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Candidates, Superintendent Answer Questions at Forum

By Stephen Smoot

Voters in attendance and participating online presented county commission candidates with questions about wide ranging issues in last week's candidate forum organized by the Pendleton County Economic and Community Development Authority.

They also heard information from Superintendent Charles Hedrick about the school safety levy on the ballot next month.

In an unusual year, candidates from both the Western and Central districts are up for a vote. Jimmie Bennett is challenging incumbent Gene McConnell. Charles Burgoyne, Tina Eye, and Roger Dahmer are contending to serve the remainder of the late Carole Hartman's term. Burgoyne currently serves in the seat, named to fill Hartman's seat after she passed.

All candidates besides Bennett attended in person. He is still recuperating from an illness in Morgantown and responded to the questions later.

Hedrick opened by advocating for the school safety levy, explaining that "the bulk of this levy will go to four resource officers, one in each school." Resource officers would be specially trained sheriff's department deputies, or potentially former state troopers who meet the sheriff's department's criteria. Some of the money would pay for cameras and other safety equipment in schools.

"No one likes to have taxes raised . . . we pay a lot in taxes already," Hedrick said. "We tried to limit what we are looking at. Everything in it is for school safety."

The levy would raise slightly under \$500,000.

Next, each candidate received a few minutes on which to give a statement on themselves and their ideas. After candidate statements, the moderator opened up the floor for public questions.

Questions commenced with an inquiry into resource officer training, with Hedrick explaining that any had to meet the standards of the county sheriff's department.

A homeschooled student asked the next question, inquiring about how each would support opportunities for youth outside of sports. Hedrick responded that "we do try to work with the county commission" and suggested that homeschooled children could take individual classes or go on field trips.

Later in the forum, a question was asked about infrastructure to support cultural arts based tourism. Dahmer stated that there was some infrastructure in place and suggested that the county has an advantage in "rustic" tourism. Bennett answered that area infrastructure remains limited and that tourists to the various attractions in the Western District may visit, but tend to stay and spend elsewhere. Burgoyne explained that the Pendleton County Visitors' Bureau would work on that issue and discussed the potential of the Highland Golf Course.

Many focused on the current condition of Pendleton County's EMS and fire rescue squads. Dahmer said that improvements would require "discussions between the county commission and the rescue squad folks, because they're the boots on the ground." He also mentioned setting standards for response times and consistent service.

Eye, president of the Pendleton County Emergency Rescue Squad, added "I see the struggles" and that "there are different options out there. We must explore them and get on the same page." She described response times as "astronomical because we have no paid squad." Eye also noted that some volunteers may spend four to five hours on single calls.

Burgoyne explained that he had studied emergency services in counties across the Eastern Panhandle. One of the issues he described was transport calls, saying "Majority are transport calls. In reality, it may not be an emergency when they get to the hospital." Burgoyne proposed a "hybrid paid and volunteer squad," which would lead with paid responders and back fill with volunteer departments. He also suggested that a private service might also be worthwhile.

Bennett explained that he would be "interested in seeing what funding is available to improve this service."

McConnell echoed Eye's concerns about response times and the burdens on volunteers, saying "asking people to give up time, to conform to so many new regulations . . . won't fly anymore." McConnell also said that the county commission has no authority over the rescue squad, but does contribute funds. He supports a "paid county organization" where the county pays for the service and "let others do what they do best, save lives."

Broadband expansion funding also came up during the questions. Bennett responded that the county "would have to rely on grant programs to assist with broadband implementation."

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Community CALENDAR

Early Voting Begins Oct. 26

Early voting begins Oct. 26 in the Pendleton County Clerk's Office at the courthouse.

Voting will be from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. on two Saturdays, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5. The last day to early vote is Saturday, Nov. 5.

Tire Collection Set for Saturday

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Rehabilitation Environmental Plan is hosting free tire collection from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Pendleton County Economic Development Authority lot located at 100 Thorn Creek Road in Franklin.

Broadband Work Underway in South Fork Area

Broadband deployment work is currently scheduled to begin this week on Blue Gray Trail (from top of South Fork Mountain to Oak Flat) and Sweedlin Valley Road.

Shentel, the internet service provider, will begin by completing route verifications and pole data collection on Friday. Residents should expect to see construction teams for both Shentel and NTD, the survey team, during that time. This field work is scheduled to be complete by Nov. 4.

Morrisey's Staff To Be Here Friday

A representative from Attorney General Patrick Morrisey's office will meet with residents from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday at the Pendleton Senior and Family Services Center in Franklin.

Historical Society: 'The Boys of '17'



Brenna Mitchell shares information about Pendleton County men who served during World War I.

By Stephen Smoot

Despite the cold, wet, and dreary conditions, perhaps 80 or more turned out Oct. 2 for the Pendleton County Historical Society's quarterly meeting and public presentation at South Fork Fire Hall in Sugar Grove late last month.

As the keynote of the event, historical society volunteer Brenna Mitchell shared her extensive research into the stories of the Pendleton County men who served and sacrificed for their country in World War I.

Much of the research came from a collection of postcards, photos, letters, and other documents assembled by historian H. M. Calhoun after the war. As Calhoun expressed in a letter, "I have in mind compiling a history of the boys," but he died in 1933 before he could write it.

Mitchell explained that despite fires in both the Pendleton County Courthouse and also the St. Louis National Archives facility that houses records of servicemen and federal employees "Pendleton County probably has the most complete collection on its World War I soldiers than any county in the nation."

She found a wealth of additional materials in digitized books on World War I and the Pendleton Times archives.

Before Mitchell delivered her presentation, Historical Society President Paul Clayton praised the near standing room only turnout that filled the room. He said, "I am glad to see such a good turnout,

especially on a rainy day like today."

Clayton added that the society wished to "extend our prayers to the people in the South right now, due to the storms going through." He also noted that this served as the second public meeting since COVID restrictions lifted.

Mitchell started by describing the local impact of the arrival of World War I. When the United States entered the war in 1917, President Woodrow Wilson sought to boost support by encouraging communities to throw huge patriotic celebrations. Even before the planned party, the first five soldiers shipped off to Camp Lee from the North Fork section.

The Army took local enlistees in groups, most shipping off to Camp Lee near Petersburg, Virginia. Some infantry trained at Camp Meade, while those serving as medics went to Camp Greenleaf. Three separate groups left Pendleton County in the first year of the war.

Most recruits from the Potomac Highlands region at first ended up in the 313th Field Artillery, whose regimental history Mitchell describes as "the best." Training, at least at first, used limited resources as well as possible. Many trained with fake horses and rifles fashioned of wood. Mitchell said that soldiers from Pendleton County recalled with hilarity the efforts of "city" folk to try and mount a wooden horse.

The cursory efforts to prepare soldiers for war led to, as Mitchell put it, an "avoidable and horrid slaughter."

Soldiers, therefore, had to flight, eat, and sleep in filthy trenches, dealing with unsanitary stagnant water, mud, and rats that sometimes grew to the size of dogs. Those from the region often wrote home, as Mitchell explained, "talking about how so much of it looked like Pendleton County."

Mitchell described in detail the Meuse-Argonne offensive, which started on Sept 26, 1918, and lasted until the armistice on Nov. 11. With

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New Owners to Restructure Thompson's Motel



New business owners cut the ribbon on the Mountain Springs Motel and Apartments. From left are Laura Brown, EDA executive director, Amber Nesselrodt, EDA and CVB office administrator, Paul Morton, former owner, Brandon Conard, co-owner, Jesse Thorpe, co-owner, Charles Burgoyne, county commissioner, and Dayne Davis, PCB and EDA vice chair. Photo by Ammie Ruddle

By Ammie Ruddle

During an emotional ribbon cutting on Oct. 12 at the former Thompson's Motel, previous owner Paul Morton handed the reins over to new owners Brandon Conard and Jesse Thorpe.

Morton ran the business for more than 60 years. As a tear welled up in his eye, he said he would miss the motel

and the work he has done over the years.

Conard and Thorpe discussed turning one of the buildings into studio apartments which will house 14 new apartments for residents in Pendleton County.

The pair has begun construction work to renovate and revitalize the business into both a motel and studio apartments.

The structure of the business isn't the only thing changing. The business will no longer be called Thompson's Motel, but will now be called Mountain Springs Motel and Apartments.

