Spaid. Karen Findley and her daughter are decorating. Continued on page 7

**DHHR Announces** Emergency **Energy Assistance Program for Low Income Residents** The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) announced applications for the Emergency Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) will be accepted beginning today, Monday, May 2, 2022, through Friday, May 13, 2022, or until funds are exhausted. The federally funded program assists eligible state residents in paying home heating bills.

"That's what folks see everyday," Scott said. "But in addition to that, there are a lot of other things that go into the technology - customer support, security Continued on page 4 egon, Texas, or even Spain wasn't an unusual occurrence for DECA members in Atlanta, Ga. this past week. They were there for the International Career Developmental Conference (ICDC), which is the highest level of competition for DECA students. In total, 17,500 high school students competed.

Meeting other students from Or-

DECA is an organization that helps prepare high school students for marketing, finance, hospitality, and management. Moorefield High School

gnon in Business Law and Ethics Team Decision Making; Makenzie Keplinger and Grace Wratchford in Buying and Merchandising Team Decision Making; Sarah Weatherholt in Human Resources Management Series; Hayley Kuykendall in Quick Serve Restaurant Management Series; Malachi Zirk in Restaurant and Food Service Management Series; Allissa Biser and Malachi Hinger in

Sales Project; Caden Blizzard and Albert Aleman in Virtual Business En-

only team of three was Garrett Sions, Loy Kesner, and Jasmine Baldwin in the Student Based Enterprise (Retail) competitive group. Depending on the category each team/individual was in, they had an exam and a roleplay, or a pre-prepared presentation.

The students were given several opportunities to observe marketing, advertisement, and retail with Six Flags Amusement Park, Georgia Aquarium, the World of Coca-Cola, and even a Continued on page 4

Residents whose primary source of heat is either gas or electricity must provide their shut-off notice when applying for Emergency LIEAP. Those using other primary heating sources or bulk fuel may qualify for assistance

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### W.Va. Legislature committee hears insight on drug abuse recovery, neighborhood concerns West Virginia lost 1,336 people to overdoses in 2020

### By Autumn Shelton

W.Va. Press News Sharing

Members of the West Virginia Legislative Joint Committee on Health met in the Capitol on Tuesday where they listened to testimony from state experts on how to support both substance abuse recovery residences and those who live near them.

Huntington Mayor Steve Williams spoke before committee members about substance abuse recovery residences located in his city, once called "the overdose capital of America."

Williams said after taking office, he came "face to face with the level of addiction" present in his community.

"Without a doubt, the greatest existential threat that is facing our state, our communities and our citizens is the epidemic of addiction," Williams said

He explained that everyone wants those struggling with substance abuse to get help, but that they don't necessarily want to live close to treatment facilities.

"The fact of the matter is, we need sober living facilities in our communities," Williams stated. "Those that provide thoughtful, consistent ser- Control Policy for the city of Hunvice – it is absolutely amazing how they are able to transform lives."

However, the Huntington mayor noted there is growing "frustration in our neighborhoods.'

"Individuals living in their homes are finding out that right across an allev from them, all of a sudden, a house is either purchased or rented. Then a bunch of people start moving in, and nobody has any idea as to what's going on," he said. In some instances, not even local officials know about the opening of recovery residences because they do not require business licenses, certificates of occupancy or require certain code inspections.

Those who are just in it for the buck - moving into a building or a single family house and just throwing a bunch of mattresses down and saying this is a sober living facility - I don't want them in my city and

neither would you.' He told legislators that public pol-

icy should require sober living facilities to at least be certified to meet fire and safety codes.

Jan Rader, director of the Mayor's Council on Public Health and Drug

tington, added that she watched the drug epidemic unfold. As the city's former fire chief, she admitted she lost sleep worrying that a fire would break out in a sober living home due to lack of regulation.

Matt Winters, Huntington fire chief, shared that while there are a lot of state organizations involved in recovery, "not a single one of those organizations is involved in life safety.

"We need that open, honest discussion that says there's more to treating addiction than just treating the people," Winters said. "We have to protect those people while they are going through this incredibly difficult time in their lives.'

Dr. Matthew Christiansen, Director of the Office of Drug Control Policy, was also present to speak before committee members.

He said that in 2020 the state lost 1,336 individuals to an overdose. These overdoses were largely due to an increase in the use of Fentanyl – a synthetic opioid.

To address this issue, Christiansen stated that several things have been Continued on page 7



WVDNR warns public about nuisance bear behavior

### BY W.Va. DNR

To prevent nuisance bear activity around the state, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is asking residents to secure or remove food, pet food, scraps, trash and other bear attractants around their homes. "Deliberately feeding a black bear

is illegal in West Virginia, but people

feeding a bear can also cause serious problems for humans, their property and our state animal," said Colin Carpenter, black bear project leader for the WVDNR. "Once a bear gets a taste for human food, they become more of a nuisance and often have to be humanely killed for safety reasons."

tend to forget that unintentionally

The peak of nuisance bear activity

in West Virginia occurs in May and June when natural food sources are scarce. High-energy foods, such as serviceberries, blackberries, raspberries and blueberries, do not become available until later in the summer, which is why hungry black bears can be found in residential areas in the spring.

> "Bears that roam around residen-Continued on page 7



### MOOREFIELD EXAMINER

Bill Collins

Lost River)

### **OPINION**

From other editors' desks...

# Veteran Care: **Bureaucrats should** toss aside proposal

We already knew proposals by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs would do more harm than good for West Virginia veterans, but state Veterans Assistance Secretary Ted Diaz hammered the point home earlier this week. He warned members of the state legislature's Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs about the proposed reduction in accessible facilities and services.

Though federal officials describe the changes as improvements that would modernize services, it is clear those same folks are more worried about change for change's sake than serving veterans in states where services are most needed.

"My best recommendation I give to you — and I've already given to the congressional delegation in D.C. — is this plan needs to be eliminated now," Diaz told state lawmakers, according to MetroNews.

Shifting the balance of care to rural hospitals already stretched to their breaking points is unconscionable, and surely VA officials in Washington, D.C., know that.

"Our concerns are with the ability of the non-VA facilities to address the unique veteran situation. Veterans have a unique need of care, whether it be traumatic injuries in battle (or) mental health issues from the mental injuries that have been inflicted through the years of war," Diaz reportedly told state lawmakers.

And as a nation, we promised those who were willing to give their lives for the rest of us we would give them the care they deserved. Tossing aside that promise would not be on the table, if bureaucrats in D.C. understood what our veterans face, and the challenges in the rural communities so many of them call home.

It begs the question, then, do they care?

**GLANCING BACKWARD** 

~ Parkersburg News and Sentinel

### Letters to the Editor

**Editor:** 

Goodness, much to comment upon in last week's Examiner! With an announced letter-to-the-editor limit of "about" 200 words, it means crisp, concise, cursory comments. Too constricted.

In the Sheriff's Office: criminal investigation, child pornography, and one employee's nearly year-anda-half paid administrative leave. All confusing to follow. Seems to me there's LOTS more behind the scene; the public is not getting the whole story. Examiner, keep digging.

I welcome Fran Welton's column in the paper. Two letters attacked her writings, one quite harsh. That letter impliedly accused her of bias against the LGBTQ+++ (and be sure to add in the BLT sandwich!) com-

and I've worked with her on several county programs and activities. I can attest she hasn't a mean bone in her body. She was personally highly welcoming to me both at church as well as when I ran for local office a few years ago (and encountered resistance in one instance because of sexual orientation). Examiner, don't "ban" her column

munity. I'm one of that community

"Examiner Says" illogically connects the actions of state legislatures on "run[ning] schools, lives, and having babies," with book banning. (Is the Examiner equating abortion restrictions with book banning?) It then segued to the Nazis' book burning in the 1930s. Bears reminding that Pasternak's Dr. Zhivago couldn't be published in Communist Russia;

same as to the writings of Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn. Book banning happens across the political spectrum. Examiner, thanks for raising interesting topics.

> John S. Buckley Mathias

### Editor:

I met Donnie on the tennis court many (12?) years ago. It was my first time playing in Moorefield while staying in our weekend place in Lost River. He was so welcoming, introduced me to the other players and encouraged me to come back again. We continued to play for a few more years. I will always remember Donnie for his kindness and positive attitude on the court. RIP Donnie.

Anacortes, WA (Formerly Thorne Bottom Road,

**Dear Editor:** 

Sincerely,

A previous letter was critical of my attempt at showing some compassion at the war-ravaged situation in Ukraine and wondering what more we might be doing.

Extreme ISOLATIONISM failed long ago. The opposite extreme is also problematic. Suggesting the optimum balance is beyond the scope of this letter. However, I do want to draw some attention to the problem of distancing ourselves too much from the conflict "at a border in Europe" as the letter referenced it.

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Election time again. First Unbased Opinion I ever wrote back in 1994 was for an upcoming election. I don't believe I've missed passing my opinion on candidates and issues at every I found best way to pick it apart and opportunity since then. I don't want to break the chain now.

I'm still a registered Democrat. I suppose I should be an Independent or some such. Since the Democrat party fell apart around me and left me in the dust from its demise, I just feel I'm not one of them anymore, but I've not gotten around to officially telling them so.

The 2022 Primary election is a sort of mystery to me. Moorefield Examiner published the official ballot which I couldn't read. A nightmare of tiny type, dark backgrounds with indecipherable names for guessed at offices. I thought, "Damn. We screwed that up"

Turns out, maybe we didn't, or at L. ELY

ones. I saw another weekly paper which printed it totally illegible and saw none who had it better than ours. make it readable was to take pictures of it with my iPhone and enlarge them with my fingers.

least if we did, we weren't the only

Okay! I give up! I can't read the damn Ballot and I'm tired of trying. I'll give you some names of folks who I'm sure are running for office this time, who I'm going to vote for and maybe a few I can't vote for because they are Republicans, but if I could select them I would. I realize that sentence makes no more sense than the ballot I can't read.

DEMOCRATS I'll vote for: CIRCUIT CLERK: KELLY J. SHOCKEY COUNTY CLERK: GREGORY

NONPARTISANS I'll vote for: CONSERVATION DISTRICT SU-PERVISOR: RONALD L. MILLER

BOARD OF EDUCATION: MELVIN F. SHOOK, JR. DIXIE BEAN DOUG HINES

REPUBLICANS I'd vote for if I could:

COUNTY COMMISSION: GREG GREENWALT

Greg's been in business in Hardy County for probably 40, maybe 45 years. Sions Equipment has repaired my farm equipment and sold me more for at least that long. A bit of research would yield public record of volunteer work for Hardy County over many of those same years. He accepted County Commission appointments to the Emergency SerHe has volunteered his services for little, if any remuneration. It's time we turned him loose to help solve Hardy's problems as a knowledgable paid member of Hardy County Commission. Vote for Greg. Please.

Everybody not mentioned can take their chances on my ballot.

Far as I'm concerned, politics are a screwed up mess these days and I realize I'm not helping any. Democrats need a whole new platform and policy book. Viable candidates for transition back to reasonable representation of all folks who actually work for a living will help.

Republicans need new leadership. 2024 election Trump will open his mouth and drive Elizabeth Warren or Alexandria Ocasio Cortez straight into the White House. Scares me



### From the Moorefield Examiner Archives

### **Fifteen Years Ago** May 2, 2007

The historic McMechen House was being sold by the Economic Development Authority. The present tenants were closing their business.

Governor Manchin approved a new floor plan for Eastern Community and Technical College. It was heavier on classrooms and lighter on administrative use, the plan previously rejected by Manchin.

project to contain sulfur dioxide at Virginia Power's Mount Storm Sta-

Governor Gaston Caperton and his wife had launched a campaign to educate women on the importance of the early detection of breast cancer.

Hardy drama class production of raise rates...the PSC rejected a re- Arthur Halterman Jr., James Evans, ias, died May 3...Hannah Sherman 'Alice in Wonderland Lafred O. Crites, 67, Arlington,

tem was to be completed in two years. Linda Pyles was crowned Miss

Mathias. Beverly Shobe and Becky Weese were named delegates to Girls State. The WV Supreme Court disquest by Potomac Edison to increase

State Park for all three schools.

Wardensville graduates: Genevieve Dove, Walter Funkhouser, Katherine Good, Ruth Heishman, Joan Hopkins, Mansfield Mathias, Patricia McKeever, Pitt McKeever, Jr., Jack Scott, Cemissed a C&O Telephone Company cil Smith, Lula Smith, Melvin Whet- C. Godlove, 60, Hagerstown, died Kelly Wood was Alice in the East petition seeking immediate relief to zel, Robert Wilson, Charles Look, May 1...Jacob Halterman, 82, Math-

of that road.

A preliminary report on streptomycin indicated it was the first drug ever to cure tuberculosis.

Anna Elizabeth Crawford, 19, Wardensville, died April 25... Harry Ernest Garrett Charles Hawse and Kohne 76 Mathias died April 30

and family moved to the Bauserman house ... and H.R Shoemaker and family moved to the Hedrick house ... Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bean, who had been living in Washington, had moved back to their farm near Doman.

James Shearer 22, was killed when a truck he was driving for the state road commission overturned...Mrs. Andy Seymour had died in Cumber land...Amos Shumaker had died at the home of his son near Lost City. Hilda Purtlebaugh and George Fisher were married.



An open house was was held by the Hardy County Child Care Center to celebrate the 130 children in the program and the addition of a Pre-K program.

Ivan Strawderman, Jr., 64, Aberdeen, Md., died April 19... Derwin Sylvester Kimble, 49, Maysville, died April 24...Mary Shoemaker Green, 83, Fort Ashby, died April 24...Maxwell Arthur Whipp, 85, Burlington, died April 22.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Bowman, a daughter, Sophia Louise.

Moorefield girls defeated Pendleton 10-2 and East Hardy girls defeated Keyser 13-2 ... East Hardy boys defeated Union 18-2 and Keyser... MHS boys defeated Petersburg 12-1, Tucker 22-5, Frankfort 4-3 and Pendleton 14-2 ... East Hardy girls defeated Petersburg 12-0.

### **Thirty Years Ago** April 29, 1992

Work had begun on a \$140 million

died April 3...Buana Myers Baldwin, 81, Durgon, died April 23...Londreth Hobart MacCroskey, 93, Webster Springs, died April 24...Gary Allen Norton, 41, Rawlings, Md., died April 23... Lois Keckley Slater, 67, Roanoke, Va., died April 12...Elizabeth Varoni Barnhart, 84, Alexandria, died April 24.

Nancy Lee Byrum and Larry Wayne Swisher were married Feb. 15...Diane Constable and Layman and Mathias 6-3. Hose were married April 4.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hose, a son, Briton Chandler...to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Mathias, a daughter, Catherine Nicole.

Moorefield defeated Hampshire 6-1...East Hardy lost to Frankfort 5-0 and defeated Franklin 6-4 and East Hardy 12-6 and 7-6.

### **Forty-five Years Ago** May 4, 1977

Edwin M. Pratt celebrated his 100th birthday.

Moorefield's proposed sewer sys-

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Lorenzo R. Sites, 58, Purgitsville, died April 26...Mamie Sine Malone, 74, Seven Fountains, Va., died April 25...Arno M. Reed, 65, Camp Springs, Md., died April 25.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Merriman Barnes, III, a son, Matthew Hampton. Moorefield defeated Keyser 3-2, Petersburg 8-7, and Franklin 16-1... Franklin defeated Mathias 9-0...Wardensville defeated Petersburg 6-3

### **Sixty Years Ago** May 2, 1962

The state distributed nearly \$170,000 to 120 municipalities as their share of the liquor tax. Moorefield received \$1,027.

The U. S. District Court issued an order restraining violence, picketing or threats to the Tri-State Pulpwood Co- op preventing independent pulpwood producers from delivering.

In the upcoming primary there were only two races. One for state Senate and two for the Board of Education were hotly contested.

Susan Caldwell Halterman, 82, Mathias, died April 29...Pammie Lewis Whetzel, 66, died April 30.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Bosley III, a son, John D. III...to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Mongold, a daughter.

Moorefield defeated Petersburg 2-1 and lost to Franklin 6-4.

### **Seventy-five Years Ago** May 7, 1947

The three high schools were to graduate 75 students. Activities be-

### Examiner Says

### **Hug your Mother**

Hug your mother on any day, but May 8 is special because it's her day and all the other mothers of America. And while you are thinking of her, you might also send flowers or take her out to dinner or clean her house. Maybe you could help her sort her piles or gather up the family for a day trip. If you are a mom yourself, then think what would make you happy and pass it on to your own

Norman Walker, Jr.

Moorefield graduates: Edana Wrightaleen Barbe, Ila Louise Bensenhaver, Minnie Jo Burch, Mildred Catherine Carr, Betty Jean Crites, Leona Eloise Evans, Beulah Belle Flinn, Elizabeth Ann Funkhouser, Mortimer Williams Gamble IV, Frances Rebecca Halterman, John Paul Halterman, Jack Marstiller Hartman. Alice May Hose. Mary Frances Johnson, Robert A. Keller, William Francis Kelly, Dwight Oren Kessel, Helen L. King, Mary Sue Kite, Rebecca Judy McWhorter, Betty Louise McNeill, Robert L. Orndorff, Charles ter See, a daughter...to Mr. and Mrs. Junior Riggleman, Roy A.

Pink, Janet Elizabeth Rohrbaugh, George William Runion, Vallie Arbutus Schell, Helen Louise Sherman, Wallace Jesse Sherman, Mary Frances Sherman, Ramona Louise Simmons, Donald Lee Smith, Nellie Susan Smith, Frances Dean Thomas, Charles E. Vance, Patricia Evelyn Vance and Virginia Lee Wratchford. Receiving high school equivalent diplomas were Glenn Woodrow Evans, Calvin Fitzwater, Leonard Hott, Walter Kuykendall and Orval Riggleman. Mathias graduates: Geneva Funk-

houser Strawderman, Edith Bane See. Savilla Mae Wilkins, Edgar Lindburg Caplinger, Wilbert Warren Cullers, James Ward Duckwall, Lester Glenn Funkhouser, Wendell Everett Funkhouser, David Lester Garrett, Norman Harold Halterman, William Arthur Miller, William Oliver Rittenour and Robert Franklin Seldon.

