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Elvis Arrives in Pendleton



Winner of the Elvis look-alike event was Will Huffman, left, who is pictured with his great-granddaughter, Abby Cayton, and his wife, Jane Huffman.

By Ammie Ruddle

Transforming back in time to celebrate an iconic musical legend was the theme of the July 16 Warner's Drive-In showing of the new film "Elvis."

Board members promoted the 1950s Elvis inspired event with incentives for attendees sponsored by Pendleton Community Bank.

The event encouraged

patrons to see the movie wearing 1950s fashion, driving 1950s cars, and dressing up as the king himself, Elvis Presley.

Attendees arrived at the event welcomed by Elijah Ruddle, 11, who was dressed as a young Elvis, Gwenith Collins, 9, and Alexandria Collins, 7, who dressed in 1950s attire. Each patron was greeted with a smile, as the three collected money and hand-

ed out movie tickets.

"We are working on our math and social skills," said Ruddle as he went back and forth to each car when it was his "turn."

Gwenith Collins made sure to tell each patron to "enjoy the show." Alexandria Collins asked patrons if they were "dressed for the movie," and handed out popcorn vouchers to those who donned 50s fashion.

Meanwhile the snack bar

staff "dressed for the movie" in their poodle skirts and white T-shirts served popcorn, drinks, hamburgers and much more.

Winner of the Elvis look-alike contest was Will Huffman, who won two complimentary tickets to the drive-in.

The film brought in nearly 400 patrons with one patron saying, "I've always wanted to go to a drive-in. It was on my bucket list."



"Young Elvis" Elijah Ruddle, with his fans, Gwenith Collins, left, and Alexandria Collins, right, wait to greet patrons at Warner's Drive-In for the Elvis event.

Local Business Relocates

By Ammie Ruddle

A local business decided to pack up and relocate to another part of the county.

Raymond's Gymnastics announced that for the 2022-2023 season, they will be moving to the Pendleton County Industrial Building shell 2 in Upper Tract.

According to social media, Krystal Raymond said, "We still plan on building our own facility! It is just taking longer than planned! And it has caused a lot of stress and anxiety trying to get it built asap! This allows us more time and the use of an awesome facility!"

In other business, the members of the Pendleton County Economic and Community Development Authority, discussed providing forums to "meet the candi-

dates". The EDA office will invite local, regional, and state candidates to appear in-person to introduce themselves and discuss their platform to constituents as well as answer questions.

Dates for these forums will be announced mid-August. EDA board members plan to schedule the forums in early fall to take place in three regions of the county, North Fork, South Fork, and Franklin. They also plan to broadcast the forums on social media for those that cannot attend.

A majority voted to proceed with the "meet the candidates" forum.

EDA board members discussed moving forward with the Pendleton Business Center planning and evaluation with El Roberson and

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Snack bar staff, dressed in their 1950s attire, were, from left, Brenda Warner, Elizabeth Simmons, Hanna Pennington, Breanna Wolfe, Ashley Vanmeter, Doris Brackenrich and Jessica Warner Basagic.

Community CALENDAR

New Student Enrollment Dates Set

Pendleton County Schools new student enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year is scheduled for Aug. 2 and 3. Students will need to register at the school they will be attending.

Dates and times of registration are as follows:

Aug. 2 - 9 a.m. to noon at Pendleton County Middle/High School in Franklin and 1 to 3 p.m. at North Fork Elementary School in Circleville; and

Aug. 3 - 9 a.m. to noon at Franklin Elementary School in Franklin and 1 to 3 p.m. at Brandywine Elementary School in Brandywine.

To complete the registration process, please bring the child's certified birth certificate, immunization record from a physician or health department, social security card and a copy of well child check and dental form.

For questions, contact Lori Moore at 304-358-2207, ext. 123.

Grand Jury Indicts 7 On Various Charges

By Shawn Stinson

Seven individuals were indicted on 14 charges by members of a Pendleton County grand jury.

The members of the grand jury met on July 11 at the courthouse in Franklin.

Jacqueline N. Anderson, 28, of Brandywine, was indicted of one count of child neglect resulting in serious bodily injury related to an incident in Pendleton County.

Authorities allege Anderson between April 2020 and

November 2020 failed "to exercise a minimum degree of supervision and care to assure physical safety or health of a minor child and as a result did cause serious bodily injury to said child." The child was less than a year old at the time of the incident.

Kristina Dawn Bennett, 42, of Circleville, was indicted of a third offense of shoplifting related to an incident on March 16 in Pendleton County.

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Hundreds Attend Summer Fun Fest

By Shawn Stinson

Town officials were worried when there was a rain shower on the morning of the second annual Summer Fun Fest.

Those concerns quickly evaporated when the sun broke through and shined on the Town of Franklin Park.

Elizabeth Scott, Franklin's assistant business manager, said the feedback from the event was very positive. Last year's event was called Family Fun Day but was changed this year to reflect the addition of adult-themed activities, including a beer garden and axe throwing.



Summer Fun Fest attendees enjoyed several activities including axe throwing and inflatables.

"Everyone said it was very good," Scott said. "It was a successful event. It turned out to be a great day."

Town officials estimated

there were 400 or more individuals who attended the event at some time during the day. Scott said she counted at

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Health Department Looks For Board Member

By Ammie Ruddle

The generator used for emergencies at the health department building recently broke down. Board members discussed if the generator should have the part, called a "switch," replaced.

Robert Grimm, board member, suggested they contact their insurance provider to determine if the generator part is covered and if insurance can offset the price of

replacing or repairing the part.

Andrea Reel, nurse, who discussed the COVID-19 vaccines said, "we have been approved to provide vaccines for children who are six months and up."

Reel told the board that there are currently very few cases of COVID-19 in the county, including the nursing home.

"The health department

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Executive Director Steps Down

By Ammie Ruddle

To move up in life, can sometimes mean one must step down first.

Ciara Lambert, executive director for the Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce and the Convention and Visitors Bureau, announced earlier this month, on social media, that effective today she will be resigning from her current position.

She said, "I feel I can better

serve my family while being a work-at-home mother, and plan to continue to serve my community but more through a volunteer capacity."

"Sometimes in life, we must figure out how to manage the pressures and stress of family, home, and even loss, in addition to work. I can honestly say that Ciara has had her fair share of this, especially over the last year," said Samantha Puffenbarger, board secretary for the chamber of commerce and

CVB.

"Even through it all, she has gone above and beyond the call of duty to ensure her community didn't suffer. No one in this community knows how hard she worked and will never know fully." Puffenbarger is talking about Lambert.

Lambert served as executive director for 2 1/2. Lambert's role included hosting fundraisers and local events such as, Main Street Magic,

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OBITUARIES

Hicel T. Roy



Hicel T. Roy, 98, a resident of Elkins and since 2019, a resident of Elkins Rehabilitation & Care Center, was called home to spend eternity with her Lord and Savior on July 17, 2022.

She was born May 30, 1924, at Teterton. She was the 10th of 11 children and the seventh and youngest daughter of the late Floyd and Sarah Pallie Harper Teter.

Mrs. Roy graduated from Circleville High School in 1943 and attended Davis & Elkins College. She taught elementary school in Maryland, Virginia, and Pendleton County.

She was a 49-year member of the Delphia Rebekah Lodge #62, having joined on May 23, 1973. In May 2015, she became a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow.

She was well known for her excellent washing and ironing of clothes, working for many families throughout the years including Judge Robert E. and Ann Maxwell. In her spare time, she gardened, completed Search-a-Word puzzles and also handcrafted sequin calendars for many friends and family annually. She was baptized many years ago and, in recent years, attended First United Methodist Church of Elkins.

She was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

On Nov. 12, 1950, in Rockville, Maryland, she married Chester T. Roy, of Harman, who passed away on Dec. 28, 1997.

Surviving are two children, Allen Chester Roy (Peggy) of Harrisonburg, Virginia, and Grace Ellen Roy of Elkins; and two special nieces, Judith Ours of Cabins and Lorraine Louise Kimble of Onego.

She was also preceded in death by four brothers, Brook, Delmer, Guy and Carl Teter; and six sisters, Mabel "Doll" Harman, Mamie Teter, Clea Teter, Zernie Teter, Joy Hedrick and Louise Kimble.

The family received friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Tomblyn Funeral Home in Elkins.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. today in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Brian L. Seders and Rev. Dr. Basil A. Hensley officiating. Interment will follow in the Mountain State Memorial Gardens near Gilman.

The family would like to thank the many compassionate caregivers at ERCC for providing excellent care to Mrs. Roy over the last three years.

Memorial donations may be made to ERCC, 2533 Beverly Pike, Elkins, WV 26241.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.tomblynfuneralhome.com.

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Myrtle Myra Moyers Pennybacker



Myrtle Myra Moyers Pennybacker, 92, of Union Grove, Wisconsin, went home to be with the Lord on July 16, 2022.

She was born on Sept. 27, 1929, in Franklin.

Mrs. Pennybacker was the youngest of eight children and learned the discipline of hard work on the family farm where she not only cared for animals and gardens, but also assisted her dad with felling trees and stripping the bark in preparation for the sawmill.

One of her first jobs after graduating from Franklin High School was at the sawmill grading lumber. It was there that she met her husband, John Pennybacker.

On Dec. 20, 1950, she and her husband were married.

Her husband eventually worked road construction which took them to a number of states before settling in Union Grove, Wisconsin.

She worked at Southern Wisconsin Center for 30 years before retiring and pursuing her joy of traveling. The last few years were difficult for her physically, and she was ready for the Lord to take her home to heaven.

She was a hard-working mother of five, grandmother of 13 and great-grandmother of 16.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at Union Grove Baptist with visitation from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Memorial donations can be made to Union Grove Baptist Church, 417 15th Ave., Union Grove, WI 53182, where she attended for many years.

A service will also be held at a later date at Smith Creek Church of the Brethren in Franklin. Interment will be at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Franklin, where her husband is also buried.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Polnasek-Daniels Funeral Home & Crematory in Union Grove, Wisconsin.

