



Power in their palms: Kids Market at the Store empowers youth

By Milda M. Mullins
Moorefield Examiner

Putting the power of choice in kids' hands, WVU Extension is in the middle of a new program called "Kids Market at the Store."

WVU's family nutrition program, under WVU Extension, partnered with Mountaineer Food Bank on the program, which places small stand-up markets stocked with vegetables at area stores for participating kids.

County youth participating in the program are given tokens equating \$20 they can use to buy the produce.

Originally planned for tokens totaling \$5 a week, Hardy County

youth are getting a boost from Mountaineer Food Bank, which is supporting an extra \$15 per family to buy the fruit and vegetables they choose.

According to WVU Extension Family Nutrition Program Coordinator Vicki Fertig, 500 applications came in from families across Hardy County. The program funding supports only 100 kids — the current amount participating in the program — though Fertig said the need and desire to participate is clearly high.

"It's a great way for the kids to make their own choices and that encourages them to try new fresh fruits and vegetables if they get to pick it themselves," said Fertig.

There are two county stores hosting the children's market: Hardman's Hardware in Moorefield and A Corner Mart in Baker.

Both stores have market stalls set up for children to use. Representatives from both stores said they're happy to participate and praised the program.

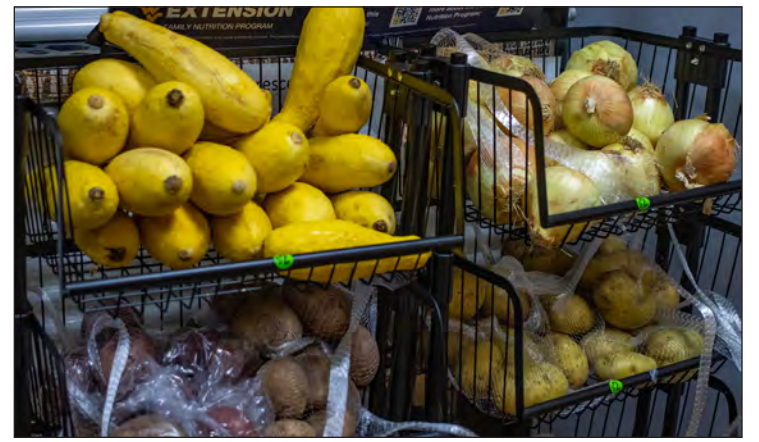
"We just haven't been, I guess through all this COVID stuff, we haven't been involved in community events as much. We wanted to get back involved and we thought this would be a great way. We want to help the community in the ways we can," said Hardman's Hardware manager Will Runion.

"Quite a few families and kids signed up from this side. Outside of helping, I think it allows the kids to understand they can come (to the store), it gives them value with spending money, and it's value to them because it's fresh produce."

Jean McCann, who provides customer service at A Corner Mart, echoed these sentiments and noted the program would be good to do year-round.

"I think it's a great thing because it teaches the kids responsibility about money, it gives them a chance to be part of the community... They love doing it, too, and it gives them

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Photos by Milda M. Mullins

The same fruits and vegetables are carried at both Hardman's Hardware and A Corner Mart.

Circuit Court had busy day Friday

By Jean A. Flanagan
Special to Examiner

Often the wheels of justice turn slowly. Such was the case on Friday, July 15 in Hardy County Circuit Court. Judge H. Charles Carl III presided over more than a dozen cases, several of which were continued.

Ian Coppe-Ridgeway, 30, of Wardsville, was scheduled to plead guilty to attempted burglary. He was originally indicted on one count of felony burglary and several misdemeanor violations, stemming from a Sept. 2021 incident.

Judge Carl cleared the courtroom so that Coppe-Ridgeway and his attorney, Grant Sherman, could discuss the plea agreement.

According to the agreement, if Coppe-Ridgeway pleaded guilty to attempted burglary, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney H. Orrin Stagers III would dismiss the remaining charges in the indictment and not pursue the recidivism statute. Coppe-Ridgeway has numerous felony convictions, according to Stagers.

The West Virginia Recidivism Statute, also known as the "Three Strikes, You're Out" law, says if a felon is convicted of a second felony, time can be added to the sentence. If a felon is convicted a third time, they can be sentenced to life in prison.

When court resumed, Coppe-Ridgeway agreed to

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Damage at Wardsville Town Park



Guide to handling emergencies and additional storm photos are featured on page 8

Road projects occur across the county

By Milda M. Mullins
Moorefield Examiner

Division of Highways District 5, which covers Hardy, Hampshire, Grant, Berkeley, Jefferson, Mineral, and Morgan counties, is supervising several projects across Hardy County.

The eastern edge of the county, from east of Wardsville to the Virginia line, will get 3.3 miles of new paving. The paving will cost just over \$806,000, which was the initial bid amount, and is expected to conclude the end of July.

District 5 construction engineer Daniel Watts said the cost may change by the project's end based on price changes in the current economy, though the Division of Highways has a safeguard in place for paving projects.

Despite rising costs, Watts said the fluctuating prices of fuel and asphalt are tempered by a fund and calculation process that adjusts the money given to contractors for those price changes.

"Not to get too deep into this, but we do have a mechanism in place that adjusts for fuel and asphalt. It could add and take away; I've seen it go both ways. If we would let that project today take bids, the prices you are seeing would be more because of today's prices," he explained.

"What you don't see is that number in the end because of that difference in price now versus what it was

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Mathias-Baker VFC holds Family Fun Day, talks funding need

By Milda M. Mullins
Moorefield Examiner

Mathias Baker Volunteer Fire Company held their second annual Family Fun Day at their station in Mathias on Saturday, July 9.

Live old time music from community members filled the station while

attendees played bingo, enjoyed ice cream and cotton candy, and played a host of small games. Even Smokey the Bear attended.

Proceeds from the event go to the fire department, and will likely purchase gear to outfit firefighters and towards a new brush truck the company needs, according to Fire Chief

Lara Gosnell. Gosnell shared how events and fundraisers like Family Fun Day contribute to the fire company and provide funds the department critically needs.

"We're 100 percent volunteers and we're doing it all for the community. We don't get any kick backs.

That's a common misconception, but we don't get any kick backs for this. We do this because we like to and because we care about our community," said Gosnell.

"We also do not get any of the ambulance fee. That's another big misconception. None of the fire department

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From left to right, Jennings Shell, Sonja Shell, Ruth Miller, and Mary Houdyshell are all Mathias Baker Volunteer Fire Company volunteers who helped with food and snacks.



Photos by Milda M. Mullins

From left to right, musicians JJ Riley, Eddie Keplinger, Bob Richardson, and Johnny Conley played old time music. The band was organized by Lowell Mathias of Mathias.



Mathias Baker Volunteer Fire Company Chief Lara Gosnell holds her month-old nephew, Tucker Whetzel.



Gage Dove of Mathias tosses coins in cups at a game station during Family Fun Day.

Alleging Sexual Misconduct...

Two Hardy County Prosecutors Office Employees to Bring Civil Action Against Prosecutor Lucas See

By Ken Bustin
Moorefield Examiner

With an active member of the Sheriff's Department the subject of two open criminal investigations and a Circuit Judge under review for possible misconduct, Hardy County seems poised to make it a trifecta, as yet another official — County Prosecutor Lucas See — is about to be the subject of a civil action arising out of allegations of sexual misconduct.

Late last year, two members of the Prosecutor's Office staff, Jessica Liller and Laiken Shoemaker, alleged that See sexually harassed and sexually abused them. They were both placed on administrative leave for the duration of an investigation by West Virginia State Police. That investigation is ongoing, and two Special Prosecutors have been appointed to oversee the matter. Attorney Carl Harris of Glen Ferris, W.Va. declined to give any comment, saying that, "...you have someone closer to home you can talk to about it,..." while Attorney Pamela Jean Gaines-Neely of Kearneysville did not return phone calls by publication deadline.

Liller and Shoemaker also intended to file a civil action against See. Final drafts of the Complaint are being reviewed, and lawyers could file the lawsuit possibly as early as Monday, July 18. According to a letter to the Hardy County Commission on June 3 in an attempt to verify the schedule, Charleston attorney Mark Atkinson represents both women. Calls to him have not been returned.

The facts so far:

In December 2021, Liller and Shoemaker reported Hardy County Prosecutor Lucas See to West Virginia State Police, alleging improper behavior of a sexual nature, both verbal

and physical. An investigation was opened and remains ongoing, and two Special Prosecutors were named to handle the matter.

Upon notifying the Prosecutor's Office of their report, Liller and Shoemaker were immediately placed on administrative leave, and all of their keys and equipment collected. Despite being the subject of the complaint, See was not put on leave.

The Hardy County Commission called an emergency meeting on Dec. 23, with Assistant County Prosecutor Orin Stagers to discuss "personnel and a possible lawsuit." The discussion was conducted in executive session and no action was taken.

On March 1, 2022, Liller sent an email to the Commission advising them that she and Shoemaker "...reported Lucas See to the West Virginia State Police for verbal and physical sexual harassment."

Liller wrote, "The incidents of sexual harassment happened during work hours at various locations which include the Hardy County Courthouse. Upon reporting Mr. See, Miss Shoemaker and I were immediately placed on paid leave and all equipment and keys were collected from us. I feel it pertinent to let you know that both Miss Shoemaker and I offered to work from home prior to the Hardy County Prosecutors Office taking the equipment and our keys."

"I immediately felt violated again when we had to leave our place of employment when we were the victims in this matter. On Saturday the 26th I received a fourth letter from the Hardy County Prosecutors Office this time telling us that we could return to work but notifying us that Mr. See would still be there. We were told they would 'limit' the contact

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Wardsville Council to hold hearing over alcohol licenses

By Milda M. Mullins
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The Wardsville Town Council will hold a liquor licensing hearing at their next meeting Monday, Aug. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

According to Wardsville Mayor Betsy Orndoff-Sayers, the hearing is

a formality. The council intends to update current local licensing and town code to the same code as the State's, which includes expanded categories for licensing.

"We're changing town code and updating it to have our town licensing that pertains to alcohol match

what's in the state," she said, noting the cost would not also increase to match. "All the same policy and license and half the cost," Orndoff-Sayers added.

Currently under the W.Va. Alcohol and Beverage Control Administration (ABCA), operational fees are

\$100 per licensed location with State reactivation fees costing \$150. The hearing and the meeting are open to the public and will be in Wardsville's Town Hall at 25 Warrior Way.

Visit the ABCA website at <https://abca.wv.gov> for info on state code and liquor licensing requirements.

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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

In the June 29th Examiner, Fran Welton wonders whether the Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* really eliminated a woman's right to choose. Fran argues that because women can still take measures to prevent pregnancy (e.g., contraception and abstinence), that they still have the right to choose avoiding abortion. This is a worrying argu-

ment because it makes two faulty assumptions: that women are in full control of when/where they become pregnant and that contraception or abstinence are absolute protections against pregnancy.

Since West Virginia's trigger law bans all abortions, except to protect the life of the mother or unborn child, what choice does a woman have when contraception fails? Or when her pregnancy is caused by incest,

rape, or sexual assault? What choice does she have when her unborn child suffers from a fatal abnormality and can't survive outside the womb? The *Dobbs* decision and WV's trigger law leave these women no choice at all.

While I believe the decision to abort is best left to a woman and her doctor, not government, the above scenarios highlight a very important point: The reasons behind a woman's decision to seek abortion are nu-

anced, personal, and often prompted by forces beyond her control. I hope Gov. Jim Justice and the West Virginia legislature appreciate this nuance when they consider changing the State's 100+ year old trigger law in an upcoming special session.

John Rosato
Lost City

Personal income tax cut could hurt more than help

Sometimes we wonder just what kind of advisors Governor Justice keeps around him. His latest promise — which we would assume was put out with his advisors' approval — was the announcement that he was proposing a 10% personal income tax cut.

Think about that. We mean, really think about it. Here's the richest man in West Virginia bragging about asking the Legislature for a 10 percent personal income tax cut. And just who do you think will benefit the most? Why the governor, of course! Except that he isn't very good about paying his taxes in the first place.

It's true that if the Legislature approves the governor's request that we all will benefit "some" from a 10 percent income tax break. But before the legislators vote to approve this recommendation we would like to know, first of all, what state programs will lose funding so Justice can brag about a tax cut that will benefit him so much more than the rest of us?

Let's see what else encouraged Justice to ask for this tax cut. . . . He tried to reduce personal income taxes by 60% (Sixty!!) last year. It was rejected by the House. Then the House passed a 10% tax cut this March, but it didn't make it through the Senate. Justice says that his proposal would put \$254 million back in our pockets. Sounds good, but that isn't going to be very much for most of the 1.77 million people who live and pay taxes here.