Improvements to secondary roads were to include relocating three-plus miles of the South Fork Road and

Albina Godfrey Maxwell, Keyser, died April 29...George Racey Brill, 45, died May 5 in South Mountain Pa....Ruby Jean Kaufmann, 12, Wardensville, died May 1.

Jenny Jones and Aaron Cole were married April 17...Madeline Amtower and Lonnie W. Helman were married April 26... Wilhelmina Josephina Mary Peelen and William Harold Dahmer were married in Franklin.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Vance, a daughter, Susan Kay...to Mr. and Mrs. Aura Taylor, a son, Geoffrey R....to Mr. and Mrs. Les-William Shockey, a daughter.

Moorefield defeated Petersburg 10-1.

### **Ninety Years Ago** May 5, 1932

The Moorefield Bottling Works had presented the editor with several bottles of a new beverage, Lime Rickey.

P.W. Clarke was planning to take a team to Lewisburg, Pa., to enter the National Forensic League contest. Members of the team were: Juanita Purtlebaugh, extemporaneous speech; Elizabeth Wise, debate; Ruby Branson, reading; Ethel Funkhouser and Mame Dolan, debate.

Virginia Crites was winner of the Golden Horseshoe at MHS as was Ruby Heishman of Miller School.

According to Col. J.H. Long, the Republican majority had been cut from 85,000 in 1928 to 20,000 in 1932.

Vernon Fox and family moved to Worth Harper's house in South Moorefield...L.R. Lazarus and family moved into Bruce Allen's house... Lem Halterman and wife moved into gan with Senior Day at Lost River finishing an additional seven miles the Lazarus house... Joe Hedrick

### **105 Years Ago** May 3, 1917

After May 15 West Virginia would put in effect new laws governing marriage. Practically the only change was the fact it would be unlawful for first cousins to marry.

Miss Lola McCauley, who had spent a year here with her mother, had returned to Washington to resume her work for the government.

E.C. Beaty was compelled to dismantle his wireless because of the executive order recently issued by the President that all stations be taken down. Mr. Beaty had only had his wireless working a short time and had only used it to get the official time from Arlington.

H.R. Cokeley arrived in Moorefield, having been transferred from the faculty at WVU at the request of the War Department to act as county agent in Hardy County.

M. W. Gamble addressed the gathering for the flag raising at the Tannery and Professor Hyde addressed the group at the bank. The large flag at the bank was raised to the top of the pole by Charley Heishman, one of the Boy Scouts.

The deaths of Mrs. James A. Clinedinst and George F. Hyre were reported in this issue.

May Shanholtzer and Ray G. Hott were married in Cumberland...Lucy Miller and William Whitmer were married in Mathias.



### **Give Blood May 5**

Friend Martha Roberts is back in the running with chicken jokes. Her most recent: "Why did the eggs tell each other jokes? To crack each other up." She usually writes about Poultry Festival time, but who knows when events are going to be cancelled. Thanks, Martha, and hope you get to Hardy County soon for a visit.

you and your children.

### May 8

sibility that the military prosecutors wouldn't be surprised by an uprising

be to bring the grandchildren to visit, for 5 of the 9/11 defendants in prison but not leave the children to be tak- at Guantanamo. We totally underen care of. That would be stretch- stand surviving family members of ing your welcome at grandmother's those killed on Sept. 11, 2001 behouse no matter how much she loves ing upset, and hope the folks feeling Don't know about you, but we sort of lenience. Sorry, they don't dewere truly ticked off by the the pos- serve it and we can honestly say we

mom. Probably, the best thing would were willing to negotiate plea deals of surviving families.

sorry for the men who bombed the Twin Towers and the Pentagon, and crashed a hijacked plane in a Pennsylvania field back off on giving any

### NEWS

# Capito, Manchin Announce U.S. Fish and Wildlife Conservation Funding

### Sam Runyon, Manchin's office

U.S. Senators Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), Ranking Member of the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee, and Joe Manchin (D-W.Va.), both members of the Senate Ap-

By Kelley Moore, Capito's office; propriations Committee, today an- to facilitate better relationships be- es, including wildlife and aquatic Virginians, I enjoy hunting, fishing and Natural Resources Commitnounced West Virginia will receive tween state officials, conservation \$561,784 through the U.S. Fish organizations, and private landand Wildlife Service's State Wildlife Grant (SWG) program.

Funding will support natural resource stewardship and wildlife conservation efforts.

owners. Annual federal funding like this helps support West Virginia's state conservation strategy," Ranking Member Capito said.

"Our state is blessed with an "The SWG program continues abundance of rich natural resourc-

tions.'

species. This funding will help en- and exploring our great outdoors, sure West Virginia remains wild and I've instilled that love and and wonderful for future genera- appreciation in my children and grandchildren. I am pleased the Manchin added, "West Virginia U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is is blessed with beautiful, endless investing in conservation and prespublic lands and incredible wild- ervation across the Mountain State. life. Like many of my fellow West As Chairman of the Senate Energy

tee and as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I will continue advocating for funding to ensure West Virginia's beautiful outdoor recreation areas are protected for generations to come."

### MAYOR'S CORNER By CAROL ZUBER, MAYOR OF MOOREFIELD

kills 28 people a day in the U.S. year to drunk driving. Drunk driv- time." Chief Stephen Riggleman ing is responsible for about 1/3 of all traffic fatalities. All it takes is a split-second delay in reaction, and the consequences of driving drunk can be utterly life-changing...and life-ending. A driver is considered legally impaired when the Blood Alcohol Concentration measures 0.08 or higher. Alcohol severely hampers a driver's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle, impairing judgment and slowing reaction time. The consequences can be deadly, which is why it is illegal to operate a vehicle while impaired in all 50 U.S. states, Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico.

Alcohol has long been known as Sergeant Kevin Helmick, Moorefield behind the wheel. Take their keys a roadway killer. Driving impaired Police Department, stated, "Our department's policy is zero tolerance about one person every 52 minutes, for drunk or impaired drivers. We according to the NHTSA. That is will arrest you: That is our job. If more than 10,000 lives lost each we can save one life it is worth our stated, "In the last two weeks, DUI arrest has increased. The war against drugs and drunk drivers is a primary concern for the department." Here's some important NHTSA information that you should remember and share with your children:

> BEING A RESPONSIBLE DRIV-ER IS SIMPLE: IF YOU ARE DRINKING, DO NOT DRIVE.

> 1. Plan your safe ride home before you start the party: Choose a non-drinking friend as a designated driver.

> 2. If someone you know has been drinking, do not let that person get

and help them arrange a sober ride home

3. If you drink, do not drive for any reason. Call a taxi, a ride-hailing service, or a sober friend.

4. If you're hosting a party where alcohol will be served, make sure all guests leave with a sober driver.

5. Always wear your seat belt: It's your best defense against impaired drivers.

Sergeant Helmick said, "If you see an impaired driver on the road, contact 911. Your actions could help save someone's life." As the Mayor, I am proud of our police department. This article was written in memory of my friend Ashley, who was killed by a drunk driver. As always, I am hometown proud.

# **Smith running for Senate**

Gary and June Smith of Moorefield, West Virginia. Both of my parents were extremely hardworking. In 1994, I married my loving wife, Doctor Elizabeth Hynes Smith. Elizabeth is the Gynecologist at Hawse Health Center in Baker, West Virginia. In 2020, we adopted our daughter, Taylor.

field High School. I received both my the Teenage Bible Class for nearly BS in Social Science and History and MA in History from James Madison University, in Harrisonburg, Virginia and gained the Ph.D. in History (American and Russian/Soviet) at West Virginia University. My dissertation was entitled: "Secession. War and Rebirth: The Civil War in West Virginia's South Branch Valley of the Potomac." I have instructed at James Madison University, West Virginia University, Potomac State, Shepherd University and Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College. In the early 2000s, I secured my

I was born on March 7, 1966, to General Contractor license and started a building firm. My wife and I developed the Ogden Farm Meadows Subdivision near Moorefield. During this experience, I learned the importance of running a business and meeting payroll.

My family and I are members of the Moorefield Church of Christ, I am a 1984 graduate of Moore- where I have been blessed to teach 30 years. I have also been blessed to lead congregational singing since 1979 and to preach when the opportunity occurs.

> I am: Pro-America First, Pro-Life, Pro-2nd Amendment, Pro-Free Speech, Pro-10th Amendment, Pro-Fossil Fuels, Pro-WV Agriculture, Pro-Traditional Values, Pro-Women's Sports and Pro-Freedom. I believe there should be: No CRT in Schools, No ESG Scores in Finance, No Mask or Vaccine Mandates and no forced Lockdowns. I am Awake, not Woke.

> I view public service as an honor,

having been the Chair of the Hardy County Republican Executive Committee. In 2020, I was chosen as the Hardy County Republican of the Year. If given the opportunity, I look forward to representing Grant, Hardy, Mineral, Preston, Taylor and Tucker Counties in the West Virginia Senate.

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raising those precious individuals in verts" is unjustified, hurtful, and unacceptable

> With that said, I would like to personally invite Ms. Welton to have a cup of coffee and to talk over these issues face to face, just like I do with my Mom and Dad. We may not agree by the end of the conversation, but I would like to think we could put aside our differences for an hour to get to know each other a bit and both walk away with a little better understanding of our perspectives on these issues. Ms. Welton, the Examiner has my contact information if you are willing to do so

> > Chad Sandhas Lost City, WV

### **Dear Editor:**

mon sense views.

farm.

I want to thank Fran (Welton) for writing the Fran Wonders column. The April 13th column reminded me of my childhood growing up on the

### Letters to the Editor

In this ever-shrinking world, the factor into the equation much at all.

The whole world is affected by Putin's expansionist ambitions. I don't know that our stake in the ultimate outcome should be significantly less than for European nations much closer to the action.

The above-cited letter states that Germany and France have not shown up (for the war) because of energy dependence on Russia. In actuality, that energy-related reticence just helped highlight the need for more U.S. involvement.

Anyhow, very recently, Germany has made firm decision to become more energy independent due to the invasion. It is reducing dependence on Russian crude to approximately one-third of former amounts.

Also, overall the European Union is much stronger now.

Ray Daugherty Frederick County, MD

I've searched the online directory physical distance alone should not of our county library. It doesn't carry four books of very recent years that address the conservative side of current public policy: When Harry Became Sally: Responding to the Transgender Moment, by Ryan Anderson, sensitively addressing transgender issues; Unsettled, by Steve Koonin, a scientist in the Obama administration no less, arguing against climate change hysteria and saving the debate is definitely not settled; False Alarm, by Bjorn Lomborg, a European climatologist, saying climate alarmism is bad science; and Red-Handed: How American Elites Get Rich Helping China Win, by Peter Schweizer, documenting the efforts of Communist China to undercut the United States. Speaking of book banning, how about criticizing Amazon and Barnes and Noble for refusing to carry When Harry Became Sally?

### Sincerely, Mike Duffy

Commander **Dear Editor:** 

I felt compelled to write the Examiner after reading Fran Welton's recent "Fran Wonders" column where she 'wonders' about issues of sexual orientation and gender identity. I am a 47-year-old gay man who owns a home in Lost City, WV. I was raised in Ohio in a politically mixed, Catholic home. My parents and extended family now predominantly identify as Republican and watch and listen to conservative media consistently. My parents and I are not politically aligned but maintain a loving relationship in large part due to our shared commitment to communicating regularly and getting to the heart of complex issues, including sexual orientation and gender identity.

I recently reminded them that I was five years old when I recall having my first crush on a little neigh-Mathias words to express nor anyone to share ishment? A fist?

were stories about straight people. I went on to experience years of bullying, intimidation and harassment throughout school that kept me firmly in denial of my sexual orientation

until I finally came out in college. I share my experience to illustrate own sexual orientation and gender identity in the exact age range that recent K-3 legislation being introduced across the country targets. Kids are smart, curious, and self-aware. If crush on the neighborhood boy at school, it would no longer be an innocent comment from a child that a teacher could respond to or share their own experience or lack thereof about. It becomes a trigger to an elaborate process where the teacher could face legal consequences if the comment wasn't reported and, once reported, the child could experience borhood boy. It wasn't sexual, it was a variety of reactions from the par-

this day and age, would we be expected to have her [sic] go through a sex change before adulthood." What she does not say is whether she spoke to any members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer (LGBTQ+) that kids begin to understand their community about coming to terms with their sexual orientation or if she spoke to a family who is dealing firsthand with a child who wishes to transition to another gender before "wondering" to her own conclusions. a 1st grader like me discussed my If not, she missed a valuable opportunity to educate herself and her readers about these subjects rather than write only about her own lived experiences. I take issue with Ms. Welton's

reference to what she perceives as a "preoccupation" with sexual orientation education and her insinuation that those of us who care deeply about these issues "all sound like a bunch of sex perverts." I would claran innocent awakening that I had no ents: A conversation? A hug? A pun- ify that discussing sexual orientation does not mean specific discussions of

### **Dear Editor:**

The Examiner sounded off about book banning. The corollary of yankwhen the same library doesn't carry Thank you for all the work you do! certain books in the first place.

**Editor:** 

National Police Week is May 9-14. SCV Camp 582 will be giving the loing a book from a public library is cal units pizza for lunch on May 11. David D. Judy

my feelings with. I knew to tell Mom girls instead. How? Because all I and friends, saw on TV and in the movies, and learned about in school

has seen lower prices since the U.S.

and its allies agreed to significant re-

Ms. Welton spent a good portion sex or sexual acts, and I would point and Dad that I had crushes on little of her column sharing anecdotes out that the laws being put forward about her family and friends and the are designed to aggressively block saw around me, heard from family types of play they participated in ALL discussion of sexual orientation that fell outside of traditional gender and gender identity. Labeling those roles. She says, "I wonder if we were of us who object to the laws as "per-

Thank you, Fran, for your com-

Joyce Schetrom

Fisher

### **News Briefs**

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Moorefield on Thursday, May 5. Donors will be taken at the Moorefield Church of the Brethren at 115 Clay Street from 12:30 until 5:30 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: Please consider the gift of life.

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History's (WVDACH) 13th annual WV State History Bowl Championship was held April 26 in Charleston. The competition included 24 teams of eighth graders

from 19 middle schools in 12 counties across the state. The fourth-place team, Keyser Middle School Team Ben Heavener, Isaac Jones and Isabel Miller. For more information, contact Matt McGrew, tournament for Archives and History, at (304) 558-0230/Matt.McGrew@wv.gov. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

leases of oil reserves. "As the days One, included students Celia Cole, get longer, the weather gets warmer, and pump prices dip from their record highs, consumers feel more confident about hitting the road,' director and education coordinator said Andrew Gross, AAA spokesperson. Across the state Charleston was high at \$3.995 and Weirton was low at \$3.794. Hardy County's gas av-According to AAA last week, erage was \$3.994. Area prices were Hampshire \$3.976, Mineral \$3.928, the average price for regular gas in Grant \$4.024, and Pendleton \$4.099. West Virginia was at \$3.944. The na-In Moorefield, Sheetz was at \$3.99 tional gas price average was \$4.120 Exxon was \$4.00 and BP was \$4.00. per gallon. The slide in gas prices Pure at Mathias was \$4.00. Kerr's slowed to a crawl over concerns Shell in Wardensville was \$4.00, about increased global oil prices and the return of seasonal domestic as was BP at Baker. Sunoco at Old gas demands. The global oil market Fields was \$3.98.

### FRAN WONDERS **By Fran Welton**

Examiner's Wednesday, April 27, 2022 Editorial. From my years ago two years of journalism education I learned that all newspapers have rules and regulations in order to protect them, the general public and the writers from legal issues. Following for my in-state and out-of-state published materials.

I find newspaper opinion/education pages very interesting, stimulating and lots of times they force me to look at issues from another perspective, which is a positive for me, and so say a lot of my friends.

But this week's news given by Ale-

I was very glad to see Moorefield Secretary of the DHS (Department of Homeland Security) about the newly formed Disinformation Bureau/Board gives me more Wonders that ever before. There are new rules in place, we don't know what they all are yet, only that public opinions will be scrutinized more, so there goes those learned rules has kept me safe our 1st Amendment to our US Constitution, Freedom of Speech.

My understanding is if anyone in the Biden Administration, DHS or possibly Big Tech Companies feels opinions are dangerous there will be serious consequences for those voicing the opinions. I wonder if all of us who disagree with the new US Socialist Government, now bejandro Mayorkas, President Biden's ing formed right before our eyes,

will be picked up soon and fined or put in jail, or even sent to concentration camps. Isn't that what Hitler did, people today still disappear in China, Russia, Iran and other Socialist countries for "bad" freedom of speech opinions?

I wonder if even our voiced private opinions will cause us legal issues if someone turns us in to our local Department of Homeland Security offices, say the Sheriff Dept., Office of Emergency Management or the LEPC, or our Commissioners, the FBI, they all are part of our Hardy County Homeland Security Plan. Boy is my mind going crazy with my new Freedom of Speech Wonders.

### **COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD**

### Wardensville Senior Lunch

All Seniors are invited to lunch on Fridays at noon in the basement of the United Methodist Church on Main Street in Wardensville.

### **Extension Programs**

Hardy County Extension has a few programs coming up with some supplies to give away on a first-come, first-served basis (women, veterans, and minorities get priority).

Beginner Beekeeping is at the Extension Office on May 3 at 5 p.m.

Participants can preorder hive boxes to purchase at the workshop. First 15 participants get a package of bees, a hive knife and bee veil. This program will also be offered in Spanish if we have any interest.

Small Ruminant Management is at Wardensville's Reymann Memorial Farm on May 14, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Same as above; we will have electra-net fence and hoof trimmers to give to the first 15 participants.

Participants must pre-register at

304-530-0273 to be eligible for givea-ways.

### **PVCD Board Meeting**

The Potomac Valley Conservation District board meeting will be held Wednesday, May 4, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be by Teleconference ONLY. Call in instructions are posted on the District webpage: HYPER-LINK "http://www.wvca.us/district/ pvcd.cfm" www.wvca.us/district/ pvcd.cfm or by contacting the office at 304-822-5174. The meeting agenda will be available three days prior to the meeting and a copy may be obtained on the webpage or by contacting the office at 500 East Main St., Suite F, Romney, WV. The public is invited to participate.

