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Sugar Grove Landowner seeks help on erosion

After years of watching erosion eat his property one inch at a time, Scott Beam of Sugar Grove is seeking answers. Beam's home sits on a piece of land that includes a stream which is part of the Dam Site 18 waterway system. The stream runs along his property to a flood pool that sits just above the dam. Because the stream crosses his property... 8A.

Preparing for the 2021 deer hunting season

The first segment of a special deer hunting season for youth and senior citizen hunters and hunters with a Class Q/QQ permit opened in West Virginia last weekend. The first segment of the Youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS Deer Season was Oct. 16-17. The second segment will run Dec. 26-27. During the special season, hunting is... 1B.

Trick-or-Treat in Petersburg

Reminder: The City of Petersburg will have having its annual Trick-or-Treat night on Oct. 30 from 6-8p.m. Those wishing to hand out candy are encouraged to leave their porch light on.

Covid-19 Updates

For information on vaccinations available contact the Grant County Health Department at 304-257-4922 (Petersburg) or 304-693-7616 (Mount Storm). Vaccination is available for anyone 12 years old or older. Anyone interested in receiving the vaccine can contact the Grant County Health Department at 304-257-4922. As of Oct. 17, there are 73 active Covid cases in the county with 2,311 total cases, 2,200 of which have recovered.

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poll question

If you experienced symptoms, would you take Merck's new Covid pill if it was available?

• YES
 • NO

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Last week's poll responses:

Yes: 66%
 No: 33%

think internet should be considered a basic human necessity.



County groups pull together for the new Petersburg Hike and Bike Trail

After nearly a year of discussion, hard work and grant writing, the hopes of giving Petersburg a fully paved hike and bike trail moved one step closer last week. The proposed trail will run approximately three miles along the Petersburg dike and will include multiple entrances for walkers and bikers.

The completion of the project now hinges on the awarding of a competitive grant through the West Virginia Division of

Highways. However, the story of how the project has made it to this point is one of unity within the community.

Spearheaded by Bob McCalley and Sarah Moomau, the trail was first conceived as a health and wellness improvement for the community, with hopes it could also have a positive impact on tourism. This project was identified as a community need during a West Virginia Community Development Hub,

Communities of Achievement Program meeting, with design support from West Virginia University.

However, funding for a fully paved trail required a contribution from the Petersburg City Council, the Grant County Commission and the Grant County Board of Education. The trail will be maintained by the Petersburg Lions Club and its design has required help from the county's levee expert

and engineer, Mark Geary and the Army Corps of Engineers.

If everything falls into place, the bulk of the funding will come from the West Virginia Division of Highways (DOH) via a grant for approximately \$305,000. This will fund the installation, paving and other costs needed to see the trail become a reality.

However, as with many large

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Chamber of Commerce president and local business owner Kirk Wilson and chamber member Suzanne Park. *press photo*

Chamber calls for new business ideas, competition

The Grant County Chamber of Commerce is offering aspiring small business owners a chance to take their idea from a hope to a reality through its new STARTUP! program. Through the program, community members with business ideas can put together their plan, come before a panel and explain why they are the next new business

to help push Grant County forward.

The program is aimed at helping to encourage entrepreneurship in the county, with goals of promoting local growth and providing new job opportunities.

STARTUP! is organized as a competition, with aspiring business owners bringing their busi-

ness proposals before a group of evaluators to compete for \$5,000 in start-up funds as well as assistance from other business owners in the community. The idea is being spearheaded by chamber member Suzanne Park, who participated in a sim-

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Local man pleads to selling opioids

A Grant County man is facing up to 10 years in prison after pleading guilty in a federal court to selling drugs.

William Glenn Vance, 44, of Petersburg, admitted last week to selling the opioid Buprenorphine.

According to a release by United States Attorney William J. Ihlenfeld, Vance pleaded guilty to one count of distribution of Buprenorphine - aiding and abetting.

The plea claims that Vance was selling the drug in September 2019 in Grant County.

Vance faces up to 10 years of incarceration and a fine of up to \$500,000.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen D. Warner is prosecuting the case on behalf of the government.

The Potomac Highlands Drug Task Force, a HIDTA-funded initiative, the Moorefield Police Department, the West Virginia State Police and the Grant County Sheriff's Department investigated.

Board of Education hears from community members, funding update, MES information

The recent meeting of the Grant County Board of Education covered everything from the Community in Schools program, a presentation by Maysville Elementary School, an update on levy spending and multiple community speakers.

The meeting, which took place on Oct. 12, was held at Maysville Elementary School.

The first speaker of the evening was community member Larry Porter, who addressed his concerns about school safety. During his presentation, he urged the board to focus on the security of the students, saying that should always remain the primary goal of any decisions

made by the board.

Next, community member Ashton Barr appeared before the board to address issues he himself had seen as well as concerns voiced to him by other parents.

Barr questioned the board about the lack of communication some parents were experiencing with teachers, saying many parents at the middle school level had complained of not being able to contact their children's teachers. He also addressed the county's decision to include virtual learning days in the calendar, saying that even with the new computers provided to students, virtual learn-

ing still posed an issue for those who may not have reliable internet. He also spoke in favor of improved benefits for teachers and staff, saying better benefits could encourage new teachers to move into the county.

Barr also addressed the Community in Schools program, saying he was unsure of the program but hoped that it would do good for struggling families. He also spoke on the proposed hike and bike trail, saying he understood the good that could come from it but questioned whether or not it was a good use of school funds. The final issue Barr addressed was concerns he had heard

from parents who were working to get their children placed on 504 learning plans. These 504 plans are designed for students with disabilities or learning difficulties who will need a more customized plan to remove any barriers they are facing to learning. Barr said that many parents were told they could not have their students added to 504 plans. He also spoke on the need to ensure students are able to remain in school.

"We just need to look at helping our kids," Barr said. "If they aren't understanding something, then they aren't go-

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LOCAL FLAVOR

By Camille Howard
I had a nice visit from Jerry Burke last week who stopped by to pick up the business card I carried back from Montana for him from Rick Wollum, sales manager at Angler's West Fly Fishing in Paradise Valley, where Craig and Shawn had scheduled a fishing float trip.



Leader of the gang

Jerry said he met Rick in 1997 or 98 when he was invited to a cookout at Eagle's Nest Outfitters, hosted by Arvella and the late John Zimmerer.

Rick was there as a guide on a float trip down the South Branch River and didn't seem to be having much luck bass fishing.

Arrangements were made for Rick and his party to fish Spring Run, accompanied by photographers/videographers. At first the catch were small but as things picked up one of the videographers said, "I think we're going to have us a story."

Jerry didn't meet up with Rick again until many years later in Bozeman and then again when Jerry and his wife Janet, were fishing near Cascade, Mont. and they ran into him at a restaurant.

I don't know if I would remember an acquaintance for that many years, let alone the story to tell of how we met.

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One of my favorite

BACON-WRAPPED PICKLE BITES
8 Claussen kosher dill mini pickles
3/4 cup Philadelphia spicy jalapeño cream cheese spread
12 slices Oscar Mayer bacon
Heat oven to 375°F.
Drain pickles; pat dry with paper towel. Cut each pickle crosswise into 3 pieces; set aside.

things about Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons are the animals; huge buffalo and elk roaming around and down the highways with people stopping to let them pass.

One day we were driving down the highway and the guys spotted a gang of elk in a field just off the road outside of Livingstone, Mont. We pulled over to take some photos and look at the massive bull elk that was apparently in charge.

As we sat there, we counted over 70 elk and thought maybe they belonged to someone since there were so many.

We stopped at a gas station just up the road and the attendant said they were roaming freely.

Just in case you're won-

Cover rimmed baking sheet with foil. Spread 1 tablespoon cream cheese spread onto each bacon slice. Cut crosswise in half.
Wrap pickles with bacon, cream cheese sides down; place, seam sides down, on prepared baking sheet.
Bake 30 minutes or until bacon is crisp, turning after 15 minutes. Cool slightly.

dering, a group of elk is called a gang, like a pride of lions or swarm of bees.

We did have an interesting "almost" encounter with a bull elk in Yellowstone Park.

As we were leaving for the day, we pulled over near the museum and other buildings near the entrance of the park to watch elk grazing in the center of "town." In front of us was a guy in a convertible with his dog in the back and they pulled over in front of us.

As people began to stop, a huge bull elk began trumpeting and rounding up his gang into the center grassy area. He was enormous and

PARMESAN-GARLIC MONKEY BREAD
1 can (12 oz.) refrigerated biscuits
2 tablespoons margarine, melted
2 tablespoons Kraft grated Parmesan cheese
1 teaspoon dried Italian seasoning
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1/2 cup Kraft shredded Italian five cheese blend
1/2 cup Classico tomato and basil pasta sauce
Heat oven to 350°F.

since he had been grazing, had tufts of grass stuck on the ends of his antlers.

He started getting a little spooked and was running when he spied us watching him and began heading straight for the open windows of our truck.

As he neared the truck, Paula pushed the window button and he was close enough to hear the noise from the window and make a quick turn away.

That's one picture I'll never forget.

The dog in the convertible? He just sat there and didn't move or make a sound. Smart dog!

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On another topic, totally unrelated to our trip to Montana, I've already started thinking about Christmas and one fun thing Erin and I do is watch Christmas movies together. Two of our favorites feature Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire in "Holiday Inn" and "White Christmas."

I recently received an email from Kraft that features "Movie Night Munchies." I know it seems early, but I'm ready to watch a movie with lots of singing, dancing, goofy dialogue and a happy ending, accompanied by snacks.

Have a great week!

Separate biscuits; cut into quarters. Mix margarine, Parmesan and seasonings in medium bowl until blended. Add dough pieces; toss to evenly coat with cheese mixture.
Place in 9-inch round pan sprayed with cooking spray; top with shredded cheese.
Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 10 minutes. Remove bread from pan to wire rack; cool slightly.
Heat pasta sauce as directed on label. Serve with the bread.

Johnny Wratchford would like to extend his deepest gratitude to the staff at Grant Memorial Hospital. He appreciates what you all do more than you will ever know.
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Warm The Children program returns; now accepting donations for Grant County

The Warm The Children program of Grant County, with the cooperation of the Grant County Press and community sponsors, will be opening with a new 2021 season of giving.

The full amount of each contribution will make it possible to provide brand new winter clothing for needy children.

The history of Warm The Children had its beginning in 1988 in Torrington, Conn. Mack W. Stewart, publisher of the local newspaper, the Register-Citizen, was driving to work one cold November day and saw little children waiting for the school bus; many were inadequately clothed with only sweatshirts to shield them from the snow and cold wind.

Stewart thought his newspaper could do something to help the children. He'd worked for a newspaper in Troy, N.Y., which had a program called Clothe-A-Child, that provided clothing and footwear for Troy's neediest children. With a few modifications to fit northwest Connecticut, Warm The

Children was born. When he started Warm The Children, Stewart insisted on two things; first, that every penny collected in donations be used to purchase new winter wear for needy children, that nothing - not one cent - ever be used for administration. Second, he would provide a simple formula for making the program work and help each newspaper implement the program.

Stewart says Warm The Children's greatest beneficiaries are, of course, the

children who get nice, new winter things (for many the first "new" they'd ever had). But the newspaper, too, realizes enormous benefit because the community likes what they see - their newspaper taking an unselfish giant step to help the community's neediest children. Stewart said it was the best community relations program he's ever tried.

Last year, the program was unable to serve children due to the pandemic.

This year, Warm The

Children business or local person sponsors will be recognized in the Grant County Press. Those who do not want to be recognized may indicate their wishes. Look for the donation coupon in this week's Press and weeks to come.

If you have any questions about the Warm The Children program, contact the Eastern Action Agency at 304-257-1107 or go to the website www.easternaction.org, or check their Facebook page at Eastern Action.

You can help... **WARM THE CHILDREN**

Providing New Winter Clothing for Local Children in Need

The need is great. In Grant County needy children will be cold without your help.

What is Warm the Children Fund?
It's neighbors helping neighbors. Grant County Press & Weekender readers are asked to donate to the fund, with the proceeds only used to buy new winter clothing for Grant County children in need.

None of the donations will be used for administrative costs. All the money donated is used only to buy new warm winter clothing and footwear.

How will needy children be identified?
Public school staff and social service agency staffers identify needy children and provide their names and contact information to the Warm the Children coordinator.

