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Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce Announces ‘Winter Wonderland in the Park’

By Stephen Smoot

With snow already gracing some of the ridges of the region and Old Man Winter on the way, the Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce has announced plans for its Christmas celebration. Winter Wonderland in the Park will start at 8:30 a.m. on Dec. 10 and run through 6 p.m. that night.

The community Christmas celebration, until last, year was known as Main Street Magic. Elizabeth Scott, Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce executive director, noted that “things have changed, not all Main Street businesses stay open on Saturday anymore.” She added that “the weather has not always cooperated. Last year, it rained.”

Festivities start with a hot pancake breakfast served at 8:30 in the community building. One of the main attractions throughout the day, starting at 10 a.m., will be

the vendors who set up inside the building. Scott explains that “it’s a wonderful opportunity for people to do last minute Christmas shopping.” She added that “we can fit 19 or 20 vendors in the community building” and “a lot of businesses said they were interested in some capacity.”

Attendees can also enjoy a hot lunch, also served at the community building.

Children will get to show off their holiday arts and crafts skills starting at 9 a.m. at the Pendleton County Library. For two hours, they can make homemade Christmas tree ornaments. Scott says, “kids can take them down to the park to hang on the tree which will light up when Santa gets there.”

For most children of all ages, one of the top attractions of the day remains the Christmas parade. Lineup starts at 4:30 p.m. at Franklin Elementary School. It will follow Main Street, run around Mill Road, and march to the town park.

“Any business who wants to do a float can,” Scott said. She added that one of her favorite parts of last year’s parade was when “kids decorated four wheelers and rode them around town.”

Santa and Mrs. Claus will also take time from their busy schedule at the North Pole to headline the parade. When they and the rest of the assemblage arrive at Franklin Town Park, the official tree lighting ceremony will take place.

The chamber will also organize an “adopt a post” program. Scott says participants can “decorate a post however you want, just pick a holiday theme.” Judges will examine the work and announce winners at the end of the day.

Scott stated that the chamber had plans “if cold or nasty weather hits.” She said that in case of severe weather, some outdoor events could relocate to the community building.

Simpson Memorial Donation Supports Fire Departments



The family of the late James Randolph Simpson made a donation to each Pendleton County fire department in his memory. The memorial donation was presented by Terry Rogers. Receiving the donation on behalf of the local fire departments were, from left, Nila Bland (South Fork VFD), Mike Alt (Upper Tract VFD), Carl Warner (Circleville VFD), Terry Rogers, Tammie Bowers (Seneca Rocks VFD) and Kelly Hartman and Bobby Murphy (Franklin VFD). Photograph courtesy of Upper Tract Volunteer Fire Department.

Community CALENDAR

Delawder Family To Sing Sunday

The Larry Delawder Family and Barney Fife will be in concert at 6 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Brandywine.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

‘Times’ To Publish Christmas Memories, Holiday Recipes

Christmas is just around the corner. *The Times* would like for its readers to share with other subscribers some past Christmas memories, as well as favorite holiday recipes.

Please submit articles or recipes by Monday, Dec. 12. Both can be e-mailed to ads@pendletontimes.com, mailed to PO Box 906, Franklin, WV 26807, or dropped off at the office.

PVCD Board To Gather Dec. 7

The Potomac Valley Conservation District board meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Family Traditions Restaurant in Petersburg. The meeting agenda will be available three days prior to the meeting on the district website at www.wvca.us/district/pvcd.cfm or by contacting the Romney office at 304-822-5174.

The public is invited to participate.

Delegate Bryan Ward Eyes the Upcoming Session, Challenges



Delegate Bryan Ward

By Stephen Smoot

Earlier this month, Delegate Bryan Ward won reelection to his second term in the West Virginia House of Delegates. He represents the 86th District that covers eastern Pendleton and all of Hardy County.

One of Ward’s key concerns in the upcoming session revolves around responsible use of the historic surpluses racked up by the State of West Virginia. He explained that “so much is unraveling right now. Everyone knows there’s a likelihood that we’ll be in a recession.”

As a self-styled conservative with libertarian leanings, Ward explained that “with surplus money, we’d normally send the money back to the taxpayers.” The current economic conditions, however, require more consideration. Ward adds that “much might happen over the next few months that might cause us to be a little measured there.”

Above and beyond a possible economic recession, Ward stated that “government is subject to the same inflationary rules as everyone else lives under.” Projects such

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Pendleton County Firefighters Respond to Blazes in Family Home And Poultry House

By Stephen Smoot

Last week while families around the region prepared for a holiday celebration, Pendleton County’s first responders braved icy temperatures and difficult conditions while working to save lives and property.

At approximately 1 a.m. on Nov. 21, the home of Bruce and Sarah Smith in Upper Tract caught fire. Preliminary indications show that an electric heating pad caused the blaze, although the investigation is still ongoing. Mike Alt, chief of the Upper Tract Volunteer Fire Department, noted that they both escaped because “they felt their feet getting hot.”

Responding units from Upper Tract received support from Franklin and Petersburg fire departments, Upper Tract Rescue Squad, and the Pendleton County Office of Emergency Man-

agement. The Upper Tract VFD praised the support on their Facebook page, stating “Great effort by everyone during the cold elements. Everyone did a good job.”

Circleville’s firefighters could not offer support due to their engagement of a camper fire at Seneca Rocks at the same time.

Upper Tract VFD is accepting clothing, non-perishable food, and cash to help the family. The fire department requests that checks be made out to Bruce and Sarah Smith and that items can be left at the Upper Tract VFD Training Center on 11596 Petersburg Pike. The family needs men’s pants size 42 waist, size 10 shoes, and men’s shirts size large. They also need women’s large pants, shoes in a women’s size 8, XL shirt size and bras between 38 and 40 B.

Alt praised the community response, saying “people have been so generous.”

Those with any questions about donations can call Mike Alt at (304) 257-3652.

Later in the week, Franklin Volunteer Fire Department responded to a fire at a poultry house owned by Matt and Tonya Nesselrodt of Franklin. The fire, which took place on Limestone Knob Road, destroyed two houses connected by an egg room, according to Eddie Caplinger, assistant fire chief.

No one was injured by the blaze, including the poultry. As Caplinger explained, “He was getting ready to get birds on Friday, so he didn’t lose anything.” Franklin VFD was supported by units from Upper Tract, South Fork, Circleville and Highland and McDowell in Virginia.

Champ Harvests First Buck, 6 Pointer



On Nov. 22, nine-year-old Owen Champ killed his first buck, a six pointer, while hunting with his father, Wes Champ, in the Fort Seybert area.

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Imogene "Jean" Hinkle Phares

Imogene "Jean" Hinkle Phares, 96, of Burlington, North Carolina, passed away peacefully Nov. 19, 2022, surrounded by her family.