**EWVCTC Pinning Ceremony** 

Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College's Nursing Program will be honored at 7 p.m., ny. The event, which the public is perience in beekeeping is required.

invited to attend, will be held at the Moorefield High School auditorium. For more information about East- are an experienced beekeeper, this ern's Nursing Program, visit easternwv.edu.

### **EWVCTC Commencement**

Thomas Striplin, Ed.D, president of Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College, invites the community to attend the college's Commencement Ceremony, to be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, May 7, at Moorefield Middle School's gymnasium. The commencement speaker will be Superintendent Sheena Van Meter.

### **PHBA Meeting**

The Potomac Highlands Beekeepers Association (PHBA) will meet Thursday, May 12 at 7 p.m. The 2022 nursing graduates of at the Bank of Romney Community Center, 165 E Main Street, Romney, (across the street from the Sheetz in Romney). All meetings are Friday, May 6, at a Pinning Ceremo- open to the public, and no prior ex-

If you are interested in learning about beekeeping, are a beginner or exchange beekeeping information. We hope you will join us! This will be our fourth meeting of 2022, so please join us as spring is springing!

### **Bobby Bowen Family Band**

The Moorefield Church of God will host the Bobby Bowen Family Come out and enjoy an evening of us/district/pvcd.cfm Gospel music.

### Annual Meeting

The annual Mathias Civic Center Association meeting will be Monpublic is encouraged to attend.

### **Conservation Poster** Contest

The Potomac Valley Conservation District is seeking entries for the America. Photos must be taken

2022 Conservation Poster Contest. The theme of this year's contest is: "Healthy Soil / Healthy Life." Stuis a forum where you can learn and dents in grades K-12 are encouraged to participate. The age categories are: K-1; 2-3; 4-6; 7-9 and 10-12. The deadline to submit posters is May 27, 2022. For more information on the contest or to obtain an entry also available online at: www.wvca. form, please contact the Potomac us/district/pvcd.cfm Valley Conservation District office at 500 East Main St., Romney, WV Band on May 15, 2022 at 6 p.m. at or call (304) 822-5174. Information 223 South Elm Street in Moorefield. also available online at: www.wvca.

### **Conservation Photo** Contest

The Potomac Valley Conservation District seeks entries for the 2022 day, May 16, 2022 at the Mathias Conservation Photo Contest. The Community Center at 7 p.m. The contest is open for adult and youth amateur photographers in West Virginia. There are four categories: Conservation Practices, Close Up Conservation, Conservation in Action, and Ag./Conservation Across

within the state of West Virginia. The deadline to submit photos is May 27, 2022. For more information on the contest or to obtain an entry form, please contact the Potomac Valley Conservation District office at 500 East Main St., Romney, WV or call (304) 822-5174. Information

### Flu and COVID Shots

Hardy County Health Department will give flu and/or COVID 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 Thursday or Friday, depending which shot you need. Call the health department at 304-530-6355 to schedule an appointment.

### AT THE LIBRARY

### **New Fiction**

Nettle & Bone by T. Kingfisher -After years of seeing her sisters suffer at the hands of an abusive prince, Marra has finally realized that no one is coming to their rescue. Seeking help from a powerful gravewitch, Marra is offered the tools to kill a prince — if she can complete three impossible tasks.

Country Born (Painted Pony Creek; 3) by Linda Lael Miller -Ever since his two closest friends have married and started families of their own, rancher J.P. McCall realizes what he's been missing. So when his buddy's sister comes crashing back into his life, an innocent request for J.P.'s help leads to an unforgettable kiss

Cold Snap (Arliss Cutter; 4) by Marc Cameron – Stranded with three violent prisoners in the deadly Alaskan wilderness, Deputy US Marshal Arliss Cutter becomes the hunter and the hunted.

Magpie by Elizabeth Day - A perfect couple think they've found a seemingly perfect roommate — that is until she threatens to destroy ev-

create.

I'll Be You by Janelle Brown -Two identical twin sisters and former child actors have grown apart - until one disappears, and the other is forced to confront the secrets they've kept from each other.

Hope Creek (New Americana; 6) by Janet Dailey - On the beautiful barrier island of Hope Creek, South Carolina, two conflicted sisters at odds with each other seek reconciliation and romance.

The Shadow House by Anna Downes – Alex, a single mother of two, is determined to make a fresh start for her and her children. In an effort to escape her troubled past, she seeks refuge in a rural community. Soon, a chain of bizarre events is set off and Alex realizes that she and her family might be in great danger.

The Baxters: A Prequel (Baxters) by Karen Kingsbury - On Kari Baxter's wedding day, a building storm brings conflict and doubt to the family until a moment of danger reveals important truths, which could bring them back together or tear them apart. The Good Left Undone by Adriana

erything they've worked so hard to Trigiani - Three generations of Tuscan artisans must face shocking revelations that will, ultimately, lead to redemption.

> Love in Plain Sight (Amish Mail-Order Bride; 3) by Kathleen Fuller - In the town of Birch Creek where the only danger is getting swept off your feet, Katharine Miller hides the secrets of her past...until she meets Ezra Bontrager and is forced to face the greatest risk of all — opening her heart to true love.

> Blood Will Tell by Heather Chavez - Schoolteacher and single mom Frankie Barrera has always been fiercely protective of her younger sister Izzy. But over the years, Izzy's risky choices have tested Frankie's loyalty. Now, an AMBER alert puts Frankie in the sights of the local police. Her truck has been described as the one used in the abduction of a girl from a neighboring town. And the only other person with access to Frankie's truck is Izzy.

The Wrong Victim (Quinn and Costa; 3) by Allison Brennan – A bomb explodes on a sunset charter cruise out of Friday Harbor at the height of tourist season and kills everyone on but also her voice in a world that ily since the death of Princess Diana,

board. As special agent Matt Costa, detective Kara Quinn, and the rest of the FBI team begin their investigation, they discover that plenty of people might have wanted someone dead on that yacht. Now they must track down who is responsible and stop them before they strike again.

City on Fire (City on Fire; 1) by Don Winslow - Two criminal empires together control all of New England...until a beautiful woman comes between the Irish and the Italians, launching a war that will see them kill each other, destroy an alliance, and set a city on fire.

Bad Axe County (Bad Axe County; 1) by John Galligan – The first female sheriff in rural Bad Axe County, Wisconsin, searches for a missing girl, battles local drug dealers, and seeks the truth about the death of her parents.

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

Finding Me: A Memoir by Viola Davis - Davis shares her story, from a crumbling apartment in Central Falls, Rhode Island, to the stage in New York City, and beyond. This is

didn't always see her.

Tough: My Journey to True Power by Terry Crews - Crews shares the deeply personal story of his lifelong obsession with strength — and how, after looking for it in all the wrong places, he finally found it.

From the Hood to the Holler: A Story of Separate Worlds, Shared Dreams, and the Fight for America's Future by Charles Booker - Kentucky state representative Charles Booker tells the improbable story of his journey from one of the poorest neighborhoods in the country to a political career forging new alliances among forgotten communities across the New South and beyond.

Trailed: One Woman's Quest to Solve the Shenandoah Murders by Kathryn Miles - An account of the unsolved murder of two women in Shenandoah National Park and a story that reveals the challenges of wilderness forensics and the failures of our justice system.

The Palace Papers: Inside the House of Windsor: the Truth and the Turmoil by Tina Brown – Brown takes the path she took to find her purpose readers inside the British royal fam-

showing the Queen's stoic resolve as family drama rages around her.

Milk Street: The World in a Skillet (Milk Street) by Christopher Kimball - Liberating the skillet from commonplace fare, Kimball shares what he's learned from his travels and from cooks in more than 35 countries through more than 100 recipes that will expand use of this versatile piece of cookware.

### **New YA Fiction**

These Deadly Games by Diana Urban - Soon after receiving an anonymous message stating that she has 24 hours to play a game by the sender's rules or he will kill her sister, 16-yearold Crystal Donovan realizes that cooperating will destroy her friends' lives and she must figure out a way to beat the kidnapper at his own game before she loses everything.

Omens Bite (Sisters of Salem; 2) by P.C. Cast - Torn apart by grief and anger, twin witches Hunter and Mercy Goode go their separate ways until Mercy's focus on the Egyptian Gate and Khenti, the guardian of its Underworld, lands her in the kind of trouble from which only Hunter can save her.

### **DECA** Awards

Toto and Journey concert. The days were long, filled with competitions, meetings, planned activities, and, of course, endless exploring; the attendees were constantly busy.

Out of our entire state, three students made it into the top 10 in the world. Two of those were our very own Madison Moyers and Christopher Short, who were in the top 10 in the world in Virtual Business Retail. Eight of the students received competency awards in their categories, also. helped.

Of course, no part of the Atlanta trip would be possible without the amazing and supportive MHS DECA advisor, Jessica Markwood. Not only did she manage to keep 17 teenag-

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ers safe and on track in Atlanta, she managed to take a charter bus through Walmart Pickup. Countless sponsors also helped make the trip a possibility. On behalf of the Moorefield High School DECA Chapter, I would like to say 'thank you' to everyone who

### **Energy Assistance**

if their heating fuel is at a low level during the application period.

Households that received direct payment of regular LIEAP benefits must verify that the payment was used for home heating by submitting a current receipt with the Emergency LIEAP application. Failure to submit verification of payment may result in a denial of the application.

Eligibility for LIEAP benefits is based on income, household size and whether the household is responsible for paying its heating bill. Income limit for fiscal year 2022 is 60% of the State Median Income. In situations where a heating emergency exists, applicants must be seen by a DHHR worker.

To qualify, households must meet all program guidelines and be in an

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1: \$2005	
2: \$2621	
3: \$3238	
4: \$3855	
5: \$4472	
6: \$5088	
7: \$5204	
8: \$5583	
9: \$6150	
10: \$6718	

For each additional person, add \$567. Households whose income exceeds the maximum amount are not eligible; however, some types of income may be excluded for LIEAP. Social Security and Veterans income will be excluded for the current LIEAP application period.

To apply, residents must go to their local DHHR office. A list of local offices may be found at http:// www.dhhr.wv.gov/bcf/Documents/ DHHR.BCF.LocalOffices.pdf

### Legislature: Digital I.D.–

risks, liabilities, end-of-life systems. Staffing also increases cost."

"The objective of this is to build and maintain technological-capabilities to provide third-party strategies," Scott continued. "As you all know, our funding for technology comes from special revenue - not from general revenue - so having a robust system will allow us to help other departments."

When Del. Daniel Linville, R-Cabell, asked whether an analysis had been performed regarding what data should be archived in order to reduce the risk of a security-breach via cyber-attack, Scott said "That's a part of record retentions, and that's a big push that we've done as a department since I've come on board - to make sure that we're retaining the right data for the right period of time. We don't want to have data just hanging around that we don't need."

Sen. Chandler Swope, R-Mercer, then stated "A year ago we passed a bill that gave the Office of Technology authority over all the various agencies. Up until that time, there was no coordination. It was my opinthrough last year's bill, a \$2 million supplemental-fund had been made

the funding?" Swope asked. "It was my understanding that the \$2 million was needed to bring in extra staffing, or consultants - or whatever - to do an audit. Is that going to dovetail into this mission that you've got defined here? That gives you the funding you need to start implementing?"

yes," Scott replied. "Mainly that money will be used for the study, and realizing what it is that we need from a technology standpoint."

Scott further stated that, on average, the State of West Virginia spends \$9,000 on technology for each employee.

ber," Scott added. "We want to make he described as "major bills that be-

Swope further explained that, sure the money is used properly."

"So that gives you the resources to analyze the situation and get a good statewide plan together?" Swope asked. "I have no delusion that that kind of money is going to fix the IT infrastructure. But in my opinion, investment in IT is the highest rate of ROI of anything you can do - and to bring our 20,000 state employees up to somewhere near current is a great thing.'

The conversation continued for several more moments, with Scott "The funding we need to start, noting: "Certainly the goal is to make sure that we study thoroughly enough to know we're getting into something that, long term, can be updated instead of replaced."

Next to appear before the committee was House Counsel Brian Castro, who provided a brief review of 2022's technology legislation. The "That may even be a light num- six bills reviewed by Castro, which

came law during the session," were primarily related to administration and infrastructure. However, one of the bills, HB 4667, dealt with autonomous aircraft.

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"This created a whole new section of law for un-crewd aircraft systems," Castro explained, "with the order to develop comprehensive strategies by the un-crewed aircraft systems advisory council, for the promotion of R&D, education, economic growth, and jobs within that new industry. It involves looking at business planning, and the management of West Virginia air space, and integration with national air space guidelines from the FAA and other federal entities."

With no further business on the agenda, the Joint Committee on Technology now stands adjourned until the next scheduled Interim Session in May.

MATHIAS-BAKER VOL. FIRE CO. **GUN & CASH CALENDAR** 

available to the Office of Technology "Is that program going to give you

emergency that will disrupt the primary heating source if not met. The maximum allowable gross income for Emergency LIEAP Fiscal Year 2022 are listed below:

### **Household Size and Monthly Allowable Income:**



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P.O. Box 377, U.S. Rt. 50 E Shanks, WV 26761 304-496-7777 U.S. Rt. 220 Moorefield, WV 26836 304-538-7066 ion that the IT infrastructure of state agencies in general was just woefully out of date."

### West Virginia students create bee apiary for agriculture program

By Jessica Wilt The Journal

As Berkeley County Schools CTE Director Ken Pack and Hedgesville High ag teacher Chris VanDyne looked out the window of the shop classroom the morning of April 14, four students were busy bees, finishing up tasks involved in

everything from gardening to building a shed.

"Chris VanDyne's shop right now, up here at Hedgesville High School, we've got students that are planting seeds for the high tunnel," Pack said. "We've got students putting on a roof to a shed they're building."

VanDyne added: "I have students doing seeds for the high tunnel. I have students out in the high tunnel, doing vegetables out there. I have students in the greenhouse, doing transplanting and cutting. I have some up there finishing a roof on the building that's for the bees. I've got students everywhere, doing everything."

Adding to the tasks of those busy bees are some bees themselves, as the Hedgesville program recently added 12 colonies of bees to the projects taken on by the Introduction to Agriculture students recently.

VanDyne spent time leading up to the arrival of the bees teaching about the importance of bees and lessons on their care and lives. The introduction class and several others assisted in building 12 hive bodies, 14 supers and preparing material needed for a students with the hives.

"The excitement was more than I thought it would be," VanDyne his students for their willingness to laughed. "That day (they arrived), I didn't have enough bee suits for everybody that wanted to participate." Much like caring for the plants in

the gardens, the students will care for the bees and eventually cultivate the honey produced. The students are working on a wildflower space to help aid the bees in their production, the students learning about the importance of pollinators to the environment.

"It's another learning opportunity for students," Pack said. "Students in this class, every day, have a new learning prospect, of gaining knowledge." VanDyne added with a laugh: "No

two days are the same up here."

The ag teacher stressed the importance of the hands-on learning found within his classroom, the memories the students make and the lessons retained.

"To me, I've always been that route with the way I teach," VanDyne said. "They seem to retain more; they get more involved. They just, overall, seem a lot better. When they come back to me years after graduation, they remember that kind of stuff."

He added that in fields such as agriculture, it's ever-changing, the bees being the perfect example of one more tool in the toolbox as both students and teacher stay up to date on trends and work in the industry.

"Agriculture changes every day and every year, and we have to be able to adjust to teach the kids the new technologies," VanDyne said. "A lot of this stuff, I'm learning as they're learning, or I'm learning the week before I'm teaching them. It is unbelievable how things change. I have to stay up on it to keep them up on it to make sure they have the bee apiary. Pack assisted freshman knowledge and the skills they need to succeed in life."

> Pack commended VanDyne and tackle the project, one that's been a longtime coming as the duo discussed the potential of bees some time ago.

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### **OBITUARIES**

### **DENNIS RAY CRITES**



Fisher, passed away Monday morn-Medical Center in Winchester, Va. Born on April 27, 1958, in Fish-

er, he was the son of the late Walter Ray Crites and Mildred Estelle Reel Crites. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Wayne D. Crites and Wendell Crites; a sister, Elva Bobo; a special great niece, Stacey Crites; a great nephew, Ricky Bobo; and two nephews, Blaine Bobo & Eddie Crites.

Dennis worked for Pilgrims Pride,

Dennis Ray Crites, age 63, of Cook Plant for 41 years before retiring. He enjoyed family cookouts, ing, April 25, 2022, at the Winchester and collecting models of jeeps and tractor and trailers. He loved to tinker on vehicles, going on family excursions, being the "family comedian," and making everyone laugh.

Surviving is a sister, Loretta Hibbard of Fisher; a brother, Ronald Crites of Kingwood, W.Va.; four nieces; five nephews; a special great niece who helped him with his health needs, Trina Dunsmore; a special great nephew, Justin Crites, who stayed with him and helped him

enormously. Also, numerous great nieces, great nephews, and cousins.

Public Graveside Services were conducted on Thursday, April 28, at the Hutter-Woerner Cemetery in Fisher. Pastor Harold George officiated. Interment followed.

Condolences, shared memories, and photos may be left on Dennis's Tribute Wall at www.fraleyfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Fraley Funeral Home in Moorefield.





### **MAXINE W. GODLOVE**

Maxine Whitacre Godlove, 92, of Wardensville, died on Monday, May 2, 2022 at the Winchester Medical Center.

Maxine was born on November 11, 1929 in Capon Bridge, the daughter of the late Cletus A. and Corene Oates Whitacre. She owned and operated See's Grill with her husband Ray in Wardensville, a bookkeeper at Jewel Box in Winchester, and a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Wardensville. Maxine enjoyed camping, traveling, gardening, and being with her family.

Maxine married C. Ray Godlove Giffin Funeral Home & Crematory in on December 23, 1954 in Winchester. Ray died on December 11, 2020.

Surviving is: a son, Robert B. "Bobby" Godlove (Theresa) of Strasburg; a daughter, Teresa A. "TC" Wilson (Phil) of Key West, Fla.; two grandchildren, Melissa and Matthew Hulver; five great-grandchildren; and a niece, Vicki Adams.

She is preceded in death by: a daughter, Sandra K. Orndorff; a sister, Virginia Mae Lovett; and a grandson, Todd Orndorff.

