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Music, art
in the area.
Thursday

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Staff, submitted reports

Man charged with malicious wounding after bat attack

A man faces a felony charge for hitting someone in the head with a baseball bat, according to court records.

Steven Joseph Suiter, 40, of Morgantown, was charged with malicious wounding by the Morgantown Police Department. He was arraigned in Monongalia County Magistrate Court, where bail was set at \$15,000.

According to his criminal complaint: On Friday, Suiter struck the victim in the head with a bat after a child-custody dispute. EMS was called to the scene to provide aid to the victim, who was bleeding.

Carrico-Fretwell reunion will be at Blackwater Falls

The 2016 Carrico-Fretwell Family Reunion will be held Friday-Sunday, at Blackwater Falls State Park, in Davis. Make reservations by calling 304-259-5216, and indicate that you are with the Carrico-Fretwell Reunion. Discounted rates are available. All family connections are welcome.

■ At 5 p.m. Friday at Blackwater Falls Lodge, the family will gather on the rear lawn for a cook-out while listening to dulcimer music played by Bob Shank.

■ On Saturday, there will be several activities available for a wide range of ages and interests; such as trail rides, white-water rafting, canoeing, hiking, shopping, visiting at the lodge with other family members, and, for those who have an interest, visiting Rowlesburg, home of the Carrico and Fretwell families for decades.

■ On Saturday evening, the family will meet at the Harr Center, at Blackwater Falls Lodge, for a reception at 5 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner at 6 p.m. Bring your family pictures, stories and memorabilia to share and display.

■ On Sunday morning, there will be an optional group breakfast at Blackwater Falls Lodge.

For more information, contact Martha Perry, 703-471-7405, or email martyperry62@yahoo.com.

Old Denver school to have reunion on Thursday

The old Denver School reunion will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, at the Lions Club Park, in Tunnelton.

Meat and drinks will be provided. Bring a covered dish.

Information: Bob Pratt at 304-329-2269.

Blood drives to be offered by American Red Cross

The American Red Cross will host blood drives on the following dates:

■ Today: 12:30-6 p.m., St. Francis De Sales, 1 Guthrie Lane.

■ Wednesday: 1:30-7 p.m., Suncrest United Methodist Church, 479 Van Voorhis Road.

■ Thursday: 1:30-7 p.m., Spruce Street United Methodist Church Seekers Hall, 389 Spruce St.

■ Thursday: noon-5:30 p.m., Terra Alta Ambulance Building, 1124 E. State Ave.

■ Friday: 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Morgantown Blood Donation Center, 1223-10 Pineview Drive.

■ Aug. 2: noon-5:30 p.m., Kingwood Community Building, 115 Brown Ave.

■ Aug. 3: 1-6:30 p.m., Central United Methodist Church, 301 Fairmont Ave.

■ Aug. 4: 1-6:30 p.m., Bruce-ton Fire Hall, Union Street.

■ Aug. 5: 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Morgantown Blood Donation Center, 1223-10 Pineview Drive.

■ Aug. 5: 1-6:30 p.m., Fairmont Senior High School, 1 Loop Park.

■ Aug. 10: 1:30-7 p.m., Student Rec Center, 2001 Rec Center Drive.

■ Aug. 12: 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Morgantown Blood Donation Center, 1223-10 Pineview Drive.

Info, appointments: redcrossblood.org or 1-800-733-2767.

Waste may equal energy

City and business join to explore new methods

BY BEN CONLEY

The Dominion Post

Is a facility capable of transforming municipal solid waste into an energy source feasible in Monongalia County?

The Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority (MCSWA) has set out to answer that question — with more than a little help from environmental consulting firm

Downstream Strategies.

During Monday's regular MC-SWA meeting, Evan Hansen, Joseph James and Evan Fedorko, representing Downstream Strategies, provided a draft report of the county's waste-to-energy options.

Gasification is the process of turning trash, or any carbon based material, into a gas derived of carbon monoxide and hydrogen. From there, the gas can be used in a number of applications, including the production of diesel and other liquid fuels.

Hansen explained what kind of facility the MCSWA is interested in.

"The focus of the solid waste authority was to look at a syngas (synthesis gas) facility that would work well with municipal solid waste, even if it used other materials as well. It would be able to use waste tires and coal and it needed to be able to change its feedstocks over time," Hansen explained, adding that diesel, ammonia and hydrogen were identified as potential products for the facility.

According to Hansen, there were a number of hurdles in collecting solid information, largely tied to the fact that this is an emerging field, meaning there is limited information available,

and much of it is proprietary, and not readily shared.

It was explained that there currently are no active commercial gasifiers in the United States, though there are four in the planning stages — including one in Florida that will produce diesel fuel and one in Nevada that will produce jet fuel.

MCSWA Chairman Heyward Helmick explained why the MC-SWA was interested in learning more about refuse to fuel facilities.

"We're doing what we're charged to do. Looking at managing the solid waste in the county and trying to determine what

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Morning wreck



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This Toyota Camry, heading west near the 1-mile marker on Interstate 68, flipped and rolled Monday morning. The driver, who was unable to provide his name, was taken to an area hospital.

Accident leads to another on I-68

BY MADISON FLECK

The Dominion Post

A Monday rollover wreck on Interstate 68 sent one to a hospital, snarling traffic and causing a second wreck.

