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## Potomac Valley Transit Authority Offers Many Community Services

By Stephen Smoot

When the general public thinks of buses and local public transportation, it generally thinks only of a set schedule of routes designed to get masses of people from point A to point B. Most also think that ridership mostly comes from those trying to get to and from work or shopping.

Over the past two decades, however, Potomac Valley Transit Authority has stepped in and stepped up

to provide other kinds of transport services modern riders need.

PVTA currently covers Pendleton, Grant, Hampshire, Mineral, and Hardy counties. As communications director Suzanne Park said, "Initially for Pendleton County, our services were a whole lot different. We had work routes to Hanover Shoe. It's where the DHHR office is now. That was huge."

Routes also served those looking for shopping and recreation. Park explained, "Before COVID, we ran day trips to Harrisonburg [Virginia], the mall, and Moorefield."

Ridership to Harrisonburg, Virginia, in particular fell below what PVTA needed to maintain the route. Doug Pixler, executive director of PVTA, said, "After COVID, we tried to get them going again, but we don't have people who want to go."

He added, "We'd love to get

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## PCM/HS Concert Band Performs Winter Ensemble January 5



Jade Saul, music director at Pendleton County Middle High School, congratulates his student on a job very well done at their first band concert of the school year.

## Region 8 Based Senior Training Program Seeks Participants

By Stephen Smoot

One of the most lasting and damaging social side effects of the pandemic lies in its tragic impact on the workforce. Jobs that attracted multitudes of applicants in the 1990s now go unfilled. Beyond its effect on the supply chain, businesses have restricted hours or shut down. They've done this not because they cannot earn profits, but that they cannot find workers. The Senior Employment Program, headed up by Barbara Fortner at Region 8, seeks to address this problem.

"Our goal is to help clients to become self-sufficient, build self-esteem, get them prepared, and help them to find unsubsidized employment," says Fortner. The program, funded by the United

States Department of Labor through the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, accepts applicants 55 or older. Successful applicants receive placements in nonprofit workplace settings.

Since the program only accepts a limited number of clients, Fortner explains, it prioritizes veterans first, then seniors who have certain disadvantages, such as being homeless, those coming out of jail or prison, or people trying to return to the workforce from disabled status. All clients must meet income guidelines that go by the federally established poverty level.

The program is categorized as a training for employment, not simply an employment placement like Manpower or Kelly Services. Clients

should have opportunities to learn skills while at their placement, with the goal of developing "experiences that can be put on a resume," as Fortner describes.

Clients may only be part of the program for one year and receive the West Virginia minimum wage of \$8.75 an hour in the form of a stipend. The program goes by the state minimum wage because it is higher than the federal. By law, this stipend does not count as income against what is received through welfare assistance, such as food stamps or subsidized housing.

Additionally, clients can expect a minimum of 15 hours per week and a maximum of 29. The U.S. Department of Labor determines how many hours clients may

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**FRIDAYS Franklin to Petersburg to Moorefield**

Franklin to Petersburg to Moorefield Morning	9:00am
Pendleton County Court House	9:02am
Pendleton Senior and Family Services	9:08am
Pendleton Manor	9:13am
Franklin Group Home	9:15am
The Hollow Restaurant	9:30am
Kile's Grocery	9:45am
Landes Ruritan Club	9:53am
Petersburg City Parking Lot	9:55am
Grant Memorial Hospital	10:01am
Petersburg Shop and Save	10:16am
Moorefield Food Lion	10:23am
Hawse Shop and Save	10:27am
Moorefield Walmart	

**Franklin to Petersburg to Moorefield Afternoon**

Moorefield Walmart	1:00pm
Hawse Shop and Save	1:04pm
Moorefield Food Lion	1:11pm
Petersburg Shop and Save	1:26pm
Grant Memorial Hospital	1:33pm
Petersburg City Parking Lot	1:35pm
Landes Ruritan Club	1:49pm
Kile's Grocery	2:14pm
The Hollow Restaurant	2:29pm
Franklin Group Home	2:31pm
Pendleton Manor	2:36pm
Pendleton Senior and Family Services	2:42pm
Pendleton County Court House	2:44pm

**Cost of the trip: Each boarding is \$1.00. Each zone is an additional \$1.00. For example, someone boarding in Franklin going to Moorefield would pay \$4.00 one-way (\$8.00 round-trip). If you board in Petersburg to go to Moorefield, the cost of the trip will be \$2.00 or \$4.00 round-trip. For seniors 62+ or people with disabilities the fare is 50% off.**

## Hevener Elected to Fill County Commission Presidency

By Stephen Smoot

In its first order of business on its first meeting of the new year, commissioners Roger Dahmer and Jimmie Bennett approved the elevation of their colleague Carl Hevener to president of the Pendleton County Commission. Hevener quipped, "I knew you'd do this to me." Dahmer responded, saying "you've got more experience than the rest of us."

Hevener then announced a change to the regular agenda of the meetings, indicating that they would now

open with a prayer. Dahmer prayed for "strength, wisdom, and discernment" to guide the commission as it debates and decides important issues through the year.

Over the Christmas and New Years' week, the volume of emergency calls remained high. Rick Gillespie, Pendleton County emergency services coordinator, offered "continued accolades to 911." At one point, the understaffed 911 center handled four calls simultaneously. Gillespie added, "I think they do a great job." He explained that the difficulties seen of this and many other days calls out for a permanent solution, saying "the few who are volunteering are being run ragged."