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Grand Jury

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Authorities allege Bennett did "unlawfully and feloniously commit the offense of shoplifting with the intent to appropriate merchandise without paying the merchant's stated price of \$71.52 for such merchandise and did knowingly conceal merchandise from the T and K Market." Bennett was previously convicted of shoplifting in October 2016 in Highland County, Virginia, in February 2017 in Pocahontas County, in June 2017 in Mineral County, in September 2017 in Hardy County and in April 2021 in Grant County.

Jerry Franklin Campbell, 43, of Elkton, Virginia, was indicted on two felonies and two misdemeanors related to an incident on March 5 in Pendleton County.

Authorities allege Campbell attempted to flee in a vehicle from West Virginia State Police Senior Trooper Kevin C. Raymond who was "acting in his official capacity after he gave a clear visual or audible signal to stop and did operate the vehicle in a manner showing a reckless indifference to the safety of others." They also allege Campbell used "intimidation, harassment or did threaten to do so against Raymond" and is "directed at inciting or producing imminent lawless action of a violent nature that could cause bodily harm and is likely to incite or produce such action or attempt to do so with the intent to impede or obstruct Raymond from performing his official duties and did so by repeatedly telling his girlfriend to shoot Raymond" during a lawful arrest.

Authorities allege Campbell did "unlawfully and intentionally flee or attempt to flee by means other than the use of a vehicle" from Raymond who was attempting to make a lawful arrest.

They added Campbell "knew or had reason to believe that the officer was attempting to arrest them." Campbell is also alleged to have "unlawfully and knowingly given false or misleading information to Raymond."

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Authorities allege Frame did "knowingly refuse to provide accurate information or did knowingly fail to provide notice of a change in his place of employment or occupation within 10 business days, having previously been convicted of a qualifying offense involving a minor or other qualifying offense requiring registry for life by order dated May 19, 1994, in the Circuit Court of Pendleton County."

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Health Department

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still has free at-home Covid tests available to those who may need them, as well as the covid vaccine and all boosters for those that may want or need them, "Reel said.

On the environmental side, Brooke Hott, registered sanitarian, said, "this has been the busiest year for wells and septs, but all of the inspections are complete."

Effective July 14, Mariam Hedrick, board member

for the Pendleton County Health Department, has resigned. Hedrick was a representative for the North Fork district of the county. Due to her resignation, the health department board will be seeking a replacement for her position.

Candidates must be a resident of the North Fork district. Anyone interested can contact the health department for more information at 304-358-7565

First Case of Monkeypox found in West Virginia

The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) has identified the first probable case of monkeypox in a resident of Berkeley County. Out of respect for patient privacy, no additional information will be released.

The United States is currently experiencing a monkeypox outbreak with over 600 cases confirmed nationwide, and there will likely be additional cases in West Virginia in the weeks ahead.

DHHR's Office Laboratory Services conducted the initial testing that identified this probable case of the non-variola orthopox and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is conducting confirmatory testing. DHHR's Bureau for Public Health and the Berkeley County Health Department are working to identify other individuals who may have been exposed.

"The threat to West Virginians from monkeypox is extremely low," said Dr. Ayne Amjad, commissioner of DHHR's Bureau for Public Health. "Monkeypox is much less contagious than COVID-19 and is containable particularly when prompt care is sought for symptoms."

Monkeypox can spread through close, prolonged contact with an infected person. This may include coming into contact with skin lesions or body fluids, sharing clothes or other materials that have been used by an infected person, or inhaling respiratory droplets during prolonged face-to-face contact. Vaccine to prevent or lessen the severity of illness is available through the CDC for high-risk contacts of persons infected with monkeypox, as is antiviral treatment for patients with monkeypox.

"Over the past month, BPH has raised awareness of monkeypox among higher risk populations, alerted medical professionals, and informed local health departments throughout the state to monitor for cases," noted Dr. Amjad.

For West Virginia residents that are concerned about fever, swollen glands, and a new rash, please contact your health care provider for evaluation. Health care providers should request orthopoxvirus testing for patients at the state public health laboratory by calling their local health department or DHHR's Office of Epidemiology and Prevention Services at 304-558-5358 ext. 2. For more information about monkeypox, visit <https://oeps.wv.gov/monkeypox>.

Pendleton County Historical Society Seeks Sports Info

The Pendleton County Historical Society is looking to members of the community for assistance in developing the next display in the "theme" room of the Boggs House Museum in Franklin. The theme room is one that is set aside for a specific topic and is changed each year.

Currently, the room recognizes the Golden Horseshoe winners for the county since 1933, along with supplemental items such as pictures, books, miniature horseshoes given to winners, and a progression of history during that period. This display will

be removed shortly to make room for items from the next theme.

The museum curator, Richard Ruddle, is excited to announce that the display for the following year will focus on recognizing outstanding sports individuals, teams and programs. This will include high school athletes, independent teams, college and professional players from the county, outstanding coaches, and others who have achieved notable accomplishments in their respective sport.

Many of these individuals may not be recognized

today for their contributions due to the years that have passed but really do need to be recognized today for their achievements.

Names and statistics are often the first part of the display to locate. With this theme, there will be a need for such things as pictures, equipment, uniforms, news clippings, and event programs. "If you have an old ball glove, ball, uniform, or pictures, we would love for you to loan it to the museum

for up to two years. It takes about a year to organize the displays and then the room would be open to the public during the following year," said Paul Clayton, president of the PCHS.

If one has sports memorabilia and is willing to share it or if there are any questions, contact Richard (304-358-2869) or Paul (304-249-5693) or any board member of the society.

FRANKLIN MAIN STREET BEAUTIFICATION announces

Veteran Memorial Flag Project

Sponsor a memorial flag for a wartime veteran. Flag sponsorship: \$200

Requirements:

- Veteran must have been a Pendleton County resident at time of wartime service.
- Photo available of loved one in uniform suitable for digital transfer.
- Submission of information including name, branch and dates of service, wartime service information, date of birth and death.
- Receipt of payment for sponsorship.

There are a limited number of poles located in town limits of Franklin so flags will be claimed in order of met requirements.

To sponsor a flag or for more information, please call or text Liz Warner at 304-902-0915, or via Facebook messenger.



Vickie Losh - July 5, 2022

The FAMILY OF VICKIE LOSH would like to express our sincere gratitude to the community for your support during such a difficult time. As many of you know, Vickie was a valued member of the community. She loved everyone as if they were family.

Always with a smile, always with an open heart, Vickie would do anything for anyone never expecting anything in return. She will be dearly missed. Since, it is impossible to thank everyone individually for everything that has been done, we are thanking you now. Special thanks to the ones that played an instrumental role in helping the family lay their mom to rest. Special thanks to Roy Bowers for providing Jesse with the battery for his tractor, Patrick for the load of shale for the road into the cemetery, James Holstein for providing the dozer work, Judy Tetter for providing the services (Little Roger and Taylor Hoover for helping us get in contact with her) and Sarah Cowger for providing ASL interpretation services at the funeral. Special thanks to Doug and Sharena Montaigne for providing the right-of-way to the cemetery. We can't thank the Basagic Funeral Home enough for assisting us through this difficult time. You were very professional, courteous, and went above and beyond during this time. We want to thank everyone that brought food for us. Many times, we would not have eaten if you hadn't, so thank you. As a community, you should be proud of yourself because you deserve it. We all know our mom is resting high up in heaven and proud of each and everyone of you.

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Branson and Evick Appointed to Lead PCB's Board of Directors

Pendleton Community Bank has announced the appointment of Chad Branson as chair and Laura Evick as vice chair to the organization's board of directors. Branson has served on the board of directors since 2014, and Evick has been a member of the board of directors since 2010.

"I look forward to working with Chad and Laura in their new positions on the board of directors as we continue to build our brand of community banking in the markets we serve," William A. Loving, president and CEO, said.

Branson has extensive experience in sales, property management and develop-

ment through his 17-year career in the real estate industry with Old Dominion Realty. He studied finance and accounting at Concord College before receiving his master of business administration from the University of Kentucky. He currently resides in Broadway, Virginia, with his wife, Micah, and his two children, Leighton and Corbin. Outside the office, he enjoys hunting, spending time with family and friends, and helping with his family's beef and turkey farm in Lost River.

Evick is licensed as an attorney in both West Virginia and Virginia and has practiced law for 26 years. She joined Hoover Penrod, PLC in 2007 with a general

practice focusing in the areas of adoption, family law, real estate transactions and business. She grew up outside of Franklin and attended Bridgewater College and West Virginia University College of Law. She was a founding member of the Collaborative Professionals of the Shenandoah Valley and is currently a member of the Collaborative Professionals of the Shenandoah Valley, the Virginia Collaborative Professionals and the International Association of Collaborative Professionals. She is also a past member of the board for Skyline Literacy. In her free time, she enjoys gardening, traveling, and spending time with her two children, family, and friends.



Chad Branson



Laura Evick



Cody Dent, left, and Trey Keyser were awarded Honorary State FFA Degrees during the annual FFA state convention held at Cedar Lakes in Ripley.

Keyser and Dent Receive Honorary State FFA Degrees

During the 94th annual West Virginia State FFA Convention held July 6 – 9 at Cedar Lakes in Ripley, Trey Keyser, local Farm Credit loan officer, and Cody Dent, Moorefield FFA advisor, were recognized for their dedication to agriculture and assisting the educational learning experiences of youth in the tri-county area.

Honorary degrees are awarded to farmers, school superintendents, principals, members of boards of education, chapter advisors, teachers, staff members in agricultural education, business people and others who are helping to advance agricultural education and the FFA, and who have rendered outstanding service. Individuals may be elected to honorary membership by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

Keyser has been an asset across the region. He provides major assistance to programs on multiple fronts. As a Farm Credit loan officer and dedicated volunteer, he is always willing to get his hands dirty and help out in any way he can. He helps coach many local 4-H and FFA teams, along with serving as a judge for FFA Career Development Events. He also serves as the chairman of the youth livestock sale committee for the Tri-County Fair and spends countless hours making sure the students' needs are met.

