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Bennett, Dahmer Elected Commissioners, Levy Defeated

Unofficial Election Returns

	No. 2 South Fork Firehouse	No. 3 North Fork Elementary	No. 5 Pendleton Community Bldg.	No. 7 Pendleton Community Bldg.	No. 8 Upper Tract VFD Training Center	No. 9 Upper Tract Fire House	No. 11 Sugar Grove Rescue Squad Bldg.	No. 13 Seneca Rocks Firehouse	No. 14 Clinton Hedrick Community Bldg.	Total
GENERAL ELECTION RETURNS										
U.S. House of Representatives										
Carol Miller.....	204	171	362	201	149	117	163	117	135	1619
Mr. Lacy Watson	59	29	162	63	33	28	52	12	22	460
Belinda Fox-Spencer	10	6	27	12	7	4	9	6	5	86
State Senator										
Bill Hamilton	231	187	450	242	162	136	186	123	153	1,870
House of Delegates (67th District)										
Elias Coop-Gonzalez.....	0	182	369	0	153	0	0	121	132	957
Cody H. Thompson	0	40	209	0	49	0	0	20	32	350
House of Delegates (86th District)										
Bryan C. Ward.....	210	0	0	208	0	120	170	0	0	708
Jameson Paul Freeman.....	64	0	0	74	0	33	56	0	0	227
Circuit Clerk										
Shalee Dunkle Wilburn.....	221	148	471	237	129	125	173	92	121	1,717
County Commissioner										
Gene McConnell.....	143	69	253	152	76	77	123	42	44	979
Jimmie Bennett.....	131	150	326	140	121	86	104	95	126	1,279
County Commissioner (Unexpired Term)										
Roger Dahmer.....	153	130	280	165	102	94	122	91	109	1,246
Charlie Burgoyne II.....	89	31	181	81	57	37	67	19	23	585
Tina Eye.....	48	52	151	54	55	35	48	25	32	500
County Clerk										
Elise Miller White	217	136	472	231	125	115	172	75	104	1,647
Board of Education										
Katrina Hott	226	137	474	220	142	122	178	93	123	1,715
Amendment No. 1										
For	98	58	196	112	66	51	96	52	56	785
Against	173	138	363	168	133	95	117	78	108	1,373
Amendment No. 2										
For	84	55	163	97	52	39	74	35	27	626
Against	191	153	426	196	152	113	151	101	141	1,624
Amendment No. 3										
For	107	95	239	118	62	66	90	56	59	892
Against	162	106	318	164	131	83	123	75	105	1,267
Amendment No. 4										
For	126	122	238	135	79	61	121	61	65	1,008
Against	146	83	347	154	122	91	105	69	105	1,222
Board of Education Levy										
For	116	68	256	123	66	83	96	51	49	908
Against	161	149	333	168	140	77	134	87	124	1,373

On Nov 8, Pendleton County voters traveled to their precincts to cast their ballots for local, state, and federal candidates, as well as a local school levy. Of the 4,902 registered voters in the county, 2,424 (49.27%) residents exercised their right to vote.

In the Pendleton County Commission race, Western District, independent candidate Jimmie Bennett took on Gene McConnell, incumbent Republican county commission president. Bennett won the seat.

To fill the reminder of the late Carole Hartman's term in the Central District, three candidates, incumbent

Democrat Charlie Burgoyne, Republican Roger Dahmer, and independent Tina Eye each competed for the seat. Dahmer carried the race.

The Pendleton County Board of Education "School Safety and Security Special Levy" was defeated.

Neither U.S. Senator, Shelley Moore Capito nor Joe Manchin, appeared on the ballot this year. Redistricting moved Pendleton County from the district served by Alex Mooney into a new second district with Carol Miller as the Republican incumbent. Miller ran against a Democrat, Lacy Watson of Bluefield.

Bill Hamilton ran unopposed for the State Senate seat that he holds.

The 67th delegate district race, which grew heated in the final weeks, saw incumbent Democrat Cody Thompson facing off against Elias Coop-Gonzalez of the GOP. Coop-Gonzalez carried the district.

Jameson Paul Freeman, a Hardy County Democrat challenged incumbent Republican Bryan Ward in the 68th Delegate District. Results were not available at press time.

Look for more detailed coverage of the results in next week's edition.

Delinquent Land Tax Sale Period Shrinks under New West Virginia Law

By Stephen Smoot

West Virginians in real estate property tax arrears will face a considerably shortened period in which to keep from forfeiting their property under a new state law discussed in last week's county commission meeting.

Carl Hevener, Pendleton County Commissioner, noted "There will be some mad individuals."

According to the West Virginia State Auditor's Office, most taxpayers will not be affected by the new law, but "the changes kick in when taxes become delinquent."

The most significant change comes in the shortening of the period in which the property owner can pay obligations and prevent a final sale. That period decreases from 18 months to 90 days. As one county commissioner

mused, "people will lose land they didn't know they lost," because of the compressed period of time.

Some property owners could see assistance from the new law. The auditor's office states that "if your home is sold at a tax sale, you can request a re-payment plan from the Auditor's Office, to be paid in three installments before the deed is issued to the new purchaser." Property

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Community Calendar

Veterans Day Ceremony To Be Held

VFW Post 9666 will be hosting a Veterans Day ceremony at 11 a.m. Friday at the Rich Homan VFW Memorial Park in Sugar Grove. Snacks and refreshments will be available.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Grief Programs Scheduled

Has a person experienced the death of a friend or loved one? Will this be the first Christmas without them.

Grant Memorial Hospice is hosting two support programs to address surviving the holidays after a loss.

Programs are scheduled for Nov. 17 at 10:30 a.m. at the Hardy County Committee on Aging in Moorefield and at 6:30 p.m. at Grove Street United Methodist Church in Petersburg.

For more information, call Grant Memorial Hospice at 304-257-2005.

UT Producers To Meet Monday

The Upper Tract Producers 4-H Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Upper Tract Training Center.

Quilters To Gather

The Sew and Sews Quilt Guild will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the basement of the Franklin United Methodist Church.

Student Well-being Discussed at PCS BOE Meeting

By Ammie Ruddle

Pendleton County Middle/High School was the talk of the latest Pendleton County Board of Education meeting.