How will the clothing be purchased?
The Children coordinator assigns volunteer shoppers to take families shopping for their winter clothing and footwear. Shopping takes place at Walmart in Moorefield. Each child receives \$80 worth of new winter clothing and footwear (\$40 if under the age of 2).

How can I help?
By donating time, money, or both! Contact Eastern Action at 304-257-1107 or simply complete the coupon and mail it to:

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c/o Warm the Children
P.O. Box 418
Petersburg, WV 26847
Deadline is November 30th

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Warm the Children website
www.warmthechildren.org

Find us on Facebook at Eastern Action or at www.easternaction.org

No administrative fees... every cent received is used to buy winter clothing

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Schools get visits from first responders



UNION - Members of the Mount Storm Volunteer Fire Department visited staff and students at Union Educational Complex last week. October is Fire Prevention Month, so they joined up with Bayard VFD and Grant County Ambulance to provide UEC with some fire safety tips. Students also had the opportunity to see the apparatus and equipment, and were helped to prepare in case an emergency were to ever occur.



PETERSBURG — The Grant County Sheriff's Department visited with kindergarten classes at Petersburg Elementary School last week, including Chief Deputy Steve Wratchford, Deputy and School Resource Officer Tyler Bowers and SRO Darius Stark.

Mount Storm has new 4-H club

Grant County 4-H would like to welcome its newest 4-H community club — the Mount Storm 4-H Country Clovers.

They will be led by the newest 4-H volunteers, Cassandra Keplinger and April DeWitt.

The club's first meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bayard Volunteer Fire Department. They will continue to meet the third Wednesday of the month at that time for the rest of the 2021-22 4-H year.

Grant County Extension Service is happy to offer a club to the greater Mount Storm area and looks forward to having an excellent club year with the Country Clovers and all the Grant County 4-H clubs.

All youth are welcome to join 4-H. Cloverbuds (age 5-7) and 4-H members (age 8-21). Youth can sign up online at <https://4h.zsuite.org/>, call the extension office at 304-257-4688 or stop by the office at 114 North Grove St. in Petersburg.



Leaders Cassandra Keplinger and April DeWitt

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Cargo ships - America's old jobs floating at sea

Dr. Glenn Mollette

Cargo ships waiting to unload at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, Calif., could keep some of America's store shelves bare for a while. These two ports handle the bulk of cargo coming from China.

Cargo keeps coming from China, making the congestion craziness only worse. The dozens of ships floating in the Pacific are carrying products that used to be some of America's good-paying jobs.

Today, about 90% of non-bulk cargo worldwide is transported by container. Modern container ships carry over 21,000 TEUs and rival crude oil tankers as the largest commercial vessels on the ocean. A TEU (20-foot equivalent unit) is a measure of volume in units of 20-foot-long containers.

If you have ever seen any of these cargo ships come into the port at Savannah, Ga., or these California ports then you know its mind blowing the amount of cargo stacked and transported across the ocean. The weight of the cargo is estimated between 15,000 to 18,000 tons on most of the ships.

General cargo vessels carry packaged items like chemicals, foods, furniture, machinery, motor vehicles, shoes, clothing and more. Dry bulk carriers carry coal, grain, ore and other similar products. Reefer ships are refrigerated ships which specifically carry perishable commodities such as fruits, vegetables, meats and dairy products. Roll-on ships are designed to carry wheeled cargo, such as cars, trucks, semi-trailer trucks, trailers, and railroad cars, that are driven on and off the ship on their own wheels.

China's exports to the United States were \$452.58 billion during 2020, according to the United Nations COMTRADE database on international trade. The top goods exported from China to the U.S. and their total values for 2018 were electrical machinery (\$152 billion), machinery (\$117 billion), furniture and bedding (\$35 billion), toys and sports equipment (\$27 billion), and plastics (\$19 billion).

Japan's exports to the United States were \$118.79 billion during 2020, according to the United Nations COMTRADE database on international trade. These products are vehicles, machinery, electronics, optical and medical, aircraft, pharmaceuticals, plastics, rubbers, toys, games and sports equipment.

United States imports from Germany were \$117.39 billion during 2020, according to the United Nations COMTRADE database on international trade. We import most of the same products from Germany as we do Japan including \$78 billion in mineral fuels including oil.

We continue to hear about all the job openings in the United States. Amazon needs employees, Federal Express, UPS and all the trucking companies are begging for workers. I've seen several big banners on trucks begging for drivers at a starting salary of \$2,500 a week. Walmart advertises all the time for truckers with a beginning salary of \$84,000 a year.

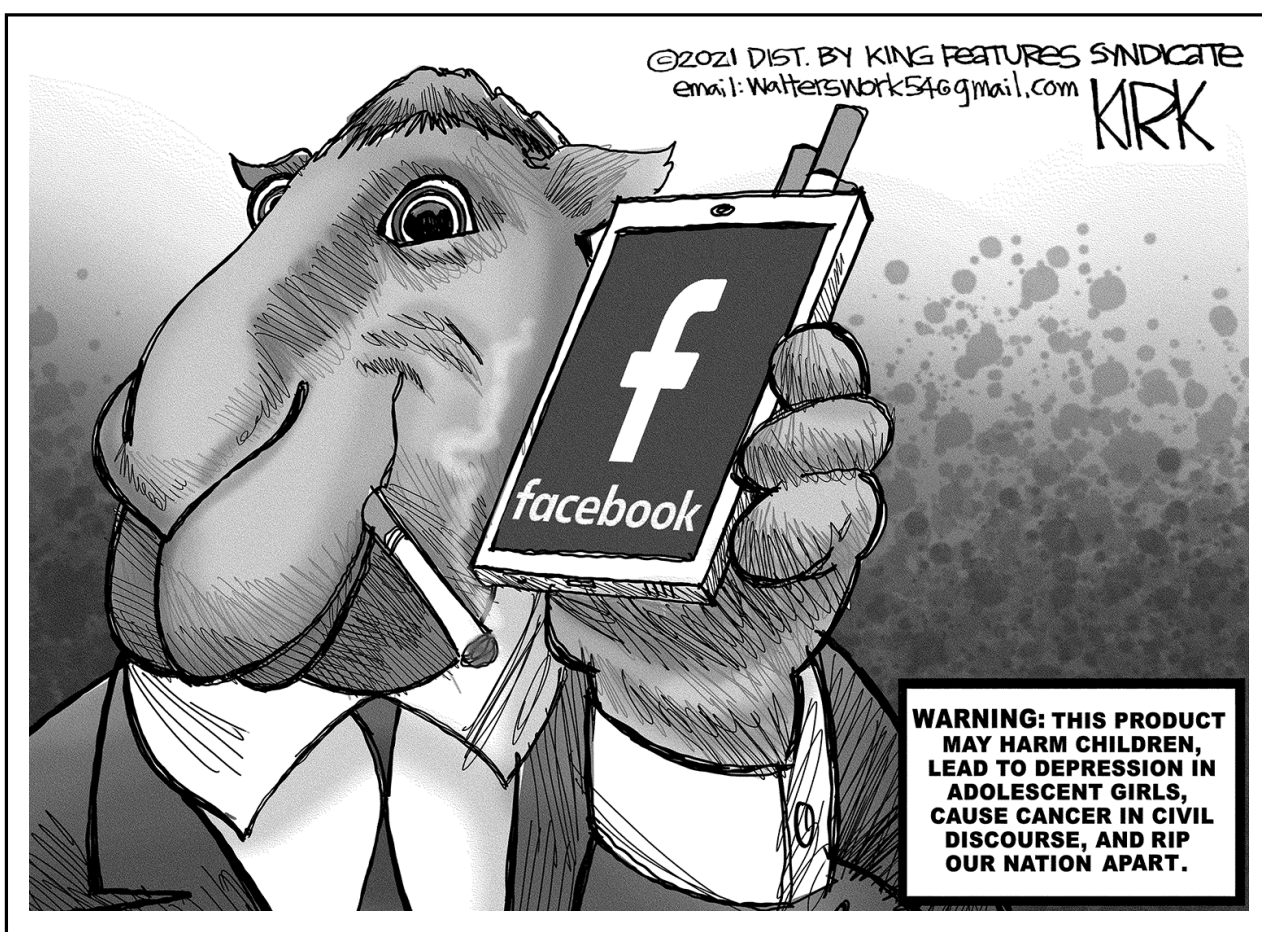
There is obviously a lot of work in delivering goods from the shipping ports of America. The shipping ports are all products made in China, Japan, Germany, and other places. We have and are pumping these countries with billions and billions of dollars.

We hear a lot about infrastructure. We need good roads and bridges, internet, new pipe lines throughout America to carry our water supply and American made chips for our cars, computers and phones and more. We also must start making all the products just mentioned in America.

Our president and Congress must give companies every opportunity in reasonable tax breaks and incentives to compete with foreign countries. If we can bring manufacturing back to the United States then we will return to real jobs in this country that pay enough money for people to raise a family, own a car and save for retirement.

Until this happens Americans will only see increasing financial hardships and more jobs floating away.

Glenn Mollette is a syndicated columnist and author and is read in all 50 states.



After promises of transparency and fairness, West Virginia redistricting devolves into a partisan exercise

By Ian Karbal
Mountain State Spotlight

After months of promises of transparency during the West Virginia Legislature's redistricting process, state senators are considering a hyper-partisan map that was crafted behind closed doors and introduced at the last minute.

Senators held hearings around the state. They made a point of how much they valued public input. A committee advanced a new map for the state's 17 senatorial districts, with bipartisan support.

Then at the 11th hour on Wednesday night, a different map was posted as an amendment on the Legislature's website.

The amendment, which had no senator's name attached to it, essentially proposed an entirely new map. It was to be considered the next morning, during a Thursday floor session, but — with the GOP caucus deep in negotiations — senators agreed to postpone a vote until Friday.

The newly drawn House of Delegates district map, approved by that chamber on Wednesday, also drew complaints of hypocrisy after Republican House leaders had promised transparency and bipartisanship.

The map divided urban areas, which are more likely to vote Democratic, and pitted Democratic legislators against one another.

But the last-minute state Senate map was so partisan that Ken Martis, professor emeritus of geography at West Virginia University, and a national expert on gerrymandering, said Thursday, "I don't know how they could honestly go to sleep and do this. I honestly mean that."

Takubo's district, was on a previously scheduled European vacation, according to a spokesperson, and did not vote.

On its face, the map amendment ignores West Virginia's state constitutional mandate that redistricting take county boundaries into account, something that Sen. Charles Trump, R-Morgan, pushed for repeatedly at committee meetings and public hearings. Residents who had

have pitched ideas. "No one has coalesced around one," he said.

Senate President Craig Blair, R-Berkeley, said "I don't do interviews" when asked for comment outside his office Thursday evening.

Democrats accused Sen. Robert Karnes, R-Randolph, of drawing the map, but Karnes said it was the work of many Senate Republicans. Still, he defended it. "The constitution also moved in the direction of compactness," Karnes said. "And in some cases it's more compact if the county was split."

Senate Minority Leader Stephen Baldwin, D-Greenbrier, panned the amendment map as well. He said there was a chance some Republicans would come together with Democrats to draw a new map, using the one passed out of committee as a basis, and pass it on bipartisan lines.

But he acknowledged that's up to the Republicans. "We've sort of been on the outskirts of this," Baldwin said.

If the map passes, Baldwin said, it will likely result in a lawsuit.

"I'm not happy about it." Senate Majority Leader Tom Takubo, R-Kanawha

The Senate map amendment would divide Charleston into three districts with long tails connecting parts of the city to rural, more conservative neighboring counties. It similarly appears to divide the cities of Huntington, Morgantown and Martinsburg, although the Senate did not provide street-level details of the map.

"I'm not happy about it," said Senate Majority Leader Tom Takubo, R-Kanawha, whose district currently includes the South Hills and Kanawha City areas of Charleston. Eric Nelson, the other Republican senator in

attended previous hearings of the Legislature's joint redistricting committee also pushed for that.

Trump, the chair of the Senate redistricting committee, had said earlier he hoped that the introduction of a last-minute amendment "would not allow for the level of public transparency that I think is important in this process." Ultimately, that's what ended up happening.

On Thursday, Trump said that, while the redistricting committee he chaired was able to come to a consensus, "this, again, is the work of the caucus," adding that many people

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Critical Race Theory - German Marxist founders of the Frankfurt School of Critical Theory built this political program on the theory of class conflict. If workers understood the imbalance of power in the German Republic they would seize production, overthrow the capitalist class and usher in a new socialism. Running from the Nazi government in the 1930s some professors escaped and came to Columbia University in the United States.

