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## AG Patrick Morrissey visits, discusses opioid crisis with PHG

By Milda M. Mullins  
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Attorney General Patrick Morrissey visited Potomac Highlands Guild in Moorefield on Tuesday, Aug. 23, where he discussed money coming into the state and the focus to use it for the opioid crisis.

Funding is expected from successful litigation against a number of pharmaceutical companies charged with fueling the state's opioid crisis by distributing an excess of pills.

"We're trying to spend a lot of time talking about issues our office is working on and the opioid epidemic

is one at the top of the list. Between the settlements and the structure we've gotten together in the last year — it's a game changer. For the first time ever, West Virginia will have a funded strategy to tackle the issue," said Morrissey.

"For many years we've been working to ensure there's accountability in the challenge to come behind one plan that could be funded to attack the problem holistically from a supply, demand, and education perspective."

According to Morrissey, the funding is expected to be divided into three parts: 3 percent to the state for

litigation, 24.5 percent to counties and cities directly, and 72.5 percent will go into a 501(c)3 non-profit foundation focused on substance use disorders and recovery.

He noted there will be flexibility, however, in how those funds are used to tackle problems in specific areas.

Funds could cover almost anything along the continuum of care from the time a person is intoxicated or experiencing addiction to when they're healing and ready to return to the workforce. Examples include beds, transportation, mental health services, job training and much more.

"There's a lot of opportunity

where you can screw up, but with the right resources and planning you can accomplish a lot of good for your county and state," said Morrissey.

The goal is to include experts in the field to lead the charge, especially within counties and towns, to find the best ways to help those affected by addiction.

Additionally, funding provided to counties could see different uses depending on the needs of residents in each respective place.

"We don't want a formula based on population, we want it based on a

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## Annual Adopt-A-Highway Fall cleanup set for Sept. 24

Individuals, families, churches, businesses, schools, civic organizations, government agencies and communities can register to pick up trash on almost any state-maintained road

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) is now accepting registrations for the Adopt-A-Highway Fall Statewide Cleanup set for Saturday, Sept. 24.

Co-sponsored by the WVDEP and the state Division of Highways (DOH), the Adopt-A-Highway program is administered by the WVDEP's Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan (REAP) and improves the quality of the state's environment by encouraging public involvement in the elimination of highway litter.

Since the program's inception in 1988, state citizens have cleaned up close to 70,000 miles of state highways and roads during annual spring and fall Adopt-A-Highway events.

Individuals, families, churches, businesses, schools, civic organizations, government agencies and communities can register to pick up trash on almost any state-maintained road, back road, or main route. Private roads and interstate highways cannot be adopted.

The Adopt-A-Highway program provides garbage bags, work gloves and safety vests to volunteers, and takes care of disposing of collected trash. Volunteers must be at least 12 years old to participate. One-time cleanups are encouraged but must be registered.

Groups must register in advance by September 16 and inform their county DOH garage if they need sup-

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## Heritage Weekend: Coffman offers taste of Appalachia

The Hardy County Tour & Craft Association is pleased to welcome Alex Coffman, WVU Extension Agent for Grant County and local food blogger, to be part of the 69th Annual Heritage Weekend.

Alex will offer tastes of local and traditional Appalachian food at the craft show, located at Moorefield High

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## "Everyone can do something!"



Photos by Milda M. Mullins

Members of Hardy County Helpers help build a ramp for veteran Ed Cole. Pictured is David Hubbard (front left), Steve Pendleton (back left), Harold George (back right), and Dave Mathias (front right).



Hardy County Helper David Hubbard prepares the ramp banisters to add a guardrail on top.

## Hardy County Helpers assist another community member, request volunteers

By Milda M. Mullins  
Moorefield Examiner

Everyone can do something: That's the motto of a small group of community members dubbed the Hardy County Helpers.

Five of six core members showed up in Moorefield last week, where they constructed a ramp for Vietnam veteran Ed Cole.

"Well, I think it's pretty good. It's going to serve a good purpose, I be-

lieve," Cole said about his new ramp.

"I hope it'll be an improvement from what I've been through and what I'm going through. I was telling them I hope it doesn't get to the point that I have to use the wheelchair, but I'm sure I'm going to benefit from it. It looks good, I'm proud of them."

Cole thanked the men: Harold George, Dave Mathias, David Hubbard, Jim Oliver, and Steve Pendleton. The other regular volunteer, Neil Gillies, was unable to attend.

"There's too much negativity in the world. It's nice to be able to spread a little bit of sunshine," said Mathias.

George chimed in, "he won't tell you, but he has a good heart and he wants to help people. He does it to help people."

"That's what we're all doing here — helping people. I'm building good Karma," added Hubbard.

The ramp, which attaches to Cole's porch, took two hours to construct on

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## Highlands Creative Economy Tourism Summit a success

Hosted by the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area (AFNHA) and Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College, the Highlands Creative Economy Tourism Summit, held Aug. 24 at Canaan Valley Resort State Park, provided a forum for regional tourism leaders, entrepreneurs, and organizations to share ideas about tourism and economic development in the Potomac Highlands.

"The Highlands Creative Economy Tourism Summit was a great opportunity to learn from and network with tourism partners from all around our region," said Phyllis Baxter, executive director of AFNHA. "We were delighted with the participation and enthusiasm."

The forum featured sessions on tourism marketing, outdoor recreation and trail marketing, hospitality and lodging, heritage trails, state tourism resources, and tourism business development/entrepreneurship. Speakers at the sessions included marketing experts, leaders of non-profit and economic development organizations, higher education administrators and educators,

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## County Methodists to hold Sept. revival

The United Methodists of Hardy County would like to invite their neighbors to join them for a county-wide revival Sept. 12-14 at 7 p.m. each evening. Leading the services will be the Rev. Stephon Reed and his wife the Rev. Shirley Reed. There will be special music each night.

Monday night's service will be at Duffey Memorial Church, at the corner of Winchester Avenue and Elm Street in the heart of Moorefield. Tuesday night's service will be at Baker U.M. Church at Baker (not to be confused with Baker's Chapel at Durgon). Wednesday night's service will be at Wardensville U.M. Church, on Main Street in Wardensville.

Stephon is a conference-approved evangelist. Both Stephon and Shirley are licensed United Methodist pastors serving within the bounds of the Potomac Highlands District. Stephon is the pastor of Rees Chapel at New Creek, and Shirley is the pastor of the Augusta, Hott's Chapel, and Mt. Zion Churches in Hampshire County.

The revival is sponsored by the Hardy County Cooperative Parish, a fellowship of 14 Hardy County United Methodist Churches served by Pastors John Bruce, Mark Flynn, Harold George, Aaron Himes, and Robert Oakley. An offering will be received each night. A portion of the offering will be used to pay the expenses of the revival, a portion will be used for the work of Burlington United Methodist Family Services, and a portion will be used for the work of the Hardy County Cooperative Parish.

## Local DAR Chapter Receives Recognitions at District Meeting

On Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022, five members of the South Branch Valley Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the Revolution, traveled to Martinsburg to attend the Eastern District meeting, hosted by the William Henshaw Chapter, NS-DAR. State Regent Jane Larke of

the WVDAR spoke, outlining her projects and goals for the next three years, which include historical preservation of the WVDAR history and making it accessible by digitizing it, planning for a technological future through updates of the WVDAR webpage and preparing for a stron-

ger generation through community outreach by promoting reading.

An interesting pictorial program describing the reinterment of American Patriot Malchor Strobe was given by Julia Gates, Regent of the William Henshaw Chapter. Several chapters of the Eastern District were recog-

nized during the awards ceremony. South Branch Valley Chapter member Susan Garrett was awarded for Outstanding Service as State Chair of the American History Committee and Chapter Regent Judith Bowyer was awarded Outstanding Service as East Central Division Vice Chair of

the Service to America Committee. Other awards received by the chapter included: the Membership Committee Luminary Challenge Brilliant Level; Membership Committee Luminary Challenge Radiant Level; Membership Committee 10% or Higher Net Member Increase; Mem-

bership Committee Zero Member Resignation/Drops; DAR Project Patriot Committee Outstanding Service and Support; and Chapter Achievement Award Level 1 for 2021.

A memorial service was held at the end of the meeting, honoring 11

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### WEATHER

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Thursday  
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High 71°



Friday  
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High 75°



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From other editors' desks . . .

# Experience a plus, Governor's special session a bust

Governor Jim Justice called a special session of the Legislature to take up his proposal for a tax cut. At the last minute he added clarification to the state's law banning abortion to the agenda.

Neither of the proposals was approved and the legislature spent thousands of taxpayer dollars to accomplish nothing. The Republican super majorities in both houses of the legislature are not against cutting taxes or banning abortion. They just couldn't agree on how to do either.

Justice, known for flying by the seat of his pants, broke one of the cardinal rules in state government. There is no use in calling a special session until you have worked out the details with legislative leadership to develop a proposal that will be approved.

Justice, who ran for the governor's office with no experience in state government at all, doesn't follow the rules. As a wealthy businessman, he's used to dictating what will be done, with a room full of yes men and women who always agree with the boss. That's not how it works in government.

Justice's lack of understanding of how state government operates is glaring, especially when you consider this is his second term.

His lack of effort in what he considers a part-time position also is costly to the taxpayers. Let's hope he gets it right the next time a special session is convened.

David Hedges, Publisher  
The Roane County Reporter

## MY UNBASED OPINION

By DAVID O. HEISHMAN

This week, for the first time in the more than 25 years Unbased Opinion has existed, my dad couldn't get a column to come together.

He's taking out his frustrations on Pitt vs. WVU — and his frustrations right now are many.

I'm The Oldest, The One in the Army, the One Who's Here, and The One Who Took Over the Paper, for better or worse. I did pinky-swear I wouldn't fill the column full of liberal ideas.

Aging isn't for the weak or faint of heart. Each day brings another ache, physical or mental. People treat you like you're a doddering fool because

they didn't know you in your prime, and get frustrated when you can't move or communicate as quickly and efficiently as they can.

They don't realize they're getting a glimpse of their own futures.

Mom's memory slips now and then, and a 70-year-old back injury arguably gives her more grief now than it did then. Dad's Parkinsons quietly, but visibly steals from him a bit more each day, whether it's control over trembling hands and jerking shoulders, or his ability to hold a thought long enough to 'seek and destroy' the letters to type it for your weekly perusal.

I remember my parents from their mid-to-late 30s. I remember my dad working all day at the farm, and half the night on a printing press, then getting up the next day to do it again. My mom would go to meeting after meeting, then spend whatever time was left working on stories about those meetings. Amongst all this, they ran herd on three kids, attended every ballgame and performance they could, and even managed to read for pleasure.

Their frustration with their current situations is very real, and not hard to understand.

It's hard to find help. Any help. It's

hard to find people to help clean big, old houses. It's hard to find people to provide company and conversation, or run small errands, or do small jobs around the house.

Things they used to not think twice about, like watering plants, minor maintenance, even cooking are hard to do, now.

And it's not just us, not just out here in the world. Officially, hospitals and rehabilitation and nursing homes are desperate for help, especially nurses at all levels. As the Baby Boomers age through their 70s, beds in these facilities will get scarce, and the people to take care of

it shouldn't make promises that it will likely be unable to keep. Or else it should identify other state spending that can be cut to ensure a sufficient revenue stream from Charleston to assist county governments. Of course, why all our counties have to depend, hat in hand, on the state government for funds for local purposes is beyond me. Talk about excessive, centralized government!

It's also bothersome that the Amendment dangles the "carrot" of relieving average voters of the automobile tax burden, when most of the foregone revenue will be from relieving inventory taxes on the business community. I'd rather see West Virginia taxes be lower in every respect — personal property tax, sales tax, income tax, and gasoline tax, the whole gamut. But catering particularly to the business community gives the impression that business lobbyists are calling the shots in Charleston, not regular citizens. If tax cuts are affordable, I'd prefer lowering them all bit by bit while simultaneously and equivalently cutting government spending (after all,

government spending is supposed to benefit all of us, but with tax cuts in every category all of us would have more of our own funds to pay directly for programs we individually prioritize).

Last, this whole issue of government spending and taxes avoids the elephant in the room. Too much government spending is financed by taking our money in the form of taxes and is then spent by our ever-wise overlords in Charleston and Washington, D.C., supposedly for our benefit. Our elected officials always remind us at election time about the "goodies" they've brought home (nickels on the dollar of what was taken from us in the first place). Instead, citizens ought to be able to keep a lot more of what's ours to begin with to spend on the individualized needs of our families and neighbors. The argument otherwise is that we can't adequately take care of ourselves and our community on our own. Phooey with that.

Sincerely,  
John S. Buckley  
Mathias

## EXAMINER SAYS

### Celebrate Grandparents

Last Tuesday we received an AP story on the Division of Natural Resources taking applications for controlled deer hunts in four state parks. The only problem . . . hunters had until Wednesday (the next day) to apply and drawings were to be held Thursday. Our paper was already printed for last week and it would be too late this week. We aren't sure who is doing PR for the DNR, but we would like to suggest that they get such information out early enough

for weekly papers to carry. Even daily papers would have been hard pressed to get the story out in time.

### They are Worth It!

Don't forget the Poker Run breaking this Saturday at the Broken Spoke. Money raised in memory of Autym Wilt will be used for scholarships at both East Hardy and Moorefield. For more information call Jill or Brian Wolfe at 304-257-8734.

### Grandparents are Special

For the last several years we have had the pleasure of being grandparents. It has been a delight watching our granddaughter Caitlyn celebrate her fifth birthday, lose two front teeth and start school here in Moorefield. She's into twirly skirts, fairies and coloring. She has her Momma's smile and long legs and luckily she loves her Gran and Granddad. Our bonus grandchild is Avery, who turned two in July. He will also be tall, but now he captivates us with his blue eyes

and dimpled smile. Avery loves tractors, trucks and anything that makes noise and has wheels. He discovered David's farm tractor recently and now the Farm is a place he wants to visit. He's becoming quite the talker and won us completely when he told Gran and Granddad he loved us. By the way, there's another set of grandparents and they, too, both give and receive lots of love. Because of the Hinkle-Heishman grandchildren we really know what it is to celebrate Grandparents Day this year on September 11.

## GLANCING BACKWARD

FROM THE MOOREFIELD EXAMINER ARCHIVES

### Fifteen Years Ago September 5, 2007

The W.Va. Public Service Commission cited Enviroco's rate hike request as excessive and recommended an increase roughly half of the trash hauler's request. Enviroco asked for a 33.5 percent increase for residential customers and 35 percent for commercial customers. The PSC recommended a 15 percent increase for both residential and commercial customers.

Officials requested more state

troopers to be assigned to the Hardy County Detachment, which includes two counties. Only 5 troopers cover an area greater than any other in the state: Hardy-Grant has more than 7,000 people and over 1000 square miles of mountainous terrain and Corridor H, all adding to demands for police.

In the same issue, Sheriff Robert Ferrell made an appeal to citizens to help identify dealers and users of methamphetamine. Meth labs were being found in houses, apartments, hotel rooms, sheds and motor homes. The Red Cross created the Eastern

Panhandle chapter including Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, Hampshire, Hardy, Grant and Pendleton counties.

The Capon Valley Coalition was hosting a public meeting to mobilize opposition to the proposed Allegheny Energy power line that would cut across Hardy County.

A trout school was scheduled to be held at Reymann Memorial Farms.

Joseph Eugene Keplinger, 51, Bealeton, Va., died Aug. 27... Ralph L. Orndorff, 70, Wardensville, died Aug. 24... Ralph Edward May, 58, Timberville, Va., died Aug. 26... William Howard Bolyard, 68, died Aug. 29... Bryan Ray Pendley, 27, Talmo, Calif., died Aug. 18 following an auto accident.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Todd Snyder, a daughter, Hannah Ruth... to Stacy Millsap and Vince Redmon, a son, Keaton Vince... to Trina Crites and Paul Lipscomb, a son, Jason Andrew.

### Thirty Years Ago September 2, 1992

GTE announced a \$100 million project to modernize West Virginia telephone facilities and eliminate party line service within four years.

Gov. Gaston Caperton unveiled new goals for public education. All students were to have equal educational opportunities. Student performance would equal or exceed national average. The best personnel were to be recruited and retained. Ninety percent of ninth grade students would graduate with skills necessary for college or gainful employment. Schools were to provide a safe, disciplined environment. All working age adults were to be functionally and technically literate.

Hardy, Grant and Pendleton coun-

ties were participating in Hurricane Andrew relief efforts.

School opened in Moorefield and at East Hardy High School on September 1. Students at East Hardy Early Middle were delayed a week to allow time for final construction to be completed.