Attending the meeting were the PCMHS principal and assistant principal, Tim Johnson and Carrie Nesselrodt, respectively.

Nesselrodt represented the Local School Improvement Council, LCIS, and gave board members a presentation illustrating what the LCIS has been doing with the PCMHS students and staff, in addition to speaking about what goals the LCIS has planned for the 2022/2023 school year.

The presentation began with discussion of goals surrounding attendance. LCIS will be working closely with students and families on chronic attendance issues. One way the staff plans to improve absences is to create more student engagements. This includes listening to what the students want or need to improve absenteeism.

This involves rebuilding programs such as band and theater "allowing students to have a place they feel they belong," according to LCIS member Liz Warner.

Following attendance, the middle school staff will be working on improving the grades for English/language arts and math for students who have an Individual Education Program or IEP.

Both LCIS and board members agreed that the COVID-19 pandemic wreaked havoc on students' grades, not only in the county, but

in the state as well. Many students have fallen below average in English and math. However, PCS did rank 10th in the state for eighth-grade math.

Nesselrodt explained to the school board members that by improving attendance, grades will follow. She went on to tell them, part of addressing school attendance is finding a way to meet the students' basic needs.

One of the ways PCMHS and LCIS are working to meet students' needs is providing a weekend food backpack program. If students are hungry, they may not have the ability to concentrate in class or they may display some behavioral problems. Another way PCMHS and LCIS is meeting student needs is to provide school supplies and hygiene products for students with racks in the hallways, in addition to a clothing closet where clothes and shoes are made available for students who may find themselves in need of these products. Finally, most recently, PCMHS and LCIS provided homecoming apparel to those students who needed it for the homecoming dance.

As Nesselrodt completed her presentation and the board went about normal business, Nicole Hevener, associate superintendent of schools, announced there were no resignations or retirements to announce and two new hires were Charlie Hevener as the new janitor and Lori Johnson as a substitute teacher.

J.P. Mowery, director of finance and BOE treasurer,

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Resident Veterans Honored At Pendleton Manor

By Natasha Wilson



Junior Murphy receives a certificate of appreciation and a lapel pin from Grant Memorial Hospice and the Pendleton Manor.

On Monday, representatives from Grant Memorial Hospice honored resident veterans at Pendleton Manor in Franklin.

Pastor Mike Funkhauser opened the event with a heartfelt prayer of gratitude and blessing for the veterans who were in attendance, followed by everyone singing "America," led by Ann Funkhauser.

Residents were then shown videos of the World War II and Vietnam Memorials located at the National Mall in Washington, DC.

Veterans in attendance were representatives from WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. Each received a certificate of appreciation, and a Veteran pin was placed on their lapels.

According to the most re-

cent census data available, West Virginia has one of the highest veteran populations, per capita, in the country with 10% of the total populace having served in the armed forces. An estimate of 8.8% of Pendleton County's current residents served in active duty between 1942 and 2022.

The community is doing their part to try to make sure that the veterans of our county are shown respect for the sacrifices they have made for their state and their country.

The veterans honored at Monday's event included Junior Murphy who served in both the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force; Ron Norddon, U.S. Army; Everett Puffenbarger, U.S. Air Force; Conley Raines, U.S. Army; Michael Yost, U.S. Army; and Gus Bensenhaver, U.S. Army.

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Olen Eugene Kline

Olen Eugene Kline, 88, passed away Oct. 30, 2022, at his home in Grand Rivers, Kentucky. He was born Aug. 24, 1934, in Crabbottom, Virginia, a son of the late Hobert Olen and Neva Virginia Nelson. Mr. Kline enjoyed being a

father, his family, farming, and the outdoors. He was a retired United States Army veteran and served in the Korean and Vietnam wars. He drove a Lewis County school bus for 17 years, and was a member of Friendship Baptist Church. For more than 30 years he owned a farm on Jesse's Run. His wife of 66 years, Charlotte P. Kline, survives. Also surviving are daughters, Charlanna Jane Laws (Jack) of Grand Rivers, Kentucky, and Dr. Neva Spencer Coakley (John) of Wichita, Kansas; a son, Olen Kline of Fairfax, Virginia; sisters, Barbara Nelson Ahl, Diane Nelson Collins, Linda Kline Arbogast, Rita Kline Sculthroe and Cindy Kline Barkley; brothers, Mike Kline and Jeff Kline; eight grandchildren,

Olen Ronald Kline, David Eugene Kline, Randall Bennett Kline, Jason Curtis Shock, Jared Christopher Shock, Alexandra Lindsey, India Spencer and Hayley Spencer; and 11 great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by a son, Ellis Eugene Kline; grandparents that raised him, Ellis and Peachie Bennett; and a brother, Robert Shannon Kline. Funeral services were held Saturday at Friendship Baptist Church in Smithland, Kentucky, with Dr. Ken Riggs and Rev. Rex Jones officiating. Condolences may be left online at boydfuneraldirectors.com. Services were under the direction of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem, Kentucky.



Cora Maxine Grandison

Cora Maxine Grandison, 88, of Strasbug, Virginia, passed away Oct. 31, 2022, at her home. She was born on Sept. 19, 1934, in Moyers, the daughter of the late Albert and

Emma Clearice (Beverly) Moats. Mrs. Grandison attended Garnet High School in Charleston and was a member of the Strasburg AME Church and the Moatstown Choir. She had worked for O'Sullivans in Winchester, Virginia, and had worked as a caretaker for home health. Her husband, Melvin Eugene Grandison, preceded her in death on July 1, 1998. She leaves behind to cherish her memory four daughters, Melinda Eugenia Grandison, Paula Rosita Grandison, Timeka Milton and Tanaia Grandison, all of Strasburg, Virginia; two sisters, Thelma Moats (Roscove) and Elsie Barrow, all of Franklin; a brother, Earl Moats (Gloria) of Franklin;

two grandchildren, Kristerra Anselme and Krystal McKinney; and two great-grandchildren, Tyree McMullan and Chamarra Milton. She was also preceded in death by a son, Alvin Christopher Grandison; a daughter, Drucilla Felicia Grandison; a granddaughter, Christina Grandison; three brothers, Lawrence, Gene, and Harmon Moats, Jr.; and two sisters, Beverly Gardiner and Grace Moats. Funeral services were held Sunday in the chapel of the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin with Pastor Eldo Moats officiating. Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.