So we divided the \$254 million by one million seven hundred and seventy thousand and got \$143.50 for each state resident. As we said, not much considering the hundreds and even thousands you pay in income taxes.

Plus there's still no public discussion by the Governor about how his reduced funding for state programs, agencies and organizations will be replaced. Or are we just looking at wiped-out funding along with wiped-out programs?

We would like to know if education programs will be cut, or children's health programs, or any other program that actually helps the people of West Virginia. And we sure as heck hope that our elected delegates and senators will have answers to those questions before they give that stamp of approval for an income tax reduction.

Most West Virginians don't mind paying fair taxes as long as they know where the money is going and if it is helping those who often can't help themselves.

It would also be nice if the governor would say that he was not going to take the tax break — if, that is, it gets passed by the Legislature.

Delegate Bryan Ward and our two state senators, Randy Smith and Dave Sybolt, will be watched closely if this "tax cut" makes it to the Legislature.

MY UNBASED OPINION

By DAVID O. HEISHMAN

March 3, 2022 issue of the Moorefield Examiner carried My Unbased Opinion about a new grapple I'd bought from Sions' Equipment in Moorefield. It's an attachment for my tractor's front loader that I can use to gather and help dispose of all sorts of old debris around my Big House Farm. So far I've used it to load old rotted lumber from dismantled farm buildings, pile and carry Sycamore branches from the pasture below Big House and carry brush from a hay field recently bought from my cousin.

Tuesday, July 12, 2022 the Big Wind blew. Straight, West to East. Alarm warning on my iPhone said to expect 80 mile per hour winds. They arrived in a blast short moments later.

From the concrete walk outside Big House's back kitchen door, I watched a major branch break off and blow out of the top of the large, old Walnut tree under which our family Johnny house toilet sat when I attended elementary school. Pap used to give me a 25 cent reward for every

Allegheny Red Squirrel (Fairy Diddle) I shot out of that tree with my Daisy Red Ryder BB gun. He hated them because they got into his meat house and ruined cured hams.

A double Hackberry, trunks about 20 inches in diameter, standing beside the Walnut, uprooted with a crackling roar. They were saplings when I used to sit beside them reading the Sears Roebuck catalogs we used for toilet paper. As they fell, their root ball strained guy wires bracing farm's electrical transformer pole. I'll call the power company about a check-up.

Most top branches broke off and blew out of top of another big walnut standing by my green buildings, farm shop and machine shed. I'd built my first tree house on one of its lower limbs probably 65 years ago.

Rootball of a 60-foot-long Walnut, marked as a sideline tree between my farm and adjacent Reymann Memorial Farm, raised attached high-tensile fence wires six feet off the

ground when it blew over. I worked on clearing it first to keep Tommy Rinar's cattle on my place from straying. For as long as I can remember that tree had stood as a boundary marker visible from Big House's back yard.

Near that Walnut, a grove of mixed trees in a wet place has required clean-ups and clearing outs for as long as I can remember. A group of three hickories, a 14-inch, an 18-inch and a 24-inch all up-rooted together. Two Sycamores, each at least two feet trunk diameter, lay across rotting trunks of others which have fallen before. Another grove of shade trees upstream lost a large sycamore which fell beside a pile of driftwood washed down by past floods.

Sycamores in good moist sites grow quickly to great size. Shallow root systems leave them vulnerable to high winds. Over past 30 years at least five have gone down within 50 yards of my Doghouse cabin. Tuesday's wind brought down another.



EXAMINER SAYS

Welcome

Please take care of yourselves and pay attention to those around you in public places. COVID is NOT a thing of the past. You, your children and your extended family and friends are all candidates for getting that disease, carrying it and sharing it, even unintentionally. Masks are still good in public and shots can really help fight the disease. You surely don't want to be responsible for carrying

COVID or its subsidiaries to your family and friends. Please be safe!

To Poultry Week

That was some storm we had the afternoon of July 12. The East side of the county got hit harder than the West side. Most of the damage was trees brought down, limbs blown off, fences and some structures hit. We were lucky here in Moorefield not to have been hit as hard as some of our neighbors. To our knowledge there

were no human injuries or deaths. In that we truly were lucky. Our friends who pay attention to such things tell us that the stormy season is not over, so keep an eye on weather forecasts, warning tones or whatever you use to keep informed.

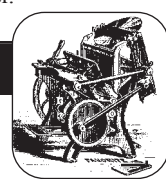
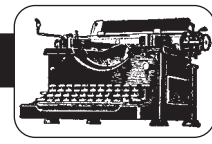
Even the Reduced Version

By the way, the only good thing about a storm-leveled tree is if you have a wood stove or fireplace, are handy with a chain saw, and have

some friends to help cut and stack. David will probably write about it, but he estimated the farm lost between 25 and 30 big trees. That number is both heartbreaking and overwhelming.

We still support Poultry

The Parade this week may be the largest gathering of people. Distance yourself from others and if you can't then please use a mask. It will keep you and others safer.



GLANCING BACKWARD

FROM THE MOOREFIELD EXAMINER ARCHIVES

Fifteen Years Ago July 18, 2007

Hillary Clinton's visit to Moorefield hit some bumps. The dedication of Mountain Medical was changed to an hour earlier.

The Poultry Convention was canceled due to avian influenza, but the fun events were still a 'go.' The Kiddie Parade, the big parade down Main Street, the chicken Bar-B-Q, golf tournament, turkey shoot and tournament riding were to be held.

A private housing development and a new school were under construction based on the expected sewer system that did not get started.

Planning director Mickey Carr resigned to return to private industry. The main reason was salary.

Bessie Mae Whetsel Wilkins, 94, Mathias, died July 7...Judy Wilson Schaidt, 64, Winchester, died March 12...Wendell E. Funkhouser, 81, Lost City, died May 28...Donald William Yankey, 70, Criders, died July 5.

Nicholas Alexander Murphy was born July 3 to Violet L. Evans...Hunter Ray Mongold was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Mongold on June 10.

Thirty Years Ago July 15, 1992

The County Commission voted not to hire a county planner.

The Town of Moorefield expressed concern over the smell from WLR's rendering plant. The poultry processor assured residents they would find a solution.

Dixie T. Bean and Betsy Orndoff-Sayers were sworn in as new members of the Board of Education.

Poultry princesses from Hardy County were Jainee Tinker, Theresa L. Funk, Jenny Arbaugh, Angela Rogers, Bridget Dawn Miller, Beth Ely, Lori Crites, Becky Sindy, Michelle Griffen, Rebecca Carrie Miller, Marti Dolly, Melanie Zirk, Tanya R. Crites, Tasha Keller, Jodi Anne Dolly, Kim Hose, Kimberly Eye, Amy Sue Evans, Allison Snyder and Amber Perkins.

Welton Orndoff resigned as mayor of Wardsville to take a job in Pennsylvania.

Christine Cyr Charlton, 44, Alexandria, died July 2...Ralph Dale Davis, 55, Elk Garden, died July 9...Robert Alston Ford, 87, died July 9...Lawrence Haggerty, 54, died July 11...Justine Hilliard Redman, 54, died July 9...Clyde Paxton Snyder, 80, Fisher, died July 7.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Connors, a son...to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson, a son.

Forty-five Years Ago July 20, 1977

With a gift of rare historical material from the late Hamilton Gamble Grady and a move to larger quarters, the Hardy County Public Library was posed to become a center for historical research.

Ralph J. Bean, chairman of Moorefield's Bicentennial announced plans for the celebration the first week of August.

County poultry princesses were Lana Alexander, Kristi Carr, Jennifer Kay Fraley, Cathy Funkhouser, Cindy Funkhouser, Cyndy Hartman, Pam Hartman, Beth Hefner, Kathy Hinkle, Michele Jones, Penny Jones, Sharon Parker, Shirley Pitzer, Elizabeth Riggelman, Karen Riggelman, Margaret Schell, Cindy Sites and Denise Ann Zirk.

M. Garnet Delawder, 63, Broadway, died July 15...John T. Crippen, Annapolis, Md., died July 9...William Blair Cain, 68, died July 18.

Lynn Fleming and Robert Cullers were married July 17... Debra V. Plaugher and Douglas A. Tharp were married July 18.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Sine, a son, Shane Edward...to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Riggelman, a son, William Douglas II.

Sixty Years Ago July 18, 1962

"Miss Majorette of America" was to be the parade marshal for the Poultry Parade...Gov. Wally Barron was to crown the Poultry Queen.

Atlantic Seaboard was to enlarge the Lost River Compressor Station with an additional 1,320 horsepower at a cost of \$365,000.

The state advertised for bids on the watershed dam at Dice's Run in Pendleton County.

Mayor William D. Grafton qualified as a Justice of the Peace before the County Court.

Poultry princesses from Hardy County were Judy Sine, Susan Shobe, Diane Hazard, Phyllis Bergdoll, Kay Judy Harper, Ruthie Westfall, Christine Harper, Pat Reynolds, Barbara Schell and Deborah Sindy.

Haven Dwight Riggelman, 24, was killed in a freak accident July 11...Roy C. Bean, 72, Bean's Settlement, died July 10...Jesse T. Braford, 61, Burlington, died July 6...Arthur Miller Judy, North Manchester, Ind., died on July 3.

Patricia Joyce Mays and Richard Hamilton Thorp were married July 13...Linda Kay Thomas and Edmund L. Gossard were married July 12...Meda Wilson and Dewey H. Shifflet were married June 25...Linda Kay Dispanet and Nola Richardson See were married June 8.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Kotz II, a son, David Wayne...to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allen, a daughter.

Seventy-five Years Ago July 23, 1947

The Forest Service was initiating a plan to solve flooding problems by improving land management prac-

es. A budget of \$6,600 had been allocated for the five-county area.

More than 300 attended the Field Day at Reymann Memorial Farms.

Enrollment at Camp Pinnacle reached 108, the largest of any camp in recent years.

The Veterans Cafe opened in the home of Emma Jones in Henkel's Central Addition.

Only 3 cases of poliomyelitis had been reported in the state. Health officials warned citizens to be alert to symptoms.

Frances Lee Heishman, 63, Lost River, died July 12...Charles C. Heishman, 62, Wardsville, died July 15. A former member of the House of Delegates, he was a prime mover in getting the John Marshall Highway (Route 55) built through Wardsville to Moorefield and west...Jesse Welton Halterman, 48, Ridgeley, died July 17.

Frances Miles Rotruck and Peter J. Hornbach, Jr. were married July 20...Olene F. Evans and Marvin W. Bean were married July 16. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Taylor, a son.

Ninety Years Ago July 21, 1932

Capon Springs had been sold at public auction. Louis Austin of Philadelphia, president of the Capon Water Company, had purchased it for \$16,500.

I.L. Park had been appointed by the Council to collect old water bills and taxes, some of which had been running for years. Because of the state of the Town's finances it was necessary to shut off the services where bills were not paid.

Capt. P.W. Clarke and Lt. Raymond Orndorff had returned after two weeks' training at Fort Thomas.

Mary A. Mathias, 84, Mathias, died at home. Ed Funkhouser of Moorefield had been buried at Cedar Hill. B.F. Barbe of Woodstock had died.

Mildred Carroll Huffman and Calvin Ernest Swift had been married. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Wrathford, a son...to Mr. and Mrs.

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NEWS

Keyser, Dent Recognized with Honorary State FFA Degrees

During the 94th Annual West Virginia State FFA Convention, Trey Keyser, local Farm Credit Loan Officer, and Cody Dent, Moorefield FFA Advisor, were recognized for their dedication to agriculture...

Degree in the local chapter, and Honorary State FFA Degree in the state association. Trey Keyser has been an asset across the region. He provides major assistance to programs on multiple fronts...



From left to right, Cody Dent, Moorefield High School FFA advisor, and Trey Keyser, Farm Credit Loan Officer

raise sheep and beef cattle. Keyser says his passion for the FFA started young, when his father served as an Agricultural Education instructor and FFA Advisor in Broadway, Va.

Cody Dent is originally from Burlington, W.Va., and currently resides in Mozer, W.Va. with his fiancé Brooke on her family cattle farm.

He completed his Master's degree in Secondary Education and undergraduate in Agriculture Education through WVU. During his tenure, he has had 14 students earn their American FFA Degrees...

Wardensville Class of 1959

63rd Reunion held June 4 at Town Park

The Wardensville Class of 1959 celebrated their 63rd reunion on June 4 with a picnic at the Town Park in Wardensville.

The deceased were honored. They are Arnold Cline, Preston Combs,

Ruth Calhoun, Wendell Parker, Earl Combs, Karl Ludwig, Betty Rudy, Billy Funkhouser and Joyce Iden.