He resides in Kline with his wife, Kami, and two daughters Katie and Kallie, on their family farm

where they raise sheep and beef cattle. Keyser's passion for the FFA started young, when his father served as an ag. education instructor and FFA advisor in Broadway, Virginia. He went on to receive his State and American FFA Degrees and serve as the Virginia State FFA secretary in 1997-1998. The opportunities FFA provided him over the years helped shape who he is today, and he strives to make sure today's youth are provided the opportunities to learn and grow through the FFA, just as he did.

Dent is originally from Burlington and currently resides in Mozer with his fiancée, Brooke, on her family cattle farm. He has served as the FFA advisor at Moorefield High School since 2016 and previously served as the advisor at Union Educational Complex. He completed his master's degree in secondary education and undergraduate education through West Virginia University.

During his tenure, he has had 14 students earn their American FFA Degrees and has served as a cooperating teacher for two student teachers. He was awarded Teacher of the Year for MHS in 2018 and has served as a former National Chapter Award Judge for National FFA. He credits his love for the FFA to his high school advisors, Bob Knotts and Carol Webb from Mineral County. He was elected as the West Virginia FFA State secretary in 2006 and earned his American FFA degree in 2007.

FFA Members Attend State Convention

Pendleton County FFA members participated in the 94th annual West Virginia State FFA convention held July 6 – 9 at Cedar Lakes in Ripley.

Selena Hedrick, Lydia Heavner and Lindsey Smith served as the chapter's delegates.

In the zero turn and large

tractor driving contests, Josh Parker and Braiden Lantz both placed fourth.

Smith and Braden McCoy were awarded their State FFA

Degrees.

Members of the land judging and homesite judging teams were Heavner, Lantz and Smith.



Pendleton County FFA members attending the state FFA convention were, from left, Ron Hudson (advisor), Braiden Lantz, Lydia Heavner, Selena Hedrick, Lindsey Smith and Josh Parker.

Mitchell Elected State FFA Officer



Cody Mitchell

Cody Mitchell has been elected to serve as a member of the West Virginia FFA State Officer team during the organization's state convention held July 6-9 at Cedar Lakes in Ripley. He will serve as the

eastern region's vice president.

A 2022 graduate of Petersburg High School and past president of the Petersburg FFA Chapter, he will serve as a state delegate at the National FFA Convention to be held Oct. 26 – 29 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

At the convention, he placed third in the extemporaneous speaking contest.

The son of Greg and Pamy Mitchell of Kline, his plans are to attend West Virginia University Potomac State College in Keyser and major in ag business.

Sites Inducted into Horatio Alger Association

A 2021 National Horatio Alger Scholar, Regan Sites was inducted April 7 into the Horatio Alger Association. The ceremony was held in Washington, DC, with hundreds of alumni, including SCOTUS Clarence Thomas, Reba McEntire, Rob Lowe, Herschel Walker, and many other legendary figures, in attendance. Sites was able to meet many of them.

Sites finished her year at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, Maryland. She earned recognition on the President's List with a 4.0 GPA. A pre-physical therapy major, she is a member of the volleyball team and is on track to graduate a year

early.

She is the daughter of Robbie Sites of Franklin and Michele Sites of Sugar Grove.



Regan Sites

Vance Presented \$1,000 Scholarship



Trinity Vance of Circleville, center, received a \$1,000 scholarship award from the Spruce Mountain Ruritan Club. She attends Pierpont Community & Technical College and will be in her first year of veterinary technology. She is currently a member of the Spruce Mountain Ruritan Club board of directors and has served as the club's vice president. Pictured with her are George Hickey (president), left, and Tom Faust (vice president).

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10 Years Ago
Week of July 19, 2012

SUGAR GROVE

Self-Gratification Is the Best Gratification

More than anything else, folk just want to matter a little more. That's why kids play instruments, sports or perform in plays. They know they won't be professional entertainers or athletes. Adults are the same. They too run marathons, join civic organizations, play ball, run for local office, do charity work and are active in churches. They know they will never be presidents or champions. What one does sometimes is fun and rewarding, but there is a larger purpose involved as a sense of gratification and meaning that a job status can never provide.

While a self-gratification is the best gratification, it makes a huge difference when other people recognize achievements and efforts. That's where each one of us can play a huge role. Go to a neighbor's kid's game. Go to the local plays and fairs. Check out the livestock and all of the produce. Tell a school board member how much of what he/she has done is appreciated. Tell the youth director of the church how much of a difference he/she is making in the lives of children. Step up to the plate and cheer, congratulate and praise. Help to have a greater meaning in the lives of others.

One's emotional thermostat can definitely be regulated. If all is well, one can be lighthearted, laughing easily and be good company for others. Everyone and everything is at peace. Being warm and friendly can set off the day for others, at work, at home, at school and church. It is within one's power to become an emotional thermostat wherever one chooses to go. Walking into a room with a cheery hello, a compliment, an offer of kindness, or giving a smile does make a difference.

This past week's aftermath of the derecho storm was probably one of the best classroom opportunities. The storm of the century left fallen trees, loss of electricity and telephone service, roads blocked and property damage. Yes, there was pain and a lot of inconvenience, but as things moved towards normalcy, many lessons were presented. As in every situation, some folk did more than others. How quickly life can change because of a storm.

So, the classroom lesson of the storm is that each one can help people know they matter. It's fun and can help make one feel emotionally high, and at the same time, have a huge sense of self-gratification. Indeed, it can be very rewarding.

20 Years Ago
Week of July 11, 2002

SUGAR GROVE

Early Medicinal Products Were Literally A Bitter Pill to Swallow

Any unpleasant news may be called a bitter pill to swallow. This expression was once painfully literal. For centuries, a physician's pellet for use in sickness has been known as a pill. Honey and spices were about all that doc-

tors had with which to mask the disagreeable components. The cinchona, taken from the bark of a New World tree, was effective in fighting malaria, but the quinine it contained was extremely bitter. Before medications were coated, cinchona pellets caused any disagreeable thing to be termed a bitter pill to swallow.

Pioneer families traveled very little in their lifetime because they were limited by poor mountainous roads. Solomon Henckel, son of the famous Reverend Paul Henckel and brother of Ambrose, who established the early German printery at New Market, VA, established an apothecary shop at New Market, VA, and sold medicines as early as 1795. Solomon, who did his apprenticeship under Dr. Samuel Jackson of Philadelphia, PA, had a large medical practice. Many folk from Pendleton County traveled over the mountains to seek his help. His apothecary shop dispensed a variety of medicines with printed German or English directions for his patient's use. Among the large assortment of prepared medicines available were Eye-Water, Horse Liniment, Vermifuge, Rheumatic Tincture, Oleum Senecae, Antibilious Pills and his famous Caraway or Liver Pills, which are still available on the patent medicine market. Solomon had four sons, Samuel, Silon, Solon and Siram, who attended the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania and who joined the medical field. Several local residents remember a Noah Blakemore who made salves, pills and other medicines at Sugar Grove. He had a widely scattered clientele for his "All-Purpose" liniment, "Pain-King" salve, Spring Tonic and Blood Builder. There were two general patterns which were evident: cures and treatments which were once part of those which were handed down verbally from generation to generation by way of oral tradition. These were considered sound and were once believed by both the public and physicians alike.

Week of July 18, 2002

SUGAR GROVE

It was common belief among the Pennsylvania Germans of this county that a person was made up of three parts—the flesh, the life of the flesh and the soul. The opinion was that if a part of the body was cut off, the life remained until the part decayed naturally. Whatever happened to a separated part of the body also happened to the whole body sympathetically. Many folk recall the remedy for asthma and croup as being a sure cure. The version was that a person would stand facing toward the sunrise and up against a door or wall. A peg was driven into the door just above the top of the head...some hair driven in with it; the person would outgrow the asthma when they grew beyond the peg. Wearing a stocking worn around the throat after having been taken off the foot and turned inside out would cure a sore throat. Tiny children who had whooping cough were placed in the hopper at Mitchell's and Kaiser's Mills. The same was done for children who were "slow talkers" and didn't start speaking at the proper age or

had a speech impediment. To cure croup, bear grease taken orally, groundhog grease with pepper and nutmeg in it, or skunk grease which was best rubbed on the chest, was most effective. These practices were simply followed as it was handed down from past generations. At this period of time, the county was limited to poor road conditions, so naturally the folk remedies were used by elderly residents, since doctors lived a distance away.

Poultry Producers Allowed to Construct On-Farm Composters

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has approved a special cost-share project for poultry producers to install on-farm composters in the Potomac Valley to protect water quality and reduce the risk of spreading Avian Influenza.

Only producers who used a rendering facility to dispose of their dead birds are eligible for cost-sharing under AMA.

30 Years Ago
Week of July 16, 1992

DAHMER

Pendletonian Killed 437 Deer, 40 Bears, Panther

March 4, 1927, George W. Sponaugle, father of Green J. Sponaugle, stated, "I have killed 437 deer all told; thirty to forty bears and one panther. Most of these were killed with my muzzle loading rifle. I tell you it was a good one. About 1867 I think, I then moved to the Sinks where game was more plentiful. My mother's maiden name was Minerva Fleisher, a cousin of the late Captain Solomon Fleisher. I guess we got our size from that side of the house." George had a brother, Adam, living in the Sinks. There were 11 children, all large and strong. His father, William Sponaugle, was a great hunter. He killed over 1800 deer and about 300 bears in his lifetime. He lived on the Hunting Ground.

60 Years Ago
Week of July 19, 1962

100 YEARS AGO

Halleck Takes Charge Of Federal Armies

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.

Ulysses S. Grant arrived at the federal encampment at Corinth, Miss., 100 years ago this week, somewhat puzzled.