Summit Releases Third Quarter Report

Summit Financial Group, Inc. reported financial results for the third quarter of 2022, including continued strong earnings on growth in loans and total revenue. The company, which serves commercial and individual clients across West Virginia, the Washington, DC, metropolitan area, Virginia and Kentucky through Summit Community Bank, Inc., reported net income applicable to common shares of \$14.2 million, or \$1.11 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2022, as compared to \$11.8 million, or \$0.92 per diluted share, for the second quarter of 2022 and \$12.0 million, or \$0.92 per diluted share, for the third quarter of 2021. "Third quarter results included annualized double-digit loan growth and our fourth consecutive quarter of record net interest income growth and margin expansion," said H. Charles Maddy, III, president and chief executive officer. "Our asset quality metrics remain very solid and continue to demonstrate the quality of the underwriting practices of our bankers while we cultivate the relationships from our robust commercial lending pipelines. I am particularly gratified by the continued increases in our tangible book value per common share, despite a challenging interest rate environment. The strength of our balance sheet, operating results and profitability positions us to continue our growth trajectory through fourth quarter 2022 and into 2023."

Highlights for the third quarter were as follows:

- Total loans of \$2.9 billion, excluding mortgage warehouse lines of credit and Paycheck Protection Program lending, increased 2.7%, or 10.9% annualized, during the quarter and 21.5% since Sept. 30, 2021.
- Net interest income increased 10.2% compared to the linked quarter principally due to higher market rates, and increased 21.7% from the year-ago period, primarily due to loan growth.
- Net interest margin increased 18 basis points to 3.84% from the linked quarter and 37 basis points from the year-ago quarter, as increased yields on interest earning assets were partially offset by increased cost of deposits and other funding.
- Total noninterest expense increased to \$19.2 million in the quarter, up 9.2% from the linked quarter primarily due to deferred director compensation expense of \$830,000 in quarter three compared to \$726,000 deferred director compensation income in the linked quarter and up 10.8% from the year-ago quarter, as salary and benefits increases and deferred director compensation increases were largely offset by disciplined management of other operating costs.
- Annualized non-interest expense increased to 2.01% of average assets compared to 1.91% of average assets for the linked quarter, and remained unchanged from the year-ago

period.

- Achieved an efficiency ratio of 47.95% compared to 47.45% in second quarter this year and 49.52% in the year-ago quarter.
- Incurred \$1.50 million provision for credit losses in the quarter increasing period-end allowance for loan credit losses to \$36.8 million, or 1.19% of total loans and 399.5% of nonperforming loans.
- Foreclosed property held for sale declined by 2.4% during the quarter and 58.3% from the year-ago quarter to \$5.19 million or 0.13% of assets at period end.
- Nonperforming assets improved to 0.37% of total assets at period end, excluding restructured assets, down six basis points during the quarter and 30 basis points from Sept. 30, 2021.
- Tangible book value per common share increased \$0.62 to \$20.69 during the quarter, despite unrealized net losses on debt securities available for sale of \$0.95 per common share (net of deferred income taxes) recorded in Other Comprehensive Income, partially offset by increases in the fair values of derivative financial instruments hedging against higher interest rates totaling \$0.62 per common share (net of deferred income taxes) also recorded in OCI. Year-to-date for 2022, Summit's TBVPCS has increased 5.89%, while for the vast majority of our peers TBVPCS has declined, and in some cases significantly so, during the same period.

State Parks Discounts Available To Veterans, Military Personnel

As a show of appreciation to veterans and active duty military personnel, Gov. Jim Justice has announced that several discounts for all United States veterans are available. Veterans who stay at a West Virginia state park lodge throughout the month of November are eligible for a 50% discount on lodge room stays. "I truly believe that we owe every single thing we have in this life to these brave men and women, and we should always do everything in our power to show our appreciation," Gov. Justice said. "Providing discounts for trips to our beautiful state parks is just a drop in the bucket, but I believe it's a meaningful way for us to show our gratitude as we approach Veterans Day this year." To receive the 50% off lodging deal, guests can make an online reservation at WVstateparks.com and use offer code "VETS50" at checkout. When making reservations by calling a park or the West Virginia State Park Customer Call Center at 1-833-WVPARKS, the "Veterans Appreciation" rate should be requested. Presentation of military or veteran status will be requested upon check-in. The 50% off lodging deal began Nov. 1 and continues

through Nov. 30. During this period, the deal can be utilized on lodge rooms booked as far in advance as March 31, 2023. West Virginia State Parks is also expanding discounts to show appreciation to veterans and active duty military personnel year round. Exclusive, year-round discounts available to veterans and active duty military personnel include the following:

- 10% off entire lodge and cabin stays;
- 15% off greens fees at West Virginia State Parks golf courses with offer code; and
- 15% off dining at lodge park restaurants.

Details about these discounts, exclusions and how to redeem them can be found online at WVstateparks.com/deals. "WV State Parks loves supporting veterans and those men and women currently serving. It's truly a privilege to be able to offer these deals to these individuals who have served and continue to serve our country," Brad Reed, West Virginia State Parks chief, said. "When someone has sacrificed so much, it brings our team joy to know we can repay them with these discounts."

BOE Meeting

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went over the 2021 audit review in detail, following the previous BOE meeting announcement that the audit review did not find any marks against PCS for the 2021 fiscal year. Travis Heavner, director of curriculum and facilities, told the board members about the progress being made at the Lovegrove building, as well as mulch has been placed on all the playgrounds at the elementary schools. The next PCBOE meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Dec. 6 at the annex building.

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Heartfelt Thanks

We would like to thank our friends and church friends in the community for your prayers, phone calls and well wishes during our illnesses. A special thanks to Tammy Smith, Mary Bowers, Shirley Propst and our wonderful kind cousins, Dianne McConnell and David Driver, for literally going the extra mile for us.

May God Bless You All!

Patty Harper and Michelle Simmons

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North Fork Elementary School

Thanks A Bunch

Thank you to all the local businesses who participated in Trick-or-Treat for Franklin Elementary School Pre-K and Kindergarten students.

