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Band Boosters

To Meet May 17

The Pendleton County Middle/High School band boosters will meet at 5 p.m. May 17 in the band room at the school. The meeting's agenda will include election of officers.

Food Handler's Classes Scheduled

The Pendleton County Health Department has scheduled food handler's classes. Classes will be held as follows:

Pendleton Community Building in Franklin — 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. on May 12; 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on June 7; 2 p.m., 5 p.m. and $7~\mathrm{p.m.}$ on June $23~\mathrm{and}~2~\mathrm{p.m.}$ and 5 p.m. on July 7;

Clinton Hedrick Community Building in Riverton – 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on May 17, 5 p.m. on June 15 and 2p.m. on July 12; and

Zoom Classes — 6 p.m. May 25 or 10 a.m. June 9. To schedule the day and time that a person wants to attend the class, call 304-358-7565. There will be a limit of 35 participants per class. Anvone interested in the Zoom class must also call to reserve a spot.

Post 9666 To Gather

VFW Post 9666 will meet at 6:30 today at the post home in Sugar Grove.

Senator Capito's **Mobile Offices to** Resume Visits in 8 WV Counties

By Ammie Ruddle

On May 9 Martinsburg office manager and eastern panhandle field representative Chris Strovel set up the Capito mobile office at Pendleton Senior and Family Services in Franklin.

This is the first time since COVID-19 hit in 2020 that the mobile offices are available for one-on-one services to constituents.

Stovel covers Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, Mineral, Hampshire, Grant, Hardy, and Pendleton counties.

Stovel stated he plans to be

in each county once every two months to answer questions and assist with casework and other issues that anyone may be experiencing with federal agencies. He can also be reached via phone at (304)262-9285, should any constituent not be available to meet oneon-one with the mobile office.

The form that is needed to address any issues or claims can be picked up at a mobile office or Stovel can send it electronically, however all issues and claims must be put in writing.

Armentrout Memorial Set for Saturday



Park and cresting a veterans' memorial during a ceremony at 2 p.m. Saturday at the park. Photos by Shawn Stinson.

By Shawn Stinson

A former Pendleton County commissioner and a longtime member of the Pendleton County Board of Parks will be honored for his work and dedication to the park.

Bob Armentrout, who died on Jan. 22, will be recognized for his work involving Ruddle Park as well as the creation of a veterans' memorial at the park. The ceremony is set for 2 p.m. Saturday at the park.

Armentrout originally joined the board of parks in 2006 when he was serving as a county commissioner. He remained on the board following his six-year term in office.

Gene Boggs, a member of the county board of parks, said Armentrout got the inspiration to create the memorial from the Highland County Courthouse in Monterey, Virginia. There are bricks on a sidewalk with the names of Highland County's veterans.

"He sold the bricks for the memorial," Boggs said.

Boggs added as part of the ceremony, a plaque will be placed at the memorial to acknowledge Armentrout's work at the park and the memorial. Armentrout was serving as president of the board at the time of his death. "It wasn't hardly anything to it to start with," Boggs

Boggs added bricks are available to purchase for any

veteran for \$40. If interested in purchasing a brick, contact him at 304-358-7982.

Worthy **Facing** Attempted Murder Charges

By Shawn Stinson

PETERSBURG – A Pendleton County man is facing six counts of attempted murder and a single count of driving under the influence related to a March 15 incident in Grant County.

Authorities allege Cameron R. Worthy, 19, of Skiles Pitsenbarger Road in Franklin, threatened to kill his ex-girlfriend and her family in Grant County. A man called authorities to report Worthy was on the way to his home with a gun to allegedly shoot his daughter and his family.

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Lightning **Strike** Illustrates

The Pendleton County Commission met on April 3 to discuss the aftermath of a lightning strike to the 911 system. Lightning disabled two of four 911 trunk lines into the county during the afternoon of May 1. Service continued, however, there was damage to equipment at the 911 center.

same cable from Elkins.

Need for 911 Redundancy By Walter Hojka

Rick Gillespie, emergency services coordinator, said that while he was relieved that service was uninterrupted, this event underscored the need for a second 911 trunk line route in the county. Currently, all four 911 lines travel along the

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School Board Recognizes **Outstanding** Staff and **Students**

By Ammie Ruddle

On May 3, the Pendleton County Board of Education discussed plans for the end of the 2021/2022 school year, including awards and recognitions.

James D. Wilkins II, school board president, and members Teresa Heavner and Sonny O'Neil were present. Member Betty Kimble appeared via video conference.

Former board member Charlie Burgoyne submitted his resignation at the April 19 meeting. Burgoyne was appointed April 12 to the Pendleton County Commission, replacing Carole Hartman, who died April 4.

The following teachers and staff will be recognized June 3 as Teachers of the Year:

Brandywine Elementary School: Teacher of the Year - Joey

Eason

Service Personnel of the Year – Dolly Rexrode Franklin Elementary

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Trout Fest A Success Despite Cold and Rain

By Walter Hojka

A rainy drizzle hung over most of Trout Fest last weekend, but it did not dampen the spirits of the organizers or the attendees. Activities continued with all stage events being moved inside the craft building, where attendees enjoyed local entertainment.

Some events had to be postponed but attendance was up, according to Ciara Lambert, executive director of the Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the event. Craft sales also went well, according to vendors.

Rain and hazardous river conditions caused two events to be postponed. The car show has been postponed to a yet undetermined date. The trout derby, which could not be held on Saturday, will now last until May 21.



The Little Switzerland Cloggers from Highland County, Virginia, performing Continued on Page 10 at Trout Fest. Photo by Walter Hojka.

SFVFD Annual Banquet Held, Officers Installed



During the SFVFD installation of department and auxiliary officers, Jerry Bowers, at left, reads the oath to, from left, officers of the auxiliary: Patricia Bodkin, treasurer, Judy Grimm, secretary, Donna Evick, vice president, and Nila Bland, president, as well as officers of the fire department: Roy Bowers, lieutenant, Seth Bowers, assistant chief, Gregory Dyer, department chief, Jeff Bowers, president, Dennis Knicely vice president and secretary, and Nathan Parker, captain. Photo by Walter Hojka.

By Walter Hojka

 $The \ South \ Fork \ Volunteer \ Fire \ Department \ (SFVFD) \ held$ its annual banquet on April 30 at the department's fire hall in Brandywine.

The program included remarks from Moorefield Fire Chief Doug Mongold and State Senator Bill Hamilton.

Officers for the fire department and the auxiliary were installed, and outstanding service awards were presented by both the SFVFD and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9666 (VFW).

Mongold, who is a member of the West Virginia State Firemen's Association, spoke about the lobbying efforts the

group is undertaking with the West Virginia Legislature to ensure adequate funding for volunteer fire departments. He encouraged departments to apply for available grants and for members to attend the state convention.

Sen. Hamilton expressed appreciation for Pendleton County Commissioner Carole Hartman, who died April 4. He recalled that they worked on several projects together. "Many people don't know how much she did," he said.

Hamilton also spoke in favor of increased funding for the volunteer fire departments in the state and encouraged people to contact their representatives in the Legislature. The VFW presented three certificates. Ruby Crown re-

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Emergency Planning Committee Planning Training Exercise

By Walter Hojka

The Pendleton County Emergency Planning Committee (PCEPC) is planning to participate in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program, emergency officials said at their meeting on May 5. The program helps com-

munities develop, execute, and evaluate exercises that address preparedness for emergency situations. During the meeting, officials discussed preparedness training for accidents involving large passenger vehicles. "We need to be prepared for that," said Bruce Minor, chairman of the PCEPC.

As per Homeland Security protocols, the exercises will

include a tabletop exercise, in which various emergency response teams will meet to work through a potential emergency. The exercises culminate in a physically staged emergency response situation. Minor stressed that evaluation during each exercise will be helpful in improving the response in the next exercise. The PCEPC has allotted \$250 to the

project and plans to form a committee to facilitate the project. The emergency planning

committee will be holding a public meeting July 14 at noon. The meeting will be held at the Pendleton Community Building. All current emergency planning documents will be made available, and any questions will

be answered.

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BITUARIES

Morris Lee Mallow



Morris Lee Mallow, 91, of Upper Tract passed away May 8, 2022, at Grant Memorial Hospital in Petersburg. He was born Aug. 4, 1930

in Franklin and was the son of the late O. R. Mallow and Sara J. (Riggleman) Mallow.

Mr. Mallow attended Franklin High School and married Mary Sue (Heavner) Mallow on Aug. 18, 1949.

He and his wife "Sue" built a large farming operation in the Upper Tract, West Virginia, as well as being prominent in the trucking industry.

He faithfully attended Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, and more recently the Upper Tract United Methodist Church.