Conard and Thorpe are working with the Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau to rent out the apartments and currently

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Farm to Table Harvest Dinner Held at Loafer's Glory



Representatives from around the community gather to enjoy the Farms to Table Harvest dinner at Loafer's Glory.

By Natasha Wilson

Matt Welsch, executive chef and owner of Vagabond Kitchen in Wheeling, West Virginia Chef Ambassador for the Department of Tourism, and winner of televi-

sion's Guy's Grocery Games didn't hold back as he wowed the attendees of the Pendleton County Farmer's Market's Farm to Table Harvest dinner on Oct. 1 at Loafer's Glory Resort & Event Venue in Franklin.

Makers and growers from across the county provided the ingredients and wares that were brought together to create an amazing family-style dinner and silent auction.

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Vernon Roy Simmons

Vernon Roy Simmons, 97, husband of Cleo Linwood (Smith) Simmons, of Staunton, Virginia, passed away Oct. 13, 2022, at his residence, surrounded by his family.

Mr. Simmons was born Aug. 18, 1925, in Sugar Grove, a son of the late Roy Solomon and Cora Mae (Bodkin) Simmons. He was one of six sons.

He served in the United States Navy during World War II. He worked on farms and kept books for Reid's Stores until the store founder passed away. He joined Earl Douglas and Charles Knight in form-

ing KDS, Inc. KDS purchased two of the former Reid Stores, where he served as co-owner until his retirement.

A man of great faith, he served and worked for his Lord at the Staunton Church of the Brethren. He was a past president of United Way, an active member of the Lions Club, Isaac Walton League, and Staunton Rescue Squad. He also served the Food Bank, Valley Mission, and SACRA. He was always willing to help anyone who might need assistance.

He met the love of his life, Cleo Smith, and they were married on June 8, 1946, and shared both good and bad times for 76 years.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are two sons, Larry M. Simmons (Deborah) and Barry W. Simmons (Phyllis); a daughter, Jenna A. Williams; a brother, Hobert Simmons (Maxine); four grandchildren, Janelle Harris (David), Whitney Sager (Mark), Chadwick

Simmons and Benjamin Williams (Jodi); five great-grandchildren, Austin Kiser, Dean Chandler, Baylee Harris and Brennan Sager; a great-great granddaughter, Hudson Harris; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by four brothers, Oather, Gilbert, William and Alvin Simmons.

A memorial service was held Monday at the Staunton Church of the Brethren with Pastor Beth Jarrett officiating. Burial was private in Augusta Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Staunton Church of the Brethren Capital Fund, 1615 North Coalter Street, Staunton, VA 24401.

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.coffmanfuneralhome.net.

Coffman Funeral Home and Crematory in Staunton, Virginia, was in charge of his arrangements.



Ralph Landis, Jr.

Ralph Landis, Jr., 85, of Petersburg passed away on Oct. 16, 2022, at Fairmont Medical Center in Fairmont.

He was born on May 12, 1937, in Riverton and was the son of the late Ralph Landis and Mary Kerlin (Sponaugle) Landis.

Mr. Landis was an Army

veteran in the Vietnam War. He was a truck driver for Wilson Trucking and an automobile mechanic for Pendleton Motors in Franklin. Later he and his brothers were operators of Landis Brothers Service Center in Franklin.

In 1980, he and his family moved to Petersburg and continued farming operations.

His wife of 62 years, Jane (Welton) Landis, survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Richard Thomas Landis (Joanna) of Morgantown and Michael Ray Landis (Louise) of Petersburg; four grandchildren, Thomas Joseph Landis, Andrea Nicole Landis, Giovanna Rose Landis and Jonathan Michael Landis; a great-grandson, Grayson Cole Campbell; four broth-

ers, Robert Landis (Wanda) and Olin Landis (Doris Elaine), all of Franklin, Jimmy Landis of Michigan and Larry Landis (Lynn) of Jackson, Mississippi; a sister, Dolly Jean Neilson of Franklin; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by two brothers, Charles Landis and John Landis; two infant brothers; a sister, Kitty Ann Simmons (who died Aug. 18, 2022); and an infant sister.

A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later date.

Those who wish to remember Mr. Landis in a special way, may make memorials to charity of choice.

Arrangements were by Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg.

Town Council Discusses CVB Representative

By Ammie Ruddle

There was a short and sweet town hall meeting on Oct. 4 at the town hall office.

Frank Wehrle, town manager, discussed new business. He told council members that the Cedar Hill Cemetery account had a certificate of deposit that they would like to reinvest. The current CD amount is \$38,000; the council members discussed reinvesting that amount into a new CD at a local bank but did not decide which bank they will use.

Bob Horan, mayor, discussed appointing a town representative to the Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau to act as a liaison for the town. The representative will attend both the CVB and the town hall meetings, relaying information from each meeting.

Horan mentioned that, due to the by-laws, he cannot just appoint anyone to act as the town hall representative for the CVB board and the individuals he has spoken to about taking the seat on the board have either declined the position or did not show interest sitting on

the CVB board as a town representative.

Next on the agenda was the discussion of the water project. Bids for the project are set to start on Oct. 17; however, the council members do not think the project will begin until the spring of 2023.

Horan moved on the meeting with the announcement that an individual has been hired as the new water operator. He said that originally there were three applicants for the position. One of the individuals withdrew his application and of the remaining two applicants, Jasper Mallow was employed as the town's new water operator.

In addition to a water operator, Elizabeth Scott, Town of Franklin's assistant business manager, was announced as the new executive director for the Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce. Scott addressed the members regarding the part-time position.

"I just want all of you to know that my town job comes first. I have been doing the chamber (position), filling in as back up in the interim of not having a director in place for the last two and half months," Scott said.

She added, "It has went really well. It has not been on the town's time, but my time."

Scott went on to say that she will be returning to an advisory position for the Town of Franklin on the chamber of commerce board, which is a "non-voting" position. This is a position she held previously before it changed to a voting position for the board.

Scott rounded out the meeting by reminding the council members that there will be a pre-k and kindergarten trick or treat from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Oct. 26 for town businesses to take part in.

Due to the November election, the next meeting is to be determined. Town hall meetings are typically held on the second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. in the town hall office.

Sincere Appreciation

There are not enough words to express our thanks for all the love and support shown to us during this difficult time. To all our family and friends for their prayers, love, food, cards, flowers, money and prayer shawls.

Special thanks to Obaugh Funeral Home for taking good care of us. Thanks to Todd and Chip for a beautiful service and Word of Faith Church for the delicious meal.

We greatly appreciate everything. God bless you all.

Thanks,

The Lonnie Arbaugh Family

Ralph Wimer: Greatest Generation Riverton Veteran

By Charles Teter

In World War II, T/5 Ralph Hansel Wimer, 101st Airborne Division, 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 2nd Battalion, Company E, gave his life in service to his country on D-Day, June 6, 1944, over Normandy, France.

Wimer was a "Currahee" who trained at Camp Grant in Toccoa, Ga., Fort Benning, Ga., Camp Mackall, N.C., Fort Bragg, N.C., and Camp Shanks, N.Y., before being shipped to England aboard the ship Samaria in the fall of 1943.

He was a member of Easy Company, which was made famous in Stephen Ambrose's book, "Band of Brothers," and in the HBO series of the same name.

Wimer was a radio operator and was aboard "Stick

66" with 16 other members of Easy Company, including the company commander and the first sergeant, when their aircraft was shot out of the sky before they were able to jump.

Wimer was from Riverton and was a 1939 graduate of Circleville High School. He was the son of the late Pinckney Brady Wimer and Lillie Mae Wimer.

He is buried at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, Mo., along with the other members of Company E who were aboard.

