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Commission hears County Home restoration update

By Christopher Selmek

MIDDLEBOURNE – The Tyler County Commission discussed several matters at their regular meeting June 14 including the fundraising by the Tyler County Home restoration committee and containment of hazardous materials.

“The restoration committee comes before you today to tell you that we finally finished 12 months of fundraising with a total of \$17,027.83, which is more than half of the cost for the 180 windows for the county home,” Peggy George, chairman of the restoration committee, said. “I feel as though we’ve had a very big year; we’ve moved forward on a lot of things. The \$6 luncheon seems to be something that is a favorite among those who are supporters of our group. The flea market has become very generous this year, we got 4-5 times the

amount of what we had last year and we’re trying to figure out what we’re going to do with all of it.”

George said she had received letters of encouragement from throughout West Virginia and Ohio for the five women trying to save a building in poor shape and was very pleased with the outpouring of support.

She also brought up several issues of concern to those interesting in “mothballing” the historic property.

“We discussed that in our January meeting, when we were told the Fair Association was going to close off the broken windows and repair the broken doors to the point where no entrance could be made,” she said. “I did go up Sunday to check and none of that has been done. There is still no door to the basement, it’s still ac-

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Visitor center at Hannibal locks & dam slated to reopen July 1

From staff reports

HANNIBAL, Ohio – After being closed since the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, the Hannibal Locks and Dam Visitor’s Center and historical exhibits are reopening to the public.

In May 2016, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Pittsburgh District entered into a partnership with 13 local entities based in Monroe County, Ohio. Using a \$25,000 handshake grant from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Pittsburgh District began working with one of those local entities, the Ohio Valley River Museum, to restore and reopen the on-site visitor’s center. The partnership is one of only two of its kind in the United States.

Planning the project took about one year to complete. The visitor’s center, which includes a raised observation area for viewing vessels locking through, required a complete renovation. Scott Edgar, lockmaster, oversaw the project in conjunction with Angela Wills, navigation project assistant. New flooring, painting, lighting, and a roof were installed at the center. Much of the work was completed by employees of the lock. Adding additional assistance were individuals completing mandatory community service through the office of Monroe County Court Judge Jason Yoss.

Leading the design of the historical exhibits that will be featured within the center are Taylor Abbott and Janet Witten Conn, president and treasurer of the Ohio Valley River Museum, respectively.

“A partnership of this kind between a federal government agency and local entities is rare. It’s an historic occasion not only for both groups but also for Monroe County and

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Construction of ADA ramp at City Hall begins soon

By Christopher Selmek

SISTERSVILLE – Sistersville City Council voted on several matters at their regular meeting June 12 at the Fire Hall.

Mayor Bill Rice signed an agreement with Litman Excavating and Construction from New Martinsville to begin construction of a \$44,810 handicap accessible ramp on the side of the City Building, to be completed by Sept. 1.

Swiss Valley Associates, the engineering and construction management firm that designed the ramp, is no longer licensed to perform general construction work in West Virginia, Dana Indermuhle, P.E., explained.

“Our company has changed some staff, we are focusing more on engineering and management than we are construction, so we cannot build the actual ramp for you,” Indermuhle said. “We lost a key employee, so we are no longer licensed in West Virginia to do general construction work. We’re not leaving you, we want to help finish the project for you, so I put together a scope of work and quite a bit of legal language to go around the project. We put it out to bid, working with Mayor Rice and Mr. [Chad] Edwards, and we got two bids back for the ramp itself, which I have to present to you.

“Our primary interest in this project was engineering and that’s what we have contracted with you for,” he added. “We gave a budget price for the project so you could get your grant, we helped you with that, but we never promised to do the construction.”

Indermuhle recommended awarding the

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Auditions for Seussical JR slated June 24

Auditions will be held for ArtsLink's presentation of the ADTA & the Wayward Players' children's theater production of Seussical JR Saturday, June 24, at the Lincoln Theater in New Martinsville.

Roles are available for students going into grades 1 through 12. Students going into 1st grade through 4th grade, auditions will be from 10 a.m. until noon (no prep necessary).

For 5th grade – 8th grade, auditions will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. (no prep necessary, may prepare 16 bars of an up-tempo musical theater song), and for 9th grade through 12th grade – 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. (must prepare 16 bars of an up-tempo musical theater song).

There is no guarantee that everyone who auditions will be cast in the play. Those wishing to audition must arrive by the scheduled starting time and stay for the entire session. Wear comfortable clothes and NO flip-flops or sandals, please. Call ArtsLink at 304-455-2278 to pre-register for auditions.

Director Bart Cannizzaro noted: "While pre-registration is not required, it will help things run smoothly on audition day." The performances will be held on Friday, Aug. 11, at 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 12, at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 13, at 3 p.m. at the Lincoln Theater.

Transporting audiences from the Jungle of Nool to the Circus McGurkus, the Cat in the Hat narrates the story of Horton the Elephant, who discovers a speck of dust containing tiny people called the Whos. Horton must protect the Whos from a world of naysayers and dangers, and he must also guard an abandoned egg that's been left in his care by the irresponsible Mayzie La Bird. Although Horton faces ridicule, danger and a trial, the intrepid Gertrude McFuzz never loses faith in him. Ultimately, the powers of friendship, loyalty, family and community are challenged and emerge triumphant.

Seussical JR will be artistically designed by ADTA, The Academy for Dance & Theatre Arts of New Martinsville. Owner Bart Cannizzaro will also direct the show. Cannizzaro said, "With two of our sons planning to audition, and one kicking up the dust, Seussical JR will be a family friendly production from auditions through to the final performance."



Youngsters planning to participate in Seussical JR include: front row, from left: Myranda Moore, Ciera Slater; 2nd row: Fay Salisbury, Mackenzie Bryan, Makayla Salisbury; 3rd row: Shelden Hood, Devin Hood.

This children's theater activity is sponsored by McDonald's Restaurant. Funding for this program made possible with financial assistance from City of New Martinsville Parks & Recreation Commission, West Virginia Northern Community College, St. Ann's Episcopal Church, WETZ/WYMJ Radio, Ohio Valley Online, Libby's Kids Ministry and Witschey's Supermarket. ArtsLink is committed to providing universal accessibility wherever possible. Persons with special needs may contact ArtsLink at 304-455-2278 to request assistance.

Seussical JR music by Stephen Flaherty lyrics by Lynn Ahrens, book by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty; co-conceived by Lynn Ahrens, Stephen Flaherty, and Eric Idle; based on the works of Dr. Seuss; music supervised, adapted and produced by Bryan Louiselle.

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For more information or to preregister, call the ArtsLink office at 304-455-2278.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

SUPPORT SGH WITH ITS BENEFIT GOLF SCRAMBLE

Dear Friends of Sistersville General Hospital,

The Sistersville General hospital Benefit Golf Scramble will be held, Friday, Sept. 22, 2017, at the Sistersville Country Club. This is the hospital's only fundraising event. All proceeds benefit SGH.

Please consider how fortunate our community and surrounding communities are to have our hospital. We are open and thriving because the people of this area believe in us and support us. You have supported us by allowing us to assist you and your families with your healthcare needs. You have financially supported us through your generous donations and contributions. This is your hospital. For over 100 years it has been a part of your life. Generations have trusted us during some of the most difficult times. We are your friends and neighbors. We care about you. We are here for you, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Tomorrow will be the same and for many more tomorrows.

I ask that you please consider making a donation to the Sistersville General Hospital Golf Scramble. No donation is too small. If you would like to sponsor a team, we would love to have you and to have the opportunity to meet you.

Thank you for your continuing support of your hospital. We appreciate your loyalty.

Diana L. Rice, SGH Community Outreach

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A total of 13 Monroe County, Ohio, entities signed a partnership last year to upgrade and improve the visitors center at the Hannibal Locks and Dam. The group received \$25,000 grant from the Army Corps of Engineers. Col. Bernard Lindstrom (far right) delivered the good news.

Visitors Center

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one we want to celebrate. We have proven that a project of this nature isn't just one that is memorialized in writing without any tangible results. A combined effort on the part of the Corps and the river museum have made this project successful." Abbott said.

On Saturday, July 1, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Pittsburgh District and the Ohio Valley River Museum will hold a public ceremony set to begin at 10 a.m. State and local dignitaries from Ohio and West Virginia, along with ranking officers from the Pittsburgh District Corps of Engineers have been invited. The event will include patriotic and ceremonial music by

the Washington Symphony Brass Quintet and a ribbon-cutting with reception to follow.

The visitor's center includes an unusual wicket dam and maneuver boat (*shown at right*). The surrounding area includes picnic tables, grills, a shelter, parking areas and restroom facilities.

The 13 participating agencies were the Ohio Valley River Museum, Monroe County Commission, Broken Timber Outdoor Education Center, the Hannibal Garden Center, the Ohio Township Trustees, the Ohio Lee Water Authority, the Sardis Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9930, Hannibal American Legion Post 760, Switzerland of Ohio School District, Monroe County Historical Society, Monroe Arts Council, Monroe County Tourism Bureau and the Ohio River Scenic Byway.



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REGIONAL ROUND UP

Stealey Community Fund awards grants

From staff reports

The Stealey Community Fund has announced its 2017-18 grant awards, which total \$353,471 and will support 26 projects in the Middlebourne area.