Your support is greatly appreciated.



It Is The Veteran...

It is the VETERAN, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.
It is the VETERAN, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.
It is the VETERAN, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.
It is the VETERAN, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.
It is the VETERAN, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.



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Early German Settlers Lived the Simple Life

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

When the Germans settled in this community, it was obvious that the women were remarkably neat housekeepers. They were remarkable for their fine milk, butter, and bread. They consumed in their diet less animal flesh and more vegetables, milk and butter than most other people. Their sauerkraut constituted a considerable part of their living in the winter.

This sauerkraut was made from the best cabbage. A box about three feet in length and about seven inches wide with a sharp blade fixed across the bottom was used for cutting the cabbage. The head, separated from the stalk and stripped of the outer leaves, was placed in the box and ran back and forth. This cut up cabbage was placed in a barrel, crock or tub, a little salt sprinkled on it from time to time and then pressed down closely. When the barrel was filled with cabbage, it was covered with grape leaves, followed with a plate on which a rock was placed. A cloth covered the tub, barrel or crock which was then put in a cellar.

It acquires a sourish taste after three or four weeks. It was used on board ships to be the best preventative known for the scurvy. The use of this wholesome food has become pretty general among all classes of people.

Their homes held the simplest and plainest kind of furniture, with a long pine table fixed in one corner of the kitchen, with perma-

nent benches on each side. Their beds were usually filled with straw or chaff, with a fine feather bed covering for winter use. Many children were added to the family. They were also involved with the work on the farm as they grew older.

The women were hard workers. Besides baking the breads, there were other laborious chores added to the mix: making butter, milking the cows, keeping house, washing and ironing clothes, spring cleaning, sewing clothes, making quilts and canning the vegetables to name a few.

Oftentimes, the women would join their husbands and sons in the labor of their fields. Many of them used the hoe or the plow. The farms were generally small and nicely cultivated. They demanded greatest care and attention. The natural result of this kind of rural life was to produce a vigorous and hardy race.

Life's little instructions include the following:

1. Put a surprise note in a neighbor's mailbox wishing them uplifting thoughts.
2. Thank the Fed EX/UPS and mail deliverer.
3. Clean out closets and donate one's clothes.
4. Pick up the phone and let someone know a person is thinking of them.
5. Smile.

The weather has taken on a change. This balmy weather will be hard to say "goodbye" to in a short time. Pastures are such that farmers have begun to feed hay to their cattle. Rain is very much needed in this community. Sunday morning showers were readily received.

This week's quotes to en-

joy are as follows:

"Of all the seasons, autumn offers the most to man and requires the least of him." — Hal Borland

"Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back." — Will Rogers

"A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself." — Joseph Campbell

"As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live." — Pope John Paul II

Sitting out on the porch or patio is a great place to hear the "Talk of the Grove."

The West Virginia Department of Highway workers have done a magnificent job at cutting the brush and "thickness" along both sides of the highway. Not only does it look better; it enhances visibility immensely.

Visiting with Rosalee Grogg were Judy Rader and Marleta Wimer.

The local Boy Scouts are collecting for CAN this coming Saturday. Please make every effort to support this cause.

Clickety-clacks for the chin waggars are as follows:

- Opossums don't get rabies and they eat ticks.
- In ancient times, strangers shook hands to show that they were unharmed.
- Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.
- The earth gets 100 tons heavier every day due to falling space dust.
- Soldiers do not march in step when going across bridges because they could set up a vibration which could be sufficient to knock down the bridge.

Remaining Novem-



Relatives of the late James and Frances (Dove) Pitsenbarger were, from left, front row, their three daughters (names unknown); middle row, Amanda Fultz, James Marshall Pitsenbarger and Francis Dove Pitsenbarger; and back row, Ida Rader Mitchell, Waldo Fultz, Columbia Rader, Osborne Bowers and Edna Fultz Mitchell.

ber birthdays are as follows: Paula Mitchell and Brady McClanahan, 16th; Woodrow Hartman, 17th; Kasara Kiser, Chip Harper and "Pidge" Anderson, 18th; Deloris Adkins and K.D. Puffenbarger, 19th; Gary Simmons, 20th; Gerald Rexrode, Roger Hoover and Bradley May, 21st; Rick Adkins and Harry Lee Scott, Jr., 23rd; Brandon Reel, Mary Catherine Cassell and Joni Nelson, 25th; Lee Roberson, 26th; Austin Simmons and Gracie Mitchell, 28th; George Hamel and Greg Smith, 29th; and Danny Crider, 30th.

Concerns for this week are many, and they are as follows: Mercedes Aumann, Charles Anderson, Bill Arrington, Vernon "Fuzzy" Baldwin, Lynn Beatty, Jack Bennett, Jimmie Bennett,

Bill Brackman, Charles Burgoyne, Jeff Evick, Ina Evick, Dan and Margaret Ferrell, Ron Gilkeson, Lola Graham, the Shirley Hammer family, Marlene Harman, Steve and Armanda Heavner, Everett Hedrick, 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, Lisa Dawn Jamison, Alice Johnson, Kim Kline, Richard Judy, Melissa Lambert, Tammy Lambert, Robin and Kitty Lambert, Robert Lambert, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, Betty Mal-low, Roger and Skip Mal-low, Neil McLaughlin, Naomi Michael, Gloria Moats, Joe Moats, Lincoln Moore, Ernie Morgan, Shelby Mor-

risson, Aaron Nelson, Ken and Ruth Nelson, Bennie Nesselrodt, Cheryl Paine, Sutton Parrack, Shirley Pratt, Alda Propst, Betty Lou Propst, Betty Shay Propst, Kathy Propst, Sheldon Propst, Mary Puffenbarger, Verla Puffenbarger, Pam Rexrode, Donna Ruddle, Annie Simmons, Barbara Simmons, Davey Simmons, Erin Simmons, Eva Simmons, Robbie Sites, Ona Smith, Stanna Smith, Patricia Swecker, Rosa Tichenor, Sandra Vandevander, the Jack Vogel family, Ron White, Judy Williams, Larry Wimer and Junior Wimer.