His wife of 72 years, Mary "Sue" Mallow, preceded him

Surviving are a daughter, Sharon Morford of Upper Tract; three sons, Donald Mallow (Linda) and Fred Mallow (Amy), all of Upper Tract, and William Mallow (Darlene) of Greenwood, South Carolina; five grandsons, Michael Mallow (Traci) of Benson, Minnesota, Phillip Mallow (Cindie) of Upper Tract, Zebulun Mallow of Morgantown, Brian Mallow (Amanda) of Albany, Georgia, and Aaron Harper; four granddaughters, Cassie Boner (Adam) of Upper Tract, Natalie Propst of Arlington, Virginia, Emily Propst of Bozeman, Montana, and Stephanie Walker (Steve) of Harrisonburg, Virginia; 12 great-grandchildren, Taelyn, Teyana, Hazel, Easton, Everett, Ezra, Eleanor, Grace, Carter, Adam, Hayden and Ava; two step-grandchildren, Phillip and Jonathan; two step-great-grandchildren, Joe and Isabel; three sistersin-law, Betty Puffenbarger of Franklin, Helen R. Heavner of Upper Tract and Betty Lea Heavner of Louisville, Colorado; and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by a son, Michael Burgoyne; a daughter, Margaret (Maggie) Burgoyne Harper; two brothers, John M. Mallow and Stanley R. Mallow; two infant sisters, Elaine Virginia Mallow and Anna M. Mallow; a grandson, Ryan Harper; and a step-grandson, Bobby

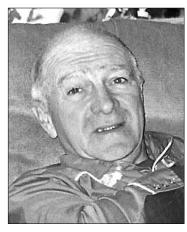
All services were private.

Memorials may be made to Upper Tract United Methodist Church, PO Box 16, Upper Tract, WV 26866 or South Branch Ruritan Club, 2275 Schmucker Road, Upper Tact, WV 26866.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.kimblefuneralhome.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Kimble Funeral Home in Franklin.

Danny O. Kisamore



Danny O. Kisamore, 81, of Riverton passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, on May 5, 2022, at Grant Memorial Hospital in Petersburg.

He was born on Sept. 12, 1940, in Key, the son of the late Henry and Opal Bell (Wyant) Kisamore.

Mr. Kisamore attended Riverton, Circleville, and Ohio schools. He attended High Rock United Methodist Church and was a member of the Riverton American Legion Post #183.

He retired as a supervisor from the West Virginia Department of Highways, and he had worked for Hansel Hedrick Trucking and Estyl Ruddle Trucking. He was a farmer and a veteran of the US Navy.

He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather and loved spending time with his family and friends.

On June 19, 1976, he married Lucy Ellen (Harper) Kisamore, who survives.

In addition to his wife, he leaves behind to cherish his memories two daughters, Anna Marie Ours (Ronnie) of Petersburg and Candace Jane Kisamore of Columbus, Ohio; two sons, Roy Dean Kisamore (Kathy) of Critz, Virginia, and Philip Wright Kisamore (Amy) of Riverton; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by two brothers, Lewis and Lorenzo Kisamore; and a sister, Louanna Mokos.

Funeral services were held Monday at the High Rock United Methodist Church in Riverton with Pastor Cindy Skinner officiating. Interment was in the Kisamore Family Cemetery in Riverton.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at www. basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.

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ceived a certificate of commendation for service as a member of the Franklin Rescue Squad. Fire Chief Roy Bowers was recognized as Fireman of the Year, and County Sheriff Chad Bowers received recognition as Law Enforcement Officer of the

Roy Bowers presented awards on behalf of the SFVFD. Junior Fireman of the Year was presented to Joshua Parker. An Outstanding Leadership award was presented to Seth Bowers. An Outstanding Service award was presented to Bob Grimm. Fireman of the Year was awarded to Timmy

Two awards were presented to Nila Bland. She received both the Auxillary Member of the Year Award and the Most Dedicated Award. Bland has been a member of the auxiliary

Thank you!

Thank you to my family, friends and neighbors for all the beautiful birthday cards, flowers, gift certificates, phone calls, stamps, money and visits I received for my big day. I read the cards with written messages over and over with a box of Kleenex by my side.

It was so special for all of you wishing me a Happy Birthday.

Bless you all, Ruthalene Judy

Robert "Bob" Gerald Armentrout



A celebration of life service for Robert "Bob" Armentrout will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Ruddle Park. Bring a lawn

Robert "Bob" Gerald Armentrout, 78, went to be with the Lord on Jan.20, 2022.

He was born April 1, 1943, in Kline to the late Clyde and Rispa Lee (Mullenax) Armen-

Mr. Armentrout attended Schmucker School and graduated from Franklin High School in 1961.

He served in the United States Army from 1961-1964, where he carried out Morse Code Intelligence in Panama.

On July 2, 1966, he married the love of his life, Ganel Adelade (Alt) Armentrout, who survives. They were married for 55 years, and together they raised three daughters in Upper Tract - Tammy (Scott) Thompson of Millsboro, Delaware, Penny (Steven) Cohen of Purcellville, Virginia, and Heidi (Joshua) Kimble of Upper Tract.

He worked as a mechanic at Petersburg Motor Company. He was a partner in Main Street Texaco, and he owned and operated a successful chip and snack distribution company for many years. After earning a degree from Shepherd College, he sold real estate in Pendleton County. He retired from the Great Valu, where he worked as produce manager.

A member of the Upper Tract United Methodist Church, he volunteered as youth group director and Sunday school teacher. He was committed to his community. He served as Pendleton County Commissioner and was a leader for the Pendleton County Board of Parks. He was instrumental in the planning and development of Ruddle Park and the Veteran's Memorial.

Throughout the years, he enjoyed many activities: lifting weights with friends, playing volleyball by the river, coaching softball, fixing up and racing classic cars, hunting in the Ridges, and shooting skeet. He was an avid reader. He was also a skilled artist with furniture making, wood working, and stained glass. He valued time with people and always had a joke or story to share. He was a friend and neighbor who could be counted on in a time of need. His kind and generous nature will live on in the hearts of many.

The one thing he treasured most was time spent with his family, especially his grandchildren, Andrew (Ivy) Thompson, Emma Thompson, Jack Cohen, Maggie Cohen, Carly Kimble and Claira Kimble.

Age 5 - 17 — \$50

He is also survived by two brothers, Clyde Douglas Armentrout of Glen Bernie, Maryland, and Larry Armentrout of Franklin; and a sister, Linda "Tiny" Hoover of Weyers Cave, Virginia.

He was also preceded in death by a brother, Charles Fredrick Armentrout; and a sister, Bonnie Tulin.

Memorial contributions may be made to Upper Tract Rescue Squad, PO Box 1290, Upper Tract, WV 26866 or Ruddle Park, PO Box 187, Franklin, WV 26807.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.kimblefuneralhome.

Worthy

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In the criminal complaint, authorities allege Worthy's threat to kill the woman and her family was heard by multiple people.

Grant County Sheriff Brian Ours and Deputy Seara Mallow drove to the caller's residence to wait for Worthy. Authorities said they watched a blue pickup truck pull into the driveway of the residence. Mallow and Ours ordered Worthy to exit his vehicle. Worthy stepped out of the vehicle and officers placed hand constraints on him.

In the report, authorities wrote there was a .22-caliber magnum Ruger Precision, a loaded 15-round magazine, two boxes of .22-caliber ammunition and several empty beer cans. The report stated the rifle was uncased and located on the passenger seat.

Authorities added Worthy had "the odor of alcohol beverages" on his breath as well as his person. They also said his eyes were "blood shot." A field sobriety test was given to Worthy by the authorities, who alleged that he failed it.

Worthy was arrested and read his Miranda rights. Authorities allege Worthy admitted to threatening to murder his ex-girlfriend and her family. Worthy added he was "upset and aggravated at everything going on."

During the investigation, authorities said the alleged victim informed them she had ended the relationship with Worthy earlier that night. Worthy responded to her comment of ending the relationship by stating he would drive to her residence and kill her and her entire family. Later that day, Worthy's mother, who had also heard the threat, called to warn the alleged victim's family that Worthy had removed a rifle from the safe. Worthy's mother also informed the alleged victim's family that she believed he was planning to drive to their residence. The complaint also stated Worthy's mother contacted authorities in Pendleton County regarding the situation.

Later in the day, the alleged victim's father received a message from Worthy's mother stating, "lock the door, he's headed that way, and get protection." She added Worthy had been drinking. In addition to the alleged victim and her father, her mother, aunt, grandmother and younger sibling were at the residence at the time of the incident.

Age 18+ — \$60

Town Pool News

Pool Opens May 30

Pool Memberships Now

Available for 2022 Season

Family Membership (three or more members)

\$150 The family membership is for all members

of the same household residing together.

Memberships purchased before

May 31 will receive a \$5 discount!

To purchase a membership or

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Town of Franklin office

304-358-7525.