Family will receive friends at the

Capon Bridge on Thursday, May 5, 2022 from 12-1 p.m. A private graveside service will be held at Fairview Cemetery in Gore.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Capon Springs Fire & Rescue, PO Box 366, Capon Springs, WV 26823 or St. Peter's Lutheran Church, PO Box 87, Wardensville, WV 26851.

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



### **KENNETH R. 'KENNY' THORNE**

Kenneth Richard "Kenny" Thorne, and fiancé Ashton Barr of Maysville; age 68, of Petersburg died Saturday, Hospital, Baltimore.

Petersburg and was a son of the late Richard Jacob Thorne and Eula Adaline (Cleaver) Thorne. In addition to his parents, Kenneth was preceded in death by one sister, Eulajean A. Sites.

Kenneth is survived by his wife, Kenytha Strawderman (Kennie) of Petersburg; one son, Kirk R. Thorne son, Jordan Brashear of Petersburg; one step daughter, Stephanie Bauer

four grandchildren, Arielle Thorne, April 30, 2022 in Johns Hopkins Nick Simpson, Abbygail Thorne and Kennedy Strawderman; two Kenneth was born July 10, 1953 in step grandchildren, Trevan Keen and Lauri Brashear; one brother, Eddie Thorne (Melba) of Petersburg; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. Also surviving is his furry friend Duchess.

Kenneth retired from South Lisa Brashear Thorne; one daughter, Branch Valley Railroad after 25 years and later worked part time for Potomac Eagle. Kenneth was a life-(Natasha) of Petersburg; one step time member of the Moorefield Volunteer Fire Company No. 46 for 30 years and was a member of the Pe-

tersburg Volunteer Fire Company No. 400. He was an avid hunter and loved to travel.

Family will receive friends Tuesday, May 3, 2022 from 3:30 - 6 p.m. at the Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg. A funeral service will begin at 6 p.m. with Pastor Craig Howard and Pastor Rick High. An inurnment will be private.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Moorefield Volunteer Fire Company No. 46 or Charity of the Donor's Choice.

Online condolences www.schaefferfuneralhome.com





### NANCY RUTH WRATCHFORD

Nancy Ruth Roark Wratchford. age 80, of Ocean Springs, Miss., formerly of Moorefield, passed away April 26, 2022 at her residence. Born October 31, 1941, in Kansas City, Mo., she was the daughter of the late Helen Roark and granddaughter of the late Beulah and Bill Carter. Nancy was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Wayne F. Wratchford, in April 2005, and by two sons, Steven R. Wratchford and Franklin W. Wratchford.

grandchildren, Beth High of Purgitsville; Chris Pollan (Brooke) of Ocean Springs, Miss.; Echo Wratchford of Dothan, Ala.; Christopher Wratchford of Dothan, Ala.; Josh Wratchford of Cleveland, Tenn.; and Katie (Dustin) Watkins of Ocoee, Tenn.; and four great-grandchildren, Sydney Kimble of Purgitsville, Rhys Pollan of Ocean Springs, Miss., and Khloe and Kalila Wratchford of Dothan, Ala.

Wratchford of Cleveland, Tenn.; six will be greatly missed by her friends and family.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 5, 2022, at the Fraley Funeral Home Chapel, 107 Washington Street with Pastor Lynn Rohrbaugh officiant. The family will receive friends from 9 a.m. until time of services. Private Interment will be at Walnut Grove Gardens. Due to the current COVID-19 recommendations, wearing of masks and social distancing by individuals

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Surviving are two daughters, Springs, Miss.; a son, David (Jaime) card games and two-stepping. She

Nancy loved to travel and was able Vickie (Jerry) High of Purgitsville, travel extensively as an Air Force and Christine (Todd) Hunt of Ocean Wife. She loved playing BINGO,

unvaccinated is recommended. Condolences, shared memories and

photos may be left on Sharon's Tribute Wall at www.fraleyfuneralhome.com.

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Wednesday, May 11: Chicken and dumplings, broccoli, stewed tomatoes, and applesauce.

Thursday, May 12: Lemon pepper tilapia, potato salad, beets, bread, and a banana.

Friday, May 13: Taco salad with tortilla chips and peaches.

The Center is now open to serve meals inside. The grab and go meals are still done at this time. That will end but not sure when. Please call 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.

Meals are to be eaten here at the

center. Persons under 60 are welcome to come eat with us at a cost of \$5.25 per meal. "That's A Deal." Any donation over \$5.25 is 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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### Answered eads To More uestion lestions

### By Woodrow G."Jay" Simmons

Often when researching history, finding the answer to one question will lead to other questions.

That is what happened when Mark Michael Ludow, a Registered Professional Archaeologist from Alexandria, Va. visited Olivet Cemetery in Moorefield. Assisted by Michael Kelly Kehoe, a Civil War historian from Stevens City, Va., they were there to use Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) to survey the area around the Monument to Confederate War Dead located there.

Ground Penetrating Radar is a way of determining if soil has been disturbed, in this case if someone had been buried. It is non-invasive and no digging or probing is done, so the ground is not disturbed at all.

The survey was done using a GPR cart that looks like a small gas-powered lawn mower, but it has no motor or blade and is pushed along the ground by hand.

Ground Penetrating Radar works by transmitting pulses of ultra-high frequency radio waves down into the ground

through an antenna. The transmitted energy is reflected back to the antenna from any buried objects or differences in the density in the soil they pass through. The signals are then sent back to the GPR unit where they are amplified and stored and then can be used to plot or map the land it passes over to show any changes in the composition of the soil as would happen if someone had been buried.

GPR can be be used to detect levels as deep as approximately 32 feet depending on soil conditions and the size and types of objects being detected. Sites of burials are often surveyed to depths of six feet.

The Monument stands in the middle of what has come to be called the Confederate Circle, which contains stones with the names of many of the men listed on the Monument. The Monument is inscribed with the names of seven Confederate units that many Hardy County men served in. Ninety-four of the men listed on the Monument served in these units. It also has the names of 17 men listed as Strangers. These were men who died in Hardy County but were not from Hardy

County. In addition it says there are 14 men whose names are unknown. These men also died in the county. The total men honored by the Monument is 125.

Surrounding the Monument are 62 stones. Fifty-two have names of men on them and another 10 have only C.S.A. UNKNOWN on them.

It was thought that some of these stones may be memorial stones honoring men who were actually buried elsewhere. Also it was thought that spaces without stones may have been left without burials to allow people to walk up to the Monument to read what is inscribed on it without walking on soldiers graves.

Mr. Ludow's work shows that neither of these theories are right. His work shows that there are indeed graves associated with each stone around the Monument, as well as another 23 graves that have no markers for a total of 85 graves surrounding the Monument

This means that the burial sites of 40 of the men on the Monument are unknown. Some are buried in the 23 newly found graves, some in family cemeteries and

some in mass graves either on the battlefields where they were killed or in Union Prisoner of War camps. While this survey shows that every

stone marks a grave, it does raise other questions. The first question is, who are the men in the newly discovered graves? While the names of men who could be in these graves can be narrowed down through research, who is in which grave would be almost impossible to do.

The second question is why the graves are not marked. There could be several reasons. One might be that the graves were originally marked with wooden markers that rotted away before they could be replaced with stones. Possibly the Memorial Association that erected the Monument in 1873 ran short of money before they could install stones. Or possibly by the time the Winnie Davis chapter of the United Daughter of the Confederacy started installing stones on the graves of Confederate soldiers in the 1930s, the exact names and location of these graves had been lost. See photo on page 7

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**Bear Activity** 

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tial areas are less likely to stay if they do not find anything to eat, so that's why we remind folks every year to take responsibility for their property by removing or securing food attractants before a bear finds them."

### **Tips For Preventing Nuisance Bear Activity**

Keep garbage secure in a garage or storage building and only place cans out for collection on the morning of pick-up, not the night before.

Seal food scraps that produce an odor in a plastic bag before placing them in the trash.

Don't place food scraps in a compost pile during the summer.

Don't let outside pet food stay out overnight.

Take down bird feeders and clean

and store them until late fall. Store livestock feed in bear-proof containers or inside a secure build-

ing. Keep bears out of beehives and chicken houses by installing an electric fence

Feeding bears and wildlife in general should be avoided. Coming into contact with wild animals can transmit diseases, lead to increased predation, result in habitat destruction around the feeding site, cause ethical concerns and harm the animal's overall health. Carpenter says following practical and common-sense recommendation for reducing human-bear conflicts is the best way to make sure that state's animals remain wild.

To learn more about black bears and how you can prevent nuisance activity, visit bearwise.org.

### **Community Baby Shower**-

Neighbor to Neighbor is accepting donations of new baby items to share, so it truly is a gift from the community people. Things needed include diapers, diaper bags, formula, toys, strollers, car seats, blankets, clothes, and anything else that a baby will need.

Kelly Hambleton, a very caring young lady, has already knitted 30 baby caps! Donations may be dropped off at the Kac-Ka-Pon Restaurant in Wardensville where they are kindly holding a collection box. If anyone would like for items to be picked up, call Tom and Patty Austin at 304-874-4345



chasing baby items. All donations should be made by May 13. Neighbor to Neighbor is a 501(c)(3) organization, so all gifts are tax deductible.

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### Legislature: Drug Recovery

reducing the prescribing of opioids, distributing naloxone and expanding treatment programs.

For individuals who are not ready to enter treatment, law enforcement diversion programs are being utilized.

In 2021, Christiansen said that over 500 people involved in law enforcement diversions went into treatment. Additionally, Quick Response Teams, who intervene after an overdose, are in 35 West Virginia counties to offer support and make referrals to recovery residences. Looking forward, Christiansen

the practices" of residence recovery operators who are "taking advantage of vulnerable individuals," but that the state should "be acutely aware that we can't limit the practices of the to "bring everyone up to a standard good operators who are also serving level of expectation of what it takes those people."

He added that his office advocates using existing laws, including limiting out-of-state recruiting, deceptive marketing, patient brokering, kickback schemes, Medicaid fraud, code enforcement and fire building codes, to begin recovery residence regulation.

## **Canine Beauty Pageant** a Great Success

Moorefield High School. An audience of nearly a hundred watched with interest and amusement as canines and owners dressed and groomed "to the nines" waltzed across the stage at the Auditorium to their favorite tunes. There was no doubt, they were really "Puttin' on the Dog."

Twenty-five canine contestants, representing a wide spectrum of breeds, put their best foot forward in an effort to be chosen the winner.

Emcee Harley Staggers, III introduced each canine contestant, and read entertaining biographies of each. Charlotte Bowman of Wardensville, Jan Meadows of Romney and Brian Steffan of Lost River served as judges. With so many outnot have an easy time of it!

After a lot of deliberation, Gracie Rohrbaugh was crowned the MHS Canine 2022 with runners-ups and special awards going to Chloe Neal, Cassidy Pearce, Winston See, Goose Marie Hinger-Miller, Brady Smith, Romeo Simmons, Buddy Taylor, Otis T. Campbell Thorne, and Miah

Special music, before the show and during intermission, was provided by Moorefield High School students Mauricio Mena, Seth Hose,

many were overheard remarking, as they filed out of the auditorium after the show, that they hoped it would

implemented statewide including noted that the state should "curtail also look into licensing programs that "look more like treatment programs and less like single family houses," and he recommended training for recovery residence operators to run a quality recovery residence."

Emily Birckhead, executive director of the West Virginia Alliance for Recovery Residences, told committee members that there are 188 certifiable residences in the state with approximately 2,200 beds, and 38 Oxford houses

The National Alliance for Recov-He concluded that the state should ery Residences (NARR) provides programs, they do become an asset."

best practice guidance for recovery residences, Birckhead continued. NARR assigns recovery residence levels based on care provided, ranging from a level one (lowest level of care) to level 4 (highest level of care). When a recovery home is reviewed, administration, physical environment, recovery support and a good neighbor policy are all considered.

the neighborhoods that they are in." Birckhead noted. "For good quality

### **Confederate Soldier Receives New Grave Marker in Olivet**



A new marker was added this week to a grave in the "Confederate Circle" of Olivet Cemetery in Moorefield, that of Confederate war veteran Sgt. Andrew Jackson Tabor, thanks to the efforts of Theron Keller of Fredericksburg, Virginia. Tabor was Keller's "3xG grandfather," says Keller with a grin, who noted that the original marker misspelled his surname as "Taber." Tabor was killed in the Battle of Moorefield on August 7, 1864, when Confederate troops commanded by General John McCausland were returning from having burned the town of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, and were overrun by Union troops under the command of General William Averell. Keller became interested in adding the marker after learning of similar efforts to better identify and mark graves in Virginia. Above, left to right, Carl Fenton of Alexandria, Virginia, Keller, and Gary Swaim, also of Alexandria, had just finished the task.



**Student Employee of the Year** HOLLISTER

**Potomac State College names** 

Jesse Dove as finalist for WVU



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"We want them to be assets to

It was a festive Friday night at standing contestants, the judges did

Thorne and Louie Tater Williams.

Lindsey Hose and Ben Barr. A good time was had by all, and

become an annual event.



Student employee finalists were recently selected from the Keyser, Morgantown and Beckley campuses, for West Virginia University's Student Employee of the Year. Jesse Dove, a student from Baker, W.Va., was chosen as the Potomac State College finalist and was recognized during Student Employee Appreciation Week. Dove is currently working on his bachelor's degree in business management and is employed at the campus recreation center under the guidance of Kara Hotchkiss (right) and Ivy Rodeheaver (left), who nominated him for the award.All finalists from each campus received a one-time scholarship, prizes and more. Several businesses donated prizes, including Queens Point Coffee, Domino's Pizza, Foxes, Walmart and Martins.



And the winner is... Gracie Rohrbaugh, a clear favorite of the audience as well as the judges, drawing enthusiastic applause from those in attendance.



The winners and runners-up take a bow - sort of - at the conclusion of last Friday night's canine beauty pageant at Moorefield **High School.** 

### Virginia History This week in West

Home Society was formed by a group of Charleston ministers at the YMCA. Their goal was to place orphaned and neglected children with caring families rather than crowd them into county poorhouses.

May 5, 1923: A fire started by welders working on a new swimming pool destroyed most of Luna Park, an amusement park in Charleston. Although Luna's owners announced that they would rebuild, the park never reopened.

May 5, 1923: Golfer Bill Campbell was born in Huntington. He won more than 30 championships over a sevendecade career and is considered one of the best amateur players in history.

May 6, 1812: Activist and physician Martin Robison Delany was born in Charles Town. In February 1865, he was commissioned as a major in the U.S. Colored Troops. He was the only

May 4, 1896: The Children's African-American Civil War officer to be given a field command.

> May 6, 1968: A continuous miner machine at the Gauley Coal & Coke Saxsewell No. 8 mine cut into an adjacent mine, which was filled with water. The resulting flood drowned four miners and trapped 21 others.

May 7, 1857: William Alexander MacCorkle was born in Rockbridge County, Virginia, on his father's plantation. He served as West Virginia's ninth governor.

May 7, 1928: The Keith-Albee Theater opened in Huntington. The opening program featured a comedy called "Good Morning, Judge," a newsreel, and five stage acts. But the theater itself, with its elaborate interior, clearly was the star of the evening.

May 7, 1983: The New River began operations when the first visitor center opened near Fayetteville.

Watson was born in Fairmont. Watson was a prominent coal baron and served in the U.S. Senate from 1911 to 1913. May 8, 1998: Senator Jennings Randolph died at the age of 96. He was first elected to Congress in 1932 and served for 40 years.

May 9, 1843: Confederate spy "Belle" Boyd was born in Martinsburg. On July 4, 1861, Belle shot a Yankee soldier and started her spy career.

May 9, 1863: Confederate raiders arrived at Burning Springs, Wirt County. There they set fire to 150,000 barrels of oil, oil tanks, engines for pumping, engine houses, wagons, and oil-laden boats.

May 10, 1908: The first official observance of Mother's Day was held at Andrews Methodist Episco-Gorge National Park and Preserve pal Church in Grafton and simultaneously in Philadelphia. The holiday resulted from a vigorous campaign

May 8, 1864: Clarence Wayland by Anna Jarvis who wanted to commemorate the spirit of her mother's work as a social activist.

> May 10, 1960: John F. Kennedy defeated Hubert Humphrey in the West Virginia primary. It dispelled the widely held belief that being a Roman Catholic was a crippling handicap for a presidential candidate.

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The South Branch Valley Day Report Center is hiring 1 Intake/Recovery Assistant for each of its three offices (Romney, Moorefield, and Franklin). The primary function of the Intake /Recovery Assistant (I/RA) is to help individuals gain access to needed resources in the community by assisting them in overcoming barriers and helping them bridge gaps between their needs and available resources. The Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) assessment will be utilized for the intake purpose. Referrals to treatment will be delivered to South Branch Valley Day Report Center (SBVDRC) Case Managers as appropriate for further assessment and delivery of any applicable recovery services available. Additionally, I/RA's will assist in the day-to-day delivery of services at the SBVDRC including, but not limited to conducting drug testing, transporting clients as needed in agency vehicles, and any supportive rehabilitative services as daily needs arise.

The applicant must have a High School Diploma or GED and have a valid driver's license. The hours will be part time only at 20 hours weekly 2pm to 6pm M-F (Subject to change as needs arise). No benefits or overtime will be paid for this position.

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We are looking for fresh fruit, vegetables, honey, homemade bread, cakes, etc to be sold at the weekly market, which will be open to everyone.

Our goal is to get fresh produce into the hands of anyone that wants it! Vendors will need to supply their own tables and electricity if needed. No charge for the space. Vendors must sign a hold harmless agreement and provide proof of liability insurance.

For more information, call 304-897-5915, extension 99676 and speak to Charlie Rohrbaugh, Operations Officer.



Send resumes to South Branch Valley Day Report Center, Darren Taylor, Executive Director, PO Box 844, Romney, WV 26757.

Darren E. Taylor **Executive Director** South Branch Valley Day Report Center (304) 902-0029 Mobile (304) 822-3009 Office

### A THE TRADE CONTRACT CONTRACT OF THE REPORT OF THE WV DHHR **Family Support Specialist**

We are seeking applicants interested in assisting the community by providing case management services for recipients of public assistance. Individual will work with recipients to overcome barriers and assist to achieve self- sufficiency. They will be responsible for conducting personal interviews with clients, evaluating, and verifying personal information. Applicants must have computer experience and be familiar with data entry.

Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree (preferred) or combination of full-time or equivalent part-time paid experience in related field. Experience: One year of full-time or equivalent paid experience in interviewing the public and evaluating the data against established standards. Must possess a valid Driver's License.

This position is permanent, full-time, day shift position. Interested applicants may send their cover letter and resume to: Megan Pugh, WVDHHR, 53 Kiess Drive, Petersburg, WV 26847. Must apply online with WVDOP before being hired. ALCOHOLD TRUE AVENUE

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26836-0200, and no appointment or administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of West Virginia Code

An interested person(s) objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on 04/19/2022

ANNAPOLIS MD 21403-1259 ATTORNEY WIL-

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### PUBLIC NOTICES Fiduciary Notice The account of the estate of Alvin Ken-

REQUEST FOR BIDS Hardy County Parks & Recreation Comneth Thompson is before the undermission signed for an interm Accounting. Dated this the 20th Day of 644 Fisher Keller Rd. Moorefield, WV 2683

Seeking bids for a 40'x80' pavilion constructed as per WV-ENG-65 and WV-ENG-83 drawings, 10' open ends and side walls, 6"x6" PPF post 10' OC with concrete under and around, 4/12 pitch scissor trusses 2' OC with 2' overhang, colored metal roof and gable ends, soffit and facia finished.

All materials, labor and equipment must be included in this bid. Bidder must provide documentation of

construction of a minimum of 10 build-ings, this size or larger, constructed as per WV-ENG-65 and WW-ENG-83 drawings. Copies of WV-ENG drawings available at our office, call 304-357-3457 with ques-tions or for more details. Bids must be received at our office by Bids must be received at our office by 12:30 p.m., 5-18-22 and project must be completed within 3 months of bid award

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The Region VII Workforce Development Plan Available for Public Review

The Region VII Workforce Development Board has prepared a draft Workforce De-velopment Plan modification for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024. The Plan states goals and outlines the Board's plan-ning and operational processes. Public participation is important to the process of participation is important to the process of participation is important to the process of preparing a sound workforce develop-ment plan. Citizens can review the Plan modification April 29, 2022 through May 29, 2022 online at https://wrvegion-7workforce.org/resources/policies/, the Martinsburg WorkForce WV Career Center, 202 Viking Way, Martinsburg, WV, and the South Branch Workforce WV Career Center, 151 Robert C Bwrd Industrial Park Center, 151 Robert C Byrd Industrial Park Road, Suite 2, Moorefield, WV. You can obtain a copy of the Plan modification or additional information by contacting WIOA staff at (304) 530-5258 or tjvanmeter@ region7workforce.org.

The Workforce Development Board will receive written comments on the Plan until May 29, 2022. Please forward comments to the Region VII Workforce Development Board Executive Director, 151 Robert C Byrd Industrial Park Road, Suite 2, Moore-field, WV 26836 or e-mail comments to tjvanmeter@region7workforce.org.

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and inspection of construction activities to insure compliance with plans and speci-fications. Procurement of said services shall be in accordance with Chapter 5G of the Code of West Virginia. Contracts are to be awarded on a fixed fee basis. All consultants interested in being considered for this project must submit a proposal detailing qualifications, technical exper-tise, management/staffing capabilities and related prior experience

The aid of the competitive process is to objectively select the firm who will provide the highest quality of service at a realistic fee. Accordingly technical qualifications and experience will be weighed heavily. Selected respondents will be interviewed and the firm judged most gualified will be asked to prepare a final proposal which would include fees for said services.

Please submit all requested information no later than 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 11, 2022, to Angie Curl, Region 8 Planning and Development Council, 131 Provi-dence Lane, Petersburg, West Virginia 06947, Ustranted Rima chould contract 26847. Interested firms should contact the Region 8 PDC at www.regioneight. org/projectopportunities, for a copy of the proposal format.

Attention is directed to the fact that the Attention is directed to the fact that the Town will undertake the project with State and Federal funds. The selected firm will be required to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 11246, Section 109 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Conflict of Interest Statement and Access to records provisions and all other requirements as related to federally other requirements as related to federally funded projects.

The Town will afford full opportunity for mi-nority/disadvantaged business enterprises to submit a show of interest in response to this invitation and will not discriminate against any interested firm or individual on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, age, handicap or national origin in the contract award.

Betsy Orndoff-Sayers, Mayor

# IN THE Family COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

PERRY MARK DIORIO SR. Magistrate 1. The object of this suit is to obtain prospondent from having contact with certain If appearing by evidence duly taken in this will remain in effect until May 16, 2022. (Date) A Final Hearing is scheduled for the 16th day of MAY, 2022, at 9:00 A.M., before the Hardy County Family

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- Beef Quality Assurance (BOA Certificate) (2\*) June 17, 2022 or Nov 14, 2022
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- Pasture Management Certificate (16) September 9 &10, 2022
- Stocksmanship and Stewardship Training (6) June 17, 2022



BEEF QUALITY ASSURANCE CERTIFICATE

Court Case No.: 22-MI 60-00019 Respondent's Name (First/Middle/Last) 230 TURNAROUND LANE Family Court Civil Action No.: -2-2---D--V--18 Respondent's Street Address (Please do not list PO Box #) MATHAIS, WV 26812 Respondent's City/ State I Zip 11/13/1958 Respondent's Date of Birth ORDER OF PUBLICATION (PROTECTIVE ORDER/ HEARING DATE) tection from the Respondent. 2. The object of this publication by Class I legal advertisement is to notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-named Reindividuals. This Order may affect property and other rights of the Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order and Petition from the Circuit Clerk of the county listed above. TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT: action that you could not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of the Petition and Order may be obtained at the Hardy County, Circuit Clerk's office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER

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# (The Ultimate Spring Cleaning Checklist)



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Spring is the perfect time to clear out unused items and give forgotten corners a good scrub. However, setting out to clean your entire house can be a challenging task that requires patience and organization.

To help you reach every nook and cranny, consider this handy checklist from the experts at Best Pick Reports.

### Kitchen

As one of the most used rooms in the home, the kitchen builds up a lot of dirt and grime. If you cook regularly, your kitchen is ground zero for all sorts of messes. In addition to wayward crumbs that could attract pests, you have to contend with bacteria that can cause illness and accumulated grease.

1. Service Major Appliances: Spring is an opportune time to deal with any issues you may have been putting off, including having major appliances serviced. For example, if your fridge makes excessive noise or wavers

### Closets

For many people, the closet is a place to store items you don't quite know what to do with. In some cases, closet clutter can get so bad you may even forget things, only to be surprised when they resurface months or years later.

The spirit of spring cleaning may compel you to roll up your sleeves and start on projects you've been procrastinating tackling. Consider putting closet reorganization at the top of that list.

 Sort Clothing: Before you can properly reorganize, you need to see what you have. Start by separating items into piles:

- Warm weather clothes and accessories
- Cold weather clothes and accessories
- Clothes and accessories you haven't worn for a year or more

To make room in your closet, donate items you no longer wear. If you have more clutter than you know what to do with, there are professional organizers who can help you sort items, designate storage areas and label containers. They're also

### Tips for Disinfecting Your House

With bacteria and viruses able to spread easily, it's essential to disinfect your home to help you and your family stay healthy. While these steps can become part of your everyday routine, be sure to put some elbow grease into it during spring cleaning.

### Wipe Down Frequently Touched Surfaces

While there's no harm in sanitizing everything in your kitchen, the real threat is frequently touched surfaces. Make sure to give these common touch points a thorough wipe down:

- Light switches
- Doorknobs
- Faucet handles

### **Use Effective Products**

Not all household cleaning products are formulated to kill germs. To eliminate threats of illness, make sure your cleaning supplies contain one of the following:

in temperature or your oven heats unevenly, it's important to have a home services professional take a look and provide an expert opinion that can save you money in the long run.

 Clear Out Cabinets: Spring cleaning isn't just about washing – it's also the perfect time to get rid of things you don't need. In the case of your kitchen, that means taking a thorough inventory of the cabinets and pantry.

Be sure to check expiration dates on every package. While it may be OK to use some dry goods a short time past the printed "best by" date, you should get rid of anything that's more than a year expired. This is also a perfect time to clear out items you'll never eat, like gifted condiments or candies. You can donate anything non-perishable that's still within its "best by" date to your local food bank.

### Bathroom

Most people clean their bathrooms regularly since this room can pose serious bacteria risks. However, your annual deep cleaning is the perfect time to address issues that aren't visible to the naked eye or have fallen by the wayside.

- 1. Clear Pipes: Plumbing professionals recommend you get your pipes checked regularly to prevent clogs. Spring cleaning is a great opportunity to hire an expert to tackle slow-moving drains and give your plumbing its annual checkup. This is especially important if you live in an area that reaches freezing temperatures, as your pipes may have been affected during the winter.
- 2. Eliminate Grime: If you have hard water, you may notice a buildup of lime or mineral deposits in your shower or sink. There are several grime-fighting products you can pick up at the store to make your metal fixtures shine once more. For tougher stains, such as those under the toilet bowl lip, you can use gel or serub with a pumice stick.

- skilled at nudging clients to be honest about whether it makes sense to keep a particular article of clothing or not.
- 2. Store Seasonal Items: When you've let go of possessions you aren't actually using, you're typically left with two piles. The first is items you can wear in current weather and the second is items appropriate for a different season.

You can store this season's items in your closet and store winter clothes somewhere out of the way, such as under the bed, on high closet shelves or in outdoor storage. If you have the right tools, you can also vacuum seal seasonal items for additional space.

### **Forgotten Spaces**

Deep cleaning areas of your house you regularly use is great, but you also need to give some TLC to the spaces you rarely think about.

- 1. Assess the Attic: If you have an attic space, now is the time to go through any boxes and determine what you can part with. While you're up there, be on the lookout for any signs that pests have made your attic their home, such as:
  - Destroyed insulation
  - Nesting
  - Excrement

Be sure to call in a professional if you find any sign of pests.

2. Assess the Basement: Your basement deserves similar treatment. In the subterranean areas, you'll also want to keep an eye out for water damage. Basements are at risk of flooding, which can lead to mold and mildew. If you notice signs of mold, make sure to call a professional for safe removal

Now is the time to get your spring cleaning checked off so you can enjoy the beautiful weather. If you need a professional for any of these services or findings from your cleaning, check out bestpickreports.com and fivestarrated.com for experts in your neighborhood.









# Turn your yard into a vacation-worthy oasis

relax outdoors. For those homeowners lucky enough to have entertaining spaces outside, spring and summer provides plenty of opportunities to enjoy fresh air under the sun or stars.

Over the last few years, families have become especially familiar with what works about their yards and where there is room for improvement. Pandemic-related travel restrictions and early stay-at-home mandates resulted in plenty of time spent in backyards on staycations. Even though many such restrictions have been lifted, homeowners may have seen the benefits of having functional respites right outside their doors

A backyard renovation can cost anywhere from \$5,000 to \$50,000. The American Society of Landscape Architects suggests homeowners budget the cost of a major landscaping project at between 5 and 10 percent of their home's value. Large or small, here are ways to make an outdoor oasis at home.

Warm weather means more time to to come by. Wood or vinyl fences, however effective, may not provide the all-natural look many people desire. Vertical gardening, which trains easy-care vines like English ivy, Clematis or various climbing roses to grow on trellis or fencing adds greenery and privacy. Hedges and fast-growing shrubs also can be used for natural barriers.

### Install a pool

Pools are the ultimate spots to cool off on hot days. An elaborately shaped inground pool can blend in with the landscape and offer the ultimate hang-out zone. However, above-ground pools also serve the purpose and are more budget-friendly. Stock tank pools are popular among those who want minimal pool expenditure or have small spaces to work with. Stock tanks are metal vessels traditionally used as watering holes for livestock. They also can be "adult kiddie pools" when combined with some plumbing. Galvanized steel frames make them sturdy. With a book floats and other accessories, they can become the perfect oasis.

### **Create living privacy**

Living in close proximity to Provide outdoor neighbors may make privacy harder

### atmosphere

Create a bespoke bistro vibe by using freestanding planters and posts along with hanging lights to make an intimate outdoor hangout spot at night. For those with permanent structures, like a deck or a gazebo, lights can be strung across the area or on railings or edging.

### **Extend the living space**

Decks and patios can help make outdoor entertaining areas more comfortable by eliminating the need to sit on the grass or gravel. Plus, they add another "room" to the home. When paired with weatherproof patio furniture, such as sofas, loungers and tables, a private seating area can be crafted and utilized for any number of entertaining desires.

### Hang a hammock

Few things evoke feelings of relaxation better than a hammock. Fitted between two trees (or two posts if trees are sparse), a hammock is an ideal place to grab a nap or read

Additional oasis-inspired ideas include outdoor kitchens, letting up lanterns, cascading water features, and bird feeders to attract the sounds of nature



# **Keep groundhogs out of the garden this year**



Keeping groundhogs at bay is a goal for many homeowners, and the following are some simple ways to do just that.

Groundhogs take center stage on February noon (deer eat garden plants at night). 2nd. Individuals across the country anxiously await the news of whether one of these furry fellows sees his shadow or not - the latter indicating that an early spring is on the horizon.

Once Groundhog Day has come and gone, the humble groundhog regains its status as unwanted intruder

Groundhogs invade lawns and gardens in search of fruits, vegetables and ornamental plants. Groundhogs also can make extensive burrows under the soil ripping up the landscape and potentially threatening the foundation of a home. Keeping groundhogs at bay is a goal for so groundhogs will not have easy access. many homeowners, and the following are some simple ways to do just that.

Make sure it's a groundhog

Before taking any steps to repel groundhogs, first make sure it's really these fuzzy critters who are wreaking havoc. Signs of a groundhog infestation include:

· Feathery tops of carrots have been removed.

• A large hole, around 10 to 12 inches wide, under or near a storage shed or other structure with mounds of dirt outside of it.

• Tomatoes with large bites taken out of them

• Newly damaged plants noticed in the after-

• Wide teeth marks on plants and bark. • Tracks in the dirt that show four-clawed toes on the front paws and five on the back.

Once you've determined it's a groundhog that is causing damage, you can try these strategies to keep them away.

• Harvest your garden frequently to remove opportunities for groundhogs to prey on produce. They're particularly attracted to cantaloupes, cabbage, green beans, cucumbers, zucchini, and corn. They also like the tender greens from lettuce. Consider using raised garden beds

· Groundhogs prefer camouflage around their burrows. Mow the lawn, pull weeds and clean up brush piles to deter groundhogs.

· Keep groundhogs from burrowing under structures by burying chicken wire a foot underground and bending it at 90-degree angles away from structures or the garden.

• Apply safe repellents that use essential oils or flavors and scents that groundhogs do not like. Epsom salt is believed to repel groundhogs.

· Call animal control to have a groundhog relocated. Animal trapping professionals can live trap and release a groundhog elsewhere. Don't try to trap a groundhog yourself, as they can be feisty and bite or scratch if scared.

### **Explaining** easements, setbacks and CCRs

Property setbacks as well as easements and conditions, covenants and restrictions (CCRs) must be considered before renovating an existing home or building a new one. Setbacks are mandated buffers between surveyed property lines and permanent structures. Easements are legal designations that enable individuals or entities to use portions of a person's property for physical access or to build on it for one reason or another. Easements may be owned by utility companies for gas lines or government agencies when sidewalks are on a private property. Additional examples of easements include greenbelt conservation easements, beach easements or view easements, according to The Spruce, a home and lifestyle resource. CCRs include rules established by many planned communities, subdivisions and planned unit developments. CCRs, easements and property setbacks can affect which type of renovations are allowed on particular plots and may affect the issuance of permits. It's essential to learn about property easements, CCRs and setbacks in advance and discuss them with contractors when drawing up preliminary plans. Your property deed or plat map as well as the local building inspection offices can highlight any regulations that may be in effect on your property and if they may affect future projects.

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# **Popular insect** repellent plants

their properties based on a num- hot summers without much precipiber of variables. Some may be into growing their own foods, while colors and alluring scents. There's no wrong reason to plant a fresh garden, but some plants offer extra benefits, such as repelling insects.

Insects can be a nuisance and a threat to individuals' overall health. According to the American Academy of Family Physicians, insectborne diseases are viral and bacterial illnesses that develop from insect bites. Mosquitoes, sand flies and fleas are some examples of insects that can pass on disease. Fever, chills, headache, and muscle soreness are just a few of the more ongrass contains citronella, which common symptoms linked to in- many people associate with repelsect-borne diseases.

The good news for avid gardeners is that certain plants can help repel insects and provide the additional benefits like fresh food and aesthetic appeal that so many people love.

• Basil: The aroma of fresh basil make a place for it in their garden. But there's more to fresh basil than its scent, as the Farmers Almanac notes it can be used to repel mosquitoes and moths.

• Lavender: Fleas, flies, mos- around a home. quitoes, and moths are not fans of this aromatic and colorful member around a home each spring, sumof the mint family. Bees tend to be mer and fall. Certain plants can help drawn to lavender, a durable plant repel insects and serve as an ecothat many garden centers recom- friendly alternative to insecticides.

Homeowners choose plants for mend in areas prone to drought or tation.

• Mint: Mint is another plant that others desire their gardens to be an is instantly recognizable for its aroawe-inspiring mélange of bright ma. But mint lovers may not realize that it's also great for keeping ants at bay. Mint also can be used to repel mosquitoes, but gardeners with no experience planting mint should plant it in pots. That's because the Farmers Almanac notes mint is an especially aggressive spreader that can quickly take over a garden. Separating mint in pots can prevent it from bullying its way into other plants' domains.

• Lemongrass: Lemongrass is a tropical grass that's so fragrant it's often used in perfumes. Lemling mosquitoes. A potted lemongrass plant can repel these unwanted guests, keeping them away from decks, porches and/or patios all summer long.