The fund has made grant awards for more than 20 years, allocating more than \$3 million since its inception. The Stealey Community Fund is administered by The Community Foundation for the Ohio Valley with the advice of the Stealey Community Fund Advisory Board.

Ruth Stealey Green, the fund's benefactor, stipulated projects must benefit the Middlebourne-area community and special consideration be given to programs and projects that will improve the quality of life of the residents of Middlebourne, such as improved library, recreational, municipal and youth services. Green was a retired school teacher who died at the age of 84 on Feb. 14, 1996, at her home in Middlebourne. She created the fund in honor of herself and her brother, Philip Stealey, who died in 1993.

This round of grants represents a wide variety of projects that will enhance the community and benefit residents.

The Middlebourne Parks and Recreation Facilities Inc. will use \$152,160 to support facility improvements and programming opportunities.

To go along with new shelter currently under construction (*see photo at right*) at Middlebourne Park by Bill's Builders, the park is also getting a walk trail. Expected to be 1 mile to 1.5 miles in length around the park's perimeter, the trail will use existing space at the park. The initial installation will be gravel, with the possibility of concrete in the near future. Along this trail, new playground equipment and specific areas for youth and young adults of differing ages will be added over time. EQT Corporation donated \$15,000 toward new playground equipment, which was used as matching funds toward this project.

Because the weather doesn't always cooperate for outdoor play, the game room of the Stealey-Green Family Center will get a facelift. Approximately \$16,700



will go toward upgrades, including a carpeted surface along the walls; floor tiles with a soft surface; replaced ceiling tiles; replaced game equipment (such as a new foosball table and air hockey table) and new options; a television and video game system(s) with games; electrical work, with additional outlets, and other possibilities for various age groups.

The Town of Middlebourne is receiving \$77,000 for projects related to accessibility, improvements to Main Street, seasonal and holiday festivities. The Tyler County Board of Education will receive \$34,920 for audio/video equipment, the School Day Plus program and instruments for the band program.

Other funded projects include:

Adams House Ministries – \$17,737 for continuation of outreach services

ArtsLink – \$3,350 to support a performance by the Akropolis Reed Quintet and related workshops

Council of Senior Tyler Countians Inc. – \$11,767 for the purchase of kitchen equipment and building signage

Middlebourne Baptist Church/Middlebourne United Methodist Church – \$6,000 for Vacation Bible School

Middlebourne Baptist Church – \$1,500 for Family Fun Day

Middlebourne Youth League – \$14,800 for upgrades to baseball field

Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council (MOVRC) – \$5,000 for the Foster Grandparent Program

Tyler County Public Library – \$16,367 to support operation

Tyler County 4H – \$10,000 for exterior

upgrades to the Assembly Hall

Tyler County 4H Leaders' Association – \$3,500 for camp educational programs

The Stealey Community Fund accepts applications on an annual basis. To learn more, please visit www.cfov.org.

ARREST MADE IN BREAK-IN

SISTERSVILLE – Sistersville Police received a 911 call about 5:45 a.m. Wednesday, June 7, that an individual armed with a shotgun had broken into a residence on Rexford Street. The suspect then fled the scene on foot and was later identified as Dakota Brenneman, 22.

Sistersville PD and Tyler County Sheriff's deputies searched the surrounding area and law enforcement was later informed that Brenneman was sighted on East Charles Street, in the Happy Hallow section of Sistersville, still carrying the shotgun.

Another search of the area was conducted and Brenneman was taken into custody by Sistersville Police Chief Rob Haught and Lt Shannon Huffman of the Tyler County Sheriff's Office. A loaded 20 gauge shotgun and ammunition were recovered from him.

According to a statement issued by the Sistersville Police Department, Brenneman was charged with brandishing a weapon and destruction of property and taken before the Tyler County Magistrate then transported to the North Central Regional Jail.

MIDDLEBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS

MIDDLEBOURNE – Unofficial results for the June 13 municipal election in Middlebourne: Stephen Seago was elected mayor, defeating incumbent Charles Delauder, 92 to 53. Seago had previously served as mayor and on city council.

For the position of recorder, Susan Pelikan, the incumbent, defeated Heather Seago, 89 to 15.

For the city council, the top five vote-getters are elected to serve. Elected to the council were: Vera Henthorn with 107; Dave Myers, 106; Charlene Galluzzo, 81; Bill Suter, 81, and Bill Jenkins, 77. Janice Bonner, 75 votes, and Michael Galluzzo, 69, were not elected.

Vote totals are unofficial until certified.

PADEN CITY MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS LISTED

PADEN CITY – During the 2017 Paden City municipal elections June 1, incumbent City Recorder Tami Billiter fended off a challenge by First Ward council member Tammy Parsons, winning 136 to 104. Billiter, who has been the recorder for 6 years, carried the First Ward, 34 to 31 and the Third Ward, 70 to 24. Parsons carried the Second Ward 49 to 32.

In the First Ward, incumbent councilman James Richard ran unopposed.

In the Second Ward Aunnia Brady beat Lacey Henthorn 52 to 22.

In the Third Ward incumbent Clyde Hochstrasser beat back a challenge by Jay Parsons 69 to 24.

All terms are for two years.

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Ramp

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contract to Litman, having spent time with its chief estimator reviewing drawings and answering questions. However, the bid is only for the construction of the ADA ramp and does not include the cost of a new door or a handrail.

“We took both of those items out of the bid in order to attract the contractors that are more used to working with the concrete at this stage,” Indermuhle said. “So there will be further contracts to finish the project.”

In response to this information, Mayor Rice asked if the \$54,000 grant was enough to complete the project, stating he did not want to be the mayor responsible for constructing a half-finished ramp that is not handicapped accessible.

“We believe that there is enough money there at this point, but until we actually come up with a contract to do both of those items we won’t know for sure,” Indermuhle answered.

Based on his professional experience, Indermuhle said he estimated that Litman would be able to install a handrail for less than the amount of grant money available, but that the remainder would determine what quality of door could go on the building. He also explained that the reason construction managers schedule projects in smaller phases was to keep costs down.

“If we go this route we have that flexibility to proceed,” he explained. “I’ll tell you what is going to happen if we ask Litman Excavating to put the hand rail-

ing in, or if we ask Wolf Creek Contracting to put the hand railing in, they’re going to mark that hand railing up 200 percent and you’ll never have enough money to complete your project.”

City Recorder Chad Edwards stressed the importance of getting the project underway as soon as possible, noting there was a one year deadline from Oct. 8 to finish the project, but that the council had yet to spend any of the money.

Rice requested a motion to proceed after expressing that he had never before encountered a problem working with Swiss Valley Associates. Phil Konopacky made the motion and Alex King seconded.

The ramp will be built from a split based block on the side with a top of concrete. Rice also noted he wanted to retain the current wooden doors on the outside while adding a newer door that could open with the push of a button.

Indermuhle said Litman is currently very busy on a project at the Paden City Waste Water Treatment Plant, but is willing to construct the Sistersville project.

According to Audist Pancake, chairman of the parks and recreation board, the pool has already seen over 100 visitors on several days. A handicap ramp has been completed on the pool, as well as nearby camping spots.

Konopacky asked if there were any foreseeable problems with people camping and people moving their cars in and out to park for the pool, as he had seen days when parking on Riverside Drive was full on both sides.

“They have been told, but nobody listens, so I’m not sure what is going to have to do in the near future with that,”

Pancake answered. “It will be addressed when a camper is in there.

“We’ve also had to block off where the oil and gas owns, because people use that as a highway,” she continued. “There was one night we were down there and 12 cars went through there just blazing through, so we have blocked that off for the time being because we were scared to death that a child was going to get hit. So, if anybody asks, the park is not a driveway or a highway.”

The council passed a motion to allow King to begin drafting an ordinance that would allow people outside Sistersville, but within Tyler County, to be serve as nonvoting members on parks and recreation subcommittees.

The Ferryboat Festival will be three days this year, July 28-30. King requested permission to allow vendors to begin setting up July 27 and to have overnight parking for that time.

“Our service is picking up,” Barbara Gage, chairman of the ferry board, said. “We have completed some cruises already and I think we’re booked all the way through the month of June and several days into July already, and that’s become very popular.”

The radiothon set a goal of \$10,000 and actually brought in about \$4,500 in pledges and donations. Gage thanked all the business and donors for their contributions.

“We had a Coast Guard inspection despite the fact that we were in dry dock and had to be inspected,” she said. “We had to be inspected again, and we made it through with a few minor issues, and those have already been dealt with.

“One thing that we were told we needed to do is in the doghouse we have to post hotline numbers or contacts for drug abuse, alcohol abuse, domestic violence, that sort of thing, so that the crew has a place to call if there is any kind of issue,” she continued. “That is a Coast Guard requirement; we had one up there but we took it down because it got kind of ratty. But that raised another issue, and that is we have to do training and through the Maritime Consortium we will do training for the deckhands on drug abuse and how to handle various situations. Not that we have a drug problem, it’s just a Coast Guard requirement. But when our

captain was looking through the files he came across something called the Drug Free Workplace Policy and Procedure for the City of Sistersville. I’m assuming that this was put into place in May 2009, and I’m assuming every employee is supposed to sign it. Bo remembers doing it when he worked for the City before he became a pilot, but none of our deckhands as far as I know have ever done it. The last person who ever did it was Bill Schlater in 2011, so I don’t know if this is still in force.”

Mayor Rice said it would still be in force, but it was likely there were some employees who haven’t signed it.