School Board

Teacher of the Year - Donita Kimble

Service Personnel of the Year – Heather Copley

North Fork Elementary Teacher of the Year - Stacy

Slaughter

Service Personnel of the Year – Ashley Holloway Pendleton County Middle/ High School:

Teacher of the Year - Krystal Raymond

Service Personnel of the Year – Katie George

Transportation/Maintenance Service Personnel of the Year – Chuck Miller

Central Office Service Personnel of the Year – Lisa Jamison

County Teacher of the Year Donita Kimble

County Service Personnel of the Year – Lisa Jamison

Other awards and recognitions included the Golden

Horseshoe winners, Leah Nesselrodt and Mason Di-

The school board also discussed how to make the virtual learning process easier and more accessible for students and families going into the 2022/2023 school year. Members discussed ensuring hotspots are available in the areas where there is a need for students and families, as well as having staff available to assist virtual learning students who may require some additional tutoring to complete course work for both the current school year and the following school year. Other items covered in-

cluded attendance, facilities, summer learning, resignations and retirements, and new hires. Attendance in Pendleton County has remained in the lower 90% as of the month of April. Board members would like to see this percentage above 95% in May.

Various repairs and construction are being planned during the summer in some of the schools in Pendleton County; however, these repairs and construction projects should not begin until after graduation.

The county continues to await two new school buses. Board members said they expected the buses to arrive around Easter, but then were told the buses had just gone into production.

Pendleton County Schools approved collaboration with Experience Learning to provide new opportunities for students to have a more

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hands-on approach to learning science.

The theme for this year's summer learning program, Oceans of Possibilities, was announced at the meeting. This program is led by the Pendleton County Library.

Four resignations, one retirement, and 12 new hires were discussed and approved. Kathy Lockard is retiring

as a cafeteria manager.

Pendleton County School board welcomes new hires: Lori Moore - director of administration and support services; Diane Davis - fifthgrade teacher at NFES, Linda Hedrick - itinerant multi-category special education teacher with autism certification, half a day at FES and half a day at PCMHS; Trisha Knicely - itinerant aide/autism mentor w/CPI certification, half a day at BES and half a day at FES; Kevin Gonshor - bus driver (#7711) Dempsey Thompson's Run; Joe Vincell - extracurricular coach for middle school girls basketball; Jade Saul - instrumental music, choir, theater, dance teacher and library supervisor at PCMHS; Taylor Yokum - homebound teaching positions at PCMHS; Jade Saul - extra-curricular band director at PCMHS; Jo Lynn Mitchell - extra-curricular instrumental support mentor (special education); John Michael - substitute teacher; and Megan Light - substitute secretary.

The next school board meeting will be held on May 17 at 5:30 p.m. in the Pendleton County Board of Education Annex building located at 201 High Street in Franklin.



Thursday, May 12 Beans & Ham Cornbread **Stewed Tomatoes** Oven Roasted Potatoes

Banana FRIDAY, MAY 13 Meatloaf **Mashed Potatoes** Carrots/Fruit

Cinnamon Rolls/Punch Monday, May 16 Beef Stroganoff over Noodles Peas & Carrots

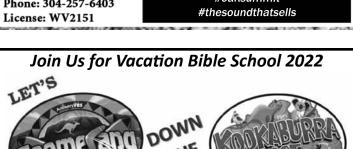
Collard Greens Fruit Tuesday, May 17 Chicken Salad Sandwich

Lettuce/Tomato Macaroni Salad Jello/Fruit

Wednesday, May 18 Lasagna Tossed Salad Garlic Bread, Grapes

Meals served daily at the Franklin center 11:45 to 12:15. North Fork meals are served M, W, F from 11:45 to 12:15. Two percent milk served with every meal. Menus are subject to change







6 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. Franklin United Methodist Church

Children must pre-register by Friday, May 27

For more details, call Barb Hamilton at 304-668-3300 Registration form and information are also located at https://franklinwvumc.org/

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Wildcats Facing Elimination in Postseason

By Shawn Stinson

The Pendleton County baseball team has its proverbial back against the wall following a loss in the opening-round contest of the Class A Region II Section 2 tournament.

Tucker County scored four runs in the top of the fifth to rally for a 6-5 victory against Pendleton on May 9 in Franklin. The loss dropped the Wildcats to the loser's bracket of the tournament.

Pendleton (7-14) will face the loser of the matchup between top-seeded Petersburg and Tucker. Pendleton's next game was set for May 11 at the site of the higher seed.

Pendleton led 2-0 after the first inning and 4-2 at the end of the third inning before Tucker rallied to tie and ultimately take the lead for good in the top of the fifth. The Mountain Lions were aided by a two-run error in the fifth to score the go-ahead runs.

Clayton Kisamore had two hits and scored three runs to lead the Pendleton offense. James Vincell added two hits, including a double, and recorded two runs batted in. Brayden Beachler also had two hits. Landon Colaw notched a hit for the Wildcats.

The Wildcats posted a 1-2 record the previous week in its final contests of the regular season.

Pendleton had its May 2 game with Highland County, Virginia, canceled before playing host to Tucker County on May 3 in Franklin. The Wildcats used a strong pitching performance by Allden Rexrode to edge the Mountain Lions

Rexrode hurled 6 1/3 innings before being relieved by Clayton Kisamore, who

struck out the final two batters to preserve the victory. Rexrode finished with seven strikeouts, scattered seven hits and issued six walks in the contest. He aided his cause at the plate by going 2 for 2 with two runs scored. Kisamore had an RBI-triple. Vincell recorded an RBI-single.

Brayden Beachler, Cameron Beachler, Josiah Kimble and Jayden Roberson all added a hit for Pendleton in the victory.

East Hardy scored a total of seven runs in the first two innings to pull away for a 9-2 victory on May 4 in Baker. The Wildcats scored their only runs of the game in the top of the first inning. Rexrode walked and scored on a double by Vincell. Brayden Beachler plated Vincell on a fielder's choice.

Colaw had two hits in the contest. Cameron Beachler and Roberson, as well as Kisamore and Vincell finished with a hit for the Wildcats.

Yokum said Kisamore "pitched well, but the strike zone was tight early." He added Kisamore settled into a rhythm for the rest of the contest and "pitched very well."

Petersburg powered its way to a 12-0 victory against Pendleton on May 5 in Franklin. The Vikings slugged five home runs in the game. Johnathan Mallow and Nate Travis both had two home runs in the

Kisamore went 2 for 3 in the loss. Vincell and Brayden Beachler both had a hit for the Wildcats.

"That's the best team in the area," Yokum said about Petersburg.

He added Mallow and Slade Saville are two of the top players in the region.



Lizzie Alt had a solo home run in Pendleton's season-ending loss to Tucker County. Photo by Shawn Stinson

Tucker Ends Pendleton's Season

The Pendleton County softball team had its season end with a loss to Tucker County in the Class A Region II Section 1 playoffs.

The Lady Wildcats finished their season with a 12-13 record.

Tucker knocked off Pendleton 15-3 in a five-inning runruled shortened contest on May 9 in Parsons. The Lady Mountain Lions led 3-2 at the end of the first inning before exploding for seven runs in the bottom of the second. Cheyenne Gooden slugged a three-run home run for Tucker

and struck out seven. Shaffer, Rachel Felton, Raven Matthews and Autumn Russell all finished with two runs batted in for the Lady Mountain Lions. Ally Vance had two hits for Pendleton in the loss. Lizzie Alt

in the first inning. Ava Shaffer limited Pendleton to five hits

slugged a solo home run in the top of the fifth for the Lady Wildcats. Baylee Beachler struck out six in three innings in the pitching circle. Pendleton, the No. 5 seed, in the sectional tournament,

advanced to the matchup with Tucker by defeating Moorefield for the first time this season. The Lady Wildcats rolled to a 16-9 victory over the Lady Yellow Jackets on May 5 in Moorefield. Pendleton broke open a close contest by scoring five runs in

both the third and fourth innings. Pendleton coach Charlie Padgett said the spark in the contest came in the second inning when Nataley Hedrick was ejected due to using an illegal bat. Padgett added the ejection "got us fired up.'

"It really galvanized us," Padgett said. "Everybody really hit the ball. We hit it well. They played well and inspired." Vance earned the victory in the circle, hurling five innings. Beachler pitched the final two innings. She went 4 for 5 at the plate to pace Pendleton's offense. Avery Townsend and

Alt both had two hits. Kate Hedrick added two doubles. Moorefield was eliminated from the postseason with the loss. It was the first time this season Pendleton had defeated Moorefield. The Lady Yellow Jackets had posted three victories against the Lady Wildcats - 8-3 on April 6, 10-4 on April 23 and 16-1 on April 28.

Pendleton had dropped to the loser's bracket the previous day when it fell to top-seed Petersburg. The Lady Vikings blanked the Lady Wildcats 8-0 in five innings.

Pendleton was limited to one hit in the contest, a single by Keira Gardner in the fifth inning. Beachler was the only other hitter to reach base for the Lady Wildcats when she was hit by a pitch.

The Lady Vikings closed out the contest by plating eight runs in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Padgett said his players were flat due to being tired from the night before against East Hardy in the opening contest of the tournament.