Getty Pennington Pratt Lipscomb, 70, Franklin, died Aug. 24...Isabella McKown Miller, 80, Romney, died Aug. 30...Garrett S. VanMeter, 84, Petersburg, died Aug. 28...Danny Glenn Stickley, 30, Purgitsville, died Aug. 21 in a car accident...Wanda Henry Kaltenbaugh, 71, Newville, Pa., died Aug. 29.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. David Oates, a son, David Cameron II... to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fitzwater, a son, Casey Wayne.

Moorefield lost to Franklin 33-6... East Hardy lost to Pocahontas 24-20.

### Forty-five Years Ago September 7, 1977

Northwest Industries planned to construct an 18,000 square foot facility in the Moorefield Industrial Park. A manufacturer of fiber glass truck bodies, the company expected to employ 25 people.

Wardensville residents were to expect work to begin in the fall on the new sewer system.

Rail users were to meet to discuss the last opportunity to make public comments before the final decision was made about the railroad.

Norman Franklin Whetzel, Jr., 25, Newark, Del., died Sept. 2 in a drowning accident...Thomas M. McDonald, 66, Junction, died Sept. 1... Nellie Shoemaker Shockey, 68, Old Fields, died Sept. 4...David C. Kimble, 65, died Aug. 26...Minnie Wellacott Ward, 67, Fisher, died Sept. 1... Lulu Davy Hartman, 80, Purgitsville,

died Sept. 5.

Linda Lee Cleaver and Dennis Lee Jenkins were married on Aug. 20.

Moorefield lost to Hampshire 26-0.

### Sixty Years Ago September 5, 1962

The state was giving a series of aptitude and achievement tests to all high school seniors for the first time. This was an effort to reduce the cost of school testing and to increase the usefulness of test results.

First day enrollment in county schools increased from 2,222 in 1961 to 2,240.

A comprehensive survey of the labor force in all eight Eastern Panhandle counties plus Randolph and Tucker was to get underway. The rest of the state had already been surveyed.

Carrie Foltz See, 81, Needmore, died Aug. 30...Joshua S. Zimmerman, 88, Romney, dean of the South Branch bar, died Sept. 2...Guy Baughman, 66, Wardensville, died Aug. 31...Virginia Feller Bond, 50, died Aug. 31...Wanda Snyder Wolfe, 30, Bean Settlement, died Sept. 4... Arthur C. Feaster, 89, died Sept. 4 in Cumberland.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mowery, a son.

### Seventy-five Years Ago September 10, 1947

Parking meters for Moorefield were to arrive within the next two weeks. Owners of open sewers in the town were notified that the sewers had to be closed and the owners hooked up to the town sewer.

Moorefield High School had an enrollment of 375.

The US Department of Agricul-

ture reported that the American farmer had the highest income in history.

The community cannery reported that 171 patrons were served during the past month.

Daniel F. Seldon, 78, died in Covington, Va....Emmett Andrew Henry, 11-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Henry, died Sept. 2... Daisy Lillian, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dasher, died Aug. 20... Roy Delawder, 54, Mathias, died a victim of a hit and run driver in Baltimore on Sept. 6.

Susan Parsons Welton and Jesse William Fisher were married Sept. 4...Janet Rohrbaugh and Robert Deadrick were married Sept. 2...Jean Smith and Webster O. Boyde were married Aug. 29...Avis Virginia Halterman and Howard Randolph Priest were married Sept. 4.

### Ninety Years Ago September 7, 1932

The post office of Alaska changed its name to Ft. Ashby, W.Va., in recognition of an old fort that had been ordered built by Gen. George Washington in 1775.

Teachers in Moorefield High and Graded schools were: P.W. Clarke, principal; R.J. Douglas, Helen Pownall, Suella Harper, Lucy Lee Kuykendall, Chester B. Hiett, and Mabel F. Hess; and Virginia Wood, Edna T. Gamble, Laura Fisher, Averil Marshall, Rebecca Harper and Phyllis Chipley.

H.S. Pownall, newly elected state commander of the WV Department of the American Legion, had left for Portland, Ore., to attend the National Convention.

Charlie Williams, who recently sold his garage, was erecting a service station on the lot adjoining the

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NEWS

# Hardy County GOP hosts Attorney General Morrissey

By Jennifer Amato  
*Moorefield Examiner*

On Aug. 22 the Hardy County Republican Executive Committee hosted a community forum with special guest speaker West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrissey at the Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College in Moorefield. Food and beverages were provided by Team Morrissey.

Community members gathered at the college to discuss a wide range of issues with the Attorney General. Topics included access to reliable phone service and broadband, enhancing educational choices within the state, securing integrity in women’s sports, the fight to protect life, and the Second Amendment as well as infrastructure, healthcare and state income taxes. Morrissey candidly answered questions posed by local constituents

while addressing the progress made by his office to protect the rights of all West Virginians. He emphasized his commitment to defending state laws and the importance of maintaining honor and integrity within the Attorney Generals Office, stating that “West Virginia is going to speak with a really loud voice: We do not back down from a principled fight.” He concluded by saying there will be no constitutional shortcuts on his watch.



Photos by Jennifer Amato

Left to Right: Steve Smith, Hardy County GOP Vice Chair; Patrick Morrissey, WVAG; Sherri Hof, Hardy County GOP Chair; Dr. Tom Striplin, EWVCTC President.



Left to right: Sherri Hof (Hardy County GOP Chair); Trevor Southerly; Patrick Morrissey (W.Va. Attorney General); Steve Smith (Hardy County GOP Vice Chair); Jill Long; J.W. Hyre; Terri Kimble; Matt Dunlay; and Steve Schetrom (Hardy County Commissioner)

## NEWS BRIEFS

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Moorefield on Thursday, September 8. Donors will be taken at the Moorefield Church of the Brethren at 115 Clay Street from 12:30 until 5:30 p.m. Both Power Red and whole blood donations will be taken. Power Red donors must meet specific eligibility requirements and have type A Neg, B Neg or O blood. Appointments may be necessary. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS. The Red Cross is reminding donors of the great need for blood, so please consider the gift of life.

Breast Cancer and Lung Cancer screening will be done October 6 at the Moorefield Health and Wellness Center from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Breast screening will be done through Bon-

nie’s Bus while Lung Cancer will be screened by the WVUCI Mobile Lung Cancer Unit. For more information on both screenings, call 304-539-7380.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation is hiring for positions in human resources and plans a hiring event from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 8 at 1340 Smith St., Charleston. Interviews will be held there, with hiring almost immediate. Positions include recruiter, trainer, administrative staff and wellness coordinator. Anyone interested may apply online at the department’s website.

According to AAA on September 1, the average price for regular gas in West Virginia was down to \$3.768 per gallon. The national average for

a gallon of gas fell to \$3.829. Andrew Gross, AAA spokesperson, said “Drivers are now benefiting from gas prices that are \$1.11 less than their peak in mid-June. But now we need to keep an eye on the weather as hurricane season arrives. These storms can affect prices by disrupting oil production in the Gulf of Mexico and impacting large coastal refineries.” Across the state Beckley was high at \$3.902 and Weirton was low at \$3.451. Hardy County’s average price was \$4.037. Hampshire’s was \$4.013. Pendleton’s was \$4.032 and Grant’s was \$3.999. Reporting stations in Hardy County (all for regular gas): Moorefield Sheetz was \$4.00. BP at Moorefield was \$4.10. Baker BP was \$4.10. Sunoco Gas at Old Fields was \$4.10. Pure at Mathias was \$4.08. Kerr’s Shell and Liberty at Wardensville were both \$4.00.

# East Hardy FFA Members Snyder, Heishman earn State FFA Degree

In July, members from across the state gathered to receive the highest FFA degree a State Association can bestow on its members. Two East Hardy FFA members, Holly Snyder and Emma Heishman, were awarded their WV FFA State Degree as they met all of the requirements for this honor. These requirements are: have received the Chapter FFA Degree; have been an active FFA member for the past 2 years; have completed the equivalent of at least 2 years of systematic school instruction in agricultural education at or above the 9th grade level, which includes

an SAE; must have earned at least \$1,000 or worked 300 hours, or have a combination of; demonstrate leadership ability; have a satisfactory scholastic record; have completed the planning and completion of the chapter’s Program of Activities; have participated in at least five different FFA Activities above the chapter level; and lastly, have participated in at least 25 hours of community service, within two different community service activities. A Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) is member driven as they choose a project, they are interested in. The SAE is designed to grow and

develop over their time as an FFA member. Holly and Emma’s SAE are raising livestock animals for their community. Holly’s SAE projects were raising laying hens and market hogs for the annual South Branch Valley Ham Bacon and Egg Show. Emma raised market lambs and goats to be shown at the annual Tri County Fair. The American FFA Degree is the next and final honor for the National FFA Organization to bestow on its members. Congratulations Holly and Emma!”

# 4 things you should know about working after you turn 65

By Kate Ashford  
*Nerd Wallet*

Continuing to work past the traditional retirement age gives many the opportunity to add more money to their nest egg — and delay Social Security, which will bump up their eventual benefits check. In May, 21.9% of Americans ages 65 and older were working, compared with 19.5% in May 2020, according to a study released in June by MagnifyMoney, which analyzed U.S. Census Bureau Household Pulse Survey data.

It’s important to know how working affects your Medicare benefits, Social Security and tax situation. Here are some things to understand about staying in the workforce later in life.

### YOU MAY BE ABLE TO DELAY MEDICARE ENROLLMENT

If you’re still working at 65 and have access to health benefits through your employer — or your spouse’s employer — you may be able to delay enrolling in Medicare. If your

company has fewer than 20 employees, you should sign up for Medicare, but if it has 20-plus employees, you may be able to delay.

If you have the choice, compare what you would pay for group benefits with what you’d pay for Medicare, including any supplemental coverage and prescription drug benefits. “If the group coverage is less, then it may make sense to not get Part B and wait until you retire,” says Julie Hall, a certified financial planner in Ann Arbor, Mich. (Part A is free for most people, so there’s no point in delaying that unless you have an HSA — more on that below.)

Contact your benefits department before delaying to make sure your employer doesn’t require you to enroll in Medicare.

### AN HSA AND MEDICARE DON’T MIX

If you have a high-deductible health plan along with a health savings account, or HSA, be aware that you can’t save to an HSA once you’ve enrolled in Medicare. An HSA can be a valuable retirement savings tool, so it’s worth weighing your options if you have access to employer benefits that allow you to delay Medicare.

“I see (an HSA) as a triple tax benefit,” says Diane Pearson, a CFP in Wexford, Pennsylvania, about the fact that money can be saved pre-tax, grow tax-free and be withdrawn pretax to pay for eligible medical expenses.

If you’re collecting Social Security, you’ll be automatically enrolled in Medicare Part A when you turn 65; if you want to save to an HSA, you’ll have to delay Social Security benefits. If you plan to enroll in Medicare and you have an HSA, both you and your employer should cease contributions at least six months before you apply for Medicare to prevent tax headaches.

### YOUR EARNINGS AFFECT YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY PAYMENTS

If you claim Social Security during the last years of your working life, your income can affect your benefits.

In 2022, your Social Security benefits will be reduced \$1 for every \$2 you earn over \$19,560. In the year you hit your full retirement age, the calculations are different: Your benefits are reduced \$1 for every \$3

earned over \$51,960 up to the month before the one you hit full retirement age. Once you reach full retirement age, there’s no benefit reduction, no matter how much you earn.

Additionally, your Social Security benefits may be taxed. In 2022, people filing an individual tax return with a combined income of more than \$25,000 or filing jointly with a combined income of more than \$32,000 will pay taxes on up to 85% of their Social Security benefits. (Social Security defines “combined income” as the total of your adjusted gross income, nontaxable interest and half of your Social Security benefits.)

“It doesn’t take a whole lot of income to get people to the point where they pay tax on a portion of their Social Security,” says Barbara O’Neill, a CFP in Ocala, Florida.

### YOUR INCOME AFFECTS YOUR MEDICARE PREMIUMS

Medicare Part B and Part D are subject to the income-related monthly adjustment amount, or IRMAA. The more you earn, the higher your premiums will be.

In 2022, you’ll pay more for Part B and Part D if your modified adjusted gross income from two years ago was more than \$91,000 as a single tax filer or more than \$182,000 if you filed jointly. The extra costs can add up, and experts recommend factoring this into your work plans.

“People might say, ‘I’ll work, but I can only earn so much,’” O’Neill says. “You’ve got to be careful of triggering the IRMAA.”

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## Glancing Backward

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Methodist parsonage and planned to handle Esso products.

Minerva Bowman, 77, had died. Mrs. Josephine Fisher and Frank Sherman were married. Born to postmaster and Mrs. James Wratford, a daughter.

### 105 Years Ago September 6, 1917

President Wilson’s reply to the Pope regarding war with Germany was to be spread over that country by airplane.

Dr. Harper Barney, Wardensville, had been selected as one of 24 surgeons out of 200 applications for a hospital corps and commissioned a lieutenant for active service in France. Dr. Barney was to serve on the staff of Dr. Stewart McGuire of Richmond.

Hardy County’s first soldiers for the Great Army had left the day before publication when Moray Randolph and Claude Simmons had left for Camp Lee. The day following publication, Karl Bean and Job Snyder were to go to the same camp.

The McNeills had received a card from Charlie Smith who had enlisted some time before announcing his arrival in France.

Mortimer Gamble, Jr. had gone to Marion, Alabama, to go to a military school to prepare for West Point.

Mrs. Susan Fultz, 80, had died at her home on Branch Mountain. Bessie Lillian Billmyer and Elmer Otis Coffman were married in Cumberland...Mary Coffman and Thomas Poland were married at Lost City.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Renner, a daughter.

## COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

### Farmers Market Coupons

The Hardy County Senior Center has farmers market coupons, and has started distributing them. Those interested need proof of identification, income, birthday and address. To pick up for someone else, all previous is required plus a paper the person has signed, with your name, authorizing you to pick up for that person. Hours: 8-11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### Mobile Office

Richard Dennis, consumer outreach and compliance specialist with Attorney General Patrick Morrissey, will host a mobile office session Sept. 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Hardy County Senior Committee on Aging, 409 Spring Ave., Moorefield.

### Food School

The next Food School is 6 p.m. Sept. 12 at East Hardy High School auditorium. No registration needed; classes are first come, first serve.

### Trappers Convention

The W.Va. Trappers Association will hold their 53rd Annual Convention at the Gilmer County Recreation Center (1365 Sycamore Run Road Glenville, WV) Sept. 16-17, 2022. Gate opens 10 a.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday. Demos both days. Free Trappers Education Classes Saturday Sept. 17, registration at 8:30 a.m., class starts at 9 a.m. Beekeeping seminar Friday at 4 p.m. Coyote Hunting Seminar Saturday at 3 p.m. WV Muzzleloaders Association will have classes on how to Tomahawk Throw and Shoot muzzleloaders from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. WV Bowhunters will be present. Vendors present both days with trapping supplies and much more. Benefit Auction Saturday at 2 p.m. Public is welcome. Free Admission and Free Gate Ticket for hourly drawings. Something for everyone: Bring your family and enjoy the day! Information and Vendors: contact Briana Frederick at 304-997-1863 or see our website www.wvtrappers.com

### Breast Cancer Screening

Bonnie’s Bus will be at 411 Spring Ave., Moorefield (Hardy County Health and Wellness Center) Oct. 6 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 304-538-7380. Doctor’s order required. Accepts Medicare, Medicaid, WVBCSP and all private insurance. Funds available for uninsured W.Va. women 40 and older.

### Lung Cancer Screening

Hardy County Health and Wellness Center will host WVUCI Mobile Lung Cancer Screening Unit Oct. 6 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 304-538-7380 to schedule appointment. Eligibility: 50-80 years old; Currently smoke or have quit.

### Job Fair

A Community Job Fair will be held at Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College in Moorefield on Friday, Oct. 7. Morning session is 9 to 11 a.m. and afternoon session is 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Approximately 30 employers will participate; job seekers are encouraged to bring resumes. Space will be available for on-site interviews. Learn more at the college’s website – easternwv.edu – or contact Career Counselor Dixie Heavener at 304-434-8000 or dixie.heavener@easternwv.edu.