“I know we’ve had a lot going on in the past year with the hospital and everything, but the personnel committee needs to sit down,” he said. “I would like to see the personnel committee sit down and redo the biggest part of the personnel policies.”

The council took no action on the development of a registry of ATVs used within city limits.

The recommendation from a previous meeting was to proceed with West Virginia requirements, which are that ATV users must be over age 16 with a valid driver’s license, or over 18, and that users under 18 must wear a helmet.

The council also addressed a request to close the alley behind the Sistersville Emporium for Saturday morning sales. This generated several questions as to how this would affect the nearby pharmacy and why the parking lot was insufficient for Saturday morning sales. The mayor said he would speak with the business owner and find out more about this issue.

There was also some discussion about compiling a list of vacant or run-down properties that were considered eyesores. Potential options might include improving said properties or demolition, but the council determined this was a convoluted process that would need to be addressed at a later date.

Also Mayor Rice directed council members Konopacky and King to help mediate a parking dispute on East Street.

The next regular meeting of Sistersville City Council will be Monday, July 10, at 7 p.m. at the fire hall.

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Commission

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cessible to people. This is not a problem that has been throughout just this year. As I stated before, this has been an ongoing problem since April 2012, when it was stated it was going to be corrected. Five years is a long time. The restoration committee, the people, and I would like to see it come before the fair.

“Last year during the fair is when the vandalism occurred, which goes into my next thing that I want to bring up is the securing of the building,” she continued. “We’ve not asked for money from the fair or from the commission, but we have asked for two cameras to be placed on either side of the building, because in 2008 the security of the building was taken out of the lease. They wanted the person living in the building not to be in the lease any longer. Well, it’s not working because there is vandalism and the worst vandalism that’s occurred has occurred after the caretaker was taken out of the 2008 lease.

“But the vandalism doesn’t seem to be reported, that’s another concern. None of the vandalism this past year was reported other than by me on three occasions. One of the police officers who investigated asked, ‘What would you like us to do?’ I said: ‘Nothing.’ It’s not their place to do anything. The place is yours and the Fair Association to secure the building and to protect the building from the vandalism, and to hold the people who are doing it accountable for their actions. I told him the reason why I report this is so we can have a paper trail. We can show that we reported this so that something can be done about it.”

George added that she loved the fair and that her entire committee felt it was a big bonus to the area. She said her goal now was to work with them to solve the problem of article four in the lease – which stipulates the leaseholder must maintain the building in the same condition they received it.

“I’ve researched every lease, going back to 1981,” she said. “It’s not rocket science. The building is not in the same shape that it was in in 1981. I’m not here to punish anyone, I’m here to help and I don’t feel like we’re getting the cooperation to go along with this help. We’re offering money to you and to the fair, who doesn’t have the money to replace the windows, replace the doors, mend the roof, and seal the porches. We just want to seal the building off so that no more disrepair can be done.”

“I understand that you guys have now

discussed getting rid of the building,” she added. “When we first formed, everyone’s major cry was tear the building down or do something about it; we’re trying our best to do something about it. We do our fundraising out of our own pocket, we can’t afford to do fantastic fundraisers. The fair could afford to do one fundraiser and just blow us all clear out of the system. I mean, they could make \$30,000 or something off of a fundraiser. We don’t have that ability, but we’re hard workers.”

“It can be done,” agreed Rosanne Eastham, director of the Tyler County Public Library who was also at the meeting. “The library did \$100,000 in fundraisers to get that new building done. I mean, it can be done.”

George’s voice began to tremble as she recounted her father’s advice that a man was only as good as his word, then added that 2017 was past time for the fair to deliver on what she called empty words.

“When we asked permission to sublet, we were told we had to speak with your council,” she said. “We didn’t receive a letter or any information about any decisions, but we did read in the newspaper that this was not going to be an easy decision to make. I came here because we all know that the OES and the Head Start was in that building at one time, so they had to have sublet it. Someone has to have let them sublet it, but there’s no subletting contractor lease on file. The only thing I can conclude from that is it was a good faith lease, it was a handshake, so to me that’s not a hard thing to overcome.”

Commissioner Charles “Pork” Smith said he agreed 100 percent that securing the building should be the fair’s responsibility and that this was his biggest concern. He suggested that the best course of action would be to request bids for a contractor to secure the building.

“We’re just asking for cooperation,” George concluded. “That’s all.”

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Also at the meeting, Office of Emergency Management Director Tom Cooper announced his office had received the Emergency Management Performance Grant 2015 check in the amount of \$37,915.

“Related to that, we had an incident the night before last down on the creek that appeared to be a spill, but it was not an oil product or anything like that,” he said. “We needed to dike that all in to keep that from coming around The Jug and into the Middlebourne water intake. We quickly realized we don’t have any-

thing hardly at all to do that, to dike off and absorb, so we need a spill cleanup unit. I would like to ask if you would consider using probably \$2,500 for a trailer and \$5,000 for supply setup.

“I’d like to use \$7,500 of that three term money be used, and we’ll store it and maintain it,” he continued. “Normally when we go out there’s someone to bill, a truck company or someone like that, but nevertheless it’s the firemen’s responsibility to get that stuff and find someone to bill later. But in this case there was no one to bill, so we had to borrow stuff from Wetzel County just to keep it from going around The Jug.”

Cooper said that under typical circumstances the root cause of a spill would gladly reimburse the county for use of this equipment. However, there may be times when the County would have to absorb that cost, such as when they were out at The Jug at 1 a.m. June 13.

“I would like to have something ready to go, because if we have something really nasty coming toward the creek, it’s going to be a bad day,” he said. “That’s one of our biggest threats, according to

our threat hazard indication risk analysis; a hazard in the creek is one of the top three. So for us to stand around and not have a way with our own equipment to stop and contain it, I think that’s a problem. I think we could use some of this funding to build a system. It would have its own trailer and be ready to go. Some of these things we don’t want to store in Middlebourne because there’s only so much room, nevertheless we could store it in Paden City, which is not a bad place to be since that’s our main thoroughfare through the county anyway.”

Commission President Eric H. Vincent asked Cooper to bring a detailed list before the commission.

The commission also motioned to approve a number of in-house budget revisions. According to Vincent, the reason there were so many was because this was the last opportunity to revise the budget for this fiscal year.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the commissioners went into an executive session at the request of Sheriff Brian Weigle to discuss personnel matters.

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2017 WV LEGISLATIVE UPDATE | BILL TRACKER



WV Legislative Photography, Photo by Perry Bennett

West Virginia State Sen. Charles Clements (2-Wetzel) speaks on the House floor June 7 during the special legislative session.

2017 special session bills

HB 101: Raising salaries for classroom teachers. House Finance Committee 05/04/17

HB 102: Increasing DMV fees and motor fuel excise taxes. House Finance Committee 05/04/17

HB 103: Relating generally to the West Virginia Parkways Authority. House Finance Committee 05/04/17

HB 104: Relating generally to taxation. READ 1st Reading 05/04/17

HB 105: Limiting the number of days that members of the Legislature may receive compensation during an extended and extraordinary session. House Finance Committee 05/05/17

HB 106: Relating generally to the furlough of public employees during declared fiscal emergency. CONF 06/14/17

HB 107: Relating generally to the Tax Reform Act of 2017. CONF 06/09/17

HB 108: Increasing the funding for the State Road Fund. House Finance Committee 05/16/17

HB 109: Making medical cannabis subject to the consumer sales and service tax. House Finance Committee 05/16/17

HB 110: Relating to taxation. House Finance Committee 06/13/17

HB 111: Relating generally to tax procedures and administration. *Sent to Governor* 06/13/17

HB 112: Relating to the Volunteer Fire Department Workers' Compensation. Tabled 1st Reading 06/05/17

HB 113: Relating to the sale of Jackie Withrow Hospital by the DHHR. House Finance Committee 05/23/17

HB 114: Relating to the sale of Hopemont Hospital by the Department of Health and Human Resources. House Finance Committee 05/23/17

HB 115: Budget Bill. 3rd Reading 06/15/17

HB 116: Relating to physician assistants. House Health and Human Resources Committee 05/23/17

HB 117: Relating to West Virginia Health Care Authority. *PASS. Completed Legislation* 06/13/17

HB 118: Making appropriations of public money out of the Treasury in accordance with section 51, article VI of the Constitution. House Finance Committee 05/24/17

HB 119: Discontinuing WV Greyhound Breeding Development Fund. House Finance Committee 06/05/17

HB 120: Establishing the Fleet Manage-

ment Office within the Department of Administration. House Government Organization Committee 06/05/17

HB 121: Requiring unclaimed prize money be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. House Judiciary Committee 06/09/17

HB 122: Terminating the Women's Commission. House Government Organization Committee 06/14/17

HB 123: Imposing, administering and collecting a license tax on successful bidders for road construction contracts. House Finance Committee 06/14/17

SB 1001: Raising salary for classroom teachers. Senate Rules Committee 05/05/17

SB 1002: Increasing DMV fees and motor fuel excise tax. Senate Rules Committee 05/05/17

SB 1003: Relating generally to WV Parkways Authority. House Finance Committee 05/24/17

SB 1004: Relating generally to taxation. *Concurrence* 05/05/17

SB 1005: Relating to furlough of public employees. Senate Judiciary Committee 05/16/17

SB 1006: Increasing funding for State Road Fund. 3rd Reading 06/15/17

SB 1007: Tax Reform Act of 2017. House Finance Committee 05/17/17

SB 1008: Relating to public school support and county levy rates. Senate Finance Committee 05/24/17

SB 1009: Relating generally to tax procedures and administration. Senate Rules Committee 06/09/17

SB 1010: Relating to Volunteer Fire Department Workers' Compensation Premium Subsidy Fund. *Signed by Governor. Effective from passage* 05/24/17

SB 1011: Selling Hopemont Hospital. House Finance Committee 05/24/17

SB 1012: Selling Jackie Withrow Hospital. Senate Health and Human Resources Committee 05/24/17

SB 1013: Budget Bill. *Concurrence* 06/14/17

SB 1014: Relating generally to physician assistants. *To Governor* 06/13/17

SB 1015: Relating generally to Health Care Authority. Senate Health and Human Resources Committee 05/24/17

SB 1016: Relating generally to license tax on successful bidders for road construction contracts. Senate Finance Committee 06/14/17



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FERRY DINNER CRUISE SET JUNE 17

Sistersville Ferry will have its first dinner cruise of the 2017 summer season Saturday, June 17. This event will feature dinner and music while cruising along the Ohio River. Please bring a lawn chair and join the festivities for this three-hour cruise. 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Contact Gene Rice @ 304-588-7423 for tickets and info.