Those present were Dr. James and Marilyn Fridley, Bobbi and Carolyn Brooks, Norman and Linda Smith,

Bud and Betty Wilkins, Alfred and Carolyn Ludwig, Delores Vetter, Arnold Fishel, Bill Tharpe, Winnie Alexopulas, Dwight Wilkins, and Janet Kelley.

MAYOR'S CORNER

BY CAROL ZUBER, MAYOR OF MOOREFIELD

Looks like WE made it: I have completed my first year as Mayor of Moorefield. This past year has been an awesome, scary and difficult year.

a flowerpot, the committee would fill it with flowers. On May 2, 2022, a group of volunteers met at Carla's Garden and filled over 60 flowerpots that morning.

Hardy Increasing OneNet Broadband Speeds After \$1 Million Upgrade

Hardy Telecommunications is increasing its OneNet standard broadband speeds at no extra cost as it completes a \$1 million upgrade to its network. The new standard speeds are set to take effect August 15, 2022.

"We initially planned to increase our speeds last year, but the supply chain and inflationary issues have impacted our projects just like they've hit so many Americans," said Derek Barr...

Barr stressed that the faster speeds are available only for OneNet customers. Hardy OneNet is the company's fiber network, which brings fiber-optic connections directly to customers' homes.

Starting August 15, 2022, Hardy's OneNet standard speeds will increase for each of its packages. The current 30/15 Mbps package (30 Mbps download/15 Mbps upload) will increase to 100/50 Mbps; the current

50/25 Mbps package will increase to 150/75 Mbps; and the 100/50 Mbps package will increase to 300/150 Mbps.

The company has been working diligently to achieve the faster speeds since it announced last year that it would increase its broadband offering.

"It took much longer to receive the equipment needed in our offices and remote sites," Barr said. "The supply chain problem held us back.

"Simply put, an Internet provider must have equipment and lasers to generate the light signals and deliver the data over the fiber infrastructure.

Barr said the entire project, including equipment, materials and labor,

amounts to about \$1 million.

"It's expensive and a big investment for a small company, but we're committed to providing a state-of-the-art service for our customers," he said.

Prices for the standard packages are not changing at this time. Barr said Hardy has seen the same inflationary price increases for its critical equipment and TV broadcast rights.

"Everyone is affected by rising prices, so we're trying to do our part to help," he said. "We're continuing to invest, expand our network and plan for upgrades...

Barr said the faster speeds are delivered to the OneNet equipment in the customer's home. Factors such as the capabilities of customer devices, the number of devices on a home network and whether a device is wired or wireless can affect a customer's experience.

"Wired connections are more reli-

able and stable. The faster the speed, the shorter the distance it will travel as a wireless connection, so router coverage in the home plays a factor," he said.

Barr said any customers having issues with the faster speeds effective August 15, 2022, should call Hardy's business office at 304-897-9911 or 304-530-5000.

Hardy Telecommunications, Inc., a member of NTCA – The Rural Broadband Association, is a non-profit cooperative dedicated to bringing affordable broadband internet service to the citizens of Hardy County and surrounding areas.

NEWS BRIEFS

The Hardy County Chamber of Commerce has set a deadline of Aug. 1 for this year's Annual Awards nominations. More information is available online about the nomination forms and tickets to the dinner.

A judge in West Virginia's capital struck down a law that would have funneled state money into a program that incentivized families to pull their children out of K-12 public schools.

World hunger rose in 2021, with around 2.3 billion people facing moderate or severe difficulty obtaining enough to eat -- and that was before the Ukraine war, which has

sparked increases in the cost of grain, fertilizer and energy, according to a U.N. report released last week. "The most recent evidence available suggests that the number of people unable to afford a healthy diet around the world rose by 112 million to almost 3.1 billion...

"The most recent evidence available suggests that the number of people unable to afford a healthy diet around the world rose by 112 million to almost 3.1 billion, reflecting the impacts of rising consumer food prices during the (COVID-19) pandemic," the heads of five U.N. agencies that published the report said in the forward.

According to AAA July 13, the

average price for regular gas in West Virginia was down to \$4.677 per gallon. The national gas price average was down to \$4.631 per gallon. Pump prices declined again, falling another 12 cents since last week to \$4.67. The dip in the national average for a gallon of gas occurred despite a slight rise in demand, likely due to robust July 4th holiday automobile travel.

Wardensville was \$4.66.

FRAN WONDERS

BY FRAN WELTON

Biden/Dems Scams make me wonder, and there are oh so many of them. The first one is of what used to be worded as the One World Order, attributed to George Soros...

What a stupid idea for this day and age. I wonder if the whole world is ready for one leader, president, commander or dictator. I wonder if the idea of setting up all the rules and laws and expecting the whole world with multiple cultures to comply isn't a very infantile idea.

The Black Lives Matter movement is another recent Biden/Dems supported Scam that made me wonder. Just who did that organization benefit? I wonder if we will ever know where all the money went that

was donated by well-intentioned Americans or scammers looking for a handout or political support. The riots of recent years are another scam that I wonder about.

Our southern border illegal invasion scam of immigrants/migrants I wonder about. Who is making more money from that invasion? Is it China with all the money that is being funneled into their economy from the Mexican cartels' drug business, or the Mexican government, maybe even other South American governments?

Defunding the Police population across the country is another scam wonder. Who are the winners in this

scam? Freeing or not, legally prosecuting the criminal population is another scam that is hurting the little guy consumers across the country.

American companies gouging consumers by charging more for less product packaged in altered sized containers: check your toothpaste tube. The energy crises, Green New Deal, proposed alternation of farming production, pushing worldwide vegetarian practices, shipping U.S. Medical/Medication production to China, China purchasing multiple acres of U.S. land for their Cannabis production are more Biden/Dems scam wonders.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Campground Hosts Needed: Calling all campers! Ever think you want to try your hand at a different type of volunteer position? If you or someone you know might be interested in spending a month or two as campground hosts for Trout Pond Recreation Area in July/August or September, please contact Stephanie Chapman at the number below.

Eastern Open House: Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College is hosting an Open House on its campus from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20. Staff will provide campus tours and answer questions about academic and workforce training programs.

financial aid options, and more. Free food and refreshments provided. Eastern is located at 316 Eastern Drive in Moorefield (off U.S. 48/Corridor H between the Moorefield and East Moorefield exits).

WVAG July Visit: Richard Dennis, a W.Va. Attorney General representative, will meet Hardy County residents on July 20 to discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions.

EH Elementary Registration: East Hardy Elementary School will hold new student registration for the 2022-2023 school year on Wednesday, July 20, 2022.

ty card and any legal documents that pertain to custody or guardianship of student. Registration is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you have questions, please call East Hardy Elementary School at 304-897-5970.

Food School: The Hardy County Health Department will host Food School Aug. 1 at 6 p.m. at Moorefield High School. Registration is not required; all classes are first come first served.

Music In The Park: Free, family-friendly concert at Baker Park, Friday, Aug. 5 from 6-8:30 p.m. Pack a picnic, bring a lawn chair or a blanket and enjoy the music of Davis Bradley from Linden, Va. As a duo they highlight a variety

of local musical traditions. Their song selections are drawn from gospel, bluegrass, folk, old time, blues, and original compositions. All Hardy County Health Department guidelines will be followed.

Drug Awareness Week: The last week of August is drug overdose awareness week. Potomac Highlands Guild will host a drug overdose awareness walk on Saturday Aug. 27. The event will be from 5-8 pm. Participants will walk from the big clock on Main Street to the Park.

nity there is help available for those seeking help.

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

Flu and COVID Shots: The Hardy County Health Department will give free COVID vaccinations and booster shots. Call to schedule your appointments: 304-530-6355.

Dead Animals: The West Virginia Division of Highways has a policy regarding the pickup and disposal of dead animals. The DOH will only pick up carcasses on state owned highways and will not go on private property.

Spay and Neuter: Get the cat or dog spayed or neu-

tered! Spay Today, (Main Office: Charles Town) is our area's non-profit, reduced-fee spay and neuter program. Many participating vets over a wide area! Gift certificates can be bought and used later.

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

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

PERSPECTIVE

All Eyes on Ukraine: Why Ukraine Matters to W.Va.

By Nicole Yurcaba

As I sit down to write this, I face the same difficulty I have faced for weeks whenever I am asked to speak about or write about the current war in Ukraine: I do not know where to begin. Even after asking friend after friend – some Ukrainian, some Ukrainian diaspora, some not – “How do I begin?” and receiving a variety of answers, I still do not know where to start. Whatever I say or write seems useless and blank, and yet here I am.

Perhaps an analogy is the best place to start: Imagine one morning that as Hardy County residents you awaken in the middle of the night to roaring explosions, jets flying overhead, screams of crying children, your neighbor lying dead in the street. The leader of Maryland has ordered a “special operation” in West Virginia to topple the government and “de-Nazify” and “liberate” West Virginia from the “Nazi, drug-laden junta” in Charleston.

Some of you are laughing at this, saying “This would never happen.” If you’re laughing and saying that, perhaps you have separated yourself from the news, or perhaps you’ve watched Tucker Carlson too many times. I don’t know. However, for Ukrainian-Americans like me, analogies like this are far too real, far too believable, because on Feb. 24, 2022, millions of us watched our ancestral homeland, our beloved and sacred Ukraine, begin suffering some of the most brutal violence seen in the world since World War II.

In 2014, after Russia illegally annexed Crimea, my cousin in Kyiv sent me an urgent, pleading message: “Don’t come. You won’t be safe here. We don’t know what’s going to happen, and as a Ukrainian and an American, you’d be taken first.” I’d been planning to attend university for my PhD in Ukrainian literature in Kyiv—a dream of mine since childhood. In 2019, as I traveled through Ukraine, I saw subtle hints of war everywhere—young men and women in military uniform on public trans-

port, memorials and museums to the war in the Donbas in various cities. I left Ukraine in 2019 thinking, “My home, my heart, I’ll see you in a couple years.”

I remember the morning of Feb. 24, 2022. I was visiting my parents in Mathias, scrolling through the early morning news as I poured a coffee. A single CNN headline stopped me: “RUSSIA INVADES UKRAINE.” For days – no, for years, actually, native and diasporic Ukrainians had been preparing for this moment. At first, I thought that the world had finally recognized Russia’s illegal annexation of Crimea and the war in the Donbas. However, I then saw a map where missile strikes had occurred. The names of familiar cities – Lviv, Kyiv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Odessa, and others glared at me.

“Tato,” I said, nearly weeping, to my father. “Russia invaded Ukraine.” From there, for our family, the nightmare unfolded, more and more, each and every day, as a world that said “Never again” stood back, watched, did nothing – all because Ukraine did not belong to NATO or the EU.

Just over 1 million Ukrainians and Ukrainian-identifying people live in the United States. As a Ukrainian American, I have always felt isolated, even more so in a rural state like West Virginia, especially as I balance two cultures’ expectations. Throughout my life, I’ve carried a sense of otherness because of my identity, remembering what my grandmother often told me when I was little: “You’re a Ukrainian. People will never understand.” Despite living in the United States, I prefer to keep the “old ways”—celebrating the Ukrainian holidays, maintaining Ukrainian traditions, practicing Ukrainian arts and crafts, speaking Ukrainian – more specifically Lemko – when I am with other Ukrainian Americans. However, after the war began, I felt even more isolated. In larger cities, communities rallied to support Ukraine and their Ukrainian communities by holding rallies, flying Ukrainian flags, and supporting Ukrainian businesses. I see few obvious signs of solidarity when I drive



through Hardy County, but in some ways I understand why the Ukrainian flags my parents and I fly at our houses are the only ones visible until Broadway or Harrisonburg. Ukraine is a country 6,000 miles away from West Virginia. For most people, it is a country synonymous with Russia and the Soviet Union. Approximately, only 1 in 8 Americans can identify Ukraine on a map or have heard of Ukraine, and what they do hear or read is influenced by the Russian propaganda published on social media and other media outlets.

When people in our area ask me “Why does Ukraine matter?” I grow angry and sad. For over two months, I have wept, and I have grieved, sometimes daily, alone, with my family, with other Ukrainian diaspora members whose stories are similar to mine. It is difficult to provide an objective answer. As my cousin Olia

told me just before she left Germany to enlist in the Ukrainian Armed Forces, “No one understands what it’s like to wake up one morning and you’re suddenly faced with the reality that you soon might not have a homeland.” On a personal level, if Ukraine does not exist, neither do I, and neither do my family members, the traditions we keep alive, or the language I keep hidden behind the perfect English I speak and my anglicized name. If Ukraine does not exist, then my cousins have no home, and if I ever have children, my children have no ancestral homeland to which to return.