### 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.

### Spay and Neuter

Get the cat or dog spayed or neutered! 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. Spay Today: 304-728-8330 or https://spay-today.org

### Food Pantry

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

### Free Classes

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

### Hardy Co. Public Meeting Schedule

• Hardy County Commission: First Tuesday, monthly; 9 a.m. Hardy County Courthouse  
• Hardy County Board of Education: First and Third Monday month-

ly; 5 p.m. Hardy Co. Schools Office, 510 Ashby Ave. Moorefield

• Wardensville Town Council: Second Monday monthly; 6:30 p.m. Conference and Visitors Center, Main Street, Wardensville

• Moorefield Town Council: First and Third Tuesdays monthly; 7 p.m. Inskeep Hall, 206 Winchester Ave., Moorefield

• Hardy Co. Planning Commission: First Tuesday monthly; 6 p.m. Planning Office, Hardy Co. Courthouse, Lower Level

• Hardy Co. Public Service District: First Wednesday monthly; 4:30 p.m. PSD Office, 2094 U.S. 220 South, Moorefield

• Hardy Co. Ambulance Authority: Second Wednesday monthly; 6:30 p.m., alternates between Moorefield 911 Center and Baker building.

• The Hardy Co. Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Board: Third Wednesday monthly; 1 p.m. Planning Office, Hardy County Courthouse, lower level



## O B I T U A R I E S

### Alice Elaine Welton Eye



Alice Elaine Welton Eye, age 86 of Central Avenue, Moorefield, passed away Monday morning, Aug. 29, 2022 at the Grant Rehabilitation & Care Center in Petersburg. Born Jan. 8, 1936 at Kessel, she was a daughter of the late James VanLeer Welton and Nellie Isabel Goldizen See. Her husband, Charles Bradley Eye, preceded her in death in August 2017. A daughter, Jody Ellen Barr, an infant sister and a half-sister also preceded her in death.

Alice was a retired Financial Clerk for Hardy County as she had a knack for numbers and figures; she was a

member of the Duffey Memorial United Methodist Church; a member of the Order of the Eastern Star #102 and a member of the Old Fields CEOS. Alice was a "Master Knitter" and often taught others how to knit.

Surviving are two daughters, Amy B. Eye of Moorefield and Lisa L. Eye-Mangini of Knoxville, Md.; two half-brothers, James R. Welton of Fredericksburg, Va. and Roy B. Welton of Moorefield; four grandchildren, Jacy E. Barr, Brandon J. Barr, Dylan L. Mangini and Joseph Charles Mangini; and a great-granddaughter, Raylee Mangini.

Funeral Services were conducted Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022 at the Fraley Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Mark Flynn officiant. Interment followed in the Olivet Cemetery. The family receive friends before services.

Memorials may be directed to the Duffey Memorial United Methodist Church, 100 N Elm St., Moorefield, WV 26836 or the Hardy County Library, 102 N Main St., Moorefield, WV 26836. Condolences, shared memories and photos may be left on Alice's Tribute Wall at [www.fraley-funeralhome.com](http://www.fraley-funeralhome.com).

### John George Van Meter



John George Van Meter passed away unexpectedly at home in Petersburg on Aug. 29, 2022 at the age of 84. Born Feb. 8, 1938 in Cumberland, Md., he was the son of the late Mabel Snyder and Kenneth Chambers Van Meter Jr.

John recounted many fond memories spent with his cousins on the family dairy farm, Locust Shade, as well as in his childhood neighborhood as a proud member of the Pierpont Street Polecats. He went to work at 13 years old as a guide at Smoke Hole Caverns.

John spent his early years in Petersburg where he attended elementary school. His love for history earned him the State's history contest honor of "Knight of the Gold-

en Horseshoe." He graduated from Petersburg high School in 1956 and went on to West Virginia University, graduating from West Virginia University College of Law in 1961. During his junior year in college to avoid a \$5 fine, he and his Phi Sig Brothers attended the Alpha Delta Pi Tea where he met his beloved wife Mary of 63 years. They were married in Rowlesburg, W.Va. on Aug. 4, 1959. They made their home in Petersburg for the past 63 years. John had a magnetic quality about him. People gravitated toward him to feel heard, supported, and important. John practiced Law with his father beginning in 1961 until his retirement.

Mr. Van Meter served on The Grant County Bank Board since 1977 and The Highland Bankshares, Inc. Board since 1985, serving as Chairman/CEO. In addition, he served on the Petersburg City Council for eight years. He was an active member of the Petersburg Presbyterian Church, fulfilling duties as elder and trustee. He took pride in his work on numerous nonprofit organizations. He served as Mental Health Commissioner in Grant County for many years. "Coach" Van Meter helped organize the local little league football program.

Anyone who knew John knew his family was his first love. He had a unique and special relationship with

each of his loved ones. He is survived by his wife Mary; son John and wife Mary Jane Van Meter, Spraggs, Pa.; son Scott and wife Robin Van Meter, Beckley; and daughter Jennifer and husband Mark Hatala, Binghamton, N.Y. Boomp's pride and joy were his grandchildren Beth and husband Jim Swords, Lori Fox, and Carly White, Waynesburg, Pa.; Jacob Van Meter, Beckley; Madison and husband Shane Thompson, Charleston; Lauren, Molly, Grace, Samuel & Rose Hatala all of Binghamton; great-grandchildren Megan Swords, Nathan and Sydney Fox all of Waynesburg, Pa.; and numerous cousins.

John appreciated the little things in life. He loved Sandbridge Beach with his grandchildren, a dip in the ocean, fishing trips with the boys, gardening, an ice cold beer, evenings on the back porch, the Wall Street Journal and history books that would put most to sleep. He had a love for all things historical. He taught Civil War History for Shepherd College. In 1988 He published "Short History-Small Church: Petersburg Presbyterian Church 1837-1987." He edited The Civil War Letters of Charles Delay which he titled "To Water Street With Love." He had a special talent for story telling, his laugh infectious and his love for his family immeasurable.

John and his family were grateful for the loving care and friendship of

the Family Traditions lunch crew, Jan Hinebaugh, Terry Wimer, Dr. Bensenhaver and staff, Becky Harman, and this wonderful small town family.

A private burial will be held for the family at The Maple Hill Cemetery. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

**Memory Eternal Meter... Dad... Boomp!!**

"He comes to us as One unknown, without a name, as of old, by the lakeside, He came to those men who knew Him not. He speaks to us the same words: "Follow thou me!" and sets us to the tasks which He has to fulfill for our time. He commands. And to those who obey Him, whether they be wise or simple, He will reveal himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings which they shall pass through in His fellowship, and, as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience Who He is." Albert Schweitzer, The Quest of the Historical Jesus

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to the Petersburg High School scholarship Fund, 207 Viking Drive Petersburg, WV 26847 or to the Petersburg Presbyterian Church, 20 N Main Street, Petersburg, WV, 26847.

Arrangements by Schaeffer Funeral Home, Petersburg, W.Va. [www.schaefferfuneralhome.com](http://www.schaefferfuneralhome.com).

### Gerard Thomas "Gerry" Reynolds



Gerard Thomas "Gerry" Reynolds, age 74 of Willow Street, Moorefield, formerly of Stephens City, Va., passed away Saturday morning Aug. 27, 2022 at the Winchester Medical Center in Winchester. Born Oct. 17, 1947 in Petersburg, he was a son of the late Thurmond Scott Reynolds and Dorothy Rose Seaman Reynolds. His wife, Susan Daniels Reynolds and a sister, Patricia Reynolds Dolecki, also preceded him in death.

"Gerry" was a graduate of Moorefield High School and attended Potomac State and Salem Colleges. He

was a U.S. Army Veteran, serving in Germany during the Vietnam War era. He was self-employed in the home construction and remodeling industry for many years.

Surviving are three sons, G. Stephen (Bridget) Reynolds of Cross Junction, Va., Joseph (Sarah) Reynolds of Panorama City, Calif. and Joshua (Pamela) Reynolds of Ashburn, Va.; five grandchildren; his twin brother, Greg (Martha) Reynolds of King George, Va.; his stepmother, Leona E. Reynolds of Moorefield and a stepsister, Jo Ellen

Halterman of Baker.

Funeral Services were conducted Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022 at the Fraley Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Jim Yao officiant. Interment followed with Military Graveside Rites accorded by the U.S. Army and the Moorefield Veteran's Honor Guard at the Olivet Cemetery. The family received friends before services.

Condolences, shared memories and photos may be left on "Gerry's" Tribute Wall at [www.fraleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.fraleyfuneralhome.com).

## AGE IN ACTION

### Mathias & Wardensville: Home Delivered Only

To cancel or order a lunch call 304-530-2256, Option 2 or 6  
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**Mon. Sept. 12:** Hot dog on bun, sweet potato fries, pasta salad, pudding

**Tues. Sept. 13:** Chicken broccoli spinach over spaghetti, side salad, roll, fresh fruit

**Wed. Sept. 14:** Liver and onions, mashed potatoes w/gravy, creamed corn

**Thur. Sept. 15:** Baked fish, stewed tomatoes, carrots, bread, jello w/fruit

**Fri. Sept 16:** Chicken waffles, peas, carrot raisin salad, banana pudding

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.

HCCOA receives funding from federal and state entities including WV Bureau of Senior Services and Upper Potomac AAA, local government, donations and memorial contributions.

### ACTIVITIES AT MOOREFIELD SENIOR CENTER

Farmer's Market coupons are in, will start giving out Thursday, August 4, 2022 at the senior center. Will need proof of ID, your income, birthday, and address. If you are picking up for someone, you will need all of the above with a signed paper with your name giving you permission to get them. The hours will be 8-11 a.m. and from 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

### DONATIONS NEEDED: PLEASE READ

Hardy County Committee on Aging is participating in the AmazonSmile program. AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices and convenient shopping features as on amazon.com. The difference is when customers

shop at AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)), the AmazonSmile foundation donates 0.5 percent of purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organizations selected by customers. Please remember us as you do your online shopping. AmazonSmile is an easy and convenient way to donate to your local Senior Center. Donations are used to offset the expenses of our nutrition program, which provides on-site meals as well as home-delivered meals to eligible seniors in Hardy County. For more information, please call us at 304-530-2256, Option 5 or stop by the Senior Center at 409 Spring Ave. Moorefield, WV. Thank you for your support!

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Aides provide services in the homes of eligible participants. Please call us at 304-530-2256 Option 1 or 3 for more information.

### GRAB AND GO MEALS

For Seniors 60 and older; donations accepted. Anyone under 60 also can get a meal for \$5.25 per meal. We'll need your name, address, and birthday. Must call by 9 a.m., 304-530-2256, Option 2 or 6. Pick up lunch between 12-12:30.

### Tech 5 Thurman "Buddy" See, Sr. September 1, 1921 - September 16, 1986

#### WWII Veteran

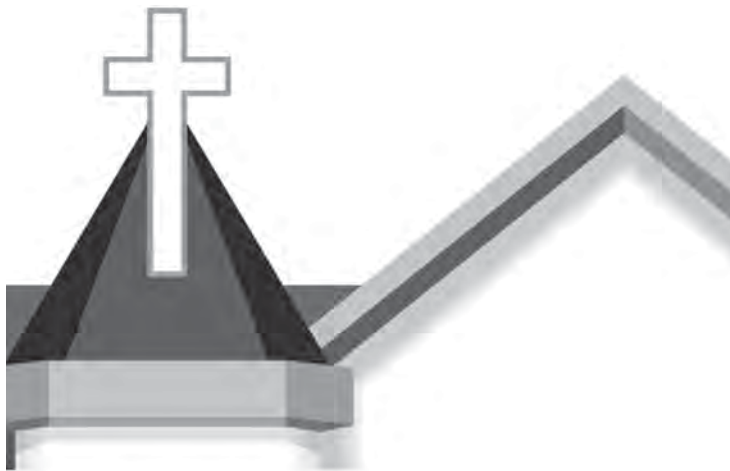
#### Bronze Star

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Buddy operates a D8 Dozer for a power company in Charlottesville, Va. in 1973 - one of many jobs in a long career. Member, Local 70 IBEW



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COMMUNITY

MVFD, others receive electricity safety training

Photos by Milda M. Mullins



Hayden Hott (center), a Lineman with Potomac Edison, touches a synthetic squirrel to live lines set up on the trailer that was used in the presentation. When the fake squirrel moved off the line, it caused a surge. Presenter Shane Hott, a Troubleman with Potomac Edison, said the move is fatal.



Potomac Edison Troubleman Supervisor Michael Hott shows just how far a danger zone expands when live lines hit the ground.



Lineman Shane Hott demonstrates a metal ladder being placed on live lines, which produced an electrical arc – enough electricity to easily cause a fatality.

By Milda M. Mullins  
Moorefield Examiner

Moorefield Volunteer Fire Company hosted a close look at the dangers of electricity and power lines through a safety training presentation by workers with Potomac Edison.

“It’s for the safety of our guys so they understand the danger of electricity and they know what to do so they don’t have any injuries,” said MVFC Deputy Chief Roger Brafford who coordinated the training.

“I think it’s an outstanding presentation. I recommend other groups to do the same thing.”

The training featured a special set up of poles and power lines, all active with 7,200 volts of electricity, attached to a trailer. The display allowed presenters to show the damaging ef-

fects of electricity in different scenarios as well as the ways electricity travel through a variety of mediums.

“You can’t hear or smell electricity. You should treat every downed power line as if it’s live. With electricity, there are no second chances 99 percent of the time,” said Michael Hott, a troubleman supervisor in Potomac Edison’s Augusta service center in Hampshire County.

“We try to tell the public not to try anything we do; we’re doing it as qualified people.”

Shane Hott, a Potomac Edison troubleman who also helped with the presentation, said the demonstration provided a way to show the dangers of power lines to first responders in a safe setting.

“In real life, you’re never going to see this. We can do this in a con-

trolled environment. In real life, what you’d see is probably a fatality or severe burns,” he said.

Along with Michael Hott and Shane Hott, Hayden Hott and Blake Saville, both linemen with Potomac Edison, also participated in the presentation.

Over 30 people representing Moorefield Volunteer Fire Company, Moorefield Police Department, and West Hardy EMS were in attendance at the training held at Moorefield’s fire station in Moorefield on Thursday, Aug. 18.

“I thought it was a good training. It’s pretty neat to see the different things electricity can be transferred through, like seeing the squirrel on the line and then jumping off and he’s a goner — I thought there was a lot of good information in the class,”

said Patrolman First Class Jeremy Fultz with Moorefield Police Department.

“Overall a really good class that’s really beneficial for, I think, pretty much anybody because everybody lives around power lines.”

Mary Jo Johnston, president of the board and EMT with West Hardy EMS, added “We were invited by Moorefield Fire Company, and we’re so glad to come attend the training. It was very informative. I knew power lines are dangerous, but it’s good to know just how expansive the danger zone of active lines can be.”

First Energy, the parent company for Potomac Edison, has about 11 demonstration trailers used to provide the demos for public awareness according to Shane Hott.

The demonstration includes a vari-

ety of examples of just how conductive electricity can be through different elements.

Presenters demonstrated a boot, shovel, and other items emitting an electric arc when touching either live lines or simulated ground live lines.

The arc itself demonstrates that contact with electricity would likely result in fatality or severe injury.

They also demonstrated what could happen to a squirrel touching a live line, or if a metal ladder touched the lines.

“They take this all over the state. DOH (Division of Highways) had it several months ago. They’re taking it around to different places to show emergency responders what the dangers are of power lines,” said MVFC Chief Doug Mongold. “It’s an awareness thing. It’s pretty interesting; it’s

an actual live scenario.”

The demonstrations are provided to the public free of charge and can be given to everyone from first responders and government organizations to community groups and school children. Potomac Edison will also provide a smaller tabletop demonstration for younger children, for example those in kindergarten.

For more info on how to schedule a demonstration from Potomac Edison, contact Darren Puffinburger at 301-707-4078. To learn more about Potomac Edison and its services, visit [https://www.firstenergycorp.com/potomac\\_edison.html](https://www.firstenergycorp.com/potomac_edison.html).

For more info, contact MVFD’s non emergency line at 304-530-2928, visit <http://moorefieldfire.com/>, and follow “Moorefield Volunteer Fire Department” on Facebook.



Different items were tested for their conductivity including a shovel, boot, stick, and glove. The shovel, boot, and wooden stick are all touching a ground simulation activated by electricity to simulate what would happen if these items touched the ground. The glove shows the danger of touching metal, like a metal car door, that is activated by live lines. Each of these instances would kill a person.



Members of Moorefield Volunteer Fire Department, Moorefield Police Department, and West Hardy EMS were among the group who attended the training held on August 18 at the MVFD grounds.

New Life Tabernacle gives back through Project Moorefield

By Milda M. Mullins  
Moorefield Examiner

Project Moorefield, hosted by members of New Life Tabernacle at the Moorefield Town Park earlier in the month, was a “peaceful and fun event” according to attendees.

“We’ve had different types of people come and they all said they really enjoy it. They were thanking us and telling us how much they appreciate it. It’s been peaceful and pleasant and they said they loved that,” said volunteer and pastor’s wife Keisha Whetzel.