He had received a wire from his superior, Gen. Henry W. Halleck, four days earlier ordering him from Memphis to Corinth. A bit mystified, Grant wired back asking if he should bring his staff. Halleck answered that Grant

could judge that for himself, but his new headquarters would be at Corinth. And Grant set out immediately.

It was explained when Grant arrived at Corinth July 15. Halleck had been ordered to Washington to take command of all the federal armies. At long last, a replacement had been found for the unsuccessful commander-in-chief, George B. McClellan.

And with that, President Abraham Lincoln was rewarding "Old Brains" Halleck, the man old Winfield Scott had wanted in the top job the previous autumn. Halleck alone among the nation's top generals, had had a successful campaign, even if he didn't conduct it. It was under his command in the West that Grant had captured Forts Henry and Donelson. And Halleck, himself, had besieged Corinth for 60 days and called it a victory, even if the besieged Confederate army under Gen. P. G. T. Beauregard had slipped away intact.

Now, Halleck was going East, and ostensibly Grant would replace him in the West. But after two days with Halleck at Corinth, Grant reported Halleck "was very uncommunicative, and gave me no information as to what I had been called to Corinth for." Then Halleck left for Washington, and Grant was in command by inheritance if not by official action.

Halleck's appointment was one of a series of major personnel changes in the armies of the Civil War that summer.

Down at Tupelo, Miss., General Braxton Bragg had taken command of the Confederacy's largest army in the west—the army that had fought at Shiloh, then retreated from Corinth. Bragg had inherited the command from Beauregard in late June when Beauregard, without telling Richmond, had gotten a "certificate of ill health" and retired to Bladon Springs, a resort above Mobile, leaving Bragg in command. When President Jefferson Davis was informed of the change, he was so angry he relieved Beauregard of command and placed Bragg in permanent charge.

Meanwhile, another event occurred that week at Vicksburg, the Confederacy's last stronghold on the Mississippi River, to encourage the South.

On July 15, the day Grant arrived at Corinth, a home-made ironclad named the "Arkansas" emerged from the Yazoo River and began floating down the Mississippi to help in the defense of Vicksburg.

Under the command of Capt. Isaac Newton Brown, a former federal navy lieutenant, the Confederate vessel ran downriver into the midst of two federal fleets of more than 30 sloops and other vessels. Firing in every direction, the "Arkansas" successfully battled them all off before running safely under the Confederate guns

at Vicksburg. Later in the month, the "Arkansas" would successfully drive off both federal fleets in an attack on Vicksburg, and the South would have another hero in Isaac Brown.

Next week: The Slave question again.

County 4-H Camp Is Biggest in History

The Cherokee tribe won the week-long competition last week at the largest 4-H Camp ever held in Pendleton County. A total of 148 4-H members and 15 leaders participated in the camp which was held Monday through Friday at Thorn Spring Park.

Too Many Prizes Perplex Firemen

Most people have trouble winning prizes, but the Franklin Volunteer Fire Company has more than they want.

At the conclusion of their recent carnival, they still had on hand a large supply of nice prizes which is tying up money they need for other purposes.

Chief Willie Flinn said today that their excess of prizes may work to the advantage of the people of the county. Flinn said the fire company decided to hold a lawn party August 4 for the purpose of getting rid of the prizes.

The lawn party will be held on the carnival grounds, and the prizes will be distributed to winners of bingo games, ball pitch, fish pond, etc., which will be conducted during the lawn party.

Flinn said the biggest prize of all will be a pony which will be given away as a gate prize at the lawn party.

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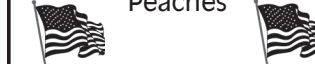
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Writer Shares High School Reunion Joke

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

Pendleton County had a busy day Saturday. There was a family fest, golf tournament, church lawn party, drive-in fun with vintage cars and Elvis look alike, and high school reunions. The latter included the 62nd and 65th high school reunions where dinners were enjoyed by the attendees. There were four perfect attendance individuals who attended the 65th high school reunion. The writer is reminded of a joke regarding high school reunions, which she would like to share with her readers.

"A reunion group of high schoolers, who were 40 years old, discuss where they should meet for their reunion dinner. Finally, it was agreed upon that they should meet at the South Fork Ruritan Building because the ladies wear beautiful dresses.

10 years later, at 50 years of age, the group again pools their thoughts and discuss where they should meet. Finally, it is agreed upon that they should meet at the South Fork Ruritan Building because the food there is very good and the desserts are delicious.

10 years later, at the age of 60, the group again decides to discuss where they should meet. Finally, it is agreed upon that they should meet at the South Fork Ruritan Building because they can eat there in peace and quiet and it is smoke free.

10 years later, at the age of 70 years, the group again discusses where they should meet for their reunion dinner. Finally, it is agreed

upon that they should meet at the South Fork Ruritan Building because the facility is wheelchair accessible.

10 years later, at 80 years of age, the group again discusses where they should meet. Finally, it is agreed upon that they should meet at the South Fork Ruritan Building because that would be a great idea since they have never been there before!"

Well, there it is. If one hasn't attended their high school reunion, it would more than likely be very interesting to attend and see how everyone else has aged.

Life's little instructions from a grandpa include the following:

1. It's always right to do the right thing.
2. Be proud of who one is.
3. Live below one's means: share some, save some and spend some.
4. Do more than one is asked.
5. Love is a four-letter word spelled G-I-V-E. Be thankful, and think of the next guy.

Area showers have been taking place this past week. The high temperatures call for more of these showers in order for the gardens and meadows to flourish.

Quotes for the week are as follows:

"It's human nature to gripe, but I'm going ahead and doing the best I can." — Elvis Presley

"Three things cannot be hidden: the sun, the moon, and the truth." — Buddha

"Some of my best leading men have been dogs and horses." — Elizabeth Taylor

"If you have to choose between being kind and being right, always choose to be kind. Then you will always be right." — Donnie Osmond

"The important things are children, honesty, integrity, and faith." — Andy Williams

Sitting by a fan to hear about the "Talk of the Grove" would be welcoming:

Wesley, Becky, Ben, Nathan and Emma Puffenbarger enjoyed dinner Saturday evening at The Cracked Pillar in Bridgewater, Virginia. They were able to watch the antique parade from the patio. Ben has been helping his grandfather, Eldon, make hay.

Visitors of Rosalee Grogg were Marleta Wimer, Terri Grogg and friend, Claude, Stephen Grogg, Kim Evick, Madison Grogg and Anthony and Asher Mauzy.

St. Paul Lutheran Church had a one-day Vacation Bible School on Saturday. The

theme "Knowing and Growing in Jesus" had 23 children and youth very involved with singing, crafts, lessons, water sports and food. Everyone enjoyed an ice cream party at the conclusion of the day.

Many folks in the community took in the movie "Elvis" this past weekend at the Warner's Drive-In in Franklin.

Clickety-clacks for the chin wagers are as follows:

•The state with the most lakes is Florida, with about 30,000.

•More than one-fourth of all the bones in the human body are in the hands, 54 of 206.

•Although the dragon fly has 6 long legs, he cannot walk a step.

•In the building of bridges,

kites were once used to bring the first cable across.

•The motto on the first coin officially issued by the U.S. government was "Mind your business."

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, Herb Eye, Mary Eye, Ron Gilkeson, Barry Gordon, Lola Graham, Marlene Harman, Steve and Armanda Heavner, Starr Hedrick, George Hevener, Gary and Jackie Hills, Rose Hinkle, Virgil Homan, Jr., Charlie Marie Hoover, Lorena Hoover, Myrtle Hoover, Bob Hurry, Alice Johnson, Richard Judy, Melissa Lambert, Robin and Kitty Lam-

bert, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, Roger and Skip Mallow, Yvonne Marsh, Neil McLaughlin, Naomi Michael, Joe Moats, Lincoln Moore, Ernie Morgan, Aaron Nelson, Kathy Nelson, Ken and Ruth Nelson, Bennie Nesselrodt, Cheryl Paine, Sutton Par-rack, Alda Propst, Betty Lou Propst, Kara Propst, Kathy Propst, Linda Propst, Sheldon Propst, Pam Rexrode, Donna Ruddle, Bernie Sasser, Barbara Simmons, Emily Simmons, Erin Simmons, Eva Simmons, Charlie Sites, Diana Smith, Ona Smith, Stanna Smith, Patricia Swecker, Rosa Tichenor, Sandra Vandevander, Jack Vogel, Judy Waggy, Ron White, Judy Williams, Larry Wimer and Carol Windett.



Pictured is the Pendleton County Road Crew in 1910. The only identified worker is Oliver Bead Mitchell (second row, second from left). If a person can identify any other worker, please contact Paula Mitchell at 304-249-5935.

Council Installs 2 New Members, Discusses Lead Piping

By Shawn Stinson

Two individuals were selected to join the Town of Franklin council and a discussion regarding lead testing in the town's water lines were the top topics at the latest meeting.

The July 12 meeting at the town office was kicked off by Bob Horan, mayor, administering the oath of office to re-elected council members Kristin Dingess, Genevieve Glover and Edwin Wimer, as well as Bruce Minor, recorder. Following the oath, the council members selected two town residents — Jarred Rawson and Keely Smith — to fill the two vacancies. Rawson and Smith recited their oaths of office and immediately took their seats.

Frank Wehrle, town manager, informed the council members of possible future requirements by federal and state officials regarding the replacement of water service lines in the town's water system. Wehrle said the issue was spurred by the situation in Flint, Michigan, regarding lead in that town's water system.

Wehrle said the main water lines fall under the re-

sponsibility of the town, but customers have the financial responsibility for the service lines. Wehrle added the service lines are on the customer's side of the water meters.

Wehrle said the possible new requirements will force municipalities and public service district officials to know what the service lines are made of and if there is potentially any lead present in the lines. He added currently service meters and their materials have been the responsibility of the water customers.