She was born Jan. 20, 1926, in Kline and was the daughter of the late Hobart and Margie Hinkle.

Mrs. Phares was a housewife for many years. She worked at Kayser-Roth, May's Hosiery and Copland Fabrics. She also worked for Carolina Biological and Elon University cafeteria in her senior years. She was a member of Altamahaw Baptist Church and delivered meals as a volunteer for Meals-on-Wheels.

She was the loving wife to the late Ernest Phares and the loving mother to her daughter, Wendy Lynch (Aaron) and deceased daughters, Linda Bruner and Margie Harrell (Herbert).

Surviving are a daughter, Wendy Lynch (Aaron); grandchildren, Teresa Poe (Mark), Suzette Hinshaw, Christa Graves, Sarah Kirkland, Sabrina Kronbergs (Kurt), Mark Harrell, Mindy Isley (Jason) and Terriann Dalessio (Travis); great-grandchildren, Taylor Poe Jones (Dylan), Isaac Gilley, Brock Kirkland, Jeremiah Gilley, Jacob Lawrence, Hailey Hinshaw, Jackson Kirkland, Natalie Harrell and Owen Magdziarz; great-great-grandchildren, Ryleigh, Emily and Lakato Graves; and a sister, Norma Channel.

She was also preceded in death by her daughters, Linda Bruner and Margie Harrell; son-in-law, Herbert Harrell; great-grandson, Brandon Graves; brothers, French Hinkle, Ona Ray Hinkle, Alonza Hinkle, Roland Hinkle and Bobby Hinkle; and sisters, Anna Mongold and Marylou Riggelman.

A service to celebrate her life was held Nov. 26 at Lowe Funeral Home Chapel in Burlington, North Carolina, with Rev. Walter Jones officiating. Interment followed in Alamance Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Altamahaw Baptist Church, 3447 Altamahaw Church St., Elon, NC 27244.



Mark Mueller

On Nov. 19, 2022, Mark Mueller made the bravest decision of all. On a bright, sunny Saturday afternoon in his beautiful home in Bloomingdale, Washington, DC, he slipped peacefully away, enveloped in the love of his family and many friends.

He was born in 1967 in Random Lake, Wisconsin, the youngest of seven children to Harold and Joyce Mueller.

From the earliest age, "Mawkie" was the center of attention at every gathering, leading to a lifelong interest in performance art and music; his air guitar version of "Purple Rain" brought down the house at high school.

After a few college years at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee followed by journeys in Europe, Mr. Mueller pursued modeling and acting. When Hollywood stubbornly refused to recognize his acting genius, in 1993, he enrolled at Evergreen College in Washington, majoring in environmental science. Several blissfully happy years followed studying bacteriophage viruses, before he was recruited to District of Columbia, Amsterdam and back to the District of Columbia again where, among many roles, he worked in scientific planning and development for the NIH/NIAD Division of AIDS Research, was a health specialist at NIH Vaccine Research Center and a member of the Pandemic Preparedness Task Force.

After several contented years on U Street, he pur-

chased and renovated a beautiful Victorian town house in Bloomingdale to reflect his eclectic, exquisite taste in furnishing and art. While town life gave him a valuable career and community leadership, his deep love of nature guided him in December of 2017 to purchase the 330-acre OMG farmstead in West Virginia with friends. There he spent thousands of hours (cunningly recruiting friends to perform unpaid manual labor) restoring the beauty of the land and its buildings.

Mr. Mueller was the ultimate uniter and creator of community. As one friend observed, "If you put Mark on a solitary mountaintop and came back a month later, he'd be the mayor of a village gathered around him." He had largely definitive and inerrant opinions on the right paint, fixtures and decor for one's home, the correct way to mix a W Street Mark-hattan, the proper way to plant a sapling, or which song to belt out during karaoke. His individuality of vision remained the strongest driver throughout his life. If a person shared oneself openly and honestly, he would return the favor tenfold, receiving, challenging, and loving everyone amid endless experiences and adventures.

While we are heartbroken that Mark is no longer with us, we know that our lives were made fuller because he was with us at all.

His service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday on his farm in West Virginia. More details can be found at <https://www.omgacres.org/mark>. One of his finest legacies is The Mark Mueller conservation, set up on his birthday in April 2022, to support conservation projects in Sweedlin Valley. Its aim is to protect, preserve, and expand the land and its wildlife so that it evolves as a place supporting healthy ecosystems, forest land, biodiversity, and wildlife habitat. It was his wish that donations be made to his conservation fund at <https://www.wv-landtrust.org/mueller/>.

Girl Scout Troop 32119 Reports Activities



Members of the Brandywine Girl Scout Troop 32119 meet with Pendleton County's first responders.

From learning new skills, to making new friends, the local girl scouts have shined at every turn. It would be impossible to describe the impact these girls have on their leaders and volunteers of the Brandywine Girl Scout Troop 32119.

In August, the girl scouts collected canned and dried goods for CAN as one of their community service projects. They finished the month of August with a camp out. Nancy Hodges and Renee Mahon from the Virginia Skyline Council joined the group during the day camp, where the girls earned journeys and badges. They made beautiful things using the sights, sounds and resources around them, making monkey bread on the campfire and tie-dyed t-shirts for the

Treasure Mountain Festival parade. A flashlight dance party was also held.

Members built and painted a bird bath to donate to Pendleton Manor. Jose Pomales accepted the gift on behalf of the nursing home, where it is proudly on display. The imprint left on the community was extremely rewarding for the girls.

On Sept. 11, the scouts had the opportunity to meet with first responders from all over the county. The girls presented them with special goodies, as well as posters that all the girls signed with many thanks for all they do for the communities. The girls learned about what tools are kept in the fire trucks, and how a fire fighter gets in and out of the gear so quickly.

Eddie Caplinger graciously brought a fire truck to show the girls all the ins and outs of the truck. In addition to being a first responder, Bob Grimm works with the girl scout troop.

In October, the birthday of the troop's founder, Juliette Gordon Lowe, was celebrated with a Halloween themed party for her and all the girls in the troop. Members played games, had cupcakes with a surprise inside and shared the fun with their families.

The Brandywine troop is participating in an adopt-a-soldier program and is proud to have adopted a hometown hero, Alena Mendoza. Members are collecting snacks and coffee items to send to her.

Citizen Clarifies Previous Letter

November 22, 2022

Dear Governor Justice:

You have received a letter from the director of the Pendleton County Senior Services that was written in response to a letter that I wrote to the InterMountain newspaper. I want to make it clear that I was not blaming anyone in Pendleton County for the closing of a Senior Center there. I am concerned about ALL of the senior programs in West Virginia, not just the one that closed in Pendleton County.