Pendleton advanced by holding off East Hardy on May 3 in Baker. The Lady Wildcats scored five runs in the top of the sixth to pull away for the Lady Cougars.

Townsend had three hits and Ashton Hess added two, including a double in the victory.

Pendleton appeared set to cruise to an easy victory after scoring three runs in the third and four more in the fourth. East Hardy rallied by scoring six runs in the bottom of the

"We got some walks and some hits," Padgett said. "We got some timely hitting in the

Apple, Sites-Woods **Grab PVC Track Titles**

By Shawn Stinson

Juniors Riley Apple and Gage Sites-Woods each finished first in one event at the recent Potomac Valley Conference track championships. Apple took first in the

300-meter hurdles and Sites-Woods was victorious in the 3,200-meter run. Apple's finish propelled the Pendleton County girls track team to finish sixth in the PVC track meet. Sites-Woods' victory led Pendleton to earn seventh place in the PVC boys track meet.

Apple finished in a time of 53.39 to edge Union's Channelle Sutton by less than .2 of a second. She competed in two other events at the meet.

Apple took third in the long jump with a leap of 14 feet, 9 1/2 inches. Joie Bell from Tygarts Valley finished first, jumping 15 feet, 8 1/2 inches. Apple was seventh in the

100-meter run in a time of 14.72. Holly Snyder of East Hardy was first with a time of 13.4.

Freshman Laney Sites-Woods took second in the 400-meter run with a time of 1:10.34. Brooklyn Tinnell from East Hardy captured first in a time of 1:08.49.

Freshman Addie Rexrode grabbed second in the 3,200-meter run in a time of 19:54.85. Laney Sites-Woods was third in the 3,200-meter run in a time of 20:03.32. Freshman Emma Hartman finished fourth with a time of 20:12.39. Erin Chambers from Tucker County was first in a time of 13:06.15.

Rexrode was third in the high jump with a jump of 4 feet. Union's Bridgette Knapp was first with a jump of 4 feet, 10 inches.

Sophomore BreAnna Wolfe was sixth in the discus with a toss of 60 feet, 10 inches. East Hardy's Jessica Deck was first with a toss of 93 feet, 5 inches.

Wolfe was 10th in the shot put with a throw of 21 feet, 10 inches. Rhen Hedrick of Petersburg was first with a throw of 33 feet, 4 inches.

The Pendleton 4x400-meter relay team of Laney Sites-Woods, Hartman, Rexrode and Apple finished fifth with a time of 5:20.19. Pocahontas took first with a time of 4:43.15.

The Pendleton boys team finished seventh at the PVC Division 2 track meet with 39 points. Petersburg captured the title with 113 points.

Tucker County was second with 99 points. Tygarts Valley took third with 81 points.

Gage Sites-Woods completed the 3,200-meter race in a time of 11:59.57. Freshman Thunder Gill was fifth with a time of 12:38.79. Senior Caleb Lockard took ninth in a time of 13:45.54. Benjamin Montgomery from East Hardy finished second with a time of 12:05.49.

In addition to his victory, Gage Sites-Woods finished second in two races - 800-meter and 1,600-meter. He finished the 800-meter run in a time of 2:13.35. Donnie Tanouye from Paw Paw was first with a time of 2:10.38.

Gage Sites-Woods completed the 1,600-meter run in a time of 4:59.22. Gill was seventh with a time of 5:43.25. Lockard took 12th in a time of 7:15.7. Tanouye earned the victory in the 1,600-meter race with a time of 4:54.74.

Gage Sites-Woods took third in the shot put with a toss of 38 feet. Junior Evan Teter was 18th in the shot put with a toss of 29 feet, 5 inches. Freshman Ryland Copley finished 24th in the shot put with a toss of 21 feet, 10 inches. Fellow freshman Andrew Mowery took 25th with a throw of 19 feet, 9 inches. Paw Paw's Dalton Kasekamp finished first with a toss of 44 feet, 8 inches.

Freshman Sawyer Apple was fifth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 52.54. Petersburg's Ethan Taylor took the PVC title in a time of 46.52

Apple was also fifth in the high jump competition, successfully clearing 5 feet. Petersburg's Wyatt Nuzum was first with a jump of 5 feet, 6 inches.

Sophomore Marcus Smith was seventh in the long jump with a leap of 16 feet, 1 inch. Brindle Rowe from Petersburg was first with a jump of 19 feet, 2 inches.

Copley paced Pendleton in the discus with a 14th-place finish with a throw of 84 feet, 9 inches. Teter was 19th with a throw of 69 feet, 11 inches. Mowery took 24th with a throw of 56 feet, 5 inches. Paw Paw's Kasekamp won the event with a throw of 130 feet, 5 inches.

Pendleton County 4x800meter relay team of Smith, Apple, Gill and Lockard was fifth in a time of 11:02.13. Tucker County claimed first with a time of 9:24.11.



Pendleton's Cameron Beachler attempts to turn a double play against Tucker County. Photo by Shawn Stinson

2022 PCHS After Prom Lock-in organizers, Stephanie Hull and Charles King, would like to thank all the participants and volunteers that made this event so successful.

Thank you to The Potomac Highlands Recreation Center for the use of your facility, food, donations, activities, and staff. We would also like to thank the following individuals: Charles, Jennifer, Ryleigh and Barrett Cook, Braylin Hull, Brenda Cook, and Travis and Amanda Rader for their help decorating and/or serving as chaperones for the night. A huge thank you to the parents for allowing your children to attend and to the students for making it such a fun and memorable night.

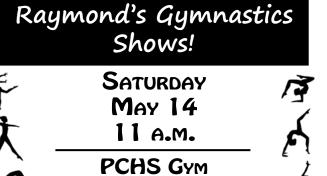
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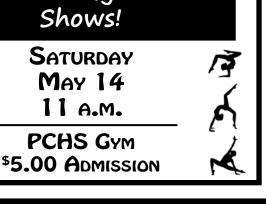
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Pendleton County During Civil War Time Period

(Ref: Twixt North and South, by H.M. Calhoun)

In early 1861, the Lutheran Church was the dominant church on the North Fork. The church was located one and one half miles south of Mouth of Seneca, on the west side of the road. It was built years before the start of the Civil War; it was the first church building in the Union District. The Harmans, the Harpers and many of their neighbors were ardent Lutherans. Adam Carr, Jonas Miller and Michael Mouse who lived below the Mouth of Seneca were also Lutherans. It was agreed all would help build the church if it was built, where it would be convenient to all.

They cut, hued and hauled the logs, then had an old time house raising by all the available men from the communities for miles around. Over time, the building became too small. They sawed out one end of the building and built a log addition to it. From the floor to the ceiling was 15 feet or more, and there was a roomy gallery for the accommodation of the colored folks and children.

During the war, the church was converted into a sort of barracks and rechristened "Camp Luther." It was used by Union and Confederates. The church was burned to the ground during the war. The fire was set by women of the neighborhood farms because it had become a neighborhood nuisance. The Reverend George Schmucker was the

only regular pastor of the church. During the war, the Reverend became a strong Southern sympathizer, while his congregation was strong for the Union. This political sentiment brought about a division between the Pastor and his flock. These events brought an end to the Lutheran congregation in the area.

40 Years Ago Week of May 6, 1982

Pendleton's 13 Clubs 247 Members **Celebrating NEH Week** May 2-8

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The county extension office, which is an extension of West Virginia University, provides the most useful, updated information available to these clubs. Members also have an opportunity to participate in many county and state activities, tours, workshops, craft days, conferences, seminars, educational fairs, picnics, and achievements.

Franklin Farm Women's Club Was Organized 59 Years

The Franklin Farm Women's Club was organized in 1923 and has met continuously since that time with the name later being changed to the Franklin Home Demonstration Club.

In 1924 the town of Franklin had a fire which burned the four center blocks of town and the club helped in many ways during this disaster. The same year they built a Burr Portable, a sanitary cottage on Entry Mountain for a boy suffering from tuberculosis. The cottage was to help him as long as he lived and to aid his family in taking care of

In 1925 the club purchased the Thorn Spring Reunion Ground property. On July 20, 1926 (while sitting on a log) near Mouth of Seneca, the Franklin Farm Women helped organize the Seneca Rocks Farm Women's Club. It was reorganized in 1932.

In 1930 the club sponsored the Rhododendron Festival at Thorn Spring Park. Miss Mary Johnson of Circleville was crowned queen with Miss Gertrude Sieburg (Crigler) of Brandywine as

attendant. Other interesting projects the club has sponsored have been the Pendleton County Library, Christmas Decorating Contest, Clean Up of Mt. Hiser Cemetery, The Country Flower-the Red Geranium, The Paint-Up, Fix-Up, Clean-Up Campaign and many other community projects.

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Quentin Moyers of Doe Hill was clipping sheep on the late Charlie Lambert farm Thursday and Friday. On the John Harman farm Walton Shrader was also clipping sheep. These men would differ from the late David Bowers' time to shear sheep. The way Mr. Bowers determined when it was warm enough, was when at nighttime, it was warm enough to be in the nude.