Franklin Volunteer Fire Department's Fall Fun Festivities

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Loved and very sadly missed by an only child, Lorraine

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Prices:

- Navels - \$36 (4/5 bu), \$23 (2/5 bu)
- Juice Oranges - \$36 (4/5 bu), \$23 (2/5 bu)
- Red Grapefruit - \$36 (4/5 bu), \$23 (2/5 bu)
- Mixed 2 Way (Navels/Grapefruit) - \$30 (2/5 bu)
- Clementines - \$25 (1/5 bu)
- Anjou Pears - \$60 (4/5 bu), \$30 (1/4 bu - 20 pears)
- Red Del. Apples - \$60 (4/5 bu), \$30 (1/5 bu)
- Golden Pineapples - \$22 (3 per case)
- Trio Gift Box (Navels, Pears, Apples) - \$30
- Citrus Mix 3 Way (Navels, Grapefruit, Clementines) - \$30

Farmers Fresh Produce Box
(Assortment of Hearty Vegetables - 25-26 lbs.) - \$36

- Fresh Fruit Sampler - \$30 (Navels, Clementines, Apples & Pears)
- Apple Sampler (Four Apple Varieties) - \$30
- Apple and Pear Sampler - \$30 (Red Delicious/Granny Smith Apples & Anjou Pears)
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Walking to School Was Once Customary

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

"Back in my day, we walked to school uphill, both ways...in snow!" Children today have heard that many times. However, there was a lot of truth to that piece of conversation.

In the early 19th and 20th centuries, there was no public or school transportation across most of the United States. In rural areas, the one-room schools were meant to serve children who lived within a four- or five-mile radius. Most children walked to school, oftentimes opening several gates and walking through fields.

This was the case for Arvella Pitsenbarger Blair, who lived at the Russell and Verona Pitsenbarger homestead, near the Propst Schoolhouse on Capito Road. She lived very close to the Propst one-room school. However, when it came time for her to attend a school of higher learning, she would walk from her home, passing by the homes of Charlie and Jenny Pitsenbarger, Fred and Myrtle Propst, where she would pick up Charles Linaburg, then on to Bead Mitchell's before catching the bus on the Lower Thorn Road and then to Franklin High School in Franklin. This walk to catch the bus was about 4-5 miles (one way)!

Saturday was a lovely day for Arvella and her son, Tom Blair, to retrace, one more time, those steps of walking to catch the school bus. Her husband, Charles, waited for her at the low water bridge while the two engaged with this task. After retracing those steps of long ago, they stopped to visit a former neighbor, Jesse C. Propst, before returning to their Bridgewater, Virginia, home.

It is interesting to note that both Charles Linaburg and Arvella Blair were valedictorians of their respective classes at the Franklin High School. Both were former students of the Propst School. The first, old log Propst schoolhouse was built sometime after the Civil War. Then, on April 27, 1912, John and Polly Pitsenbarger deeded one-fourth acre for a schoolhouse in the Franklin District, and a new school was built. Some known teachers, according to the late Johnny Arvin Dahmer, were Claude Mitchell, Arthur Eye, Benny Eye, John Dahmer, Pierce Mitchell, Dona Propst, Guy Propst, John Boggs, John Puffenbarger, Virginia Puffenbarger, Paul Mitchell, Catherine Eye, Stanley Eye, Ernest Hedrick, Arthur Hahn and Flora Mitchell. This school closed in February 1944, with seven scholars: Curtis and Frankie Mitchell, Arvella Pitsenbarger, Harley, Stanley and Velma Propst and Eugene Rader, with Claude Mitchell being the last teacher.

Quite a lot of changes have taken place since Arvella walked those many miles. Students living in that era had a very active lifestyle, and had no threat of obesity in their adolescence age. They all had chores which were added responsibilities to their daily agenda,

So, there is truth to "Back in my day, we walked to school uphill, both ways...in the snow!" Children of today have a difficult time wrapping their arms around this fact, when in fact there was a time when this actually did take place all over Pendleton County.

Do children today have a better life? That is the reader's decision.

Life's little instructions to make one's day more positive include the following:

1. Be alert for opportunities to show praise and appreciation.
2. Cherish one's children for what they are, not for what one would like them to be.
3. Don't make the same mistake twice.
4. Steer clear of restaurants that rotate.
5. Respond promptly to R.S.V.P. invitations. If there's a phone number call, if not write a note.

The week ended on a happy note with the weather being comfortable, hosting cloudless skies of blue. Leaves have begun to fall, skittering along the roadways as the winds blow their autumn breath. Many folks have placed autumn and Halloween decorations. For the motorist, this is very pleasing.

Quotes for the week are as follows:

"There is nothing more beautiful than someone who goes out of their way to make life beautiful for others." —Mandy Hale

"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers." —L.M. Montgomery

"When someone asks if you'd like cake or pie, why not say you



Vernon Roy Simmons (Aug. 18, 1925 – Oct. 13, 2022) was the son of the late Solomon Roy (July 3, 1892 - Dec. 5, 1933) and Cora May Bodkin Simmons (Oc. 26, 1892 - Nov. 1982). His siblings were Other Paul (Sept. 21, 1921 - July 24, 1944, one of the Our Five Boys, Post # 9666 of Sugar Grove), Gilbert Clinton (Jan. 29, 1923 - March 2, 2005), Hobert Stover (March 4, 1927-), William Howard (Sept. 18, 1928 - May 1, 2020), and Alvin Clyde (July 30, 1930 - April 20, 2012).

want cake and pie." — Lisa Loeb

"Wisdom comes from experience. Experience is often a result of lack of wisdom." — Terry Pratchett

Life seems to be more comfortable by the fireside to hear the "Talk of the Grove."

The Sugar Grove Lions Club and the VFW are preparing to sell BBQ chicken this coming Saturday. Be sure to come early. Marleta Wimer was a visitor of her mother, Rosalee Grogg-Cara, Brandon, Macie, Carson and Carly Mitchell attended Lacy Moyers' funeral Oct. 3 in Lynchburg, Virginia.

This week's clinkety-clacks for the chin waggars are as follows:

- A teaspoon of honey is the entire life's hard work of 12 bees.
- The finest Panama hats come from Ecuador and Colombia and take several months to make.
- It snows more in the mountains of California than it does at the North Pole.
- The average one-dollar bill wears out in less than one year.
- The great pyramid of Khufu in Egypt covers 13.1 acres.

The remainder of the October birthdays are as follows: Jessica Parker, Sharon Crider and Tonya Simon, 17th, Jenny Rodgers, Ruth Nelson, Terry Godfrey and Dewayne Borrer, 18th; Betty Lou McGahey and Kenneth Marsh, 19th; Vonda Borrer and Karen Schulz, 21st, Rosalee Grogg and Angie Propst, 23rd, Shelby Bible, 24th, Logan Fisher, 27th, Teresa Bowers and Jim Brown, 28th, Mike Simmons, 29th, Dottie Michell, 30th, Sue Sponaugle and Debbie Propst, 30th; and Judy Rexrode, 31st.

Concerns for this week are many, and they are as follows: Charles Anderson, the Lonnie Arbaugh family, Lynn Beatty, Jack Bennett, the Browning Boggs family, Bill Brackman, Jeff Evick, the Lee Roy Evick family, Ina Evick, Dan and Margaret Ferrell, Ron Gilkeson, Lola Graham, Marlene Harman, Steve and Armanda Heavner, Starr Hedrick, Gary and Jackie Hills, Virgil Homan, Jr., Charlee Marie Hoover, Keith Hoover, Lorena Hoover, Myrtle Hoover, Enos Horst, Doris Hull, Bob and Cynthia Hurry, Alice Johnson, Kim Kline, Richard Judy, Melissa Lambert, Robin and Kitty Lambert, Robert Lambert, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, Betty Mallow, Roger and Skip Mallow, Yvonne Marsh, Neil McLaughlin, Naomi Michael, Gloria Moats, Joe Moats, Lincoln Moore, Ernie Morgan, Shelby Morrison, Aaron Nelson, Ken and Ruth Nelson, Bennie Nesselrodt, Cheryl Paine, Sutton Parrack, Alda Propst, Betty Lou Propst, Betty Shay Propst, Kathy Propst, Sheldon Propst, Verla Puffenbarger, Pam Rexrode, Donna Ruddle, the Estyl Shreve family, Annie Simmons, Barbara Simmons, Davey Simmons, Erin Simmons, Eva Simmons, Robbie Sites, Ona Smith, Stanna Smith, Patricia Swecker, Rosa Tichenor, Sandra Vandevander, Jack Vogel, Ron White, Judy Williams, Larry Wimer and Junior Wimer.

WIC Announces Increase In Cash-Value Benefits

West Virginia's Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children, within the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources' Bureau for Public Health, announced a monthly increase in Cash-Value Benefits for WIC participants. The increase is funded to states by the United States Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service through a federal continuing resolution.