The financial problems could be solved if the Commissioner for Senior Services, Robert Roswall, would make an effort to increase the funding for the senior centers. Many of them are struggling to stay open

due to the inadequate level of funding from the state of West Virginia. If Mr. Roswall cannot actively work with the government officials to increase the funding, he should be replaced. Due to the rising costs of food and almost everything the senior centers have to purchase, there is a critical need for increased funding. I have read that the state of West Virginia has a billion dollars in surplus. If that is true, why can't some of this money be allocated to the Senior Centers during this difficult time?

I am glad to hear that you, Governor Justice, and your advisors are looking into ALL of the senior programs in this great state. We are hoping that you and your team will be successful. When I spoke with you and some of your advisors,

everyone seemed to care about our seniors and our veterans. I am hoping and praying that a solution can be found to help all of our West Virginia seniors.

Sincerely,
Tony Byrd
Green Bank, WV

cc: Commissioner Robert Roswall
Scott Gossard, Director UPAAA
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Statewide Virtual Job Fair Set for Dec. 7

WorkForce West Virginia has announced the next date in a series of Statewide Virtual Job Fairs. Both employers and job seekers are invited to participate in the virtual event from noon until 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 7.

“We have seen unprecedented turnouts at the past two Statewide Virtual Job Fairs,” said Scott Adkins, acting commissioner of WorkForce West Virginia. “Since we’ve started these monthly events, nearly 680 job seekers have registered to attend. Participating employers have received 350 resumes. It has been exciting to connect so many West Virginians with these great organizations across the state. Whether you’re looking for seasonal work,

or want to take the next step in your career, this virtual event is a convenient and innovative way to connect with West Virginia companies.”

Virtual job fairs allow job seekers to apply, live chat, video chat and interview virtually with employers participating in the event.

Registration is required for both interested employers and job seekers. To register for the Dec. 7 Statewide Virtual Job Fair as either an employer or jobseeker, go to <https://app.premiervirtual.com/events/8952fdc0-bb7d-4f89-8ef5-238f3ebd1c4b/monthly-statewide-virtual-job-fair-december-2022>.

The Virtual Statewide Job Fair portal features a job seeker training video,

a list of participating employers, and channels for attendees to register and log in. Job seekers are encouraged to dress professionally and have a calm, clutter-free background, as employers may request to engage in a video interview.

Upon registration, employers will create a “Virtual Booth” to connect with job seekers. After completion, this booth will be available during subsequent job fairs.

For more information about WorkForce West Virginia and the Statewide Virtual Job Fairs, visit www.workforcewv.org or contact workforcewvvirtualjobfairevent@wv.gov.

EQIP, AMA Program Signup Deadline Dec. 16

The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Natural Resources Conservation Service announces the end of the first FY23 application evaluation period for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program and the Agricultural Management Assistance Program. Producers interested in being considered for financial assistance need to submit applications to NRCS by Dec. 16.

EQIP is a voluntary conservation program that helps agricultural producers in a manner that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible goals. Through EQIP, agricultural producers receive technical and financial assistance to implement structural

and management conservation practices that optimize environmental benefits on working agricultural land.

The AMA program provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers to voluntarily address issues such as water management, including irrigation systems, water quality, and erosion control by incorporating conservation into their farming operations; and mitigate risk through production diversification.

EQIP and AMA are open to all eligible agricultural producers and submitted applications may be considered or evaluated in multiple funding opportunities.

Local NRCS offices accept program applications year-round. Application

evaluations only take place during announced ranking periods. For consideration in the first-round of 2023 federal fiscal year funding, eligible landowners must enroll by submitting their application no later than Dec.16.

For more information, visit a local USDA Service Center or visit the website at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov>.

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Mallow To Compete for West Virginia Beef Queen Title



Trina Mallow

Trina Mallow, the daughter of Leonard and Donna Mallow of Upper Tract, will be one of six competing for the title of 2023 West Virginia Beef Queen. The contest will be held Dec. 3 at the Mountaineer Stockman’s College at the Canaan Valley Resort in Davis.

Mallow is a freshman at Western Pennsylvania School of Taxidermy. She is a graduate of Potomac State College with an associate degree in agribusiness management. While at Potomac State she was inducted into the Sigma Tau Delta Honor Society. While in high school, she was a member of the Pendleton

County FFA chapter and has received the American FFA Degree. She is a member of the Tri-County Fair beef committee and has received the beef herdsman award. She is a member of the Junior Red Angus Association and owns her own taxidermy business.

During the queen contest, contestants will compete in a speech contest, as well as go through an interview process with a panel of judges involved in the beef industry. Contestants are evaluated on presentation, speech content, extracurricular activities, and their knowledge of the beef industry. The selected queen

will then be crowned at the West Virginia Beef Expo in April and will attend various events throughout the year to promote beef.

This year’s conference, which is Dec. 2-3, will bring together top livestock producers to promote the growth, development and success of livestock production in West Virginia. The conference will provide cutting-edge production and management information via industry experts and connect producers and service providers through entertaining and engaging content.

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30 Years Ago

Week of November 19, 1992

SUGAR GROVE

Thanksgiving Celebrations Here Date Back to the 1700s

Thanksgiving celebration in this area dates back as far as the late 1700s. Thanks and praise are the central theme in religious faiths around the world. It can unite people in ways that no other observ-

ance can.

Prepare Plants for Long Winter Nap

Take steps now to help your yard plants make it through the winter.

Extension plant specialists at West Virginia University say broadleaf evergreens are especially vulnerable to cold weather damage. All newly planted ones should have protection through their first winter. Perennial flowers and roses also could stand some help.

To protect broadleaf evergreens, build up mulches two to three inches deep around the roots. Make sure the soil is moist going into the winter; water if needed.

If the plant is in an exposed area, erect a sun and wind shield. This may be a snow fence or a burlap screen. Place it where it protects but does not touch the leaves of the plant.

Perennial flowers suffer most from freezing and thawing of the ground. This action can heave roots from the soil.

In November, go through the flower border, cutting back dead tops to about six inches. After the ground freezes, lay a light, airy mulch over the crowns. Evergreen branches, such as hemlock are ideal; salt hay, oak leaves, pine needles and straw also work well. If you use straw, support the mulch with springy branches to keep it from packing down over the tops of plants.

Rose growers should prune back plant tops to 2-1/2 to 3 feet in late November. Whether roses need any winter protection depends on the variety and on how exposed is the area.

The best way to protect them is to bring in some good top soil mixed with peat moss or compost. Mound this up 12 inches around each plant. Remove this protective mound when growth begins in the spring.

50 Years Ago

Week of November 30, 1972

Junk Cars Being Assembled

After several years of hard work by various committees in Pendleton County, things are looking good for the Mountaineers for Rural Progress committee in the county. The committee has been working on a plan for eliminating unwanted abandoned cars. The plan was completed a few days ago and several cars have been placed on the working sites.