· Chrysanthemums: The Farmers' Almanac® recommends using chrysanthemums, which repel is enough to compel any gardener to a range of insects from bedbugs to fleas to ants, as border plants around a home. That's because they contain the natural insecticide pyrethrin, which can serve as something of an insect-repelling boundary

Insects are unwanted guests

# How to corral spring allergies

Spring is synonymous with rebirth. Each spring, flowers begin to bloom again, grass starts to grow and people from all walks of life rekindle their love affair with the great outdoors. Spring also marks the return of a familiar foe: allergies.

Seasonal allergies can put a damper on even the most welcoming spring day. After all, a day soaking up the sun isn't so relaxing when it's also spent sneezing and confronting allergy symptoms like congestion, runny nose and watery eyes. Thankfully, it's possible for seasonal allergy sufferers to have their spring and enjoy it, too.

· Pay attention to seasonal allergy trackers. Seasonal allergies are now easier to track than ever. For example, Pollen.com is an easily accessible and free site that allows visitors to type in their ZIP codes and access daily allergy reports for their towns and cities. Visitors also can see fiveday forecasts that can help them plan trips and other outdoor excursions. Weather.com also offers free allergy reports and forecasts. Individuals with seasonal allergies can make use of these sites and plan their activities based on the information they provide

 Stay indoors when allergen levels are especially high. The Mayo Clinic notes that there are several things individuals can do to reduce their exposure to seasonal allergy triggers. That includes staying indoors on



It's possible for seasonal allergy sufferers to have their spring and enjoy it, too.

individuals need to lock themselves ica notes that improving air quality in mines, nasal sprays and decongesindoors all spring. But it's important that seasonal allergy sufferers recognize that some days might be too much to handle. Rain helps clear pollen from the air, so individuals who are avoiding the outdoors on days when pollen counts are high should be able to get outside after a good rain without triggering an attack.

• Maintain clean air indoors. The great outdoors is not the only place where allergens percolate. The Asthdry, windy days. This doesn't mean ma and Allergy Foundation of Amer- counter treatments like antihista-

a home can reduce allergy triggers. Air conditioners can prevent outdoor allergens from entering a home, so utilize units on warm spring days when you might otherwise open the windows. Open windows and screen doors provide easy entry points for allergens like pollen, so turning on the AC when outdoor allergen counts are high can make seasonal allergies more manageable.

· Consider treatments. Over-the-

tants provide most individuals with sufficient relief from their seasonal allergies. If OTC remedies are ineffective, treatments such as allergen immunotherapy and a consultation with an allergen may be necessary.

Seasonal allergies can spoil an otherwise welcoming spring day. But there are many ways for individuals to corral their seasonal allergies and still enjoy spring sun.

## How to corral a crabgrass infestation in your yard

A well-manicured lawn adds un- trolled without much effort. deniable curb appeal to a property. Homeowners who take pride in their lawns should know that they can take that pride all the way to the bank, as investing in a pristine lawn can provide a significant return at resale.

A 2019 report from the real estate experts at HomeLight found that a \$268 investment in lawn care service can add \$1,211 at resale. That's a 352 percent return on investment.

Homeowners can capitalize on a pristine lawn even further by tending to their own lawns. Crabgrass is one lawn problem that can compromise the look of an otherwise lush lawn. Thankfully, crabgrass can be con-

### Identifying crabgrass

Crabgrass is a weed that grows in areas of a lawn that are bare or where the grass is thin. Crabgrass gets its name from its appearance, as mimics the look of crab legs emerging from the center shell.

### The growth of crabgrass

The University of Minnesota Extension notes that crabgrass is an annual plant. That means a crabgrass infestation that's problematic once the mercury rises in the summer

spring, so homeowners will want to take steps to prevent it long before it becomes an eyesore in summer.

### How to corral crabgrass

The UME notes that application it grows from the center outward and of a pre-emergent herbicide before crabgrass seeds can germinate is an effective way to eliminate it. The timing of that application can be tricky, as jumping the gun and applying the herbicide too early can prove fruitless. The same goes for applying herbicides too late. Crabgrass will likely still grow if the herbicide is applied too early or too late. UME recwill die out in late fall or early win- ommends applying a pre-emergent

ter. But crabgrass germinates in the herbicide when soil temperatures approach 55 F.

> Home Depot notes that a chemical treatment may be applied after crabgrass has already grown in, but this option requires careful application to avoid killing surrounding healthy grass.

> Crabgrass can be pulled out by hand, but such an approach can be physically daunting. That's especially so because crabgrass thrives when the weather is hot and dry. So homeowners who intend to pull crabgrass by hand can decrease their risk of dehydration or heat-related illness by drinking plenty of water and pulling the grass during morning or evening.

# Six ways to make your garden more successful

Homeowners enjoy gardening for many 1. Start small different reasons. In addition to adding beaucosts by yielding tasty produce. They also ers. But it is smart to start small and build matter in the off-season to give it enough more established.

You may have visions of an expansive garoffer important habitats and food sources for on what you find successful, which includes time to be incorporated into the ground be-

source GrowVeg. Nourish soil with organic ing. Many people prefer to start seedlings inmatter, such as manure, compost, shredded doors in late winter and then transfer those ty to a property, gardens can offset grocery den growing rows of crops or acres of flow- leaves, and natural mulch. Add this organic plants outdoors when they are stronger and

Certain plants have been bred to thrive in your climate, including heat-tolerant plants for climates with sweltering summer sun. Consult with a local gardening center to figure out which plant zone you are in and

both insects and animals.

While growing a vegetable or flower garden can turn into a rewarding hobby, or even a passion, gardening also can be overwhelming — particularly when the results are less than stellar. Novice gardeners have scores of resources at their disposal, including the advice of gardeners who have made mistakes and learned from them. The following guidance can make home gardens that much more successful.

plants that thrive in your lawn and garden.

This also is beneficial if you are unsure of vegetable yields. Several blooming plants producing bushels of crops can be overwhelming, especially if you can't get to harvesting or cooking them in a timely fashion.

### 2. Assess the soil

Plants need nutrient-rich soil to encourage extensive root systems and produce strong, hardy plants, according to the gardening re-

fore spring. You can have your soil tested for pH and other characteristics that make it friendly or averse to plants at a local garden center.

### 3. Arm yourself with knowledge

Do you know how deeply to plant seeds and how far apart to space plants? Are you aware of the sunlight needs of certain flowers or plants? If not, read the packaging and do your research so your plants have the best chance of not only sprouting, but also surviv-

### 4. Sit in your yard and observe

Watch the way the sunlight dances over areas of your landscape. Take note of which areas get the most sun and shade. This will help you plan what to plant and where to plant it. Vegetable gardens tend to need ample sunlight to bear pick-worthy produce. You can give plants a leg up by growing them in optimal conditions.

### 5. Choose hardy varieties

which plants will do best within that zone.

### 6. Use rainwater

Rainwater contains fewer contaminants and additives than tap water, which can benefit garden plants. Collect rainwater in rain barrels and use irrigation systems to deliver it to the garden.

Home gardens can yield many gifts, from flowers to fruit. Beginners can utilize some time-tested strategies to increase their chances of planting a successful garden.



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### FAMILY FEATURES

rees are virtually everywhere you turn, from your own backyard to nearby parks and forests where you enjoy hiking. They provide shade and beauty, and some even bear fruit. Beyond all the immediate benefits, you may be surprised to discover trees are also a critical key to the future.

These facts and tips from the book "Now is the Time for Trees" offer practical insight on the importance of trees and how to nurture one from selection to planting and beyond. A compelling and ever-growing body of evidence generated by scientists, health care

professionals, conservationists, humanitarians and both public and private corporations supports the critical importance of trees and their impact on the human condition. Trees filter pollutants out of the air and water and provide protection for people and communities from dangerous heat and flooding. They lower urban temperatures, reduce energy bills and sequester carbon to slow the rate of climate change.

When you plant a tree in your yard or neighborhood, that tree goes to work filtering out pollutants, intercepting stormwater and capturing carbon. With proper placement, that tree can also help lower household energy use by as much as 20%.

You can engage in the tree planting movement and make a difference by planting trees around your home and surrounding community with these tips.

### **Consider the Growing Region**

Choosing a tree that will flourish in your growing region is fundamental to becoming a successful tree planter. Start by getting familiar with the growing conditions of your planting site, including factors like sunlight, soil condition and room to grow. The amount of available sunlight at your planting location will determine which tree species will be successful. Most trees require full sunlight for proper growth and flowering. Some do well in (or even prefer) partial or light shade, but few perform well in dense shade. Before you plant, get your soil tested by a lab to evaluate what's happening underground. Test results, which are usually returned in a couple of weeks, provide a complete analysis of nutrients, possible contamination and pH (alkalinity or acidity), as well as directions for correcting problems. Be conscious of overhead or underground utilities, pavement, buildings, other trees, traffic intersections and other factors that may impact your planting space.



# 4 tips for planting trees



 Neighborhood trees can reduce stress, improve overall health in children and

### Shopping for a Tree

When choosing which kind of tree to plant, be conscious of details like size, flowering, color (including how colors may vary through the seasons) and your view from inside the house. While shopping, you can rely on plant labels to learn details about a tree's growth pattern, sun requirements, watering needs and soil requirements.

Two common styles of trees are container-grown trees, which spend their entire nursery lives growing in a container, and ball-and-burlap trees, which grow in the ground until they achieve a targeted size.

A well-tended container-grown tree has been carefully monitored and moved into larger containers as the plant grows. Be wary of a tree with roots that circle or twist within the container, which may cause roots to die. For a ball-and-burlap tree, look for a firm, securely tied root ball that is large enough to support the mature tree; it should be about 10-12 inches wide for every inch of trunk diameter.

### **Prepare Your Planting Site**

Properly preparing your planting site is one of the best things you can do to get your tree off to a strong start. Before you plant, make sure your tree is thoroughly hydrated by watering the container or root ball several hours before proceeding. When planting a tree into a lawn, remove a circle of grass at least 3 feet in diameter where the tree will go to reduce competition between turf and fine tree roots.

### **Start Digging**

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# East Hardy outlasts Moorefield on big game-winning hit

### By Carl Holcomb

Moorefield Examine

A backyard brawl with see-saw scoring kept the fans glued to their seats, then a towering shot by East Hardy's Tori Pratt eluded the Yellow Jackets dive in right field with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning for a two run producing gamewinning triple as the Cougars edged Moorefield 8-7 in Baker on Monday night.

The last regular season win for the Cougars over Moorefield was in 2017

"My heart was beating fast enough. I am happy for the girls. It was a close game, both parts. It came down the last inning and a clutch hit and she [Tori Pratt] made a clutch hit for us. I was really proud of it, but I was racing. There towards the middle of the game we were down a little bit, but we battled back and one hit just starts it all off. We kept having productive at-bats and moving people around. We capitalized on a couple errors that they had, but fielded by shortstop Gabby Miller that's softball. You've got to do what off the bat of Moorefield's McKenna you've got to do," East Hardy coach Crites. Kelly Heishman commented.

field that it was their time to capitalize on it. If they played hard and even if they didn't win, I would be pleased with their performance. The icing on the cake was getting the win in the final inning. The fans were in it and the girls were in it. It was a great atmosphere to be in and was proud to be a part of it."

East Hardy starting pitcher Autumn Crites induced a groundout

Sterling Kump belted a solo home

ly 1-nil edge.

Moorefield's Emily Kuykendall followed with a single just past the diving attempt at first base and Hannah Snyder stepped in as the courtesy runner.

Haines hit into a fielder's choice, retiring the side.

Moorefield pitcher Emily Kuykendall kept the Cougars off the base path in the bottom of the first inning by inducing three consecutive groundouts by Autumn Crites (2B -

"I told the girls before we took the run giving the Yellow Jackets an ear- Seana Heavner), Madison Heishman and provided the Cougars with a 2-1 (SS - McKenna Crites) and Mackenzie Blair (3B - Carlee Haines).

Amber Williams kicked off the second inning with a single into center field for the Yellow Jackets, but two straight flyouts by Marissa Ward Autumn Crites countered with a and Breanna Green, plus a strikeout struck out looking for the second strikeout, then Moorefield's Carlee to Daleny Crites would strand the runner.

East Hardy's Emma Heishman hammered a double down the left field line, then Miller singled to create runners in scoring position.

Victoria Ames delivered a two-RBI triple as the crowd went wild

edge.

After a groundout by Jenna Combs, Tori Pratt recorded an RBI single into left field to extend the lead, 3-1.

East Hardy's Jace Thompson out, then the Cougars responded with a single into right field by Autumn Crites.

The Yellow Jackets brought in Amber Williams to pitch and got out of the jam with a fly ball being

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Moorefield's Amber Williams hits a line drive against East Hardy during the Hardy Softball Showdown in Baker.



Photos by Carl Holcomb

Moorefield's Daleny Crites slides across home plate as East Hardy catcher Emma Heishman reaches down to make a tag.



East Hardy's Tori Pratt launches the game-winning, two-RBI triple as the ball eludes the diving attempt of Moorefield right fielder Breanna Green during the Hardy Softball Showdown in Baker.

### Look out for UFO's, Moorefield Track meet summoned a galaxy far, far away

By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examiner

"I also have to give credit to Mr. Sherman for instilling the fighting strategic pattern as both teams battled able to come back, so I like the way spirit into the freshmen. They are al-

### Vikings Rampage Moorefield East Hardy Softball blanks

### By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examiner

It was a classic game of chess moving the pieces on the field in a ter they got the early lead. We were

mate scoring six runs in the seventh inning staving off a late rally to win 12-9 at George Hott Field on Friday.

### "I thought we recovered well affor supremacy and a three run lead our guys were fighting in the middle

# Warriors twice on senior night

### By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examiner

East Hardy Softball shutout the Warriors twice on senior night with Blair and Victoria Ames were isfive inning no-hitter on a special Thursday doubleheader.

Macaden Taylor induced a leadoff groundout from Heishman, fielded it and threw to first base.

East Hardy seniors Makenzie

There was an unidentified flying object in the field events and hurdles to clear on the track, creating a unique vibe at the Moorefield Track Meet on Tuesday and members of the Yellow Jackets created a wrestling vibe holding a championship belt up during wins in the sprints and relays.

Moorefield Boys Track team pinned the competition with 79 points, followed by Petersburg with 41 points, East Hardy placed third with 37 points, Pendleton County had 17 points and Union rounded out the field with nine markers.

"I am so proud of the success my team has had and the improvements they have made since the beginning of the season. It's crunch time now and they know it. They are trying to get personal records in every event with hopes of making it to state. They have so much potential. We will find out if they can use it over the next couple of weeks," Moorefield Boys Track coach Linda Wright commented.

ready hungry for medals at state."

East Hardy Girls Track squad took top honors with 53 points, followed by Moorefield with 34 points, Petersburg earned third place with 26 points, Pendleton County narrowly took fourth place with 18 points over Union with 16 points.

"I was excited for our athletes. We have a very young team this season (only two seniors total), so watching the 4x800 and 4x400 teams that are comprised of only underclassmen, was very special," East Hardy Track coach Devon Orndorff noted.

Due to construction at the East Hardy track, the two Cougars seniors, Carly Hershberger and Holly Snyder, were honored at the Moorefield meet with a special ceremony along with Union senior Bridgette Knapp and Moorefield's Finan Grmay.

During warm-ups in the boys discus event, one discus thrower from the Vikings had a toss go awry and

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by the Yellow Jackets didn't hold of the game. We just need to make a a 15-nil three inning win and a 15-0 as Petersburg rampaged the scene jumping on mistakes and Moorefield responded with a tying check before the Vikings answered with a check-

couple more plays down the stretch," Moorefield coach Wade Armentrout

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Photos by Carl Holcomb

Moorefield starting pitcher Karson Reed releases the ball as Vikings baserunner William Vanmeter takes a lead off second base.

"I'm extremely proud they got the win. We needed some players to have their confidence in the box reignited. Not taking anything away from the opponent, they had some super defensive plays that also helped boost their confidence. They have a great group of players and coaches," East Hardy coach Kelly Heishman noted.

The first contest started with senior Madison Heishman pitching in the circle and allowing a leadoff single into center field by Pocahontas County's Talisa Arbogast.

Heishman responded with a strikeout to Emma Riffe, but the Warriors answered back as Kelsi Taylor singled into center field.

Heishman fielded a grounder by Andrea Alderman and alertly threw to senior third baseman Victoria Ames. The Cougars retired the side as Heishman struck out Pocahontas

County's Kynlee Wilfong. pitcher County Pocahontas

sued free passes, then Gabby Miller reached base on an error in left field and Blair safely slid into third base with an ensuing collision as Andrea Alderman toppled over her causing an injury to both players.

The Cougars sent in Jenna Combs as the baserunner for Blair, then Emma Heishman hammered a threerun producing double for a 3-nil edge.

Emma Heishman was thrown out trying to steal third base, then Autumn Crites grounded out to end the frame.

It was a quick second inning for Pocahontas County as Mary Grace Beverage grounded out to Cougars shortstop Gabby Miller and Melinda Beverage grounded out to Madison Heishman in the circle.

Macaden Taylor drew a walk for the Warriors and advanced on a passed ball prior to being caught stealing third base on a toss from East Hardy catcher Emma Heishman

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Photo by Carl Holcomb

It was a close finish for the 100 meter dash as East Hardy's Holly Snyder edged Moorefield's Taylor Harvey.



Dirt flies up as Moorefield's Guyan Kahangerwe hits home plate with Petersburg catcher Clay Arbaugh swooping in for a tag.



Photo by Carl Holcomb

East Hardy senior Madison Heishman pitches against Pocahontas County during senior night.

# **Cougars Baseball upstages Pocahontas County in doubleheader**

### By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examiner

East Hardy Baseball completed a doubleheader sweep over the Warriors by the scores of 12-2 and 13-3 on Thursday in Baker.

"We hit the ball today and that was put the ball into play. We've been gold stated.

playing some pretty good teams, but we did hit the ball well today and nings in the first game for the Cou- dozen runs plus three walks and four I am proud of that. Yesterday we gars win with six strikeouts and altalked about bringing energy. We've been dead the last couple of games. Having energy is the key to having fun. If you have fun, then you win the save covering the final two in- Ben Dunz reached base on an error ball games. They said they would nings with three strikeouts and althe biggest key. We haven't been hit- bring it today and I was proud of ting the ball and I wanted to see us them," East Hardy coach Tyler Mon-

lowed just two hits and two runs scored

East Hardy's Jordan Teets earned lowed one hit and two walks.