Effective Oct. 1, WIC is issuing the following increased CVB benefits per month:

- Pregnant women (single child) and non-breastfeeding, postpartum women will receive \$44.00.
- Pregnant women of twins will receive \$49.00.
- Fully and partially breastfeeding women (single child) will receive \$49.00.
- Fully breastfeeding women (multiple children) will receive \$73.50.
- Partially breastfeeding women (multiple children) will receive \$49.00.
- Minimally breastfeeding and non-breastfeeding postpartum women will receive \$44.00.
- A child 12 months through age five will receive \$25.00.

"The increase in benefits prioritizes consistent access to nutritious foods for all WIC participants," said Heidi Staats, director of the West Virginia WIC program. "As our state continues to navigate increased costs and supply chain issues, this vital assistance ensures that new parents can introduce their children to new varieties of foods at a critical time for the development of taste preferences."

Aside from nutrition benefits, WIC also provides nutrition counseling, parenting advice, breastfeeding support, food assistance and referral support to help families live healthier lives. WIC services are free for pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women and children up to the age of five. More information is available at dhhr.wv.gov/WIC.

For additional information regarding the CVB increase, contact a local WIC clinic.

Ruritan Club Donates \$200 to Rescue Squad



Spruce Mountain Ruritan Club president, George Hickey, left, and Tom Faust, vice president, right, present a \$200 donation to the North Fork Rescue Squad. Receiving the donation on behalf of the rescue squad was Amberly Bennett.

Re-Elect CODY THOMPSON



for

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20 Years Ago
Week of October 24, 2002

young and old!

Chicory: This Plant Is Not Just for Coffee Any More

In Europe, chicory is grown as a leafy winter vegetable whose roots are forced to produce shoots for salads or for cooking. The large taproots of the plants can be roasted as a coffee substitute or additive. Roots of witloof chicory contain high levels of sugar and have been used for alcohol production in Russia.

Chicory has been little used for animal grazing, mainly because of its stemmy nature and tendency to run to seed. In recent years, however, New Zealand scientists have successfully selected a much leafier and more productive variety of chicory named "Grasslands Puna."

When grown as pasture in New Zealand and Australia, Grasslands Puna has produced high yields of dry matter in summer and fall and is very palatable and of high quality for grazing dairy and beef cattle and sheep.

Scientists and farmers in West Virginia and Pennsylvania are cooperating to examine the potential of this forage plant in the northeast United States.

40 Years Ago
Week of October 14, 1982

Accumulation of Leaves Can Damage Lawns

Thinking about putting off leaf raking until every leaf is off your trees? You may want to think again.

Besides being unsightly, that bed of leaves covering your yard can cause a good bit of damage to the lawn beneath it.

West Virginia University Cooperative Extension Service specialists suggest that you promptly remove leaves that fall on grass or groundcovers.

The specialists explain that as leaves fall they layer themselves. That is, they create a mat that cuts off normal light, air and water to the grass or groundcover.

This is especially critical if you have a new lawn in which the grass isn't well established. This tender young grass can't stand long periods of being covered with leaves.

If you have an established lawn, you may not need to rake the leaves. Instead, you might be able to mulch them by running over them with a lawn mower.

Leaves cut into small pieces will decay and add organic matter to the soil.

The leaves you rake up this fall needn't be a further problem after they are gathered. In fact, they can be of some value.

Rather than searching for a way of hauling them off or disposing of them, use them in a compost, which later can be used where you need to improve the soil.

If you are thinking about raking the leaves up around shrubs and leaving them there for a mulch, try grinding or mulching them first.

Whole leaves bed down and cut off light, air and water to your shrubs and small trees.

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Ever since the colonial days, American farm lore has stated that the wooly bear forecasts the weather of the coming winter. If the brown band around the caterpillar's center is broad, the winter will be mild and vice versa. The brown band was wide on all the wooly worms that the writer observed here this fall.

The first killing frost here was October 18. On Upper Thorn Creek, gardens were damaged by frost August 29.

After the first snowstorm of the season Saturday, the air was nippy on Sunday, but it was a nice bright day to take a ride in the countryside. Richard Ruddle, Jr., was doing this in his horsedrawn buggy, thus giving the sightseers an excellent display of the so-called good old days at Ruddle.

60 Years Ago
Week of October 18, 1962

100 YEARS AGO

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.

Lincoln Orders McClellan to Advance

President Lincoln again was getting impatient with his top field general 100 years ago this week.

Since the bloody battle of Antietam September 17, Gen. George B. McClellan had been organizing his forces in the west Maryland countryside just north of the Potomac River. To the southwest, at Winchester, Va., his old enemy, Gen. Robert E. Lee, regrouped his forces. Richmond lay 150 miles off to the southeast, a little nearer to McClellan than to Lee.

But a month had elapsed, and McClellan made no move. It was the same delaying game he had played the previous winter when he refused to leave Washington and march on Richmond. Lincoln was growing just as impatient this fall as he had the preceding one.

In early October, McClellan received a wire from Gen. Henry W. Hallack in Washington. "The President directs," Hallack said, "that you cross the Potomac and give battle to the enemy or drive him south..."

It did no good.

Finally, another message came in, and it appeared Lincoln was reaching the end of his patience. "Are you not," the President wrote McClellan, "Overcautious when you assume that you cannot do what the enemy is constantly doing?"

"Change positions with Lee, and think you not he would break your commu-

nications with Richmond in twenty-four hours? Why cannot you reach Richmond before him, unless you admit that he is more than your equal on a march? His route is the arc of a circle; yours the chord. Should he move towards Richmond, why not press him closely, fight him if a favorable opportunity presents and at least try to beat him to Richmond on the inside track?"

"If we cannot beat the enemy where he now is, we never can, he again being within the entrenchments of Richmond?"

But still, it did no good. And then, as if to rub salt in his wounds, McClellan was subjected to another humiliation by another old opponent, the dashing young Confederate Gen. James Ewell Brown "Jeb" Stuart. For before Lincoln had written his message to McClellan, Stuart returned from a repeat performance of his famous stunt the preceding spring at Richmond. He again had ridden around McClellan's army.

On his latest trip, Stuart had set out with his cavalry, 1,800 strong, crossed the Potomac near Williamsport, Md., rode on to Mercersburg, Pa., and then to Chambersburg, Pa., where he demanded and received its surrender.

There, he seized 500 horses, a quantity of uniforms, shoes and clothing in the shops, (paying for them in Confederate money) and destroyed the town's machine shop, railroad station and rolling railroad stock. After bivouacking in the streets, he rode south again down the Monocacy Valley and recrossed the Potomac, having circled McClellan's army again.

Even Northerners praised the audacity of the stunt.

Lightning Kills Two Cows Here

Contrary to popular belief, lightning frequently strikes twice in the same place.

This is the opinion of Gerald Kimble of Riverton who has had enough experience with it to know.

During a severe electrical storm on the night of October 7, lightning struck and killed two of Kimble's milk cows. They were standing under a cedar tree in a field near his home not far from the Seneca Caverns.

And to prove that lightning bolts favor the same targets year after year, Kimble said lightning killed two cows in just about the same spot 13 years ago and three lambs 10 years ago.

Kimble said he never goes near the cedar tree during electrical storms.

Something to Celebrate!
by Carl R. Sullivan,
Exec. Dir., West Virginia
Centennial Commission

The sentence that appears in the upper left-hand corner

(Look to the wealth of West Virginia) has a deceptive simplicity:

It is really a most important reminder for us, as West Virginia begins to count her blessings. Now, rather than keeping her hands clasped over her eyes in despair, she is at least peeking through her fingers at the brighter promise of what can be.

We are beginning to look to our wealth. And, as our eyes grow accustomed to the light of hope, we can feel the initial stirrings of excitement, the birth of a cautious but living optimism about our future. We are discovering that the more we look to our wealth—with our eyes clear and our sleeves rolled up—the richer we find them.

Other contributors to this series have described these wealths in terms of spiritual heritage and natural resource. The wealth that I'd explore with you is one you may not have considered a wealth: the wonder of our Centennial arriving exactly when we need it!

Shakespeare said, "There is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, lead on to fortune."