Rather than abandon their agenda they modified their theory to include the social and racist unrest of the 1960s. To promote the social unrest necessary for conflict and revolution Marxist professors renamed their political program "Critical Race Theory" in the 1990s.

Critical race theory is an academic discipline built on the intellectual framework of identity-based Marxism. Relegated for many years to universities and obscure academic journals, it has over the past

decade become the default ideology in our public institutions.

It has been injected into government agencies, public schools systems, teacher training programs and corporate human resources departments, in the form of diversity training programs, human resources modules, public policy frameworks and school curricula.

Rather than using terms such as neo-Marxism they use euphemisms such as equity, social justice, diversity and inclusion, and culturally responsive teaching to describe critical race theory.

Americans are having a difficult time speaking up about this issue as critical race theorists have constructed their argument like a mousetrap. Disagreement with their program becomes evidence of dissenters white fragility, unconscious bias or internalized white supremacy.

Americans across the spectrum have failed to separate the promise of critical race theory from its conclusion. We have failed

to force these defenders of this revolutionary ideology to defend the practical consequences of their ideas in the realm of politics. Critical race theorists must be confronted with and forced to speak to the facts.

All school boards in West Virginia can be taken to court according to West Virginia law. There they must defend themselves not only on the issue of critical race but also masking of children in schools.

The citizen will be allowed to speak. It's our choice. It's easy to stop a lone dissenter; it's much harder to stop 10, 20, 100, 1000 or more who stand up together in a court for the principles of America. It's our choice.

**Jim Hinebaugh
Maysville, W.Va.**

Dear Grant County Press,

In your October 5, 2021, edition of the Grant County Press, you had an editorial by Brian Allfry, executive director, Utah Press Association, in which he said "Every night, Walter Cronkite told you what had happened that day. He

did not give you his opinion, he gave you facts. We need the facts about what is going on in our community, and we can only get that in our local newspaper."

There was also a cartoon in that edition that said to get the straight story you must read the local paper. After reading the article about us in that same issue, we beg to differ.

The article left out several key points, added words that were never spoken and put in unnecessary information. How is that getting the story straight? Or printing only the facts? How can we trust that any story in your paper is factual and straight when we know that the one printed about us was neither?

We would like the opportunity to meet with you and your staff to discuss this matter as well as give you the opportunity to hear the recording of the meeting and see the transcript.

Sincerely,
**Jill Long
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Remember When



October 17, 1951
Veach-Townsend Clinic births included: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nicol of Scherr, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Swick of Petersburg, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Junior Swick of Petersburg, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. John Hedrick of Riverton, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Crites of Petersburg, a daughter; and Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Cook of Maysville, a son.

Maysville-Scherr office and introduced all number calling.
A cold rainfall on opening day of the season reduced hunting pressure in the area and was responsible for a very light squirrel kill and very few turkeys reported.

7" thick jumbo mattress \$69.
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sites announced the birth of a son, at Rockingham Memorial Hospital, Harrisonburg, Va.

announced the engagement of their daughter, Peggy Helen, to Thomas Jackson Hawse of Moorefield.
Tammy Lynn Harris of Maysville celebrated her 16th birthday, Oct. 17, with a sweet 16 party at her home.

William Warnie Layton of Landes and Charles McKinley Redman of Petersburg were inducted into the armed forces.

Births at Grant Memorial Hospital included: Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bennett of Cherry Grove, a son, Oct. 19; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Walk of Antioch, a daughter, Oct. 11; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kesner Jr. of Moorefield, a son, Oct. 10; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yokum of Moorefield, a son, Oct. 12; and Pfc. And Mrs. Dorris Borrer of Petersburg, a daughter, Oct. 16.

Ellen Groves returned home from a six month stay in Norway, as part of the International Farm Youth Exchange.

Births at Sacred Heart Hospital included: Mr. and Mrs. David Rohrbaugh of Maysville, a son, Jonathan David, Oct. 15; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Jensen of Petersburg, a son, Casey Jon, Oct. 14; and Mr. and Mrs. James Sindledecker Jr. of Scherr, a daughter, Jamey Annissa Oct. 13.

Cpl. Ralph Blewitt, who had been serving with the armed forces in Korea for sometime, set sail for the states and was expected home soon.

Coach Wayne Barr's PHS Vikings won their third straight PVC game by defeating Circleville, 20-13.

Joy reigned supreme at Viking Memorial Field as the Vikings put the first points and later the first win on their new scoreboard with a rare 12-8 upset of Keyser's Golden Tornado. This was the third victory over in Petersburg more than 35 years of football. The last win came in 1950 under Coach Walt Owens, with Henry Moomau as the signal caller.

Mr. and Mrs. David Kessel of Burlington announced the birth of a daughter, Denae Ann, Oct. 5, at Memorial Hospital, Cumberland.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sites entertained at their home with a surprise birthday party in honor of their son, Eugene, Oct. 12.

October 20, 1971
The 27th Wolf Furniture Company Store opened Oct. 22, at 7 N. Virginia Avenue, Petersburg. Grand opening specials included: La-Z-Boy rocker-recliners \$139; bunk beds complete with bedding \$139; dinettes (seven pieces) \$99; shag carpet by Lees \$6.95 square yard; and Simmons

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Dean of Fisher announced the birth of a daughter, Oct. 11, at Grant Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. David Oates of Petersburg announced the birth of a daughter, Danielle Leah, Oct. 9, at Winchester Memorial Hospital.

October 18, 1961
The new Mount Storm Methodist Church at the intersection of Routes 50 and 42, was dedicated Oct. 26.

Some 300 families in Maysville and Scherr were to begin telephone service Oct. 24, when General Telephone Company of the Southeast opened its new

October 21, 1981
Pediatrician Dr. Kanai Das, who had been practicing since March 1979, planned to move to a hospital in Saginaw, Mich. Lack of income was cited as the reason why he left.

The Moorefield High School Yellow Jackets eked out a narrow 17-15 victory of PHS and virtually ensured the Vikings would not be postseason tournament bound. A CBS television crew was assigned to the game.

74 years ago the speed of sound was broken

By Greg Jordan
Bluefield Daily Telegraph



Seventy-four years ago, a native West Virginian climbed into the cockpit of a rocket-powered aircraft and proved that he had "the right stuff" by becoming the first pilot to blast past the sound barrier.

Seventy-four years ago, Capt. Charles "Chuck" Yeager climbed into the cockpit of a rocket-powered aircraft and proved that he had "the right stuff" by becoming the first pilot to blast past the sound barrier.
Photo courtesy Grubb Photo Service

On Oct. 14, 1947, 24-year-old Capt. Charles "Chuck" Yeager, World War II fighter ace turned test pilot, took the bullet-shaped Bell X-1 rocket plane dubbed "Glamorous Glennis" past 660 mph to break the sound barrier for the first time.

in the back seat of an F-15 Eagle as it broke the sound barrier at more than 30,000 feet above California's Mojave Desert. His exploits became part of Tom Wolfe's book "The Right Stuff," and the 1983 movie it inspired.

Yeager enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1941 after graduating from high school. He said later that he regretted how not going to college kept him from becoming an astronaut. He started his aviation career as an aircraft mechanic and signed up for a program that allowed enlisted men to become pilots. He signed up despite getting airsick during his first airplane ride.

flew an X-1A to a record of more than 1,600 mph.

Yeager later flew combat missions during the Vietnam War, making bombing and strafing runs while flying twin-engine B-57 Canberras over South Vietnam.

Yeager also commanded Air Force fighter squadrons and wings and the Aerospace Research Pilot School for military astronauts. Thanks to his career, he never had to buy his own airplane.

"I've flown 341 types of military planes in every country in the world and logged about 18,000 hours," he said in an interview in the January 2009 issue of Men's Journal. "It might sound funny, but I've never owned an airplane in my life. If you're willing to bleed, Uncle Sam will give you all the planes you want."

Yeager never forgot his West Virginia roots and his home state never forgot him. Bridges and schools across the state, and Charleston's airport, have been named after him.

"My beginnings back in West Virginia tell who I am to this day," Yeager wrote. "My accomplishments as a test pilot tell more about luck, happenstance and a person's destiny. But the guy who broke the sound barrier was the kid who swam the Mud River with a swiped watermelon or shot the head off a squirrel before going to school."

Yeager married Glenis Dickhouse of Oroville, Cali., on Feb. 26, 1945. She died in December 1990. They had four children: Donald, Michael, Sharon and Susan. He married 45-year-old Victoria Scott D'Angelo in 2003.

Retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Charles "Chuck" Yeager passed away on Dec. 7, 2020.

In 1968, Yeager said that he had been apprehensive about the historic flight.

"When you're fooling around with something you don't know much about, there has to be apprehension," he said then. "But you don't let that affect your job."

After breaking the sound barrier in 1947, the modest Yeager stated that he could have gone even faster if the plane had carried more fuel, adding that the ride "was nice, just like riding fast in a car."

Yeager nicknamed the rocket plane, and all his other aircraft, "Glamorous Glennis" for his first wife, who died in 1990.

The world didn't learn right away that the sound barrier had been broken. Yeager's achievement was kept top secret for about a year when the world thought the British had broken the sound barrier first. Yeager said later that making aircraft go supersonic speeds wasn't the biggest challenge back then.

"It wasn't a matter of not having airplanes that would fly at speeds like this. It was a matter of keeping them from falling apart," he recalled.

Sixty-five years later on Oct. 14, 2012, Yeager commemorated the feat, flying

Yeager was born Feb. 23, 1923, in Myra, a small community along the Mud River about 40 miles southwest of Charleston. The family later moved to Hamlin, the county seat. His father was an oil and gas driller and a farmer.

"What really strikes me looking over all those years is how lucky I was, how lucky, for example, to have been born in 1923 and not 1963 so that I came of age just as aviation itself was entering the modern era," Yeager recalled in a December 1985 speech at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum.

"I was just a lucky kid who caught the right ride," he said.

Lawsuits continue to have negative impact on economy in West Virginia

The mission of the WVCALA, a nonprofit organization, is to bring attention to and combat lawsuit abuse in West Virginia.

Lawsuits continue to have a negative impact on the economy and reduce access to affordable healthcare for West Virginians.

This year's annual CALA (Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse) economic study found lawsuit abuse results in \$160.1 billion in excessive tort costs, costing every American approximately \$488 in a "tort tax."

These excessive costs have hurt American businesses and consumers, eliminating approximately \$435.6 billion in overall economic activity. This equates to 1.2% of the overall U.S. economy.

Furthermore, tort costs were found to impact 2,211,450 jobs across the United States, with a total loss of \$143.8 million in wages and a \$435.6 billion decrease in the economic pie.

Due to tort costs, the federal government lost \$29.5 billion in tax revenue, while state and local governments lost \$18.1 billion in tax revenues. In West Virginia, the "tort tax" is \$323 per person.

These numbers show the damaging impact of lawsuit abuse throughout the nation and in West Virginia, and why it is imperative for necessary reforms to be implemented legislatively.

WVCALA has had multiple successes this year, ensuring that appropriate policy is enacted to prevent the abuse of the state's legal system.

The West Virginia Legislature passed SB 277, which established one of the strongest Covid liability protections in the country. This was after personal injury attorneys spent over \$260,000 airing thousands of ads mentioning Covid-19 or Coronavirus in West Virginia from March through December 2020.

The legislature also passed SB 439, which allows seatbelt misuse or non-use to be admissible as evidence in considering damages in a civil suit. Therefore, evidence of seatbelt non-use can now be examined in its role for contributing to the injuries of a driver or passenger.

Both bills were signed into law by Governor Jim Justice, after WVCALA's dedicated efforts.

The personal injury lawsuit abuse industry continues to try and buy influence in Charleston, attempting to dismantle West Virginia's progress.

In WVCALA's 2021 "Dirty Dozen" list, among the top recipients in the House of Delegates, trial lawyers spent a total of \$93,642 in campaign contributions to just 12 delegates. Personal injury lawyers contributed several hundred thousand dollars to various liberal political groups during last year's election.

Every year, the lawsuit abuse industry hopes to purchase control of the West Virginia Legislature, which is why West Virginia Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse continues to serve the people of West Virginia as a watchdog fighting against corruption.