Pocahontas County pitcher Charles Long took the loss pitching

strikeouts.

Mongold started the game throwing a strikeout to Pocahontas County leadoff batter Josey Armstrong, then by shortstop Dawson Price.

Long and Nicholas Hendrick went down swinging to retire the side.

East Hardy got things rolling im-

Levi Mongold pitched three in- 4.2 innings allowing ten hits and a mediately as leadoff batter Noah corral the ball allowing Price to score Sager belted a single into left field, on the error for a 2-0 edge. then advanced on a groundout by Brandon Jones.

> Dawson Price launched a deep fly ball into left field for an RBI triple, Cougars grabbed a 1-nil lead.

East Hardy's J.W. Teets smacked a sharp grounder to Warriors shortstop Nicholas Hendrick, who couldn't

Teets was stranded as Logan Sager flew out in left field and A.J. Swisher struck out.

Pocahontas County's David Gibb sliding safely into third base as the commenced the second inning with a strikeout, then Dillon Dunz was hit by a pitch before being caught stealing second base by catcher Logan Continued on page 7B

**SPORTS** 

### **East Hardy Outlasts Moorefield**

bat of Madison Heishman.

McKenna Crites bunted into a groundout at first base in the top of the third inning, then Kump reached base on an error and advanced to second base on the sequence.

Kuykendall flew out to right field and the Cougars nearly turned a double play, but Kump safely slid into third base before remaining on the pond with a groundout by Malina Price.

Mackenzie Blair popped out to Kump at first base to begin the bottom half of the frame, then Emma Heishman grounded out to Haines.

Miller smacked a double just over the reach of Kuykendall as the ball hopped down the left field line, but no scoring occurred on a groundout from Ames.

Moorefield went down in order in the top of the fourth inning as East Hardy's Autumn Crites forced two groundouts by Haines and Williams prior to striking out Ward.

Combs drew a walk by Williams, then Pratt struck out on a full-count.

East Hardy didn't back down as Jace Thompson tattooed an RBI double on the center field fence to build a 4-1 lead

The Yellow Jackets finished off the inning with a double play as a flyout and throw to second base stifled the baserunner.

"Errors. We had some really big errors, especially a passed ball on defense and an overthrow. You can't have that. Errors lose ball games.

like it keeps rolling. I thought my pitchers did pretty well and we made some outs, but we also made some we shouldn't have as we weren't playing in the exact positions we were supposed to be in. It comes down to errors. Anybody that makes multiple errors, it is easy to beat them. That is part of the game you can't have. Unfortunately, we had too many," Moorefield coach Bridget Sions stated.

Green commenced the fifth inning arriving to first base with the assistance of an error, then Moorefield added to the pond with a bunt single by Daleny Crites.

McKenna Crites flew out to right field, but the Yellow Jackets found an opportunity to slice into the deficit as Kump garnered an RBI double into center field making it 4-2.

Kuykendall hit into a fielder's choice as East Hardy pitcher Autumn Crites threw home, but the ball was jarred loose on the swiping tag attempt resulting in a run, 4-3.

East Hardy second baseman Addison Armentrout fielded a sharp grounder by Price and alertly made a tag before turning a double play out at first base

struck out looking and Blair grounded out to McKenna Crites for the first two outs, then Emma Heishman was issued a free pass and was left aboard on a flyout by Miller at the warning track by Green.

followed by Union's Alexandria

Jones with 29'10" and Moorefield's

Destine Wyman placed third with a

in fifth place with a shot put toss of

22', but had better success over in

the discus circle with a second place

launch of 95'7" behind Pendleton

Track's Mason Miller had the best

aerial shot put distance of 38' and

teammate Jacob Gainer took third

place at 35'8" with Moorefield's

Trace Pope earning fourth place at

There was excitement on the track

as there were several photo finishes

with competitors simultaneously

reaching the finish line in the sprint

East Hardy Girls Track's Holly

Snyder edged out Moorefield's Tay-

Harvey won the 200 meter dash.

as Petersburg senior Brindle Rowe

East Hardy freshman Price Straw-

derman took third place with a time

of 11.89 and junior teammate Mason

Moorefield senior Blake Funk fin-

Moorefield Boys 4x100 relay

ished in sixth place with a time of

team of J.J. Carr, Dean Keplinger,

Blake Funk and Diego Taylor earned

first place with a time of 47.42 to

edge East Hardy's quartet of Mason

Miller, Eli Mathias, Tyler Tarallo and

Taylor wore the wrestling cham-

pionship belt after that victory and

held it during the second place finish

lor the peace sign as he won the 200

meter dash in a time of 23.74, while

behind Petersburg sprinter Brindle

Moorefield's J.J. Carr gave Tay-

Price Strawderman at 48.37.

in the 100 meter dash.

Miller grabbed fifth place at 12.35.

garnered fifth place.

Taylor at 11.53.

12.44.

Trading places, East Hardy Boys

County's Breanna Wolfe at 99'2".

East Hardy's Jessica Deck finished

throw of 27'3".

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events.

### Look out for UFO's

zoom into foul territory and that the top shot put distance with 30'2", wasn't a UFO despite the unique flying pattern

Petersburg's Wyatt Nuzum put the discus on the best flying course for a winning distance of 112'3" and teammate McKale Schultz was only one inch behind that mark, then Moorefield's Ethan Eye launched a third place throw going 90-5".

Rounding out the boys discus top-5 were East Hardy's Jacob Gainer (89') and Wade Hershberger (88').

Flying into the sand pits were a group of athletes looking to gain a win by flight in the long jump.

East Hardy Girls Track senior Holly Snyder led the long jumping contingent with a distance of 12'10", followed by sophomore teammate Megan Good and Pendleton County's Riley Apple tying for second place at 12'3". Moorefield's Riley Rhea Took fifth place with a leap of 10'11"

Moorefield Boys Track's Kyle lor Harvey to win the 100 meter dash distance of 17', followed by Union's 13.37. Devon Vanmeter at 16'3". Yellow Jackets teammates Mitchell Henry took third place at 15' and Ben Barr finished in fourth place at 14'9" and the top-5 was rounded out by East Hardy's Price Strawderman at 14'5".

East Hardy's Madison Heishman

caught by Green in left field off the Once you have a bad inning, it seems field as the Yellow Jackets sparked a inning, comeback in the top of the sixth inning and Williams notched a single into center field bringing a scoring chance closer to reality.

> East Hardy sent Gabby Miller to the pitching circle.

Ward executed a game-tying fielder's choice bunt as the tag by Cougars catcher Emma Heishman didn't hold and Hannah Snyder came in as the courtesy runner.

Green launched the ball into right field where an error occurred allowing one run across home plate for a 6-5 lead, meanwhile, took second base on the play.

Daleny Crites notched an RBI on a bunt and the throw home wasn't in time as Moorefield went ahead 6-4.

McKenna Crites grounded out and the throw to third base was just a little late prior to a strikeout to Kump and a groundout by Kuykendall retiring the side.

Ames was issued a walk by Williams, then Combs poked a single into left center field and advanced to second base on the throw.

Pratt grounded out as the runners remained in limbo on the pond, but the idleness didn't last long as Jace Thompson stepped up to the plate and crushed a game-tying, two-run producing double for a 6-all score.

Two pop-outs by Autumn Crites and Madison Heishman would send the contest into the final inning.

Price singled into right field and courtesy runner Korbin Keplinger Haines ripped a double into right came in during the top of the seventh

Rowe's time of 23.98.

Coach Wright noted.

smile

back strikeouts to Haines (looking) and Williams The Yellow Jackets made use of the two-out rally as Ward slammed an RBI double into right field to create a 7-6 edge and Miller close out the side with a strikeout on Green.

Miller countered with back-to-

Blair was hit by a Williams pitch for the Cougars' initial baserunner with Addison Armentrout coming in to run.

Kuvkendall returned to pitch for Moorefield and Emma Heishman hit into a fielder's choice out.

Miller swung at a dropped third strike, but Moorefield catcher Malina Price's throw went awry as the gametying run came home for East Hardy. Kuykendall remained poised and struck out Combs looking for the second out of the frame.

East Hardy put the rally caps on as the energy in the dugout and along the bleacher became electrifying when Pratt hammered a two-run scoring triple just past the diving attempt of Green in right field as the walk-off blast gave the Cougars an 8-7 triumph over the Yellow Jackets in the second round of the Hardy Girls Softball Classic.

"It is honestly the best feeling. It has been a long time since we beat Moorefield. The second she dove for it, I thought I was a goner. I could have ran around the bases 300 times after seeing the ball fall out there," East Hardy game-winning hitter Tori Pratt remarked.

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team of Tyler Tarallo, Eli Mathias, Brennan Shamburg and Mason Miller took top honors with a time of 1:09.86 ahead of Moorefield's

teams swept the top honors in the

The East Hardy Girls 4x400 and 4x800 quartet of Brooklynn Tinnell, Aubrey Cowgill, Kayle Mills and Kelly Flynn had winning times of 5:05 and 11:52.48.

The Cougars girls shuttle hurdles team of Megan Good, Carly Hershberger, Sierra Loulis and Holly Snyder won in a time of 1:15.55 over Petersburg at 1:16.64.

East Hardy Girls Track's Kayle Mills won the 800 meter run with a time of 3:10, followed by Moorefield's Emma Cremann in second place at 3:21 and Amaya Redman in third pace at 3:28.

East Hardy Boys Track's Elijah Schetrom took third place in the 800 meter run, followed by Moorefield's Cameron Newhouse at 2:25.

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remarked.

"The energy has been real good, especially in the past couple of games. That has been a point of emphasis for us and how our guys should be supportive of each other to create the kind of atmosphere they want to play in. We just need to practice our situational hitting. The situation determines how you will approach your at-bat and that changes within your at-bat, too. You need to adjust your swing and not swing at bad pitches. I have seen us get better at that and it is those little details we need to fine tune now.'

Moorefield starting pitcher Karson Reed issued a leadoff walk to Petersburg's William "Bumby" Vanmeter, then center fielder Gavin Wolfe caught a fly ball from Johnathan Mallow.

Slade Saville drew a full-count walk for the Vikings, but both baserunners were stranded as Reed induced a groundout from Elijah Kuykendall fielded by Moorefield first baseman Ryan McGregor.

Vanmeter pitched three consecutive walks to Moorefield's Reed, Coleman Mongold and Alex Miller to load the bases.

Moorefield's Bryce Hines plated Reed on an RBI sacrifice fly for the initial 1-nil edge

Vanmeter escaped the jam with back-to-back strikeouts to Tyson Arnold and Ryan McGregor.

Hines came in to pitch for the Yellow Jackets in the top of the second inning and induced a groundout by Petersburg's Nate Travis to shortstop Tyson Arnold over to first baseman Michael Cost

Moorefield second baseman Guyan Kahangerwe caught a pop-up by Clay Arbaugh for the second out, then Ryan Riggleman reached base on an error and advanced on a balk.

Arbaugh was stranded on a groundout as Cost fielded the ball and tossed over to Kahangerwe stretching his leg back on the play inadvertently nudging the runner.

Moorefield's Adam Landes singled into center field and Kahangerwe drew a walk for the second baserunner

Wolfe was out on a dropped third strike, then Vanmeter caught Cost and Mongold looking at third strikes. Vanmeter reached base on an er-

ror to begin the third inning for the Vikings and stole second base. Hines struck out Mallow, then a

pickoff error gave Vanmeter time to get up from a slide at third base and head home to tie the game for Petersburg.

Hines pitched a strikeout to Saville for the second out, then Kuykendall singled into center field and a balk advanced the runner.

After issuing a walk to Peyton Tin-

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Hines recorded another strikeout and Myers caught a fly ball to retire the side.

Mongold and Miller were given free passes from Petersburg pitcher Slade Saville, then Hines hit into a fielder's choice out at third base.

Moorefield loaded the bases as Arnold hit a blooper just over the first baseman.

McGregor drew a walk to plate Miller as the Yellow Jackets regained the lead.

Landes belted the ball into shallow right field where Rohrbaugh had a diving chance with the ball ricocheting off the glove as one run scored.

Saville recorded a strikeout on Kahangerwe, then Arnold scored on a passed ball to put Moorefield up 5-2.

The Yellow Jackets would strand three baserunners as Myers struck out

Starting the sixth inning, Hines issued free passes to Travis and Arbaugh prior to garnering his seventh strikeout of the game catching Riggleman looking.

Landes made a sensational diving catch in left field, but the Vikings weren't ready to fold.

Vanmeter plated one run on an error as the Vikings sliced into the deficit

Mallow delivered a game-tying, two-run producing triple into center field knotting up the score at 5-all.

Petersburg took a 6-5 lead as Saville smacked an RBI single into left field and the side closed on a catch by Myers after two stolen bases.

Mongold drew a full-count walk from Saville, then the Vikings sent in Mallow to pitch.

Mallow struck out Miller, but the Yellow Jackets responded with a single by Hines into left field and the throw home kept Mongold at third

Hines was in the middle of a rundown causing a distraction to create time for Mongold to dash home to tie the game at six runs apiece and safely made it to second base on the sequence.

Hines jumped up shouting and was pumped up as the energy could be felt in the dugout.

Mallow countered with back-toback strikeouts to Arnold and Mc-Gregor to end the frame.

McGregor came in as the pitcher for the Yellow Jackets in the top of the seventh inning and allowed a leadoff single by Petersburg's Tingler

Travis bunted and Moorefield catcher Alex Miller fielded the ball and sent the ball sailing above first baseman Karson Reed and the error plated Tingler with advancement to third base as the Vikings took the

"They love to kid each other, but they know when to get serious," Pillus and Fertig).

Moorefield Girls Track was down a sprinter for the 4x100 relay race due to injury, but the quartet assembled earned first place with a time of 55.60 and the competing team of Petersburg didn't finish with a baton drop on the first handoff attempt. Moorefield's team was comprised of LaTanaya Redman, Molly Molen, Amani Roberto and Taylor Harvey.

Sydney Rumer joined Redman. Roberto and Molen to take first place for the Yellow Jackets in the 4x200 relay with a time of 2:02.85.

"It's crunch time so I need them to keep pushing to be better. We have some obstacles to overcome right Molen won the long jump with a with a time of 13.07 compared to now so I need for them to continue to focus on getting better. As long as we keep giving our best, then that's all Moorefield's Riley Rhea took I can expect. But we still have work fourth place and LaTanya Redman to do...it's far from over," Moorefield Girls Track coach Vivian Carr It was even closer on the boys side remarked.

### Taylor handed the championship belt to Carr and showed good camaraderie in lifting Carr's hand for the win and pointed to him with a big

squads at 1:10.92 (Grant Sherman, Finan Grmay, J.J. Carr and Jaxen Ratcliff) and 1:17.69 (Barr, Molen,

East Hardy Girls Track relay 4x400, 4x800 and shuttle hurdles.

The boys high jump had a flying object sailing above the horizontal bar and it wasn't a chocolate bar, although it felt as if it melted and snapped when being nudged off the platform.

Moorefield senior Dean Keplinger, who won the high jump invitational championship at Doddridge County, kept the high flying antics going with another six-foot winning clearance level and the nearest competitor was Petersburg's Wyatt Nuzum at 5'4" and Jackson Yeager at 5'2".

Union Girls Track senior Bridgette Knapp won the high jump with a clearance at 4'8" with freshman teammate Channelle Sutton taking second place at 4'4".

Moorefield's Cameron Newhouse, Caden Fertig and Blake Funk didn't clear the bar for measurement.

On the other side of the track there were more UFO sightings as the shot put ball was being hurled by the girls field competitors.

Petersburg's Rhenn Hedrick had

### **East Hardy Softball**

East Hardy's Tori Pratt smacked a the inning. sharp grounder to the third baseman and beat the throw for a single.

Jace Thompson reached base on an error by the pitcher struggling to retrieve a slow roller.

Addison Armentrout plated a run on an error at third base as the Cougars went up 4-0.

Madison Heishman notched an RBI single into the left center field, then Blair hit a line drive back to the pitcher.

Ames was hit by a pitch to load the bases for East Hardy, then Gabby Miller delivered a two-RBI double to the left field fence.

Emma Heishman threaded a two-run producing triple down the left field line to put the Cougars ahead 9-nil.

Autumn Crites stepped up to the plate and connected for an RBI double into right field.

Pratt reached base on an error, then Thompson played Crites on a fielder's choice out at second base despite a bobbled play for an 11-0 lead and a fly ball from Armentrout was caught along the center field fence by Wilfong to end ter Madison prior to the senior ceremo-

East Hardy pitcher Madison Heishman induced three consecutive groundouts putting the Warriors down in order during the top of the third inning by Lillian Stephens, Arbogast and Riffe.

Madison Heishman grounded out and Blair hit a laser caught by Pocahontas County shortstop Emma Riffe.

them

for senior night.

Ames drew a walk and stole second base before Miller sent her home with the help of an error.

The Cougars kept the momentum going as Emma Heishman crushed an RBI double into left field and Crites sliced an RBI single into the same area to create a 14-0 advantage

Pratt hit a grounder to the shortstop and beat the throw for a single and the toss over to third base wasn't in time.

East Hardy's Jace Thompson belted the game-winning two-run producing double for the 15-nil victory (only the winning run counted).

East Hardy coach Kelly Heishman had a special final strikeout pitch and catch ceremony with his senior daugh-

Moorefield Boys Track kept the momentum going with relay victohit the finish line in a time of 11.43 ries in the 4x200 and 4x400 relay to win the 100 meter dash just barely ahead of Moorefield freshman Diego races

> The Yellow Jackets' Ben Barr, Santana Ramirez, Riley Pillus and Jeshua Mazareigo held the best time of 1:49.34 over East Hardy at 1:53.38 with a quartet of Brennan Shamburg, Shawn Bodkin, Maddox Richard and Austin Wilkins.

> Moorefield 4x400 team of Kyle Molen, Dominick Newhouse, Cameron Newhouse and Peyton Eye had a winning time of 4:12 just seven seconds ahead of fellow Yellow Jackets squad of Mazariego, Teddy Gallahan, Biniam Grmay and Mitchell Henry.

East Hardy Boys Track turned the tide in the 4x800 relay and shuttle hurdle relay with wins in both events.