Now, just as we are aswirl in the turning of our economic tide, we are given this great gift of our one hundredth birthday—miraculously timed to help us mark the tidal crest, to take it at its flood, and ride it forward to undreamed-of fortune.

Certainly, West Virginia has had more than her share of problems. But as Henry J. Kaiser said, "Problems are opportunities in work clothes." And the biggest problems can rebound in the greatest accomplishment. The deeper the trough, the stronger swells the wave that follows; the further back the string is drawn, the straighter speeds the arrow. Such is the way of history's turning points. This Centennial year is opportunity timed to the grandest tradition, to accomplish real and lasting benefits for the entire state.

An imaginatively planned, successfully implemented Centennial effort demands the combined dedication and enthusiasm of us all. Our enthusiasm, focused properly, will lend a bright new luster to our many wealths. I can assure you that it will bring tourists in new numbers, stimulate expanded industrial and commercial development, give new value to the things we make and sell, and enhance our state's prestige and standing. It will remind us—and show the world—how our mountain heritage has readied us to stand tall in the modern community of states; how West Virginians can put shoulder to shoulder to get a job done.

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Smith Creek/ Friends Run

by Dave Ellis

The weather feels like spring. It's cold in the morning and at nighttime, but it's short-sleeve weather during the daylight. The only difference is the raking of leaves in the fall.

Smith Creek and Friends Run Churches of the Brethren: shut-ins - Mary Mitchell, Shelda Warner, Vestyl Bible, Bucky Moyers, Pam Riner, Anna Tessi, Ruby Propst, Alice Johnson, Arlin Dale and Freda Jamison, Hazel Simmons, Mary Alice Simmons, Reva Hartman, Sandy Washburn, Evelyn Ruddle, Sandra Vandevander and Larry Moyers; prayer list - Richard Campbell, Brian Wilton, Tyler Moore, Tristan Hartman, Ronald Hayes, Becky Hedrick, Joshua Shirk, Ava George, Doug Judy, Jack Vogel, Ronnie Bowers Sr., Allen Kile II, Lloyd Hartman, Ruth Simmers, Roberta Bennett, Harry Allen Warner, Quinley McConnell, Etha Mae Bowers, Mary Jo Wilfong, Kenny Williams, Dennis Mitchell, Olin Hoover, Debbie Horst, Rodney Crites, Raven Hoke, Charlotte Copley, Randy Bennett, Carolyn Gilbert, Glenn Sites, Shyrl Smith, Billy Rowe, Alaska Kimble, Carroll Michael, Myrtle Hammer, Kathy Propst, Marcia C. "Marty" Warner, Paul Mallow, Wendell and Darlene Nelson, Betty Smith, Pam Rexrode, Sandy Bennett, Jimmie Bennett and Ed Hammer.

Prayer thought: "Though our work may be difficult, our faithful God is there with us. His presence and power can light up even gloomy days."

High and low temperatures and precipitation for Oct. 10 through Oct. 16, followed by the same for last year, were as follows: Oct. 10 - 65°, 37° (66°, 56°.05°); Oct. 11 - 66°, 34° (70°, 57°); Oct. 12 - 67°, 36° (73°, 53°); Oct. 13 - 70°, 49°, .46" (78°, 53°); Oct. 14 - 71°, 43° (82°, 49°); Oct. 15 - 73°, 41° (61°, 44°) and Oct. 16 - 68°, 50°, .06" (65°, 49°, .11°).

30 Years Ago
Week of October 22, 1992

SUGAR GROVE

Halloween Symbols Reflect Ancient Superstitions

Halloween symbols go back to a time when people, young and old, lived in real dread of goblins and ghosts, of witches and cats—especially at Halloween. The Celtic people who lived more than 2,000 years ago feared the evening of October 31 more than any other time of the year. It was the eve of their festival of Samhein, Lord of the Dead. Evil spirits were everywhere! Celtic people who became Christians were told that the fire rites they had held for the Lord of the Dead on October 31 would now protect them against the Devil — the enemy of God and the Christian church.

Many symbols of Halloween are evident in our community. The Halloween traditions call for costume-dressed children, "trick or treating" and partying. What a fun time this will be for people,

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Apple, Poling, Halterman Named PCH/MS Students of the Month



PCH/MS September students of the month, from left, are Dillon Poling, Riley Apple and Lukas Halterman.

Riley Apple, Dillon Poling and Lukas Halterman have been named outstanding students of the month for September at Pendleton County High/Middle School. Apple, a senior, is the Academic Student of the Month. The daughter of Kyle and Jennifer Apple of Franklin, she is a member of the soccer and track teams. She is also president of National Honor Society and the treasurer of the Class of 2023. In the 2022 season, she placed first in the 300 meters and sixth in long

jump at the regional track meet, and also qualified for states. She plans to go to college and study nursing. A junior, Poling is the James Huffman Responsible Student of the Month. He has a 4.0 GPA and perfect attendance and is a member of the National Honor Society. He works at T&K Markets and studies computer technology at South Branch Career and Technical Center. He plans to pursue a career

in computer engineering and software development. He is the son of Randie Poling of Brandywine. The Pendleton County Middle School Student of the Month is Lukas Halterman, a seventh grader. He is the son of Michael and Dawn Halterman of Riverton. He has a 4.0, is a member of the Sign Language Club and has excellent attendance. He plans to be a hunting guide out west.

Kiger Exhibits Grand Champion at Keystone



Bailee Kiger of Sugar Grove earned the junior breeding grand champion all other breeds female award at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The exposition is one of the nation's premier cattle shows. The event features more than 800 national competitors showing 3,000 cattle, goats, sheep, swine, and horses, as well as high school and college FFA and 4-H teams from across the country demonstrating their breed knowledge in a national judging competition. The show is hosted each year at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex and Expo Center.

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Assistance Is Available for Mental Health Disorders

In recognition of National Depression and Mental Health Screening Month, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources highlights the importance of understanding signs and symptoms of mental health issues, as well as understanding where to seek assistance.

According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness, depression can affect one in every five adults and one in every six youths aged 6-17. Mental health can be threatened by a variety of factors, such as relationship issues, feelings of stress and overwhelming responsibilities, major life changes, and feeling like life has no purpose. Screenings can help identify these threats, as well as underlying depression, anxiety, eating disorders, and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, which are some of the most common mental health diagnoses today.

"It is important to recognize signs and symptoms of mental health disorders early and seek help," said Christina Mullins, commissioner of DHHR's Bureau for Behavioral Health. "Someone suffering from a mental health issue may have feelings of intense sadness, confused thinking, reduced concentration, excessive fears or worries, extreme feelings of guilt, mood swings, significant tiredness, or difficulty sleeping. These individuals may also withdraw from friends and activities that they once enjoyed."

Mental health screenings for pregnant and postpartum women who may experience perinatal mood disorders, such as depression and anxiety are important.

DHHR's Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children, through its nutrition assessment process and referral services, can help identify and connect women who are at risk with appropriate services. WIC provides information geared towards these women, their partners, as well as their families and friends.

"Mental health screenings assess for risk factors that may be related to genetics, behaviors, or environment," said Heidi Staats, director of WV WIC. "These quick and easy examinations can result in early detection, treatment, and overall improved outcomes."

DHHR encourages anyone experiencing signs or symptoms of mental health disorders to seek assistance. Resources include the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline which provides 24/7 free and confidential support, prevention, and crisis resources through phone, text or chat (988lifeline.org).

HELP4WV offers 24/7 confidential support and resource referrals. HELP4WV also offers a Children's Crisis and Referral line. Residents may call HELP4WV at 844-HELP4WV, text at 844-435-7498, or chat at www.help4wv.com.

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Bowers Presented 'Heart of Service' Award



Franklin Lions Club honored Dr. Greg Bowers with its first ever "Heart of Service" award. Besides his work with the local sports boosters, he is chairman of the board of directors for Pendleton Manor, one of the county's largest employers, as well as church treasurer. Dr. Bowers, son of the late John Bowers and grandson of the late Pink Bowers, has continued the family tradition of caring for his community. "Heart of Service" is more than an appropriate award for this busy man. Bill Mitchell, Lions Club vice president, left, presents the award to Bowers.

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MEET THE CANDIDATES

The Pendleton Times invited candidates for Pendleton County Commission and House of Delegates to submit a statement about their candidacy. The following replies were received.