Wild Game Provides Meat for Families, Charities

With fall hunting seasons in full swing, West Virginia Division of Natural Resources officials are encouraging hunters to consider what to do with the meat they harvest.

"Hunting is a great reason to get into the woods, enjoy our beautiful state and put healthy protein in the freezer," said Kaylee Pollander, wildlife biologist for the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources. "With the variety

of game available in West Virginia, there is something for everyone."

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Vikings Fall to Wildcats In Sectional Play



Kate Hedrick and Lizzie Alt elevate to challenge a play at the net.

By Stephen Smoot

Last Tuesday, Pendleton County took a giant step forward in pursuit of their state tournament dreams. That step was placed on the back of the Petersburg Vikings.

Petersburg defeated Pendleton County three games to two early in the season. When they met again in Franklin toward the end of the season, the Wildcats claimed the victory and showed clear improvement over the course of the season.

The first game saw an early tie at two with Baylee Beachler tapping the ball at the net effectively. Pendleton County then worked to steadily build a strong lead. Beachler’s serves extended the lead to 7-2, backed by spikes from Arianna Young and Kate Hedrick.

The Vikings continued to hang in for a time, keeping their deficit around five until the score was 12-7. Then Allie Cooper took over service and the Wildcats scored three straight with a spike by Beachler and a block by Lizzie Alt. Alt herself served superbly, fueling a four to nothing run including an ace. Gabrielle DePue also took an Alt set to deliver a spike. She came up big again with a spike and a block at the net to help her team close the first game 25-11.

Game two started almost as the first ended, with a powerful spike by DePue. The Petersburg game saw DePue deliver one of her most powerful games of the season. Petersburg, however, tightened their own play. They play a patient style, simply volleying and waiting for their opponent to make mistakes as opposed to attacking the net and running set plays.

They took a 6-5 advantage early in the second game, but a Hedrick spike tied the game. Young, then Cooper labored to build a lead through their serves, helping to extend the Wildcat lead to 12-7. Avery Townsend chipped in a spike and Cooper an ace during the run.

Shortly thereafter, Alt began her serve with her team enjoying a 14-10 advantage. She scored on an ace before the team turned the serve back over. DePue aimed a spike at the back corner to regain control, then Townsend served six straight in the middle of an 11-4 run that closed out the game. Four of the last five points came from plays by Young at the net.

In the third game, Petersburg took control early. In what could be called a “murphy’s law” game, anything bad that could happen did. Misplays played a role, but so did odd bounces and bad luck. Petersburg built a 16-8 lead before the

Wildcats started nibbling away. The Vikings finished strong and won the game 25-13.

Petersburg regained momentum going into the fourth and final game, matching emotion and grit against the Wildcats’ skill. Additionally, the Wildcats lost Alt to injury for the rest of the game. For her team, very often Alt is, as was once said about baseball great Reggie Jackson, “the straw that stirs the drink.” The team relies on her experience and athleticism for precise sets.

Pendleton County fell behind early 3-2, but then went on a six to three run to build the lead to 10-6. Petersburg sailed back and closed to within 12-8, but a Carolyn Varner set of a Young spike returned control to the Wildcats.

The Wildcats, driven by Cooper’s serving and two more DePue spikes, seemed to grab control at 23-18. Petersburg then executed a 7-1 run to take the lead at 25-24. With any team needing a two-point advantage to win, both teams scrambled to take the victory. Fortunately, Pendleton County scored three straight to end the game and the match, qualifying the Wildcats for the regional tournament at Doddridge County in the process.

PCHS Volleyball Drops Sectional Championship To Moorefield

By Stephen Smoot

Last week in sectional action, the Moorefield Yellow Jackets won the sectional championship at Franklin, defeating Pendleton County three games to one. Both teams had already earned a spot in the regional tournament held Saturday at Doddridge County.

Moorefield had lost to the Wildcats earlier last month, but brought significant experience and athleticism to the contest. In the first game, they exploded out to a seven to one lead playing suffocating defense and precise offense.

The Wildcats struggled to get started until the middle of the game. After falling behind 16-6, Pendleton County worked to grind out points with big plays by Arianna Young and Jenna Smith’s effective serving, but could not overcome Moorefield’s momentum. They fell in the first game 25-12.

Undeterred, Pendleton County opened up their own large lead over the Yellow Jackets in game two. Avery Townsend and Smith, coupled with strong net play by Young and Gabrielle DePue, helped their team gain an 8-3 lead. Later, as Allie Cooper served, Baylee Beachler, Townsend, and Young all aggressively spiked on Moore-

field.

The Yellow Jackets worked to try and get back into the game, but big plays at the net by Young and DePue held them at a consistent eight- and nine-point deficit. In the final minutes, Moorefield matched Pendleton County 7-7, but ended up falling in the game 25-16. Young ended the game with three straight serves, including an ace to end play.

Each game, but especially the second, showed Young doing as much as a player can in volleyball to pick up the team and carry it on her back. She consistently backed up her teammates, served aces, and delivered spikes. Lizzie Alt fed her a steady diet of precise sets to spike on the Vikings.

Coach Rod Cooper said of his lone senior, “She played hard. She wanted it. It just wasn’t meant to be tonight.”

With the game tied overall, the third set brought out the best in both schools. It began with a Young spike to put Pendleton County on top first, but Moorefield took an early 3-1 lead. Big plays at the line helped the Wildcats to tie it up and stay with Moorefield early. DePue spiked an Alt set to tie the game, then a spike by DePue and block by Kate Hedrick helped to push the Wildcats into the lead.

Young then served six straight times as Pendleton County gained a 12-7 lead, but Moorefield fought back to tie the game at 15, then again at 17 and 18. Smith then fired a knuckleball like serve that tailed away to the floor for an ace to take the lead. The Yellow Jackets then took command with a 7-3 run to end the game at 25-22.

The Wildcats had no quit in them starting game four. Big plays by Beachler, both serving and at the net, pushed the Wildcats to an early 6-3 lead. Moorefield tied it at seven, then spikes by Hedrick and others gave Pendleton County a 10-8 lead.

At that point, Moorefield dug in and outscored the Wildcats 17-8, including an 8-0 run. Both teams traveled to regionals, won, then advanced to the state tournament in Charleston, played yesterday.