Forgive me. This war is all too personal. From a geo-political perspective, Ukraine matters to the world and West Virginia for many reasons. Currently, Ukrainians are fighting for not only Ukraine’s freedom, but also the freedom that Europeans have

taken for granted for more than 70 years. From an economic and agricultural level, Ukraine matters because agriculture is Ukraine’s largest export. Ukraine harbors 41.5 million hectares of agricultural land covering 70% of the country and approximately 25% of the world’s black soil. As the “breadbasket of Europe,” Ukraine provides much of the globe with wheat. Because of the current war in Ukraine, the global food supply will suffer dramatically and various parts of the world will most likely experience famine.

Apparently, Governor Jim Justice has realized that Ukraine matters – a sentiment that, for a brief moment, provided me and mine a glimmer of hope through our tears and grief. In the early days of the war, Governor Justice pledged money to rebuild a hospital destroyed by the Russians. The National Guard sent old equipment in order to support Ukraine’s military. The support trickled into local organizations, because even here in Hardy County, churches and schools rallied to host fundraisers in support of Ukraine. To all of you, I say “Daikju,” which is Ukrainian for “Thank you.”

For those who might still ask “Why does Ukraine matter to West Virginia?” I say this: Ukraine matters to West Virginia and West Virginians for many reasons. Like West Virginians, Ukrainians are self-sufficient. Like West Virginians, we Ukrainians value independence, self-determination, and democracy. Like West Virginians, we will die for our freedom and our sovereignty because we know what happens if we do not. Like West Virginians, we are innovative and savvy despite the horrific stereotypes that perpetuate propaganda and ultimately justify Russia’s genocide against our people, our culture, and our language. Like West Virginians, we Ukrainians prevail. Like Mountaineers, we are always free, and we love our homeland, no matter if we are 6,000 miles from that homeland in a rural West Virginia community or a Ukrainian American community in Detroit; standing on a sidewalk in Kyiv, laughing with a friend; or

spending time in a mountain village near Ivano-Frankivsk where the Hutuls herd sheep the way they have for centuries. Like many West Virginians, Ukrainians value tradition, and traditions are an integral part of individual and collective survival. Even if Ukraine had fallen in three days as Putin so poorly predicted, there are people like me, who despite our distance from our motherland make sure Ukrainian culture is passed to others and future generations.

There is an old Ukrainian saying, one that reminds me of the grit West Virginians possess: “Push a Ukrainian to the ground, and if his forehead touches it, the wrath of Hell will be upon you.” When people ask me “Will Ukraine win the war?” I answer “Yes. Glory to Ukraine!” I think of the first line of the Ukrainian national anthem: “Shche ne vmerla Ukrainy—Ukraine’s glory has not yet perished.” When people say to me, “Ukraine should just give up. They won’t win,” I laugh. I laugh because I know Ukrainians.

After all, I’m a proud Ukrainian American. We’re stubborn, though I like to refer to it as “determined,” and I know that for centuries Ukrainians have time and time again risen to the challenge of ensuring our culture and our language by fighting and sacrificing for freedom.

As proud West Virginians, some of you may find these sentiments familiar. If so, perhaps why Ukraine matters to West Virginia makes a little more sense.

Nicole Yurcaba (Ukrainian: Нікола Юрцаба-Nikola Yurtsaba) is a Ukrainian American of Lemko origin living in Hardy County. Nicole is a poet, essayist, novelist, and professor. Her work has appeared in print and online journals across the globe, and she has poems about the war in Ukraine forthcoming in *The West Trade Review* and other places. Her novel, *Unsilenced Waters* – a novel about the early 20th-century Lemko immigration experience – is forthcoming from the Rusyn Literary Society based in Lviv, Ukraine.

AT THE LIBRARY

CLOSING EARLY

On Thursday, July 21, the library will be closing early (4 p.m.) for the Poultry Parade. We will reopen at our regular hours on Friday, July 22. Enjoy the parade!

New Fiction

“Portrait of an Unknown Woman” (Gabriel Allon; 22) by Daniel Silva (Reg. Print, Lg. Print, Audio-book) – Legendary spy and art restorer Gabriel Allon has at long last severed ties with Israeli intelligence and settled quietly in Venice, the only place where he has ever truly known peace. But, when eccentric London art dealer Julian Isherwood asks Gabriel to investigate the circumstances surrounding the rediscovery and lucrative sale of a centuries-old painting, he is drawn into a deadly game of cat and mouse where nothing is as it seems.

“Shattered” by James Patterson (Reg. Print, Lg. Print) – NYPD master homicide investigator Michael Bennett and top FBI abduction specialist Emily Parker have a history. Working case after case, each can

predict the other’s next move. So when she fails to show at FBI headquarters in Washington, DC, Bennett risks venturing far outside his jurisdiction. The investigation he undertakes is the most brilliant detective work of his career...and the most intensely personal. A portrait begins to emerge of a woman as adept at keeping secrets as forging powerful connections. A woman whose enemies had both the means and the motives to silence the real Emily Parker – and her protectors.

“Switchboard Soldiers” by Jennifer Chiaverini – During World War I, American women telephone operators step up to take the place of male soldiers amidst the threat of death and, in the process, break down gender barriers in the military, smash the workplace ceiling, and battle a pandemic as they help lead the Allies to victory.

“The Daughter of Doctor Moreau” by Silvia Moreno-Garcia – In nineteenth-century Mexico, a young woman, an outcast, and a motley group of part human, part animal monstrosities live in a perfectly balanced and static world, which is jolt-

ed by the abrupt arrival of a charming and careless young man, who will unwittingly begin a dangerous chain reaction.

“The Last to Vanish” by Megan Miranda – Ten years ago, Abigail Lovett fell into a job she loves, managing The Passage Inn, a cozy, upscale resort nestled in the North Carolina mountain town of Cutter’s Pass. But a string of unsolved disappearances that has haunted the town is once again thrust into the spotlight when journalist Landon West, who was staying at the inn to investigate the disappearances, then disappears himself. When Landon’s brother Trey shows up looking for answers, Abby can’t help but feel the town closing ranks. And she’s still on the outside. When she finds incriminating evidence that may bring them closer to the truth, Abby soon discovers how little she knows about her coworkers, neighbors, and even those closest to her.

New Non-Fiction

“Aurora: The Psychiatrist Who Treated the Movie Theater Killer Tells Her Story” by Dr. Lynne Fenton – A look at violence and trauma from the psychiatrist who treated mass shooter James Holmes, perpetrator of the infamous movie theater massacre.

“The Light We Give: How Sikh Wisdom Can Transform Your Life” by Simran Jeet Singh – Singh offers an approach to a happier, more fulfilling life through Sikh teachings on love and service.

“A Dog Named Beautiful: A Marine, a Dog, and a Long Road Trip Home” by Rob Kugler – When his dog, Bella, develops a limp in her front leg the diagnosis is cancer and the prognosis isn’t good. Rob has a choice, either to let Bella go now, or amputate her cancer riddled leg, and see what the next few months would bring. For Rob, the choice is a no-brainer, and instead of waiting at home for the cancer to spread, Rob and Bella pack their bags and hit the road. As they crisscross the country, Rob and Bella meet remarkable, life-changing men and women who are quick to make friends with this incredible three-legged dog.

New JR Fiction

“The Star That Always Stays” by Anna Rose Johnson – When 14-year-old Norvia moves from Beaver Island to Boyne City in 1914, she has to contend with a new school, a first crush, and a blended family, but she also must keep secret her parents’ divorce and her Ojibwe heritage.

“Remarkables” by Margaret Peterson Hadix – Eleven-year-old Marin and her neighbor Charley hope that by preventing a disaster that occurred 20 years ago, they can save Charley’s dad from a future of guilt and self-destructive behavior.

New Easy Readers

“Hurry, Little Tortoise, Time for School!” by Carrie Finison – In order to be on time for her first day of school, Little Tortoise hurries and goes as fast as she can, but despite her best efforts she is passed by all her friends along the way.

“The Man Who Saved Books” by Lynn Plourde – Mr. Pottle, who oversees the town dump, cannot bear to destroy books, so he recycles them for the community to enjoy. When Mr. Pottle falls and the community’s children deliver books to him to speed his recovery, they discover the book-loving dump man cannot read. A town full of willing tutors then teaches Mr. Pottle to read so he can fully enjoy his treasures.

“Berry Song” by Michaela Goade – As a young Tlingit girl collects wild berries over the seasons, she learns to speak to the land and listen when the land speaks back.

“Everything in Its Place: A Story of Books and Belonging” by Pauline David-Sax – A shy girl who feels most at home in the school library gains the courage to extend herself to others when she encounters a group of unique, diverse, inspiring women at the diner where her mother works.

“A Spoonful of Frogs” by Casey Lyall – A witch’s favorite treat is frog soup. Luckily, it’s healthy and easy to make. To give it that extra kick and a pop of color, the key ingredient is a spoonful of frogs. But how do you keep the frogs on the spoon? They hop, they leap, they hide...and they escape. What is a poor witch to do?

Humanities Council seeks grant proposals

The West Virginia Humanities Council is seeking proposals for its upcoming Sept. 1 grant deadline. Four grant categories will be offered to nonprofit organizations that support educational humanities programming. Applicants may request up to \$20,000, and must allow 12 weeks between the Sept. 1 deadline and the start of the project. A description of each category follows:

- Major grants. This category supports public humanities programs including, but not limited to, lectures, school projects, symposia, panel discussions, reading and discussion series, exhibits, reenactments, and conferences.

- Media grants. This category supports the planning, scripting, and production of audio or video materials, websites, or a newspaper series addressing humanities topics.

- Publication grants. This category supports the production phase of completed manuscripts on West Virginia topics in the humanities, or manuscripts by West Virginia authors on any subject in the humanities. Only recognized nonprofit and academic presses are eligible to apply.

- Teacher Institute grants. This category is available to colleges, universities, and the West Virginia Department of Education to develop summer seminars on humanities topics suited to the teaching needs of elementary or secondary teachers.

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

Roy Harper Receives the Southern States Cooperative Agricultural Leadership Award

Roy Harper, Moorefield Middle FFA Advisor, was awarded the Southern States Cooperative Agricultural Leadership Award at the 94th Annual West Virginia FFA State Convention at Cedar Lakes July 6-9, 2022.

He was selected by the individuals directly involved with Agricultural Education in West Virginia, including Agricultural teachers, WVU Agricultural and Extension Education Educators, and the West Virginia Department of Education State Staff for the lasting impact and significant contributions and leadership made in West Virginia Agricultural Education.

Mr. Harper was instrumental in getting the State of West Virginia to allow 7th and 8th graders to become FFA members and to allow Middle School FFA Chapters to be chartered in the State of West Virginia and recognized at the National FFA Organization. He also helped create several State FFA Middle School competitions for Middle School FFA members’ participation.

Right: Roy Harper receives the Southern States Cooperative Agricultural Leadership Award



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healthy food,” McCann said. “I honestly think they should do it more often. Winter, summer, fall: It doesn’t matter as there’s always some kind of food that can be taken by kids. It would be a great thing to have it more often. I commend those who are doing this, it’s a good thing.”

The program is six weeks long and grant-funded. Along with Mountaineer Food Bank, WVU Extension also partnered with Powder Keg Farms, the farm providing the program’s produce.

For information about Extension programs and partnerships, visit <https://extension.wvu.edu/hardy> and contact County staff at 304-530-0273. The WVU Hardy County Extension office is at 144 Emergency Lane in Moorefield.



Vegetables provided to the program by Powder Keg Farms.



Hardman’s Hardware manager Will Runion, right, with employees at their market stall in the store.

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Inside A Corner Mart’s refrigerator stocked with vegetables.

Civil Action Against Lucas See

between Mr. See and us.”

“At no point do I feel it’s appropriate for Mr. See to have contact with us however limited it may be. It’s my understanding that Mr. See admitted to the West Virginia State Police sexual contact with both of us but claims it to have been consensual. It was not consensual.”

“I am not only concerned about the safety and well-being of Miss Shoemaker and I if we were to return to the office, but I am also concerned for any other females that are in the courthouse.”

“I have been a dedicated courthouse employee since 2007. At this point I feel like all I can do is reach out to the County Commission for some sort of protection for myself and Miss Shoemaker and quite frankly for anyone else there at the courthouse who may fall victim to Mr. See.”

“I just want to return to my job without threat of further harassment or retaliation from Mr. See.”

The Commission sent a letter in response, dated March 2:

“Thank you for your email of March 1, 2022. We have been generally advised that you and Ms. Shoemaker have made a report of criminal conduct that was being investigated by the West Virginia State Police regarding Prosecuting Attorney Lucas See. It is our understanding that neither of you wanted to be physically in the office during that investigation and that you had been granted extended leave with pay to accommodate that.”