Sheep Industry Looking Up Here

Pendleton County soon will regain its leadership in the sheep industry in West Virginia if present trends in the county continue.

A ewe owned by Jack Lambert of Circleville recently gave birth to a set of Dorset twins, and the next day the same ewe gave birth to a set of Suffolk twins.

If that is not enough to boost Pendleton's standing in the industry, Carole Hartman of Franklin reports an increase in her flock of sheep of 39 lambs from 19 ewes.

But the 40th was a disaster. Mrs. Hartman performed a Caesarean operation to deliver the lamb, but the lamb died and she had to shoot the ewe.

DAHMER

Brighten up the corner where you are and that is what Russell and Carroll Blizzard did through fixing the Franklin town clock to run and strike again after being silent for some time.

Mrs. Ceila Mullenax Miller of Greenwood, Delaware, sent a sketch on the early history of the Calhoun family, as is true of the early history of so many families. It is more or less clothed in mystery and legend. The family exists and existed both in Ireland and Scotland, but in all probability, has its origin in Ireland. The family became one of the Scotch clans, the head of which was a Baronet. The emblem of this clan was the trailing arbutus, the motto, "If I can" and the war cry was "Cnock Ealechen" which probably meant the hill by the lake, as the ancestoral castle is said to be still standing on the banks of Loch Lomond. Sometime in the year 1,733, James Calhoun migrated from Donegal Country, Ireland, to Bucks County, Pa., with his five sons.

Hang On!

by H. M. (Horsie) Wells

DID YOU KNOW WHEN AND WHERE THE FIRST TELEPHONE NUMBERS WERE USED? The year was 1879 and the place was Lowell, Massachussetts. The city was having a serious measles epidemic and Dr. Moses Greeley Parker, one of the town physicians, realized that if Lowell's four telephone operators came down with the measles, telephone communications would come to a halt! Dr. Parker suggested that numbers be used instead of the names of the 1200 Lowell subscribers, so that substitute operators, if they were needed, could learn to operate the exchange as quickly and easily as possible. The idea worked so well that it spread to other communities. Those original 1200 numbers have become over 120,200,000 in the U.S. alone!

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60 Years Ago Week of May 10, 1962

100 YEARS AGO

Stonewall Pursues Gen. Milroy to Franklin

By LON K. SAVAGE

Editor's Note-The following is one of a series of articles on the Civil War. Each weekly installment covers events which occurred exactly 100 years ago.

The people in Washington and Richmond, Chicago and Memphis, St. Louis and Atlanta, had trouble keeping up with the events of 100 years ago this week. One moment there would be a development to cheer about; next moment there would be something to weep about, and often it was hard to tell just what was going on in the Civil War.

First came an important announcement that gave the North something to cheer about, the South something to weep about. Norfolk, Virgiia's most important seaport, had fallen to the Yankees. And with it, the dreaded ironclad, the "Merrimack," had been blown up and sunk.

The fall of Norfolk was preordained when Confederate Gen. Joseph E. Johnston had withdrawn from his Yorktown line. Norfolk now was cut off from the rest of Johnston's army, and he had ordered the evacuation of the port city at the same time he had ordered the withdrawal.

Hardly had the Confederates pulled out of Norfolk when federal troops landed and marched in. On May 10, the city was surrendered by its mayor. President Lincoln came

to Ft. Monroe (just across the bay from Norfolk) to discuss the Virginia affairs with McClellan, and he personally gave some of the orders in the occupation of

And while on his visit to Virginia, the President heard an explosion that gladdened his heart. It was the explosion of the "Merrimack," the ship that had thrown his administration into panic back in February.

The "Merrimack" had become trapped with the fall of Norfolk. It was too big to ascend the James River to Richmond and safety, and it was too unwieldy to make a dash for the open sea. As a result, its crew took it out into the harbor and set it afire. At 5 a.m. on May 11, it blew up.

But while the South moaned over the loss of Norfolk, Confederate Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson gave his countrymen something to cheer about.

On May 9, a message was sent to Richmond from western Virginia, signed by Jackson: "God blest our arms with victory at McDowell Station yesterday." That was all.

It was not a major victory, but it had its effect. Jackson, who had been dashing up, down and across the Shenandoah Valley with his little army for weeks, had disappeared early in May in the mountains of the southern valley.

Suddenly, on May 5, he made a surprise appearance in Staunton, and the people cheered him, thinking he would save them from the Yankees. Then, just as suddenly, his men left Staunton and headed west. Joining his army of 7,000 with 3,000 other Confederates just west of Staunton, he attacked several thousand Yanks under Gen. R. H. Milroy at McDowell, just east of what is now the West Virginia

The Union forces were thrown into confusion and retreated back into the mountains. Jackson pursued to Franklin (W.Va.), then turned back toward the valley. It was another part of what would become his famous Valley Campaign of '62, a campaign that would be largely instrumental in saving Richmond.

Still another development occurred last week. Federal and Confederate gunboats fought a sharp but indecisive battle near the Mississippi River 40 miles above Memphis, and the federals followed it up with a heavy bombardment of the fort. Next week: A Hero and A Heroine.

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Smith Creek/ Friends Run

by Dave Ellis

What a week the area had, nothing but rain. The days were good for ducks, but not fishermen. The area received more than 3 inches of rain, starting Friday night. The rain canceled the Trout Rodeo.

Smith Creek and Friends Run Churches of the Brethren: shut-ins - Mary Mitchell, Shelda Warner, Vestyl Bible, Pam Riner, Anna Tessi, Ruby Propst, Alice Johnson, Arlin Dale and Freda Jamison, Hazel Simmons, Mary Alice Simmons, Reva Hartman, Sandy Washburn, Evelyn Ruddle and Sandra Vandevander; prayer list - Richard Campbell, Effie Harr, Brian Wilton, Tyler Moore, Tristan Hartman, Ronald Hayes, Becky Hedrick, Joshua Shirk, Libby Leeson, Doug Judy, Kay Alt, Ronnie Bowers Sr., Allen Kile II, Donna Bennett, Lloyd Hartman, Leann Britton, Mia Mahoney, Anne Hartman, Jack Vogel, Virginia Richardson, Rick Hoover, Ruth Simmers, Harry Allen Warner, Roberta Bennett, Quinley McConnell, Etha Mae Bowers, Mary Jo Wilfong, Grace Hammer, Kenny Williams, Dennis Mitchell, Olin Hoover, Debbie Horst, Rodney Crites, Raven Hoke, Charlotte Copley, Anita Hartman, Danny Arbogast, Jim Bible, Gloria Moats, Randy Bennett, Estyl Shreve, Jason Conley, Wendell and Darlene Nelson, Carolyn Gilbert, Charlie Westfall and

Anna Lee Mitchell. Prayer thought: "We can be free of guilt and shame, knowing we're forgiven. Thank you, Jesus. May I accept your gift of

love as I speak truthfully." High and low temperatures and precipitation for May 2 through May 8, followed by the same for last year, were as follows: May $2 - 73^{\circ}$, 48° (81° , 58°); May $3 - 84^{\circ}$, 51° , .62'' (79° , 59° , .7"); May 4 -74°, 55°, .33" (77°, 58° , .39"); May 5 - 71°, 51° (69°, 52° , .04"); May $6 - 62^{\circ}$, 53° , 2.16" $(61^{\circ}, 40^{\circ}); \text{May } 7 - 52^{\circ}, 41^{\circ}, .95"$ $(54^{\circ}, 39^{\circ}, .01^{\circ})$ and May 8 - 57° , 40° , .05" (56° , 41°).

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Grandparents' Sayings Have Impact on Grandchildren Lightning

In March, Pendleton County and Frontier West Virginia, which provides 911 service in West Virginia, reached a settlement in a dispute regarding several issues, including reliable 911 service. Among other provisions of the settlement, Frontier agreed to evaluate and improve redundancy of its 911 service where technically feasible and cost effective," according to a Public Service Commission summary of the agreement. The term redundancy refers to having backup plans such as additional trunk line routes – when emergency services fail.

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The firm Global Science and Technology (GST), located in Fairmont repaired the equipment. "I applaud GST," Gillespie said. "They have been doing exactly what they said they would do."

Gillespie also reported that Frontier Communications is working on clearing the line of trees from Elkins to

The commission approved the installation of additional internet access points. GST, the IT contractor for the county, will install the access points in the Pendleton Community Building, where they will provide service for the conference room and the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources office in the same building.

The 911 Center also received a letter of appreciation from Pendleton County High School for their participation in the school's job fair. "We planted a lot of seeds," said 911 Director Diana Mitchell. Work continues on the

project to install broadband in the county. Economic Development Director Laura Brown reported that another round of questions in the grant application process have been completed.

The next commission meeting will be held Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Pendleton County Courthouse.

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

Research suggests that things that grandparents say do stick with grandchildren. Advice from grandparents range from funny

One attribute that grandparents preach a lot is the power of being positive. They also understand human nature and have great advice about how to get along and get ahead in the world.