The committee located a crushing machine for junk cars. This machine will be moving into Pendleton County within a few days to crush old abandoned cars. After crushing these cars, they will be loaded on trucks and hauled away for recycling.

“I think this will be a very good way to eliminate the abandoned and unwanted cars in the county,” stated Moses Taylor.

Five sites have been located

in Pendleton County for the machine to work. The sites are as follows: (1) Fred Dice place Route 33, Franklin; (2) Rock Quarry South of Franklin on Route 220; (3) Elmer Bodkin farm above Sugar Grove, the old schoolhouse site; (4) U. S. Forest Service, Mouth of Seneca; and (5) old Route 33 at Oak Flat, the James Pitsenbarger farm on West Virginia Route 25 on Sugar Grove road will be used if needed. If anyone would like to take old cars to these sites they may, Moses Taylor said.

“This operation will not cost the owners any money to get old junk cars moved, but we will need cooperation from the people in the county. Any suggestions or ideas on making this project a success will be greatly appreciated,” Taylor remarked.

60 Years Ago

Week of November 22, 1962

DAHMER

In 1820, the post offices in the Highland area were Hull’s Store in Crabbottom, Wilsonville at the mouth of Bolar Run and Shaw’s Ridge in the Cowpasture Valley. By 1832, Crab Run was established and later on known as McDowell.

Week of November 29, 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 Suggests Emancipation by 1900

President Lincoln came forth with a new idea for freeing the slaves 100 years ago this week.

The plan: to give the states of the Union 37 years—until January 1, 1900—to free their slaves. Those states which did so would be compensated for their loss.

The plan was outlined in Lincoln’s second annual message to Congress on December 1, and it included—was based upon, in fact—a proposed amendment to the Constitution. That amendment already had been drafted.

“Every State,” it said, “Where slavery now exists which shall abolish the same at any time of times before the first day of January, A.D., 1900, shall receive compensation from the United States...” The payment was to be made in United States bonds, and blanks were left in the document for Congress to fill in, naming the amount to be paid for each slave thus freed.

There were other parts of the amendment, too. One part authorized Congress to provide for colonizing freed slaves outside the United States if the slaves wished.

But the idea of compensated emancipation by 1900 was the nut of the idea.

Lincoln described the plan as “a compromise...with the friends and not with the enemies of the Union.”

Since it was an amendment, two-thirds of Congress and three-fourths of the States would have to agree to the plan before it could be used, and that assured that emancipation would take place. At the same time, as Lincoln stated, “the length of time should greatly mitigate” the dissatisfaction of those who favored perpetual slavery and would spare “both races from the evils of sudden derangement.”

The cost would be large, he admitted, but not so large as the cost of continuing warfare. “The plan would, I am confident, secure peace more speedily and maintain it more permanently than can be done by force alone,” Lincoln said.

Finally, Lincoln pointed out that his recommendation would not delay his earlier proclamation of the preceding September that all slaves in rebellious states or parts of states would be freed on January 1, 1863. The new plan was recommended “as a means...additional to all other plans—including warfare—for restoring the Union.”

There was much more to that annual message from the President to Congress. Lincoln reviewed the facts of the war; he told of achievements of his administration—including the creation the preceding spring of the United States Department of Agriculture. But his emancipation plan, clearly, was his chief idea.

The idea was to go unheeded. Except for some efforts toward compensated emancipation in Missouri, the idea never got off the ground. Senator Orville Browning of Illinois wrote in his diary after hearing the message that the President suffered from a “hallucination...that Congress can suppress the rebellion by adopting his plan of compensated emancipation.”

Next week: The Battle of Prairie Grove.

70 Years Ago

Week of November 27, 1952

LOST PLANE MAY BE DOWN IN THIS AREA

Residents of Pendleton County have been asked by Corp. Bob Schnell of the Franklin detachment, West Virginia State Police, to be on the lookout for the wreckage of a Navion private plane, which has been reported missing in flight between Reading, Pa., and Charleston.

The craft, which is green and red in color, has been the object of an intensive search in the mountains. Anyone having any information should contact Corp. Schnell or the Civil Aeronautics authority in Washington. The plane disappeared Sunday.


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It has been an honor and a privilege to serve this community. Hopefully I have contributed to the protection of animal health and welfare, the prevention and relief of animal suffering, the conservation of animal resources, and the advancement of medical knowledge. These are the principles of the Veterinary Oath I have tried to honor while living and working in this community.

Sincerely,
Morris M. Homan, Jr. DVM

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Hometown Sports Heroines Earn All-State Recognition



Allie Cooper, left, named to the All-State Special Honorable Mention squad, prepares to set up a teammate during the West Virginia State Volleyball Tournament last month. Ana Young, who earned Honorable Mention, also gets into position to make a play. Photo by Robin Alt.

Lady Wildcats Seek Fast Start to Upcoming Season



The Pendleton County girls team runs a shooting drill as they prepare for their opener at Union.

By Stephen Smoot

As the last leaves vacate their trees and winter winds replace the fall breeze, basketball returns to Pendleton County. Coach Micah Bailey will rely on leadership from one accomplished senior, as well as grit and talent from the rest of the squad, as they face strong regional talent in the coming campaign.

“We have a pretty decently tough schedule this year,” notes Coach Bailey. Early in December, the Lady Wildcats face Berkeley County triple A squads Martinsburg and Spring Mills. Then, as the new year begins, Pendleton County takes on Doddridge County, who won 19 games last year and returns three seniors. The Wildcats also have tough competition within the region, including a Petersburg team that won 21 last year and brings back three seniors as well.

As Bailey explains, “None of the teams in our region are pushovers.”

Ariana Young, who has already committed to Concord University to play basketball, returns as the lone senior. “Ana has started since she was a freshman,” Bailey said. He added, “Hopefully by the end

of this year, she’ll have 1,000 points.” Young brings more to the team besides scoring, however. Bailey stresses that she is also “a great leader. She’ll be a great offensive and defensive presence and in her fourth year; she knows my expectations.”

Young stars in the backcourt for the Lady Wildcats as both a point and shooting guard. Joining her in the backcourt will be Avery Townsend, who also plays both positions, Jenna Smith, Keira Heavener, and Bethany Eye will also be relied on for quality backcourt minutes.

The Lady Wildcat frontcourt should provide strong defense, excellent rebounding, and shot blocking. Gabrielle DePue brings both height and explosive leaping ability to the post positions. At 5’11, Madison Arbaugh could also provide an intimidating presence underneath. The versatile Lizzie Alt offers experience at both the small and power forward slots. Baylee Beachler’s pure athleticism will also serve Coach Bailey’s plans for hard-nosed defense and fast paced offense.