Coach Cooper stated that “the only thing we did was playing not to lose instead of playing to win.”

That said, the coaches were proud of their team and the crowd that came out, Coach Day said, “look at this support. They put on a show for this crowd and they responded.”

Wildcats Defeat Cee Bees



Elizabeth “Lizzie” Alt sets up Baylee Beachler during the Wildcat regional win over Clay-Battelle. The Wildcats fell to Moorefield in the regional final, but both teams competed Wednesday at the West Virginia State High School Volleyball Tournament in Charleston. Photo by Robin Alt.

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Third Ranked Dragons Overcome Strong Effort By Wildcats to Remain Undefeated 34-18

By Stephen Smoot

All year long, Pendleton County encountered a feast or famine schedule. Most teams who faced the Wildcats either brought significant weaknesses or powerful strengths to the field. The season started with an unfortunately scheduled game against now undefeated and number one ranked James Monroe. James Monroe squeaked by the Wildcats 6-0 on the strength of having played a game while Pendleton County was saddled by an opening week bye.

It ended last Friday with the Wildcats facing Cameron, one of the few teams in single A that could challenge for the title. A team looking ahead to the playoffs took on a Pendleton County squad pitching in 110 percent for pride.

“We hung in there and battled until the final seconds rolled off the clock,” Coach Zac Smith said.

Pendleton County opened the game against the heavily favored Dragons with a gamble, bouncing an onside kick to the Dragon 39 where they recovered the ball, but turned it immediately over on the first play of scrimmage. Vincell’s fumble recovery was followed by a quarterback keeper for five yards and a Chase Owens run of 11. The drive stalled, however, at the Cameron 18 after three incomplete passes.

Cameron relied on a speedy running back and a shifty quarterback to drive their offense. Both brought big play ability to the Dragon offense, but found themselves frustrated at times by Wildcat persistence on both sides of the ball.

On their second possession, however, Cameron showed why no team has defeated them yet this year. Starting at their 18, they took seven running plays to cross the goal line for the first score of the game. Two of the runs went for 23 and 38 yards. The two-point conversion failed, leaving Cameron ahead 6-0.

Pendleton County continued to attack on their next possession. Vincell started the drive at the Wildcat 33. He took a larger role in the offense, running the ball more on quarterback keepers and broken passing plays. The drive used four minutes on the clock, but advanced just past midfield. Cameron stopped an Owens run inches short on fourth and

2 to get the ball back.

The offensive line battled all day and helped the offense to create big plays running and passing. Coach Smith explained that his team relied on the experience of three starting senior linemen, Blake Harris, Lukas Redman, and Adam Ruddell. “Their experience will be missed,” he said.

After getting the ball back at midfield with two minutes left in the first quarter, the Dragons were stopped cold on the first play by Dillon Smith, but then completed an 11-yard pass. An 11-yard run took them to the Wildcat 28, but Justus Kuykendall blew up a run play for almost no gain. Two plays later, a Cameron touchdown pass was wiped off by a penalty and their drive stalled at the 24 with an incomplete pass under immense pressure.

Two possessions later, Cameron took over the ball at their own 35. An 11-yard run followed by a 21-yard run put the ball on the Wildcat 25. A completed pass into the end zone drew a flag, but officials picked it up and allowed the touchdown to stand. Two minutes later, the Dragon defense picked up a fumble and returned it to the end zone to increase the lead to 20-0.

The Wildcat offense fought to claw their way back. Pendleton County took the ball at their own 38 with five minutes left in the half. In the second quarter, Cameron started drawing its safeties closer to the line of scrimmage to counter the power running of Owens. The Wildcats still found running yardage for Vincell and Owens both, assisted by two minor Dragon infractions.

Then on first and five at the Cameron 45, Vincell angled a pass to the left sideline. Connor Armentrout reached over the defender to snag a spectacular catch to give his team a first down at the 17. Three plays later, the quarterback drove the ball in for Pendleton County’s first score.

“Connor stepped up and had a great game, Friday,” Coach Smith stated. “When the ball is in his hands, whether on a kickoff return or a pass play, he runs it downhill. He was a really good player for three or four years and will be dearly missed.”

Armentrout’s “bookend” at receiver, Clayton Kisamore also

earned praise. With Coach Smith explaining that “we’ll miss Clayton’s skill and athleticism at wide receiver.”

Cameron tried to nail the game down at the beginning of the third quarter with an onside kick, but the Wildcats recovered at midfield. After three plays, the Wildcats threw an interception that officials negated due to a roughing of the passer call. On the very next play Owens exploded through the line and outraced the defense for a 33-yard scoring run, but a missed point after left the score at 20-12.

On the next kick, Cameron took the ball over at their own 34. Three plays later on first down, the Dragons broke open a 40-yard run to the Wildcat seven. Dillon Smith corralled the back for a four-yard loss, but a pass from the 11 gave Cameron another touchdown. Dillon Smith and Armentrout snuffed out the conversion attempt and Cameron led with 7:30 left in the third quarter 26-12.

On the next possession starting at the 20, Owens surged forward for a nine-yard gain, leaping a would be tackler at the line of scrimmage and bulled his way through others to get close to a first down. The Dragons, however, recovered a fumble on the next play. Two plays later and after a holding penalty negated one touchdown pass, they threw in another from the Wildcat 40 to extend the lead to 34-12.

Pendleton County recovered a fumble deep in their own territory with about a minute left in the third quarter. Owens got the first carry afterward and exploded forward for over 50 yards, carrying two tacklers the last several. Set up at the Cameron 28, Vincell hit Armentrout on a timing pattern on the left sideline for 23 yards. Vincell capped the drive with a keeper that went into the end zone.

Another senior who enjoyed a monster year was Terry Harvey, Jr. Coach Smith called him a “powerhouse” and a “big part of our defense.” Even though he missed one game, he will still likely end up the team’s leading tackler.

Coach Smith also praised the hard working Xavier Ellis. Coach Smith said, “he didn’t see a lot of playing time, but he’s been with us for four years.” His effort and support in practice made his contributions valuable to team success.

NFES Students Earn Academic Recognition

North Fork Elementary School has released the following honor roll and attendance record for the first nine-weeks grading period.