SISTERSVILLE PARK & POOL NOW OPEN FOR SUMMER SEASON

Sistersville Pool is now open for the 2017 summer season. Cost is \$3 per person; FREE for 3-year-olds and younger. Regular hours are noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 12:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sundays. SWIMMING LESSONS will be available June 26 – 29. Cost: \$5 per child for each day. Times are as follows: Ages 4-6 from 6-7 p.m. and Ages 7-10 from 7-8 p.m. Call the pool (during pool hours) to schedule a private lesson: 304-652-1578. PRIVATE POOL PARTIES: Pool, splash pad, and baby pool cost \$200 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Splash pad and baby pool only are \$100 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Please call the Sistersville City Building to schedule pool parties: 304-652-6361. No Adult swims scheduled yet for the season. SPONSORING EVENTS: Free Swim Days (for community) \$300 ALL DAY. Midnight Swims (pool, splash pad, and baby pool) \$350 9 p.m. – midnight.

• All clubs, organizations, groups, individuals, and churches are encouraged to help by sponsoring a FREE SWIM DAY at the pool. This allows all children to have the opportunity to come and swim. The goal is to have every day sponsored by someone. This is to take the burden off of the parents and allow the children of our community to enjoy their summer. To sponsor a day, call the Sistersville City Building at 304-652-6361.

COST FOR SHELTER RENTALS: Virgil Ash Shelter (small shelter): \$50/day. John Pancake (large shelter): \$80/day. Call the Sistersville City Building for scheduling: 304-652-6361. • Please do not plan a party at the shelter without scheduling.

DINNER WITH A DOC: DIABETES SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 22

Need to know more about diabetes? Attend a free event — Diabetes 101: Taking Control in 2017. Angie Shotwell, RD, LD, will present diabetes basics Thursday, June 22, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Sistersville Center, 201 Wood St. in Sistersville. She will present such

topics as portion sizes, carbohydrate counting, and the benefits of exercise on blood sugar control. All are welcome. RSVP by Thursday, June 15, to Chris McBee at 304-652-1032 or Christopher.mcbee@genesishcc.com. The event is a partnership between Sistersville General Hospital and Genesis HealthCare-Sistersville Center to provide an educational community event featuring dinner and discussion with healthcare experts.

PAWS IN THE PARK JUNE 17

The annual Paws in the Park is Saturday, June 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sistersville Park. Bring your pet(s) and the whole family for a fun day of prizes, games, food, contests and more. Activities include games for the kids, pet photo booth, awards, concessions, music, pet costume contests, pet walk, bake sale, prize for most unusual pet, obstacle course and a bounce castle. Dr. Shaun Meckley of Mountain Valley Animal Clinic will be on hand from 10 a.m. to noon for vaccinations (including rabies), micro-chipping and toenail clipping.

FERRYBOAT FESTIVAL JULY 28-30

The 3rd annual Ohio River Ferryboat Festival expands to three days this year, July 28-30. This year's event celebrates 200 years of ferry service! Hours are Friday, July 28, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, July 29, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, July 30, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be entertainment, vendors, inflatables for the kids on Saturday, and food at both the West Virginia and Ohio landings. Win prizes just by riding the ferry, including a free cruise on the ferry. Vendor set-up is free. Those interested in setting up can reach Alex King at 304-771-8835 or alkwriter@outlook.com. The ferry's regular hours of operation are 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the weekend. For information about renting the ferry for a cruise, call Operations Manager Gene Rice at 304-588-7423.

MUSEUM NOW OPEN FOR SEASON

The Sistersville Museum – with many new acquisitions – is open for the season. Hours are 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Call 304-652-1707 for more information.

SATURDAY MORNING SALES IN DOWNTOWN SISTERSVILLE

Saturday Morning Sales are now underway in downtown Sistersville with plenty of free parking on Diamond Street. Expect a wide variety of foods, crafts, entertainment and always something unexpected. For more information or to become a vendor call 304-652-1707.

PICNIC IN THE PARK JULY 9

The annual Picnic in the Park will be Sunday, July 9. A free swim day at the pool will be sponsored by the Sistersville Planning Commission.

COLORING CLUB FOR ADULTS

Sistersville Public Library offers adults a place to get their color on. The library offers a coloring club for adults each Monday at 1 p.m. Come, enjoy and relax! Designs and markers provided. The event is sponsored by the library.

LIBRARY OFFERS CLASSES

Sistersville Public Library offers a Lego class for the young and young at heart every Tuesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Story Hour is held every Thursday from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Call the library at 304-652-6701 for more information.

FOOD, CLOTHING HANDOUT WEDNESDAYS

Every Wednesday, the Sistersville Ministerial Association hands out food and clothing from 9 a.m. to noon at the First Baptist Church in Sistersville.

FRIENDLY

JOIN THE LIONS

The Friendly Lions Club is holding a membership drive. The club is open to anyone in the Tyler County

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DRUG AWARENESS LUNCH & LEARN IN SISTERSVILLE JUNE 27

Wetzel County Chamber of Commerce will hold the June 27 Lunch & Learn on drug awareness in Sistersville.

This Lunch & Learn topic is one that is on the radar for everyone everywhere, drug awareness and drugs in the workplace and at home. This event will be held at noon Tuesday, June 27, at Bon Bon's Café, 242 S. Wells St, Sistersville. Presenters Sistersville Police Chief Rob Haught and Carla McBee will discuss drug abuse in the area, signs of drug abuse, and the process of drug testing for employees of businesses. Chief Haught will also display and explain drug paraphernalia.

RSVP to 304-455-3825 or email: chamber@wetzelcountychamber.com. The event is free and open to the public. Lunch will be provided.



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area who is at least 18 years of age. As of May 4, the Friendly Lions Club will hold regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at the Community Center in Friendly. Meetings start at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Lion Dan Heintzman at (304) 652-1766 or deheintzman@msn.com.

MIDDLEBOURNE

FAMILY DANCE SLATED JUNE 24

Bloom Into June, a family dance, will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the Stealey-Green Family Center in Middlebourne. The event will feature a live DJ and refreshments will be provided. Admission is free.

RELAY FOR LIFE

CAR SHOW/DINNER JUNE 25

Relay For Life: Auto Show and dinner is set for Sunday, June 25, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Tyler County Fairgrounds.

TYLER COUNTY FAIR JULY 31-AUG. 5

The annual Tyler County Fair will be held from Monday, July 31, to Saturday, Aug. 5, at the fairgrounds out Rt 18 near Middlebourne.

RACING AT THE BULLRING

Weekly event schedule for the Tyler County Speedway aka The Bullring at the Tyler County Fairgrounds in Middlebourne. June 17: 16th Annual Eaton/Childers King of the Ring; June 24: Redneck Thunder!; June 30: 3rd Annual Mega 100 Park, Practice & Party Night; July 1: 3rd Annual Mega 100; July 2: 3rd Annual Mega 100; July 8: Patriot 200 (10 Divisions, 10 Unique Trophies, 200 Feature Laps); July 22: Mid Summer Manufacturers Night; July 29: Bud Weigle Memorial; Aug. 12: Back to School Kids Night; Aug. 19: Hillbilly Qualifiers/Season Championship. Sept. 1: 49th Annual Hillbilly 100, Park, Practice & Party; Sept. 2: 49th Annual Hillbilly 100; Sept. 3: 49th Annual Hillbilly 100. For complete Tyler County Speedway event information, news stories, ticket info and schedule information for the season, visit www.tylercountyspeedwayonline.com or call the track at 304-771-5661 or 304-771-6874 or on Raceday at 304-758-2660.

ARTS FEST SLATED JUNE 23-25

The inaugural Stealey-Green Arts Festival is scheduled for Friday, June 23, through Sunday, June 25, at the Stealey-Green Family Center in Middlebourne. Save the dates. Middlebourne Parks & Recreation is in the process of planning the first-ever Stealey-Green Arts Festival to take place this June. The goal is to invite artisans and entertainers near and far to share their many talents. Call 304-758-4469 for more information.