The county commission decided to continue compensating sheep farmers at \$75 per head for livestock killed by dogs. Compensation comes from taxes paid by dog owners and only goes for sheep killed, not injured. The Pendleton County Sheriff's Department verifies if the sheep was killed by a dog, versus a coyote or other predator. Dogs and coyotes have very different styles in killing their prey, making distinguishing kills between the two relatively easy.

Board assignments for the coming year were approved. Hevener will serve on the board of the Potomac Valley Transit Authority, Pendleton County Economic and Community Development Authority, Region 8 Solid Waste Authority, Extension Service Committee, Region 8 Development Authority, and on the Community Corrections/Day Report Center.

Bennett will serve on committees and/or boards for rural schools, the Board of

Health, 911 Advisory Board, Hazard Mitigation Officer, and LEPC.

Dahmer will serve on the Workforce Investment Board, Eastern West Virginia Community Action, the Board of Parks and Recreation, Library Board of Trustees, Farmland Protection Board, and Potomac Headwaters RC and D.

Karen Pitsenbarger reported that the county would renew its information technology contract with GST, despite some increase in price. She explained that "for everything they do, that is not a bad increase at all." Also, more populous counties saw much larger hikes in the price of service. Chad Bowers, Pendleton County sheriff, reported that GST delivered body and in-car cameras that should be installed the following week.

The county commission voted to approve days in which to hold the Board of Review and Equalization. It will be held on Feb 1, 7, 10, and 15. Those wishing to appear before it must make an appointment with the county clerk's office.

In other business, the county commission approved using the updated federal mileage compensation numbers released by the Internal Revenue Service. High gas prices, among other factors, raised the compensation per mile for those using personal vehicles for government business to 65.5 cents per mile. Commissioners also voted to approve the list of state recognized holidays, as well as "any additions by the Governor."

The county commission's next meeting will be held at 9 a.m. Jan. 17 at the courthouse.

## Community Calendar

### Senior Sponsored Meal Scheduled

Hartman's Service Station will be sponsoring "Lunch on Us" for 60+ Seniors Friday at the Franklin Senior Center (304-358-2421). Meals will be served from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To reserve a free lunch, call today.

### Post 9666 To Meet

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

### Morrisey's Staff To Visit Tuesday

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

## Friends of the Library Shares Annual Meeting Plans

By Stephen Smoot

"I feel in my heart that reading is a blessing for everyone," writes Madeline Hoover, president of the Friends of the Library. She added that "to sit down with a good book is relaxing and enriching."

After closing out an active and exciting slate of programs for 2022, the Friends of the Library held its first meeting of the year.

The meeting focused on plans for the annual meeting, which will take place on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 5:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend and participate. A light partially potluck sup-

per and drinks will be available for attendees. Members present at the board meeting signed up for their choice in what to bring, including both savory and sweet options.

Entertainment at the "family-friendly program" will be provided by Walter Hojka and Friends, country and old-time musicians. Hojka taught at the Old Town School of Folk Music in Chicago, Illinois, before relocating. He now directs the Martinsburg High School orchestra and also runs Snowy Mountain Music School in the county.

The event will also include one of the most popular

items, the free book table. Donated books in good condition will be available to attendees. Anyone who wants a book may take one. Board members said there are "lots of heavy oversized coffee table books, music books, old church hymnals," and other items of interest.

Members who wish to help set up can come to the library on Feb. 10 at 4 p.m. to help prepare for the event.

Another major point of discussion lay in figuring out easier ways to track group membership. It was suggested that the group reach out to the Pendleton

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## Board of Education Reviews State Guidance on School Calendar

By Stephen Smoot

Next year's calendar and funding reports dominated discussion as the Pendleton County Board of Education commenced its business for the year.

The board opened the meeting with the first of two public readings of the calendar guidance document provided by the state. The law requires that the public have at least two opportunities to

hear the document in front of a quorum of the school board.

The calendar guidance specifies that regular full-time employees have a minimum employment term of 200 days, "exclusive of Saturdays and Sundays." The employment term also may not exceed 48 weeks. Students' instructional term is still established at "not less than one hundred eighty (180) separate instructional days and twenty (20) non

instructional days. Those include holidays, Election Day, and other days set aside for students and professionals.

Both the employment and instructional term may be extended by the board, but the county has to pay for the excess.

Different grade levels also must meet for specified numbers of minutes per day. Kindergarten through fifth grade must have at least 315

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# OBITUARIES



**Charles Lee Whetzel**

Charles Lee Whetzel, 78, of Franklin went to his heavenly home on Jan. 1, 2023, at University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville, Virginia. He was born May 20, 1944, at Brushy Run and was the son of the late Charles Roy Whetzel and Ina Gladys Kimble Whetzel.

Mr. Whetzel had done construction work and worked in the body shop at Kline Motor Sales.

He was a past member of the Franklin Vol. Fire Dept. and was a member of the Brushy Run Church of God.