County Commission Central



Charles F. Burgoyne, II

My name is Charles F. Burgoyne, II. I am running for the Pendleton County Commission (Central District). My parents are the late William and Maxine Burgoyne, and they resided in Upper Tract, where I grew up. I am married to Joyce Dahmer Burgoyne, and I have three daughters, Stacey Funkhouser, Holly Branch and Cary Burgoyne. All three of my children are educators, and I am extremely proud of each of them.

I graduated from Franklin High School, Ferrum College and James Madison University with a bachelor of science degree in health and physical education. I went on to work in state government for 42 years, retiring as regional manager of child support enforcement division. I attend Walnut Street United Methodist Church.

Having a great love for sports, I was fortunate to referee for high school basketball, baseball, softball and volleyball for 25 plus years. I have always enjoyed working with kids and currently serve as golf coach for Pendleton County Middle/High School.

I was proud to serve on the Pendleton County Board of Education from 2018 until my appointment as county commissioner in April 2022. I was honored and humbled that a few days prior to her death, Carole Hartman asked me if I would complete her term as commissioner. She and I talked about the projects on which the board of education and county commission were currently working. She expressed a desire that I continue to work on and see to completion three projects:

- (1) Getting broadband services to as many Pendleton County residents as possible.
- (2) Completing the courthouse annex project.
- (3) Work to improve rescue squad services in Pendleton County by getting a paid/volunteer squad to provide services to our aging population.

Having served as your commissioner for only six months, it is still very much a learning process for me. In addition to normal county business, I serve on the Workforce Industrial Board, Pendleton County Emergency Management LEPC, Extension Services Committee, Eastern WV Community Action, Board of Parks and Recreation, Library Board of Trustees, and the Chamber of Commerce board. We have a lot of issues that we all need to work together on.

We are fortunate to live in such a beautiful place with some of the best tourist attractions in the state of West Virginia. It is of great importance to me to work hard and give of myself in doing all that we can, together as a community and county, to move Pendleton County forward.



Roger Dahmer

I am Roger Dahmer, and I live on Smith Heights just outside of Franklin. I am running for the unexpired term on the Pendleton County Commission from Central District because I want to serve the people of my home county by helping solve its problems and shape its future.

I am a certified United Methodist lay speaker. I am a Christian and not ashamed to be a Christian and not ashamed of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I try to conduct myself in a way that honors God.

I am a 1981 graduate of West Virginia University. This does not necessarily make me smarter than others, but I do have the ability to learn and catch on quickly.

I am a son, husband, father, and grandfather. Family values, the value of families, and issues concerning families are important.

I am a former youth soccer coach and former Boy Scout leader. It is important our youth learn strong values, good character, and good citizenship since they are our future. I do my best to be a good role model for youth.

I am a member of the South Branch Ruritan Club. Community service and community-mindedness are important, especially for those in elected office.

I am a member of the Pendleton County Farm Bureau and have spent nearly 35 years working for the United States Department of Agriculture—Farm Service Agency. I am aware of the importance of agriculture to Pendleton County.

My last three years with USDA-FSA, I served an appointment by the Trump Administration, serving in President Trump's administration as state executive director of FSA for West Virginia. During my years as county executive director and state executive director I learned to handle problems and gained good insight into the workings of government.

I stand for responsive government, one that listens to the people and is responsible to the people.

I stand for Christian values. I do my best to be honest and honor Jesus Christ.

I stand for conservative values. I am not a liberal or a socialist. I am awake, but not woke.

I stand for moving Pendleton County forward. Pendleton County faces real issues and problems. I want to be a part of solving these problems and issues and making Pendleton County an even better place to live.

I will not make promises I cannot keep. I am honest, hardworking, community-minded, ready, willing, able, and qualified to be a county commissioner.

Western



Jimmie Bennett

I am running for Pendleton County Commissioner, Western District, on the Independent ticket.

I have lived in Pendleton County all my life and now reside in Riverton with my wife, Vickie. We have two children, Isaac and Allison, and one granddaughter, Reece.

Currently, I am employed by Pendleton County Board of Education where I have been a bus driver for 24 years. I spend most of my time farming beef cattle and growing chickens for Pilgrim's Pride, as well as being a small business owner.

I have served on the Spruce Knob Seneca Rocks Telephone Board for the past 20 years.

In my younger years, I volunteered as an EMT for Pendleton County Rescue Squad. Another one of my interests is supporting local EMS services through participating and supporting fundraising events.

I am always willing to lend a hand to anyone who may need it and am open minded when it comes to hearing thoughts and concerns from the residents of Pendleton County. These qualities are what led me to run for county commissioner. I want to help others and make a difference that will allow this county to grow and thrive.

If elected as county commissioner, a few things I would like to address are the needs of EMS in the county to reduce response times; support the increase of broadband internet coverage throughout the county to give students and residents better access to internet; support of local tourism; and explore new ways to promote jobs and growth.



Gene McConnell

Gene McConnell is running for Pendleton County Commissioner, representing the Western District.

The world, as it exists today, represents an amazingly fast moving and dynamic environment. This world is fraught with challenges that must be understood by the policymakers and strategies developed that will allow us to compete if we are to thrive and prosper.

To be sure, we are behind the curve and are having to play catch up. We just completed a census period in which we were determined to have lost 20% of our population. This trend must be reversed if we are to remain sustainable. The broadband expansion initiative currently in process in the county is representative of what needs to be done. However, it is only a beginning. We need to attract outside investment to the county. We need to attract

people who can see Pendleton, not only for what it is but for what it can be.

Our little corner of almost heaven has been blessed with bountiful natural assets and we have been placed in proximity to some of the major population centers of the East Coast. It is my goal to make Pendleton a destination rather than a pass through. The state of West Virginia tourism office is projecting \$5B revenue for 2022, the highest in state history. The state is deploying very significant resources in the effort to develop a thriving tourist industry. The time is right for Pendleton to leverage our tourism assets.

As a county commissioner for the past 12 years, I have a fair understanding of the county's culture, its strengths and shortcomings. I believe it is critically important to ensure that everyone, both the native and the person who chose Pendleton as their home, have a say in how the county moves forward.

I think it is important to understand that doing nothing is a legitimate position to take. However, we must be willing to accept the consequences of that decision.

I want to see Pendleton be all that it can be and her sons and daughters have the opportunity to remain at home with opportunity to earn a living if they so choose.

Change is an absolute and not embracing it will ensure that we will fall victim to it.

House of Delegates 67th District



Elias Coop-Gonzalez

Elias Coop-Gonzalez is a Christian, a conservative, and a Republican – in that order.

He moved to West Virginia as a young child, originally born in Guatemala, where his mother is from.

During President Trump's re-election campaign in 2020, he was the youngest member of the Republican National Convention from West Virginia.

At 18, he earned the distinguished title of Academy Fellow at the Heritage Foundation, the leading conservative thinktank in the world. He also worked at the Elkins/Randolph County YMCA for three years before going on to work at the Leadership Institute, an educational non-profit. After studying at Davis & Elkins college for a year, he transferred to Liberty University – where he is currently completing his bachelor's degree in economics.

He has partaken in a number of policy conferences such as CPAC, Mont Pelerin Society (based in Switzerland), and the Philadelphia Society, the latter two being free market economic forums.

He seeks to put West Virginia Values back in the Legislature. He believes America is the greatest country in the world – and that it should be

kept that way. He is the only conservative running for the 67th district.



Cody H. Thompson

Hello, I am Cody H. Thompson and I am running for re-election to the West Virginia House of Delegates to represent the new 67th District which includes portions of Pendleton and Randolph counties. I have served as a representative for the 43rd District in the House of Delegates for the last four years. Over the last session, I have served in caucus leadership, as minority chair of the technology and infrastructure committee, and as minority vice-chair of the education committee. I have also served on the industry and labor, health, workforce development, political subdivisions, and forest management committees.

I grew up working on our family farm near Sully and graduated from Harman High School in 2005. I graduated from Marshall University with degree in social studies education and West Virginia University with a master's degree in special education. I taught school for 10 years with Randolph County Schools at Harman School and Elkins High School.