“That’s what it was about today — just reaching out to the community and having a good day with them. The park is great, perfect for this. We’re very thankful for the community letting us have it here at the park; that meant a lot to us.”

Another volunteer and member of the church, Logan Helmick, said he thought the showing was nice.

“I mean, the event went better than expected. It had a great community turn out,” said Helmick, adding “it’s just to give back to the community.”

He also thanked Town of Moorefield’s Parks and Recreation, which oversees the Town Park.

Beyond a day of camaraderie, every child received a bag of school supplies.



Photos by Milda M. Mullins

Front Row (Left to Right) Harmony Thorn, Tito Acosta, Lillyana Barragan, Aydrina Helmick, Layla Ramos, Uriah Yates, Lemuel Pruto, and Peach Miley. Second Row (Left to Right) Willa Campbell, Bianca Barragan, Anjelica Acosta, Esmeralda Villalobos, Hannah Whetzel, Ashleigh Kimble, Monica Yoder, Shayna Helmick, Lisa Beard, and Caleb Whetzel. Third Row, Standing (Left to Right) Mark Campbell, Jose Ramirez Jr., Chasity Thorn, Barbara Thomas, Melanie Thorn (holding Baron Yates), Dianna Klinestiver, Flor Pruto, Patricia Kimble, Angela Miley, Keisha Whetzel, and Pastor Eugene Whetzel. Fourth Row (Left to Right) Eufrosina Acosta, Bryan Leatherman, Nahum, Gabriella Yates, Serenity Thorn, Jessica Pumphrey, Logan Helmick, Isaiah Whetzel, Ivan Baker, Dale Kimble, Sarah Whetzel (holding Brylan Baker), Lee Whetzel, and Paul Miley.

Food and drinks were provided, all free, and there were a host of activities on-site including face painting and volleyball.

“I thought it was a beautiful event and everyone was really friendly. It’s been a lot of fun,” said Hilary Moxon from Petersburg.

“It’s always good when kids can get together and just be kids. It’s a nice atmosphere.”

Moxon added that receiving the

school supplies as well was “a blessing” and “a very good thing.”

Barbara Thomas, also a volunteer and New Life member, said

her reasoning for volunteering was to make a positive impact on the community. She, too, mentioned the positive turn out.

“I wanted to touch the community for good and I think that’s what we did. It was amazing. With everyone that turned out, it was great, we had to go get more supplies,” said Thomas.

“To share the love of God with the community — that’s the main reason for it, and to just make a difference.”

She concluded, “we just appreciate the Mayor and the council for letting us be here and we really appreciate how they’re opening up the community and she’s (Carol Zuber) just making it more people friendly.”

For more info on the church, call staff at 304-703-2202, visit <http://newlifemoorefield.com>, and follow “New Life Tabernacle of Moorefield, WV” On Facebook. The church is located on 28 Tabernacle Lane in Moorefield.

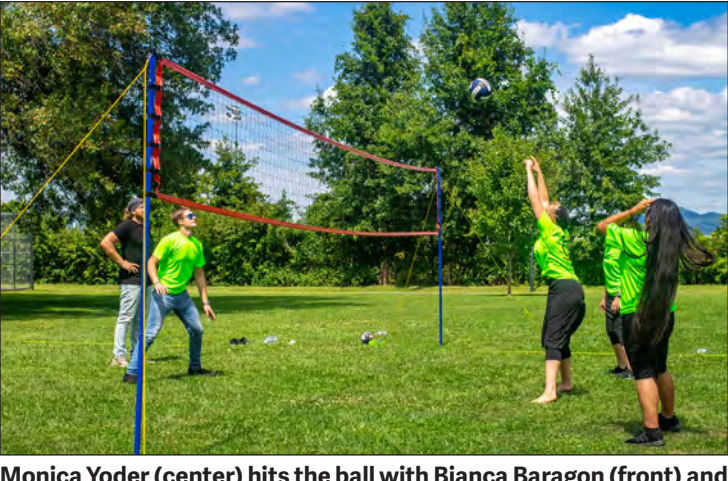
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Jessica Pumphrey, a member of New Life Tabernacle, paints on Petersburg resident Daniel Moxon during Project Moorefield.



Harmony Thorn, a member of the church, puts glitter on the arm painting she did for Hermela Gebretnsae of Moorefield.



Monica Yoder (center) hits the ball with Bianca Baragon (front) and Hannah Whetzel (back) behind her. On the other side is Jonathan Thomas (far left) and Grayson Miller (left).



# W.Va. beekeeping tradition about more than honey

By Margaret McLeod Leef

West Virginia Public Broadcasting — It seems that beekeepers in West Virginia have as much to learn from honeybees as they do each other. Beekeepers in the state are getting much more than honey; they are gaining knowledge and insights from their close-knit community.

In Summers County, West Virginia, Mark Lilly grew up watching his grandfather and relatives keep bees. Today, Lilly works as a master beekeeper for the Appalachian Beekeeping Collective, a non-profit that helps train beekeepers in economically depressed regions in West Virginia and Virginia. On a recent sunny day, Lilly showed his honeybee hives. Against the backdrop of the steady hum of busy bees, he lifted the box of a hive to check his swarm’s honey production.

“This colony is doing real well

building up for the spring. We’re probably three weeks plus before the flow would hit,” Lilly said.

The flow Lilly was referring to is the honey. Honey from West Virginia is often tree honey. Bees collect nectar from flowering trees such as black locust and tulip poplar.

“I think we could probably prove that the Appalachian area provides world class honey,” he said.

Lilly is in his sixties and grew up in Raleigh County. He’s been keeping bees for over 25 years. Recently, there has been an increase in new beekeepers in West Virginia. According to Shanda King, the state apiarist, beekeeping is on the rise, as is the number of colonies per beekeeper.

Sara Ann McLannahan of Charleston is one of them. “Getting into my hives the first time, they always say that they can smell fear. No, I was too excited for that,” McLannahan said.

She recently took over her aunt’s hives. After lifting the top off one

of the hives, an army of bees gathered on the top edge of the hive. She pumped a smoker to calm the agitated bees. “We are going to force these guys to go down,” she said. The bees became listless as she inspected the hive.

McLannahan had a lot of help learning to keep bees. She has a co-worker who has hives, and he’s become her mentor. Mark Lilly also had a mentor early on. His grandfather was big into bees. He kept bees in hollowed-out logs. He usually used gum trees which decayed from the inside out, making them perfect for honeybee hives.

“When my grandfather was doing it, it was a section of a log with a piece of wood or tin on top of it, and comb in there, and he would just take a big aluminum dishpan and a bread knife and cut out the top which is where the honey was stored,” Lilly said.

Lilly’s grandfather kept bees for

the honey. It brought the family together when he’d plunk the aluminum pan with honeycomb on the center of the table beside fresh biscuits. But beekeepers in West Virginia today are getting into beekeeping for more than the honey. And Lilly should know. As the master beekeeper for the Appalachian Beekeeping Collective, he teaches free classes via Zoom to new beekeepers. That includes teaching how beekeepers today keep their swarms.

In his beekeeping 101 classes, Lilly covers everything from equipment to potential problems with swarms — things have changed since his grandfather’s day. “Generally, beekeepers around the world use a Langstroth Hive. It’s universal so it’s easy to get equipment. They have to have movable frames to be inspected. To check for disease you have to be able to pull the frames out,” he said.

While Lilly absorbed a lot about beekeeping by watching his grandfa-

ther, he discovered much of what he learned through his own research and by attending statewide conferences. He’s now part of a tight-knit network of beekeepers around the state. And so is McLannahan. She’s connected with beekeepers around the state through social media.

“Facebook groups have been amazing. I have learned a lot about bees by going to the Women Beekeepers retreat in July,” said McLannahan. The retreat she attends each summer is hosted by Phyllis Varian, who founded the Women Beekeepers of West Virginia.

Varian noticed beekeeping in West Virginia was male dominated. She started the retreat to give women hands-on experience with bees. She also created a Facebook page that the women use to get help with their beekeeping quandaries. McLannahan is a big fan of the group.

“Some people have questions, and I’m just like, ‘Oh, wow, that’s re-

ally cool. Let’s see what everybody says.” McLannahan has bonded with people from all walks of life through beekeeping. And the same is true for Lilly in his work with the collective.

“The beautiful part of the collective is it’s a great cross section of society. We’ve got young teens, all the way up to more senior citizens, different ethnic backgrounds. I’d be comfortable in saying at least 50 percent of the collective members are ladies,” Lilly said.

This diverse group of beekeepers, they tend to share their knowledge. “We all can gain something from hearing about other people’s successes and their mistakes. We can learn from that, too,” Lilly said.

For both McLannahan and Lilly, sharing their beekeeping knowledge also means teaching the next generation. McLannahan spends time in the bee yard with her nine-year-old son. His favorite part of the process? Enjoying the honey.

# School lunch ideas for pint-size vegetarians

By Katie Workman

Associated Press

Do you have a vegetarian living in your home? Even a little one?

There are many kinds of vegetarianism, but many folks are reducing the amount of meat in their diets, or cutting it out altogether. And these choices are being made by kids, too.

So with the new school year, the question becomes: How can we pack lunches that are nourishing, protein-filled, meat-free and kid-friendly? Luckily, there are lots of choices.

## SANDWICHES

Let’s start with the sandwich, the mainstay of many lunch bags and boxes. Instead of traditional ham and turkey, explore the ever-growing number of vegan and vegetarian cold cut options out there.

Tofurky makes sliced, plant-based “turkey” in varieties like Oven-Roasted and Hickory Smoked. Lightlife makes sliced “turkey,” and also plant-based ham and bologna,

so you can recreate some of the classic combos. Unreal Deli makes faux “corn’d beef.”

A perusal of the cheese offerings at your local market will open up a world of possibilities: Think mozzarella and sliced tomatoes with fresh basil or pesto, or brie with a fruit preserve. Perhaps cheddar, thinly sliced apples and honey mustard. My kids grew up on grilled cheese sandwiches all melted up in the morning but eaten at room temperature during lunch, which have a charm all their own.

And if your kid is a vegan, there are so many vegan cheese options now, including Daiya and Kite Hill, two readily available brands.

Other sandwich and wrap ideas: hummus, chopped tomatoes and shredded lettuce in a pita; sauteed or baked tofu, tempeh, or seitan with the seasoning or sauce of your choice. (Think about barbecue sauce, Cajun seasoning, curry blends, and so on.) And there is always protein-packed PB&J (or PB&banana). Use sunflower butter or another alternative if your school is nut-free.

## SOUPS

You can pack a hearty soup into a thermos (there are SO many cute containers these days designed to keep foods hot or cold). Soups made with a vegetarian protein, like beans, are terrific.

Think about lentil soups, white bean soups, black bean soups. Make a batch of vegetarian chili over the weekend, or red or black beans and rice. You can pack that up and, if you’re feeling energetic, pack little containers of sour cream, shredded cheese or avocado to top the chili just before eating.

## AVOCADO

Speaking of avocado, this fruit (we all remember it is a fruit, right?) can become lunch in many guises. Guacamole with pita chips or whole grain tortilla chips is always a hit, or stuff a pita with sliced avocado, chopped tomatoes, shredded lettuce, bean sprouts, and Caesar or Greek dressing. Or, put a whole avocado into the

lunch box and let your kid peel and smash it onto a piece of whole grain toast, topping it with anything from salsa to crumbled queso.

## EGGS

Let’s hear it for eggs, an amazing source of non-meat protein. Egg salad, hard boiled eggs, deviled eggs, frittatas. Plus there are a bunch of highly packable, egg-based meals and snacks on the market, such as Nellie’s Sous Vide Egg Bites and Organic Farms’ Egg Bites with Cheddar and Chives.

## SALADS

Salads don’t have to feel flimsy or unsubstantial. Add some kale, chickpeas, sunflower or pumpkin seeds, and nuts if those are allowed at school. Beyond vegetable salads, think about grain-based ones built with quinoa, farro, bulgur wheat or millet.

Don’t forget about fruit salads, using the best of what’s in season.

And remember good old pasta salads, too. Whole grain or plant-based

pasta adds extra nutrition and fiber.

## PREPARED FOODS

Check out the deli counter for other vegetarian-prepared foods, like a cauliflower or broccoli salad or slaws. Vegetarian sushi is readily available, including at many supermarkets.

Look in the refrigerator and freezer aisles for other heat-and-eat vegetarian foods like Mexican tamales or Indian curries. You can cook them in the morning and pack them in a container designed to keep them warm, or perhaps it’s possible to reheat the food on site. Other packaged vegetarian foods like Aahana’s lentil and rice bowls, Maya Kaimal’s vegan chanas, and Kitchen & Love’s cauliflower- and grain-based bowls are also good to keep on hand for last-minute lunches.

Some of the plant-based meat products are fine to eat at room temperature, so consider adding meatless chicken or other varieties to salads, rice bowls and so on. Check the la-

bels to be sure.

## LEFTOVERS

Don’t forget to get creative with leftovers! Extra black beans can be made into a wrap with some shredded romaine, slivered bell peppers and crumbled queso. Last night’s rice can be made into a vegetarian stir fried rice. Roasted squash can become a pureed soup, and roasted eggplant can become a dip for pita. A leftover pasta dish might be perfect at room temp, or reheated.

Truly, there’s no reason why a vegetarian lunch shouldn’t hold as many possibilities as any other!

Katie Workman writes regularly about food for The Associated Press. She has written two cookbooks focused on family-friendly cooking, “Dinner Solved!” and “The Mom 100 Cookbook.” She blogs at <http://www.themom100.com/about-katie-workman>. She can be reached at [Katie\(at\)themom100.com](mailto:Katie(at)themom100.com).

For more AP food stories, go to <https://apnews.com/hub/food->

## THIS WEEK IN W.VA. HISTORY

FROM MICHAEL KELLER, W.VA. HUMANITIES

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](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

Sept. 7, 1808: Peter Godwin Van Winkle was born in New York City. Van Winkle was elected as one of the first two U.S. senators from the new state of West Virginia.

Sept. 7, 1848: Christopher Harrison Payne was born in Monroe County. In 1896, Payne became the state’s first black legislator when he was elected to the House of Delegates from Fayette County.

Sept. 7, 1937: Photographer Arnout “Sonny” Hyde Jr. was born in Bluefield. His images of nature and people have appeared in magazines, books, and calendars throughout the

U.S. and Europe.

Sept. 8, 1862: Raiders led by Confederate Gen. Albert G. Jenkins, a Cabell County native, rode into Barboursville. They skirmished with the enemy, then rode into Wayne, Logan, and Raleigh counties.

Sept. 8, 1947: Morris Harvey College (now University of Charleston) moved to its current location on the south side of the Kanawha River.

Sept. 9, 1839: Anderson “Devil Anse” Hatfield was born in Mingo County. He was the patriarch of the Hatfield family and their leader during the Hatfield-McCoy feud.

Sept. 10, 1782: Frontier heroine Betty Zane is credited with saving Fort Henry in Wheeling during an attack by the British and Indians. According to one account, Zane sprinted

across a field to retrieve gunpowder from the Zane family cabin.

Sept. 10, 1861: The Battle of Carnifex Ferry took place on the Gauley River. Union General William Rosecrans sent in brigades one at a time as they arrived at the battlefield, allowing the outnumbered Confederates to repulse the piecemeal attacks. During the night, the Confederates decided to retreat before they could be defeated in the morning.

Sept. 10, 1996: Movie and television actress Joanne Dru died in Los Angeles. Dru was born Joan Letitia Lacock in Logan, West Virginia. Her movie career included more than 40 films.

Sept. 11, 1913: Ritter Park in Huntington opened. During the Great Depression, the Works Progress Admin-

istration contributed to constructing the roads and stonework around the park.

Sept. 12, 1872: The Great Bend Tunnel was completed. The tunnel, also known as Big Bend Tunnel, is the place where John Henry defeated the steam drill, becoming one of the world’s great folk heroes.

Sept. 12, 1952: A group of local youths were startled from a game of football by a fireball streaking across the sky. The fireball fell to earth just beyond a hillside at Flatwoods. This sighting led to the legend of the Braxton County Monster.

Sept. 12, 1974: Kanawha County schools were closed for four days because of an escalation in violence during the Kanawha County Textbook Controversy. Throughout Octo-

ber and November, sporadic violence continued as protesters demanded the resignation of pro-textbook board members and the superintendent of schools.

Sept. 13, 1844: Milton Humphreys was born in Greenbrier County. During the Civil War, he enlisted in the Confederate service as a sergeant. At the battle of Fayetteville, Humphreys fired his cannon at Union artillery from behind an intervening forest. This demonstration set a precedent for modern warfare by the use of indirect fire.