The team will need quality minutes from Nataley Hedrick, Julia Mongold, and Jameigh

Miller as well. With only 11 players and no junior varsity, every player’s role will be key for success. Although the team lost five seniors from last year’s team, Bailey expects his younger players to elevate their games. He expects that “they’ll find their roles as the season goes.

One of the strongest attributes of Bailey’s squad this year lies in their athleticism. Several of his players helped to drive the volleyball team to the state tournament behind equal parts skill and grit. Their athleticism will undergird the “fast paced transition” game that Bailey expects to see from his team. He added, “We’re really trying to get out and run.”

Tuesday, the Lady Wildcats faced a strong Union squad who won 16 games last year and returns six seniors from that squad. Results were not available at press time. Their next game will be a home stand on Dec. 6 against Tucker County High School. The Mountain Lions won 19 games last season and return four seniors from that team.

All Pendleton County High School girls’ home games will start at 6:30 p.m. this season.

Wildcat Boys Rely on ‘Old School’ Approach to Build On Last Season’s Success



The Wildcats run a fast break drill in preparation for their season opener at Keyser.

By Stephen Smoot

One of the defining attributes of a successful program comes from how motivated other teams get to play. In recent seasons, Pendleton County’s boys basketball team has showed up powerhouse regional programs in both single and double A. Last year, the Wildcats won 19 games on their way to an appearance in the West Virginia State Tournament.

As Coach Jeremy Bodkin explains, “we always get everyone’s best shot.”

This year’s schedule opens with two visits to Mineral County powers Keyser and Frankfort on Dec. 6 and 8, respectively. Bodkin said of the first two games, “We’re starting a little tough.” Tucker County, who won 24 games and lost to Greater Beckley Christian in the second round of the state tournament, returns four seniors and should remain strong as well.

“We’ve got six seniors this year,” Bodkin shared. Leadership and effort from these young men will be pivotal in the upcoming season. Clayton Kisamore, a tall and explosive athletic swingman, “just did a lot for us last year.” He added that “Jacob Beachler can run and shoot. People will know to double team” the senior center.

Bodkin says that Brayden Beachler, who plays both point and shooting guard, “gave us some good minutes last season, but unfortunately got hurt.” He added that Brayden Beachler can also shoot well and “is a good kid.” Another senior expected to add athleticism and skill is Connor Armentrout. Bodkin sees huge potential in Armentrout, saying “he can run and jump. He’s just an athlete. He can really wow you with some things.”

A senior who Bodkin expects “will surprise people,” is Dustin Vandevander. “He played JV last year as a junior,” Bodkin explained. “He didn’t have the experience, but he has the ‘want to.’” Center Evan Teter also earned the coach’s praise for “playing very hard” and knowing his role.

The younger players add

their own skill sets and talent. Just as they did on the football field this fall, the Smith brothers, Dusty and Dillon, will bring their physical style to the hard court. “Dusty Smith is a point guard who had to step in last year when (Brayden) Beachler went down,” Bodkin described. He went on to say that “we threw him in the fire and he struggled, but got better.” Dusty’s brother, Dillon, “will be my defensive guy. He’s not a shooter, just a hard-nosed defensive guy.”

The Wildcats have other options at the shooting guard position as well. Josiah Kimble, as Bodkin says, “led the JV last year. He got a lot more experience in summer.”

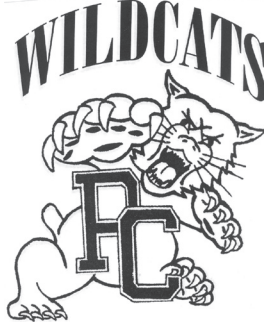
Two freshmen could also make a strong impact in the coming season. “The biggest leap from summer until now is from Cashton Kisamore,” Bodkin says. Cashton Kisamore is the younger brother of senior Clayton Kisamore, but “we call him the younger brother, not the big brother. He’s bigger than Clayton. He’s going to be good.” Bodkin also has high expectations for freshman Chase Owens, saying, “He’s going to be good. He’s always around the ball.”

While the coach has “a couple of guys who are not quite ready for varsity yet, everyone’s working hard. Everyone really wants to

win.”

Winning for the Wildcats means employing gritty defense and fast paced offenses in a style not unlike Gale Catlett’s Mountaineers and their physical Atlantic 10 opposition. “I like to run when the opportunity presents itself,” Bodkin explained. He added, “but I also like to be under control and take care of the ball. And we need to be tough nosed on defense.”

Coaches and players alike want to carry over one vital point of last year’s success, the Wildcats’ home dominance. The team won 11 of 12 last year at home. Bodkin said, “Our philosophy is to try and win all the home games and the road will take care of itself.” He also gives the Wildcat faithful credit for team success, saying “it’s our fans, our community. Our fan base travels. They’re everywhere.”



PCHS Boys Basketball Schedule

Dec.	6	Keyser.....	6:00 (A)
		8 Frankfort.....	6:00 (A)
	13	East Hardy.....	6:15 (H)
	16	Tygarts Valley.....	6:15 (H)
	29	Holiday Tourney @ Moorefield...	6:00 (A)
	30	Holiday Tourney @ Petersburg.	TBA (A)
Jan.	3	Pocahontas Co.....	6:15 (H)
	13	Harman	7:00 (H)
	18	Tucker Co.....	6:15 (H)
	20	Richwood	6:00 (A)
	24	Harman	7:00 (A)
	26	Tygarts Valley.....	5:45 (A)
	30	Petersburg.....	6:15 (H)
Feb.	2	East Hardy.....	6:00 (A)
	4	Moorefield.....	6:00 (H)
	6	Pocahontas Co.....	5:45 (A)
	8	Keyser.....	6:15 (H)
	11	Petersburg.....	6:00 (A)
	15	Union	6:30 (H)
	21	Frankfort.....	6:15 (H)
	23	Moorefield.....	6:00 (A)

PCMS Boys Basketball Schedule			
Dec.	8	Capon Bridge ..	6:30 (A)
	12	Romney.....	6:30 (H)
	20	Petersburg.....	6:00 (A)
	22	Moorefield.....	6:00 (A)
Jan.	11	East Hardy.....	6:30 (H)
	14	Warm Springs.....	1:00 (A)
	17	Moorefield.....	6:30 (H)
	21	Green Bank.....	4:00 (H)
	24	Marlinton.....	5:30 (A)
	26	Romney.....	6:00 (A)
Feb.	1	East Hardy.....	6:00 (A)
	2	Capon Bridge ..	6:30 (H)
	4	Green Bank.....	4:00 (A)
	6	Petersburg.....	6:00 (H)



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Upper Tract 4-H Club Wins Blue-Ribbon Award



Members attending 4-H field day and achievement program were, from left, front row, Clairra Kimble, Alexis Hedrick, Carly Kimble, Easton Boner, Kallie Keyser and Branson Smith; and back row, McKenna Hedrick, Lydia Heavner, Addison Rexrode, Katie Heavner, Jameigh Miller, Katie Keyser, Alana Miller, Hannah Heavner and Tanner Hedrick.