For more information about West Virginians Against Lawsuit Abuse visit wvcala.org

Coal-fired plants to remain operational

The Public Service Commission has approved Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company's request to keep the Amos, Mountaineer, and Mitchell plants operational until at least 2040.

The order will not immediately affect the power bills of West Virginia customers. The original order in this case resulted in a rate increase that would add approximately \$2.64 per month to the current bill of a residential customer who uses 1,000 kWh per month. Any additional amount that results will require the companies a further proceeding to recover the costs of implementing the upgrades.

The order points out that benefits of the plants' continued operation to the state's economy are considerable. Direct employment at the plants; use of West Virginia coal; state, county and local taxes related to operating generation plants; and related employment in businesses supporting the plants and the coal industry cannot be discounted or overlooked. The Commission also considered the reliability of fuel secure base load generation capacity in making its decision.

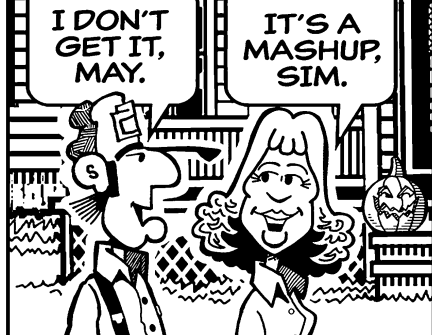
The order is the result of Virginia and Kentucky refusing to approve the Coal Combustion Residue and Effluent Limitation Guideline upgrades required for the plants' continued operation.

The Commission determined that if those two states will not share the cost of the upgrades, they will not be permitted to use the capacity and energy produced by the plants.

For more information, go to the PSC website at www.psc.state.wv.us and refer to Case No. 20-1040-E-CN.



R.F.D.



by Mike Marland

Local and area obituaries

HELEN A. BERG

Helen Arveda (Sherwood) Berg, 78, of Maysville, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 14, at Grant Memorial Hospital, Petersburg.

Born Dec. 2, 1942, in Oakmont, she was the daughter of the late Richard Everson and Clementine (Paugh) Sherwood. On Aug. 14, 1960, she married Therman Walter Berg, who preceded her in death Dec. 19, 2020.

She was also preceded in death by one great-great-granddaughter; two brothers, Richard Everson Sherwood II, and Larry Joseph Sherwood; and two sisters, Arlena Ardene McRobie and Regina Sherwood Newlin.

Mrs. Berg attended school in Elk Garden and formerly attended Cabins Assembly of God. She previously worked at Hesters in Moorefield and for Grant County Commission on Aging. She was a former member of the American Legion Post #78 Ladies Auxiliary.

She is survived by three daughters, Arveda Duncan Berg, Natalie Berg and Barbara Berg, all of Maysville; three sons, James W. Berg and Roger W. Berg,



both of Maysville and Timothy W. Berg of Cabins; 13 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; one brother, William Carlisle Sherwood of Kitzmiller, Md.; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are today (Tuesday), at 11 a.m. at the Basagic Funeral Home chapel, Petersburg, with Pastor Coleman Clark officiating. Interment will be in the Barger Cemetery on Jordan Run.

Memorials may be made to the family, c/o Basagic Funeral Home, P.O. Box 400, Petersburg, WV 26847. Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home. (10-19-21)

KATHERYN L. BENNETT

Katheryn Lou Bennett, 77, of Harrisonburg, Va., died Sunday, Oct. 10, at Sentara RMH in Harrisonburg.

Born Feb. 29, 1944, at Seneca Rocks, she was the daughter of the late Earl J. and Ruby E. (Harper) Hedrick. She was also preceded in death by one brother, Kenny Hedrick.

She was a 1962 graduate of Circleville High School. She had worked as secretary for Circleville High School and retired in 2004, after working 33 years as an administrative assistant for the First Presbyterian Church, Harrisonburg. She was currently employed by Sunnyside Communities as a receptionist.

She is survived by her husband, Melvin Arnold Bennett, whom she married Sept. 2, 1972; one daughter, Elizabeth Welcher (Cecil) of Grottoes, Va.; one son, Melvin A. Bennett Jr. of Mt. Sidney, Va.; three sisters, Mary Raines (Larry) and Patsy Hedrick (Dick Vance), all of Seneca Rocks and Dotty Armentrout (Larry) of Cabins; two grandchildren, Amy Welcher and Danny Bennett; and several



nieces and nephews. Funeral services were Friday afternoon at the Basagic Funeral Home chapel, Franklin, with Pastor Katheleen Michael officiating. Interment was in North Fork Memorial Cemetery, Riverton.

Memorials may be made to: Circleville High School Preservation Fund, any volunteer rescue squad, or charity of the donor's choice.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home. (10-19-21)

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A. FRANCES AUVILLE

Alberta Frances (Mathias) Beaver Auville, 83, of Cabins, W.Va., died Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021.

Born Dec. 19, 1937, in Portsmouth, Ohio, she was a daughter of the late Wilbert Mathias and Laura Kathleen (McGowan) Mathias.

In addition to her parents, Frances was preceded in death by her husband, Paul E. Auville in 1995; two sisters, Charlotte Benson and Martha Bosley; two brothers, Raymond "Bill" Mathias and infant Wilbert Junior Mathias; one stepson, Kenneth Auville; and son-in-law, David Leon Long. She was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

Frances is survived by two daughters, Arlene (Rodney) Willis of Cabins and Lynn (Jerry) Chester of Chillicothe, Ohio; one son, Doug Beaver of Kingston, Ohio; four grandchildren, Sherry Henneberger, Jody Chester, David Long and Laura Sponaugle; six great-grandchildren, Hunter Henneberger, Harmony Henneberger, McKayla Long, Isaiah Sponaugle, Ian Long and Briar Hoffman; several stepchildren



and stepgrandchildren. Funeral services were Friday afternoon at the Willis Funeral Home in Gallipolis, Ohio, with the Rev. Stephen Landis officiating. Interment was in the Pine Street Cemetery, Gallipolis.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family, c/o Arlene Willis, 10281 Smith Mountain Road, Cabins, WV 26855. Local arrangements were by Schaeffer Funeral Home, Petersburg, W.Va. (10-19-21)

October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Pastor Cheryl George

 You are greatly appreciated.
 God bless and keep you.
 Main Street UMC Congregation

Pastor Daniel Warntz

 Thank you for dedication, leadership and invocation in bringing God's word during these difficult times.
 Grace Lutheran Congregation

Pastor Shan Earle **Pastor Frank Ketterman**

 We love and appreciate both of you and are looking forward to a new beginning with you.
 Petersburg First Baptist Church

Community Calendar

Grant County Board of Health will meet Thursday, Oct. 21, at 6 p.m. at the health department.

Grant County Board of Education meets the second and fourth Tuesdays on every month at 5:30 p.m. at the board office on Jefferson Avenue.

Grant County Commission meets the second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. and fourth Tuesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. in the courthouse, lower level conference room.

Petersburg City Council meets the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Gary Michael building on South Main Street.

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 6 p.m. every Tuesday at Living Hope Baptist Church on South Main Street in Petersburg. Call Wendy DeiCas at 304-257-2349 for more information.

Add your meeting to this list by emailing news@grantcountypress.com or call 304-257-1844.

Pastor Coleman & Colleen Clark

 We love you and appreciate all you do for our church and community.
 God bless,
 Cabins Assembly of God Church

Pastor Lynn and Wendy

 Thank you for shepherding us. Being true to the Word of God and not wavering from the truth. May God bless you and our church.
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OCTOBER IS National Breast Cancer AWARENESS MONTH
 In the battle against breast cancer, early detection is a woman's most powerful weapon. In fact, according to the National Cancer Institute, when breast cancer is detected in an early, localized stage, the five-year survival rate is 98 percent. That's why it is so important for all women to make breast health awareness a regular part of their healthcare routine.
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Board

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MES Update

During the meeting, the board also heard an update from Maysville Elementary School students and administrators on education efforts at the school. Overall, the school re-

“We just need to look at helping our kids. If they aren’t understanding something, then they aren’t going to learn it. Pushing it into their heads is not the answer to that. Maybe we need to slow down and step back. The kids are just now getting back into school, if masks is what it takes, as much as I hate them, then put a mask on.”

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The next speaker to address the board was former superintendent Doug Lambert, who expressed his support for the hike and bike trail as well as stressing the need for the board to remain unified. During his presentation, Lambert pointed to negative health outcomes in West Virginia, including ranking the second highest in the nation for obesity, ranking first in the prevalence of heart attacks and heart diseases and being near the top in everything from overall poor health and poor physical activity reports. These outcomes are even worse in Grant County when compared to other West Virginia counties, with numbers showing significant increases in heart issues, smokeless tobacco usage and numbers of physical activity lower in Grant than most other counties.

Lambert also spoke on the overall public support for the board. “Now whether you agree or disagree with the decisions this board has made, and they have had some tough decisions, I only ask one thing and I really don’t know how to say this - once a decision is made, quit your belly aching, accept it and move on,” Lambert said.

Lambert said he was concerned by the repeated “regurgitation” of issues. He also said the board had taken pride in being a unified group and urged them to not lose sight of that fact. He also referenced the request made by Porter, agreeing that the goal should be to prioritize the needs of the students. “It is about the kids, Larry Porter, there is no doubt but if we don’t set the right path, academically, physically, socially, mentally, and emotionally, we are going to be in trouble,” Lambert said. “It just bothers me, when I read in the paper, of people continuously coming in questioning decisions that have been made. I said this to the board one time, you have to trust your employees, if you don’t like them get rid of them.”

He clarified that there was a process for community complaints, but urged those who have already spoken to trust the board and its decisions.

ported positive education outcomes for students, including statewide testing. In English Language Arts, students in third through sixth grades exceeded state averages with the exception of fourth grade, that fell below. A similar result was seen in math in the same grade levels.

During her presentation, MES principal Megan DiBenedetto also gave an update on new safety improvements taken at the school, including an updated design to the new office to limit visitors’ access to the school, intruder window film installed at all entrances, ionizers installed to combat viruses and bacteria, the addition of a School Resource Officer (Officer Darius Stark) to both MES and Union Educational Complex and the paving of the parking lot and playground.

DiBenedetto also gave an update on special safety precautions being taken to prevent the spread of Covid-19 in the school, including daily temperature checks, updated dismissal procedures for car riders, the addition of a lunch shift to reduce the number of students in the cafeteria at one time, water fountains replaced with water filling stations, the sanitation of all rooms at the end of each day and teachers working to provide both in classroom teaching as well as virtual teaching via Schoology for students quarantined.

MES CIS Report

Next, the board heard an update from MES Community in Schools (CIS) site coordinator, Tyler Porter.

T. Porter, a Grant County native, said the program allows teachers to focus more on academic needs while he is able to help with social and emotional barriers being faced by students.

“When I first accepted the position I was excited to have the chance to be a positive influence and to give back to the community I grew up in and am now raising my family in,” T. Porter said.

He explained one of the primary struggles that he has faced has come from attempting to explain to parents what the program is and what they are doing.

“I really hope as the

year goes on we will be able to continue to show the community all the good that can come out of this program,” T. Porter said. “I am blessed to be involved with such a great school and staff. Having the support of my administration and staff have meant a lot.”

He explained that most of the issues he works with students on involve social and emotional needs, many of which have been made worse by the pandemic.

He meets with students in groups to help them overcome interpersonal conflicts, make friends and overcome stress and anxiety.

One example of his work involved having a student who was misbehaving in the classroom and unable to pay attention come to his office with their work, spend some time with one of the county’s therapy dogs and calm down until they were able to return to the class. “I got into this line of work to help kids,” T. Porter said. “I speak for everyone in the CIS program, that has been our goal since day one and it will always be our goal. It’s been a struggle for me to read all the negativity about the program, to hear the comments, because I know all the work that has been put into this and all the good that can come out of it for our community. But even with all the surrounding criticism that we receive, I know that it can be such a beneficial program if we give it a chance.”

CIS Explanation

The CIS program was later addressed by Grant County director of student services, Melissa Smouse.

In her presentation, Smouse explained that there are three tiers to the CIS program.

The first tier is meant to be open to all students in the county and involves schoolwide celebrations, recognition of students on their birthdays, Viking and Tiger Pride events and the grab-and-go care center. However, the county allowed parents to opt their children out of these programs.