One of the greatest gifts that grandparents can give their grandchildren is a clear sense of their beliefs and values.

Here are some sayings coming from grandparents:

- •Early to bed and early to rise, make a man healthy, wealthy, and wise.
- •If it's a job worth doing, it's worth doing well.
- •There is a time and place for everything. •Two heads are better than
- Necessity is the mother of
- invention. •A rolling stone gathers no
 - •Time cures all things.
 - Many hands make light work.
- •There's no place like home. •An apple a day keeps the doc-
- tor away. •Always put your best foot
- forward.
- •Where there's a will there's
- The first step is the hardest.
- •Nothing ventured, nothing
- •You win some, you lose some. Never too old to learn.
- Make hay when the sun
- •Actions speak louder than
- •Opportunity seldom knocks
- Honesty is the best policy. • Those who live in glass houses
- should not throw stones.
- Laughter is the best medicine.

- You can't please everyone.
- The grass is always greener on the other side. • It is no use to cry over spilt
- •An ounce of prevention is
- worth a pound of cure. One good turn deserves an-
- Two wrongs do not make a
 - Money does not grow on trees. Don't put all your eggs in one
- •Beauty is only skin deep.
- The best things in life are free.
- •Things are not always what they seem.
- Waste not, want not.
- •A stitch in time saves nine.

So, grandparents, take heed for those grandchildren will go "over the river and through the woods to Grandmother's house we go...." And they will come, so get ready for all that good advice to share with them!

Life is full of uncertainties. To make it better for each other, try some of these suggestions:

- 1. Call one's mother.
- 2. Count one's blessings.
- 3. Keep one's promises (no mat-
- 4. Live one's life as an exclamation, not an explanation.
- 5. Wave at kids on school buses. Well, how about this weather?

So unpredictable for man and beast. It is seasonal weather. One week it is winter, the next spring, then summer, followed by winter, and summer, and spring. Will spring really get to finish showing all her beautiful colors to the world, or will the weather jump into summer? Who knows? Somehow the red bud and dogwood trees have figured things out and put on a glorious modeling show. Monday morning had fog draped over the community, with temperatures at 33° in Sugar Grove, and 26° temperature with frost where Ronald Pitsenbarger lives near Hiner Mill.

Quotes for the week are as fol-



Mattie Adamson taught until January, with Paula Schulz Mitchell finishing out the year. Students were, from left, first row, Mark Hevener, Jay Mallow, Larry 'Chip' Harper, Mark Glover, David Waggy and Carl Hevener; second row, Gary Rexrode, Greg Moyers, Kevin Rexrode, Ronald Pitsenbarger, Tommy Landis, Jeffrey Mitchell, J.D. Judy and Dale Dowdy; third row, Barbara S., Jodie Propst, Irene C., Connie Thompson, Dianne Wright, Anita Waggy and Cindy Dehlin; and fourth row, Bradley W., Janet Bowers, Debbie Bennett, Janet Sinnett, Eileen Lantz, Robin Bowers, Steve Heavner and Thomas Raines.

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth." — Mohammad Ali

"Gratitude turns what we have into enough." — Aesop

"Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding." — Albert Einstein.

"Before you judge me, make sure you're perfect." — Clint Eastwood "Behind every great man is a

Life is so much more comfortable by the fire to hear the "Talk

woman rolling her eyes." — Jim

of the Grove." Enjoying the Mother's Day meal at Family Dining in Brandywine

were the Robby Fisher family and Bob and Brenda Fisher. The weekend was a celebration for Mother's Day for Evelyn Varner. Saturday found her motoring to Golden Corral in Waynesboro,

Virginia, to enjoy a dinner with Judy Costello, Janet Judy, Terry Harper and D.J. Judy. Then on Sunday, Judy Costello, Janet Judy, and Terry Harper enjoyed a Traditions lunch prior to motor-

ing to Linville, Virginia, to enjoy the Doyle Moats and Friends concert.

Marleta and Junior Wimer visited with Rosalee Grogg this past

Bob and Judy Grimm motored to Preston County to enjoy a wonderful weekend with son, Rodney, and family. They returned home Sunday.

Clickety-clacks for the chin waggers are as follows:

- •The tip of the tongue is more sensitive to sweets, the back to bitter tastes, and the sides to salty and sour tastes.
- •The 2,300-year old theatre of Epidaurus, Greece, was acoustically so well designed, it is still used today.
- •Seals travel an average of 6,000 miles a year.
- •Driving at 60 mph, it would take over 5 years to go around the circumference of the sun.
- Philologists estimate about 3,000 languages are spoken by the human race.

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Thereas Carole Hartman served for 30 years on the board of Mutual Protective Association of WV;

Whereas she inspired countless other directors to become strong leaders;

Whereas Carole Hartman served with distinction as Secretary / Treasurer of the Mutual Protective Association of WV;

Whereas Carole Hartman's kindness, energy and graciousness enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with her;

Thereas Carole Hartman was loved and respected by her family, friends, coworkers, and Directors that she served within the Potomac Highlands;

Whereas her true legacy lies in the profound effect she had on the countless men and women she was associated with throughout her career,

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the Mutual Protective Association of WV on behalf of its members, officers and Directors recognizes the significant achievements of Carole Hartman over the course of her distinguished career and mourns her death;

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With Honor, Remembrance and great Sorrow the Board of Directors for Mutual Protective Association of WV offers this resolution.

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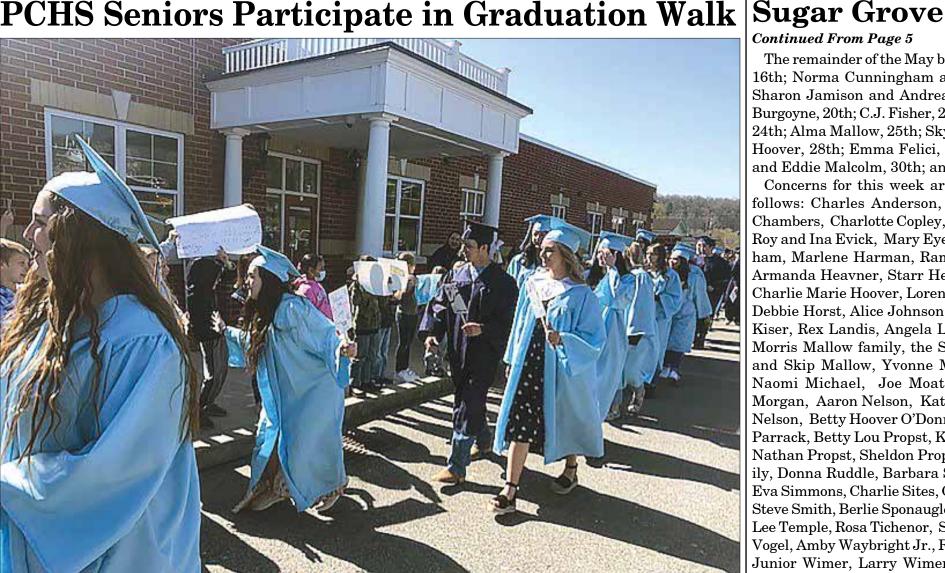
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Members of the Pendleton County High School's senior class visited their elementary and middle schools on April 20 for a graduation walk. Seniors donned their caps and gowns and walked the hallways of Brandywine and North Fork elementary schools and Pendleton County Middle School, as well as the perimeter of Franklin Elementary School. Students and teachers lined the hallways and sidewalks of the schools to support the upcoming graduates. The seniors carried signs displaying their future plans during the walk. They also visited with their former teachers and spoke with the younger students during their visits. Contributed photo

PCHS Students Take Part in Career Fair



Juniors and seniors at Pendleton County High School participated in a career fair on April 22 at the school. The event was organized by Communities in Schools coordinator Lesley Cook. The students had the opportunity to speak with representatives from 17 businesses regarding job opportunities, skills and education requirements. The students had a passport card that was signed by the company representatives and turned in for a chance to win door prizes. The businesses attending the event were Pendleton County 911 Center, Allegheny Woods, American Woodmark, U.S. Army National Guard, Coordinating Council for Independent Living, Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College, Grant Memorial Hospital, Hinkle Trucking, Pendleton Community Bank, Pendleton Community Care, Pendleton County Sheriff's Office, Pendleton Manor, Pilgrim's Pride, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Naval Academy, West Virginia Department of Highways and the West Virginia State Police Department. Contributed Photo

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The remainder of the May birthdays include Tina Via, 16th; Norma Cunningham and Logan Godfrey, 17th; Sharon Jamison and Andrea Williams, 18th; Charlie Burgoyne, 20th; C.J. Fisher, 23rd; Nancy Rexrode Pultz, 24th; Alma Mallow, 25th; Skyler Grogg and Dani Ruth Hoover, 28th; Emma Felici, 29th; Kayla May Wolcott and Eddie Malcolm, 30th; and Marvin Hartman, 31st.