“The West Virginia County Commission does not have the legal authority to control elected officials or their offices. As an elected official the Prosecuting Attorney has made the decision to continue working in the role of the office he was elected to during the pendency of the investigation. I am sure you are aware of this fact as it appears that this is why you feel uncomfortable with returning to the workplace. Assistant Pro-

secuting Attorney (Orrin) Staggers has been working diligently in order to address any concerns that you both would have in physically returning to the office. However, no one has the authority to tell the Prosecuting Attorney whether he can or cannot come to work.”

“While we do not know the nature of your allegations and respect your privacy, it is our understanding that you continue to feel that being physically present in the office would be unsafe for you. If Mr. Staggers was incorrect in December 2021 in presuming that you did not want to be physically present in the office, we would suggest that you address that directly with him. We would of course forward on any information you have for us if you feel more comfortable.”

“We have no information regarding any information provided to the West Virginia State Police and its investigation either from you or from Mr. See. Can you be more specific about what accommodation you would like the Prosecuting Attorney’s office provide to you? While we have no authority regarding the handling of that office, we are happy to be a conduit of information and are aware that Mr. Staggers has been actively trying to anticipate the accommodation you may need.”

“Of great concern is your mention of safety and well-being of females in the courthouse. Can you specify what threats you believe they are presented with and what measures you think would assist in providing additional security? We would like to address these concerns, but do you need (sic) more information.”

A letter dated June 3 from Atkinson informed the Commission he represents Liller and Shoemaker in their claims “arising from their employment in the Hardy County Prosecutor’s Office with the Hardy County Commission. More specifically, the claims arise from Mr. See’s improper behavior of a sexual nature (both

physical and verbal) toward my clients and the failure of the Hardy County Commission to respond appropriately. The forthcoming lawsuit will assert causes of action against both the Hardy County Commission and Mr. See. These claims include, but are not limited to, sexual harassment, assault, battery and retaliation.”

The letter further insists that all relevant materials that could be evidence are preserved, and presents an extensive list of possible items.

As of deadline, the Commission has apparently not responded.

Attempts to reach Commissioners Jay Fansler and Steven Schetner were unsuccessful. Commissioner David Workman responded promptly, explaining that while the impending litigation made it inadvisable to comment on much of the subject matter, he believed that the letter had been turned over to the Commission’s attorney for response, and that such a response was being prepared.

While Workman said he felt that the Commission had no authority to direct or regulate the behavior of another elected official, the Commissioners have discussed the matter at length and are very concerned with employees’ workplace safety. He said Liller’s letter did not provide enough specific information for the Commission to act.

“They didn’t come to us first with their concerns,” Workman pointed out. “They went to the State Police. And, once there was an open investigation, the police were unable to discuss the matter with us or provide us with any specific information.” He said he was unsure if the Commission would have had authority to take any meaningful action under any circumstances, but that the lack of information available to them only made it more difficult. He believed the Commission was not unsympathetic to any situation which compromised the safety of employees, but had little power to effect any change in this case.

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Circuit Court

plead guilty and the judge commenced to establish that Coppe-Ridgeway was entering the plea voluntarily, remind Coppe-Ridgeway of the rights he was relinquishing, and the impacts of a guilty plea. When it came time for Coppe-Ridgeway to allocate, or admit to the crime, he balked.

Judge Carl, once again, cleared the courtroom so Coppe-Ridgeway and his attorney could converse.

After the second consultation, Coppe-Ridgeway began to recount the crime. Judge Carl refused to accept the plea agreement, based on Coppe-Ridgeway’s testimony.

Assistant Prosecutor Staggers withdrew the plea agreement and put Sherman and Coppe-Ridgeway on notice the state would pursue the Recidivism Statute.

A final pretrial hearing was set for Tuesday, Aug. 30 and a trial date of Sept. 21 was set.

A suppression hearing was held in the cases of Terri W. Whitt, 40, of Old Fields and Garrett L. Lantz, 32, of Moorefield. Both were indicted on three counts of burglary, three counts of conspiracy to commit burglary and two counts of petit larceny. Lantz was also indicted on one count of grand larceny.

Trooper D. Trenton of the West Virginia State Police testified that his conversations with Lantz and Whitt were done after they were Mirandized and evidence was found after Lantz consented to a search. “He even helped me locate some of the items,” Trenton said.

Assistant Prosecutor Staggers offered plea agreements to both defendants. A final pretrial hearing is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 19 and a trial date of Sept. 27 was set.

There was also a motion to revoke Lantz’s bond filed on July 5. Lantz tested positive for and admitted to using methamphetamine.

Both were remanded to Potomac Highlands Regional Jail.

Robert A. Buckley Jr., 41, of Pe-

tersburg, was remanded to Potomac Highlands Regional Jail. Buckley was indicted in June for driving on a revoked for DUI license, third offense. The mandatory penalty is not less than one year and not more than three years in prison and a mandatory fine of not less than \$3,000 and not more than \$5,000.

Buckley’s attorney, Grant Sherman, said Buckley would plead guilty, waive the pre-sentence evaluation and requested sentencing.

According to the probation officer, who oversees individuals on supervised bond, Buckley tested positive for methamphetamine on three occasions and has additional charges pending in Grant County.

Judge Carl ordered Buckley remanded to jail, set another pretrial hearing for Tuesday, Aug. 9, but didn’t rule on the motion to revoke bond. “You will remain incarcerated and I will consider the revocation at the next hearing,” Carl said.

John A. Shoemaker, 42, of Moorefield, pleaded guilty to one count of wanton endangerment and requested deferred adjudication for three years. According to court documents, Moorefield Police responded to a call of shots fired on Nov. 26, 2021. They found Shoemaker bleeding from the face and heavily intoxicated. Shoemaker admitted to trying to take his own life. The firearm not only injured Shoemaker, but also created a hole in the ceiling and a bullet lodged in a vacuum cleaner in an upstairs apartment.

Judge Carl explained that deferred adjudication will allow Shoemaker to plead to a misdemeanor brandishing, if and only if, he adheres to the terms and conditions of standard probation for the three-year term.

“If you don’t adhere to the terms, you will be considered guilty of a felony,” Carl said. “If you violate, you will be sentenced.”

In addition to the standard terms, Prosecutor Staggers requested Shoemaker complete all mental health

treatment as recommended by his health care professionals.

Shoemaker thanked Carl and said, “I’m lucky to be alive.”

Preston C. Dove, 20, of Wardensville, was remanded to Potomac Highlands Regional Jail after his probation was revoked. According to his attorney, Larry Sherman, Dove overdosed on heroin and fentanyl and was in critical condition for a time.

Dove pleaded guilty to one count of misdemeanor destruction of property in March. He was originally charged with felony burglary and misdemeanor petit larceny and misdemeanor domestic assault. He was sentenced to 12 months in jail, which was suspended, and five years probation.

The cases against Florita J. Yoder, 49, and Marlin J. Yoder, 50, both of Petersburg, was continued until Friday, Aug. 19. Both were indicted on two counts of delivery of a Schedule II controlled substance, hydrocodone and to counts of conspiracy to deliver a Schedule II controlled substance, hydrocodone. The are free on supervised bond.

Kaleb J. Class, 26, of Moorefield was released from Home Incarceration, but ordered to five years probation. Class pleaded guilty to one count of failure to register as a sex offender in 2021. He is currently under extended supervision for the initial crime.

The case against Roger Ayers, 44, of Mathias, was continued to Friday, Aug. 19. According to Ayers’ attorney, Kevin Sponaugle, there are suppression issues and the arresting officer is out of town.

The case against Victor Self, 42, of Moorefield, was continued until Tuesday, Oct. 11. Self was indicted on three counts of failure to register as a sex offender, second or subsequent offense.

Self is in federal custody and was not permitted to appear in Hardy County.

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Road Projects

at bid time. We will pay an adjustment for that.”

The mechanism can adjust both ways allowing for the final cost of the project to either rise or fall dependent on the market prices.

“It’s a safeguard for both parties. If prices go up, we will compensate. We also get the benefit of lower prices if things have dropped,” Watts continued.

Along with the paving, another project is a guard rail contract to install replacement guardrails along Corridor H throughout Hardy County. DOH also has a contract for the same work in Grant County.

The cost for the Hardy County project is \$7.8 million and the contractor is Green Acres Contracting from Scottsdale, Pa.

The State is updating guardrails to meet new requirement. The project is expected to finish near the end of October.

“We’re maintaining one lane of traffic through those areas. We don’t expect to see... congestion or backups or anything like that,” said Watts.

Three bridges are receiving blast clean, and painting jobs, which cleans bridges and applies a protective coating.

The Buzzard Ford bridge on Fisher Road near Brighton Park in Moorefield is being sandblasted and painted, particularly underneath the structure.

“That bridge was warranting a new paint job. There will be a stop light and it’s going to take about six weeks,” said Kyle Baranowski, a DOH District 5 repair and design engineer in the bridge department.

“Soon, if they haven’t already, (the contractors) will park their equipment on the top of the bridge making it one lane.”

Trumbo Ford and Harness Ford Bridges along South Fork Road,

which both just received deck replacements, are also being blasted and painted. The protective coatings are the last phase of the two-bridge project, which has an initial bid amount of \$4.6 million.

“We do have traffic restricted to one lane (at both bridges), but the lane is much wider than it was. We’re allowing traffic to have more room than they did before because we have completed the deck construction,” Baranowski concluded.

For more information on the W.Va Department of Transportation visit <https://transportation.wv.gov>. The DOH District 5 digital address is: <https://transportation.wv.gov/highways/districts/district-five/Pages/default.aspx>.

If out on the road and in need of assistance, the number for the W.Va. Department of Transportation Courtesy Patrol is 800-964-1449.

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Mathias-Baker funding needs

Gosnell and other volunteers said one of their big needs right now is a new brush truck, a smaller, maneuverable vehicle that helps fight fires in harder-to-reach areas.

“There are some roads that are straight brush trucks only; there’s culverts and everything that won’t handle the weight of our trucks. There are so many creeks we have to cross,” said Mathias-Baker volunteer firefighter Shawn Stevenson.

Gosnell continued, “Add hauling equipment and 1000 gallons of water. It’s a lot of weight.”

A new brush truck costs around \$200,000 — the same as needed to run the station for a year.

Along with the need for funds is a growing need for volunteers.

“It’s important to support your local fire department and remember we’re completely volunteer-run. It’s important to get involved in the community and to serve the community,” said Christine Brinks, one of the company’s community volunteers.

“Most of the people here are older. What happens when all these wonderful people who have served for 50-plus years retire? We need the younger generation to step up and fill these very large shoes.”

Noting the challenges of keeping a station running, Gosnell said, “This isn’t just a Hardy County issue — it’s a statewide issue. There’s lots of departments that are just shutting down. It’s definitely a problem making its way across the state.”

One of next big fundraisers Mathias-Baker fire company has is their 20th Annual Sportsman Bash, which will be Oct. 15 at their fire station, 12412 State Route 259 in Mathias. Purchase tickets from fire company volunteers.

Community members attending Family Fun Day said they enjoyed the event, particularly the music.

“I think it’s very nice and the music is fantastic,” said Pat Weaver from Mathias. Robert Mongold, also from Mathias, added, “I just love it; everything is great.”

Kathryn Fulk from Linville, Va. said “We enjoyed listening to these guys... It’s a good event.” Carl Fulk added “It’s a nice community event.”

For more information on Mathias-Baker Volunteer Fire Company: Visit their Facebook page “Mathias-Baker Volunteer Fire Department,” their website at <http://mathias-bakerfireco4.com>. Call volunteers at the fire station at 304-897-5586.

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Mathias Residents Compete in 5K

Mathias residents Adam Foltz and Lary Garrett participated in Harrisonburg’s Valley 4th of July 5k race. There were 364 runners. Foltz finished 30th overall and fifth in his age group (34-44) with a time of 22:46. Garrett finished 120th overall, but second in his age group (65+) with a time of 28:58.

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OBITUARIES

Maxine E. Nelson



Maxine Elizabeth (Nesselrodt) Nelson, age 82 of Maysville, went to be with her Lord on Monday, July

11, 2022 at Grant Rehabilitation and Care Center in Petersburg.

Maxine was born May 27, 1940 in Maysville, and was a daughter of the late John Alfred Nesselrodt and Naomi Elizabeth (Berg) Nesselrodt.

In addition to her parents, Maxine was preceded in death by her husband Eston S. Nelson in 2002; one grandson, Eric S. Keplinger; four sisters, Pauline Marple, Esther Jones, Eveline Ray and Betty Feaster; and four brothers, Paul R. Nesselrodt, John A. Nesselrodt, Jr., Ray J. Nesselrodt and Robert C. Nesselrodt.