“From the beginning of the school year, we were misinformed from the state on how to handle the kids who have opted out of this program. No other counties in the state of WV have encountered the problems with Community in Schools with the negativity that we have encountered here,” Smouse said. “So, they weren’t even sure how to handle it.”

Smouse said in the future, there will not be an opt-out form sent home for these Tier I events. She also clarified that if a parent opted their child out of these but still wants them to participate in the schoolwide celebrations, they may

write a letter to the school requesting their child be added back into the program.

“Those are supposed to be for all kids, where we are having a problem now is we have community members who have opted their child out, so they are saying now they don’t get the birthday recognition. We don’t know how to handle that because they have said we don’t want anything to do with Community in Schools but those are actually supposed to be for all children,” Smouse said. “But next year we are handling the opt-in opt-out differently at the beginning of the year. There will be no opting-in or opting-out [of Tier I] at the beginning of the year, those are for everybody and everybody will get them.”

Smouse said approximately 10% of parents opted their students out of these Tier I rewards.

“The 10% that didn’t, participate still have the opportunity to get Tier I services, to participate in things like the Maysville door decorations, they can still get the opportunity to, but at this point the parents will have to write a letter themselves saying ‘I will allow my child to participate in Tier I activities,’” Smouse said. “Other than that, they will not be included in Tier I opportunities. Does that mean if we are having a pizza party, we are going to have a child sit there and watch another child eat pizza? Certainly not, we are not doing anything like that, those kids will be given another activity, they can go outside and play on the playground while the pizza party is going on. I am very sorry that the misinformation is out there and I really hope and pray that all the parents see this is a great program and opportunity for all kids and that you allow your child to opt back in, just like all their peers.”

Tier II and Tier III of the CIS program do require a

specific form be signed and returned to allow students to participate. These are programs aimed at helping students who may be struggling in the classroom due to emotional or social issues and can require one-on-one counseling.

“It could be small group tutoring and are having the same commonalities of a problem at home, that they can be addressed at school because he can bring other kids in, and they can talk together,” Smouse said. “They know there are other kids like them in the school. But a permission slip will also go home for those families even on top of the permission slip we already gave out, always, that’s always been there.”

Smouse explained that Tier III supports are intensive, individualized services typically one-on-one to provide emotional support, academic support, skill building and even housing. Smouse said the program has received wide support from the staff.

“The CIS program supports students with a community of support empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life,” Smouse said. “We have no reported division of the staff, we have had no reports of that, nobody has

feel about going into your job every day.”

Other Topics

Also during the meeting:

- The board received an updated usage of levy funds. See the below chart for more information on this update.
- Superintendent Mitch Webster addressed concerns about potentially spoiled milk being given to students at Petersburg High School. Webster explained they were investigating the issue, saying the date on the milk was still good but could be a thermostat issue. He clarified it was being addressed.

- Webster also addressed the recent loss of lights at the Petersburg High School football stadium. The lights went out during a recent home game, leaving half the stadium in darkness. While the issue was corrected, the outage (which was caused by a fuse) highlighted a problem with the aging light system. Webster said it was not a pressing issue but it was something to be aware of for the future.

- The Petersburg Hike and Bike Trail proposal was approved, with the board agreeing to contribute \$8,333 towards the

Tyler Porter, MES CIS Site Coordinator

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reported that to me. However, the morale of the staff is impacted by the community members continuing to share negative and misinformed ideas about the CIS program. If I had to go to work every day and somebody was bashing me everyday and saying misinformation about my job every day, how would you

project. For more information on this, see “County groups pull together for the new Petersburg Hike and Bike Trail” on the front page of this edition of the Press.

The next meeting of the Grant County Board of Education is Oct. 26 at 5:30 p.m. at Union Educational Complex.

GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION EXCESS LEVY EXPENDITURES TO DATE FISCAL YEARS 2021 - 2022						
DESCRIPTION	TOTAL BUDGET	FY2021 EXPENSE	FY2022 EXPENSE	CURRENT ENCUMBRANCE	TOTAL EXPENSE & ENCUMBERED	REMAINING BALANCE
UEC HVAC:	4,600,000	975,000	-	920,000	1,895,000	2,705,000
SCHOOL PAVING:	935,000	68,200	205,250	3,040	275,350	659,650
MAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY		-	124,800	1,140		
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		-	-	-		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		68,200	80,450	1,900		
VEHICLES:	200,000	34,134	-	-	34,134	165,866
DOORS:	100,000	22,295	12,851	10,207	45,353	54,647
MAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY		-	6,900	-		
PETERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		-	-	10,207		
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		21,699	5,951	-		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		596	-	-		
CARPET/TILE REPLACEMENT:	1,023,000	26,257	6,529	-	32,786	990,214
MAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY		-	-	-		
PETERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		10,847	-	-		
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		12,640	6,529	-		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		-	-	-		
BOILER REPLACEMENT PHS:	1,309,326	-	-	-	-	1,309,326
HOT WATER TANK PHS:	100,000	-	-	25,650	25,650	74,350
INTERCOM SYSTEMS:	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
MAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY		-	-	-		
PETERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		-	-	-		
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		-	-	-		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		-	-	-		
AIDS ON BUSES:	100,000	122,557	-	-	122,557	(22,557)
PRO OFFICERS:	750,000	49,523	3,303	4,923	57,749	692,251
KEYLESS DOOR EQUIPMENT:	105,966	-	-	229,326	229,326	(123,360)
MAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY		-	-	35,560		
PETERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		-	-	26,401		
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		-	-	34,772		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		-	-	54,063		
		-	-	78,530		
PARKING LOT GATES:	5,000	-	-	-	-	5,000
WINDOW TINT:	90,000	84,579	4,621	-	89,200	800
MAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY		4,513	-	-		
PETERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		11,810	-	-		
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		48,153	-	-		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		20,103	4,621	-		
PHS SAFE SCHOOLS ENTRY:	35,000	-	-	1,445	1,445	33,555
SPEED ZONE LIGHTS:	64,000	-	-	-	-	64,000
MAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY		-	-	-		
PETERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		-	-	-		
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		-	-	-		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		-	-	-		
ATHLETIC PASSES:	500,000	94,000	-	106,000	200,000	300,000
PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL		73,111	-	82,444		
UNION EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX		20,889	-	23,556		
PERSONNEL:	1,125,000	177,233	33,227	176,179	386,639	738,361
TOTALS:	11,142,292	1,653,778	265,780	1,476,770	3,395,188	7,747,104

Start-up

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ilar program in the past while living in the northern panhandle of West Virginia.

“I just keep thinking about a high school senior who loves to ride bikes but can also repair them, that’s a business...” Park said. “We have so many great, creative business owners in this community. We decided to set it up as a competition, because that is what business is. Whether you are selling a car or building a dam, there is someone else out there who is doing

the same thing. That can be baking pepperoni rolls, or decorating cakes, there is always competition. So sell us on it, sell us on you... And this spans the entire county, we would love to hear ideas from the Mount Storm area, from Jordan Run. Bring it all.”

According to the program, winning funds can be used for anything from assisting with start-up and expansion expenses to purchasing of supplies and equipment or even as a down-payment towards the lease or purchase of a commercial location or even towards the renovations or minor repairs to a

commercial location, utility connection fees, and advertising and marketing expenses.

“We want to bring as much as possible to the winner,” explained Park. “We aren’t just going to pat you on the back, say ‘congratulations, here is your money.’ We want to be with them every step of that journey, we want them to become an active member of the chamber and all the resources that can provide.”

Winning pitches will be scored on the presentation of businesses plans and financials, funding usage plans, marketing initia-

tives, projected employees and readiness to start with extra points being awarded based on overall creativity and innovation.

“We have a wide degree of experience in our local community,” said Grant County Chamber of Commerce president, Kirk Wilson. “That is experience that doesn’t all rest just in Grant, Hardy or Pendleton county. Me, for example, I have been outside the area, around the world, in other states for more than 20 years. We want to help people with a start-up, make sure they succeed.”

Park said she encourages anyone with a busi-

ness idea to come forward, whether they are already business owners hoping to expand to a new service or a brand new face in the business community.

“We want to help people see their dream,” Park said. “Maybe it is a grandmother who has always taught her kids to crochet and now wants to open their own crochet shop and teach others how to do that. Maybe it’s an artist who thinks they can not only sell their paintings but can teach others to paint. Maybe it’s someone who likes to bear hunt and fish and want to teach people how to do that. Maybe it’s

someone who can create websites as well as anyone else out there and want to build a business on that skill. This can be anything, from guiding kayak trips to building engines in rock-et ships, really. Don’t sell yourself short, don’t sell your ideas short.”

For information on applying for the program, pick up an application at Southside Depot at 126 South Main St., Petersburg. Send questions or completed applications to office@grantwvchamber.com.



A question of water cleanliness, erosion and the fight of one Sugar Grove landowner to protect his property

After years of watching erosion eat his property one inch at a time, Scott Beam of Sugar Grove is seeking answers.

Beam's home sits on a piece of land that includes a stream which is part of the Dam Site 18 waterway system. The stream runs along his property to a flood pool that sits just above the dam. Because the stream crosses his property, he is under an easement with the Potomac Valley Soil Conservation District, a group which he claims has failed to properly maintain the stream. Beam purchased the property in 2016.

In an effort to stop the damage to his property, Beam began working to contact government groups, officials, representatives and anyone else who could help get him answers. His efforts came to a head last month, when an inspector with the Army Corps of Engineers visited his home to inspect the stream.

During the inspection, Beam also pointed to concerns about potential contamination the erosion could be doing to the cleanliness of the water, saying the soil and rocks being moved along the stream increase greatly during storms and high water incidences. The steam on Beam's property is part of the Chesapeake Bay watershed system, which is heavily monitored and maintained. Concern about contamination is an issue that he also brought before Senator Shelly Moore-Capito's office.

About a month later, Beam's concerns about erosion were confirmed, when the report returned from the Corps presented its own issues at the site.

"Upon site inspection, it was evident that stream-bed materials had been removed from the waterway," the report claimed. "Rounded cobbles, typical of a stream-bed, were

found stacked in the upland adjacent to Stony Run. These stacks were found primarily on the southern bank of the waterway, and some spots were observed on the northern bank as well. They ran for the majority of the waterway within the portion observed on your property."

Beam says that dredging was done in the stream years ago, well before he owned the property. However, no upkeep has been done for more than 20 years.

"I know I am not the only one who is dealing with this," Beam said. "I want to draw attention to the problem because I know it is affecting people. Their farms are eroding and there isn't much they can do about it because of these easements. I've lost trees, I've lost real estate. I am hoping that this may bring other landowners dealing with this forward because something has to be done."

According to Beam, in 2015 West Virginia State Bill 261 laid out the responsibility of dam ownership and maintenance, stating that the landowner is not liable for any deficiency in dam operations or maintenance.

"With the Corps involvement and this assessment, I want to get the dam owners some funding to fix this," Beam said. "I know that, I know there is no funding, but that doesn't mean it isn't damaging our properties, our homes, and even some people's livelihoods."

However, the Potomac Valley Conservation District (PVCD) says that while they do hold the easement, their role is not to maintain the streams for erosion issues that are not directly effecting the dam's performance. Even more, they said there isn't funding available to them for that goal, even if they wanted to.

Charlotte Hoover of the PVCD explained that options to reduce erosion do exist, but funding comes in part from the landowner. However, Beam said he was not interested in paying for the maintenance while the easement was already in place on his land.

Hoover explained the intention of the PVCD is to ensure the safety and efficiency of the dam and Beam's property did not pose a risk to either of those goals. She also said that funding for upkeep and repair becomes available following flooding incidences; however, those funds are very specific and directed. She said that the PVCD does not have the funding to add erosion preventing measures to Beam's property.

However, Beam said the goal of his effort is to find that funding.

"We need funding on a recurring level for maintenance and operation for all of the Potomac Valley Highlands and potentially the entire state of West Virginia," Beam said. "There are flood control dams all over. I'm bringing this to the attention as a tributary of the Chesapeake Bay and the issues it could have against the Clean Water Act. You can see the erosion happening on the stream banks. You can see the land being eaten away and moving into the watershed. With just a little bit of maintenance, I think this could be mitigated or completely gone."

Beam's claim that the waterway was dredged and maintained in the past was verified in the site inspection by the Corps, who said "It is difficult to ascertain the specifics of an activity which occurred 25 years ago, however observations on-site would indicate that this removal activity was conducted via non-jurisdictional excavation. Non-jurisdictional excavation is essentially where an

excavator scoops material, in one scooping motion, up and out of a waterway. The material would then be deposited in an upland location and not re-deposited back into an aquatic resource."