By Katie Keyser
Upper Tract Producers 4-H Club reporter

Several members of the Upper Tract Producers 4-H Club attended the county 4-H field day and achievement program held Oct. 27 at Thorn Spring Park.

The members participated in various field day games, and then they were recognized and awarded for their hard work for various 4-H activities throughout the past year.

The Upper Tract Producers 4-H Club was named as one of the blue-ribbon clubs in the county. This club award is dependent on meeting attendance, project completion, camp attendance, program and event participation, and the completion of 4-H officers’ documentation.

Members had a fun-filled day participating with other county 4-H members and receiving much earned recognition for their hours and time devoted to the 4-H program.

Big Buck Photo Contest Underway

Governor Jim Justice has announced the return of West Virginia’s Big Buck Photo Contest, which gives hunters an opportunity to share photos of their buck harvest for a chance to win prizes.

The contest is open to West Virginia residents and nonresidents and includes two divisions: a youth division for hunters 17 and younger, and an adult division for hunters 18 and older.

Five participants from each division will win prizes. In the youth division, five lucky winners will be drawn with the winners receiving a free lifetime West Virginia hunting and fishing license. In the adult division, the five lucky hunters can select from one of the following prizes: a free lifetime WV hunting license, a two-night stay at Cabwaylingo State Forest cabin or a two-night stay in a Seneca State Forest cabin.

To enter the contest, hunters must submit a photo with a buck they harvest during a 2022 hunting season along with a short account of their hunt. Submissions may be uploaded using the Big Buck Photo Contest entry form at WVdnr.gov/photocontest. Those entering must have a valid 2022 West Virginia hunting license and will need to enter the 13-digit DNR-issued game check number for their bucks.

The second segment of West Virginia’s antlerless deer firearms season runs through Dec. 4 on private land and select public lands. Archery and crossbow hunting for antlered and antlerless deer is also legal during the buck firearms season and subject to all archery and crossbow deer hunting regulations.

“Not only do West Virginia’s deer seasons provide quality outdoor recreation, they are incredible for our state’s economy and a major boost to our tourism industry,” Brett McMillion, West Virginia Division of Natural Resources director, said. “Our deer seasons attract thousands of out-of-state hunters and bring in millions of dollars in license and stamp sales and overnight bookings at our state park and forest facilities. I want to thank Gov. Justice for promoting our hunting seasons and outdoor recreation and making them such a big part of his administration.”

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Alpha Kappa Holds Successful World Fellowship Auction

By Betty Inskeep

The November meeting found the Alpha Kappa Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma at the Moorefield Middle School with Pendleton County serving as hostesses. The tables held lovely pumpkin centerpieces and each member was given a golden pear with a note “It’s ap“pear”ent; we are blessed.”

Sharon Harr delivered the blessing before members enjoyed a delicious breakfast catered by Betty Coffman. Carolyn Harper led the Pledge of Allegiance after Vickie Skavenski, president, called the meeting to order. Sue Harper and Harr

presented the meditations entitled “Don’t Let Details Distract You from Thankfulness” reminding attendees to be thankful in all circumstances.

New member Shay Dove was introduced.

Susan Garrett gave a beautiful tribute of memories of Jo Ann Wilking who died on Sept. 11. Wilking had a love for children, pets, education and helping others. She was a member of Eastern Star, Moorefield Young Women’s Club, and Delta Kappa Gamma. It was fitting that this remembrance was given on the day of the World Fellowship Auction as she always enjoyed the auctions.

New yearbook inserts were handed out for the 2022-24 biennium. Thank you cards were read by Angie Propst, corresponding secretary, from Racheal O’Neill on behalf of Little Dresses for Africa for the organization’s contribution and from the daughters of Ruth Ann Columbia for the love Alpha Kappa shared with their mother.

Dinah Courier was presented the Local Leading Lady award for her volunteer work.

The World Fellowship Auction netted \$842. This money is used to provide grants for advanced study to qualified applicants throughout the world. Pamela Boggs

was awarded the R.O.S.E. award for doing a fantastic job with the auction and her photography.



Pamela Boggs

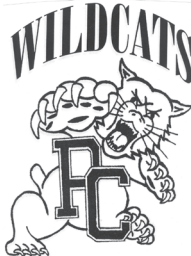
Kessel Named to Grant County Bank Board of Directors

Effective Oct. 13, Laura E. Kessel, CPA, was appointed to the Grant County Bank board of directors.

Kessel is the owner of Kessel CPA and Associates, LLC, located between Petersburg and Moorefield, which opened in 2017. She is a 2005 graduate of Moorefield High School and a 2008 graduate of West Virginia University with a major in business administration with an emphasis in accounting. In 2009, she obtained her masters degree in accountancy from West Virginia University.

She purchased the former Baker Rocks Accounting practice in 2017, having worked for the prior owner for seven years.

She is actively involved in the Hardy County Chamber of Commerce and the Tri-County Fair and enjoys working on the family farm in her spare time. She resides in Fisher with her



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by Charles Teter
Circleville

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the County Commission of Pendleton County, West Virginia, in Book 121, at Page 518. At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have a mailing address of 107 Walnut St., Franklin, WV 26807, and, upon information and belief, may now be known as 143 Walnut St., Franklin, WV 26807. Pill & Pill, PLLC was appointed as Substitute Trustee by an APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE dated September 6, 2022, of record in the Clerk's Office in Book 173, at Page 707. The Borrower defaulted under the Note and Deed of Trust and the Substitute Trustee has been instructed to foreclose under the Deed of Trust. Accordingly, the Substitute Trustee will sell the following described property to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of Pendleton County, in Franklin, West Virginia, on the following date:

December 12, 2022, at 12:00 p.m.

The following described tract or parcel of real estate, together with improvements thereon and all rights, privileges, appurtenances, easements and right-of-ways thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, lying and being situate on the south side of Walnut Street within the corporate limits of the Town of Franklin, Pendleton County, West Virginia, and bounded as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the South side of Walnut Street or the Dirty Run Road on the North edge of the side walk, corner of Stanley Walton Propst and Mary Jane Propst property, thence N. 72 W. 60 feet running with the North edge of the sidewalk at the edge of the road to a post, Shrader's corner; thence S. 18 W. 2.5 poles to the middle of Dirty Run thence following the middle of Dirty Run in a south easterly direction for a distance of 2.64 poles to the corner of William Harvey Pitsenbarger, Jr.; thence S. 78 E. 10 feet down the run to corner of Stanley Walton Propst and Mary Jane Propst property in the middle of the run; thence with said Propst line N. 21 W. 40 feet to the beginning, containing 9 square rods, more or less, and being the same real estate conveyed unto Dorothy M. Sites by deed bearing date on the 6th day of August, 1969, from John Harman and Pauline R. Harman, which deed is of record in the Clerk's Office of the County Commission of Pendleton County, West Virginia, in Deed Book No. 88, page 26, to which deed reference is herewith made for all

The date of the first publication of this Notice is December 1, 2022. Deadline for claims is January 30, 2023.