Maxine is survived by two sons, Brent (Wendy) Nelson of Petersburg, Rocky (Patsy) Nelson of Moorefield, and one daughter, Brenda (Donald) Keplinger of Maysville; three grandchildren, Brian Keplinger, Heather

(Nelson) Smith and Traci Nelson; one step granddaughter, Shelly Cullers; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Sandra Kay (Lonnie) Mauzy of Dorcas; one brother, Roger (Wanda) Nesselrodt, Sr. of Maysville; two sisters-in-law, Rose Nesselrodt of Charles Town, and Delores Nesselrodt of Mount Storm; and several nieces and nephews.

Maxine was a graduate of Petersburg High School class of 1959. She worked for Windsor Knit Sewing Factory and was quite a seamstress. Later she worked for Grant County Mulch.

Maxine was a lifelong faithful member of the Petersburg Church of God where she served as Sunday School Teacher and president of the Women's Ministries for several

years. Maxine loved cooking meals for her family, especially for holidays and birthdays. She loved spending time with her family at the Mount Storm Lake.

Family received friends on July 13 at the Schaeffer Funeral Home.

The funeral service was Thursday, July 14, 2022 at the Petersburg Church of God with Pastor Stephen Noel officiating.

Burial was in South Branch Valley Memorial Gardens in Petersburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Petersburg Church of God, 13 Myrtle Avenue, Petersburg, WV 26847.

Arrangements by Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg.

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To cancel or order a lunch call 304-530-2256, Option 2 or 6
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Mon. July 25: Chicken nuggets, peas and carrots, french fries, pudding
Tues. July 26: Tuna patty, kale, succotash, peaches

Wed. July 27: Pork chop, baby baker potatoes, side salad, oranges

Thur. July 28: Beans, cornbread, beets, coleslaw, apple sauce

Fri. July 29: Vegetable pizza, fruit cocktail

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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The price has increased: Regular is \$25.50 and Plus is \$27.50. Both are available in chocolate, vanilla, strawberry, and butter pecan. We only accept checks for Ensure, no cash: Sorry for the inconvenience. Any questions, call the center at 304-530-2256 Option 6.

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This week in West Virginia History

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

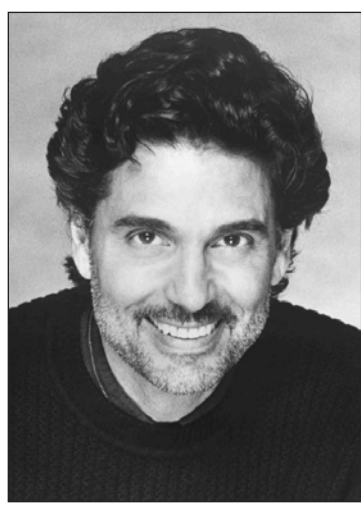
July 20, 2010: Carter Goodwin became the nation's youngest senator when he took the oath of office. Goodwin was appointed to fill Robert C. Byrd's seat in the U.S. Senate following Byrd's death.

July 21, 1924: Don Knotts was born in Morgantown. Knotts will be forever remembered as Barney Fife on the "Andy Griffith Show."

July 22, 1859: Athlete John Wesley "Jack" Glasscock was born in Wheeling. Glasscock, who played bare-handed, became one of baseball's premier shortstops in the 19th century.

July 22, 1937: Musician Tommy Thompson was born in St. Albans, Kanawha County. Through his group the Red Clay Ramblers and a career that spanned four decades, Thompson played a major role in keeping old-time music alive.

July 23, 1863: Financier and industrialist Isaac Thomas Mann was born in Greenbrier County. As pres-



Chris Sarandon

ident of the Bank of Bramwell and president of the Pocahontas Fuel Company for three decades, "Ike" Mann held vast holdings in coal, timber, and especially financial institutions.

July 23, 1919: Novelist Davis Grubb was born in Moundsville. His renown came with his first novel, *Night of the Hunter* (1953), a gripping suspense story adapted to film in 1955 and for television in 1991.

July 24, 1823: Arthur Boreman,



Don Knotts

West Virginia's first governor, was born in Waynesburg, Pa. Boreman's family moved to Middlebourne, Tyler County, while he was still an infant.

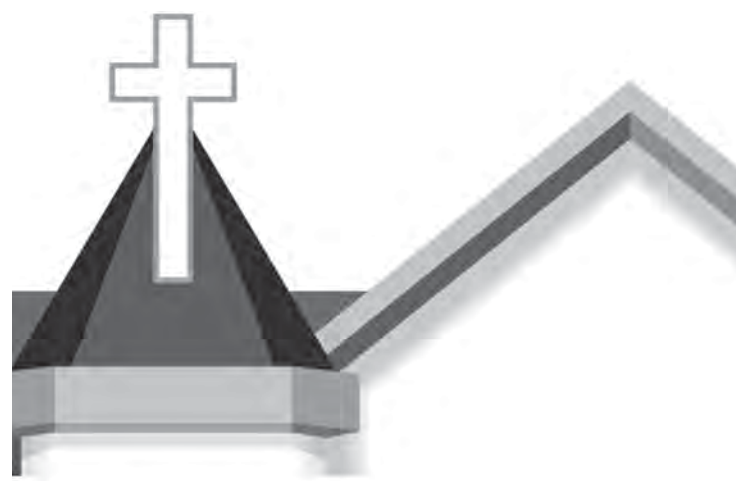
July 24, 1919: Sam Taylor of Mercer County took the oath to become a member of the West Virginia State Police, the first person to do so. During his tenure with the State Police, Taylor tracked moonshiners and bootleggers, and helped to set up new state police detachments.

July 24, 1942: Actor Chris Sarandon was born in Beckley. A film, stage and television performer, some of his credits include *The Nightmare Before Christmas*, *The Princess Bride* and an Oscar nomination for *Dog Day Afternoon*.

July 25, 1864: A colony of eight Catholic nuns set out from Washington, D.C., and Frederick, Maryland, for Parkersburg. The sisters, who created a monastery there and named it DeSales Heights, ran a boarding school for young women for 75 years.

July 26, 1942: Camp Washington-Carver was dedicated and opened to the public. The camp, located at Clifftop, Fayette County, was the first 4-H camp for African-Americans in the country. The camp's great chestnut lodge is the largest log structure in West Virginia.

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We love and miss you
Robert, Mark, Teresa, Justin,
Keasha, Ryan, Jaxson & Blake

The Aching in My Heart

Written by Brett Markwood for Kyle

No matter whether night or day
My thoughts will drift and I will pray
That someday soon will come a day
There is no aching in my heart.

But as the months have turned to years
Each thought of you brings me to tears
O, how I long for days of cheer,
With no aching in my heart.

The tears, they come from memories
Of times that you have shared with me.
I shed them so that all can see
This great aching in my heart.

Reflections of a sweeter time
Consume my heart, my soul, and mind
And long at last, for a brief time,
There is no aching in my heart.

For without you I would not know
How much a heart could love, could grow,
And so, joy battles to and fro
With this aching in my heart.

The thoughts of you make my heart shine.
The tears will fall, but I'll be fine,
And I pray there never comes a time
There is no aching in my heart.

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Thanks to Sentara Hospital,
EA Hawse Health & Rehab Center
and McKee Funeral Home.
May God bless you always.

Lloyd Halterman & Family

The Family of
Glenn C. Bensenhaver

Wishes to thank you for sharing your memories, support and love. We were so overwhelmed and blessed.

Special thank you to Fraley's Funeral Home and his crew, Grant and Winchester Emergency Staff, West Hardy Ambulance, and PHI Air Bus. The Oak Dale Presbyterian Chapel for the meal, Pallbearers Josh Vetter, Joey Vetter, Randall Wolfe, Rodney Weese, Denny Shoemaker, Billy Pratt, Tyler Pratt, and Darwin Simmons.

You helped us bear the great loss of our husband, Dad and Papa and it will never be forgotten.

Mary "Cookie" Bensenhaver
Don & Lisa Bensenhaver
David, Lisa, Taylor & Casey Burke

COMMUNITY

Hardy County Independence Day

Photos by Carl Holcomb and Staff



Moorefield Middle FFA members place at state contests

Moorefield Middle School's FFA Chapter Scrapbook placed first in the State FFA Scrapbook contest at the 94th Annual West Virginia FFA State Convention at Cedar Lakes July 6-9, 2022. Drake Kimble, MMS FFA Reporter, is responsible for the design and completion of the chapter scrapbook and did a great job.

Brylee Reel competed in the State FFA Middle School Compact Tractor contest. The contest has three areas: a 25-question written test; 25 parts to identify; and a driving course using a lawn mower. Even though Brylee did not place in the top 3, she had the best score in the driving course part of the contest.

The Moorefield Middle School FFA Chapter's Quiz Bowl Team with team members Drake Kimble, Brylee Reel, Colt Sherman, and Elizabeth Williams competed in the West Virginia FFA State Quiz Bowl contest. The FFA Quiz Bowl has two parts. The first part is a 50-question test. The second part of the contest is a head-to-head competition between two four-member teams. Just like "Family

Feud" on TV, each contestant has a buzzer in front of him or her and when the moderator asks the question, the student buzzes in if he or she knows the answer. The contest has 25 questions. Whichever team has the highest score wins. Moorefield Middle placed 3rd in the State contest.

The MMS FFA officer team placed second in the eleventh annual Middle School Opening and Closing Ceremony contest. This contest is designed to develop agricultural leadership by providing for middle school members' participation in public speaking activities and stimulating interest in leadership and citizenship. Each team performs the opening and closing statement per the Official FFA Manual. Two judges score each chapter on the delivery, using the score sheet provided. A six-member officer team is allowed to participate. Moorefield Middle team members were Brock Linville, Raleigh Kuykendall, Ci Ci Kump, Elizabeth Williams, Drake Kimble, and Trevor Baldwin.

Drake Kimble was asked by the W.Va. State FFA President Gabby



Drake Kimble receiving the State FFA Middle School Scrapbook contest 1st place plaque.

Wolfe to give the invocation before the beginning of the 4th Session of the convention. He did a really nice job!



The Moorefield Middle FFA delegation (L to R): Colt Sherman, Drake Kimble, Trevor Baldwin, Brock Linville, Raleigh Kuykendall, Elizabeth Williams, Ci Ci Kump and Brylee Reel.

The West Virginia 94th Annual State FFA Convention was held July 6-9, 2022, at Cedar Lakes. The Moore-

field Middle FFA Chapter took eight members: Trevor Baldwin, Drake Kimble, Ci Ci Kump, Raleigh Kuyk-

endall, Brock Linville, Brylee Reel, Colt Sherman, and Elizabeth Williams. Mr. Harper is the FFA Advisor.

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Whetzel earns FFA Degree

Petersburg FFA is pleased to announce that Cody Mitchell, the son of Greg and Pammy Mitchell of Upper Tract will be serving as a 2022-2023 State FFA Officer. He will be the Eastern Region Vice President. Cody just recently served as the Petersburg FFA President. This young man not only was elected as a State Officer but won 3rd Place in the State Extemporaneous Speaking Contest. Later this Fall, he will serve W.Va. as a Delegate to the National FFA Convention.

Another great accomplishment for the Petersburg FFA: William Waddy won the State FFA Creed Contest. William is the son of Bill and Norma Waddy of Fisher. Good luck to William as he prepares for his National Competition in October.

The 94th Convention was an exciting time for all involved! It allowed members to get back to normal FFA activities and competitions. Three members attending were recognized by the State and awarded their State FFA Degree: Morgan Whetzel of Moorefield, Jacob Jones of Petersburg and Paisley Hawk of Maysville. Not pictured or in attendance was Olivia Bible. Business was back to normal as well. The annual business meeting was conducted with our four delegates pictured with our newest elected State Officer: Cody Mitchell, Madison Whetzel, Morgan Whetzel, Paisley Hawk and Jacob Jones.

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Guide to handling emergencies

By Milda M. Mullins
Moorefield Examiner

Disasters range from severe storms and flooding to home fires and severe winter weather to name a few. Emergencies can also be human-made, such as an attack on a public space.

The following are tips for tackling an array of emergencies as they occur.

Editor's note: This guide was published Sept. 15, 2021. Recent severe weather makes it worth seeing again.

Thunderstorms and lightning:

- Note alerts and warnings.
- Go inside immediately; avoid using running water or landline phones.
- Avoid using electronic devices that are connected to electrical outlets and unplug electrical devices.
- Avoid running water. Avoid touching things made of metal.

• Do not drive through flooded roadways. About 12 inches of moving water can sweep away a vehicle, and six inches of moving water can knock down a person.

• After a storm, listen to authorities and weather forecasts for information and instructions on flash flooding and when going outside is safe.