Sept. 13, 1848: Attorney “J.R.” Clifford was born in present Grant County. In 1887, Clifford became the first African-American admitted to practice law before the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. He was

one of the first lawyers in the nation to challenge segregated schools.

Sept. 13, 1862: Confederate and Union forces clashed in Charleston. Southern artillery gained the high ground on Fort Hill and smashed the federals who were lining the west bank of the Elk River.

Sept. 13, 1910: Musician Leon “Chu” Berry was born in Wheeling. He was one of the most highly regarded saxophonists of the Swing Era.

e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia is a project of the West Virginia Humanities Council. For more information, contact the West Virginia Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25301; (304) 346-8500; or visit e-WV at [www.wvencyclopedia.org](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).



Joanne Dru Wagonmaster



Textbook Protests



DAR Chapter Recognitions

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members who passed away in the last year.

Following the meeting, the South Branch Valley Chapter assembled Chapter yearbooks, which will be given to all chapter members.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a volunteer service organization dedicated to the preserva-

tion of history, promoting patriotism and the education of our children. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution is eligible for membership. DAR volunteers are available and willing to assist with guidance

in genealogy research for women interested in becoming a member. For more information, visit the DAR website at [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org), email [membership@dar.org](mailto:membership@dar.org), or contact Bonnie Myers, Chapter Registrar at [khs7377@aol.com](mailto:khs7377@aol.com).



From left to right, Bonnie Myers, Judy Mathias, Judy Bowyer, JoeAnn Eye, and Susan Garrett assemble Chapter yearbooks on Aug. 27 at the NSDAR District meeting in Martinsburg.

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# FREE HOSPITALITY LUNCH AND LEARN SERIES

Eastern Workforce Opportunity and Regional Center and Services is hosting a Hospitality Lunch and Learn Series to benefit local communities and businesses. These trainings are provided free to the public thanks to the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation. Eastern is excited for the partnership with the Appalachian Regional Forest Heritage Area to collaborate on this effort.

The trainings will be led by **Debra Frank** who has over 30 years of experience in the hospitality sector. Frank is a lifelong educator who recently retired from her position as program director of hospitality management at Allegany College of Maryland.

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Hardy County Helpers

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site with a few hours of prep work before.

The ramp is wood with wood railings on both sides, and includes a layer of shingles on the ramp to give it a safer, non-slip texture.

Hardy County Helpers originated as Hardy County's Habitat for Humanity and is now an independent group focusing on smaller home projects such as ramp construction and deck replacements.

Volunteers complete around three to four projects a month within Hardy County, catering mostly to lower-income residents and veterans as a

way to give back to and support the community.

"We need volunteers as bad as anything else," said George. All of the volunteers are retired and older, with ages ranging from the 60s to 80s.

He did say, however, that the group is in "fairly good shape financially" and thanked several community businesses who have donated to their projects.

Supplies and monetary donations were provided by 84 Lumber, Hardman's Hardware, Central Tie, Pendleton Community Bank, and Capon

Valley Bank. The group also recently received a \$5,000 gift from the United Methodist Foundation for West Virginia at their annual conference.

Having more hands-on, on-site help — with everything from providing drinks to lending a hand — is the biggest need for the group and their efforts, according to volunteers last week. Carpentry skills are not required, but would help.

Community members interested in helping with projects can contact Dave Mathias at 304-638-2804 and Jim Oliver at 304-434-2636.



Top left: Steve Pendleton drills in the guardrail on Cole's new ramp.



Top Right: Jim Oliver (center) holds shingles for the ramp in place while Steve Pendleton (left) and Harold George (right) hammer them into place.



Bottom Right: From left to right, David Hubbard, Harold George, Dave Mathias, and Steve Pendleton attach one of the guardrails to the new ramp.

Morrissey discusses opioids

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formula to tackle where the problem needs help. Let's think about sustainability," said Morrissey.

Staff at Potomac Highlands Guild who attended the discussion expressed excitement over the intended collaborative effort to tackle the opioid epidemic, but noted there's a big roadblock within the recovery community.

"We talk about prevention, well the flip side of that is treatment. A big problem in the region is that we're a good training ground for therapists. They come here and then go to Maryland or Virginia and make \$10,000 to \$15,000 more. The question is how to get and keep good, qualified treatment providers," said PHG executive

director Mike Landis.

Another PHG staff member, Katharan Richardson, added, "Recovery is connection and if we don't have people in the field to connect them with, we'll still have a problem 20 years later."

Sara Dunn, also with PHG, continued saying, "We don't have the staff. There's a huge population and workforce problem. One of the number one issues is we can't get high quality talent or pay them enough to keep them."

Morrissey responded, saying the issue of local brain-drain, the exodus of qualified citizens from the state and county, is a broader issue that could possibly be helped by making

W.Va. a more attractive state to live in whether by lowering taxes or by other means.

Dr. Raj Masih, who works out of PHG's Petersburg clinic, also noted the need for real-time data collection, which could help staff identify issues and solve problems within the addiction and recovery community. This was noted by Morrissey.

Morrissey concluded saying progress is moving along with settlements, and counties could potentially see money early next year.

For more info, visit the Attorney General Website at [ago.wv.gov](http://ago.wv.gov) and PHG's website at [potomachighlandsguild.com](http://potomachighlandsguild.com).

Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup

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plies. Supplies may be picked up during normal business hours at your local DOH garage.

To register, call 1-800-322-5530 or send an email to [dep.aah@wv.gov](mailto:dep.aah@wv.gov).

If you reach the REAP voice-mail, please leave your name, phone number, group name, date of cleanup, number of participants, and the

county where your adopted road is located.

The 2021 Adopt-A-Highway fall clean up saw nearly 2,000 volunteers, representing more than 200 groups, remove 80,000 pounds of litter from 500 miles of state roadway.

REAP, whose motto is "Keeping WV Clean and Green," was created

in 2005 and strives to clean up West Virginia and rid the state of litter. The program empowers citizens to take ownership of their communities by providing technical, financial, and other resource assistance in cleanup and recycling efforts. More information is available on the REAP webpage.

Heritage Weekend: Coffman

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School. On Saturday, Sept. 24 at 11 a.m., Alex will share historical information about food in our local area, along with information on foraging and preservation.

Alex is a West Virginia native with a deep connection to nature and lo-

cal foods. Her background with WVU Extension has enhanced her food preservation knowledge and her residence in the Potomac Highlands gives her great access to wild food and forage. Alex is also a history graduate from WVU, with a BA in

history and an MA in public history. Visit her during Heritages Weekend to sample some local Appalachian cuisine and learn the history of West Virginia foods.

Find her on IG: [@the\\_wild\\_west\\_virginian](https://www.instagram.com/the_wild_west_virginian).

Highlands Creative Economy

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hospitality executives, extension specialists, and city, state and federal officials.

Keynote speaker for the event was Dee Singh-Knights, Ph.D., associate professor in the Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design at West Virginia University. Singh-Knights is also an extension specialist with the WVU Extension Service and an expert on agribusiness economics and management. Her presentation focused on strategies to develop sustainable tourism in a post-pandemic economy.

"The summit was a great chance to meet with peers and to bring in new views and discussions on what

is happening in the tourism industry in the Potomac Highlands," said Robert Burns, director of non-profits at Eastern. "Eastern continues to provide hospitality and tourism workforce training opportunities and creating additional interest and excitement for those trainings is always great to share."

About AFNHA

The Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area is an Elkins, W.Va.-based non-profit organization with a mission to celebrate the central Appalachian forest — its history, culture, natural resources, and forest heritage. AFNHA focuses its efforts on

cultural heritage, conservation, and tourism to support rural community development in western Maryland and the highlands of West Virginia. To learn more, visit <https://www.appalachianforestnha.org>

About Eastern

Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College, based in Moorefield, serves six counties in the Potomac Highlands of West Virginia and offers academic programs, workforce training, and partners with organizations to enhance economic development in the Potomac Highlands. Learn more about Eastern at <https://easternwv.edu>



# Green Bank Observatory Receives \$5.3 million from National Science Foundation To Repair Foundation of One of World’s Largest Telescopes

The National Science Foundation’s Green Bank Telescope (GBT) is one of the world’s largest moving structures. Sixteen wheels carry 17 million pounds on a steel track atop a concrete foundation, allowing it to rotate to pinpoint planets, stars, asteroids, and other astronomical phenomena across the Universe. A new award from the National Science Foundation (NSF) will ensure it continues operating smoothly.

Since the GBT’s completion in 2000, the Green Bank Observatory (GBO) staff perform annual maintenance to ensure the structural integrity of the telescope, but many components are nearing the end of their planned lifetime, including the track’s top layer of “wear plates” and epoxy grout between the plates and foundation.

Designing a system to bear this enormous weight has been challenging, with numerous redesigns and mitigation strategies over the years.

The contact pressure between the wheels and track is over 100,000 pounds per square inch. With normal use over time, cracks form in the wear plates, and the grout begins to deteriorate.

To revitalize the GBT and allow it to operate for the next twenty years, the track and grout must be replaced. Thanks to a new award from the NSF, this work will take place over the next four years.

\$5.3 million dollars will be used to purchase 48 new wear plates, and grout will be replaced in sections through 2026. In addition, two new techniques to mitigate cracking in the wear plates will be tested and, if successful, implemented.

“This commitment from the National Science Foundation to the Green Bank Telescope is welcomed, needed, and worthwhile,” shares Senator Shelley Moore Capito.

“I have long advocated for the capabilities and opportunities for discovery that exist at the Green Bank Observatory. I am thankful for the NSF’s assistance in stabilizing the Green Bank Telescope so that the pursuit of scientific discovery can continue in Pocahontas County.”

“West Virginia has a long history with groundbreaking space research, from Katherine Johnson to the Rocket Boys. The Green Bank Telescope is a critical tool for the national and global astronomical community, and I am pleased NSF is investing \$5.3 million to upgrade its foundation and replace key equipment,” adds Senator Joe Manchin.

“I look forward to seeing the positive impacts of this funding, and I will continue working with NSF to support scientific research opportunities across the Mountain State.”

Throughout its 22-year history, GBO has developed and deployed many new instruments for the GBT, and its capabilities continue to grow.

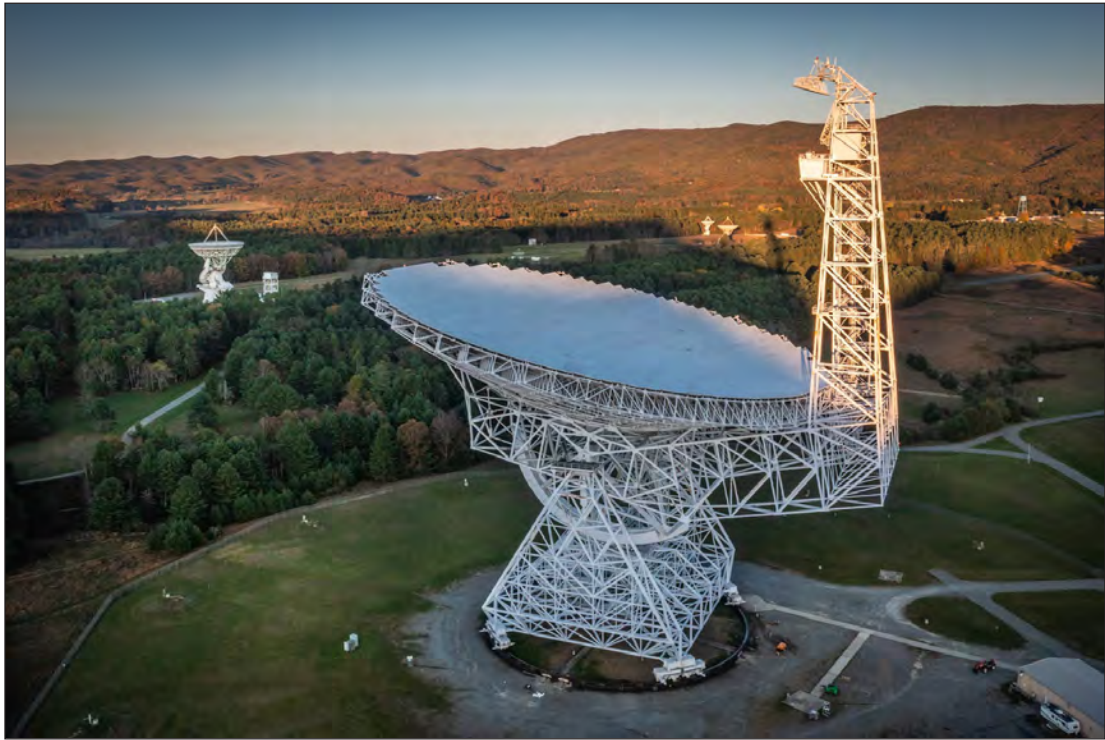
In 2023, a new ultra-wideband receiver will become available to astronomers, greatly improving the precision timing of pulsars, relieving new secrets to the inner workings of the Universe.

Plans are also underway for a new high-power radar transmitter which will enable high-resolution imaging of asteroids and other planetary bodies.

A prototype captured the highest resolution image of the surface of the Moon ever taken from the Earth.

The most recent decadal survey from the National Academies reaffirms the importance of the GBT, while also identifying a “pressing need to maintain and upgrade capabilities on U.S.-led telescopes.”

“Our current funding is not enough for the GBT’s full revitalization. We must continue to address significant infrastructure and maintenance needs in order to ensure the



The Green Bank Telescope weighs in at 17 million pounds, making it one of the largest movable man-made structures on Earth. Photo credit Jay Young.

telescope’s long-term future,” shares Dr. Jim Jackson, GBO Director.

“This new \$5.3 million award will help greatly, and we look forward to working with NSF to find support for our other infrastructure needs.”

The Green Bank Observatory is a major facility of the National Science Foundation, operated under cooperative agreement by Associated Universities, Inc.

This award is an increment to the existing NSF cooperative agreement.

## Ginseng season 2022 has begun



Ginseng harvest season is now open and will continue through Wednesday, November 30.

Observing the legal season and regulations helps preserve Appalachia’s endangered wild ginseng.

Harvesting pulls up the ginseng root, ending the plant’s ability to replace itself with new generations. To help the herb’s last seeds grow, the hunter must by law plant them at the site where the root was taken.

Before the plant can be legally harvested, ginseng must be at least five years old and its seed-bearing berries bright red. The slow-growing plant needs to mature for at least five years to reproduce. The plant’s age can be determined by looking at the base of the plant stem, where bud scars occur. A five-year-old ginseng root will have at least four scars.

The diggers must have written permission to dig on private property.

No ginseng may be taken from West Virginia state forests, state parks or other state-owned land.

Ginsengers must have a current forest service permit to dig and collect from national forest lands. Hunters should contact the national forest office in their area regarding ginseng permits and regulations.

At present, national forests based in West Virginia still allow ginseng hunters who have purchased current permits to dig on designated national forest lands.

This year, other national forests have found their ginseng populations too depleted to allow sustainable harvesting. The U.S. Forest Service announced that in 2021, no ginseng permits will be issued for North Carolina’s Nantahala and Pisgah National Forests and the Cherokee National Forest. The herb’s decline is attributed to poaching, overharvesting, and harvesting without planting seeds to produce a new crop.

Diggers have until March 31, 2023, to sell their ginseng to a registered West Virginia ginseng dealer or to have roots weight-receipted at

one of the West Virginia Division of Forestry weigh stations.

Regulations prohibit possession of ginseng roots from April 1 through Aug. 31 without a weight-receipt from the Division of Forestry. A weight receipt is a record of the ginseng dug during the current year and the individual who wants to hold it over to the next digging/buying season.

The law requires all diggers to provide a government-issued photo identification to sell ginseng to a registered dealer. Fines range from \$500 up to \$1,000 for a first offense and \$1,000 up to \$2,000 for multiple offenses.

Details on ginseng are available on the Division of Forestry website, <https://wvforestry.com/ginseng-program/>. The site includes how to identify mature ginseng plants, rules for harvesting and resources such as lists of West Virginia ginseng dealers and weigh stations.

## Congressman Mooney visits Moorefield Volunteer Fire Department to talk funding



Photos by Jennifer Amato

Congressman Alex Mooney visited Moorefield Volunteer Fire Department where he spoke to members about potential funding for the fire company. MVFD is seeking funds for a new fire station and new equipment that is expected to soon be out of date. Firefighters showed off their new drone as well. Pictured above on the left is Moorefield Police Officer Stephen Rigglesman, Congressman Alex Mooney, and Mayor of Moorefield Carol Zuber. Pictured on the right is Congressman Alex Mooney, Mark Carr, and MVFD fire chief Doug Mongold. For more information on Congressman Mooney, visit his website at [mooney.house.gov](http://mooney.house.gov). For more information on Moorefield Volunteer Fire Department, contact members at their non emergency line at 304-530-2928, visit <http://moorefieldfire.com/>, and follow “Moorefield Volunteer Fire Department” on Facebook.