On Dec. 30, 1963, he married Margaret Joan Raines Whetzel, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Crystal Whetzel of Petersburg and Melanie Kretzschmar (Jamey) of Crooks, South Dakota;

a son, Trevor Whetzel (Trina) of Harrisonburg, Virginia; three sisters, Ina Shirley Kile and Bonnie Rexrode, both of Petersburg, and Frances Ruddle (Randy) of Franklin; three brothers, Cletus Whetzel (Sandra) of Stoney Beach, Maryland, Paul Whetzel (Mildred) of Petersburg and Gary Whetzel (Rose) of Bridgewater, Virginia; six grandchildren, Logan Willis (Tabitha), Caleb Willis, Lindsey Stewart (Sean), Kyle Kretzschmar (Shelby), Tanner Whetzel (Jada) and Taylor Whetzel; three great-grandchildren, Tripp, Memphis and Aria; four step-great-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by triplet granddaughters.

A funeral service was held Jan. 6 in the Kimble Funeral Home chapel in Franklin with Bishop Philip Marcum and Rev. Trevor Whetzel officiating. Interment was at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Franklin.

Memorials may be made to the Brushy Run Church of God, 185 Woodlawn Drive, Petersburg, WV 26847 or the Upper Tract Rescue Squad, PO Box 42, Upper Tract, WV 26866.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.kimblefuneralhome.com](http://www.kimblefuneralhome.com).



**Nancy Simmons Poleo**

Nancy Simmons Poleo, 85, of Bluffton, South Carolina, passed away Jan. 4, 2023.

She was born on June 8, 1937, in Riverton, the youngest of eight children of Lester and Madeline Simmons.

Mrs. Poleo grew up in Riverton and graduated from Circleville High School in 1955. She then relocated to Waynesboro, Virginia, where she worked for the General Electric Company.

She was always active in her community and was a beloved wife, sister, and mother. She was long-time member of both the First Presbyterian Church in Waynesboro, Virginia, and the Grandin Court Baptist

Church in Roanoke, Virginia.

Her husband of 60 years, Joseph Poleo, Jr., preceded her in death.

Surviving are a son, Joseph Anthony and daughter-in-law, Linda Kay Poleo; nieces, Beverly, Dixie, Linda and Amy; and nephews, Bob, Bill, Carl and Robert.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers, Wayne, Jacob, and Paul; four sisters, Mary, Ruth, Martha and Faye; and a nephew, Randy.

The family will receive friends from 5 - 7 p.m. on March 31 at the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin. A memorial service will be conducted at 11 a.m. April 1 in the funeral home chapel, with Pastor Sam Harper officiating. Interment will be in North Fork Memorial Cemetery in Riverton.

The family is requesting donations be made to the local Salvation Army or other local charity of one's choice.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at [www.basagic.com](http://www.basagic.com) or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.



**Bruce Elwood Propst**

Bruce Elwood Propst, 85, of Marlinton passed away Jan. 7, 2023, at his home.

He was born April 28, 1937, at Upper Tract and was the son of the late Frank George Propst and Leoda Annie Mitchell Propst Grogg. He was the stepson of the late Thelma Poling Simpson Propst.

Mr. Propst was a veteran, having served in the U.S. Army.

He was a truck driver

for Roy Calhoun Trucking in Petersburg, drove for Hanover Shoe/C. J. Clark for 30 years and for Dilley Trucking. He retired as a driver from Maple Leaf Trucking.

On March 8, 1986, he married Linda Catherine Circosta Propst, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Kitty Turner of Franklin and Wanda Gahr of Keyser; a stepson, Denton Circosta of Cass; a brother, Duke Propst of Elkton, Virginia; a sister, Phyllis; two grandsons; and two step-granddaughters.

His body has been cremated and his family will commemorate his life at a later date.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.kimblefuneralhome.com](http://www.kimblefuneralhome.com).

Arrangements were entrusted to Kimble Funeral Home in Marlinton.

## Carolyn Ann Himelright Sutton, 53

Carolyn Ann Himelright Sutton, 53, of Buena Vista, Virginia, passed away Dec. 31, 2022.

Born July 9, 1969, in Akron, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late John Morgan and Mary (Jackie) Raines.

Surviving are her children, Heather Morgan,

Jamie Morgan, Lindsey Vandevander, Ashley Vandevander, and Charles Lyle Smith; 11 grandchildren, James, Nevaeh, Christine, Kylie, Aalyiah, J.R., Kinsley, Israel, Joshua, Autumn, and Nova; and sisters, Wanda Lambert and Melissa Simmons.

A memorial service was conducted Monday at Bolling, Grose & Lotts Funeral Chapel in Buena Vista, Virginia, with Rev. Dean Staton officiating.

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DATE: December 13, 2022

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Low-income Board members are elected by low-income individuals to represent their interests on the Board of Directors. The election for a low-income Eastern Action Board member representative will be held at all Eastern Action offices from January 2, 2023 through January 13, 2023. Ballots for Low-income Board members are available at your local Community Action office or online at [www.easternaction.org](http://www.easternaction.org).

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# Potomac Valley Transit Authority

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a route started back to Harrisonburg [Virginia].”

In recent months, PVTA has expanded service in Pendleton County by adding a Friday route running from Franklin through Upper Tract to Petersburg, then Moorefield. The bus stops at five stops in Franklin, Kiles Grocery in Upper Tract, three stops in Petersburg and three stops in Moorefield. Each boarding costs one dollar and seniors 62 and over ride at a 50% discount.

Much of the focus in recent years has also gone to providing services for riders who need extra assistance. The SOAR program, for instance, supports getting those committed to drug recovery to their placements, including appointments for treatment. Park said, “We received a federal grant to provide transportation services for people in recovery from addiction.” Funds to support the program go through West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. Regionally, PVTA works “hand in hand” with Potomac Highlands Guild, Recovery Care in Keyser and other similar organizations dealing with drug addiction and mental health.