The Corps also further acknowledged Beam's concern of erosion, saying it

this permit is enclosed, and provided you meet the terms and conditions of the permit, you may be able to construct up to 500 linear feet of bank stabilization without further notification to us... We also understand that you have concerns regarding the downstream dam and an associated

a stream management plan, including assistance with permitting requirements. Additionally, a directory of consultants that provide engineering and permitting services for in stream work is enclosed."

"I am concerned about the cleanliness of the water, what that can do to a pro-



Scott Beam

would issue a permit for bank stabilization activities.

"Further, some spots of bank erosion were observed within your property. The Corps has issued Nationwide Permit No. 13 for bank stabilization activities, which authorizes riprap, vegetative bank stabilization, and other approved bank stabilization methods. A copy of

easement on your property. The easement and the purposes for which it is used by the PVCD are not within the Corps' authorities. The Corps does not have funding or authority to direct or conduct activities associated with PVCD's use of its easement on private property. The West Virginia Conservation Agency has previously offered to assist you with developing

ected waterway and I am concerned about those of us whose property is being lost to this erosion," Beam said. "They say there isn't funding to fix this and I hope that by drawing attention to it we can find that funding. I have no intention to give up on this and I am asking anyone else who is dealing with this issue to come forward and speak up."

Trail

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grants, the (DOH) requested a matching fund, in this case 25% or, approximately \$50,000.

This is where the other community groups and local representatives played a role. West Virginia Senator Bill Hamilton, who represents a portion of Grant County, spoke with the group about providing a \$25,000 Local Economic Development Assistance (LEDA) grant if the group could provide a match. This community provided \$25,000, with Hamilton's grant, would provide the necessary \$50,000 for the matching grant from the requested DOH.

Originally, the group worked to partner with the Grant County Board of Education for the full amount. The first portion of the trail was to be built along the levy next to Petersburg Elementary School. This would provide a safe area for students to access the nearby stream, which is often used in mobile science laboratories in which students learn about water systems and the creatures that live in them. Currently, concerns exist about the students being in the tall grass along the levy, which could potentially hide snakes, ticks and other biting insects. However, if the area was paved via the

trail, students could more readily and safely participate in the science projects.

The project received support by then-superintendent Doug Lambert and later, current superintendent Mitch Webster. The project initially appeared before the board on Sept. 23.

However, due to safety and funding concerns by some of the board members, the proposal was tabled until the next meeting.

With time counting down on the availability of Hamilton's grant and fear that time to ensure matching funds, the group decided to speak with other agencies in the hope that the needed \$25,000 could be split, reducing the amount that would need to be pledged by the board.

On Oct. 4, McCalley appeared before the council, proposing they consider pledging \$8,333 - an even three-way split with the board and the commission. After some discussion, the council agreed, saying as long as the other two entities agreed to the plan, they would be happy to provide the funding.

On Oct. 12, the same day the proposal was set to be reheard by the board, McCalley appeared before the commission with the same request. The commission was supportive of the goal but suggested a similar grant be sought for a paved walking trail behind

the Mount Storm Library. Commissioner Scotty Miley said the paving of that trail would cost approximately \$23,000. McCalley said he agreed.

"We are going to start working with some of the people up on the mountain, to see if we can't get some more engagement in the recreation related projects, health and wellness, too," McCalley said.

McCalley said he would take on the Mount Storm project as well.

Later that evening, McCalley, alongside Moomau, appeared before the board to propose they consider filling in the final \$8,333 for the project. Lambert attended the meeting to speak in favor of the project, pointing to the health concerns around obesity and heart disease that plague West Virginia as a whole and specifically, Grant County. Webster also spoke in favor of the project, saying it would be a benefit for the community as a whole but also specifically for students.

"Right now, if the kids want to walk for exercise, they have to walk in the grass or cross traffic to go to the track at the high school, which is often already being used by high school students," Webster said. "This to me has so many win-wins for our community and for the kids at Petersburg Elementary School. While I understand



that this is not a direct benefit for kids at some of the other schools, when we see a need we address it. For example, a couple weeks ago I was at a meeting at Union and when I walked into the media center I told [the librarian] that their center was not as nice as the one at Petersburg High School and it should be. So we asked them to put a list together of everything they need for an update and now we are doing a \$50,000 update to the library at Union. Because they need it. That doesn't benefit everyone, but it benefits Union. There are things that go specifically to Maysville, there are things that go directly where they need it. Petersburg Elementary School does not have access to a trail to walk on, they do not have good access to the stream for their science projects."

One of the concerns voiced by the board surrounded the usage of funds for the project, specifically

after the recent passage of the school levy.

Grant County Schools financial director Tony Oates made it clear that none of the \$8,333 used for the trail would come in any way from the levy. He repeated that all levy money was accounted for and already designated.

"The money is there," Oates said. "It is not going to take away from any other program or from any other need that our school has."

The primary issue voiced came from board member Pandora Barr, who said she was concerned about the safety of having a community walking trail so close to Petersburg Elementary School.

Barr said she was uncomfortable knowing people could be walking by the school during school hours. She said her concern was with the idea of walkers going past the pre-kindergarten playground.

She also expressed con-

cern with the idea that people may access the trail by parking at the Petersburg High School football stadium, which she feared could include people walking through the school parking lot.

McCalley said he understood Barr's concerns but pointed out that the playground, which is fully fenced, is always monitored by school staff if students are outside.

Board member Kelly Roby spoke in support of the project, saying it would be a positive thing for young people in the community, pointing to it as a safe place for students to ride bikes as well as for teachers to walk with students for exercise.

Board member Carla Kaposy also spoke in favor of the project, saying she recognized Barr's concerns but said that she believed that by paving and adding light to the area would increase safety behind the school.

After the discussion, the project was approved 3-2, with Barr and board member Janie Berg voting against the funding, both citing safety concerns.

Now, the project waits for a decision from the DOH, with pledged funds from all groups not coming out until the project is given the green light.



Viking soccer teams start sectionals tonight

The Petersburg High School Viking soccer teams are set to head into their sectional games tonight, with the girls facing off against the Fairmont

Senior Polar Bears and the boys going head-to-head against the East Fairmont Bees.

The girls will take the field at 6 p.m. in Fairmont

at the East-West Stadium and the boys will follow at 8 p.m.

The season has marked a struggle for both teams, with multiple cancella-

tions caused by Covid exposures, lack of players and an overall difficult schedule.



Senior and youth deer season now open, DNR tips to preparing for the upcoming 2021 hunting season

The first segment of a special deer hunting season for youth and senior citizen hunters and hunters with a Class Q/QQ permit opened in West Virginia last weekend.

The first segment of the Youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS Deer Season was Oct. 16-17. The second segment will run Dec. 26-27. During the special season, hunting is permitted on private and public lands in 51 counties with a firearms deer hunting season.

"This special antlerless season provides an excellent opportunity to pass on hunting traditions to youth hunters," said Nick Huffman, a wildlife biologist for the WVDNR. "This season also provides a tremendous opportunity for seniors and hunters with a Class Q/QQ permit to enjoy this unique hunting experience at a time when there is a noticeable reduction in hunting pressure."

Kids 8-17 may participate in this special season. Senior citizens 65 and older, who have a resident Class XS lifetime hunting, trapping and fishing license, may also participate.

Resident youth hunters 8-14 don't need a hunting license, stamps or hunter safety education card, but must be accompanied by an unarmed, licensed adult who may not hunt. Resident youth hunters 15-17 must comply with all licensing requirements,

but don't need a Class N Stamp.

Nonresident youth hunters need one of the following license and stamp combinations to participate:

- Class XXJ License + CS/LE Stamp
- Class AAHJ License + CS/LE Stamp
- Class DT License)

All accompanying non-resident adults must have a Class E License with a CS/LE Stamp. Resident and non-resident hunting licenses and stamps can be purchased online at WVhunt.com.

All hunters participating in the Youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS Deer Season, including adults accompanying a child, must wear at least 400-square inches of blaze orange.

The daily bag limit for this special season is one antlerless deer per day. A total of four antlerless deer may be harvested during this season.

Deer harvested during the special split antlerless season do not count toward a hunter's annual deer season bag limit. Class N/NN stamps are not required for this special season.

Each deer must be field tagged and electronically registered within 24 hours of the close of each segment of the split season and before pursuit of any additional deer. Deer can be checked online at WVhunt.com or by calling 1-844-WVCHECK.

Preparing for the season

With fall hunting sea-

sons opening across the state, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is reminding hunters to be safe and mindful of hunting ethics and regulations and to plan ahead before going out on a hunt.

"You can greatly improve your odds of having a successful hunt by scouting the area you want to hunt and checking your hunting equipment in advance," said Vinnie Johnson, assistant district wildlife biologist for the WVDNR's District 3 office at French Creek.

Johnson said understanding an area's topography and habitat helps a hunter judge where wildlife travel and where cover is located. Hunters should also identify where there

are acorns, hickory, beech and other hard mast-producing trees because these food sources are highly sought after by game species, such as deer, bear and squirrel during this time of year.

Checking one's equipment before going out to hunt is also important. Hunters should:

- Shoot their weapon before a season starts with the same arrows or ammunition they plan to use while hunting. Changing arrow weights or an ammunition's bullet weight could drastically affect accuracy.
- Check gun sights to make sure they weren't bumped or shifted while in storage.
- Check bow strings for fraying and bow arms

for cracks. If either breaks during a draw, there is the potential for serious harm.

• Make sure broadheads are sharp, which will aid in a quick, ethical kill.

• Check all tree stand straps and the safety harness for wear and replace anything that shows signs of fraying.

"As a sportsman, you want to make sure you are safe and that you have the equipment to make a good, clean kill if you get the opportunity," Johnson said.

A final and important thing to do when preparing for hunting season is to know West Virginia hunting regulations. Hunters can download a copy at WVdnr.gov/hunting-regulations.



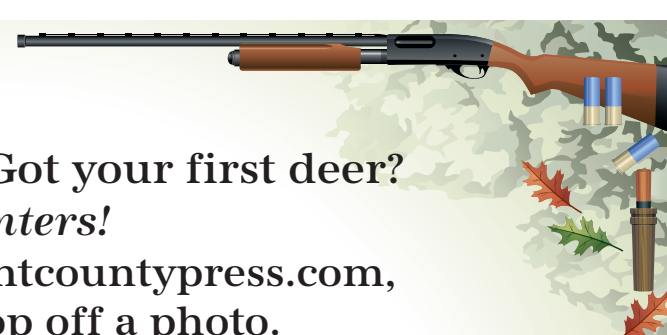
Correction: In last weeks edition of the Press, the head coach of the the youth team, The Colts, was listed incorrectly. The coach of the team is Brent Metheny.



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Closing dates announced for Monongahela National Forest recreation sites

While most of Monongahela National Forest is open year-round, closing only when access roads are snow-covered, some developed campgrounds, picnic areas and both visitor centers routinely close from late fall through mid-spring.

Closing dates for recreation sites on the Cheat-Potomac Ranger District (304-257-4488) in the Petersburg and Seneca Rocks areas:

- Big Bend Campground – Oct. 31
- Dolly Sods Picnic Area – Dec. 1
- Forest Roads 19 and 75 in the Dolly Sods area – Dec. 31
- Gatewood Group Campground – Area available for pack it in, pack it out camping with no services provided and no fees charged
- Jess Judy Group Campground – Oct. 24
- Johnny Meadows in Gandy Creek Dispersed Camping area – Area closes when snow-covered; toilet closes Dec. 1

- Red Creek Campground – Dec. 1
- Seneca Rocks Discovery Center – Oct. 31
- Seneca Rocks Picnic Area – Dec. 1
- Seneca Shadows Campground – Oct. 30
- Spruce Knob Lake – Lake open year-round; toilets close Dec. 1
- Spruce Knob Lake Campground – Already closed for season
- Spruce Knob Observation Tower – Area open year-round; toilets close Dec. 1

Roadside camping, also called dispersed camping or boondocking, is available in many areas of the Forest year-round. Visit the Forest's Recreation Conditions Report at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/recmain/mnf/recreation> for the most current information.



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Trout stockings return to West Virginia lakes and streams this week

Don't pack up your fishing gear just yet. Fall trout stockings has returned to nearly 40 lakes and streams around the state as of Oct. 18.