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PADEN CITY

FARMER'S MARKETS SET ON THURSDAYS

Along with Music in the Park on Thursday evenings will be a farmer's market and a flea market at Paden City Park. Bring your own fresh produce or other items to sell. \$5 a table. For more information call Tammy Parsons at 304-337-4352.

MUSIC IN THE PARK 2017 LINEUP ANNOUNCED

The 2017 lineup for Paden City's Music in the Park, which happens from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. every Thursday during the summer, is as follows: The Remedy, June 22; Ron Retzer Trio, June 29; Shady Creek, July 6; The Carriers, July 13; Barbara Lynn and The Silver Eagle Band, July 20; Rick Tencher & Friends, July 27, and Ben Tharp, Aug. 3. Rain dates are Aug. 10 and Aug. 17. The Elsons, Aug. 24. All shows begin at 7 p.m.

PCDA MEETINGS OPEN TO PUBLIC

The Paden City Development Authority meets the second Monday of each month at the Health & Recreation

Building in room 10A on the first floor. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. and the public is welcome to attend.

WEEKLY BINGO ON TUESDAYS

The Friendly Lions Club, in conjunction with the Paden City Development Authority, conducts bingo every Tuesday evening at the Paden City Health and Reception Center in Paden City. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., early birds start at 6 p.m., and regular games start at 7 p.m. Games include 2 coveralls, callers' specials, progressive Lucky 7s, and a winner-take-all coverall as the final game of the evening. A cookie jar is also available. Come join us every Tuesday evening for bingo sponsored by the Friendly Lions Club and the Paden City Development Authority. Proceeds benefit the local area.

FOOD PANTRY OPEN

Second Harvest Food Pantry, located in the basement of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 130 S. Fourth Ave. in Paden City, is open the second, third and fourth Tuesday of each month from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Food is offered for free for those who qualify. All SNAP recipients qualify. Donations may be dropped off at the church. For more information, call 304-337-9145 or 304-337-2150.

FIRE HALL BENEFIT BREAKFASTS CONTINUE

Paden City Volunteer Fire Company holds an all-you-can-eat breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. until noon at the fire hall. Menu includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, fruit, hash browns, sausage gravy, biscuits, pancakes, toast, French toast and drinks. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for kids under 10. Take out available. Call (304) 337-9289 for more information.

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GARDEN CLUB MEETS

The Paden City Garden Club is open to all garden hobbyists. Meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at the Paden City Senior Center at 6:30 pm.

TOPS TO MEET

Fighting extra weight gain? Join TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) and get the help and support you need to reach your goal. Meeting place: First Baptist Church, 600 S. 4th Ave., Paden City. Wednesday weigh-in starts at 9 a.m., meetings at 10. Call Leader-Norma at 304-337-8262 or Co-Leader Penny Ludolph at 304-337-8836.

ALMA

DAD'S DAY DINNER AT VALLEY GRANGE

Don't forget : June 18 is Father's Day. Why not take

dad to Valley Grange at Alma for their Annual Father's Day Dinner serving from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.? Menu includes baked steak and ham, mashed potatoes/gravy, corn, green beans, coleslaw, roll, tea, coffee and delicious desserts. The cost is \$10 for adults; kids 6 – 12 is \$5; 5 and younger eat for free.

NEW MARTINSVILLE

COFFEEHOUSE LINEUP ANNOUNCED

Coffeehouse 2017 presented by ArtsLink features Gary Eller starting at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 29, on the Francis Center lawn, New Martinsville. Rodney Sands is featured Thursday, July 13, and Johnny Joe Mensore will perform at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, at the Lincoln Theater in New Martinsville.

NM PARKS DAY CAMP JUNE 19-29

New Martinsville Parks & Recreation is offering their Day Camp in June this year from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday, June 19-29. Day Camp fea-

tures such activities as crafts, games, snacks, cookouts, paddle boats, putt-putt, swimming, and more! Monday to Wednesday kids will be asked to bring their own lunch, then on Thursdays kids will enjoy a cookout, courtesy of NM Parks. Cost is \$35 for the first week and \$25 for the second. Registration forms are available at City Hall in New Martinsville.

WETZEL FARMERS MARKET OPEN

A Farmers Market is held Thursday through mid-October from 3:30 to 6 p.m. at Bruce Park. The market offers produce, locally produced foods (meat, eggs, cheese, veggies, baked goods, jam, maple syrup) and crafts.

FREE SWIM LESSONS IN JUNE AT LEWIS WETZEL POOL

Thanks to a donation by four citizens, free swim lessons are available in June for 40 children from 6 months old up to 9 years old at Lewis Wetzel Pool in New Martinsville. Class size is limited to 10 students. You can sign up for each class ONE week prior to the

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start of the class for which you want to sign up. YOU MUST COME TO CITY HALL TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION. APPLICATIONS ARE NOT BEING TAKEN OR HOLDING APPLICATIONS OVER THE PHONE! Classes will be from 7 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. as follows: June 19-June 22 for 4 years to 6 years, and June 26-June 29 for 7 years to 9 years. The lessons are due to generosity of Roger Wade, Rodney Wade, Dawn Greathouse and Melissa Whipkey.

MOVIE IN THE PARK JUNE 23

Movie in the Park debuts Friday, June 23, with Sing! showing at 8:30 p.m. at Bruce Park.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM AT NMPL THROUGH JULY 29

The Summer Reading Program at the New Martinsville Public Library is now underway. There will be four divisions for readers: Read to Me, Independent Readers, Teens, and Adults. The theme is "Reading by Design." Weekly prizes will be awarded for all levels with the first prizes given Monday, June 5. Story Times will be presented by Suzanne Bowser and assisted by high school students. Programs will include stories, crafts, music, and snacks. Preschool programs will be 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. and school age time will be 1 p.m. every Tuesday. The first program will be held June 6. Pre-registration is necessary. Call the library at 304-455-4545 for more information and to preregister.

OHIO RIVER SWEEP JUNE 17

A free activity known as the Ohio River Sweep offers an opportunity for all ages to lend a hand to clean up the river banks Saturday, June 17, from 10 a.m. until noon at the boat ramp beside the Wetzel County Courthouse.

JEDICON SET JUNE 17

JediCon WV marks 15 years in 2017! At the event Star Wars fans gather to buy, sell and trade SW-related merchandise. Proceeds from ticket, food and silent auction sales go to the Children's Miracle Network. Special guests this year include: Bill McBride, who has assembled the world's largest Darth Vader collection, and Ken Simmons, also known as the man who shot Luke Skywalker, is the official photographer for Kenner. JediCon will take place at the New Martinsville United Methodist Church at 10 Howard Jeffers Drive Saturday, June 17, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Admission is \$1 for ages 6 and older. Kids under age 5 get in free.

VINTAGE REGATTA JUNE 17-18

New Martinsville Vintage Regatta – Thunder on the Ohio – is Saturday, June 17, through Sunday, June 18.

POOL OPENS FOR SEASON

Lewis Wetzel Pool is now open for the season. Pool hours will be from 11 a.m. to 7: p.m. Monday through Saturday and 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday. The pool will be open through June and will then close for two weeks in July while two water slides are installed. Once the installation of the slides is complete, the pool will re-open for the remainder of the season. Daily admission to the pool is \$4 for those ages 3 older. Those who visit the pool on a regular basis may be interested in the \$20 punch card. This card offers a special when 5 admissions purchased a sixth is given for free. It can be used for a group or an individual. The card may be purchased at the pool or at City Hall.

Reservations now being taken for those wishing to hold a pool party, during the month of June only, at Lewis Wetzel Pool. The pool is available for rent between the hours of 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Rentals are taken for one hour intervals only. The hourly rate depends on the number of people attending the party. Renters may ar-

rive at 7:45 p.m. to set up for the event. Clean up and departure must occur by the hour which the party is to end. Reservations can be made by calling the Parks and Recreation Office at 304-455-9130.

MINIGOLF, PADDLEBOATS NOW OPEN

The mini-golf course at Bruce Park in New Martinsville is now open. Hours are Monday through Saturday from noon until 10 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m. until 10 p.m. Prices are \$3 per person over 4 years old and half price on Tuesdays.

The paddleboats at Lewis Wetzel Park are ready to go. Hours are Monday through Saturday from noon until 7 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. Prices are \$3 per boat and half off on Wednesdays.

SEUSSICAL JR. AUDITIONS JUNE 24

Auditions for Seussical Jr. will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the Lincoln Theater. The audition is open to students in grades 1 through 12.

MUSICAL SEUSSICAL AUG. 11-13

Plan now to attend the youth presentation of Seussical Jr at the Lincoln Theater in New Martinsville. Show times are Friday, Aug. 11, at 7 p.m.; Saturday Aug. 12, at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 13, at 3 p.m.

RAILROADING PHOTO EXHIBIT AT WETZEL COUNTY MUSEUM

The gallery exhibit for June features photographs of American railroading, taken between 1988 and the present by acclaimed railroad photographer and speaker Frederick J. Ripley. These dramatic images, presented as 20 x 30" full-color enlargements dry-mounted and framed under glass, include scenes from Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. Copies of an Exhibit Guide describing each photo are available for viewers. Exhibit runs through June 24. The Wetzel County Museum is located at 136 Main St. in historic New Martinsville. The museum is open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from noon until 4 p.m. or by appointment. Admission is free and groups are welcome. Call the museum at 304-398-4910 for more details.

5K RUN/WALK JULY 1

Wetzel County Schools Wellness 5K Run/Walk will begin at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, July 1, at the Wetzel County Courthouse in New Martinsville.