To prepare for the possible federal and state requirements, Wehrle said town officials need to identify where the water customers are located in the town and then attempt to identify the materials of the line. He added if a line is suspected of having lead, the line must be replaced at the customer's expense. Wehrle said it could be costly for a customer, but grant money is expected to be available to pay for the replacement. It is not known if the funds would be paid directly to the water customer or the municipality or the public service district.

Wehrle confidently informed the council members "that the town's mains are not lead." He added "I can happily tell you the vast majority if not all of our services lines for all our customers are not lead."

"In the last 30 years that Larry (Hoover, the town's maintenance supervisor) has worked, he has come across exactly one lead line," Wehrle said. "It was a 'T-offed' service line that was very old."

Despite the apparent good news regarding the lack of lead service lines, Wehrle warned the council members it may not be all right. He said federal and state officials are concerned about galvanized lines. Wehrle said they believe galvanized lines "equals lead."

"I'm not exactly sure what the direct line connection is there," he said.

If a line is suspected to be lead or even galvanized, it has to be checked. Wehrle said that process could be "very time-consuming and expensive." He added the town does not have the manpower to identify and map all of the lines or check if there is lead in the line.

"The behind the scenes

work is going to be the issue," Wehrle said.

Wehrle said 120 Water, based in Zionsville, Indiana, has been working with various municipalities and water service districts in the state on the issue. He added the company assists with contacting the water customers to inform them of the process and sends them a questionnaire about their service line.

The company submitted a proposal of nearly \$10,500 for the first year of work and approximately \$8,500 for the second year.

Glover inquired if funds the town received from the American Rescue Plan Act could be used to cover the expense of hiring 120 Water. Wehrle said he believes the money can be used for the project since it deals with infrastructure.

The council members unanimously approved Wehrle's request to hire 120 Water for the project.

Elizabeth Scott, assistant business manager, led a discussion regarding creating a website for the town. Scott said, "Taylor Yokum could create a website for the town." Scott said she would like the website to in-

clude information about the town, information about the council members and town employees. She added the website should also provide customers with an option to pay for utility bills, building permits and business licenses.

Scott and Yokum said the initial cost of the website would be \$850 for the creation and design. The annual fee to keep the website active with the host company is approximately between \$160 and \$240 with an additional \$14 to maintain the domain name.

The pair added there is a monthly maintenance cost of \$75. Yokum, who called into the meeting, said the fee would be waived because Scott or Wehrle would be able to update the information on the site themselves or she would do it at no charge if it was a "simple solution or a quick fix." Yokum added she would charge an hourly rate if the changes were "drastic that may take a little while for me to make those updates."

Jonie E. Nelson, town attorney, questioned if the town would own the domain name following the creation of the website or if Yokum would retain it. Yokum said

she would "send direct access and ownership" to town officials to maintain and control the website when the build is finalized.

The council members unanimously approved Yokum creating a website for the town. A draft of the website is expected in two weeks.

In other action, Wehrle submitted three new policies for the council members to approve as part of the town's upcoming water project. He said the policies are "similar to ones already in place."

The first policy approved is a drought management plan. The plan provides a "strategy for the conservation of available water resources with an emphasis on keeping available water supplies for the health and safety of the public. The plan is in accordance with the regulations set by the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health, the West Virginia Office of Environmental Health Services and the West Virginia Environmental Engineering Division.

The plan states if the town would enter a drought situation "without adequate flow to process water at the

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FHS Classmates of 1972 Reminisce at Reunion



The Franklin High School Class of 1972 gathered for its 50th class reunion July 2 at South Fork Ruritan Building. Classmates attending were, from left, front row, Carolyn Wimer Lambert, Brenda Moyers Daniel, Brenda McLaughlin Heavner, Karen Judy Chamberlain, Susan Dahmer Warner, Carolyn Bowers Simmons, Vickie Joseph Earhart, Bonnie Cook Hedrick and Anna Waybright Simmons; middle row, Jane Anderson Yokum, Bonnie Simmons Hubart, Deanna Mitchell Bolton, Jackie Warner Pennybacker, Denise Sites Swartz, Rosemary Glover Thompson, Kathy Hott Minor, Lois Hevener Byers, Stephanie Johnston Ashcraft, Vickie Hess Schmidt and Keith Thompson; and back row, Ronnie Haynes, Randy Ruddle, Charles Propst, Dennis Meadows, Fred Rexrode, Kathe Jackson, Frankie Kay Hill and Robert Dunkle.

FES Students Recognized for Academic Achievements

Franklin Elementary School has released the following honor lists for the fourth nine-weeks grading period.

A Honor Roll

1A (Ruddle) — Silas Calhoun, Greysen Eckard, Gracie Hedrick, Luke Kimble, Landon Mallow, Adelynn Miller, Sunny Milstead, Eowyn Propst and Jaedynn Severance;
 1B (Nicely) — Chase Bennett, Sicily Flanigan, Alyssa Hendrix, Vince Herb, Dallis Hull, Remington Kimble, Holden Puchany, Ava Rose, Adalynn Severance and Zaidex Somerville;
 2A (Simmons) — Tinley Basagic, Olivia Caplinger, Emma Felici, Riley Hawk, Bella Kimble and Bentley Varner;
 2B (George) — Raelynn Bergdoll, Bristol Bowers, Wyatt Hott, Gracelyn Mongold, Connor Raines, Elizabeth Richardson and Deken Somerville;
 3A (Kimble) — Jacob Harman, Wyatt Haynes, Cambri Hiatt, Breyman Keesecker, Gisselle Padilla, Roscoe Pownell, Acie Tilley and Marion Williams;
 3B (Dove) — Ava Davis, Alaina Hedrick, Madison Kirk and Bentley Wimer;
 4A (Cook) — Beckett Aumann, Journey Rowe, Lainey Simmons and Lori Wehrle;
 4B (Eye) — Greyson Boggs, Kya Brogan, Eulaila Dahmer, Bella Eye, Kallie Keyser, Alaska Kimble, Maiya Mongold, Branson Smith, Aiden Whetzel and Makynna Whetzel;
 5A (Alexander) — Tatum Aumann, Landon Davis, Cohen Hiatt and Katelyn Myers;
 5B (Plaughter) — Maycee Johnson and Carly Kimble;
 6A (Griffin) — Katie Heavner, Katie Keyser and Phoebe Pownell; and
 6B (Shreve) — Bella Alt, Candace Mc-

Quain, Marleigh Moyers, Jonah See, Lauren Sisson and Zeda Townsend.

AB Honor Roll

1A (Ruddle) — Kyle Ice;
 1B (Nicely) — Charlotte Kimble, Hunter Price and Krislee Hammer;
 2A (Simmons) — Grayson Alt, Hyrum Hartman, Emma Hendrix, Destiny Michael and Brantley Propst;
 2B (George) — Brantley Hess and Julian Jackson;
 3A (Kimble) — Sadie Armentrout, Blayne Bennett, Adalycia Davis, Alexis Hedrick and Lorelei Price;
 3B (Dove) — Kenden Champ, Kamden Hawk, Tucker Minor, Emma Nesselrodt, Addison Shreve and Cambria VanMeter;
 4A (Cook) — Allison Barbour, Daisy Hartman, Michael Haynes, Hannah Heavner, Parker Hedrick, Shane LaMaster, Carmella Paugh, Alivia Smith and Kaylie Teter;
 4B (Eye) — Reagyn Atkins, Brian Cheesman, Paige Errington, Tegan Johnson, Lacey Mullens, Jayden Rexrode, Chase Rohrbaugh, Wyatt Ruddle, Cheyenne Varner and Josie Verdoni;
 5A (Alexander) — Lily Brogan, Hayden Kimble, Kolby Kimble, Evie Nulph, Jude Propst, Jazmin Severance, Avionna Thurston and Jackson Wimer;
 5B (Plaughter) — Charlotte Richardson, Blaine Cook, Tia Heavner, Bryce Propst, Jaxon Simon and Aubreyanna VanMeter;
 6A (Griffin) — Charity Chan, Victoria Chan, Alaena Fertig, Tanner Hedrick, Jasmine Hester, Alessandra Piel, Colton Roberson and Colbie Wimer; and
 6B (Shreve) — Emma Alexander, Alexis Arnold, Logan Hawk, Aubriana Holloway and Alanna Miller.

Citizenship

KA (Flanigan) — Madison Borrer and Maddie Grace Nesselrodt;
 KB (Kimble) — Mattox Ayala and Kane Gill;
 1A (Ruddle) — Landon Mallow and Adelynn Miller;
 1B (Nicely) — Holden Puchany and Zaidex Somerville;
 2A (Simmons) — Olivia Caplinger, Clair Kimble and Kymani Williams;
 2B (George) — Vincent Haynes, Isabella Hoover and Conner Judy;
 3A (Kimble) — Acie Tilley;
 3B (Dove) — Kamden Hawk and Madison Kirk;
 4A (Cook) — Parker Hedrick and Shane LaMaster;
 4B (Eye) — Maiya Mongold and Lacey Mullens;
 5A (Alexander) — Tatum Aumann and Landon Davis;
 5B (Plaughter) — Blaine Cook and Kaylee Ellinger;
 6A (Griffin) — Katie Keyser; and
 6B (Shreve) — Logan Hawk and Candace McQuain.