Monongalia County Sheriff's Deputy Craig Ruscello said the driver of a Toyota Camry veered off the road and flipped his vehicle up to three times.

The driver was an elderly man, reported missing out of New York, Ruscello said. He was unable to provide the name of the man, who was traveling alone and did not speak English. He was taken to an area hospital by Mon EMS, but Ruscello said he appeared to have only minor injuries.

Law enforcement were in contact with the man's family.

The wreck was reported to MECCA 911 dispatchers at about 10 a.m., near the 1-mile marker.

Soon after the wreck was reported, there was another col-



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The wrecked car remains alongside Interstate 68 while emergency crews work to remove it.

lision nearby. Due to slow traffic, a woman driving a Ford Explorer rear-ended a man driving a Mazda SUV.

EMS responded to four minor

injuries in the second accident, West Virginia State Police Trooper Nick DeMedici said. The driver of the Ford Explorer was at fault in the second accident.

Revenue \$30K less than anticipated

BY KATHY PLUM

The Dominion Post

KINGWOOD — The Preston County Commission ended the 2015-'16 fiscal year with \$30,489 less than anticipated.

That's not a hardship, Com-

PRESTON COUNTY COMMISSION

missioners Craig Jennings, Dave Price and Don Smith said after learning the final figures Monday. They decreased the anticipated revenue in the

contingency fund by that amount to compensate.

Commissioners had anticipated a carryover of \$1.6 million. The FY 2016-'17 budget totals about \$8.6 million.

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Play Pokemon at Post PokeParty

BY MADISON FLECK

The Dominion Post

Pokemon players can "catch 'em all" on Wednesday, in the grassy area behind *The Dominion Post* as lure modules will be set up at a nearby Pokestop from noon-8 p.m.

The Post PokeParty will lure Pokemon for eight hours, and there will be free Wi-Fi, as well as refreshments for those who follow *The Dominion Post* on Twitter and Snapchat and like them on Facebook.

"When we heard about how Pokemon Go was taking off, *The Dominion Post* wanted to get involved somehow," said

multimedia coordinator for *The Dominion Post* and Post PokeParty organizer Amanda DeProspero. "Luckily, we have a Pokestop and a gym pretty close to us, so we decided to have a get-together, and to set lure modules up at the nearby Pokestop for eight hours."

During the party, a hashtag will be revealed, and those who share it will be entered to win a GooglePlay or iTunes gift card. Four Horsemen Comics and Gaming will have a booth set up at the party, and will hand out Pokemon cards (while supplies last) to players who catch the corresponding Pokemon on the

Pokemon Go app. Professor Poplar will also be at the location to give Pokemon trainers tips and tricks for the app.

"It's getting kids out of the house, it's getting them active," said owner of Four Horsemen Ron Davis. "There are communities that are springing up, and that's what Four Horsemen has always been about. It's about community-building and getting people together. That's what this game is doing."

The WVU Extension Service will also have a booth for health promotion and will hand out free samples of

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UPDATE

Two trials pushed to October

Xu and Kramer's cases moved back

BY ALEX LANG

The Dominion Post

Trials for two people — one accused of attempted murder and another living in secret in WVU buildings — were moved to the fall.

On Monday, various defendants appeared before Monongalia County Circuit Court Judge Susan Tucker to update the status of their cases.

The trial for Dong Xu, which was set for next week, was moved to October. He was charged with three counts of entering without breaking and possession of material of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Police said that Xu lived, in secret, in various WVU buildings for at least a year. When they found him, they also found explicit material.

Jesse Kramer also had his trial moved to October. He was charged with attempted first-degree murder, malicious assault, first-degree robbery and assault during the commission of a felony.

According to Kramer's criminal complaint: In February, deputies answered a call to Ashwood Lane for a reported stabbing. They found a man in the trunk of a car with cuts on his neck and head. Witnesses said Kramer believed he killed his friend.

The case against David Anderson, a local doctor accused of embezzling thousands from Cheat Lake Urgent Care, is nearing a plea agreement. Defense Attorney Raymond Yackel said the sides are close to a resolution.

Tucker set a potential plea hearing for next month.

MEETINGS

Today

GRANVILLE SEWER BOARD, 6 p.m., Granville Town Hall. Info: 304-599-5080.

GRANVILLE TOWN COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Granville Town Hall. Info: 304-599-5080.

MONONGALIA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, 7 p.m., 13 S. High St. (lower level). Info: 304-291-9210.

KINGWOOD CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., 311 Tunnelton St., Kingwood. Info: 304-329-1225.

FAIRMONT CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Public Safety Building, 500 Quincey St., Fairmont. Info: 304-367-0193.

MORGANTOWN CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, 7 p.m., Morgantown City Hall. Info: 304-284-7439.

Wednesday

MONONGALIA COUNTY COMMISSION, 10 a.m., Monongalia County Courthouse, High Street. Info: 304-291-7257.

MARION COUNTY COMMISSION, 10 a.m., J. Harper Meredith Building, 200 Jackson St., Fairmont. Info: 304-367-5400.

MORGANTOWN URBAN LANDSCAPE COMMISSION, 4:30 p.m., Morgantown Public Safety Building, Spruce Street.

SPAN (SOUTH PARK ASSOCIATION OF NEIGHBORS), 7 p.m., at the First Christian Church on the corner of Coburn Avenue and Grand Street. Enter through the door on Edgewood. Social will be at 6:30 p.m.