INAUGURAL BACK HOME APPALACHIAN ARTS & MUSIC FEST JUNE 30-JULY 2

The Back Home Appalachian Arts & Music Festival in downtown New Martinsville will be held June 30, July 1 and July 2. There is NO CHARGE to attend the festi-

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val. The Back Home Appalachian Arts & Music Festival will take place on Main Street. Entertainers scheduled to perform include some of Appalachian music's finest including: The Rumpke Mountain Boys, The Davisson Brothers Band, Johnny Staats & The Delivery Boys, The Recipe, Th' Bullfrog Willard Mcghee, The Wayfarers, Jakobs Ferry Stragglers, The Hillbilly Gypsies, Herb & Hanson, Rusty Haywhackers, Izzy Stetar, and more! Throughout the weekend there will be other activities as well including workshops, children's activities, a homecoming parade, and a fireworks celebration. Free camping will be available in conjunction with the New Martinsville Parks & Recreation Department at the Marina, located about 1/2 a mile from the main stage. For more information or if you have questions about the Back Home Appalachian Arts & Music Festival, contact Visit Wetzel County at 304-398-4910.

TOWN & COUNTRY DAYS ANNOUNCED

Wetzel County's Town & Country Days will begin Saturday, Aug. 12, and run through Saturday, Aug. 19.

LIBRARY TO CLOSE FOR HOLIDAYS

New Martinsville Public Library will be closed Tuesday, June 20, for West Virginia Day. The facility also will be closed Monday, July 3, and Tuesday, July 4, for the Independence Day holiday. Please plan accordingly.

SUMMER READING STORYTIME SET TUESDAYS

The New Martinsville Public Library will host a summer Reading Storytime on Tuesdays in June: June 27, at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. There's no storytime June 20 as the library will be closed for West Virginia Day. Call the library at 304-455-4545 for more information.

REGATTAFEST ANNOUNCES DATES

RegattaFest will hold Record Runs Friday, Sept. 29, with races and unlimited demos scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 30, and Sunday, Oct. 1.

SHELTER RESERVATIONS TAKEN

New Martinsville Parks & Recreation is taking shelter reservations for Brooklyn, Bruce and Lewis Wetzel parks for April through October 2017. Reservations are on a first come, first serve basis and can be made in person at City Hall or by calling 304-455-9130. Reservations made in person are taken before over-the-phone reservations. Cost varies per shelter, depending on size and location.

FIRST FRIDAYS AT BARISTAS CAFE AND PUB

On the first Friday of every month Baristas Cafe and Pub hosts acoustic country music nights. There is no admission charge but gratuity is appreciated. Must be 21 or older to enter. Call 304-455-5410 for more information.

RECOVERY GROUP SET

Celebrate Recovery, a 12-step (faith-based) recovery program, meets at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at the New Martinsville United Methodist Church, located behind Captain Richard's on Hydro Drive. If you have any hurts, hang-ups, bad habits or addictions this is where to go. CR creates a safe, confidential place for sharing and healing. For more information call 304-455-1422.

HOME SCHOOL GROUP TO MEET

West Virginia and Ohio homeschooling parents and students and those who are considering homeschooling are invited to get together for encouragement, information exchange, friendship and support at the New Martinsville United Methodist Church at 10 Howard Jeffers Drive on the third Thursday of the month from 3-5 p.m. Call Lisa DeGarmo at 740-483-1426 or Cindy Biram at 304-455-1652 for more information.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE LOSS OFFERED

Healing Hearts of Survivors of Suicide Loss meets Tuesdays at Saint Ann's Episcopal Church at 453 Maple Ave. in New Martinsville. The social begins at 6:30 p.m.; meeting starts at 7 p.m. This support group is run by Messages For Hope Inc. for those who've been personally touched by a suicide. For more info contact Debbie Cardwell by email debbie@messagesforhope.com

forhope.com or at (304) 389-8558. Local group facilitator Richard Heller can be reached at (304) 299-0892.

BIBLE STUDY SLATED

Bible study is held at the Wetzel County Career Center (Wetzel County Center for Children and Families) Saturdays from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. The Career Center is 2.5 miles east of Route 2 on Highway 7, on the left just beyond the twin bridges. Enter side door number 6. For more information contact Daniel Morikone at 304-266-7504.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETS MONDAYS

Narcotics Anonymous meets every Monday at 7 p.m. at the New Martinsville United Methodist Church behind Captain Richard's. For information call 304-455-1422.

ST MARYS

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS BEGIN JUNE 16

Food Truck Fridays return for the summer season at the Pleasants Area Farmers Market lunch events: June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, and Sept. 8. from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Second Street in downtown St. Marys. Featuring food trucks from Country Catering, Cissy's Kitchen, Smokin' J's BBQ & Catering and Am Vets Post 40. Tickle your taste buds with pulled pork, chicken and noodles, American Classic comfort foods, wraps, salads, homemade pepperoni rolls, mac & cheese, chicken, brisket, pork loin, sloppy joes, hot dogs, taco-in-a-bag and more. Sponsored by the Pleasants Area Chamber of Commerce, 309 2nd St in St Marys.

PLEASANTS COUNTY PUBLIC POOL NOW OPEN FOR SEASON

The public pool in St. Marys is now open for the summer. Hours of operation: Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Night Swim: Mondays and Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Pleasants County Pool is located at 605 Cherry St., Saint Marys. For more information, call (304) 684-7740.

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COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT SEASON UNDERWAY

The St. Marys Community Concert Band likes to present a variety of music in their concerts, including show tunes, rock & roll, marches, patriotic songs, etc. New members are always welcome to attend practices, which are held on Tuesday evenings at the Marina at 7 p.m. No tryouts are required. For more information call 740-473-1278; or email fozbar@exede.net; keeling.chris@yahoo.com.

PARKERSBURG

'BRUNCH WITH MARGARET' OFFERED AT BLENNERHASSETT

"Brunch with Margaret" for the 2017 season is now underway. During these events, Carolina Alvarez performs the solo show, "Margaret," based on the life of 18th-century aristocrat and adventurer Margaret Blennerhassett. These events are half-day excursions to Blennerhassett Island for the entire family. Ticket price: \$43.95. Reservations are required; please call 304.420.4800 at least 24 hours before the date you'd like to attend. 2017 Brunch dates are Thursday, July 20, Thursday, Aug. 17, and Saturday, Sept. 16.

MID-OHIO VALLEY MULTI-CULTURAL FESTIVAL JUNE 16-18

Outdoor international festival features traditional music and dance, a wide variety of ethnic foods, an international marketplace and children's activities. Come to the Parkersburg City Park, 1920 Park Ave., and take a trip around the world. The event is free. Friday, Friday 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday, June 17, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday, June 18, from noon to 8 p.m. For more information contact organizer Mid-Ohio Valley Multi-Cultural Festival at 304-482-7790 or Parkersburg City Park at 304-482-3235.

POINT PLEASANT

ANTIQUA TRACTOR PULL DATES SET

Come join the Mason County farm community for an Antiqua Tractor Pull. Farm Museum Country Kitchen and Gift Shop open. Saturday, July 1, from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the West Virginia State Farm Museum, 1458 Fairgrounds Road, Point Pleasant. Event is free and open to the public. For more information contact organizer Lioyd Akers at 304-675-5737.

27TH ANNUAL POINT PLEASANT REGATTA JUNE 29-JULY 1

Free concerts are offered during the three-day weekend free of charge. Do not miss your chance to see up-and-coming Nashville acts, tribute bands, and local artists grace the Riverfront Park stage at NO COST. The parade will be Saturday, July 1, at 11 a.m. Line up will be at 10 a.m. at the Board of Education Office (Central School) on Main Street. July 1: Parade 11 a.m.; Fireworks 10 p.m. 5K Run; Pageants; Pretty Bay Contest; Free Concerts; Kids Day with free games and activities. Fireworks on Saturday evening. The Regatta is an alcohol-free event. For more information contact event organizer Jacob Hill at 304-593-2404 or Riverfront Park on Main Street at 304-812-5211.

CHILDREN'S 'LIBERTY DAY' ADVENTURE JULY 8

Join the Fort Randolph re-enactors for a day of frontier fun for children up to 10 years old. Find out what it was like to grow up on the frontier in a colonial Fort. Plenty of games and activities for the whole family in the third of the 2017 colonial seminar series at Fort Randolph, Krodel Park in Point Pleasant. The free event is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 8. For more information contact organizer Deb Cassidy at 304-675-6788.

ANNUAL BELLE OF CINCINNATI DINNER CRUISE JULY 24

The Point Pleasant River Museum is bringing back an evening to remember, reminiscent of the days of the early excursion boats. As the Belle of Cincinnati travels on the beautiful Ohio River Monday, July 24, a delicious buffet-style meal will be served and well-known

local singer Joey Wilcoxon will entertain, furnishing music for dancing or just listening. The cruise is 2 1/2 hours long, leaving the dock at Point Pleasant's Riverfront Park on Main Street at 7 p.m. Guests need to board by 6:30 p.m. Photographer is available for pictures. Boat has four decks, two of which are accessible by elevator, and one is walk-on. Handicap accessible to wheelchairs and scooters. Tickets are \$50 for adults and children ages 4-12 are \$25. For more information contact organizer Jack Fowler at 304-674-0144 or Riverfront Park at 304-812-5211.