• Watch for fallen trees and power lines. Report them to 911.

Flooding:

• Track weather alerts and local emergency authorities for current information about flooding.

• Do not swim, walk, or drive through flood waters. Avoid driving

except in emergencies.

• Stay off of bridges over fast-moving water, as that kind of water can destroy bridges without warning.

• If your car is trapped in fast-moving water, stay in it. If water rises into the car, seek refuge on the car's roof.

• If trapped in a building, get to the highest level. Only get on a building's roof if necessary and signal for help once there. Do not climb into closed spaces, like attics, to avoid becoming trapped in rising floodwater.

• Snakes and other animals may be in your home if it flooded.

• Avoid possible electrocution. Do not touch electrical equipment if it is wet or you are standing in water. Turn off electricity if possible.

• Avoid standing or wading in floodwater – it can be contaminated and contain dangerous debris. Also, underground or downed power lines can electrically charge the water.

Fires:

• When escaping a fire, crawl low under any smoke to reach an exit. Heavy smoke and poisonous gasses will collect at the ceiling first.

• Before opening a door, feel the doorknob – if the doorknob is hot or there is smoke coming from around the door, leave it closed and find a different way out. Be prepared to shut a door quickly if opened if there is fire or heavy smoke present.

• If you cannot reach someone who needs assistance, exit the building, call 911, and tell the emergency operator where the person is located. If there are pets trapped inside, tell firefighters immediately.



Merv Pope (front right) with Public Works in Moorefield picks up debris on Town Run Road on Tuesday, July 12 after a storm tore through the county, especially affecting the east side. Behind him is Brady VanMeter (back left), also with Public Works, loading one of the fallen branches onto their truck.

Photo by Milda M. Mullins

• If you cannot escape a fire in a building: Close the door, cover the vents and cracks around the door with cloths or anything to keep smoke out, call 911, and signal for help near a window or opening.

• If your clothes catch fire, stop, drop, and roll. Drop to the ground, cover your face with your hands, and roll back and forth until the fire is out. If you or someone else cannot roll, use a blanket or towel to cover flames, extinguishing them.

Extreme winter weather:

• Stay off roads if at all possible. If driving and trapped in your car, stay inside your vehicle.

• Limit time outside. If you must go outside, wear layers of warm clothing and watch for signs of frostbite and hypothermia.

• Reduce risk of a heart attack: Avoid overexertion such as shoveling or walking through heavy snow.

• Frostbite can cause loss of feel-

ing and color around the face, fingers, and toes. Signs include numbness, white or grayish-yellow skin, and firm or waxy skin. In the event of frostbite, go to a warm room, soak in warm water, and use body heat to warm up. Do not massage the skin or use a heating pad.

• Hypothermia results from unusually low body temperature – a temperature below 95 degrees is an emergency. Signs include shivering, exhaustion, confusion, fum-

bling hands, memory loss, slurred speech, and drowsiness. In the event of hypothermia, go to a warm room, warm the center of the body first, particularly one's chest, neck, head, and groin. Keep dry and wrap up in warm blankets, especially the head, neck, and body.

Active Shooters:

• Be aware and alert to what's around you. If you see something such as suspicious packages or people behaving strangely, call 911.

• Citizens should, in order and based on circumstances, "run, hide, fight" during an active shooter or attack situation.

• Run: seek safety – getting away from the attacker is the top priority. Leave belongings and leave the area. When safe, call 911 to describe the attacker, location, and weapon(s).

• Hide: If you can't evacuate, cover and hide. Find a place out of view from the attacker. Put a solid barrier between you and the attacker if possible. Lock and block doors, close blinds, and turn off the lights. Also keep quiet and maintain silence to avoid drawing attention to yourself.

• Fight: If you are unable to run or hide, fight back only as a last resort. Attempt to disrupt or disable the attacker. Be aggressive, commit to your actions, and be prepared to cause severe or lethal injury to the attacker. Attempt to recruit others to ambush the attacker with makeshift weapons such as chairs, fire extinguishers, scissors, books, and other items that can be thrown or wielded.



Emergency plans and emergency supply kits

When putting together an emergency plan, discuss specific needs of those within your household and other individuals who may come together in an emergency such as family and friends.

Certain special needs may include assigned responsibilities for helping others, dietary needs, special medications needed, locations that could be used as a safe space, and other such information.

Individuals should fill out a family or other emergency plan and practice the plan with loved ones. Plans

could include shelter plans, evacuation plans, communication plans, and more.

Each household, individual, or group should have an emergency preparedness kit that includes a variety of items such as food and water, flashlights, extra batteries, a whistle, first aid kit, clothing, medical supplies, medicine, and more. Kits and essential items may vary.

For more information and comprehensive guides on tackling emergencies, visit www.ready.gov.

Suggested emergency kit items:

• Water: 1 gallon per person for several days for drinking, cooking and sanitation.

• Food: at least a 3-day supply of non-perishable food.

• Manual can opener (for food)

• Battery powered or hand crank radio.

• Flashlight and extra batteries.

• First aid kit.

• Whistle to signal for help.

• Masks to help filter contaminated air, especially for the pandemic.

• Soap, hand sanitizer, disin-

fecting wipes.

• Moist towelettes, garbage bags, plastic ties.

• Prescription medication and non-prescription medication such as pain relievers, anti-diarrhea medication, antacids, etc. Also prescription eye-glasses and contact lens solution if applicable.

• If necessary, infant formula, bottles, diapers, wipes, and also food and extra water for pets.

• Wrenches, pliers, and other possible necessary tools.

• Local maps.

• Cell phone with chargers and backup batteries.

• Cash or travelers checks.

• Important personal and family documents such as identification, bank account records, insurance policies, and other such important documents either saved electronically or saved in copies in waterproof, portable containers.

• Sleeping bag(s) or warm blankets.

• Extra clothing appropriate for the climate including shoes.

• Matches in a waterproof container. A fire extinguisher.

• Personal hygiene items such as toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, menstrual supplies, shampoo bars, and more.

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HARDY COUNTY SPORTS

Moorefield Junior League Softball ousts Midland Trail to claim state crown

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

Moorefield Junior League All-Stars rallied to oust Midland Trail 7-3 to claim the West Virginia Junior League Softball state championship this past Sunday in Moorefield.

Moorefield earned a berth to the Junior League Softball Southeast Region Tournament in Salisbury, North Carolina on July 21-24.

This was the second victory in as many days for the Moorefield squad having defeated Midland Trail in the second round of this three-team tournament by a score of 11-6.

"I'm very proud of them. They have worked very hard this year. They've done everything the coaches have asked them to do. They didn't quit and they battled. They hit, fielded and made outs and now they are state champs," Moorefield Junior League Softball All-Stars skipper Stacy Heavner remarked.

"We were putting the ball into play, but they were making the plays. In the last, we were putting the ball into play and laid down some bunts. The girls got to running the bases smart and scored. We outplayed them to win. I'm very excited to go down to North Carolina and for these girls to experience this. I hope they have a good experience and take a good shot at it. This is a once in a lifetime thing for all of them. I am just proud of them."

Midland Trail was down a player after the second inning of the first contest with Moorefield due to the use of an illegal bat and was ejected for that game and the following contest against Hedgesville along with a coach.

Midland Trail beat Hedgesville twice, 11-4 and 3-nil, to setup meetings with Moorefield both times.

Moorefield and Midland Trail battled in the rain during the first contests of the state tournament.

One of the highlights for Moorefield in the opening round game was Seanna Heavner getting on base four times with a walk, single, double and triple.

In the championship game, Moorefield leadoff batter CiCi Kump reached base on an error as the fly ball ricocheted off Midland Trail second baseman Kendyl Parsons's glove.

Moorefield's Hannah Snyder hit a line drive to first baseman Jesse Mooney and Kump managed to get back safely to the bag.

Seanna Heavner was issued a full-count walk by Midland Trail starting pitcher Maddie Rader to give Moorefield a pair of baserunners.

Moorefield's Grace Simmons smashed an RBI double past the dive of Midland Trail shortstop Preston Walker for an initial 1-nil edge.

Moorefield's Korbin Keplinger and Raleigh Kuykendall launched line drives to the third baseman and shortstop, respectively.

Kuykendall was the starting pitcher for Moorefield and allowed a lead-off walk to Midland Trail's Rader who stole around to third base and scored on a passed ball simultaneously during a walk to Jessi Skaggs which tied the game.

A couple erratic pitches allowed Skaggs to dash to third base and score on a wild pitch giving Midland Trail a 2-1 lead.

Moorefield brought in Aryana Hinz to pitch against Mooney, who had a 3-1 count on her and was issued a free pass.

There was a brief stop in action as flying napkins danced across the infield and were collected by the Midland Trail first base coach and

Moorefield first baseman Hannah Snyder.

Hinz struck out Ragen Parsons, then Midland Trail responded with a single into left field by Preston Walker.

A pickoff error sailed over first base and a run scored as a result to create a 3-1 lead.

Hinz settled down and threw a strikeout to Kendyl Parsons before walking Ava Campbell placing runners on the corners and ended the frame by jamming Aubrey Spencer into a pop-up caught by Moorefield shortstop CiCi Kump.

Moorefield started the second inning with a flyout from Alli Miller, then Hinz was jammed for a pop-up and the ball bounced out of the third baseman's glove for an error.

A throw to second base on a steal attempt went awry and Hinz dashed over to third base.

Moorefield's LeeAnn Coon was given a walk, then Hinz scored on a wild pitch cutting the deficit to 3-2.

Coon stole second base and advanced to third base on a groundout from Kump before being stranded on a pop-out by Snyder along first base foul territory.

It was a quick side for Midland Trail going down in order as Abby Parcel was struck out by Hinz, then Rader took a full-count walk and was thrown out at second base by Moorefield catcher LeeAnn Coon prior to a groundout by Skaggs.

Heavner drew a walk in the top of the third inning for Moorefield but was stranded at third base on a pair of strikeouts to Simmons and Keplinger before a groundout by Kuykendall.

Mooney popped out to Kump at shortstop and Ragen Parsons flew out to Simmons in left field.

Midland Trail would get baserunners aboard the pond as Walker

reached base on an error and Kendyl Parson received a walk, but both were stranded as Hinz countered with a strikeout to Campbell to close the third inning.

Moorefield went down in order during the fourth inning as Sara Baldwin grounded out, Hinz bunted into groundout and Mattia Auville popped up to Midland Trail catcher Skaggs.

Midland Trail's Brooke Ewing was given a walk with one out and line drive on a pop-out and line drive snatched by Keplinger at third base.

Kump flew out to right field to commence the fifth inning as Moorefield still trailed 3-2.

Snyder stepped up to the plate and ripped the ball up the middle for a single, but was caught in a fielder's choice out off the bat of Heavner.

After a stolen base, Caroline Auville grounded out.

Midland Trail had a short side as Mooney hit a line drive back to Hinz in the circle then Parsons and Walker grounded out.

Moorefield put the rally caps on and overcame the deficit in the sixth inning as Keplinger started the momentum with a single into center field, then stole second base.

Moorefield's LaTanya Redman made a sacrifice bunt to move Keplinger to third base.

Baldwin stayed alive at the plate fouling off numerous pitches before getting jammed on a full-count for a pop-up which was dropped at third base for an error.

Coon came in as the courtesy runner for Baldwin and a pickoff error allowed Keplinger to score the game-tying run, 3-all.

A wild pitch created time for Coon

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Brett Tharp of Mathias, W.Va., Named to VaSID All-State Baseball List

BRIDGEWATER, VA

(07/07/2022)-- A pair of Bridgewater College baseball players earned spots on the VaSID College Division All-State listings, which were released by the organization on June 28.

Highlighting the duo was sophomore pitcher **Reid Long** who grabbed a spot on the first team, while **Brett Tharp** garnered second team honors as a utility player.

Long, a native of **Chesapeake, Va.**, adds to his collection of postseason honors after a standout sophomore campaign. Long was named ODAC Pitcher of the Year and

claimed a pair of all-region honors after leading the ODAC and finishing among national leaders with a school record 11 victories. He finished with a 2.36 ERA across 76.1 innings as the top started in the rotation this season. He struck out 67 batters compared to just 16 walks, which averages to nearly eight strikeouts per nine innings. Long earned a decision in all 12 starts on the mound and went at least 6.0 innings seven times.

Tharp, hailing from Mathias, W.Va., did just about everything on the diamond this season for Bridgewater. He finished the season with a team record 11 saves to go along

with a 2-0 record in 38.00 innings across 21 appearances. He wrapped up the year with a 1.66 ERA with 25 strikeouts compared to just eight walks. He allowed just seven earned runs throughout the season and did not surrender an earned run until his 11th appearance of the year. In addition, Tharp started at first base and in right field and finished with a .243 batting average with 36 hits, 28 runs scored, 13 extra-base hits, 26 RBI and 13 stolen bases. A true dual-sport athlete, Tharp ends the 2021-22 year with all-conference, all-region and all-state accolades in football and baseball.