Fall trout stocking only lasts two weeks, so make sure you plan a trip while there's still time. Use the lists below to plan your fishing adventure today.

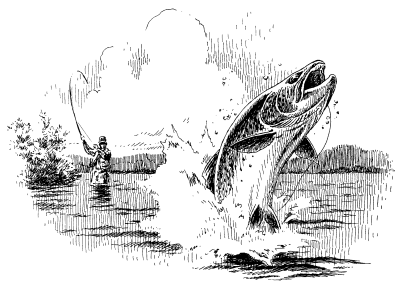
Lakes and Ponds

- Brandywine (Pendleton)
- Buffalo Fork (Pocahontas)
- Cacapon (Morgan)
- Coopers Rock (Monongalia)
- New Creek Dam 14 (Grant)
- Pendleton (Tucker)
- Rock Cliff (Hardy)
- Seneca (Pocahontas)
- Spruce Knob (Randolph)
- Summit (Greenbrier)
- Teter Creek (Barbour)
- Watoga (Pocahontas)

Rivers and Streams

- Anthony Creek (Greenbrier)
- Big Clear Creek (Greenbrier)

- Blackwater River (Tucker)
- Buckhannon River (Upshur)
- Cranberry River (Nicholas, Pocahontas, Webster)
- Elk River (Randolph, Webster)
- Evitts Run (Jefferson)



- Glade Creek of New River (Randolph)
- Knapps Creek (Pocahontas)
- Lost River (Hardy)
- North Branch of Potomac River (Mineral)
- North Fork of South Branch (Grant, Pendleton)
- Opequon Creek (Berkeley, Jefferson)

- Pinnacle Creek (Wyoming)
- Pond Fork (Boone)
- R.D. Bailey Lake Tailwaters (Mingo, Wyoming)
- Shavers Fork Lower Section (Randolph)
- Shavers Fork Upper Section (Randolph)
- South Branch Franklin Section (Pendleton)
- South Branch Smoke Hole Section (Pendleton)
- Summersville Lake Tailwaters (Nicholas)
- Sutton Lake Tailwaters (Braxton)
- Tygart Lake Tailwaters (Taylor)
- Tygart Valley River Headwaters (Randolph)
- West Fork of Greenbrier River (Pocahontas)
- Williams River (Pocahontas, Webster)



Golden Lanes ODD COUPLES MIXED LEAGUE

October 5th

TEAM STANDINGS: Vetter's Guns & Ammo 16.5 – 3.5, WELD 13 – 7, Strike Force 11 – 9, Terminators 11 – 9, Lucky Strikes 11 – 9, Split Happens 9 – 11, Livin on a Spare 8.5 – 11.5, Country Cars & Trucks 7 – 13, The Tidy Bowlers 5 – 15.

MEN: HIGH GAME (SCRATCH): Terry Wratchford and Jon Hedrick 248, Richie Burgess 237, Devin Keplinger 228. (HANDICAP): Jon Hedrick 272, Tyler Halterman 269, Floyd Shepard and Terry Wratchford 269.

HIGH SERIES (SCRATCH): Terry Wratchford 676, Richie Burgess 634, Jon Hedrick 619, Larry Walp 600. (HANDICAP): Tyler Halterman 740, Terry Wratchford 739, Floyd Shepard 727, Richie Burgess 697.

HIGH AVERAGE: Ed Wompler 203.20, Richie Burgess 197.07, Troy McGreevy 193.73, Jon Hedrick 193.33.

WOMEN: HIGH GAME (SCRATCH): Emily Stark 187, Tonya Keplinger 185, Carissa Michael 169, Teresa Sullivan 168. (HANDICAP): Emily Stark 251, Suzie Hawkins 245, Tiffany Walters 235, Teresa Sullivan and Tonya Keplinger 233. HIGH SERIES (SCRATCH): Tonya Keplinger 498, Emily Stark 496, Carissa Michael 465, Flectia Brockway 460. (HANDICAP): Emily Stark 688, Flectia Brockway 670, Tiffany Walters 652, Rachel Stark and Suzie Hawkins 650.

HIGH AVERAGE: Dee Anna McDonald 176.53, Carissa Michael 164.17, Tonya Keplinger 161.33, Denise McGreevy 157.33.

THURSDAY NIGHT MEN'S LEAGUE

October 7th

TEAM STANDINGS: Vetter's Mini Mart 13 – 7, Builders Center 12 – 8, Petersburg Oil Company 11 – 9, Strike Force 11 – 9, Golden Lanes 7 – 13, Country Cars & Trucks 6 – 14.

HIGH GAME (SCRATCH): Cohan Kesner 276, Devin Keplinger 258, Jerry Propst 257, Terry Wratchford 248, Tony Robinson 232. (HANDICAP): Cohan Kesner 298, Jerry Propst 290, Floyd Shepard 281, Randy Thorne 267, Tyler Halterman 266.

HIGH SERIES (SCRATCH): Tony Robinson 677, Terry Wratchford 651, Tyler Halterman 640, Devin Keplinger 622, Jerry Propst 612. (HANDICAP): Tyler Halterman 760, Floyd Shepard 755, Jerry Propst 711, Tony Robinson 698, David Robertson 689.

HIGH AVERAGE: Tony Robinson 216.00, Terry Wratchford 211.13, Devin Keplinger 210.40, Larry Walp 201.40, Jon Hedrick 201.33.

SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY WOMEN'S LEAGUE

HIGH GAME (SCRATCH) Dee Anna McDonald 203, Christina Everly 184, Kathy McNemar 168.

HIGH SERIES (SCRATCH): Dee Anna McDonald 557, Christina Everly 479, Kathy Vance 458.

HIGH GAME (HANDICAP): Christina Everly 239, Kristi Weasenforth 232, Dee Anna McDonald 226.

HIGH SERIES (HANDICAP): Christina Everly 644, Kristi Weasenforth 627, Dee Anna McDonald 626.



SENIOR SCRAMBLE

October 13th

Team #1: Mike McDowell, Larry Taylor, Dave Boland, Josh Arbaugh; -17.

Team #2: Jim Burton, Glen Self, Sonny Anderson, Delmas See; -12, one-hole cardoff.

Team #3: Mike Mathias, Chris Kesner, Bob Hyson, Larry Eye; -12.

Pin Winners: #3 Steve Wilson; #6 Mike McDowell; #13 Terry Kesner; #15 Glen Self; and #17 Mike McDowell.



Sports QUIZ

1. The Las Vegas Posse, Shreveport Pirates, Memphis Mad Dogs and Birmingham Barracudas were teams that briefly played in what league during the 1990s?
2. Name the head coach who led the Notre Dame Fighting Irish women's basketball team to nine Final Four appearances and two NCAA championships from 1987-2020.
3. What team sport designed for visually impaired athletes was introduced as an official event at the 1976 Summer Paralympics in Toronto?
4. What TV personality and former NFL player authored the book "Everyone Can Be a Ninja: Find Your Inner Warrior and Achieve Your Dreams"?
5. In 2002, what New York Yankees outfielder took teammate Derek Jeter's bat and glove and sold them to a memorabilia dealer?
6. What Ole Miss running back was selected by the New Orleans Saints in the first round of the 2001 NFL Draft?
7. What catcher holds the record for the longest last name in Major League Baseball history with 14 letters?

Answers on Page 5B

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BSN Class of 2024 participates in white coat, pledge ceremony at Potomac State



The WVU School of Nursing BSN Program Class of 2024 located on the Potomac State College campus, in Keyser, recently participated in their white coat and pledge ceremony. The purpose of the ceremony is to celebrate students' entry into the study of nursing and highlight their commitment to professionalism, humanism, and compassion in their clinical studies. Additionally, students were given a humanism pin to remind them of the commitment they are making.

Guest speaker for the event was Michelle House, Behavioral Health Therapist, MSW, at Potomac State College. Refreshments were made available following the ceremony by the WVU Potomac State College Alumni Association.

Ceremony participants were: (front row) April Shapiro, BSN program chair; Rachel Raschella, BSN program assistant; Cali Harper (from Seneca Rocks); Emily Golden (Ridgeley); Kelly Simon (New Creek); Makennzee

Savage (Keyser); Alyssa Wilson (Wiley Ford); Marissa Guy (Keyser); and Diana Niland, BSN instructor, (middle row) Kasey Beckman-Sirk, BSN instructor; Caitlin Leatherman (New Creek); Jessica Maynard (Keyser); Tayla Ours (Rio); Taylor Grago (Petersburg); Cara Holloway (Upper Tract); Taylor VanMeter (Keyser); Jenna Ujcic (Ridgeley); Jenna Biggs (Petersburg); Autumn Heavener (Keyser); and Heather Coddington, BSN instructor, and (back row) Matthew Hottle, BSN instructor; McKenna Myers (Keyser), Whitney Tasker (Keyser); Elisabeth Hedrick (Petersburg); Aiden Cooney (Seneca Rocks); Riley Haines (Ridgeley); Kennedie Hinger (Moorefield); Aubrey Smith (Keyser); James Blank (Ridgeley); Coby Ridgeway (Paw Paw); Mary Beth McCloud, BSN lecturer; Krystal Abucevicz-Swick, BSN instructor.

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Eastern W.Va. Community and Technical College receives \$2.25 million award to strengthen the institution

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Dr. Tom Striplin, president of Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College announced this month that the U.S. Department of Education selected the college for a Title III: Strengthening Institutions Program award for their proposal, "Advising, Technology, Training and Innovation" (ATTAIN).

This competitive federal grant will provide the college \$2.25 million over the next five years to strengthen educational experiences and student services.

This project will help the college become self-sufficient and expand its capacity to serve low-income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen academic quality, institutional management, and fiscal stability.

"This kind of comprehensive and innovative support will boost and expand the ability for Eastern to better serve, retain, and foster success for its students," said Monica Wilson, Dean of Student Access and Success.

This award will seek to support the development of redesigning an advising model, enhance career services, expand the instructional innovation with augmentation of online learning, improve data analysis, enhance data-

ta-driven decision making for assessment improvements, and increase the capacity of Eastern's Foundation.

"Eastern's Foundation is excited to be able to gain support from this award to grow the foundation impact and Alumni Association, while better supporting student scholarships, faculty development, and capital projects in the years to come", said Dr. Megan Webb, Eastern's Dean of Community Engagement and Partnerships.

North Fork recycling event Oct. 30

North Fork 4-H and North Fork Disposal are hosting a community recycling event Oct. 30, from 9-11 a.m. at the Clinton Hedrick Community Building parking lot, Riverton.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 21-0658-E-ENEC MONONGAHELA POWER COMPANY and THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY
Petition and General Investigation to determine reasonable rates and charges on and after January 1, 2022

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

On August 27, 2021, Monongahela Power Company and The Potomac Edison Company (collectively, Companies) requested that the Commission initiate its annual review of Expanded Net Energy Costs (ENEC) for the review period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, and to establish new rates to go into effect on January 1, 2022. The Companies request that the Commission approve a decrease of \$1,179,183, or 0.2% for residential customers and a total increase of \$20,750,872 for all other customers, for a net overall increase of \$19,571,689.