All A Honor Roll

First grade — Karlee Arbaugh, Jace Ours, Kinsley Shane, Hannah Sponaule, Jaden Warner and Dale Watring;

Second grade — Darek Greathouse and Andelyn Vance;

Third grade — Declan Shane, Kimberly Sponaule and Sadie Wimer;

Fourth grade — Skye Dahmer, Avery Kile and Elaina Raines;

Fifth grade — Vaylee Harper and Alayna Huffman; and

Sixth grade — Abigail Judy, Mason Miller and Jacey Thompson.

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First grade — Oliver Cook, Jayson Jameson, Jace Nelson, Vera Selmon, Leelan Swanigan, Layla Warner and Blake Watring;

Second grade — Eli Nelson, Brooklyn Vint and Haley Warner;

Third grade — Levi Arbaugh, Isabella Arcure, Aaliyah Martin, Dakota Vandevander and Tommy Waybright;

Fourth grade — Nick Harper, Tori Heavner, Addy Huffman, Ally Jameson and Callen Kisamore;

Fifth grade — Kinley Bennett, Mackenzie Day, Ty Johnson, Miley Kimble, Jasper Nelson, Katy Raines, Ava Sherman and Jacob Thompson;

Sixth grade — Izzy Jameson, McKenzie Vandevander and Kayden Warner.

Perfect Attendance Kindergarten — Makenna Bell, Benson Harper, Ellie Huffman and Blake Long;

First grade — Vera Selmon;

Second grade — Andelyn Vance;

Third grade — Dakota Vandevander, Tommy Waybright and Levi Arbaugh;

Fourth grade — Tori Heavner and Addy Huffman;

Fifth grade — Vaylee

Harper and Alayna Huffman; and

Sixth grade — McKenzie Vandevander.

Faithful Attendance

Kindergarten — Oakley Dahmer, Gaige Eye, Nicholas Jameson, Easton Johnson, Ashton Kimble and Allison Nelson;

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The following small game hunting and trapping seasons opened Nov. 5.

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- Bobcat (Nov. 5 to Feb. 28)

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- Cottontail Rabbit (Nov. 5 to Feb. 28)

- Snowshoe or Varying Hare (Nov. 5 to Feb. 28)

- Ring-necked Pheasant cock birds (Nov. 5 to Jan. 7)

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- Mink, Muskrat (Nov. 5 to Feb. 28)

- Fisher (Nov. 5 to Jan. 31)

- Beaver (Nov. 5 to March

31)

- Otter (Nov. 5 to Feb. 28)

- Skunk, Opossum, Coyote, Weasel (Nov. 5 to Feb. 28)

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Abandoned and decrepit properties pose numerous problems. In Piedmont, they attracted criminal activities from vandalism to drug dealing. Children are often drawn to them as well. Also, first responders face more danger when addressing fires and rescues in such structures.

Last month, state auditor J. B. McCluskey announced the ambitious goal of removing every dilapidated structure in the state.

Under the previous law, the state auditor's office conducted tax sales for all 55 counties. All properties not purchased in the county sales would go up again in a single final sale. Those who purchased delinquent properties often did so in hopes of profiting from the interest paid by the owner to redeem their property.

Because of this, "for years the tax sale has been a root cause of slum and blight."

The law's chief reform comes in the establishment of a "pecking order" of potential buyers for these properties. The auditor's office explains that, "the unsold properties will be offered in this order: adjacent landowners, municipalities/land reuse agencies, counties, land stewardship corporation and then the public." This should ensure that individuals and entities with the most incentive to improve or develop have first access to property purchases.

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection also gained the authority to use funds and statewide contracts to remediate dilapidated structures. This includes properties purchased by communities and public corporations intent on redevelopment.

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This Advertisement is issued by:
Owner: Town of Franklin
By: Wayne Robert Horan
Title: Mayor
Date: November 1, 2022
11-3-2c

County Commissioners Discuss Variety of Topics at Meeting

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, the county commission tackled a variety of topics in their first meeting of the month. Discussion centered first on the ongoing generator question at the community building.

Rick Gillespie, county emergency services coordinator, reported that the Franklin Fire Department had purchased a generator to serve as backup power for their side of the building. The question of secondary power was deemed critical over the past two months because the fire department could not open their new doors without power.

Since then, however, adaptations have allowed the door to be opened manually in case of power outages. "They can raise the doors by hand," Gillespie explained, but added "I agree there needs to be power backup for the whole building."

Commissioners expressed concerns over the generator only serving part of the structure. Gene McConnell, county commission president, noted that "they will have to mess with the wiring. The insurance company may have something to say about that." County commissioner Carl Hevener pointed out that "we own the building. We're supplying it."

McConnell later added that "we'll have to come to some sort of understanding. We don't want the insurance company coming back, saying what are you doing."

Laura Brown, director of the county economic development authority, updated the county commission on two vital issues. First, she reported that Shentel and Lingo commenced laying out routes for broadband expansion with the build being done in 2023. Brown also shared that another provider in partnership with Grant County has shown interest in expanding through the northern tier of the county.

She turned next to updating the commission on the establish-

ment of the separate convention and visitors bureau. The CVB remains on track to fulfil the protocols needed to retain accreditation. Additionally, the CVB is working with the marketing company New South Media. Surrounding counties have for the most part retained either New South Media or other marketing firms.

Brown lastly shared that other Potomac Highlands counties have started organizing in support of a major motorcycle ride event.

Commissioners then turned to the question of bonuses paid to the county assessor for performing a farm census. McConnell explained that "we've been giving \$50 when the code calls for an amount to not exceed 10 percent," but added "I want to do it fairly and equitably."

Because, as McConnell said, "I'm not so sure Pendleton County is on the same scale as other counties" in terms of workload. The commission settled on creating a bonus of five percent of the annual salary, which would be approximately \$2,500. Hevener stated "that seems like a fair amount."

Sheriff Chad Bowers provided a report on how county offices have adjusted to new guidelines for sales of properties for delinquent taxes. Under a new law passed by the State Legislature, the state has taken over delinquent tax sales and made significant changes. These include shortening the time before sale from 18 months to 90 days, providing a payment plan option for those in economic distress, and mandating that counties change their banking to accommodate the changes.