Mary Martin Estate - Anita Anderson, Executrix; Jack Vogel Estate - Bradford Hurl Mitchell and Jeffrey S. Bowers, Co-Executors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on November 23, 2022.

Elise M. White, Clerk of the Pendleton County Commission 12-1-2c

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Tips Given To Save on Heating Costs this Winter

Comfort takes center stage each winter. As people look to stay warm, many may be quick to turn up the thermostat so their entire home is toasty warm. Turning up the thermostat each time the winter winds begin blowing can prove costly for homeowners.

Finding ways to save on heating costs will no doubt prove a priority for many homeowners this winter, and the following are some ways to do just that.

- Add insulation. Extra insulation throughout the house can dramatically reduce home heating costs. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, adding insulation in attics, crawl spaces and basement rim joists can help homeowners save as much as 15% on heating costs.
- Lower the temperature on the water heater. Another way to trim energy bills is to lower the temperature on a water heater. For every 10° reduction in temperature on water heaters, homeowners can save between 3 and 5% on their water heating costs.

- Close the flue on a fireplace. Fireplaces can keep a home's inhabitants warm in winter, but only when they're in use. When they're not being used, fireplaces can allow heat to escape a home. When the fireplace is not being used, close the flue to prevent heat from escaping the house. Keeping all windows and doors closed throughout the day is another way to prevent unnecessary heat loss.
- Have the HVAC system serviced before winter begins. Inefficient HVAC systems cost homeowners considerable amounts of money each year. Annual maintenance performed by a certified HVAC professional can ensure filters are clean and operating at peak efficiency, saving homeowners the costly trouble of having to turn up the thermostat to overcome dirty systems.

Various simple strategies can help homeowners stay warm without overpaying to heat their homes this winter.

pertinent purposes.	written or oral proclamation, which continuance shall be in the sole discretion of the Trustee.	that a foreign will or affidavit has been filed before Pendleton County Commission at 100 S. Main Street, Franklin, WV 26807.
Being the same property conveyed to Ida Stumbo by the Deed dated October 21, 2002 and recorded in Deed Book 161, at Page 297, in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Pendleton County, West Virginia.	5) The Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the property to vacate said property, and any personal property and/or belongings remaining at the property after the foreclosure sale will be deemed to constitute ABANDONED PROPERTY AND WILL BE DISPOSED OF ACCORDINGLY.	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.
TERMS OF SALE:	1) The property will be conveyed in an "AS IS" physical condition by Deed containing no warranty, express or implied, subject to the Internal Revenue Service right of redemption, all property taxes, prior Deeds, liens, reservations, encumbrances, restrictions, rights-of-ways, easements, covenants, conveyances and conditions of record in the Clerk's office or affecting the subject property.	Any interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration 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.
2) The Purchaser shall be responsible for the payment of the transfer taxes imposed by the West Virginia Code § 11-22-1.	6) The total purchase price is payable to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of the date of sale, with ten (10%) of the total purchase price payable to the Trustee at sale.	First Publication Date: Thursday, November 24, 2022
3) The Beneficiary and/or the Servicer of the Deed of Trust and Note reserve the right to submit a bid for the property at sale.	Pill & Pill, PLLC, Substitute Trustee	Claim Deadline Date: Monday, January 23, 2023
4) The Trustee reserves the right to continue sale of the subject property from time to time by	BY: Richard A. Pill, Member	Decedent: Richard Douglas Hevener, Rockingham County, VA Filed by: Emily D. Harper, Daughter, Rockingham, VA
	Pill & Pill, PLLC 85 Aikens Center Edwin Miller Boulevard P.O. Box 440 Martinsburg, WV 25402 (304) 263-4971 foreclosures@pillwvllaw.com 11-17-4c	Subscribed and sworn to before me on November 17, 2022.
	NOTICE OF ANCILLARY FILING WITHOUT ANY ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE Notice is hereby given	Elise M. White, Clerk of the Pendleton County Commission 11-24-2c

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Delegate Bryan Ward

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as road construction require more money as prices rise on fuel and other basic goods. With the potential breadth and depth of a possible stagflation cycle still unpredictable, Ward advises taking a cautious approach, saying the state must “be mindful that the surpluses we’ve enjoyed over the past several years are not guaranteed.”

Federal government overreach, according to Ward, represents a major and growing problem for the district and the state as a whole. When constituents come to him with problems caused by federal policies, “as a state legislator, I feel helpless. It’s hard to address many, if not most of those problems. Most of the problems people talk about are conditions spurred by bad policy decisions at the federal level.”

Over the past decade, many have criticized the federal government for unwanted regulatory and policy intrusions in everything from agriculture to community banking. Ward fears that the impact of such policies could continue to hurt state efforts to grow while also curtailing individual freedoms.

“I have a 17-year-old daughter,” Ward said. He went on to add that he worries that “I won’t be leaving my daughter with the same opportunities we had as kids. The debt we have saddled our kids with is unconscionable.” Ward refers to the federal debt incurred by the federal government over generations. West Virginia’s state constitution requires a balanced budget every year and has outperformed far wealthier states in meeting financial obligations, such as pensions.

Soon, Ward and his fellow

legislators will travel to Charleston to set legislative priorities. He says that “in December meetings, we break into different groups, bring out a whiteboard, and share ideas and work on prioritizing bills.” Ward added they will also convene to vote on whether to retain Roger Hanshaw as Speaker of the House.

The effect of partisanship and division on politics and policy weighs heavily on Ward. He said that he now sees “a lot less partisan argument” as the legislative chambers both expand their GOP majorities. Ward added, “but I have the luxury of listening to Democrats in my caucus and their ideas . . . so many things aren’t left

and right, but need conversation and debate.”