WV STATE FARM MUSEUM'S TRACTOR PARADE & SHOW JULY 29

A parade of farm tractors starts at 9 a.m. Saturday, July 29, from the WV State Farm Museum at 1458 Fairgrounds Road, Point Pleasant, to Downtown Point Pleasant and back. The parade is followed by tractor games and equipment demonstrations. Farm Museum Country Kitchen and Gift Shop open. For more information contact organizer Lioyd Akers at 304-675-5737.

FAIRMONT

HEARTH COOKING DEMOS AT PRICKETTS FORT IN JUNE

Come out and tour the fort and smell the food cooking over an open hearth, the way food was prepared during the colonial period of our history. Recipes will be available upon request. Demos are on Tuesdays, June 27, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$4 to \$60. For more information, call the fort at 304-363-3030. Pricketts Fort is at 88 Park Drive, Fairmont.

COLONIAL KIDS DAYS SLATED AT PRICKETTS FORT

Bring the kids to the fort for a full day of fun and educational activities for them to experience. Activities will include life in the militia, games of the colonial child and a story in the Thomas Library. Child must be accompanied by an adult and regular admission applies. Cost is \$4 to \$60. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dates are Wednesday, June 21 or June 28. Located at 88 Park Drive, Fairmont,

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PRICKETTS FORT LECTURE SERIES: JOHN BOBACK JUNE 25

Jacob Prickett has long been celebrated as being one of the earliest pioneers on the western Virginia frontier. However, John Boback will argue the opposite position by presenting the Pricketts as late-comers to the frontier period of history that actually started more than 100 years before Prickett was even born. Attend his free lecture: The Western Virginia Backcountry: A Short History of a Very Long Frontier Sunday, June 25, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Pricketts Fort State Park, 88 Park Drive in Fairmont. For information, contact the fort at 303-363-3030.

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MATAMORAS

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST SLATED

A community breakfast is held from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. the first Saturday of every month at the Matamoras Masonic Lodge #374, 301 Main St. Menu includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, sausage gravy, pancakes, toast, milk, orange juice and coffee. Suggested donation is \$5 per person.

SARDIS

LIBRARY BENEFIT JUNE 24

Borderline is coming to Sardis! Be entertained by Borderline while dining on Scott Howell's homemade lasagna at the Dally Memorial Library Saturday, June 24, at 5 p.m. Join them for a great band and great food. Dally Memorial Library is located at 37252 Mound St, Sardis. For more information, call 740.483.1288, or fax to 740.483.2311, or email dallylibrary@sbcglobal.net.

NEWPORT

BINGO AT FIRE HALL MONDAYS

Play bingo at the Newport Fire Department every Monday. Doors open at 5 p.m. Bingo begins at 7 p.m. Concessions available. For more information call non-emergency number: 740-473-1506.

WOODSFIELD

SUMMER READING UNDERWAY

The summer reading program at Monroe County Library, at 96 Home Ave. in Woodsfield, continues through July 21. This year's theme is "Build a Better World." For more information, call the library at (740) 472-1954.

POKER RUN SET JULY 22

The Demons Triangle Challenge Poker Run is set for Saturday, July 22, in Monroe County, sponsored by the Monroe County Tourism Council. Check the Demons Triangle Facebook page for more information.

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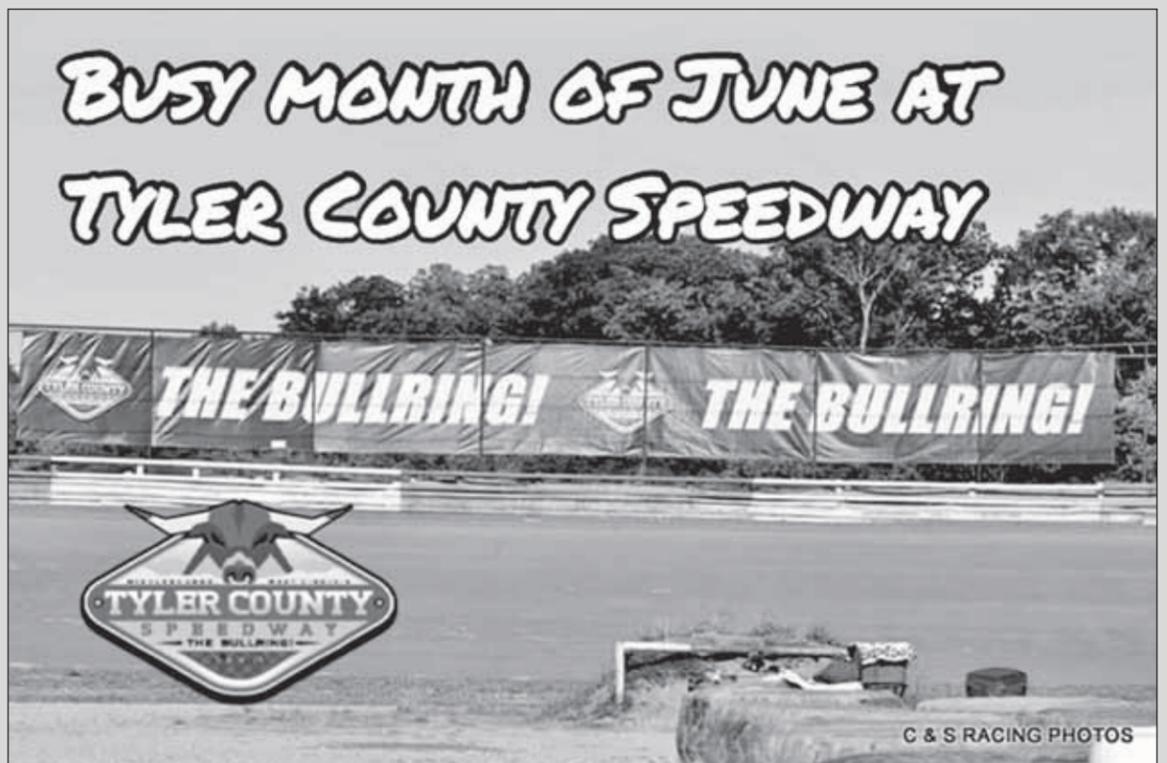
LOCKS & DAM VISITORS CENTER TO RE-OPEN JULY 1

Reopening of the Visitor Center at the Hannibal Locks & Dam in Hannibal will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 1, as the Ohio Valley River Museum and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers formally reopen and celebrate the new visitor center museum and observation area. Prelude with patriotic military marches and songs provided by the Washington Symphony Brass Quintet. The event is open to the public.

GRAYSVILLE

COMMUNITY DINNERS ANNOUNCED

A monthly community dinner begins at 4 p.m. at the Graysville and Community Volunteer Fire Department.



June jampacked with racing action at Tyler County's Bullring

MIDDLEBOURNE – With the early part of the 2017 racing schedule at the 'Bullring' being plagued by Mother Nature speedway officials have rescheduled a few events with more to come setting up a huge month of June. Looking for a staycation close to home this summer? The Tyler County Speedway has something for all gearheads in the family as the premier motorsports venue in the state offers up a heaping helping dose of excitement every Saturday night at a fan friendly affordable price.

16th ANNUAL EATON/CHILDERS FASTRAK KING OF THE RING JOINED BY THE RESCHEDULED 13th ANNUAL DICKSON CLASSIC: A fantastic way to celebrate Fathers Day weekend is by bringing good ol' dad to the Tyler County Speedway. A truly nostalgic night as we pay tribute to some legendary speedway icons in Beecher Eaton, Bill Childers and Paul and Ellenora Dickson. A \$2,000 to win FASTRAK Late Model invitational will see the regions best crate motored racers battle it out in the 16th Annual Eaton/Childers King of the Ring. Also adding to the robust night of motorsports will be the rescheduled 13th Annual Dickson Classic for AMRA Modifieds. Fans of the open wheel machines will be greeted to a fantastic show as the Ohio Valley's best modified hotshoes embark on the 'Bullring' looking to add their name to the prestigious Dickson Classic winners list. It is also Mega 100 qualifiers in all divisions, witness the Bullring's best as they strap in just a little bit tighter with the importance of locking in a guaranteed starting spot in the Fourth of July Mega 100 Weekend. Two marquee races, guaranteed starting sports up for grabs in the Mega 100 and an opportunity to show appreciation to some past speedway legends, all in one jam packed night. Oh yeah, there will be typical Tyler County Speedway three and four wide action to boot.

REDNECK THUNDER HIGHLIGHTED BY MAYHEM IN THE MOUNTAINS MUD BOG & POWER PULLING PRODUCTIONS SANCTIONED LUCAS OIL PRO PULLING LEAGUE: We close out the busy month of June on Saturday, June 24th at the Tyler County Speedway with something a little different. An all-day event dubbed 'Redneck Thunder' will see monsters of the mud tackle the mud pit at the 'Bullring' at noon. Nine divisions of mud racing will square off in a speed pit and 2' mud pit. Divisions include Big Outlaw, Little Outlaw, Class #3, 4 & 6 Cylinder, Street Stock, Mod Street, Hot Street, Super Street and Outlaw.

Then the focus will shift to the Tyler County Speedway at 7 pm as the Power Pulling Productions sanctioned Lucas Oil Pro Pulling League will take center stage as four classes of Trucks will light up the 'Bullring' with pure pulling power. Featured pulling classes will be the Super Stock 4x4s, 8,000 Open Street Diesel Trucks, 6,200 Pro Stock 4x4's, and the 6700 Street Legal 4x4s. General admission is just \$10 per event or enjoy a \$20 all access pass for both.