The proposed decrease and increases by rate schedule and customer class are:

Rate Schedule	Class	2022 ENEC Inc./ (Deer)	% Change
A&R	Residential	\$(1,179,183)	-0.2%
B&G	General Svc	947,410	1.2%
C&E	General Svc	3,415,423	1.5%
CSH	Church & School	62,470	2.2%
D&PH	Large General Svc	1,656,399	2.4%
K&PP	Large Power Svc	14,578,474	3.8%
AGS	Alt Generation	19,726	5.3%
Street Lighting	St Lighting	70,970	0.7%
Total		\$19,571,689	1.5%


This matter is scheduled for an evidentiary hearing on Friday, December 3, 2021. The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene not later than November 2, 2021. All petitions to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments and petitions to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Connie Graley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public Comments may also be filed online at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm> by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

MONONGAHELA POWER COMPANY and THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY



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SPORTS QUIZ

Answers from 2B

1. The Canadian Football League (CFL).
2. Muffet McGraw.
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DIFFICULTY: ★
★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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x		-	x	
	x	+		29
21		16		25

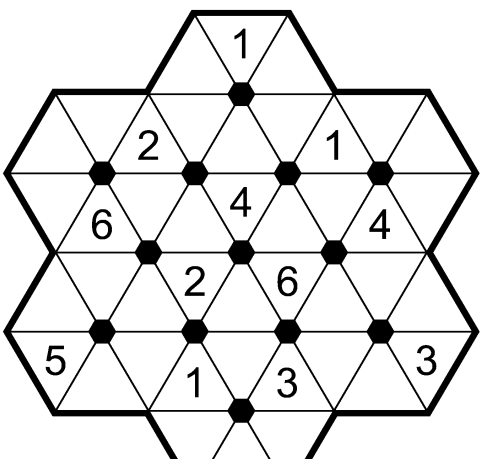
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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YAXVX YAXI. — RFDID VMUU

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Like Alexander	_ _ _ _ A _	Welcome	_ _ _ _ E _
2. Iditarod driver	_ _ _ _ H _	Gather up courage	_ _ _ _ T _
3. College rooms	_ _ _ _ M _	Actress Day	_ _ _ _ I _
4. Safe harbor	H _ _ _ _	Blackbird	R _ _ _ _
5. Agile	_ _ _ M _ _	Take small bites	_ _ _ B _ _
6. Lumberjack	_ _ _ G _ _	Hotel visitor	_ _ _ D _ _
7. Fire starter	_ _ _ N _	Make eyes at	_ _ _ R _
8. Beach wear	_ _ _ _ _ I	Using a two-wheeler	_ _ _ _ _ G
9. Good-humored	_ O _ _ _	Toast topping	_ E _ _ _
10. Pebbles	G _ _ _ _	Take a journey	T _ _ _ _

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New officers for student council



NEW OFFICERS - Petersburg High School's 2021-22 student council and officers are **Raph Hott** - president, **Slade Saville** - vice president, **Mackenzie Kitzmiller** - secretary, **Aiden Moyers** - treasurer, **Anna Goldizen** - parliamentarian and **Ashlee Beach** - communication.

HBI reports third quarter earnings

Highlands Bankshares, Inc. (OTC: HBSI) announced unaudited earnings of \$3,857,000 for the first nine-month period ended Sept. 30.

This represents an increase of 61% from the \$2,392,000 earned during the same period in 2020. On a per share basis, net income was \$2.88 for the first nine months of 2021, compared to earnings of \$1.79 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 2020.

On Oct. 12, the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.45 per share to be paid on Nov. 4, to all shareholders of record as of Oct. 29. Based upon the current market

price and annualizing the dividends paid to shareholders this quarter, Highlands' current dividend yield is 4.68%.

Jack H. Walters, Chairman and chief executive officer of the holding company, stated "We are pleased to distribute a \$0.45 cash dividend to our shareholders. We have been diligently working through the forgiveness process for

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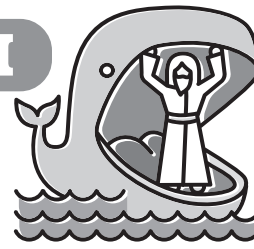
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“And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left—and also many animals?”
Jonah 4:11 NIV

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 Rev. Paul Donaldson; Jordan Run Rd., Maysville; worship first and third Sundays 6 p.m.

Lighthouse Community Church
 Pastor Robert E. Rexrode; Rt. 42 south, Maysville; Saturday night worship 7 p.m., Sunday school 10 a.m., evening worship 6:30 p.m.

Oak Dale Covenant Brethren
 Pastor Randy Cosner; Rt. 93, Scherr; Sunday worship 9:45 a.m., Sunday school 11 a.m.

Believers Mennonite Fellowship
 Pastor Robert Weaver; Marvins Chapel, Fish Hatchery Rd. Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m., Wed. prayer and Bible study 7:30 p.m. Fourth Sunday 7 p.m., third Wed. service at Grant Rehab and Care Center 6:15 p.m.

Dorcas Baptist Church
 Pastor Steve Davis, South Mill Creek Rd., Dorcas; Sunday worship 9 a.m., Sunday school 10 a.m.; Wed. Bible study 7 p.m.

Living Hope Baptist Church
 Pastor Matt Smith; Veach St., Petersburg. Sunday school 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., worship 10:45 a.m., Wednesday Bible study 6:30 p.m.

Otterbein United Methodist
 Pastor Luke McKenzie; Jordan Run Rd. & Rt. 42, Maysville; Worship every Sunday 9 a.m., Sunday school 10 a.m.

Bethel Church
 Pastor Greg Rotruck; Rt. 220 south of Petersburg. Sunday morning worship 9:30 a.m., Sunday school 11 a.m., Wednesday 7 p.m.

Emoryville United Methodist
 Hartmansville Rd; Sunday school 10:30 a.m., worship 11:15 a.m.

Locust Grove Church of the Brethren
 Pastor Kevin Staggs; Bismarck Rd. off Rt. 93/50, Mt. Storm; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m.

Petersburg Church of God
 Pastors Stephen & Yvette Noel; Myrtle Ave., Petersburg; Sunday Bible classes 10 a.m., Celebrations and Kid’s Zone 11 a.m., Sunday evening 6 p.m., Wednesday Bible classes for all ages 7 p.m.

Bethel Pentecostal Church
 Three miles south of Petersburg on Rt. 220; Sunday school 10:30 a.m., worship 6:30 p.m. and Thursday worship 7:30 p.m.

Faith Assembly of God
 Pastors Mark and Debbie Nicol; Rts. 28/55, Petersburg; Sunday worship 10 a.m., Wednesday Bible study 6:30 p.m.

Love Christian Assembly
 Rev. Edward and DixieLee Murray; 3 miles north of Petersburg on Rt. 220; Sunday worship 10 a.m., evening worship 7, Wed. 7 p.m.

Petersburg Presbyterian Church
 North Main St., Petersburg; Sunday worship 11 a.m.

Brake Covenant Brethren
 Pastor Craig A. Howard; North Mill Creek Rd. at the twin bridges, Dorcas; Sunday school 9:30 a.m., worship and children’s church 10:30 a.m. Live streamed on Facebook at Brake Brethren Church. Tuesday Zoom Bible study, senior and junior youth. Morning devotions Monday - Friday on Facebook. www.brakecob.com

First Baptist Church
 Lead Pastor Shannon Earle, Associate Pastor Frank Ketterman. Virginia Ave., Petersburg. Sunday school 9 a.m., worship 10 a.m., Sunday youth 6 p.m., Wednesday senior youth 6 p.m. and Bible study 6:30 p.m. Saturday men’s Bible study 7 a.m. and Bible study 6:30 p.m.

Main Street United Methodist
 Pastor Cheryl George; 102 North Main St., Petersburg. Services at 11 a.m. on YouTube, Facebook or in person (when available) or sermon by phone at 304.851.8361 any time.

Potomac Valley Baptist Church
 Pastor Ted Anderson; Rt. 42 south, Maysville; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

Brick Covenant Brethren
 Pastor Randy Cosner; Rt. 42 north, Maysville; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m.

Gordon Chapel United Methodist
 Pastor Dave Webb; off Rt. 220, Landes; Sunday school first & third Sundays 10 a.m., other Sundays 9:30 a.m.; worship first & third Sundays 9 a.m.

Maysville Bible Brethren
 Pastor Lynn Durbin; Rt. 42 south, Maysville; Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship 11 a.m., Sunday evening 6 p.m., Wed. Bible study and prayer meeting 6:30 p.m.

Rig Assembly of God
 Pastor Bradley Taylor; Rig Road; Sunday school 10 a.m., Sunday evening 6 p.m., Wednesday prayer and Bible study 6:30 p.m.

Brushy Run Church of God
 U.S. Rt. 220 15 miles south of Petersburg; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study and prayer meeting 7 p.m.

Grace Lutheran Church
 Rev. Daniel Warnitz; 5 Pine St., Petersburg; Sunday school 9:30 a.m., worship 10:30 a.m.

Maysville United Methodist
 Rev. Joseph Gerstell; Rt. 42/ Cemetery Rd., Maysville; Sunday worship 10 a.m.; Bible study Tues., 7 p.m.

Riverside Church
 Pastor Tommy George; Rts. 28/55, Dolly Town Road, Cabins; Sunday school 10:30 a.m., evening service 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 7 p.m.

Calvary Temple
 Pastors Eric & Gloria Georg, Rt. 50 west, Mt. Storm, Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday choir practice 7 p.m., Wednesday service 7 p.m.

Grove Street United Methodist
 Pastor Larry Hakes; Grove St., Petersburg; Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Sunday school 10:45 a.m., Wednesday prayer and share group 6 p.m.

Memorial Church of the Brethren
 Pastor Alan Brumbaugh; Highland Ave., Petersburg; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m.

Rough Run Church
 Pastor Randy Mongold; South Mill Creek Rd., Dorcas. Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m., Wednesday prayer meeting / Bible study 7 p.m.

Cabins Assembly of God
 Rev. Coleman Clark, Rts. 28/55, Cabins; Sunday school 10:30 a.m., worship 6 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m.

Hedrick Chapel United Methodist
 Pastor Larry Hakes; S. Mill Creek Rd., Rough Run; Sunday school 10 a.m. and worship 11 a.m.

Mt. Carmel United Methodist
 Rev. Joseph Gerstell; Patterson Creek Rd., Arthur; Sunday worship 8:45 a.m., Sunday school 9:45 a.m.

South Branch Baptist Church
 Pastor Matt Perrine; 496 Veterans Lane, Petersburg. Sunday services 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday prayer and Bible study 7 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
 Bishop Richard Whetzel; Valley View St., Petersburg; sacrament meeting 9-10 a.m.; children’s primary 10:10-11 a.m.; Sunday school 1st and 3rd Sundays; priesthood quorums 2nd and 4th Sundays; relief society and young women 5th Sundays - combined meetings; Tue., 6:30 p.m. youth.

Harmony Baptist Church
 Pastor Gary Crisp; 713 Country Road, Maysville; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m., Wednesday Bible study 7:30 p.m.

Mt. Hebron United Methodist
 Pastor Luke McKenzie; Ridge Rd., Petersburg; worship every Sunday at 10 a.m., Sunday school 11 a.m. Bible study Wednesday at 7 p.m.

South Mill Creek Church of the Brethren
 Pastor Bill Johnson; South Mill Creek Road near Mozer; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. first four Sundays..

Church of the Lord Jesus Christ
 Pastor Calvin Redman; Keyser Ave., Petersburg; Sunday worship 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., Wed. prayer 11 - noon, children’s Bible study 7 p.m., Friday worship 7:30 p.m.

Hillside Chapel
 Pastor Bobby Brown; One mile south of Petersburg on Rt. 220; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m., Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Mt. Storm Presbyterian
 Rt. 50 east, Mt. Storm; Sunday worship 9 a.m., Sunday school 10 a.m.

Spirit of Life Church
 Pastor Brian Hipp; Rt. 28/55 west, Petersburg; Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m., evening worship 6 p.m., Wednesday 7 p.m.

Corner United Methodist
 Rev. Joseph Gerstell; Rts. 28/55, Cabins; Sunday school 10 a.m. Worship at 11:15 a.m. Bible study Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Jordan Run Union Church
 Pastor Chaz Stoner; Jordan Run Rd., Maysville; Sunday school 10 a.m., morning worship 11 a.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m.

Mount Storm United Methodist
 Pastor Rebecca L. Bennett; Rt. 50 east, Mt. Storm; Sunday school 9 a.m., Sunday worship 10 a.m.

St. John’s United Methodist
 Pastor David Webb; Rt. 220 south, Petersburg; Sunday school first and third Sundays 11 a.m., second, fourth and fifth Sundays 10 a.m. Worship first and third Sundays 10 a.m. & second Sunday 11:15 a.m.

Knobley Covenant Brethren
 Pastor Roger Leatherman; 8 mi. south of Rt. 50 on Knobley Rd.; Sunday school 9:30 a.m., worship 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m.

North Fork Mennonite
 David Miller, Pastor; Sunrise Drive, 2/10 mile on right, Petersburg. Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m., fourth Sunday evening 6 p.m., prayer meeting and Bible study first & third Wednesday at 7 p.m.

St. Mary’s Catholic Church
 Fr. Dan Pisano; Grant St., Petersburg; Sunday mass 10 a.m. Daily mass Wednesday at noon.

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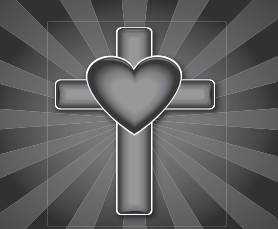
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