Bowers added that "they're still trying to work out the bugs." McConnell quipped that "They're asking us to approve what they're ordering us to do."

Commissioners expressed concern that the shortened period will create a situation where "people will lose land they didn't know they lost."



JOB OPENINGS

POSITION: FULL TIME EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days. Bachelor's degree in Human Resources, organizational development, psychology, or related field preferred or a minimum of one year of Human Resource experience. Coordinates activities for annual departmental events. Visiting departments on and off-site on regular basis to discuss needs for the purpose of resolution and retention. Must have proficiency with word processing programs. Must possess extraordinary customer service and advanced time management skills. Must be able to work effectively independently as well as with groups. Highly motivated with a strong work ethic. Excellent written, oral and presentation skills. Must be capable of multitasking and have critical thinking skills. Ability to build strong relationships across all areas/departments. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 11/18/2022

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POSITION: FULL TIME PATIENT ACCESS CLERK — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days; with rotating Saturdays. Possibility of 10-hour shifts. High school diploma or GED required. Excellent customer service, communication and computer skills required. Must possess the ability to type 35 words per minute. Good decision-making skills. Professional and responsible with great work ethic. Ability to multitask in a fast-paced environment and work as part of a team, also required. Must have keen attention to detail and ability to maintain and balance a cash drawer. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 11/11/2022

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TAX YEAR: 2021

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OVERLOOK SUB.....00
TOURVILLE TORI M, 1.09 ACS LOT#10 FISHER MTN
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SOUTH BRANCH.....00
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Given under my hand this 1st day of November, 2022.
Chadwick L. Bowers
Sheriff of Pendleton County

11-10-2c

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The administration of
the following estates is
pending in the Office of
the Clerk of the County
Commission of Pendle-
ton County, West Vir-
ginia, 100 S. Main Street,
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West Virginia 26807. The
names of the personal
representatives are set
forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PER-
SONS ARE NOTIFIED
THAT:

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have objections that
challenge the validity
of the will, the qualifica-
tions of the personal rep-
resentative, venue, or
jurisdiction of this Com-
mission are required
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WITHIN SIXTY DAYS

AFTER THE DATE OF
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or demands against de-
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The date of the first
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January 2, 2023.

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Estate - Betty Jane Sim-
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tate - Terry W. Bennett,
Executor.

Subscribed and sworn
to before me on October
28, 2022.

Elise M. White, Clerk of
the Pendleton County
Commission 11-3-2c

INVITATION FOR
BIDS
TOWN OF FRANKLIN
PENDLETON
COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA
CONTRACT NO. 1:
WATER
TREATMENT
SYSTEM
IMPROVEMENTS
CONTRACT NO. 3:
HANOVER WATER
STORAGE TANK
REPAINTING

Sealed bids for the con-
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1: Water Treatment Sys-
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Contract No. 3: Hanover
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been submitted in accord-
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and repaint valve vault
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fice by paying the amount
of each set listed below.

Bidding Documents may be
purchased from the Issu-
ing Office during the hours
indicated above. Cost does
not include shipping charg-
es. Upon Issuing Office's
receipt of payment, printed
Bidding Documents or elec-
tronic documents will be
transmitted to the prospec-
tive Bidder. The shipping
charge amount will depend
on the bidding method
requested. Bidding Docu-
ments are available for
purchase in the following
formats:

Bidding Documents issued

as hard copy full-size
drawings and hard copy
specifications, are avail-
able for \$350.00 per set
(Contract No. 1) and \$200
per set (Contract 3).

Bidding Documents issued
as digital drawings and
digital specifications,
are available for \$30.00
per set via the following
link:

QuestCDN:
<https://tinyurl.com/zu528553>

Amounts paid are not sub-
ject to refund.

Partial sets of Bidding
Documents will not be
available from the Issuing
Office. Neither Owner nor
Engineer will be responsi-
ble for full or partial sets
of Bidding Documents,
including Addenda if any,
obtained from sources other
than the Issuing Office.

Bidding Documents also
may be examined at:

Town of Franklin
305 N. High Street
Franklin, WV 26807

Dunn Engineers, Inc.
Part of The Thrasher
Group
400 South Ruffner Road
Charleston, WV 25314

The Contractor's
Association of WV
2114 Kanawha
Boulevard, East
Charleston, West Virginia
25311

The two-envelope system
will be used for bidding
this project. Envelope No.
One (1) will contain the re-
quired bidder information
as outlined on the Bidder's
Opening Requirement
Checklist in the Contract
Documents. Envelope No.
Two (2) will contain the
Form of Proposal only and
be separate from Envelope
No. 1. Both sealed envel-
opes containing the Bid-
der Information and Form
of Proposal must have the
following information clearly
printed or typed on the
front lower left-hand
corner of each envelope:

Envelope No. 1: Bid on
the Contract No. (In-
sert which Contract No.
you are bidding on). Con-
tract No. 1: Water Treat-
ment System Improve-
ments and/or Contract
No. 3: Hanover Water
Storage Tank Repainting
for the Town of Franklin,
Pendleton County, WV to
be opened at 2:00 P.M.,
L.P.T., December 15,
2022.

Bidder Information: Sub-
mitted by: (insert name &
address of bidder)
WV Contractor's License
No. ____.

Envelope No. 2: Bid on
the Contract No. (In-
sert which Contract No.
you are bidding on). Con-
tract No. 1: Water Treat-
ment System Improve-
ments and/or Contract
No. 3: Hanover Water
Storage Tank Repainting
for the Town of Franklin,
Pendleton County, WV to
be opened at 2:00 P.M.
L.P.T., December 15,
2022.

Form of Proposal: Submis-
sion by: (insert name & ad-
dress of bidder)
WV Contractor's License
No. ____.

Envelope No. 1 will be
opened first and the Bid
Bond, Power of Attorney,
Certificate of Compli-
ance and other pertinent/
required documents as
listed on the Bidder's
Opening Requirements
Checklist will be checked
to make sure that all
documents are in order. If
the documents are found
to be in order, Envelope
No. 2 containing the Form
of Proposal will then be
opened and publicly read
aloud. If the documents
from Envelope No. 1 are
not in order, Envelope
No. 2 containing the Form
of Proposal will not be
opened and the bid will be
considered non-responsive

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