As Park describes, “we also take people who have decided that they want to go into a detox or recovery center. Participants must go through an intake process, such as at an emergency room, then commit themselves to a program. It could be as close as Winchester, or as far away as Weirton, Huntington, or even Ohio. We literally take them where we can find a bed.”

Surveys indicate that transportation serves as the biggest barrier preventing addicts from seeking help. Park said the clients include addicts just out of prison. “They have no identification, no drivers’ license, no ways to get to where they need to go, but they made the decision to get better.”

Park stated that “The SOAR program is one of the best partnerships that we have to get these people to where they need to go. We take some people every week. We take some people every month. It just depends on what their needs are.”

PVTA has also expanded services for seniors who need

extra help, sometimes backfilling when county senior and family services centers resources get stretched to their limits. “We work closely with senior and family services in Pendleton County,” says Pixler. He adds that, “We do various things when they need something.” In some areas, senior centers lack drivers and PVTA has stepped in to help. Their drivers have also assisted with delivering meals to seniors.

Other services include non-emergency medical transportation. Many have mistakenly called ambulances for these services that PVTA already provides. Pixler says, “We’re in that area all the time, every day, not just Franklin, but all over Pendleton County.” All on Medicaid can access this service, but only certain Medicare plans will cover it, though options continue to expand.

Park described that “there’s multiple things that we do here.” She gave an example of one senior client who lived in a remote area and needed transport to doctor appointments, saying “when she needs an appointment, we pick her up and we get her there.”

Donnie Wratchford, assistant general manager who has 39 years of service, said “We’d like to do more for the seniors in Pendleton County, but it just doesn’t take off. There’s a lot of seniors in the area.”

A program not available at the time in Pendleton County is Ready Ride. This program works similarly to a taxi service in that it provides customized local travel to those who qualify. Because of limited resources, such as drivers, fuel costs, and vehicles, PVTA can only offer it in areas of high usage. Keyser, for example, averages 2,500 trips per year. When active in Franklin, the average in town was closer to 30.

Support for the community does not end at transport. The PVTA garage will provide vehicle maintenance services for local government for a nominal fee.

The addition of vital services has stretched the resources of PVTA. Pixler admits, “we are overwhelmed.” Both the scattered population and physical geography add to the

challenges. The Potomac Highlands has a total population similar to Parkersburg scattered across an area the size of Puerto Rico. Park says that “we cannot get anywhere quick. If we pick up someone in Franklin for a doctor’s appointment in Romney, that’s an all-day trip.” She went on to say that “it’s not like we can stop and pick up others on a specific trip.”

Ridership continues to increase. Pixler said that ridership has always been in the 90 to low 100,000s, but “last year it was 121,000. This past year, we are at 150,000. That’s amazing for small rural service like this.” Since costs must remain low to serve targeted communities, the increase in ridership has not helped as much as one might think to address the limits on resources faced by PVTA, particularly as other costs, such as fuel and bus parts, have gone up considerably.

Another challenge lies in communicating new services or when weather affects transportation schedules. Park said that PVTA relies heavily on social media outlets such as Eye On Franklin “and other great sites. We’re always looking for places to share our information.” She added that Bruce Minor, PVTA board member, suggested that parts of the potential market “might not know how to ride a bus.” Older riders may not know the full breadth of services, while younger people never became familiar with the process of learning where to meet a bus and how to plan a trip around route schedules.

Learning how to use the services could open opportunities in the entire region for those facing steep gas prices. Park suggested that those needing transportation for any reason that have not used PVTA call the office and discuss their needs.

Going forward, PVTA seeks to get more creative with their offerings. Park explained that discussions with senior and family services officials are currently underway to plan “shoppers’ trips” to destinations such as Clarksburg. They would just need eight to 12 participants to “make a day of it.”

## Board of Education

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minutes of instructional time per day, sixth through eighth 330 minutes, and high schoolers have 345.

State law requires that county boards add “equivalent time,” or minutes to the minimum instructional day to compensate for “early dismissals, late arrivals, and faculty senate meetings.” This can help schools and school systems meet their legally set time mandates. Equivalent time helps school systems to receive up to five professional learning days, replacement days for closure due to inclement weather, or balance off late arrivals and other erosions of instructional time.

As directed by the state, the Pendleton County Board of Education conducted a survey on the calendar. They received 169 responses – 78 from parents, 73 from staff, 12 from students, and six from other members of the community. A majority vote of 101 voted to begin school in mid-August, but conclude it at the end of May. Votes also chose a full spring break week over a four-day weekend and chose October 20 over Columbus Day as an extra professional learning day.

The law also prevents the school system from releasing graduating seniors more than five days before the close of the instructional year.

The board will use the survey and public comments to

help to determine the final 2023 calendar, which must be submitted by May 5.

After the public reading of state calendar guidance and reviews of the surveys, regular business was conducted. J. P. Mowery, director of finance, delivered the funding report. He opened by speculating that “I do expect a pay raise to be passed. The Governor is asking for a five percent raise.” This would be part of Governor Justice’s pledge to have two five percent raises before he leaves office. Mowery said, “The funding is there if they choose to do so.”

He then went through county-by-county preliminary computations for state support of schools. Mowery saw no changes that were out of line. He noted that counties with natural gas are “growing through the roof. Local tax numbers in natural gas counties are amazing,” but Pendleton County is “at our financial capacity of what we can do.”