Top 5 Accelerated Reader

KA (Flanigan) — Nathanael Vincell (50 points), Maddie Grace Nesselrodt (40.7 points), Madalyn Griffin (12.3 points) and Emmett Sisson (10.6 points);
 KB (Kimble) — Abigail Cayton (52.3 points), Rosalyn Nesselrodt (34.1 points), Mattox Ayala (27.7 points), Madison Mongold (25.6 points) and Hunter Hedrick (23.6 points) with KB's yearly total of 1254.3 points;
 1A (Ruddle) — Sunny Milstead (210.4 points), Gracie Hedrick (207.4 points), Greysen Eckard (145.1 points) and Luke Kimble (127 points);
 1B (Nicely) — Zaidex Somerville (95.4 points), Sicily Flanigan (93.9 points), Holden Puchany (93.9 points), Chase Bennett (65.2 points) and Ava Rose (42.7 points);
 2A (Simmons) — Emma Felici (50.8 points), Tinley Basagic (24.1 points), Olivia Caplinger (17.5 points), Bella Kimble (17.4 points) and Hyrum Hartman (15.7 points);
 2B (George) — Deken Somerville (59.3 points), Wyatt Hott (55.4 points), Gracelyn Mongold (27.5 points), Brantley Hess (20.6 points)

and Raelynn Bergdoll (16.8 points) with 2B's yearly total of 978.4 points;
 3A (Kimble) — Breyman Keesecker (61 points), Blayne Bennett (54 points), Roscoe Pownell (46 points), Marion Williams (39 points) and Jacob Harman (38 points);
 3B (Dove) — Alaina Hedrick (161 points), Kenden Champ (42.6 points), Cambria VanMeter (41.2 points), Emma Nesselrodt (38.5 points) and Madison Kirk (29.5 points);
 4A (Cook) — Lainey Simmons (85.3 points), Parker Hedrick (80 points), Lori Wehrle (77.8 points), Kaylie Teter (54.1 points), Allison Barbour (51.3 points) and Carmella Paugh (51.3 points);
 4B (Eye) — Wyatt Ruddle (132.7 points), Maiya Mongold (127.4 points), Chase Rohrbaugh (124.5 points), Branson Smith (101 points) and Kallie Keyser (84.9 points);
 5A (Alexander) — Jackson Wimer (101.4 points), Evie Nulph (96.6 points), Cohen Hiatt (67 points), Landon Davis (66.7 points) and Tatum Aumann (61 points);
 5B (Plaughter) — Aiden Shirk (116.1 points), Maycee Johnson (96.2 points), Aubreyanna VanMeter (91.7 points), Carly Kimble (84.2 points) and Zackary Rexrode (65.1 points);
 6A (Griffin) — Katie Keyser (206.2 points), Katie Heavner (142.7 points), Charity Chan (114.4 points), Phoebe Pownell (113.8 points) and Alessandra Piel (87.7 points); and
 6B (Shreve) — Alexis Arnold (143.8 points), Zeda Townsend (129.3 points), Aubriana Holloway (124 points), Lauren Sisson (68.6 points) and Emma Alexander (40.3 points).

Principal Award – Sixth Grade Only

6A (Griffin) — Charity Chan, Victoria Chan, Alaena Fertig, Katie Heavner, Tanner Hedrick, Katie Keyser, Isaiah Meadows, Alessandra Piel, Phoebe Pownell, Colton Roberson and Colbie Wimer; and
 6B (Shreve) — Emma Alexander, Candace McQuain, Alanna Miller, Marleigh Moyers, Jonah See and Lauren Sisson.
 Presidential Academic Award – Sixth Grade Only
 6A (Griffin) — Alaena Fertig, Katie Heavner, Katie Keyser and Colbie Wimer; and
 6B (Shreve) — Candace McQuain, Jonah See, Lauren Sisson and Zeda Townsend.

New Members

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treatment plant, town officials would contact water customers to request them to suspend use of water to fill swimming pools, water lawns and gardens as well as wash houses and vehicles.

The second policy OK'd by the council members centered on hydrant maintenance. The policy states there will be a routine flushing of the hydrant system to purge it of "problem causing impurities." The flushing of the system is set to occur at least twice a year.

In addition, other maintenance could include weed removal and mowing around the hydrants; painting as necessary; repairing or replacing damaged or non-performing hydrants and or valves; and maintaining written logs by field personnel.

The final policy approved by the council members centered on valve exercise and maintenance. The policy states "the purpose of operable valves in the water distribution system is to provide a means for isolation in case of a line break or another possible contamination event, reducing water loss and protecting public health."

The plan states town employees of the water system will make annual inspections of the system's valve and would exercise the valves at least 1 to 5 years. They will also update the system maps to obtain GPS coordinates of

the valves.

Nelson briefly discussed two issues with the council members. The first was the structure on the property at 123 South Main Street owned by Carmen Miranda. The house was severely damaged by a vehicle several years ago. Nelson said she spoke with the property owner's attorney who informed her if town officials want to demolish the house, they can do so at the town's expense. Nelson said she responded if town officials were to move forward with the demolition of the house they would go to court to seek reimbursement from Miranda.

Nelson also mentioned attempting to secure right of way permits from various cell phone tower owners to access two of the town's water tanks. Nelson said she is having difficulty getting in touch with

officials to receive those right of way permissions.

The council members unanimously accepted the financial statement submitted by Wehrle for the month of June without comment.

Wehrle also submitted the first budget revision for the 2022-23 fiscal year. Wehrle said there was an additional \$3,134 in the assigned fund balance at the end of the 2021-22 fiscal year. The council members unanimously approved assigning the additional funds to the city hall account for the current fiscal year. The revised amount in the city hall account is \$190,569.

The council members also unanimously accepted the minutes from the June 15 and June 17 meetings without comment. The next meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. Aug. 9 in the town office.



Jarred Rawson, left, and Keely Smith were selected to fill two voids on the Town of Franklin council.

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Former State Trooper Facing DUI Charges

By Shawn Stinson

A former member of the West Virginia State Police is facing DUI charges stemming from an incident earlier this month in Randolph County.

Kaja Tenney, 26, is charged with aggravated DUI following an on-duty crash with another vehicle on July 1 in Elkins. Authorities allege Tenney failed several field sobriety tests conducted by a fellow state trooper according to a criminal complaint that was filed with the Randolph County Magistrate Court. Capt. Robert Maddy, WV

State Police Deputy Chief of Staff, said in a July 6 press release that Tenney was formally charged the following day and was also "separated from employment" with the department on the same day. Maddy declined to state if Tenney was fired or resigned from the department. He added no additional comment would be released regarding Tenney's employment.

Sgt. D.W. Burge wrote in the complaint he was investigating a crash on U.S. Route 219 when he located a 2017 Ford Explorer on South Kerens Avenue in Elkins that matched the descrip-

tion and damage of the vehicle suspected in the crash. Burge added he approached the driver, later identified as Tenney, who appeared to be disoriented and had a strong odor of alcohol coming from her breath. Tenney was also alleged to be staggering while walking and having slurred speech. The Explorer was Tenney's state-issued vehicle.

Burge performed a preliminary breath test on Tenney and later initiated a horizontal gaze nystagmus test. Burge wrote Tenney failed both tests. He added Tenney was offered "one-leg stand"

and "walk and turn" tests which she refused according to the complaint.

Tenny was later read the West Virginia implied consent statement by Burge and signed the form. Burge waited approximately 20 minutes and initiated a secondary breath test. Burge wrote Tenney failed the test by registering a .377 blood alcohol content reading. A driver in West Virginia may be charged with a DUI with a .08 BAC reading. A driver with a BAC reading of .15 or higher may be charged with aggravated DUI.

Southern States Cooperatives Announce Merger

Four Southern States cooperatives in Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia have announced plans to merge into an all-new organization, Freedom Ag & Energy Cooperative.

The board of directors of the cooperatives in Petersburg, Buckhannon, Winchester, Virginia, and Oakland, Maryland, have all formally voted to approve the merger. Before the process is complete, the members of each cooperative must also approve the deal, with those votes expected by early August. Once finalized, the merger will be effective on Jan. 1, 2023.

The new, combined Freedom Ag & Energy Cooperative will have additional flexibility to capitalize on competitive advantages in

ever-changing local and global agriculture markets. The four cooperatives have a long history of serving the agricultural needs of their respective areas. The merger will allow the locations to take advantage of the synergies in their core businesses – petroleum products, agronomy, feed and farm supply, and retail – to strengthen their overall financial position while safeguarding members' equity and patronage.

The cooperatives share similar visions and values, have matching cultures and care about members' success, making the merger a natural fit. No jobs will be eliminated, and overall employment is expected to increase over the next 12 months.

Executive

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Trout Fest, car shows and more.

One of Lambert's accomplishments she said was that she "partnered with SP Photography to donate hundreds of pajamas and clothes for foster children, and patients of the West Virginia University Children's Hospital. In addition to helping children, we were also able to get donations for PAWS."

"Much of my role I tied CVB and chamber together," she said, "recently through a collaboration with the EDA, a rebrand for the county was established, Pendleton Rocks Worth the Climb. This project is one I hope the next director grasps. It is essential that the person who takes on this role understands how important tourism is to

the economic development within Pendleton County. This is where we will grow. If tourism strives, everything else will also strive."

Lambert added, "My passion for Pendleton County will never fizzle out simply because I've chose to change my job title. I still very much plan to play an active role in the community's development moving forward, but at this point in my life, a volunteer role is much more fitting for myself and my family."

"It will be very hard to replace someone as passionate for her county and even the state of West Virginia, as Ciara is. I know she will continue to do great things for Pendleton County in her own way," Puffenbarger said.

Elderberry

By Charles Teter
Cirleville

As one travels the highways and back roads of Pendleton County, you can see a large bush with cup size white blooms growing, especially along the road.

The best time to see them is during June and July. It is the elderberry bush blooming. This bush has been around for centuries and one good elderberry bush would keep a family of four in jams and jellies for a year.

Several things could be made from an elderberry bush:

1. Buggy whips
2. Indians called it the tree of music and made flutes out of it
3. A black dye

4. Different types of jellies, tea, and pies as well as many other types of foods

Now through July, the bloom is white. Then in August, it will turn to a purplish berry. It's fun to go out with the family and find the elderberry. Take a red ribbon and mark the bush when it is found. Then in August, go back with a cup or small bucket and pick the berries.

Don't put it off because the birds love them and before you know it, the berries will be gone.

I am sure Facebook talks about elderberry and one can find the different edible foods and drinks you can make to entertain the family. Ask your grandmother or grandfather and they will tell you about the elderberry.