I'm very excited to be running in the new 67th to represent a significant portion of Pendleton County because I have many friends and family in Pendleton County. My grandmother was born and raised in Pendleton and my grandfather's family settled in Pendleton County in the early 1800s.

In the legislature, I have fought for our public schools and voted for bills that increase funding for our rural school systems. I campaigned on providing seniors with some financial relief and was able to deliver on that promise by voting to eliminate the state income tax on seniors' social security benefits. I also co-sponsored legislation to cap the out-of-pocket expenses for insulin to ensure that diabetics are not charged excessively for their medication that keeps them alive and healthy.

My platform includes working to make our public schools the best they can be, helping our seniors, bringing more jobs to the area, and fixing our roads. I am also a strong supporter of our state and public employees and will continue to push for a permanent fix to the PEIA insurance program to stop outrageous rises in premiums, co-pays, and out of pocket expenses. We must improve high speed internet access in our region. It will help with attracting new businesses and jobs, and folks could move here and work from home. I have been a major advocate of our tourism industry and have worked to expand the funding for the industry. I am available for all constituent issues and will always help in any way that I can.

86th District



James Paul Freeman

I relocated to the Eastern Panhandle during The Great Quieting of 2020. My Charleston-born father had departed this world unexpectedly about a year prior, and getting some land in West Virginia made me feel closer to him.

I originally tried offering Yoga around the Lost River area, although the timing was interesting given people were distancing, masking, and quarantining themselves. So, I got a temporary job in Davis, and eventually opened my own storefront in Moorefield, called Natural Sovereignty. I've also been working for Eastern WV Community and Technical Institute as a proctor at the college, and at their satellite campuses in area high schools. In my prior life I founded and led a nonprofit arts organization in DC which fundraised and produced original performances, festivals and gatherings.

I love this area, and I love the momentum that is mounting within it. There are the assets of scenic beauty and wildlife, of course, as well as rich and unique history, and endless places that inspire the soul. Galvanizing our local economies in creative, new ways improves not only the quality of life, it expands opportunities for the improvement of infrastructure, ways to better support our agricultural backbone, and increases individual freedom.

The new 86th District for the West Virginia House of Delegates is prime for revitalization:

- I want 100% underwritten district-wide (really state-wide) internet, and I think we can leverage our position within the National Radio Quiet Zone (NRQZ) as a means for this;
- Improving one and two-lane roads, including the use of chip seal on low-use, unpaved roads to reduce costs, exploring cost participation with other districts, and having developers absorb or commit to road improvement and maintenance;
- More incentives to garner and keep teachers, increasing grants and scholarship access across trade and vocational programs, and increasing education options;
- Expanding the existing momentum for the 86th District as a unique cultural hub, revitalizing vacant buildings, create spaces for artists, craft-makers, and the performing arts while utilizing grants, public and private funding opportunities;
- Transparency of governance: commit to making every bill being mulled over by the State Legislature known to citizens, promoting direct engagement through apps like ActiVote and websites like OpenStates; and
- Expanding resources for emergency service providers, fire and ambulance services, as well as medical providers and facilities. I would like to see not only improved access to healthcare, but more options for types of care.

Forum

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“Grants are the way to go,” Eye agreed, but added that “we need to explore other options to get funding” as well.

Burgoyne and Dahmer both agreed on grants as the main funding vehicle, with McConnell adding that “without federal money, I don’t see how we can do it.”

A question for the incumbent commissioners focused on the progress of broadband expansion through planned phases. McConnell explained the rising cost of broadband, approximately \$50,000 per mile, and added “you can go many miles in Pendleton County without seeing a house . . . it’s going to take time.” Burgoyne explained the phases and how progress had been made within them.

Amendment 2 came up for questioning as well as concerns about its potential impact on county revenues. Hedrick answered that he talked to Senate President Craig Blair who supports the amendment and Governor Jim Justice who opposes. He “takes State Senator Blair at his word that they can backfill” but also explained “we’re in a period of fat cows. Hedrick asked what would happen “when the skinny cows come out of the Kanawha River and eat the fat ones.”

Dahmer said he was on the fence, but “taking anything out of local hands isn’t good.” McConnell, Bennett, and Burgoyne all worried about the lack of a clear and stated plan to consistently replace county revenues and expressed opposition to the proposed amendment.

Tourism also served as an important focus. One questioner inquired of McConnell specifically about the potential impact of wind turbines on tourism and land values. He requested that the county commission research the potential impact. McConnell replied that, “I am opposed to windmills in Pendleton County,” but banning them

is not his job.

“We must make sure that the laws are equitably enforced,” he explained and added that private citizens have the right to erect them.

Bennett concurred with McConnell, that private citizens could do as they pleased, but he did not agree with taking private land for them through eminent domain and “personally, I do not like looking at windmills in the skyline.”

Candidates also mostly answered that tourism carries some of the best prospects for future economic development. Eye said that “I wouldn’t pinpoint one industry,” but said that tourism is the “most visible” and could “create a lot of jobs.” McConnell agreed that tourism gives the county the best opportunities for growth, but that the “challenge is to get infrastructure so that people checking us out get a positive impression.”

Dahmer focused on tourism, saying “that’s the big one, the one we start with.” Dahmer added that “every time someone wants to bring something in, there’s a lot of protest. There’s going to have to be a dialogue somehow.”

“Pendleton County offers rock climbing, hundreds of miles of hiking, biking trails, river rafting, and fishing opportunities,” Bennett explained, “but currently does not promote or take advantage of economic opportunities.”

Burgoyne noted the recent progress made in tourism and promotion, citing the imminent hiring of a convention and visitors’ bureau director, the expansion of Air BNB options, and the impending renovation of the Thompson’s Motel. He said, “the most important thing is the role that tourism plays in this county and how it’s expanded.”

The commission candidates agreed that they

would all listen to agritourism related ideas and hold discussions. Bennett replied that he would request that WVU Extension Service or university agriculture programs to provide information. Dahmer suggested that a dialogue with farmers could help to boost agritourism. Burgoyne explained that agriculture had changed over the years, but that some of the larger farms in the county could provide input.

Eye stated that she would listen to ideas and suggested that smaller farms could be geared to teaching children. McConnell noted that if people saw a good opportunity that we would support it.

With mental illness, drug crime, and addiction overwhelming communities across the state, a concerned citizen asked about limited county resources and personnel to address the problem. Bennett advised that he was not “sure this was something the county commissioners should handle,” but suggested researching and supporting mental health and drug addiction programs already in place.

Eye said that she sees the problem every day and described how regional resources are often too overwhelmed to take in Pendleton County patients needing specialized help. McConnell stated that the county should engage organizations such as the Potomac Highlands Guild. He added that he was not an expert in the field, “but I like to go to people who are.”

Dahmer stated that if the county commission could do something to address these problems, it should look at options.

Burgoyne described county efforts via drug court and the day report centers, but agreed that the county commission would support promising initiatives.

Four Amendments on Ballot Explained

This year on Election Day, West Virginia voters will be asked to consider four important changes to the state constitution.

Below are summaries and the full text of each proposed amendment to help readers in making an informed decision when going to the polls.

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.

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.

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 the Amendment:

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.

Article VI. The Legislature.

§47. Incorporation of religious denominations permitted.

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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 the 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.

The Historical Society

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only 11 field artillery units serving in 15 combat divisions, the 313th and other similar units had to fight all 47 days with no significant rest.

Pendleton’s Boys of ’17 contains short biographies of hundreds of Pendleton County soldiers. Mitchell mentioned a few, including the tale of Jack Kimble, shot while trying to escape the brig to get back home. She mentioned how Calhoun tried to protect his legacy by only commenting Kimble was “accidentally shot” while guarding a train.

Mitchell also described how she tracked down the story of five soldiers, allegedly accused by the Moorefield Examiner of desertion. They had actually delayed their departure due to all suffering from measles.

The saddest story to tell,

however, was of Orbrey Lambert. Lambert served in the 80th Division, like many others from the region. During the Meuse-Argonne offensive, some accused one commander, Robert E. Lee Bullard, of disobeying the orders of commanding general John Pershing. Bullard chose the route of quickest advance, leaving other divisions to fight on their own and without expected support.

In an affidavit written after the battle and recently cited in The Guardian, Major Harry Parkin of the 316th infantry, 79th Division claimed that “General Bullard said that he would not help General Cameron, our corps commander, win any battle laurels . . . and left us to be slaughtered.”