East Hardy Boys 4x800 quartet of Brandon Parker, Tyler Tarallo, Wade Hershberger and Elijah Schetrom had a winning time of 9:42.9 over Taylor came in third place at 24.23 Moorefield at 9:51.7.

East Hardy Boys shuttle hurdles

"The East Hardy Softball seniors of

2022 is a very special trio that I will

deeply miss seeing them on the field,

but will never forget. Most of them

have grown up together through K-12

and have played ball from T-ball up

to high school and some travel ball.

They are like sisters. The whole team

is a Band of Sisters and when you have

that, you as a coach feel like a dad at

times to them. With me having my

daughter on the team was very special

East Hardy's Ben Montgomery had the best Hardy County finish in the long distance events taking fifth place in the one mile run at 5:52 and third place in the two-miler at 12:44.

Moorefield's Grant Sherman won both the 110 meter hurdles at 17.22 and the 300 meter hurdles at 46.00. Union's Devon Vanmeter was the

runner-up in the hurdle events and East Hardy's Eli Mathias took third place in those events (19.13/49.15). Petersburg Girls Track's Sophia

Hardy won the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 17.64, followed by East Hardy in the next four spots led by Megan Good as the runner-up at 18.99, Carly Hershberger placed third at 19.17, then Samara Pyles an Sierra Lilies rounded out the field.

Union Girls Track's Channelle Sutton earned first place in the 300 meter hurdles at 55.11, followed by Pendleton County's Riley Apple at 55.72 and East Hardy's Megan Good at 58.70.

Moorefield and East Hardy are preparing to compete at the Potomac Valley Conference Track Championships in Keyser this week.

Continued from page 6B that I will cherish, knowing that I was there every single game through all

the bumps and bruises, crying, aggravations and least we not forget all of the good times. My hopes are that my teachings that go beyond the game itself will be helpful to them when a situation arises that they can reflect on and use in a proactive approach," Coach

Ames plans to attend Shepherd University to receive a bachelor's degree in

Ames was a three-sport athlete compettwo sports.

Blair plans to attend Potomac State College of WVU and major in nursing to receive a bachelor's degree.

Blair is a member of the NHS, Future to me. They grow up fast and before you know it they're moving on with Farmers of America, Spanish Club vice their life. Coaching my daughter from president FCA secretary National Techthe age of five to 18 will be memories nical Honor Society and holds a certified gler, Hines struck out Travis to retire the side.

Moorefield's Alex Miller hit an infield pop fly and Mallow misjudged the angle of the ball coming down and fell backwards missing it as two other Vikings converged on the play resulting in a single.

Petersburg catcher Clay Arbaugh caught a pop-up near the Moorefield dugout off the bat of Hines.

Arnold hit into a fielder's choice double play as the runner didn't slide which was ruled interference to end the inning.

Moorefield right fielder Chase Myers caught the first out of the fourth inning as the Vikings were kept off the base path going down in order when Hines tossed a strikeout to Riggleman and Trace Rohrbuagh flew out to Adam Landes in right field.

McGregor hit a pop-up which was caught by first baseman Tingler.

The Yellow Jackets responded as Landes singled into center field and Kahangerwe singled into right field.

During a swing by Wolfe, Landes had a huge lead at third base and was sent into a rundown situation and was elusive enough to slide home for a 2-1 lead.

Vanmeter struck out Wolfe for the second out, then Myers launched a single into left field and the throw home was in time for Arbaugh to tag out Kahangerwe sliding.

Hines recorded his fifth strikeout to commence the fifth inning coming to Van Meter.

Mallow answered for the Vikings with a double into left field where the ball made a wicked hop past Landes. Saville plated Mallow on an error as the ball took a wild bounce and ricocheted off the glove of Arnold at

shortstop tying the game at 2-all.

### nursing assistant license.

Blair competed in three sports at East Hardy: volleyball, basketball and softball.

Heishman plans to attend Shenandoah University and earn a bachelor's degree in

early childhood education. Heishman is a member of the NHS, FFA and Spanish Club

Heishman competed in three sports: volleyball, wrestling and softball. Heishman was a member of the girls wrestling state runner-up team.

After a short intermission and batting practice, play resumed for the nightcap of the doubleheader.

lead, 7-6.

Arbaugh was hit by a pitch, then Riggleman crushed an RBI single into left field to extend the lead.

Rohrbaugh hit an RBI sacrifice fly and baserunner Cody Nuzum safely arrived at third base as Petersburg went up 9-6.

There was chatter in the Petersburg dugout asking for the championship rings like Moorefield had.

McGregor issued three consecutive walks to Vanmeter, Mallow and Saville with the latter resulting in a bases loaded run.

Vanmeter scored on a wild pitch moments before Kuykendall notched an RBI sacrifice fly giving the Vikings a 12-6 advantage.

McGregor induced a groundout to escape further damage.

Mallow issued a leadoff walk to Moorefield's Landes, then struck out Kahangerwe as Landes safely advanced to second base on an errant throw.

After a strikeout to Wolfe, Reed and Mongold were issued free passes to load the bases.

Miller received another walk as the Yellow Jackets sent one run across home plate.

Hines crushed a two-run producing single into center field as Moorefield sliced the deficit to 12-9.

Arnold hit into a fielder's choice, but it was determined the shortstop was off the bag pulling early.

The Yellow Jackets had bases loaded once again with an opportunity to rally, but Mallow nixed a comeback attempt with a game-ending full-count strikeout to McGregor giving the Vikings a 12-9 win over the three-time defending Class A state champions.

The Cougars unleashed ten runs in the fourth inning, clawing Pocahontas County for a 15-0 victory in five innings.

East Hardy pitcher Tori Pratt tossed a no-hitter with nine strikeouts and allowed one walk in the win.

The fourth inning highlights included Jenna Combs hitting a two-RBI single, Gracie Maphis plated two runs on an error, Addison Armentrout notched an RBI single, April Dove sent a run home on a fielder's choice, Jessica Dove recorded an RBI on an error and Chelsea Mills garnered the game-winning RBI single.

### East Hardy seniors Victoria Ames, Makenzie Blair and Madison Heishman received flowers, gifts, balloons and hugs from teammates and coaches during a special ceremony honoring The entire softball infield had a giant Cougars paw and each senior number Heishman commented. was designed along with the 2022 year

nursing

ing in volleyball, wrestling and softball with a state runner-up finish in the former

Ames is the National Honor Society president, 2022 class vice president, Fellowship of Christian Athletes treasurer and a member of the Spanish Club

# **Giddy Up: Tri-County Horse Show Series**



Bentlee Slaubaugh rests on Spirit during a break at the Tri-County Horse Show series in Petersburg.



Danica Neff rides on top of Miller in the barrel racing event at the Tri-County Fairgrounds. There were about 30 riders competing in this first Tri-County Horse Show Series event in Petersburg.



Josey Collier rides on Ella during the barrel racing contest at the Tri-County Horse Show Series. There will be two more shows for this series on the last Saturday in May and June.



Reba Merritt rides on top of Chocolate Delight during the barrel racing event at the Tri-County Horse Show Series in Petersburg.



Brylee Reel shares a laugh with a competitor at the Horse Show sit- Kinzy Corbitt keeps her horse Dusty on a steady pace at the Triting on top of Deuce. Reel is a student trained by show organizers County Fairgrounds during the pole bending course. Gina Alt Bramsen and Leah Alt from Clay Creek Equine Farm.





the Tri-County Horse Show Series in Petersburg.



course event at the Tr-County Fairgrounds.



Brooklyn Beard rides on Bologna during the pole bending course at Aubrianna Holloway is lifted up by Bandit during the pole bending Kayla Lantz makes a turn around a barrel riding on Six during the **Tri-County Horse Show Series.** 

# West Virginia conquers Maryland with Yellow Jackets help

### By Carl Holcomb Moorefield Examiner

Team West Virginia defeated Maryland 83-61 in the 40th Anni-

each other for many years. They mination and fun. played well together and just gelled. It was nice having that team camaraderie after the season is over. They beat on each other all season, then versary Frostburg Lions All-Star they came out here and did this to- 22 points in the opening stanza to total points for the West Virginia All-Basketball Classic at Frostburg State gether. This will be relationships they help give West Virginia a 22-14 ad-Stars. University on April 24 and three will remember throughout the rest of vantage over Maryland.

West Virginia's Zach Hill won the opening tip against Maryland's Nathaniel Washington.

lead of 39-33.

Moorefield's Dean Keplinger knocked down a 3-pointer during the second period and added another Hill garnered ten of his game-high field goal in the fourth period for five

"I was very proud and it was a



members of the Yellow Jackets boys basketball squad assisted in the victory along with fellow Potomac Valley Conference representatives.

The West Virginia Boys All-Stars team has won the Frostburg Lions Classic 19 times dating back to its first win in the second year of the competition in 1982.

There was no girls game for the fourth straight season (pandemic past two years), but Team West Virginia Girls squads have won the classic 19 times as well dating back to the inaugural season in 1981.

Union's Bridgette Knapp had received a call to be one of the West Virginia Girls All-Star representatives before the game was cancelled.

West Virginia Boys All-Stars unit was led by state tournament bound Pendleton County coach Jeremy Bodkin and a pair of his Wildcats seniors were on the team: Cole Day and Tanner Townsend.

"It was great. It's about these seniors. It's their last hoorah. We came out and they've played with each other before. They've played against

their lives," West Virginia coach Jeremy Bodkin commented.

The Frostburg Lions All-Star Basketball Classic recognizes seniors from West Virginia and Western Maryland.

Moorefield seniors selected to the West Virginia All-Star team were Dean Keplinger, Ryan McGregor Stars with 21 points and was selected and Coleman Mongold.

Joining those Yellow Jackets along with the Pendleton County contingent were Petersburg's Slade Saville, Frankfort's Bryson Lane, Keyser's Hunter Van Pelt and Hampshire's Zach Hill.

The Maryland All-Stars included Allegany's Solomon Green, Fort Hill's Bryce Schadt, Northern's Tyler Yoder, Austin Hinebaugh and Jeffrey Eyler, Mountain Ridge's Nathaniel Washington and Colin Lowery, plus Southern's Ethan Glotfelty.

Team Maryland was coached by Mountain Ridge's Dave Hobe.

There was some rust in the game baseball or track for the past several

Hill was recognized as the Frostburg Lions All-Star Classic Tourna-

ment MVP for Team West Virginia. Maryland stayed in the game with five points apiece from Nathaniel Washington and Tyler Yoder in the first period.

Washington led the Maryland Allas the MVP for Team Maryland.

Pendleton County's Cole Day netted four points in the first period en route to a total of a dozen markers for the game and fellow Wildcat Tanner Townsend added three more points in the opening frame leading to 11 total points.

Moorefield's Coleman Mongold was the first Yellow Jacket player to score for Team West Virginia with a jumper plus one free throw made in the first period of action en route to a total of eight points.

Maryland's Colin Lowry notched all 13 of his points in the second period including 3-pointers thrice to as players have been involved in help close the gap against West Virginia with a 19-17 edge in that frame months, but they played with deter- resulting in West Virginia's halftime

good opportunity. It was a fun time to play with former teammates and players I played against. It was fun. We know how to play the game, so we meshed together pretty well. We didn't practice before this game. I mean, I didn't shoot the best, but I had fun playing. It felt pretty good to win, especially since we beat them as much as we did. The lead kept growing and I didn't realize it," West Virginia player Dean Keplinger remarked

Moorefield's Ryan McGregor scored inside the paint in the second period for the West Virginia All-Stars and added another bucket in the final stanza for four total points.

"It was very exciting. It was nice to come here and represent our school well and win. It was pretty interesting [PVC teammates] and we played well together. It was definitely fun, but I may not have shot as well as I wanted. I've been playing baseball for three months, so that made a difference," West Virginia player Ryan McGregor stated.

The Moorefield Boys Basketball representatives for the Frostburg Lions All-Star Classic Team West Virginia were Ryan McGregor, Dean Keplinger and Coleman Mongold.

during a halftime speech as the West Virginia All-Stars came out in the third period outscoring Maryland 23-9 with a balanced scoring attack.

Frankfort's Bryson Lane led West Virginia in the third period with six points, while Hill, Townsend and Saville added four points apiece.

Washington added five of the nine Maryland points in the third period.

Hill paced the West Virginia All-Stars with six points in the fourth period, followed by Mongold with five points including a trifecta.

Keplinger, McGregor, Lane, Saville and Townsend pitched in two Coach Bodkin fired up the team points each in the final frame for

West Virginia holding a 21-19 edge over Maryland.

Maryland All-Stars were guided by Washington with nine points in the fourth period including a trey, followed by Eyler with six points.

Maryland and West Virginia recorded eight perimeter baskets apiece for the contest.

The 40th Anniversary Frostburg Lions All-Star Basketball Classic might have been lopsided in favor of the Mountain State, but the seniors displayed good sportsmanship and had a joyful time in their final curtain call on the hardwood in front of family and friends at Frostburg State University.

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### **Cougars Baseball beats Pocahontas County**

### Sager to J.W. Teets.

Franklin Burgess smoked a single into left field for the Warriors, stole second base and an errant pickoff attempt at third base put him in scoring position.

Mongold prevented the score by throwing a strikeout to Jamie Vandevender.

East Hardy's Nate Smith began the bottom half of the second inning with a blooper single over second base then Mongold fired a grounder into left field for a single.

The Warriors failed at a pickoff before a balk moved the runners for a scoring opportunity.

Gabe Henderson plated one run on an error as the Cougars went up 3-0.

East Hardy's Nate Smith notched an RBI fielder's choice putting runners on the corners.

Long issued a walk to Noah Sager to load the bases for the Cougars, then Price created a run with the help of an error.

East Hardy commandeered a 6-nil advantage as Noah Sager scored on a double play grounder by Teets and the inning ended on a flyout by Logan Sager.

Nacota Smith and Armstrong reached the pond on errors for the Warriors, then Ben Dunz hit an RBI single into right field.

Dunz was thrown out at second base during a steal attempt moments before Long recorded an RBI groundout on a ball fielded by first baseman Nate Smith, cutting the deficit to 6-2.

Mongold escaped the inning with a strikeout on Hendrick.

Swisher was hit by a pitch in the bottom of the third inning for the Cougars and stole around to third base on pickoff errors before Nate Smith drew a walk.

Mongold hit a laser caught by first baseman David Gibb for the first out.

Long pitched strikeouts to Henderson and Noah Sager to prevent the scoring threat.

Gibb flew out to Henderson in center field to kickoff the fourth inning for Pocahontas County and the second out came moments later as J.W. Teets snatched a line drive.

East Hardy pitcher Jordan Teets issued walks to Burgess and Vandevender, then got out of the jam with a strikeout to Nacota Smith.

The Cougars scored five runs in the fourth inning to create an 11-2 advantage starting with a double rocketed to center field by Brandon Jones.

East Hardy had some fun in the dugout with a makeshift radar gun indicating the pitches were coming real slow and the camaraderie kept building.

After a flyout by Price, J.W. Teets hit a sharp grounder into left field for a single.

East Hardy's Logan Sager notched an RBI sacrifice fly for a 7-2 lead. Jordan Teets hit a single into left field for the Cougars, then Smith was issued a walk to load the bases.

East Hardy's Levi Mongold hammered a bases clearing triple into right field for a 10-2 score.

Henderson added an RBI single as the Cougars extended the lead 11-2 before a flyout by Noah Sager ended the frame.

Price caught a pop-up by Armstrong to begin the fifth inning, then Ben Dunz smashed a double for the Warriors past right fielder Noah Sager twisting to look for the ball.

Jordan Teets countered with backto-back strikeouts to retire the side.

Jones singled into right field to start the bottom of the fifth inning for the Cougars and stole second base prior to advancing to third base on a groundout by Price.

J.W. Teets was thrown out at first base on a dropped third strike, but Jones stayed at third base on the play.

During Logan Sager's at-bat, Jones scored on a passed ball for the game winning run to seal the 12-2 victory.

East Hardy collected five runs in the second and third innings apiece en route to a 13-3 win in the second contest of the doubleheader over the Warriors

East Hardy pitcher Jordan Teets threw four innings allowing two hits and tossed five strikeouts, then Damien Dellinger came in for relief for one-third of an inning issuing four walks and one hit.

A.J. Swisher recorded the save for the Cougars over the last two-thirds of the fifth inning.

East Hardy's Logan Sager launched a bases loaded fly ball in the first inning which was caught in left field, but an error allowed Noah Sager to score the first run of the game.

Going to the bottom of the second inning after Jordan Teets induced two groundouts and his third strikeout of the contest, East Hardy was ready to splash on the pond for five runs.

Levi Mongold reached base on an error and Henderson was hit by a pitch for the initial baserunners.

East Hardy's Noah Sager delivered a two-run producing single with the assistance of a wild throw.

After a fielder's choice hit by Jones, Price plated two runs on an RBI single in center field and advanced on an error for a 5-nil lead.

Price stole third base and scored on an error to add to the Cougars advantage

East Hardy's Kollin Quarles doubled into left field with two outs and was left on the pond with a groundout.

Pocahontas County got on the scoreboard in the third inning as Ben Dunz crushed an RBI double into right field, 6-1.

The Cougars got that run back and then some with a total of five runs scored in the third inning starting with Henderson hitting an RBI groundout to plate Mongold, who

doubled moments earlier. Noah Sager and Jones were hit by

pitches and Price drew a walk to load the bases.

East Hardy's J.W. Teets hammered a two-run producing single into left field and advanced to second base on a late throw towards home for a 9-1 lead.

Price and Teets scored on wild pitches to put the Cougars ahead 11-1.

East Hardy's Brandon Jones belted a two-RBI triple into right field during the fourth inning to create a 13-1 advantage.

Dellinger allowed two bases loaded walks giving Pocahontas County two runs in the fifth inning with two outs.

Swisher came in to close the game earning a save as Cougars shortstop Dawson Price turned a game-ending double play over to third baseman Nate Smith.

East Hardy improves to 5-14 on the season and visited Berkeley Springs for the Clatterbuck Tournament on Saturday.

The Cougars host Pendleton County tonight, then visit Keyser tomorrow and have the regular season home finale against Tucker County on Friday.