Concerns for this week are many, and they are as follows: Charles Anderson, Bill Brackman, Scherry Chambers, Charlotte Copley, Jeff Craig, Jeff Evick, Lee Roy and Ina Evick, Mary Eye, Ron Gilkeson, Lola Graham, Marlene Harman, Ramona Harman, Steve and Armanda Heavner, Starr Hedrick, Virgil Homan, Jr., Charlie Marie Hoover, Lorena Hoover, Myrtle Hoover, Debbie Horst, Alice Johnson, Richard Judy, Margaret Kiser, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, the Morris Mallow family, the Sue Mallow family, Roger and Skip Mallow, Yvonne Marsh, Neil McLaughlin, Naomi Michael, Joe Moats, Lincoln Moore, Ernie Morgan, Aaron Nelson, Kathy Nelson, Ken and Ruth Nelson, Betty Hoover O'Donnell, Cheryl Paine, Sutton Parrack, Betty Lou Propst, Kara Propst, Linda Propst, Nathan Propst, Sheldon Propst, the Don Rexrode family, Donna Ruddle, Barbara Simmons, Erin Simmons, Eva Simmons, Charlie Sites, Ona Smith, Stanna Smith, Steve Smith, Berlie Sponaugle, Patricia Swecker, Harry Lee Temple, Rosa Tichenor, Sandra Vandevander, Jack Vogel, Amby Waybright Jr., Ron White, Judy Williams, Junior Wimer, Larry Wimer, Carol Windett and the people of Ukraine.





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Legislative Committee Gets Update on Reductions at VA Centers

By Autumn Shelton, WV Press News Sharing

Following news that three West Virginia VA medical centers could face possible healthcare service reductions, WV Department of Veterans Assistance Cabinet Secretary Edward Diaz was invited to speak before members of the state legislative Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs during their April interim meeting about what this will mean for veterans throughout the state.

According to Diaz, the three facilities facing these service reductions include the Beckley VA Medical Center, the Hershel "Woody" Williams VA Medical Center in Huntington and the Louis A Johnson VA Medical Center in Clarksburg.

He explained that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) recently conducted a study on nationwide healthcare assets. The study identified gaps in care, areas that need improvement and identified facilities that need to be closed. At the study's completion, the VA made recommendations to the Asset and Infrastructure (AIR) Commission that these three WV facilities should face service reductions, including the elimination of inpatient mental health care, inpatient and outpatient surgeries and emergency room services. Additionally, community based outpatient clinics in Parsons and Franklin would be closed.

Once the service reductions and closures occur, "the balance of care would be reliant upon rural hospitals located throughout the state and the providers within those communities," Diaz continued, adding that state VA medical centers were between 81-90% of their capacity in the last quarter of 2021.

"Our concerns are with the ability of the non-VA facilities to address the unique veteran situation," Diaz said. "Veterans have a unique need of care, whether it be traumatic injuries incurred in battle, or mental health issues from the mental injuries that have been inflicted through years of war."

Diaz then cited a study, completed in 2014, which stated that only 13% of mental health providers were able to provide the mental healthcare that veterans require. The study also showed that only 35% of psychotherapists were trained in evidence-based care for those suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

He further explained that one of the missions of the VA, in addition to providing healthcare for veterans, is to provide community support, as was witnessed with the Covid-19 pandemic.

"The recommendations would result in the loss of 258 hospital beds for the state of West Virginia," Diaz noted.

He said that he has discussed the issue with members of the state's congressional delegation, including Sen. Joe Manchin, Sen. Shelley Moore Capito and Congresswoman Carol Miller. Through those discussions,

he learned that several nominees to the AIR commission have not yet been confirmed due to possible bias and previous work. Once the nominees are in place, though, they have until January 2023 to either accept the current recommendations, or devise a new plan. Then, U.S. President Joe Biden may either agree with the recommendations or dismiss them summarily. This must take place by March 2023. VA clinics will then have an estimated 4-10 years to enact the new plan.

Diaz said he recommended that the plan "be eliminated now."

State VA Committee Chair, Ryan Weld, R-Brooke, asked Diaz if the new VA hospital slated to be built in Beckley would still take place.

Diaz responded that part of the plan is to build the

new hospital in Beckley. However, "there will be no surgical capabilities, no inpatient capabilities, no ICU, no intense inpatient medical or mental health capabilities" at the facility.

"In my opinion, it will be nothing more than a supersized community based outpatient clinic," Diaz said. "But, no outpatient surgeries."

Multiple committee members then asked what could

be done to save the three VA clinics. Several ideas were discussed, but Diaz said the best plan is to ensure that veterans are utilizing the state's VA clinics.

"Roughly 50% of the state's 144,000 veterans are

enrolled in VA healthcare," Diaz said. "We are doing everything we can to recruit as many people into the VA healthcare system as we can. However, it's up to everyone to ensure that our veterans are being taken care of."

He noted that the importance of VA clinics is get-

ting ready to be realized because he anticipates a large number of OEF/OIF veterans will need service following exposure to burn pit toxins.

"There will be many more healthcare issues that this country is going to need to address," Diaz said.

Following discussion, the committee made a motion to draft a resolution opposing the health-care service reductions in the state's VA facilities. Once drafted, it will be forwarded to the state's congressional delegation as well as the Department of Veterans Affairs. The topic will be discussed further during their May interim meeting.





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The STIP document is required under federal law and shows all planned Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration expenditures for fiscal years 2020 to 2025. Federal law requires that additions or deletions to the STIP and certain changes to current projects or groupable programs in the STIP must undergo public review and comment before federal funds can be obligated.

WVDOT is requesting public review of proposed amendments to the approved 2020-2025 STIP. The project listing and program funding snapshots can be found by viewing Amendment 9 -- Highways by visiting https://transportation.wv.gov/highways/Programming/ STIP/Pages/amendments.aspx.

Printed copies of the proposed amendments can be requested by writing Gehan M. Elsayed, Ph.D., P.E., Acting Chief Engineer of Programs/Deputy State Highway Engineer, West Virginia Division of Highways $1900\,\mathrm{Kanawha\,Boulevard,East,Building\,5,Room\,152,}$ Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0430.

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DHHR Announces Emergency Energy Assistance Program for Low Income Residents

The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) announced applications for the Emergency Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) will be accepted through Friday, May 13, 2022, or until funds are exhausted. The federally funded program assists eligible state residents in paying home heating bills.

Residents whose primary source of heat is either gas or electricity must provide their shut-off notice when applying for Emergency LIEAP. Those using other primary heating sources or bulk fuel may qualify for assistance if their heating fuel is at a low level during the application period. Households that received direct payment of regular LIEAP

benefits must verify that the payment was used for home heating by submitting a current receipt with the Emergency LIEAP application. Failure to submit verification of payment may result in a denial of the application. Eligibility for LIEAP benefits is based on income, household

size and whether the household is responsible for paying its heating bill. Income limit for fiscal year 2022 is 60% of the State Median Income. In situations where a heating emergency exists, applicants must be seen by a DHHR worker.

To qualify, households must meet all program guidelines and be in an emergency that will disrupt the primary heating source if not met.

The maximum allowable gross income levels for Emergency LIEAP Fiscal Year 2022 are listed below:

HOUSEHOLD SIZE MONTHLY ALLOWABLE INCOME

1	Ψ2,000
2	\$2,621
3	\$3,238
4	\$3,855
5	\$4,472
6	\$5,088
7	\$5,204
8	\$5,583
9	\$6,150
10	\$6,718

For each additional person, add \$567. Households whose income exceeds the maximum amount are not eligible; however, some types of income may be excluded for LIEAP. Social Security and Veterans income will be excluded for the current LIEAP application period.

To apply, residents must go to their local DHHR office. A list of local offices may be found at http://www.dhhr.wv.gov/

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Gas Prices on the Rise Again

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This week's average prices: Northern WV Average

Average price during the week of April 25, 2022

Average price during the week of May 3, 2021 The following is a list of the average prices in several West

\$3.935 Bridgeport \$3.876 Clarksburg \$3.931 Huntington \$3.996 Martinsburg \$3.948 Morgantown \$3.968 Parkersburg \$3.904 Weirton \$3.939 Wheeling

Virginia locations:

Trend Analysis:

Pump prices rose again this past week due primarily to the continued high cost of crude oil. Fear of a global energy supply disruption due to Russia's invasion of Ukraine is the main factor influencing crude prices. The cost of a barrel of crude continues to hover around \$100. With the oil price accounting for about 60% of pump prices, the national average for a gallon of regular is now \$4.19, an increase of seven cents since Monday, April 25 and \$1.29 more than a year ago. It now costs drivers in the U.S. about \$23 more to fill up than a year ago. According to new data from the Energy Information Admin-

istration (EIA), total domestic gasoline stocks decreased by 1.6 million barrels to 230.8 million barrels last week. Gasoline demand decreased slightly from 8.87 million barrels per day to 8.74 million barrels per day. Although lower gas demand would typically push pump prices lower, the fluctuating oil price and tight gasoline supply have pushed pump prices higher. Pump prices will likely face upward pressure as oil prices remain above \$100 per barrel.