While “enrollment drives funding,” as Mowery put it, the state supports sparsely populated counties by providing a funding floor of 1,400. This means that counties that do not enjoy high tax revenues and have less than 1,400 students enrolled can be funded at that number. Pocahontas, Summers, Ritchie, Tyler, and

Webster also fall in this category.

Mowery praised House of Delegates Speaker Roger Hanshaw and Delegate Paul Espinoza from Jefferson County. He said that Speaker Hanshaw, from Clay, “understands small counties.” Espinoza worked with counties to deliver more flexibility in how they use state aid. Mowery also reported that the school system currently enjoyed “the lowest workman’s comp rates we have ever had.”

In other business, the board approved a dual credit course arrangement with Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College. The new courses, Introduction to Sociology 203 and Speech 101, will be part of a program to help aspiring teachers at Pendleton County High School get college credit. Program students would then be on track to graduate from college with an education degree in two years.

Board members also heard an update on the new bleachers for Franklin Elementary School. A Charleston based company already on state contract will come to the school to examine the gym and provide a quote.

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**10 Years Ago**  
**Week of January 10, 2013**

**SUGAR GROVE**

**Tollgates Maintained Early Roadways Here**

Many early roads were trails of dust in dry weather and mud holes in wet weather. In spite of these inconveniences, the forefathers traveled distances to accomplish their daily routines of visiting, attending church and engaging in business. Since stones were plentiful, the first roads were improved by adding gravel. This was done prior to 1850. In 1834, the Valley Turnpike Company was incorporated. Money collected from the Park View tollgate was used to build the Rawley Springs Turnpike, which began in Harrisonburg, VA, and extended to the top of the Shenandoah Mountain. Roads were to be maintained by charging a toll of one cent per mile for pleasure vehicles and prorated for stock and wagons. Since stones were plentiful, they were crushed by hand with a heavy sledge hammer. Tolls were collected from sun-up to 10 p.m. and on Sundays. According to "The Heartland," a book of Rockingham County, VA, gatekeepers were paid \$10 per month and house rent-free. It is interesting to note that some tollgate keepers accepted bread, eggs or other items instead of coins. Frank's Bottom at the foot of the Shenandoah Mountain, was a tollgate. The tollgate consisted of a pole being placed across the road about three feet from the ground. A tall wooden box filled with rocks was placed at one end for this pole to rest on. A forked post was implanted in the ground with the pole bolted to it. A rope was tied to the small end of the pole, so the gatekeeper could pull it down and fasten it to a hasp in a post at the opposite end. This device's definition is a "turnpike." No known tollgates were in operation on the West Virginia side.

Oftentimes, the road would become impassable, so a "plank" or "corduroy" system was devised to improve conditions. Men cut thousands of small trees and heavy slabs into lengths which were the width of the road. They were laid close together against one another, forming a bumpy surface. This effort was known as "plating" the road. It is said that traces of this corduroy road can still be visible at the foot of the Shenandoah Mountain. After 1918, the roads were taken over by the state, and tolls were no longer collected.

The first rural mail carriers delivered mail from daylight until dark. Some delivered with horses, and a saddle bag held the mail. Men who carried the mail had to live up to the motto of the United States Postal Service, "Neither rain, nor snow..." But in the early 1900s, this was no easy task. E. D. Cooper, better known as "Ras," was the low bidder on the Franklin

to Harrisonburg, VA, mail route from 1908 until 1920. The contract included getting the mail through six days a week, delivering and receiving mail at post offices along the route and placing mail in individual boxes along the way. The early mail wagons also carried freight and passengers. The postal service provided the only means of transportation for some folk along the route. One way fare was \$3.00; round trip was \$5.00.

One driver would leave Harrisonburg, VA, at 5:30 a.m. while another driver from the east side arrived at the base of the Shenandoah Mountain where he would change horses. About noon, drivers would meet at the top of the Shenandoah Mountain and exchange wagons. By 7:00 p.m., each had returned to their respective starting places, unless the weather caused a delay or mishap.

At one time, the mail drivers had quite a cumbersome task. With all the various mail routes and exchanges, one finds that delivering mail today has become quite complicated.

**PENDLETON PAST**

by Harold D. Garber

To begin this I'd like to tell you of a 30 cent gift I received quite some time before Christmas.

I must share about my 30 cent gift. Of course there's nothing here which would indicate just why this book is more special than its 30 cent price. That information is contained on the first blank page of the book. As I turned there, in a strong, youthful hand which wasn't entirely familiar to me, and written in ink from likely a family fountain pen, was this inscription: "Lillie F. Cline, Green Mt., Va." Then, much fainter and much more faded: "August 15, 1896."

On the beautiful sun-lit morning my gift bearer, Bob Sites, one of my very few blood-relatives appeared at our kitchen door.

As we sat around the table, Bob produced the "30 cent gift," and I only use this title for the gift to emphasize just how much more it meant to me. At the bottom of the title page was the listing: "Price, 30 Cents per Copy. \$3.00 per Dozen.

What makes the book special to Bob and me is that Lillie F. Cline would make a change in status in three years and would become our grandmother, wife of Rev. Peter I. Garber.

Peter I. and Lillie were born in the same year—1877—but Grandma was the older and had a birthday which none of us would forget—Groundhog's Day, with Granddad waiting an August appearance in the Jacob Garber family.