Local Business

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ation with El Roberson and E.T. Boggess Architect for a multi-phase development of the existing facility. There are plans for renovations, documenting and assessing HVAC, plumbing, electrical, fire safety, security, as well as other replacements and repairs that may need completed.

This motion was approved with a majority vote as well. Officials with the On the Rocks Craft Trail featuring Dry Run Spirits Distillery, Swilled Dog, Still Hollow Spirits, and Big Fish Cider, requested a \$1,000 contribution from the EDA office to assist with the startup cost of the trail. The money will be used for marketing purposes. EDA board members discussed the mutual benefits of

working with the craft trail. By contributing the requested monies, EDA will gain marketing access to two additional counties, including Randolph and Highland counties.

Board members unanimously agreed that their contribution will help promote tourism growth in Pendleton County.

Last on the agenda was discussion of the Micro Grant Program for Pendleton County Businesses. For the third consecutive year in a row, the EDA will offer grant funds to a local business. Details will not be released until Aug 1. However the award will total \$5,250. The EDA will be providing \$3,000, Pendleton Community Bank will be providing \$1,750, and Summit will provide the remaining \$500 of the overall grant.

Summer Fest

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tent listening to musical performances by Justin Hensley and Spencer Hatcher and the Ol Son Gang, throwing axes or standing in line at one of the food vendors.

Scott added there were nearly 300 people at last year's event. She said this year's event was more "spread out" and "not everyone was confined to one area."

Event attendees could listen to the musical performances at the main pavilion, swim at the town pool, have fun on one of the inflatables near the pool, throw an axe in the middle of the park, shop at the handful of vendors near the tennis courts,

purchase something to eat at one of the food vendors or grab a drink at the beer garden on the tennis courts.

Tessa Mitchell, owner of the WV Inflatables, posted on town's Facebook page she and her employees enjoyed the event. "First trip to Franklin and I must say, the best group of kids (and parents) we have ever dealt with," she wrote. "Beautiful town and some wonderful people."

Scott said the planning has started on next year's event. She wants to maintain the third Saturday in July date and may alter the hours to avoid conflict with other events in the county.

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Summer P-EBT Benefits Approved for Children

The West Virginia Department of Education and Governor Jim Justice announced earlier this month approval for West Virginia's Summer Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer benefits for student and non-student populations.

The program, funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered by the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources and the WVDE, will provide a one-time summer feeding benefit valued at \$391 per eligible child. This benefit will be deposited onto the child's WV-PEBT card. The state will not utilize the Mountain State EBT card during this round of distribution.

On Feb. 18, the United States Department of Agriculture approved issuance of a third round of P-EBT for students who would have received free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program if their schools were not closed or operating at reduced attendance hours due to COVID-19.

Eligible students are those enrolled during the school year 2021-2022 in a school that participates in the National School Lunch Program as of May 31 and qualifies for free or reduced-price meals.

Eligible children not yet enrolled in school are those that are under the age of six and reside in a household that receives SNAP. Any child under six who becomes eligible for SNAP, or any individual student who becomes eligible for free or reduced-price meals (during the covered summer period) will be deemed eligible for Summer P-EBT and will be issued the full benefit in an exception process at the end of the covered summer period.

Students at participating schools who did not qualify for free or reduced-price meals during 2021-2022 school year and have experienced a change in status that could deem them eligible for free or reduced price meals, should contact their county or school child nutrition contact to complete a free/reduced-price meal

application before July 31.

"I am once again grateful for an additional round of this extremely important funding," Gov. Justice said. "Our children are our greatest treasure in West Virginia and making sure our kids have enough to eat is absolutely the most important thing we can do. I commend our state agencies that have worked with these federal resources, so our children have access to the meals they need."

Households can expect to receive the one-time benefit during the month of August 2022. An exact date will be announced at a later time. West Virginia estimates Summer P-EBT will be issued to approximately 255,000 children, drawing down nearly \$100 million in additional federal funding.

Families may visit www.wvpebt.org for general updates and information.

For more information, contact Christy Day at the West Virginia Department of Education Office of Communications at 304-558-2699 or Christy.Day@k12.wv.us.

Landowners Urged To Sign-up for Lymantria Dispar Suppression Program

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture is urging landowners to sign-up for the Cooperative State-County-Landowner Lymantria dispar, formerly Gypsy Moth, Suppression Program. The program is focused on protecting landowners' forested acreage from devastating effects caused by the invasive Lymantria dispar. The sign-up period runs until Aug. 31.

"West Virginia's forests are one of the state's most important resources. From tourism to the timber industry, our forests are an economic driver," said Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt. "As we face more invasive species such as the spotted lanternfly, we hope people will take advantage of these programs."

The CSCL Lymantria dispar program started accepting egg mass survey applications from landowners statewide on July 1. Application forms and brochures are available at <https://agriculture.wv.gov/divisions/plant-industries/forest-health-protection/>.

Landowners may also obtain applications at local WVU Extension offices and WVDA field offices in Charleston (304-558-2212) or New Creek (304-788-1066). A non-refundable survey deposit of \$1 per acre, not to exceed \$500, must be submitted with the application. This deposit will be applied toward the payment for treatment if the landowner qualifies.

"The Lymantria dispar, formerly known as gypsy moth, is a non-native, invasive insect that feeds on hundreds of species of trees and shrubs, including West Virginia hardwoods," said WVDA Plant Industries Assistant Director Butch Sayers. "Defoliation by Lymantria dispar caterpillars can weaken trees, making them more susceptible to other pests and diseases. This treatment program helps safeguard our forests from further damage."

The minimum acreage required to participate in the program is 50 contiguous acres of wooded land. Adjoining landowners may combine their properties to meet the acreage requirement. Once applications and deposits are received, a forest health protection specialist will visit the landowner's property to determine if the level of Lymantria dispar infestation meets program guidelines. A final decision will be made in December.

For more information, contact Quentin "Butch" Sayers at qsayers@wvda.us or G. Scott Hoffman at gshoffman@wvda.us.

Local Students Graduate from Potomac State College

Six Pendleton County students were awarded degrees May 7 during the 119th annual commencement ceremony held in the Church-McKee Arts Center on the campus of West Virginia University Potomac State College in Keyser.

Receiving diplomas were Aiden Cooney (associate of arts in pre-bachelor of science in nursing), Cara Holloway (associate of arts in pre-bachelor of science in nursing), Kaitlyn Hoover (associate of arts in pre-pharmacy); Adam Judy (associate of arts in general studies), Trina Malow (Associate of arts in agribusiness management) and Taylor Townsend (associate of arts in business administration).



Healthy Saturday

August 6, 2022

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YARD SALES

MULTI-FAMILY Garage Sale July 21, 22 & 23, 8 to 5 at Nila Bland's on Rt. 33 near Brandywine. 1c
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Franklin for the entry of an Order by said Court changing the name from Susan Rose Hicks to Susan Rose Bates. Any person who has an objection to the change of said name for any reason may appear at the time and place set forth above and shall be heard in opposition to such change.

Given under my hand this 15th day of July, 2022.

Naomi Bates
PETITIONER
1284 Hammer Run Road
Franklin, WV 26807
7-21-2p

NOTICE OF ANCILLARY FILING WITHOUT ANY ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that a foreign will or affidavit has been filed before Pendleton County Commission at 100 S. Main Street, Franklin, WV 26807.

That no appointment of administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of law but that a foreign will or affidavit of heirs of the decedent has been filed with the Pendleton County Commission, and is of record in the Pendleton County Clerk's Office.

Any interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration

tration being made in this state must be filed with the Pendleton County Commission within 60 days after the date of first publication or within 30 days of the serving of this notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

First Publication Date: Thursday, July 21, 2022
Claim Deadline Date: Monday,

September 19, 2022

Decedent: David N. Klein, Sr. Frederick County, MD
Filed by: Stephen W. Cogar Attorney, Ravenswood, WV

Decedent: Bernice V. Klein, Frederick County, MD
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Decedent: David R. Ratlief Anne Arundel County, MD
Filed by: Steven M. Berger Attorney, Severna Park, MD

Subscribed and sworn to before me on July 15, 2022.

Elise M. White, Clerk of the Pendleton County Commission
7-21-2c

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Pendleton Community Care, Inc.
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This job is for 40 hours per week, with full benefits. Requirements include good verbal communication and interpersonal skills, assisting in arranging interviews for potential employees, coordinating, monitoring, and reporting employee trainings, maintaining provider credentialing and scheduling, providing benefit information to new and existing employees, maintaining personnel files, and maintaining employee relations. In addition, this position will be responsible for the day-to-day administration and oversight of PCC's compliance program.

A bachelor's degree or higher is required for this position with special consideration to those with specific degrees in human resources or employee management. Experience in human resources is preferred. Training will be available for some specific compliance areas.

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PUBLIC NOTICE:

Proposed Amendments to the WV Constitution to be on the November 8, 2022, General Election Ballot are as follows:

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 1: Clarification of the Judiciary's Role in Impeachment Proceedings Amendment"
Summary of Purpose: Clarifying that courts have no authority or jurisdiction to intercede or intervene in or interfere with impeachment proceedings of the House of Delegates or the Senate; and specifying that a judgment rendered by the Senate following an impeachment trial is not reviewable by any court of this state.
Full Text of the Amendment:
ARTICLE IV.
§9. Impeachment of officials.
Any officer of the state may be impeached for maladministration, corruption, incompetency, gross immorality, neglect of duty, or any high crime or misdemeanor. The House of Delegates has the sole power of impeachment. The Senate has the sole power to try impeachments and no person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two thirds of the members elected thereto. When sitting as a court of impeachment, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals, or, if from any cause it be improper for him or her to act, then any other judge of that court, to be designated by it, shall preside; and the senators shall be on oath or affirmation, to do justice according to law and evidence. Judgment in cases of impeachment does not extend further than removal from office, and disqualification to hold any office of honor, trust or profit, under the state; but the party convicted remains liable to indictment, trial, judgment, and punishment according to law. The Senate may sit during the recess of the Legislature for the trial of impeachments. No court of this state has any authority or jurisdiction, by writ or otherwise, to intercede or intervene in, or interfere with, any impeachment proceedings of the House of Delegates or the Senate conducted hereunder; nor is any judgment rendered by the Senate following a trial of impeachment reviewable by any court of this state.