VaSID names 44 all-state teams

in 23 sports each year, as well as an Academic All-State squad and an all-sports champion in both the University and College Divisions. Membership in VaSID is open to all media relations professionals working at a university or conference in the state of Virginia.

Bridgewater College is a private, four-year liberal arts college located in the Central Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. Founded in 1880, it was the state's first private, coeducational college. Today, Bridgewater College is home to approximately 1,500 students.

East Hardy and Moorefield student-athletes receive special awards

By Carl Holcomb
Moorefield Examiner

East Hardy and Moorefield high schools had sensational athletic campaigns this past academic year and exceptional leaders on the teams were presented with special awards for their contributions.

Moorefield had competitors reach the state tournament in all sports, except for boys and girls basketball and softball.

East Hardy had state tournament representation in volleyball, football, wrestling and track.

The Yellow Jackets had 136 student-athletes letter in sports, including 96 in a single sport.

Moorefield senior and class valedictorian Branson See played football and baseball during his senior season for the Yellow Jackets.

See was honored with the American Legion Scholarship award along with class salutatorian Madalynn Clayton, who was a member of the wrestling team competing with a great attitude and perseverance.

See received the prestigious M.A.

Bean award which has been given to the top student-athlete at Moorefield since 1968.

The M.A. Bean award is voted on by a committee of previous winners and the candidates in the selection process were required to write an essay.

This award is based on good character and being a goodwill ambassador within the community for the school. The trophy is given to the student-athlete with the best moral conduct, good ethical awareness, integrity, trustworthiness, religious conviction including church attendance and good grades.

The M.A. Bean award is named after local attorney William Bean's grandfather, who was a pillar in the community with a horse delivery business and had a car dealership selling Ford Model-T vehicles.

"This is a very nice honor. I was not expecting to receive this award. I was surprised when my name was called," Moorefield senior Branson See noted.

See also received the Josh Reider award for baseball.

Moorefield senior Gavin Wolfe, a football and baseball player, was selected as the recipient of the Dennis Hill Moorefield Athletic Director's award.

This award is given to a multi-sport athlete in good academic standing, who puts forth great effort with countless hours of work and is a great teammate.

"It was an honor. I worked hard for it. I've been in the weight room every single day after practice, after football practice and baseball practice. It's nice getting this award and for other people to recognize my hard work. It is an honor to be a Yellow Jacket, because Moorefield has such a good sports representation. I'm glad to be a Yellow Jacket and I wouldn't want to be on any other team," Moorefield senior Gavin Wolfe remarked.

Moorefield senior Dominick Davis was named as the Donnie Schell award recipient for football due to his tremendous effort and reliability.

Taylor Harvey was named the Moorefield senior female athlete of the year.

Harvey was a state track medalist this season in multiple events leading her team to storied success with her amazing dedication.

Coleman Mongold was named the Moorefield senior male athlete of the year.

Mongold helped the football team reach the state playoffs, boys basketball finish in the regional final after the first trip to the state tournament in 20 seasons during his junior year and helped the baseball squad return to the state semifinals after winning three straight championships sans the covid season.

Mongold was known as a quiet leader, leading by example and did everything asked of him by the coaches.

It took the entire team to gain success, but there were individual leaders among the squads stepping up to fulfill roles to make the teams better throughout the year.

The Jamie Good award was presented at East Hardy High School to senior Holly Snyder.

This award is given in memory of Jamie Good, a former student-athlete

who competed with good sportsmanship and was an absolute strength to her team. Those same attributes are sought in the recipient and church attendance is another factor for this award.

Snyder played girls basketball and competed in girls track, receiving numerous state medals for her efforts as a sprinter.

"I did my best to help my teammates. I am honored to receive this award," East Hardy senior Holly Snyder said.

East Hardy junior Mason Miller received the Pete Vance award for competitiveness.

Miller was the quarterback in football, wrestling team captain and track competitor.

"It is an honor to get this award. I strive to help my teammates become better and play as hard as I can. We can have success when we work together," East Hardy junior Mason Miller stated.

The East Hardy female athlete of the year award recipient was senior Victoria Ames.

Ames was a member of the state

volleyball team, state runner-up girls wrestling team and a softball player.

"I am happy the coaches thought so highly of me. I worked very hard to earn this award. It speaks volumes to my character and how much I care about my teammates," East Hardy senior Victoria Ames commented.

The East Hardy male athlete of the year award recipient was junior Dawson Price.

Price played football, boys basketball and baseball earning multiple awards in those sports.

"This means a lot to me. I am excited to be the athlete of the year. It took a lot of hard work and perseverance," East Hardy junior Dawson Price said.

East Hardy senior Damian Iman was selected as the recipient of the Ralph J. Bean award for his leadership in football and wrestling.

Iman will be playing football at Shenandoah University this coming fall.

East Hardy and Moorefield had solid seasons with outstanding leadership and teammates guiding the process.

SPORTS

Moorefield Little League Regular Season Championship Independence Day Tournament

T-Ball Champion: Mathias Farms



Coach Pitch Champion: Final Touch



Minor Baseball Champion: Fox's Pizza Den



T-Ball Runner up: South Branch Animal Hospital



Coach Pitch Runner up: Highland Excavating and Grading



Minor Baseball Runner up: ER Excavating



Moorefield Junior League Softball ousts Midland Trail to claim state crown

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to sprint to third base, then Hinz recorded an RBI sacrifice fly at first base creating a 4-3 lead for Moorefield.

Mattia Auville executed a bunt single with the help of an error fielding along the third base line but was stranded on a pop-up by Kump.

Hinz induced a pair of groundouts fielded by Kump and Keplinger around a pop-up caught by Kump to put Midland Trail down in order.

Moorefield added some insurance runs in the seventh inning to help secure the championship.

Snyder got the engine started with

a bunt single and stole around to third base before scoring on a passed ball for a 5-3 edge.

Heavner drew a full-count walk, then Simmons hit a line drive back to Rader.

Rader issued a free pass to Keplinger, then a pickoff error advanced the runners.

Kuykendall hammered a two-run producing single to put Moorefield up 7-3.

Miller singled to provide two baserunners, but they were stranded as Midland Trail third baseman Kendl Parson made a diving catch on

a blooper by Hinz and Coon popped out to Mooney at first base.

Hinz remained in the pitching circle in the bottom of the seventh inning and walked Midland Trail's Parcell.

Rader hit into a fielder's choice out at second base.

During a strikeout to Skaggs, Rader was in a rundown and just barely made a slide back to first base with legs flying up in the air as Snyder reached down for the tag.

Hinz finished the championship with a strikeout to Mooney as Moorefield earned the 7-3 victory.

Moorefield players poured water on the manager, then received the state championship banner and ran around the infield with it.

The assistant coaches tried to avoid a shower of water from the players after the banner photos were taken.

Moorefield Junior League All-Stars will represent West Virginia in the Southeast Region Tournament as the gold and blue takes the country roads into the tar heel state.



SPORTS

Minor Softball Champion: MoJo

Minor Softball Runner up: Moorefield Collision Center



Moorefield Junior League Softball All-Stars won the West Virginia Little League Junior League State Championship and will advance to the Southeast Region Tournament in Salisbury, N.C. on July 21-24.

Team members include: Seanna Heavner, Korbin Keplinger, Hannah Snyder, Mattie Auville, Raleigh Kuykendall, Caroline Jump, LeeAnne Coon, Alli Miller, Aryana Hinz, Sara Baldwin, Grace Simmons, Caroline Auville and LaTanya Redman; coaches Stacey Heavner, Adam Kuykendall and Jason Hinz.



Moorefield Little League 10-12 Softball All-Stars are competing in the state tournament at Braxton County

Team members include: Aubrey Kidwell, Brenna See, Annie Barr, Addison Hunt, Natilee George, Kalithia Keplinger, Kerigan Bergdall, Emmy Crites, Aunalyn Anderson, Katie Rohrbaugh, Payton Miller and Violet Hearn; coaches: Dor-man See, Patrick Stump and Daniel Barr.



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Division of Highways
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
LUCAS J. SEE, PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA ON BEHALF OF THE HARDY COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE,
Petitioner,
vs.
\$15,445.29, In US Currency More or Less,
Respondent,
 Serve on:
 Preston L. Carchman
 14815 Acorn Ridge
 Midlothian, VA 23112
 CASE NO: 22-P-34

NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR FORFEITURE

The Object of this suit is to seek an Order forfeiting the described property pursuant to the West Virginia Contraband Forfeiture Act (Chapter 60A, Article 7 of the West Virginia Code, as amended).
TO: ANY CLAIMANT OF A RIGHT IN SAID PROPERTY \$15,445.29, In US Currency More or Less You have the right to file a claim to the herein described property on or before August 19, 2022, (thirty days after the date of first publication). Any such claim must clearly state the identity of the claimant and an address where legal process can be served upon said Claimant. The Hardy County Drug Task Force is responsible for the seizure of the respondent property.
 The seizure took place on April 14, 2022, in Hardy County, West Virginia. Said property was owned by Preston L. Carchman and found with controlled substances.
 After the date of filing said claims, an Order of the Court directing forfeiture of the seized said property and vesting ownership of said property in the State shall be sought. If you fail to make a claim, thereafter an Order, upon proper hearing shall be entered against said property and against your claim for the relief sought in the Petition.
 A copy of said petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office.
 Entered by the Clerk of Said Courts on this the 13 day of July, 2022.

Kelly Shockey by
 Clerk of the Hardy County Circuit Courts
Nay Bremaska
 07/20/07/27

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Wardensville Town Council
Amendment to Town Code
 A public hearing at which you may be present and speak will be held before Wardensville Town Council at which time the following amendment to Town Code will be considered:
 Amendment 22-04: Coordination of Business Licensing of Alcohol, Wine and Beer with State Code. An amendment to bring Town business license requirements for establishments selling alcohol, wine, and beer into alignment with W.Va. State Code regulating such establishments.
 The proposed amendment is available for public inspection at Wardensville Town Hall, 25 Warrior Way, Wardensville, W.Va. All persons interested are invited to attend the Town Council hearing and be heard on the matter. The hearing will be held beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 2022, in the Conference Room of the Wardensville Visitor and Conference Center, 301 East Main Street, Wardensville, W.Va. Written comments may be mailed (and must be received three days in advance of the hearing date) to Wardensville Town Council, Town of Wardensville, PO Box 7, Wardensville WV 28851, info@wardensville.com.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HARDY COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA
IN RE: THE CHANGE OF NAME OF Mark Allen Cullers To Mark Allen Pratt
Circuit Court Case Number: 22-P-35

NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF CHANGE OF NAME:
 Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of September 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard, Mark Allen Cullers will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Hardy County, WV, at the Courthouse, thereof in the City of Moorefield for the entry of an Order by said Court changing the name from Mark Allen Cullers to Mark Allen Pratt. Any person who has objection to the change of said name for any reason may appear at the time and place set forth above and shall be heard in opposition to such change. The publication shall contain a provision that the hearing may be rescheduled without further notice or publication.
 Given under my hand this 14 day of July, 2022

Kelly Shockey by
 Clerk of the Hardy County Circuit Courts
Nay Bremaska
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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
 Civil action No: 22-D-20

In RE: The Marriage of: Shannon Keiffer, and Keneatha Pryce

Order of Publication

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE. THIS IS A PUBLICATION BY CLASS II LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

To the above named Respondent: It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that Keneatha Pryce is a non-resident of the state of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Keneatha Pryce serve upon Shannon Keiffer Petitioner whose address is 70 leisure Lane Moorfield, West Virginia an answer, including any related counterclaim or defence you may have to the Petition for Divorce, a Judgement may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the petition.
 A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerks Office. Entered by the Clerk of said Court Family/Circuit

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 07/31/2022
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 SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Various
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 07/15/2022
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 SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday - Friday with occasional evenings and nights. On call hours required. Will also float to Outpatient and PACU Departments. Prior Operating Room experience preferred but not required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 07/31/2022**
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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 07/31/2022
POSITION: PRN RT/RN/Exercise Physiologist for Cardiac Rehab
 SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Primary hours are days Monday through Friday(7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.), with occasional weekend call. Job duties include: Telemetry, vitals for cardiopulmonary and wellness patients. Experience in EKG monitoring and rehab setting along with exercise stress testing, preferred. Must be willing to do patient education both inpatient and outpatient and have excellent customer service skills. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 07/01/2022**
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