Even worse, according to Collier’s The Story of the

Great War, “Kuhn’s 79th, the National Army division from Camp Meade . . . had never heard a shot fired until it marched up amidst the roar of guns and artillery preparation.”

Lambert, who lost his mother at 13 and was raised by relatives, died after the German Empire approached the Allied powers about ending the war, thus making his death even more tragic.

Attendees came from as far away as Keyser. Melissa Tichnell, Susan Becker, and Connie Hartman Horner all came to honor the service of their ancestor while learning more about his times and the war in which he fought.

Becker explained that “I think it’s wonderful to keep these memories alive. We wouldn’t be free today if it was not for these men.”

giving dinner than a gathering of business owners and local enthusiasts.

“Events like these are vitally important to recapturing West Virginia heritage, increasing local morale, and bringing the community together. It’s an effective way to drive tourism to the state and draw attention to West Virginia.” Welsch said.

Welsch continued, “There is a fascinating thing happening right now where we are rediscovering our heritage through Appalachian foods. It’s a blending of unified pockets of different ancestry-- Irish, Scottish, German, Italian, etc., all

coming together to bridge the gap between generations. In areas like this (Pendleton County) where I don’t know the people or the culture, I can learn a lot just from the food we share. It’s amazing how events like this can bring us together and bridge so many cultural gaps.”

Annie Humes, marketing and administrative manager of the Pendleton County Farmer’s Market, added, “The farmer’s market is open from June-September and has been a place of community since 2019. It’s been a joy to create a way to bring the market to people outside of the summer.”

Farm to Table Dinner

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A local harvest grazing table, complete with fresh breads, vegetables, smoked cheeses, etc. started the evening, followed by smoked chicken cornbread casserole, mushroom polenta, roast beef with seasonal veggies and finishing up with a delicious apple charlotte featuring maple cream and maple candied nuts. This was paired with refreshments from Swilled Dog, Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company and Hob Nob.

In addition to the amazing food, the fellowship and camaraderie of the evening created an atmosphere that felt more like a family Thanks-

EDA and Future Generations Discuss AmeriCorps Workers

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, the Pendleton County Economic and Community Development Authority held wide ranging discussions at their quarterly meeting.

Jenny Totten, from Future Generations University, presented an update on plans to bring AmeriCorps workers to the region. She explained that AmeriCorps workers could at the same time assist community and economic development efforts while also earning a masters at Future Generations.

Workers would help to staff the economic and community development authority and the Seneca Rocks Development Center. Totten said, "the whole goal is to develop capacity at community organizations."

She added that "We're trying to branch out a little" from their current focus on maple production and that the workers can "help us make deeper connections in the community."

Typically, AmeriCorps workers are recent graduates from a four-year college looking to build their resumes with real world experience related to their fields. The Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area project in Elkins relied on AmeriCorps support for their efforts, for example.

Workers who commit for two years can also earn a mas-

ters in community economic development from Future Generations University.

Laura Brown, director of the PCECDA, responded to the presentation, asking that "I'd like the EDA to support Future Generations in these programs."

Results from a fire inspection performed last week at the Pendleton Business Center is expected to help guide efforts to repair and maintain the structure going forward. The study will add to information already collected about what it will take to fix the structure, as well as help to determine future uses.

Grant funding provides the most helpful route to funding repairs, but Brown noted "we need data to apply for any grants here." She also said that "we can actually remedy some of the situation ourselves if it's not too bad."

Carl Hevener, board member and county commissioner, described the damage caused by roof leaks and poorly designed drainage. He explained that "only a third of the amount of water can flow out of the pipe." The remainder causes structural damage and other problems.

The board passed a motion to solicit bids for repairing the roof at the PBC.

Brown also described initial efforts by both Pendleton and Grant counties to attract remote workers to live in the region, bolstered by a \$12,000 state grant to those willing

to relocate to West Virginia.

She explained that state economic development officials urged local communities to work on "quality of life" aspects that make the area attractive. Brown added, "you don't have to sell people on remote work."

The program would use Ascend West Virginia as a model for development. That state program emphasizes both the grant and also the allure of cost-free outdoor recreation.

While broadband access remains a significant barrier, Brown said "25 percent of the county will be wired based on grants received last year. Thank the county commission for that."

Board members also discussed the fate of an unusable forklift after not receiving any bids for its sale, leading one member to ask "how do you get rid of a forklift?" A dead battery's replacement cost outstripping the worth of the vehicle convinced the board of the need to get rid of it.

Hevener also referenced its advanced age, saying "That thing was on Noah's Ark, wasn't it?"

Efforts by the board to obtain bids for snow removal also produced no results.

Brown ended the meeting with good news about the county's chances of receiving a federal wastewater grant, saying she was "super excited" about the prospects.

Thompson's Motel

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has a waiting list of individuals looking to rent an apartment, according to Amber Nesselrodt, the Pendleton County Economic Community and Development Authority and the CVB office administrator.

The pair discussed partnering with the CVB to invest in the county starting with going through a local bank, Pendleton Community Bank, to purchase the property and business and looking into adding a park to the property.

In addition to apartments, the back building will remain a hotel for travelers and visitors.

Omission...

The Friends of the Library would like to mention that the West Virginia Humanities Council provided the History Alive event that took place Oct. 8 at the Pendleton County Library.

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POSITION: FULL TIME PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT - MEDICAL SURGICAL UNIT — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: DAYS — (3) 12-hour shifts per week, with rotating weekends. Excellent customer service skills and medical surgical experience preferred, but not required. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 10/21/2022

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Bids must be received by 4 p.m. October 31, 2022.

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SGR237 4.62 Acres, w/Home, Barn, Smokehouse & Shed located on Hammer Run Rd., Franklin District. **NEW LISTING \$269,000.00.**

SGR236 World Class View Overlooking Germany Valley! Log Cabin, 2 bed, 2.5 Baths. Seneca Lookout. Some Restrictions. **NEW LISTING \$799,000.00.**

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. **\$190,000.00.**

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

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SGR224 2.42 Acres w/3 Bed, 2 Bath, 1500 sq. ft. Ranch Home, Sugar Grove District. **NEW LISTING \$229,000.00.**

SGR223 0.6673 Acres w/ Spacious 2 Bed, 2 Bath Home, 2090 sq. ft., Attached 2 Car 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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SGR219 21.65 Acres, more or less, w/2001 2 Bed, 2 Bath Manufactured Home transformed to 3 Bdrms. Septic, Public Water. Near National Forest. Bethel District. **NEW LISTING \$224,900.00.**

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SGR198 130.75 Acres, 4 Bed, 3.5 Bath Log Home & 3 Bed, 2 Bath Ranch Home. Great for extended family or rental. Grant County. **NEW LISTING \$949,900.00.**

SGR197 557.7 Ac., Raw Land, Excellent Hunting, Joins National Forest, No Utilities, Potential Food Plots, Watering Holes, Bldg. Sites w/Views. Milroy District, Grant County. **\$1,749,000.00.**

SGR190 3.97 Acres, Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Level Bldg. Site, Mature Timber. **\$49,900.00.**

SGR188 22.72 Acres, Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Hunting, Bldg. Sites. **\$179,900.00.**

SGR187 8.87 Acres, Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Views, Bldg. Sites. **\$79,900.00.**

SGR180 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.**

SGR174 8.94 Acres, w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Doublewide, unfinished basement, Heat Pump, Propane, Central AC, Shop. **\$299,000.00 REDUCED \$279,000.00.**

SGR173 3 Acres, Raw Land, North Fork. **\$24,900.00.**

SGR156 15.97 Acres, Rolling Hills Estate, Electric nearby, Water available. Hardy County. **\$95,000.00. REDUCED \$89,900.00.**

SGR152 50.96 Acres, w/1 Bed, 1.5 Bath, 1666 sq. ft. Cabin w/Loft. Franklin District. **\$349,000.00 REDUCED \$329,000.00.**

SGR148 136.47 Acres Raw Land, Building Sites w/ Excellent Views. Active Spring, 2 Ponds. **\$499,900.00.**

SGR130 0.36 Acres, w/House & Bunkhouse located in Harman, WV. **\$269,000.00.**

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26
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