## International Overdose Awareness Day



Heather Bergdall and staff at Potomac Highlands Guild held an overdose awareness event for International Overdose Awareness Day. The event, held from 5 to 8 p.m., started with participants walking in remembrance for loved ones and ended up at Moorefield Town Park where the event was centered.



## Out with the old, in with the new



New guardrails are currently under construction along U.S. 48 Corridor H to replace rusted guardrails.



# Stepping into Grapes and Grains being offered by Potomac State College

Learn the art of winemaking, the fundamentals of fermentation, what grapes and fruits are available, and the difference between lagers and ales. In this special interest class, participants will explore and develop the basic knowledge and skills needed to establish a home production of wines and beers.

Stepping into Grapes and Grains will meet every other Thursday on Oct. 6, 20, and Nov. 3, 17 from 6 to 8:45 p.m. in the PSC Starcher Agriculture Complex on the campus of WVU Potomac State College. The class will culminate with a group field trip to a local brewery on Saturday, Dec. 3. More information regarding the field trip will be provided during the class.

Please note that participants must be at least 21 years old to participate in this course. This class tends to fill up quickly so reserve your spot early, participants can register at [go.wvu.edu/psc-g2g-22](http://go.wvu.edu/psc-g2g-22). The cost of the class is \$99.

For questions or more information, contact Thomas Sydow 304-788-6996 or at [tom.sydow@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:tom.sydow@mail.wvu.edu).

# PVTA Brings Home Awards and recaps the numbers!

Potomac Valley Transit Authority provides fixed route, on-demand, READY RIDE!, work routes, and non-emergency medical services to residents in Grant, Hardy, Hampshire, Pendleton, and Mineral Counties. Here are the numbers from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022:

- Mike Landis (Petersburg), WV Driver of the Year
- Trent Dearing (Keyser), Outstanding Transit Employee Honorable Mention
- Statewide Greatest Passenger Increase for the Year
- 45th Anniversary Special Recognition
- Passenger Trips: 121,532 (highest EVER)
- READY RIDE!: 49,576 (last year 36,537)
- Work Routes: 41,955 (almost double last year)
- Miles: 971,528 (last year 796,295)

# WV Preparing to Provide COVID Omicron Boosters

On Sept. 1, 2022, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) endorsed the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommendations for use of the updated COVID-19 Omicron booster for individuals 12 and older. Shipments of the Omicron boosters are being received in West Virginia and residents will be able to obtain them in pharmacies and their local health departments as soon as they receive them.

“These boosters replace the original boosters, helping provide better protection against circulating variants,” said Dr. Ayne Amjad, State Health Officer and Commissioner of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Public Health. “This comes at a critical time as we head into fall and the start of the respiratory season.”

The Omicron booster shot is recommended for those age 12 and older who completed the primary series (for most people that’s the first two shots of Pfizer, Moderna, or Novavax), and their most recent COVID-19 shot of any kind was at least two months ago.

Dr. Amjad added, “We strongly recommend you stay up to date on your vaccines to provide increased protection against illness and severe outcomes from COVID. If you have any questions, your vaccine provider can help answer any questions you may have.”

The WV COVID-19 Vaccination Due Date Calculator, a free, online tool that helps individuals figure out when they may be due for a COVID-19 shot, is being updated this weekend with the new booster changes. The calculator makes it easier to stay up-to-date on COVID-19 vaccination. To learn more about COVID-19 vaccines, or to find a vaccine site near you, visit [vaccines.gov](https://vaccines.gov), [vaccinate.wv.gov](https://vaccinate.wv.gov) or call 1-833-734-0965.

# — River Life —



Eva and Jim Ott with their “Trophy” tire fetched from the Cacapon River.

# Someone Ott to get those tires

*Fourth in a 6-part series appearing every 2 months about the people along the Cacapon/Lost River and their love for the river.*

The Cacapon River is one of the cleanest rivers in America. The 81-mile scenic river meanders along forests, farms and cabins through Hardy, Hampshire and Morgan counties.

“It’s pretty clean,” said Jim Ott sitting on his screened porch 59 steps above the Cacapon River. “I was out fishing yesterday for 5 hours and I found 3 cans — that was it.”

Since 2013, Jim Ott and his wife Eva have owned their cabin on the banks of the Cacapon River, not far from Bubbling Spring. Jim’s mother owned it before him.

“We are lovers of the land and I know the river pretty well. I have floated the river from Yellow Springs a bunch,” Jim explained.

There is one thing about the river that perplexes Jim. Tires.

“They are just an insult to the river,” Jim remarked. “I have noticed them for years.”

Two years ago he decided to take action himself. He started his tire mania. In-between days of fishing, he worked on retrieving the tires.

That year he pulled 19 tires from the river using his small kayak.

“It’s a really good thing,” he says.

Jim returned to the river again this year to do a bit of fishing. “I took a kayak ride and I saw a lot more tires,” he said with a bit of a sigh.

Jim decided to focus on collecting the tires he spotted before any fishing.

“Every day I would see people,” he said. “It’s a real community thing.” Jim became known on the river as “The guy with the tires.”

Jim asked people on the river to help with the big tires. “I saw a group of college students canoeing on the river and I asked if they could get the big tire to the top of the stairs.”

To the top, all 59 steps. They did.

“My part was to call the Friends of the Cacapon River to help haul the tires away,” Eva laughed. “Jim was the one on the river doing the hard work.”

“I hunted tires for a few weeks and collected 34 tires over a 3/4-mile stretch,” Jim explains. “That strikes one as a lot of tires.”

He was almost sure he had found every single one in that stretch.

Until he went fishing.

There, across the river, he saw it in the sunlight.

“Please don’t tell me that’s another tire.”

But it was. One big old tire. That was his 35th tire.

“I call it my trophy tire,” Jim beamed. “I think it’s about 42 inches and seems to weight as much as I do.”

Jim enjoys the community connections he finds in tire mania.

“I talked to everyone. People are doing what they can to help keep the river clean.”

He also thanks the Friends of the Cacapon River and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection for coordinating the pick-up and disposal of the tires.

Jim plans to continue tire mania on the next stretch of the river. For now, he is going to enjoy some well-deserved fishing time along the Cacapon.

Peter Wood is a board member of the Friends of the Cacapon River with a mission to preserve, protect and promote the environmental health and scenic character of the Cacapon River and its watershed.

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# West Virginia Division of Natural Resources announces early bear hunting opportunities

Early black bear gun hunting, with or without dogs, is available in four counties from September 3-11 and will open up in five additional counties on Oct. 1.

The counties open to bear hunting with or without dogs from Sept. 3-11 include Logan, McDowell, Mingo and Wyoming. The counties open for bear hunting with or without dogs from Oct. 1-7 include Boone, Fayette, Kanawha, Nicholas and Raleigh.

“Counties that will be open for early bear hunting are above their management objective and need additional bears harvested to achieve their goal,” Colin Carpenter, black bear project leader for the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources said. “The benefit of early seasons is that all bears are available because den entrance is still two or more months away.

Carpenter notes that hunters in the first season should focus on finding fresh bear signs near black cherry trees that have fruit. Bears change their feeding patterns throughout the year, so Carpenter noted that hunters in the second season should look for fresh bear signs near white oak, as bears feed heavily in white oak stands.

Bear Premolar Submission Requirement

Successful hunters are required to submit a premolar tooth from each harvested bear. In addition, hunters who harvest a female black bear are encouraged to save the reproductive tract or all the entrails. Hunters who submit a complete reproductive tract will be eligible for a \$20 gift card. Hunters can get a bear tooth envelope at all district offices and the Elkins Operations Center. Hunters with reproductive tracts or entrails should keep them cool or freeze them and contact their nearest district office to arrange pickup.

Data obtained from tooth samples and reproductive tracts are used for black bear population monitoring. Hunters are reminded to purchase their bear damage stamp as well as an appropriate hunting license. For more information about bear hunting seasons, visit wvdnr.gov or download a copy of the 2021-22 Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary. To purchase a West Virginia hunting license, visit wvhunt.com.

## WVDNR offering opportunity to collect free firewood at Short Mountain WMA

Due to storm damage at the Short Mountain Wildlife Management Area in Hampshire County, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is offering members of the public with written permission an opportunity to collect downed trees to be used as firewood for personal use.

With written permission from the WVDNR, woody debris may be collected within 20 yards of the WMA’s access road from Aug. 8 to Sept. 24 and from Jan. 1 to April 14, 2023. No live-standing timber may be cut and wood collected may not be sold.

To obtain written permission from the WVDNR, those who wish to collect firewood may visit the WVDNR District 2 office at 1 Depot St. in Romney or call 304-822-3551. The WVDNR reserves the right to deny permission.

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# Yellow Jackets rally to edge Keyser in five sets without coaching

By Carl Holcomb  
*Moorefield Examiner*

“I wasn’t coaching them,” Moorefield Volleyball coach Krista Ritchie exclaimed.

Moorefield Volleyball was trailing the Class AA Golden Tornado by two sets and the coach decided no coaching was necessary and the senior leadership transformed a comeback rallying to win in five sets on the road in Keyser on Thursday night: 17-25, 24-26, 25-12, 25-15 and 15-10.

“Did you see that? I wasn’t coaching them. [Trailing] At that point, I have told them so many times this year they’re good. It is more than just me telling them how good they are or how athletic they are or how dominant they could be. They have to show it. I just kind of sat there the last couple of sets and I was going to let your game do the talking, because I know what you are capable of doing. Let’s just get the job done,” Coach Ritchie commented.

“I think what changed the dynamic was that we started figuring out how to get our serves in [play]. Once we started getting the service game in, we started getting the bumps to our setters so we could get the kills and Sterling [Kump] and Sarah [Iman] were able to get on a roll and get things going. We started to get them moving. I thought Marissa [Ward] did a wonderful job of yelling and communicating on the floor. McKenna [Crites] and Kaleigh [Hunt] did a great job of getting down and getting the digs up and my setters did a great job of getting the ball up to where it needed to be, so Sarah and them could do what they do.”

The Yellow Jackets finished strong in the fourth set with two spikes by Sarah Iman to force a tiebreaker fifth set which was intense as the Backyard Brawl giving the fans their money’s worth.

“We just quit playing volleyball. That’s all it was. We got up 2-0. We got up and relaxed. We stopped playing like we do. We always play

hard. We played hard in the first two sets, then we quit playing, plain and simple. Moorefield wasn’t as aggressive as I thought they would be, but they mixed it up with hitters on the opposite sides and were hitting the corners. They did a good job of adjusting and we didn’t adjust to them,” Keyser Volleyball coach Brian Kesner remarked.

An attack launched by Keyser’s Alana Wildman came after a serve by Moorefield’s Marissa Ward and it swirled around among the Yellow Jackets defense with CiCi Kump making a remarkable save, however, there were four touches for a violation.

The Golden Tornado added a kill by Charity Wolfe for a 2-nil edge, then Moorefield responded with a spike from Sterling Kump.

Moorefield’s Amber Williams served and the Golden Tornado’s attack by Wildman ricocheted back into the net.

Kump responded with a kill moments later, then made a dig off a



The Yellow Jackets celebrated Sarah Iman’s match winning fifth set tiebreaker spike over the Golden Tornado in Keyser on Thursday night.

volley by Keyser’s Rylee Mangold which failed to elevate above the net.

Keyser’s NaQue Montgomery had the Golden Tornado faithful going berserk recovering the ball after it ricocheted off the side of the scoreboard and redirected it over the net for a point, 5-2.

Moorefield’s McKenna Crites garnered a kill and Korbin Keplinger stepped in to serve, but Montgomery answered with a spike.

Ward pumped up the Yellow Jackets with a blocked shot, but the ensuing serve from CiCi Kump landed in the net for a 7-4 score.

After a serve went awry for Keyser, a serve by Iman and potential block by Sterling Kump had to be replayed with no point as the referee called for a jump ball.

Iman calmly served again and delivered an ace, then Keyser’s Sadie Portillo notched a dig on the following serve.

Sterling Kump blocked a volley to tie the fifth set at 7-all.

Moorefield took the lead for good on another ace by Iman and a block and attack ricocheting out by Sterling

Kump added some insurance.

Both teams had volleys sail out of bounds, then Moorefield’s Amber Williams garnered a kill for a 12-8 advantage.

Sterling Kump made a couple blocks at the net with Keyser creating saves, then another block attempt was nullified when reaching over the barrier.

Kump responded with a spike to extend the lead to 13-9.

Montgomery had an attack returned into the net, then Kump launched the ball and it was blocked out of play.

Iman slammed the ball for the game winner and the Yellow Jackets jumped up in celebration sealing the 3-2 match victory in the fifth set at 15-10.

Keyser commenced the opening set with an ace by Lily Saville.

Sterling and CiCi Kump (diving) made a couple early digs sandwiching a save by Amber Williams for the Yellow Jackets with the latter dig leading to a point from Williams.

Moorefield’s Marissa Ward notched a service point as the Golden

Tornado had the ball swallowed by the net prior to the ensuing serve sailing too deep, 2-all.

Keyser’s McKayla Gillaspie delivered an ace as the ball deflected off a dig attempt by Kaleigh Hunt.

Hunt and Sterling Kump made a couple of digs, then Crites saved the ball passing to Kump for a kill.

Williams served up an ace as the Yellow Jackets took a 5-3 edge.

After a serve went out of play, Crites and CiCi Kump blocked a volley into the bench area.

Sterling Kump broke the tie with a spike making it 6-5.

The set was tight going back and forth with some errors as Moorefield grappled for an 8-7 edge.

A serve into the net tied the set again, then Keyser’s Wolfe landed a spike before hitting another attack awry.

During Iman’s serve, Williams set for Sterling Kump to make a pair of kills to regain the lead 11-9.

Another Moorefield serve landed out of bounds and the Golden Tornado locked the set on an ace from

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Moorefield libero Kaleigh Hunt made a dig against Keyser during last Thursday’s match on the road in Golden Tornado territory.

# Bulldogs whimper away from Hive

By Carl Holcomb  
*Moorefield Examiner*

The Yellow Jackets Volleyball team returned home after a season opening debacle and swatted Tygarts Valley in straight sets to send the Bulldogs whimpering out of the Hive as Moorefield gained confidence in the home opener with an enthusiastic supporting crowd on Tuesday night: 25-5, 25-8 and 25-4.

Moorefield lost a tri-match against Hampshire and Calvary Christian Academy in Sunrise Summit on Monday and shook off those early jitters to claim the win against the Bulldogs.

Moorefield JV Volleyball set the tone with a sweep against Tygarts Valley by 25-10 and 25-6.

“I think they came through in the second set and played a lot better. In the first set, they were kind of taking it easy and we had

a little talk. The second and third sets were definitely better. Coming off two hard losses last night, we needed this rebound win to boost our morale and confidence,” Moorefield coach Krista Ritchie stated.

The Yellow Jackets took a 4-nil edge in the opening variety set as Marissa Ward landed two aces and Sterling Kump notched two points off attacks.

Ward’s next serve went just beyond the back line, but Moorefield got the service back on a dink by Kump.

Moorefield’s Amber Williams served and Kump added another kill.

Williams had a serve not returned by the Bulldogs, then delivered two consecutive aces for a 9-1 edge.

After an error by Moorefield, McKenna Crites found the floor for a point.

After a service error by Kump, Moorefield’s Sarah Iman slammed the ball for a spike to make it 11-2.

Ward followed with a kill and Crites served up an ace, but a couple overzealous

hits went awry moments later for the Yellow Jackets.

Tygarts Valley’s Arika Barbe served into the net.

The Yellow Jackets returned to the service line with CiCi Kump creating a point as the Bulldogs failed to return the ball and added an ace for a 16-5 advantage.

Kelsey Martin touched the net for the Bulldogs, then a serve by CiCi Kump was returned out.

Iman garnered a kill, then Kump served up two more aces for a 22-5 lead before a timeout.

Moorefield returned to the floor and Iman notched two spikes and Kump capped off the first set with an ace, 25-5.

Moorefield’s Sterling Kump returned a volley from Tygarts Valley’s Emily Simmons for a point to begin the second set, then Ward served into the net.

An attack by Barbe was deflected out for a Bulldogs point, but McKenna Crites responded with a kill.



Moorefield’s Sarah Iman launched an attack against Tygarts Valley in the Hive last Tuesday night.