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 2: Property Tax Modernization Amendment"
Summary of Purpose: To amend the State Constitution by providing the Legislature with authority to exempt tangible machinery and equipment personal property directly used in business activity and tangible inventory personal property directly used in business activity and personal property tax on motor vehicles from ad valorem property taxation by general law.
Full Text of the Amendment:
ARTICLE X.
§1. Taxation and finance.
Subject to the exceptions in this section contained, taxation shall be equal and uniform throughout the state, and all property, both real and personal, shall be taxed in proportion to its value to be ascertained as directed by law. No one species of property from which a tax may be collected shall be taxed higher than any other species of property of equal value; except that the aggregate of taxes assessed in any one year upon personal property employed exclusively in agriculture, including horticulture and grazing, products of agriculture as above defined, including livestock, while owned by the producer, and money, notes, bonds, bills and accounts receivable, stocks and other similar intangible personal property shall not exceed fifty cents on each one hundred dollars of value thereon and upon all property owned, used and occupied by the owner thereof exclusively for residential purposes and upon farms occupied and cultivated by their owners or bona fide tenants, one dollar; and upon all other property situated outside of municipalities, one dollar and fifty cents; and upon all other property situated within municipalities, two dollars; and the Legislature shall further provide by general law for increasing the maximum rates, authorized to be fixed, by the different levying bodies upon all classes of property, by submitting the question to the voters of the taxing units affected, but no increase shall be effective unless at least sixty percent of the qualified voters shall favor such increase, and such increase shall not continue for a longer period than three years at any one time, and shall never exceed by more than fifty percent the maximum rate herein provided and prescribed by law; and the revenue derived from this source shall be apportioned by the Legislature among the levying units of the state in proportion to the levy laid in said units upon real and other personal property; but property used for educational, literary, scientific, religious or charitable purposes, all cemeteries, public property, tangible machinery and equipment personal property directly used in business activity, tangible inventory personal property directly used in business activity, personal property tax on motor vehicles, the personal property, including livestock, employed exclusively in agriculture as above defined and the products of agriculture as so defined while owned by the producers may by law be exempted from taxation; household goods to the value of two hundred dollars shall be exempted from taxation. The Legislature shall have authority to tax privileges, franchises, and incomes of persons and corporations and to classify and graduate the tax on all incomes according to the amount thereof and to exempt from taxation incomes below a minimum to be fixed from time to time, and such revenues as may be derived from such tax may be appropriated as the Legislature may provide. After the year nineteen hundred thirty-three, the rate of the state tax upon property shall not exceed one cent upon the hundred dollars valuation, except to pay the principal and interest of bonded indebtedness of the state now existing.

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 3: Incorporation of Churches or Religious Denominations Amendment"
Summary of Purpose: To authorize the incorporation of churches or religious denominations.
Full Text of Amendment:
Article VI. The Legislature.
§47. Incorporation of religious denominations permitted.
Provisions may be made by general laws for securing the title to church property, and for the sale and transfer thereof, so that it shall be held, used, or transferred for the purposes of such church or religious denomination. Provisions may also be made by general laws for the incorporation of churches or religious denominations.

Title of Amendment: "Amendment No. 4: Education Accountability Amendment"
Summary of Purpose: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that the rules and policies promulgated by the State Board of Education, are subject to legislative review, approval, amendment, or rejection.
Full Text of Amendment:
ARTICLE XII. EDUCATION.
§2. Supervision of free schools.
Subject to the provisions of this section, the general supervision of the free schools of the State is vested in the West Virginia Board of Education which shall perform the duties prescribed by law. Under its supervisory duties, the West Virginia Board of Education may promulgate rules or policies which shall be submitted to the Legislature for its review and approval, amendment, or rejection, in whole or in part, in the manner prescribed by general law. The board shall consist of nine members to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for overlapping terms of nine years. No more than five members of the board shall belong to the same political party, and in addition to the general qualifications otherwise required by the Constitution, the Legislature may require other specific qualifications for membership on the board. No member of the board may be removed from office by the Governor except for official misconduct, incompetence, neglect of duty, or gross immorality, and then only in the manner prescribed by law for the removal by the Governor of state elective officers. The West Virginia Board of Education shall, in the manner prescribed by law, select the State Superintendent of Free Schools who shall serve at its will and pleasure. He or she shall be the chief school officer of the state and shall perform the duties prescribed by law. The State Superintendent of Free Schools shall be a member of the Board of Public Works as provided by subsection B, section fifty-one, article VI of this Constitution.

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Births

Scarlet Grace Dyer

Juliette Dyer and her parents, Angela and Derek Dyer of Daniel Island, South Carolina, have announced the birth of Scarlet Grace Dyer, on June 8, 2022.

Born at 7:55 a.m., Scarlet weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Scott and Nancy Davis of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and Nancy Leikel of Slatington, Pennsylvania.

Maternal great-grandparents were the late Ellsworth and Gloria Davis of Tamaqua, Pennsylvania, and Nancy Leikel and the late Donald Leikel of Slatington, Pennsylvania.

Paternal grandparents are Bob and Joyce Dyer of Fort Seybert.

Paternal great-grandparents were the late James N. and Grace Dyer of Fort Seybert and the late Herbert and Annie Bowers of Franklin.



Jennifer and Isaac Shank

Kimble and Shank Exchange Wedding Vows

Jennifer Kimble and Isaac Shank were united in marriage June 4, 2022 at her parent's farm.

The bride is the daughter of Tom and Nancy Kimble of Franklin and the granddaughter of Carl and Martha Kimble of Moyers and the late Richard and Mary Beach of Lakeville, New York.

The groom is the son of Marsha and the late Ray Shank of Clover Hill, Virginia, and the grandson of Mandell and the late Hensel Shank and the late Hugh and Nancy Ramsey, all of Dayton, Virginia.

Wedding colors were blue and brown. The bride wore a beautiful light blue chiffon dress with beading.

The groom wore a dark blue suit.

Averie Shank, daughter of the groom, was the ring bearer. The bouquet of flowers was created from their wildflower patch.

The wedding location was the house and fields of her parent's land to highlight the wonderful mountains of West Virginia. The ceremony was held in front of the house, and the reception was in a field adjacent. Friends and family enjoyed the beautiful wedding and weather.

The bride graduated from Pendleton County High School in 2007 and West Virginia University in 2011. She is currently a partner with Beachy Arehart accounting firm located in Harrisonburg, Virginia, and Franklin.

The groom graduated from Turner Ashby in 2002. He and his parents own R&K Woodworking located in Clover Hill, Virginia.

The lovely couple honeymooned in Hawaii and live in Bridgewater, Virginia.

Hoovers Celebrate 45th Anniversary

Olin and Donna Hoover of Brandywine celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on July 23.

Married in 1977, they are the parents of Dr. Michelle Hoover-Wickline of Clarksburg and Dr. Annette Hoover of Martinsburg and the grandparents of Ty and Carrie Wickline of Clarksburg.

Mr. Hoover is retired from the Pendleton County school system, and Mrs. Hoover worked for the former Hanover Shoe Company in Franklin.



Mr. and Mrs. Olin Hoover

Hansen, Rexroad Wed

Blair Hansen and Allan Rexroad were married July 5, 2022, in a private ceremony.

The couple resides in Maysville.



Mr. and Mrs. Allan Rexroad



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SGR234 10.21 Acres (2 parcels, Lots 3 & 6), Well, Septic, Ravens Rock Development, Franklin District. **NEW LISTING \$90,900.00.**

SGR233 29.82 Acres, Raw Land, Electric. Located on South Fork Mountain, Mill Run District. **NEW LISTING \$190,000.00.**

SGR231 6.34 Acres w/ Fully Furnished 2 Bed, 2 Bath, 1986 14' x 76' Mobile Home located in Sherwood Forest. **NEW LISTING \$129,900.00.**

SGR230 237.19 Acres, more or less, Raw Land, No Restrictions, Union District, Pendleton County. **NEW LISTING \$899,000.00.**

SGR229 16.31 Acres w/off grid 308 sq ft Log cabin, Blackthorn Creek, Electric, Electric Spring, Electric Nearby, Excellent Hunting, Bordered by Blackthorn Creek. Some Restrictions. Sugar Grove District. **NEW LISTING \$149,000.00.**

SGR228 2.16 Acres, more or less, 3 Bed, 2-1/2 Bath Contemporary Home located in Sherwood Forest. **NEW LISTING \$299,000.00.**

SGR223 0.6673 Acres w/Spacious 3 Bed, 2 Bath Home, 2090 sq. ft., 1 Car Detached Garage. Franklin Corp. **NEW LISTING \$329,000.00.**

SGR222 3.70 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath Ranch Home, Sugar Grove District. **NEW LISTING \$139,000.00.**

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SGR181 0.39 Acres, w/Brick Ranch, 3 Bed, 2-1/2 Baths, Full basement, Franklin Corp. **\$249,000.00 REDUCED \$229,000.00.**

SGR176 2.02 Acres Raw Land, Rocky Mountain Rd, Deer Run area. Electric nearby. **\$19,900.00.**

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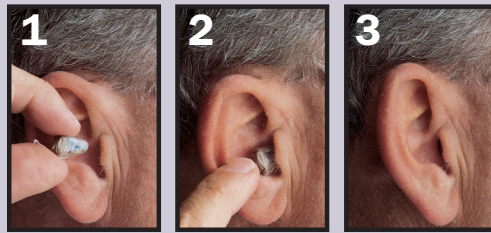
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