Granddad tried to make it to a 50th anniversary, but occluded veins and a weak heart called him to his heavenly reward in October 1949, less than two months before their 50th.

My family had moved into the upstairs of the Garber home in 1947 to care for them. With their passing, it

remained our family home until my father's passing in 2002.

In those two years with them, even though I was young, I learned many things: killing and dressing chickens at a chopping block in the garden, and complete soap-making—lye soap over a fire in our garden. This was a family who certainly enjoyed growing things: Thorn-less climbing rose bushes at the edge of the front porch, a yellow transparent apple tree just beyond the back door, and salsify in the vegetable garden. For those who don't know it, a white underground tuber which has a taste much like oysters, and a grape arbor which would supply neighbors for the next 50 years in the neighborhood. Final memory—when Granddad had his selection of bringing something home from his many butchering days, his choice: pig's feet. Much to my disgrace, I've never sampled this.

**30 Years Ago**  
**Week of January 7, 1993**

**DAHMER**

During the deep December 10 snow, Vernon R. Propst had a cow to fall in the snow like a drunken man. It was thought that she had eaten laurel. Back in the early times during a big snow, a young horse or mare was often broke to ride so if the rider was thrown off, the snow cushioned the fall and the rider was not likely to be injured, except maybe their pride was hurt. Back then, a horse meant a lot to a youth to own and travel thereon. Just like today, the automobile means so much to the youth. The late Jim Pitsenbarger, son of John and Elizabeth, once said, "I liked nothing better than breaking a colt."

**SUGAR GROVE**

Have times really changed so much since 1939? Perhaps we will find that most men and women have basically the same New Year's resolutions as they did in 1939. Most men reported wanting to resolve to "do better in business" and to cut down on their smoking and drinking. On the other hand, women felt the need to "be more ambitious" and to "improve dispositions." Both men and women agreed in listing the saving of money as the most popular singular resolution.

**50 Years Ago**  
**Week of January 11, 1973**

**Rainfall in 1972 Ends 8 Years Of Drought in Area**

An unusually large amount of rain fell in Pendleton County last year bringing to an end a period of approximately eight years of near-drought weather in the county.

According to George O. Hammer of Franklin, official observer for the U.S.

Weather Bureau, a total of 39.75 inches of rain was recorded here in 1972, which was 10.85 inches more than the 28.90 inches recorded the previous year.

Snowfall in the county last year was less than the preceding year. Hammer said a total of 21.50 inches of snow fell in 1972 and that 62 inches of snow fell in 1971.

**60 Years Ago**  
**Week of January 10, 1963**

**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.

**18,000 Fall In Battle Of Murfreesboro**

President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, published to the world on the first day of 1863, overshadowed another important event that had occurred as the new year came. News of that other event—the Battle of Murfreesboro (also called Stone's River)—began to take its proper place in the headlines 100 years ago this week.

For as Lincoln worked on his Emancipation Proclamation and released it to the press, 18,000 men fell in battle in the cottonfield and along the banks of Stone's River, northwest of the central Tennessee town.

It was a battle between two veteran Civil War fighters: Federal Gen. William S. Rosencrans — "Old Rosy" as his men called him — and Confederate Gen. Braxton Bragg, the man who had invaded Kentucky, only to leave the state in haste after the Battle of Perryville.

"Old Rosy" started the fight on purpose when he pulled his army of 43,000 men out of Nashville the day after Christmas and headed southwest toward Bragg, 30 miles away at Murfreesboro. The roads were in a terrible mess, and it was December 29 before Rosencrans arrived and squared off for the fight.

Even then, it was Bragg, not Rosencrans, who made the attack, early on the cold morning of December 31st. His men, 34,000 strong, caught the Federals by surprise; the Federals had expected to do the attacking, and many were fixing breakfast when four brigades of Confederates came hurtling at them through the underbrush and cotton fields.

The assault was a resounding success. The Federal line crumpled, and the Confederates rushed through, taking prisoners and capturing supplies and weapons. Other Confederate brigades followed all along the front, and the Federal line bent backward into the shape of a "V."

But gradually, the Fed-

eral resistance stiffened. Artillery was brought forward against the Southerners. Gen. George H. Thomas, the Virginia-born Federal general who would become known as the "Rock of Chickamauga," brought up re-enforcements and held his line as his men blasted into the charging Confederates.

That night, as the new year came, a bright moon shone down on thousands of dying soldiers, and Bragg, thinking his victory complete, sent off a telegram to Richmond: "God has granted us a happy New Year."

But it was not to be so. New Year's day, Rosencrans, instead of retreating, readied his men for another fight, and January 2, late in the afternoon, he took his revenge.

It came with another Confederate Charge. The Yankees were waiting, and as the Southerners came, 58 Federal artillery pieces blasted them, slaughtering them en masse. Within little more than an hour, 2,000 Confederates fell dead or wounded.

Next day, Bragg began pulling out to nearby Tullahoma for a new headquarters, and Rosencrans occupied Murfreesboro on the fourth. Counting prisoners, the Federals suffered 13,000 casualties, the Confederates 10,000.

Next week: The South in Distress.

**70 Years Ago**  
**January 15, 1953**

**Homes In Pendleton More Modern Than In Rest Of Country**

NEW YORK, Jan. 8 — A greater proportion of Pendleton County's population own the homes they live in and the homes are more modern and in better repair than are dwellings in most parts of the country.