Moorefield’s Kaleigh Hunt executed a pass against the Bulldogs in last Tuesday’s match in Moorefield.

Crites notched another spike for a 3-2 lead prior to an errant volley.

Barbe recorded an ace as Tygarts Valley took a 4-3 lead, but the following serve went awry.

Moorefield’s Teia Ray stepped in and served up two consecutive aces.

A Bulldogs volley went out of play and Ray garnered another ace extending the Moorefield lead to 8-4.

After a service error, Crites collected a spike and delivered an ace to make it 10-5.

Both teams served out of bounds, then an attack by Moorefield’s CiCi Kump was redirected to the ceiling by the Bulldogs.

Moorefield’s Sarah Iman garnered a kill, then an attack by Tygarts Valley’s Alyssa Sharp was returned into the net.

Sharp served into the net moments later and the Yellow Jackets responded with an ace by Iman.

Sterling Kump collected a kill for a 17-7

advantage.

After a couple errors on both sides, Ward delivered two consecutive aces.

Kump’s next attack deflected off a dig by Tygarts Valley’s Alexandra Currence and out of play.

Ward added another ace, then the Yellow Jackets finished off the second set with kills by Amber Williams and Sterling Kump for a 25-8 score.

The Yellow Jackets buzzed ahead for a 5-nil lead in the third set which included a kill by Crites followed by three straight aces by Ward and a tap point by Williams.

An attack by Kump went awry, then the Bulldogs served into the net.

Williams served and the ball was returned into the net for a 7-1 edge.

After a service error, Kump notched a point on a spike.

Ray delivered four aces for the Yellow Jackets to increase the lead to 12-2.

Currence’s attack was met on a dig by Moorefield’s Destine Wyman, but the ball was redirected into the net.

Barbe served out of bounds for the Bulldogs, then Iman recorded a kill during a serve by Crites.

A serve by Crites was returned into the net on a dig by Barbe, 15-3.

Crites delivered six consecutive aces to build a 21-3 Yellow Jackets advantage.

An attack by Moorefield went out of bounds, then Jaden Cullers recorded a point as a volley ricocheted off the Bulldogs into the net.

Ward notched a point, then the Yellow Jackets closed out the third set match win with aces by Korbin Keplinger creating a 25-4 score as the Bulldogs left the Hive wounded.

The Yellow Jackets turned a disastrous season opener into a rebound victory against Tygarts Valley.



SPORTS

Yellow Jackets rally

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Saville.

Crites made a dig, but the ball ended up in the net and Wolfe followed with a spike and block for a 14-11 lead.

Williams collected a point on an attack, but the next jump serve from Ward landed out.

A serve from Gillaspie wasn't returned by the Yellow Jackets and another ricocheted out for a 17-12 edge.

Sterling Kump made a brilliant save near the bleachers and the play was finished off with a spike by Crites.

Moorefield would close the gap to 18-16 on a kill from Iman, but the Golden Tornado spun to a first set win by a score of 25-17 with kills from Maddie Rhodes, Mangold and Wildman plus a block by Rhodes down the stretch.

The Golden Tornado started the second set with a 2-nil lead on a kill from Montgomery off a serve from Ward prior to an ace by Saville.

The ensuing serve went out and Williams began serving for the Yellow Jackets and Hunt made a dig save off a volley by Wolfe.

Montgomery created a spike and the Yellow Jackets touched the net on another play giving Keyser a 5-1 lead.

Sterling Kump, Iman and Ward garnered kills as the momentum started to favor Moorefield.

Iman notched another spike and CiCi Kump delivered an ace to cut the deficit to 7-6.

Sterling Kump put the Yellow Jackets ahead 13-12 on several aces, but Keyser finally responded with a kill by Montgomery.

Ward's attack was met with two touches for an error as Moorefield went up 15-13, but the ensuing serve went out.

An ace by CiCi Kump, then two spikes by Iman and a kill from Ward placed the Yellow Jackets ahead 20-15.

The following serve sailed out, but Iman responded with a kill.

Another service error and an attack going out by Moorefield, then Keyser's Saville pushed a point through a

block to cut the deficit to 21-19.

An attack by Keyser's Miley Portillo was met with two touches from Williams, then Sterling Kump's attack was deflected out.

Moorefield's Teia Ray served and the attack by Wildman was redirected out.

A serve from Saville was returned into the net as the Golden Tornado tied the set at 22-all.

Moorefield landed the ball into the net again, then Sterling Kump found the floor for a point to tie the set.

A serve by Williams was returned out as the Yellow Jackets took the lead, 24-23 in between timeouts.

Wildman recorded a kill and served up an ace before capping off the Keyser win as the following serve was met with a dig by Hunt and careened into the net for a 26-24 score.

The Golden Tornado took a brief lead in the third set on an ace from Saville, but the next serve hit the net.

Ward abandoned the jump serve and the ball was sent back into the net evening the set.

Moorefield took a 4-2 lead as Sterling Kump garnered a kill and blocked a volley.

The Yellow Jackets extended the third set lead to 10-3 on a pair of aces from Sterling Kump and a couple of attacks by Iman were returned into the net.

Moorefield's CiCi Kump made a sensational diving save and the pass was redirected by Crites over the net and the Golden Tornado carried the ball.

CiCi Kump kept the momentum going by serving up two consecutive aces, then Ward made two kills and an attack by Iman ricocheted out.

Kump added another ace to create an 18-5 advantage for the Yellow Jackets.

Crites and Sterling Kump notched some digs, but Keyser continued to launch attacks which eventually led to errors.

Points from Wildman and Wolfe, then an ace by Saville closed the gap

to 19-9.

Saville served out of play, then Moorefield responded with two straight aces from Ward to increase the lead to 22-9.

Wolfe made a pair of dink style kills surrounding a service error, then CiCi Kump assisted her sister Sterling Kump on a spike to make it 24-11.

After a kill from Mangold, Hunt made a dig off a serve by Cammie Simpson and the next attack from Rhodes landed out for the final third set score in favor of Moorefield at 25-12.

The rally caps were working from the stands as Moorefield battled back to force a decisive fifth set.

Sterling Kump garnered a spike and Ward served up an ace, then Crites had an attack redirected off the scoreboard giving Moorefield an early 3-nil edge in the fourth set.

Iman and Kump collected kills for a 6-3 lead.

A couple errors off hard hit volleys from the Golden Tornado created a tie set.

Moorefield went back ahead 8-7 on an ace by Korbin Keplinger, but the set was tied moments later on a service error into the net.

Iman notched a couple of kills and delivered an ace prior to an attack by Sterling Kump ricocheting off Keyser to build a 14-10 lead.

After a Moorefield error Kump notched point and Ward's serve was returned awry.

Kump sandwiched two more kills around an attack by Williams sailing back into the net to extend the lead to 19-11.

Kump's next attack gained a point as the Golden Tornado touched the net, then Wolfe responded with a spike.

The Yellow Jackets won the fourth set 25-15 as Iman closed it out with back-to-back kills and went on to snatch the tiebreaker.

Moorefield Volleyball is proving to be a force to be reckoned with early in the season.



Moorefield's Sterling Kump elevated the ball over the double block attempt by Keyser's Charity Wolfe and NaQue Montgomery.

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Moorefield Golf putts to win on Fisher Mountain

<b>The Highlands Golf Club at Fisher Mountain</b> Franklin, W.Va. August 30	<b>Cougars individual scores:</b> J.W. Teets - 42 Jordan Teets - 48 Nate Smith - 50 Levi Mongold - 51 Wade Hershberger - 51 Gavin Ritchie - 62	<b>Fourth Place: Pendleton County</b> — 205
<b>Champion: Moorefield Golf</b> — 174	<b>Warriors individual scores:</b> Dillon Dunz - 44 Warren Burns - 51 Bailey Zickefoose - 52 Tristen Ostend - 57 Reggie Whiting - 59 Rachel Felton - 63 Reagan Friel - 65	<b>Wildcats individual scores:</b> Cameron Beachler - 47 Haiden Waggy - 51 Brayden Beachler - 52 Mason Difalco - 55 Dylan Eye - 56 Evan Teter - 57
<b>Low Medalist: J.J. Carr - 38</b>	<b>Third Place: Pocahontas County</b> — 204	<b>Fifth Place: Hampshire</b> — 225
<b>Yellow Jackets individual scores:</b> J.J. Carr - 38 Dylan Colasessano - 43 James Williams - 44 Tyler Miller - 49 Isaac Rumer - 51 Veronica Carr - 56 Carson Whetzel - 59		<b>Trojans individual scores:</b> Cyrus Chaney - 48 Noah Lipps - 57 Kassidy Baxter - 58 Carisma Shanholtz - 62 J.J. Charlton - 63 Bryson Richardson - 65
<b>Runner-up: East Hardy</b> — 191		

Valley View Golf Club Senior Scramble Tournament August 31

Champion (-13/one hole card-off): Ed Porter Larry Eye John Crites Glen Self	Jim Burton Garry White Terry Kesner Mike McDowell	Richard Bissell Bob Reeves
Runner-up (-13):	Third Place (-12/two hole card-off): Phil Vance Bob Hyson	Pin Winners: #3 Ed Porter #6 Terry Porter #13 Dave Boland #15 Joel Stump #17 Jim Burton

Valley View Golf Club Senior Scramble Tournament August 24

Champion (-17): Bobby Parsons Mike Ryan John Crites Donnie Coby	Bob Reeves Larry Eye Steve Ryan	Steve Wilson
Runner-up (-14): Glen Self	Third Place (-12): Johnny Garza Joel Stump Garry White	Pin Winners: #3 Dave Boland #6 Jim Burton #13 Donnie Coby #15 Joel Stump #17 Harold Fitzwater



THE OLD MASTER  
BY JAY FISHER



This week's game against Kansas has "trap" written all over it. WVU is coming off a huge opening game against a rival, and now hosts the Big 12's annual doormat, Kansas.

In the last 11 years, KU has finished last in the Big 12 ten times. The other year (2014), they were next-to-last with a 1-8 record. In those 11 years, they have been winless in the Big 12 five times, and only won one game in each of the other years. And this year, they were once again picked last in the preseason poll.

However, there is reason for optimism in Lawrence. First, it looks like they finally made a good hire at head coach. Lance Leipold was a multiple Division III national champion at Wisconsin-Whitewater, and then was

able to turn around the Buffalo Bulls in the MAC conference. Last year, he embarked on a bigger turnaround project with the Jayhawks. While the overall record (2-10 overall, 1-8 in the Big 12) doesn't look like much, it should be noted that KU was playing much better towards the end of the season.

In their final three games, they beat Texas in an overtime thriller at Texas. Lost by three points at TCU, and then at home to WVU by just six points. The quarterback for that stretch was Jalon Daniels, and he is back this year. They also return Devin Neal at running back, and they've added some transfers to boost depth. At receiver, they lost their top guy from last year, but return almost everyone

else. They do need to do a little re-tooling along the offensive line, but four returnees have starting experience.

On defense, it's good news, bad news for the Jayhawks. The good news is that several players return from last year. The bad news is that the defense wasn't good at all last year. They have brought in some transfers to boost production, and they hope the returning players will be improved over last year, as they are more comfortable with the new coaches.

What will happen? I want to see WVU come out strong and build a quick lead. KU will arrive to Morgantown with a lot of hope and confidence for an upset. The Moun-

taineers need to put a dent in that confidence as quickly as possible.

The offense needs to be sharp, and the offensive line must assert itself early. The defense needs to contain Daniels, and forcing some turnovers would be ideal.

I think Leipold is a good coach, and has KU moving in the right direction. But they still have a way to go. WVU, 41-24.

Notes: Kickoff is at 6:00pm, and it is one of those ESPN Plus games...If you plan on attending, this game has been designated as a "Gold Rush" game so you are encouraged to wear gold.

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# 2022 South Branch Valley Youth Football League



**Moorefield Steelers Roster**  
  
**Head Coach:** Adam Crites  
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**Players:**  
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Vance Simmons  
Zak Keplinger  
Hector Luna Davy  
Dillon Crites  
Bill Ware  
Brantley Crites

Zack Harvey  
Jake Baldwin  
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Hunter Wimer  
Declan Burnette  
Keysean Washington  
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**Moorefield Dolphins Roster**  
  
**Head Coach:** Derek Turner  
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Steelers vs Dolphins  
Colts vs East Hardy Wildcats  
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(Bye - Browns)  
Steelers vs Warriors  
Wildcats vs Dolphins  
Raiders vs Colts

September 25 in Moorefield  
(Bye - Colts)  
Raiders vs Dolphins  
Wildcats vs Warriors  
Browns vs Steelers

October 2 in Pendleton County  
(Bye - Steelers)  
Colts vs Browns  
Wildcats vs Raiders  
Warriors vs Dolphins

October 9 in Baker  
(Bye - Dolphins)  
Steelers vs Colts  
Warriors vs Raiders  
Browns vs Wildcats

October 16 in Moorefield  
(Bye - Warriors)  
Colts vs Dolphins  
Raiders vs Browns  
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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA THAT BEING THE JUVENILE COURT OF SAID COUNTY

IN RE: S.A.M. CASE NO. 21-JA-28  
D.O.B. 06/07/2004 21-JA-28  
A.L.M. D.O.B. 09/18/2008 21-JA-29  
D.T.M. D.O.B. 05/30/2007 21JA30  
D.R.M. D.O.B. 07/15/2012 21-JA-31  
A.T.M. D.O.B. 06/15/2014 21-JA-32

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: Ernest T. Magruder III  
Unknown Address

You are hereby notified of the above styled action pending in the Circuit Court of Hardy County, West Virginia, that can result in the permanent termination of your parental, custodial and/or guardianship rights. Every child, parent, custodian and/or guardian has a right to counsel at every stage in this proceeding.

This case is scheduled for an adjudicatory hearing before the Circuit Court of Hardy County, West Virginia, on October 11th, 2022 at 1:45pm. This hearing will be held at the Hardy County Courthouse, 204 Washington St., Moorefield, WV 26836.

You must appear at the hearing set forth above to protect and defend your interests. You are also required by law to file an answer in this action before August 24th, 2022.

Jonie Nelson a competent local attorney has been appointed as your attorney in this matter. she can be contacted at her address of P.O. Box 458 Petersburg WV, 26847, and a phone number (304) 257-5050.

You can obtain a copy of the petition filed in this matter and further information about this case from the Hardy County Circuit Clerk's Office located at the Hardy County Courthouse, 204 Washington St., Moorefield, WV 26836 or by calling this office at (304) 530-0230 or facsimile (304) 530-0231.

Lucas J. See, Prosecuting Attorney, Counsel for Petitioner  
Hardy County Courthouse,  
Room 104  
204 Washington St., Moorefield, WV 26836

Phone: (304) 530-0200  
Facsimile: (304) 530-0201  
08/31.09.07

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA I THE MATTER OF M. K., an Infant Male J. K., an Infant Male G. W., an Infant Male CASE NO. 21-JA-71 CASE O. 21-JA-72 CASE O. 22-JA-25

ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
TO: Sierra Edwards/Sara Benton  
You are hereby notified that in the above styled action pending in the Circuit Court of Hardy County, West Virginia, you have been identified as a the father of M. K., born 07/22/2018, and J. K., born 01/03/2018, the biological father is Zackary Kremer; and G. W., born 04/22/2022, the biological father is Dillon Wilson. The action pending is an abuse and neglect case which can result in the termination of parental, custodial and/or guardianship rights to the above children which is the subject of these proceedings. You are advised that every parent, custodian and/or guardian entitled to and has a right to counsel at every stage of this proceeding. An Adjudicatory/ Accelerated Disposition hearing is currently scheduled in this matter for October 11th, 2022, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. The hearing will be held in the courtroom of the Hardy County Courthouse, 204 Washington St., Moorefield, West Virginia. You should appear at this hearing to protect and defend your interests. You can obtain a copy of the Petition filed in this matter and further information about this case from the Hardy County Circuit Clerk's Office, telephone number 304-530-0230, or your Court appointed counsel, Attorney Joshua Orndorff. Failure to appear and/or file a response to this action can, and probably will, result in the termination of your rights to said children. fohnG.ours  
Prosecuting Attorney Grant County  
State Bar o. 2791  
P. O. Box 515  
Petersburg, WV 2684 7  
304-257-2323

09/07.09/14

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HARDY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA IN RE: THE ADOPTION OF J.G.M, AN INFANT CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF TWELVE YEARS. BY BETHANY LYNN MEDLER, STEP-PARENT. ADOPTION NO. 22-A-9 ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to obtain an adoption or other affirmative relief. To the Respondent:

It is hereby ordered that Respondent Jessica Kathryn Lunsford serve upon Max H. White, Petitioner's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 148, Keyser. VN 26726, an answer, including any related counter claim or defense you may have to the petition for adoption filed in this action no later than 30 days after the date of the first publication thereof and do what is necessary to protect your interests. If you fail to do so, thereafter judgment, upon proper hearing, may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the petition and your parental rights may be terminated. This matter shall come on for a final hearing on the 4th day of November, 2022 at the hour of 9:30 a.m. at which time Respondent Jessica Kathryn Lunsford may appear to protect her interests. If she so desires, A copy of said petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk of this office. Entered by the Clerk of said Court on

09/07.09/14

AIR QUALITY PERMIT NOTICE Notice of Application

Notice is given that American Woodmark Corporation, South Branch, a manufacturer of wood doors and frames for finished kitchen and vanity cabinets, has applied to the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Air Quality, for a Title V Permit Rule 13 Modification and Administrative Amendment to allow for changes to the rollcoat (frame), spray (door) lines and finishing paint line 3. The equipment is located at the American Woodmark Corporation, South Branch facility located on 587 Robert C. Byrd Industrial Park Road, Moorefield, WV 26836 (39°04'27.78" N 78°56'34.83" W), in Hardy County, West Virginia.