At the close of Friday's formal trading session, West Texas Intermediate decreased by 67 cents to settle at \$104.69. Although prices declined on the day due to crude demand concerns as COVID-19-related lockdowns continue in China, crude prices gained earlier in the week after EIA's weekly report showed that total current supply level is approximately 16 percent lower than at the end of April 2021.

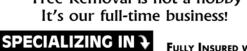
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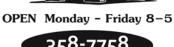
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UPDATE REGION 8 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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The Region 8 Planning and Development Council will hold public meetings for the purpose of receiving comments on the FY 2023 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Uping is currently scheduled date on May 20, 2:30 p.m. quality training that in this matter for June at Keyser City Hall, 111 North Davis Street, Keyser, West Virginia and May 24, 2:30 p.m., at the Region 5 8 Planning and Development Office, 131 Proviworkforce needs by West Virginia. You should dence Lane, Petersburg, West Virginia. The public ing environment that interests. You can obtain meetings and comment on guides and encour- a copy of the Petition filed the draft update. The Upages students to ob- in this matter and further date reviews the region's tain their WV Class information about the case economic condition and from the Grant County outlines needed projects. The Update is used by the West Virginia Developeral Motor Carrier 257-4545, or from Nathan ment Office to prepare Bennett, an attorney that a statewide investment It is presented package. to the U.S. Economic Development Administration as the Region's Compre-

> The importance of the regional planning process makes public participation extremely important. The Update is available for review at local libraries and/ or can be obtained at http:// regioneight.com/plans-andstrategies-

Young Wildlife Alone binoculars," Johnson said. weather and emergence of young wildlife, the

Public Urged To Leave

Virginia Division of Natural Resources is reminding people that possessing wildlife without a permit is illegal and that handling wild animals can spread disease and parasites that can be fatal.

"People often have good intentions when they see a young animal in the woods, but getting close and touching the animal is really harmful to the animal and can be dangerous for you," said Vinnie Johnson, a WVDNR wildlife biologist.

Handling wildlife increases the risk of transmitting rabies, roundworms, ticks, disease and other diseases and parasites. Illegal possession of wildlife can result in fines up to \$300 and/or up to 100 days in jail.

"We don't want to discourage wildlife viewing, but folks need to know that this is a pastime they need to enjoy from a distance with the use of

Each spring, WVDNR district offices receive numerous calls about young wildlife, especially fawns, rabbits and birds. But oftentimes what appears to be an abandoned animal is actually natural.

Fawns are often left hidden

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ADMINISTRATION

of the following estates is pending in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of publication of this Notice C Byrd Industrial Park Pendleton County, West is May 5, 2022. Deadline Road, Suite 2, Moorefield, Virginia, 100 S. Main for claims is July 5, 2022. Street, P. O. Box 1167, Franklin, West Virginia 26807. The names of the Estate - Kent H. Kimble, contacting WIOA staff at Administrator; personal representatives are set forth below.

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The Region VII Workforce Development Plan Available for Public Review

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${m Poling}, {\it Wagoner~Named}$ PCHS Students of the Month



PCHS March students of the month are Trent Poling, left, and

Trent Poling and Jenna Wagoner have been named outstanding students of the month for March at Pendleton County High School.

Poling, a senior, is the James Huffman Responsible Student of the Month. The son of Randy Poling of Brandywine, he is a fouryear football player, earning second Potomac Valley Conference team for offensive and defensive lineman. He is currently employed at T&K Markets. He plans to attend Potomac State and West Virginia University to earn a degree in civil engineering with a minor in mechanical engineering.

A senior, Wagoner is the Academic Student of the Month. She is a multi-sport athlete. She has played volleyball and basketball for four years, softball for two years and kept stats for baseball for two years. Her senior year, she was also the captain of the volleyball team. She was named to the A/B Honor Roll, is a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Pep Club and is a teacher's aide. She is also a member of Christ Central Community Church and God's Mountaineer Youth Group and participates in the Adopt-A-Highway trash pick-up program. She plans to attend WVU and pursue a career in medicine. She is the daughter of Michael and Josephine Wagoner of Upper

Local Teachers Inducted



Newly inducted members of the Alpha Kappa Chapter include, from left, Judy Bowyer, Amy Rexrode and Jessica Saville.

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Heavner, Beth High, Car-

rie Nesselrodt and Taylor

and past president, installed

the following officers for the

2022-24 biennium: Skaven-

ski, president; Carolyn Harp-

er, first vice president; Ben-

nett, second vice president;

Amber Champ, recording

secretary; Beverly Mathias,

treasurer; Angela Propst,

corresponding secretary; and

Melissa Whetzel, parliamen-

April R.O.S.E. award for her

contribution to Alpha Kappa.

She will be retiring at the end

of this school year and joining

Gayle Allen received the

Alvaro, charter member

By Betty Inskeep **Grant County Coordinator**

The Alpha Kappa Chapter of the West Virginia Delta Kappa Gamma Society meeting was held April 23 at the Moorefield Middle School with Mineral County host-

ing. Tables were adorned with a honeybee theme with flowers or honeybee décor for centerpieces. Each of the 26 members attending received a honeybee favor box filled with tea, honey, honey lozenges and a packet of wildflower seeds. Everyone also received a honeybee reveal to win card. If a honeybee was revealed, the sister won

the table's centerpiece. Betty

Coffman served a delicious

breakfast before the meeting. Ruby Alvaro gave the blessing. Vickie Saville led inspirational thoughts with a true story about bees. The story reminded members to remember their support and love from family, friend, and sisters. Vickie Skavenski, chapter president and the group's "Queen Bee," was praised for keeping the "hive" humming for the last two

Ann Bennett led a beautiful induction ceremony for new chapter members. New members in attendance were Amy Rexrode, Judy Bowyer and Jessica Saville. New members unable to attend the meeting were Karen Davis, Shay Dove, Janice

Trout Fest Continued From Page 1



Ashley Hanna offering a selection of leather goods. Photo by Walter

During this time period, registered trout derby participants may catch tagged fish and receive prizes. One hundred tagged fish have been released into the South Branch of the Potomac River in Franklin. Prizes for tags range from \$5 to \$50 with the exception being one grand prize worth \$1000. Registrants can redeem tags at the Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce until May 21.

The craft fair featured over a dozen vendors. Venders sold baskets, jewelry, rare gemstones, mugs, t-shirts, cider, and other items. Felicia Cook, owner of Mouth of Seneca Pottery, said that the event was a big success for her business. Ashleigh Smithson, who makes handmade baskets, sold all her

gathering baskets at the festival.

Food vendors were located nearby and offered a wide variety of food options. Selections included gumbo, funnel cakes, cotton candy and kettle corn. The Pendleton County High School football team sold chicken halves until they sold out, and the Pendleton County Middle School softball and baseball teams, in conjunction with Dean's Gap Farm, sold BBQ sandwiches. Helan Turner, who sold BBQ sandwiches, said sales were good, and people came out despite the weather.

Turn out for the 5K run also exceeded the organizers' expectations. The cold misty weather did not deter 27 participants from gathering at Thorn Spring Park Sunday



Felicia Cook selling some of her handmade pottery. Photo by Walter



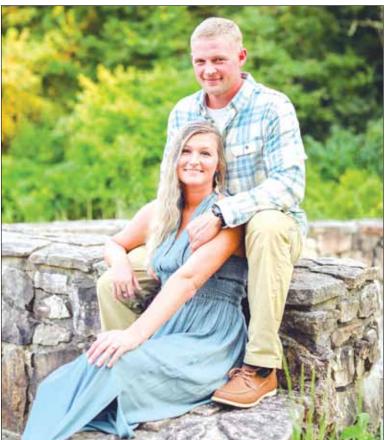
A display of handmade baskets by Ashleigh Smithson. Photo by Walter Hojka.

morning to run the course along Thorn Creek Road.

Lambert said that turnout was very strong, "definitely up from 2019." Lambert also said that the craft show did well with some vendors selling out and others saying they sold two or three times as much as 2019. Lambert added that even though the trout rodeo was postponed, people were still there to

"Rain did not deter them,"

Stutzman, Eye Engagement Announced



Jordan Stutzman and Aaron Eye

Jordan Leigh Stutzman of Romney and Aaron Andrew Eye of Fort Seybert are announcing their en-

Stutzman is the granddaughter of Gerald and Jennie Mathias of Rom-

The bride-to-be graduated from Hampshire High School, is currently a student at Liberty University, and is employed by Panhandle Support in Petersburg.

Eye is the son of Beverly and the late Andy Eye of Fort Seybert.

The bridegroom-elect graduated from Pendleton County High School, served four years in the U.S. Navy and is the farm manager for Sweedlin Valley Farm in Fort Sey-

A wedding is planned for May 21.

she said.

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