Divisiveness also concerns

Ward. He opposes the no-

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2016 FORD F-250 CREW CAB S/BED 4X4, XLT premium pkg., 6.7 dsl., auto., ldd., white & gray, only 92K miles, ex. cond.....	SPECIAL \$49,500 \$44,900
2015 FORD F-250 SUPERCAB SHORTBED 4X2, 6.2 liter gas V-8, auto., ldd., white, 175K miles, ex. cond.....	\$19,900
2011 FORD F-550 4X4 UTILITY TRUCK, V-10, auto., air, etc., only 89,000 miles, white, ex. cond.....	SPECIAL \$29,500 \$27,500
1995 FORD F-150 SUPERCAB SHORTBED 4X2, XLT pkg., 351 V-8, auto., ldd., white, mint condition.....	SPECIAL \$16,900 \$14,900
PASSENGER VEHICLES	SALE
2022 JEEP WRANGLER UNLIMITED 4-DR HARDTOP 4X4, sport pkg., V-6, 6-spd., ldd., both tops, etc., only 200 miles, brand new cond.....	SPECIAL \$49,500 \$47,500
2020 FORD ECOSPORT AWD, 4-cyl., auto., ldd., silver, only 15K miles.....	SPECIAL \$27,900 \$25,900
2019 HONDA FIT 4-DR HATCHBACK, 4-cyl., auto., ldd., red, great MPG and only 43K miles.....	SPECIAL \$17,900 \$15,900
2019 NISSAN PATHFINDER AWD, 3.5 liter V-6, auto., ldd., blue, 114K miles, like new cond.....	\$21,900
2018 FORD ESCAPE TITANIUM AWD, 2.0 4-cyl., auto., ldd., blue 102K miles, very sharp.....	\$19,900
2015 FORD EDGE AWD “SPORT PKG.” 2.7 Liter Ecoboost V-6, auto., ldd., silver, 109K miles, sharp ride.....	\$18,900
2014 FORD EXPLORER XLT AWD, 3.5 V-6, auto., ldd., white, 209K miles.....	FOR ONLY \$8,995
2014 FORD EXPLORER AWD “POLICE INTERCEPTOR,” 3.7 liter, V-6, auto., ldd., white, 170K miles.....	SPECIAL \$14,900 \$10,900
2014 FORD EDGE SEL AWD, V-6, auto., ldd., 92K miles, silver, ex. cond.....	\$17,900
2012 FORD E-350 PASSENGER VAN, XLT pkg., 5.4 V-8, auto., ldd., 106K miles, silver, ex. cond.....	\$16,900
2012 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LAREDO PKG., V-6, auto., ldd., burgundy, 212K miles, one-owner trade in.....	\$6,995
2008 MERCEDES ML 550 AWD SUV, V-8, auto., ldd., 124K miles, white, ex. cond.....	\$10,900
2005 FORD E-350 CARGO VAN, 6.0 diesel, auto., air, etc., white, only 134K miles.....	\$8,995



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SGR259A 230.83 Acres, more or less, Spring, Septic, Electric available, Subject to 4-year farm lease. Sugar Grove District. **NEW LISTING \$869,000.00.**

SGR257A 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath 14x70, 2007, Mobile Home and Cabin (Camp) on 0.77 acres, more or less, Sugar Grove District located near Brushy Fork Lake. Well & Septic. Cabin needs work. **NEW LISTING \$80,000.00.**

SGR252A 81.01 Acres, more or less, Lot 7, Seneca Lookout, adjoins National Forest. Spring on property. North Fork hiking trail crosses. Union District. Covenants & Restrictions. **NEW LISTING \$519,000.00.**

SGR250 2.757 Wooded Acres, more or less, Lot 13, Highland Estates, Grant County. Perc approved. Some Restrictions. **NEW LISTING \$59,500.00.**

SGR249 1.417 Acres, more or less, Lot 10, Highland Estates, Grant County. Perc approved. Some Restrictions. **NEW LISTING \$31,500.00.**

SGR248 1.407 Acres, more or less, Lot 9, Highland Estates, Grant County. Perc approved. Some Restrictions. **NEW LISTING \$31,500.00.**

SGR247A 12 Acres, more or less, w/386 sq. ft. 1 Bedroom Cabin, Loft, Cistern & Septic. Located Buffalo Hills Vista, Franklin District. **NEW LISTING \$199,000.00.**

SGR246 242.36 Acres, more or less, w/5 Bed, 2-1/2 Bath Contemporary Home as well as a Farmhouse on property. Pond, Magnificent Views. Conservation Easement. **\$998,700.00.**

SGR245 0.96 Acres w/2 Bed, 1.5 Bath 1900's Remodeled Cottage, Seneca Rocks. **NEW LISTING \$249,900.00.**

SGR244 0.14 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath 1,008 sq. ft. Home, Bonus Room, Metal Roof, Mini-Splits. Franklin Corp. **\$149,900.00. REDUCED \$144,900.00.**

SGR243 40.06 Acres, Raw Land located in Riddle, Bldg sites, Excellent Hunting, Nice View. **NEW LISTING \$149,000.00.**

SGR240 1.29 Acres w/3 Bed, 2 Bath, 1680 sq. ft. Ranch Home, Septic, Public Water, Franklin District. **NEW LISTING \$279,000.00.**

SGR238 533.29 Assessed Acres. Mobile home w/ addition and new roof over both. Pastureland, Pond. **\$979,000.00.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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. **\$139,000.00.**

SGR216 0.662 Acres w/1 Bed, 1 Bath, 908 sq. ft. Cabin located in close proximity to Brushy Fork Lake and National Forest. Sugar Grove District. **\$79,900.00.**

SGR200 0.338 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath, Public Water/ Sewer. Franklin Corp. **\$179,900.00.**

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.**

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.**

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.**

SGR128 2-3 Bedroom Ranch w/Full Basement on 0.6386 Acres, more or less, Moyers Gap Rd, Sugar Grove District. **NEW LISTING \$169,000.00.**

SGR042 Five Unit Townhouse property located in Brandywine. Each unit has 2 Bdrms, 1.5 Baths, LR and Large Kitchen. Near National Forest for hunting and fishing. Perfect for retirement income, live in one and rent the others! **\$399,000.00.**

SGR634 2.77 Acres, Raw Land, Hawes Run, Great Commercial Property, on US 33, Brandywine. **\$75,000.00. REDUCED \$69,500.00.**

SGR441 Residential lots, public water, protective covenants and restrictions. Oak Flat Estates near Brandywine on Rte 33 East of Franklin. Lots from **\$20,760.00.**

SGR247 Residential lots with town water, sewer & underground utilities. Protective covenants and restrictions. Franklin Airport Development. Lots from **\$14,630.00.**

Christmas Coloring CONTEST



CONTEST RULES/DEADLINES

•Contest is divided into two grade categories:
Preschool and Kindergarten and First, Second and Third Grade

•The top three entries in both age categories will receive a cash prize.

•Contestants must use crayons, colored pencils or markers.

•ALL entries must be submitted with the contest entry form.

•Previous years' winners are encouraged to enter,
but are not eligible to win prizes in consecutive years.

•Entries must be received at “The Pendleton Times” office by
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Entry Form (Must Accompany Colored Picture)

Name _____ Grade _____

Address: _____

Parent's Name _____ Phone _____