The applicant estimates the increased potential discharge of the regulated air pollutants particulate matter (PM, PM10, PM2.5) and volatile organic compounds (VOC), and associated amounts in 24.34 and 4.77 tons per year, respectively. American Woodmark will continue to comply with the existing VOC limits as written in the current permit R30- 03100030-2017.

Startup of modification is planned to begin on or about the 24th day of September 2022.

Written comments will be received by the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Air Quality (DAQ), 60157 th Street, SE, Charleston, WV 25304, for at least thirty (30) calendar days from the date of publication of this notice.

Any questions regarding this permit application should be directed to the DAQ at (304) 926-0499, extension 1227, during normal business hours.

Dated this 5th day of August 2022.  
By: American Woodmark Corporation,  
South Branch  
Mr. John Kubelka  
Plant Manager  
587 Robert C. Byrd Industrial Park Road  
Moorefield, West Virginia 26836  
08/24,08/31.09/07, 09/14

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Notice of Administration to Creditors, Distributees & Legatees

Notice is hereby given that the following estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Hardy County Clerk's Office at 204 Washington Street, Moorefield, WV 26836-0200. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code 44-1-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file notice of an objection with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-2 and 44-3 and/or 44-1-14A(10).

Settlement of the estate(s) of the following named decedent(s) will proceed without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner. If no reference to a fiduciary commissioner is listed herein, claims against the estate(s) must be filed in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-1-14A(10).

First Publication Date:  
Wednesday, September 7, 2022  
Claim Deadline: Sunday,  
November 6, 2022

ESTATE NAME: WENDALL YOUNG SAVILLE  
ADMINISTRATRIX PATSY ANN VAUGHN 100 CUNNINGHAM WOODS DRIVE MOOREFIELD WV 26836  
ATTORNEY JOYCE E STEWART 113 WINCHESTER AVE MOOREFIELD WV 26836-1109

ESTATE NAME: GLENN CALVIN BENSENHAVER  
EXECUTRIX MARY E BENSENHAVER 214 WASHINGTON STREET MOOREFIELD WV 26836-1141

ESTATE NAME: HELEN VIRGINIA KIFER ADMINISTRATRIX HELEN T KIFER 1583 LOST RIVER STATE PARK ROAD MOOREFIELD WV 26836-8128

ESTATE NAME: WILLIAM WAYNE EDMONDS  
EXECUTOR DONALD RAY EDMONDS 518 FURNACE ROAD WARDENSVILLE WV 26851-8340

ESTATE NAME: ANNA CORBIN DODSON  
EXECUTOR RICHARD ALLAN DODSON JR 5411 MOLLYS GLEN MINERAL VA 23117-9628  
ATTORNEY WILLIAM H BEAN BEAN AND BEAN PO DRAWER 30 MOOREFIELD WV 26836-0030

ESTATE NAME: JOSEPH LORING SHERMAN  
ADMINISTRATRIX EMILY TY SHERMAN 120 GLENWOOD DRIVE MOOREFIELD WV 26836-9076

ESTATE NAME: CLIFTON ELDON ROGERS  
CO EXECUTOR ROY C ROGERS PO BOX MOOREFIELD WV 26836  
CO EXECUTOR GREGORY A ROGERS PO BOX 23 MOOREFIELDS WV 26836-0023

ESTATE NAME: MARY MAGDALINE REDMAN  
ADMINISTRATRIX SHERRY D REDMAN 110 ALLEGHENY STREET MOOREFIELD WV 26836-1114

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 08/31/2022

Gregory L Ely  
Clerk of the Hardy County Commission  
09/07.09/14

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD FOR DRAFT/PROPOSED OPERATING PERMIT RENEWAL

Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act and the state Air Pollution Control Act requires that all major sources and certain minor sources have a permit to operate which states all requirements (e.g. emission limitations, monitoring requirements, etc.) established by regulations promulgated under the aforementioned programs. The Division of Air Quality (DAQ) has determined that the draft/proposed permit renewal referenced herein meets this requirement.

The DAQ is providing notice to the general public of its preliminary determination to issue an operating permit renewal to the following company for operation of the referenced wood cabinet manufacturing facility:  
American Woodmark Corporation  
South Branch Plant  
Plant ID No.: 031-00030  
587 Robert C. Byrd Industrial Park Road  
Moorefield, WV 26836

This notice solicits comments from the public and affected state(s) concerning the above preliminary determination and provides an opportunity for such parties to review the basis for the proposed approval and the "draft" permit renewal. This notice also solicits comments from the U.S. EPA concerning the same preliminary determination and provides an opportunity for the U.S. EPA to concurrently review the basis for the proposed approval as a "proposed" permit.

All written comments submitted by the public and affected state(s) pursuant to this notice must be received by the DAQ within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this notice. Under concurrent review, written comments submitted by the U.S. EPA must be received by the DAQ within forty-five (45) days from the date of publication of this notice or from the date the U.S. EPA receives this draft/proposed permit renewal, whichever is later. In the event the 30th/45th day is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the comment period will be extended until 5:00 p.m. on the following regularly scheduled business day. The public shall have 135 days from the date of publication of this notice to file petitions for concurrently reviewed permits. Upon notice by the U.S. EPA to the DAQ, prior to the end of the 45 day notice period, the U.S. EPA may choose to hold the 30 day comment period on the draft permit and the 45 day comment period on the proposed permit sequentially. During the public comment period any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and, if no public hearing has been scheduled, may request a public hearing. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. The Director of the DAQ shall grant such a request for a hearing if she concludes that a public hearing is appropriate. Any public hearing shall be held in the general area in which the facility is located, after 30 day notice is given. The DAQ will consider all written comments prior to final action on the permit.

Copies of the Permit Application, DAQ Fact Sheet, and Draft/Proposed Permit Renewal may be downloaded from the DAQ's web site at: <https://dep.wv.gov/daq/permitting/titlevpermits/Pages/default.aspx>.

Comments and questions concerning this matter should be addressed to:

WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Air Quality  
601 57th Street SE  
Charleston, WV 25304  
Contact: Dan Roberts  
(304) 926-0499 ext.:41902

09/07



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4-6 PM: Appalachian Countdown  
6-8 PM: Thomas Taylor Band  
8-10 PM: Stockyard Parade  
Concessions Available starting at Noon  
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Part-time Financial Consultant  
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Saturday, Sept. 10 • 10 a.m.  
2334 North River Road, Baker, WV  
Estate of Bob Ferrell  
Oak Summit has the high honor and distinct privilege of offering for auction the Estate of the late Bob Ferrell of Hardy County  
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Exhibits good judgement, promotes teamwork, creates a safe environment, and informs others, Promotes AIDET in communication with patients and follows the Five Pillars of Excellence. Excellent customer service and good decision-making skills. Must be capable of multitasking in a fast-paced environment, have critical thinking skills and work as part of a team. Professional and responsible with great work ethic.  
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LEAGUE BOWLING

08/23/2022

TEAM STANDINGS: Terminators 3 – 1, Split Happens 3 – 1, Strike Force 3 – 1, Country Cars & Trucks 3 – 1, Vetter's Guns & Ammo 1 – 3, Empire Strikes 1 – 3, WELD 1 – 3, Lucky Strikes 1 – 3;

HIGH GAME MEN (SCRATCH): Terry Wratchford 237, Jon Hedrick 231, Kevin McDonald 224, Ed Wompler 223;

(HANDICAP): Jerry Propst 267, Tyler Halterman 250, Terry Wratchford 246, Trey Wratchford 244;

HIGH SERIES MEN (SCRATCH): Terry Wratchford 237, Jon Hedrick 231, Kevin McDonald 224, Ed Wompler 223;

(HANDICAP): Jerry Propst 267, Tyler Halterman 250, Terry Wratchford 246, Trey Wratchford 244;

(SCRATCH): Jon Hedrick 640, Terry Wratchford 625, Ed Wompler 623, Kevin McDonald 614;

(HANDICAP): Jon Hedrick 655, Ed Wompler 653, Terry Wratchford 652, Kevin McDonald 650;

HIGH AVERAGE (MEN): Jon Hedrick 213.33, Terry Wratchford 208.33, Ed Wompler 207.67, Kevin McDonald 204.67;

HIGH GAME WOMEN (SCRATCH): Carissa Michael 172, Teresa Sullivan 169, Denise McGreevy 168, Rachel Stark 162;

(HANDICAP): Denise McGreevy 144.33;

08/25/2022

TEAM STANDINGS: Golden Lanes 4 – 0, Vetter's Mini Mart 3 – 1, Builders Center 2 – 2, Strike Force 2 – 2, Petersburg Oil Company 1 – 3, Country Cars & Trucks 0 – 4;

HIGH GAME (SCRATCH): Richie Burgess 247, Terry Wratchford 247, Larry Walp 247;

243, Jon Hedrick 232, Don Hime-  
lright 225, Gery Leatherman 225;  
(HANDICAP): Larry Walp 261,  
Richie Burgess 260, Cohan Kesner  
252, David Robertson 251, Terry  
Wratchford 247;

HIGH AVERAGE: Terry  
Wratchford 219.00, Don Hime-  
lright 215.00, Jon Hedrick 213.67,  
Gary Leatherman 207.00, Richie  
Burgess 203.00, Larry Walp 197.67;

609; (HANDICAP): Don Hime-  
lright 657, Terry Wratchford 657,  
Jon Hedrick 656, Gary Leather-  
man 651, Richie Burgess 648;

Hardy County Middle School Football Season Opener Results: Moorefield Middle Football defeated West Fairmont 20-6. East Hardy Middle Football lost to Wildwood Middle 30-12.

Hardy County Middle School Volleyball Teams Prepare for Season



East Hardy Middle School Volleyball Roster

Head Coach: Kathy Strawderman

Assistant Coach: Calvin Mon-gold

Players:  
— 8th Grade —

Xavia Barber  
Bella Bauserman  
Payton Crawford  
Madilyn Funk  
Madison Kerr

Catie Mathias  
Savannah Pullen  
Paylynn Rexrode  
Ava Riggle  
Jaylynn Combs

— 7th Grade —  
Baylee Taylor  
Leiliana Lopez  
Brooke Moyers  
Leah Nicholson

Danielle Jean  
— 6th Grade —  
Shaye Barb  
Charlie Hahn



Moorefield Middle School Volleyball Roster

Head Coach: Chessie Vetter  
Assistant Coach: Stephanie Simmons

Players:  
— 8th Grade —  
Brooklyn Saville  
Lexi VanMeter  
Brenna See

Aryana Hinz  
Addison Hunt  
Danica Wolfe  
Aubrey Kidwell  
Jocelyn Wagner

Grace Simmons  
Annie Barr  
Caroline Auville  
— 7th Grade —  
Emmy Crites

Aunalyn Anderson  
Kalithia Keplinger  
Makayla Myers  
Emily Haggerty  
— 6th Grade —

Brooklyn Hunt  
Chloe Champ  
Gracyn Williams

MOOREFIELD MIDDLE  
Mid/Jr Volleyball Schedule

EAST HARDY EARLY MIDDLE  
Mid/Jr Volleyball Schedule

09/06/22 6:00PM	A - WILDWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL	09/07/22 5:00PM	H - PAW PAW
09/08/22 6:00PM	H - PETERSBURG	09/12/22 6:00PM	A - WARM SPRINGS MIDDLE
09/12/22 6:00PM	A - ROMNEY MIDDLE	09/14/22 5:00PM	H - PETERSBURG
09/15/22 6:00PM	H - CAPON BRIDGE MIDDLE	09/15/22 6:00PM	A - ROMNEY MIDDLE
09/17/22 12:00PM	A - PETERSBURG	09/19/22 6:00PM	H - MOOREFIELD MIDDLE
09/19/22 6:00PM	A - EAST HARDY EARLY MIDDLE	09/26/22 6:00PM	A - CAPON BRIDGE MIDDLE
09/22/22 6:00PM	A - WARM SPRINGS MIDDLE	09/27/22 6:00PM	H - WARM SPRINGS MIDDLE
09/26/22 6:00PM	A - PAW PAW	09/29/22 6:00PM	H - PENDLETON COUNTY
09/29/22 6:00PM	H - ROMNEY MIDDLE	10/04/22 6:00PM	A - PAW PAW
10/03/22 6:00PM	H - PENDLETON COUNTY	10/06/22 6:00PM	H - CAPON BRIDGE MIDDLE
10/04/22 6:00PM	A - CAPON BRIDGE MIDDLE	10/10/22 6:00PM	A - PENDLETON COUNTY
10/06/22 6:00PM	H - PAW PAW	10/11/22 6:00PM	A - MOOREFIELD MIDDLE
10/10/22 6:00PM	A - UNION	10/17/22 6:00PM	A - PETERSBURG
10/11/22 6:00PM	H - EAST HARDY EARLY MIDDLE	10/20/22 6:00PM	H - ROMNEY MIDDLE
10/13/22 6:00PM	A - ELKINS MIDDLE	10/25/22 5:00PM	A - 7TH GRADE PVL
10/17/22 6:00PM	A - PENDLETON COUNTY	10/27/22 5:00PM	A - 8TH GRADE PVL
10/20/22 6:00PM	H - WARM SPRINGS MIDDLE		
10/25/22 5:00PM	A - 7TH GRADE PVL		
10/27/22 5:00PM	A - 8TH GRADE PVL		



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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**  
The Town of Moorefield is accepting applications for the following full-time position:  
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- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Possess a valid driver's license, with a safe driving record.
- Submit to and cooperate in a background investigation as to the applicant's suitability for the position.
- Submit to a polygraph examination.
- Appear for scheduled oral interviews.
- Undergo a complete psychiatric examination, testing the applicant's mental stability for appointment.
- Undergo a complete medical examination and drug testing.
- Submit to any additional examinations as to the applicant's suitability for the position.
- Successfully meet the requirements on a physical agility screening test.

Uncertified applicants will be required to attend a fifteen-week training course in Charleston, WV. Applications for this position are available at the Moorefield Police Department and Moorefield Town Office. Both are located at 206 Winchester Avenue, Moorefield, West Virginia, 26836 from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. each weekday.

Applications also available at:  
<http://moorefieldpd.com/files/documents/MPD-Application.pdf>

All applications must be returned to the Moorefield Police Department by 4:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022.  
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FRIDAY NIGHT  
FRENZY

East Hardy Player of the Week

James Shipe

Moorefield Player of the Week

Finan Teklom

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PICKS										
Week 3	SAM WILLIAMS	JUDY BALL	SAM BLIZZARD	OUR ROOTS	SCOTT FAWLEY	CASEY GOLDIZEN	BRIAN BRILL	JENNIFER HEISHMAN	NATHAN WALTERS	JUSTIN EVANS
Record:	3/2	2/3	4/1	4/1	3/2	4/1	2/3	4/1	4/1	4/1
Moorefield VS Southern Garrett	Southern Garrett	Moorefield	Moorefield	Southern Garrett	Southern Garrett	Moorefield	Moorefield	Southern Garrett	Southern Garrett	Moorefield
East Hardy AT Tucker	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy	East Hardy
Petersburg VS Pendleton	Petersburg	Petersburg	Petersburg	Petersburg	Pendleton	Pendleton	Petersburg	Petersburg	Petersburg	Pendleton
Hampshire VS Rock Ridge	Hampshire	Hampshire	Hampshire	Rock Ridge	Rock Ridge	Hampshire	Hampshire	Hampshire	Rock Ridge	Hampshire
Frankfort AT Washington	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort	Frankfort

Due to the holiday weekend scores were not available at the time of Printing.

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