Such are the findings of the U.S. Department of Commerce, based on the recent national Census of Housing. The results are now being made public.

Of the 2,126 occupied dwelling units in the county, 1,558 or 73 per cent are owned by their occupants. This compares favorably with the national figure, 55 percent. In the state of West Virginia, the average is also 55 per cent.

More common in Pendleton County than in most communities is one of the great conveniences of modern living—mechanical refrigeration. The census figures show that 49 per cent of the homes have it.

The report shows that the median value of non-farm, owner-occupied units in the United States has reached \$7,400.

**DAHMER**

The Thorn Creek bulletin states "A total of 17 young men from our parish are in the armed forces of our country."

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**Smith Creek Friends Run**

by Dave Ellis

If anyone has noticed, there is more daylight each day. The big question is when is the area going to get its big snow? Last year on Jan. 16, the area got 11 inches with 2 more inches falling the next day. During the first week of January 2022, the area received 9 inches of snow.

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

Prayer thought: "As we trust God and pray to Him, we experience the grace of His presence and provision, the haven of His steadfast love."

High and low temperatures and precipitation for Jan. 2 through Jan. 8, followed by the same for last year, were as follows: Jan. 2 - 63°, 39° (61°, 48°); Jan. 3 - 68°, 49°, .08" (39°, 19°, 3.5" snow); Jan. 4 - 61°, 47°, .01" (34°, 11°); Jan. 5 - 58°, 38° (42°, 26°); Jan. 6 - 38°, 34° (41°, 13°); Jan. 7 - 44°, 27° (24°, 6°, 5.5" snow) and Jan. 8 - 34°, 19° (34°, 2°).

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*Our Heartfelt Thanks*

The family of the late Ralph H. Dunkle would like to extend our sincere appreciation for the outpouring of love and acts of kindness that was extended to our families during his recent illness and passing.

We would like to especially thank the staff at Pendleton Manor for the care that he was given during the last few years of his life, the staff at WVU Ruby Memorial Hospital for the compassionate care he received in his last days, Pastor Mike Loudermilk for his prayers and funeral service, Franklin Chapter #138 OES for their service, Pendleton Lodge #144 for their services at his burial, Dave Basagic and staff, Mt. Zion United Methodist Church/Deer Run Community for the prayers and wonderful meal following the service, and for any flowers and memorial donations.

**The Ralph H. Dunkle Family**

**A BIG Thank You**

As our 2022 Salvation Army bell ringing season comes to a close, we want to express our thanks to the many bell ringers - you are so appreciated for giving of your time to this worthy cause. Some of you have been ringing with us for decades, and we appreciate your continued dedication to your neighbors in need. We also want to thank the owners of T&K Markets for giving us a warm, dry place to ring the bell, and to the store employees for their pleasantness and courtesies shown to us while we were there. To all of you who dropped coins or cash into the kettle, our most sincere thanks.


*The money that we collect helps the residents of Pendleton County who are in need, and we graciously thank each and every one of you for your kindness and generosity.*

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# Farm Chores Garnered the Attention of the Entire Family

## Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

The days are slowly getting longer, although it won't really be noticeable for another month or so. It is rather inconceivable to think that January is "zooming" by. So, what was it like in the 1700s when work took place during the day?

Most of the folk who moved into this community in the 1700s lived on a farm. They had to work hard all year long just to survive.

A typical day on the farm started early in the morning as soon as the sun began to rise. Farmers needed to take advantage of every minute of daylight to get their work complete. The family would have a quick breakfast of porridge, or pancakes with apple butter, and then everyone would go to work.

The men worked outside on the farm and in the fields. What they did depended on the time of year. During the spring, they would be tilling the soil and planting fields. They had to do all the work by hand or with the help of horses. During the fall they had to gather the harvest. The rest of the time they tended the fields, took care of their livestock, chopped wood, fixed fences, and made repairs on the house. There was always work to be done. A variety of crops were grown with the popular ones including wheat, buckwheat, corn, and hay. Butchering hogs in the fall gave way too many tasty meals.

The women worked just as hard as the men. They prepared the meals, sewed and mended the clothes, made candles, managed the garden, prepared the food for the wintertime, raised the children, churned butter, baked pies and bread, washed and ironed the clothes, did all the spring cleaning which included taking carpets and rugs out to be cleaned, washing down



Students attending the Lone Poplar School around 1919 - 1920 were, from left, first row, Laura Mitchell, Beulah Kiser, Carl Swadley, Blanche Harold, Luther Pitsenbarger (teacher), Russell Hoover, Cleo Harold, Luther Mitchell and Verna Puffenbarger; second row, Celeste Mitchell, Mae Kiser, Berlie Dove, Ruth Kiser, Lottie Kiser, Clona Mitchell, Verdilla Mitchell and Myrtle Kiser; and third row, Henry Pitsenbarger, Eldon Mitchell, Cleman Pitsenbarger, Ollie Pitsenbarger and Erma Pitsenbarger.

the walls, cleaning out the fireplaces, changing out the mattresses, gathering eggs, slopping the pigs, milking the cows, and making quilts.

Most children were put to work as soon as they were able. The boys helped their father with his work, and the girls helped their mother. This way, they learned the skills they would need when they grew up. Most families had six to 11 children, with grandparents being taken care of in the home.

There being no indoor plumbing or electricity, carrying water from the well was a daily exercise, and cleaning the wicks of the lanterns very important. Filling the wood box daily was a necessity as the household depended so much on this.