Tyler County Speedway is located 3 ½ miles south of Middlebourne, WV on State Route 18 at the Tyler County Fairgrounds approximately an hour from Wheeling, Clarksburg & Parkersburg. Featuring a spacious scenic campground along the Middle Island Creek with hookups, picnic shelters, playgrounds, shower and bathroom facilities among the many facility amenities to enhance the racing experience at West Virginia's premier venue for motorsports. For complete Tyler County Speedway event information, news stories, ticket info and schedule information for the season, visit www.tylercountyspeedwayonline.com or call the track at 304-771-5661 or 304-771-6874 or on Raceday at 304-758-2660.

Dates and entrees are as follows: 4 p.m. Saturday, July 15. Chicken barbecue is on the menu for Saturday, Sept. 16. A Halloween Party is slated Saturday, Oct. 14, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Costume judging to begin at 6 p.m.

CLARINGTON

ANNUAL STERNWHEELER MUSEUM BENEFIT JUNE 24

The 5th annual Delta Queen Dinner to benefit the Ohio Valley River Museum is Saturday, June 24, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. aboard the Valley Gem. Cost is \$50 per person. Reservations required and must be paid in ad-

vance. For more information and to make reservations, call museum director Barbara Rush at 740-391-2786. Mail checks payable to: OVR Museum; P.O. Box 162; Clarington, OH 43915. Boat will leave Port Marietta (601 S. Front St) at 3 p.m. – plan to board around 2:30 p.m. Parking available. The cruise will be up the Muskingum River!

If you would like to run your community service announcement in The INNformer, please fax it to 304-652-1312 attention The INNformer, email it to innformerme@yahoo.com, or send it in a private message on The INNformer's Facebook page.

OIL & GAS NEWS**Comments due July 5 on pipeline at Natrium**

Tug Hill Operating LLC of Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, has applied for a West Virginia National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Water Pollution Control Permit Modification for Natrium in Marshall County. Latitude: 39:44:55 Longitude: 80:48:58. Appl. No.: WVR310792.

Receiving Stream: Coon Run/Ohio River.

This application is for the discharge of stormwater associated with the disturbance of 63.36 acres, excluding areas of overlap, for the construction of the West Header and Channing pipelines that connect with the already approved Greet Pipeline. The West Header Pipeline will be 4.41 miles long and disturb 46.6 acres and the Channing Pipeline will be 1.56 miles long and disturb 16.78 acres.

On the basis of review of the application, the "Water Pollution Control Act (Chapter 22, Article 11-8(a))," and the "West Virginia Legislative Rules," the State of West Virginia will act on the above application.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit modification and may request a public hearing by addressing such to the director of the Division of Water and Waste Management by July 5, 2017. Such comments or requests should be addressed to: Director, Division of Water and Waste Management, DEP; ATTN: Sharon Mullins, Permitting Section; 601 57th Street SE; Charleston, WV 25304-2345.

Comments received within this period will be considered prior to acting on the permit modification application. Correspondence should include the name, address and the telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues raised. The director shall hold a public hearing whenever a finding is made, on the basis of requests, that there is a significant degree of public interest on issues relevant to the Draft Permit Modification(s). Interested persons may contact the public information office to obtain further information.

The application, draft permit modification and any required fact sheet may be inspected, by appointment, at the Division of Water and Waste Management Public Information Office, at 601 57th Street SE, Charleston, WV, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on business days. Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Division at a nominal cost. Individuals requiring Telecommunication Device (TDD) may contact the agency by calling (304) 926-0493. Calls must be made 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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**AIR QUALITY 2018 PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE RULES PUBLIC HEARING SLATED JULY 11**

The West Virginia Division of Air Quality has scheduled a public hearing for its 2018 proposed legislative rules Tuesday, July 11, at the Division of Environmental Protection's Charleston headquarters, 601 57th Street S.E., Charleston, WV 25304. The public hearing will take place beginning at 6 p.m. in the Dolly Sods Conference Room. Oral and written comments will be made a part of the rulemaking record.

Copies of the rules are available from the Secretary of State's office or from the DEP at <http://www.dep.wv.gov/pio/Pages/Rules.aspx>. Hard copies of the information may be obtained by calling the phone number listed below. Written comments may also be submitted to the Public Information Office at the above address or e-mailed to dep.comments@wv.gov. The public comment period ends at the conclusion of the public hearing, July 11.

Division of Air Quality:
45CSR8 - Ambient Air Quality Standards
45CSR16 - Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources
45CSR18 - Control of Air Pollution from Combustion of Solid Waste
45CSR23 - Control of Air Pollution from Municipal Solid Waste Landfills
45CSR25 - Control of Air Pollution from Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facilities
45CSR34 - Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants

Upon authorization and promulgation, rules 45CSR16, 45CSR25 and 45CSR34 will be submitted to the United States EPA (EPA) to fulfill federal obligations under the Clean Air Act (CAA), including delegations and authorizations. Upon authorization and promulgation of 45CSR8, the DAQ will submit the rule to the EPA as a revision to the State Implementation Plan pursuant to the federal CAA. Upon authorization and promulgation of 45CSR18, the DAQ will submit the rule to the EPA as a revision to the State 111(d)/129 Plan pursuant to the federal CAA and to fulfill obligations regarding delegation of the federal New Source Performance Standards. Upon authorization and promulgation of 45CSR23, the DAQ will submit the rule to the EPA as a revision to the State 111(d) Plan pursuant to the federal CAA and to fulfill obligations regarding delegation of the federal New Source Performance Standards.

For more information on any of the DAQ rules call 304-926-0475.

OER 2018 PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE RULES PUBLIC HEARING JULY 6

The Department of Environmental Protection's (WVDEP) Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) has scheduled a public hearing for its 2018 proposed legislative rule on Thursday, July 6, at the WVDEP's Charleston headquarters, 601 57th Street S.E., Charleston, WV 25304. The public hearing will take place beginning at 6 p.m. in the Coopers Rock Training and Conference Room. Oral and written comments will be made as part of the rulemaking record.

A copy of the rule is available from the Secretary of State's office or from the WVDEP at <http://www.dep.wv.gov/pio/Pages/Rules.aspx>. Hard copies of the information may be obtained by calling the phone number listed below. Written comments may also be submitted to the Public Information Office at the above address or e-mailed to dep.comments@wv.gov. The public comment period ends at the conclusion of the public hearing, July 6.

Office of Environmental Remediation:
60CSR3 - Voluntary Remediation and Redevelopment Rule

The proposed revisions primarily update procedures for the Brownfields Revolving Fund (BRF) Program and remove the requirement to submit hardcopy documents/reports in appropriate instances.

For more information on the OER rule call 304-926-0455.

DWWM 2018 PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE RULES PUBLIC HEARING JULY 6

The Department of Environmental Protection's (WVDEP) Division of Water and Waste Management has scheduled a public hearing for its 2018 proposed legislative rules on Thursday, July 6, at the WVDEP's Charleston headquarters, 601 57th Street S.E., Charleston, WV 25304. The public hearing will take place beginning at 6 p.m. in the Coopers Rock Training and Conference Room. Oral and written comments will be made as part of the rulemaking record.

Copies of the rules are available from the Secretary of State's office or from the WVDEP at <http://www.dep.wv.gov/pio/Pages/Rules.aspx>. Hard copies of the information may also be obtained by calling the phone number listed below. Written comments may also be submitted to the Public Information Office at the above address or e-mailed to dep.comments@wv.gov. The public comment period ends at the conclusion of the public hearing, July 7.

Division of Water and Waste Management: 30CSR20 - Hazardous Waste Management System

This rule update serves to incorporate by reference federal hazardous waste management regulations. Specifically, this rule making will incorporate the 2015 Definition of Solid Waste and the Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements rule.

Division of Water and Waste Management: 33CSR30 - Underground Storage Tanks

This rule update serves to incorporate by reference 40 CFR 280 (federal UST regulations), remove sections of the State Rule associated with the Energy Policy Act of 2005 as these are now included in the current federal regulations and update certain aspects of the UST Worker Certification program.

For more information on any of the DWWM rules call 304-926-0495.

DEP ISSUES AREA DRILLING PERMITS

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection has issued the following drilling permits for this region:

Week of May 29: No local permits issued.

Week of May 22: One plugging permit issued for Wetzel County to Consolidation Coal Co.

Week of May 15: One plugging permit issued for Wetzel County to EQT Production Co.

Week of May 8: Fourteen horizontal drilling permits were issued for Tyler County to Antero Resources. Corp.

Week of May 1: No local permits issued.

Week of April 24: One horizontal permit was issued to Antero Resources Corp. for Tyler County. Three plugging permits issued for Wetzel County to Consolidation Coal Com.

Week of April 17: One horizontal drilling permit was issued for Pleasants County to Jay-bee Oil & Gas Inc.

US RIG COUNT CONTINUES TO INCREASE

The average U.S. rig count for May 2017 was 893, up 40 from the 853 counted in April 2017, and up 485 from the record low of 408 counted in May 2016, according to Baker Hughes Inc, a Houston-based oil field services company.

In the tri-state region, for the week ending June 10, Ohio was up three rigs overall, to 27, Pennsylvania was down one to 34, and West Virginia was up by two for a total of 13.

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