Horses were an important means of work and transportation. They were expensive, costing up to half a year's wages.

The only day of the week that work was not done was on Sunday. On Sunday, everyone was required to go

to church. Oftentimes, the preacher was invited for lunch where a delicious meal of chicken was served.

These folk were friendly and helpful. They were known for helping out their neighbors whenever there was a need.

Despite working hard all day and wearing the same clothes most of the time, bathing was usually once a week. Most persons had two pair of shoes...one for church and the other for work. Children went barefoot during the summer months and swam in the creeks for fun.

Evenings called for the family to sit by the fireside where stories were told and singing enjoyed. A lot of folklore was handed down from one generation to another. There was a strong bond of family, each one knowing family connections. Yet, there was time to sit on the porch on the warm summer evening to hear the crickets sing and watch the children catch fireflies.

Some of life's instructions to ponder include the following:

1. Floss one's teeth.
2. Take lots of photos.
3. Remember that all news is biased.
4. Don't mess with drugs and don't associate with those who do.
5. Smile often.

Sunday morning temperatures were a chilling 17 degrees. This is quite a change from the 50- and 60-degree temperatures that were enjoyed last week. One can definitely state that winter in this part of the world has its "ups and downs" when speaking of temperatures.

The beautiful moon that shone so brightly was called Wolf Moon.

Life is so much better when seated by the fireside to hear the "Talk of the Grove."

Evelyn Varner enjoyed the visit Saturday of Donnie and Judy Smith of Bridgewater, Virginia.

Recent visitors of Rosalee Grogg were Terri Grogg and Claude.

Quotes for the week are as follows:

"I have found that if you love life, life will love you back." —

Arthur Rubenstein

"If you can't explain it to a 6-year-old, you don't understand it yourself." — Albert Einstein

"Don't let yesterday use up too much of today." — Will Rogers

"It is better to be silent than to dispute with the ignorant." — Pythagoras

"There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it." — Edith Warton

The remainder of the January birthdays are as follows: Andy Hott, 19th; Cary Hevener and Zion Brubeck, 20th; Noah Nelson, Bob Fisher and Catherine Eye, 21st; Jackie Smith and Johnny Dorsey, 22nd; Charles Kiser, 24th; Myra Mitchell and Scott Rightsell, 25th; Violet Eye and Sue Ann Sites, 26th; Jarod Nelson, Marian Williams, and Brandon Simmons, 27th; Jamie Hoover, 28th; Lainey Simmons, 30th; and Jamie Watson, 31st.

This week's clickety-clacks for the chin wagers are as follows:

•Soft drinks got the name "pop" because of the noise they made when the bottle was opened.

•Some Egyptian mummies had false teeth.

•Reindeer have six stomachs.

•Writing was invented about 5,000 years ago.

•A whippoorwill can make its whip-poor-will call up to 1,088 times an hour.

Concerns for this week are many, and they are as follows: Roger and Joan Ashley, Mercedes Aumann, Vernon "Fuzzy" Baldwin, Lynn Beaty, Jack Bennett, Jimmie Bennett, Bill Brackman, Jed Conrad, Jeff Evick, Ina Evick, Dan and Margaret Ferrell, Ron Gilkerson, Lola Graham, Rosalee Grogg, Marvin Hartman, Steve and Armand Heavner, Gary and Jackie Hills, Virgil Homan, Jr., Charles Marie Hoover, Keith Hoover, Myrtle Hoover, Debbie Horst, Doris Hull, Bob and Cynthia Hurry, Lisa Dawn Jamison, Alice Johnson, Kim Kline, Richard Judy, Melissa Lambert, Tammy Lambert, Robert Lambert, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, Betty Mallow, Roger and Skip Mallow, Naomi Michael, Gary Mitchell, Gloria Moats, Joe Moats, the Mary Moats family, the Ruth Moyers family, Melvin Moats, Helen Nash, Aaron Nelson, Ruth Nelson, Bennie Nesselrodt, Cheryl Paine, Sutton Parrack, Shirley Pratt, the Betty Lou Propst family, Kathy Propst, Sheldon Propst, Mary Puffenbarger, Verla Puffenbarger, Jason Rexrode, Jimmy Rexrode, Kent Rexrode, Pam Rexrode, Glen and Jeannie Riggleman, Max Rodriguez, Donna Ruddle, Annie Simmons, Barbara Simmons, Barry and Phyllis Simmons, Davey Simmons, Erin Simmons, Eva Simmons, Tom Simmons, Robbie Sites, Ona Smith, Stanna Smith, Patricia Swecker, Rosa Tichenor, Ed Troutman, Sandra Vandevander, the Charles Lee Whetzel family, Ron White and Judy Williams.

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# Kisamore's 19 Points, Tremendous Team Effort Help Wildcats Ambush Warriors at Home - 86-24

By Stephen Smoot

The Warriors of Pocahontas County sallied forth to engage the Pendleton County Wildcats last week, only to find the home team the better battlers.

Since the Moorefield game, Coach Jeremy Bodkin has worked on his team's approach to games. He explained that "we are still developing patience. It will be an ever-evolving process." Bodkin added, "After the Moorefield loss, we had to make sure that two losses don't turn to three."

Additionally, Clayton Kisamore, who played more outside in the opening games of the season, has made his presence felt in recent weeks at the power forward position. His quick post moves and athleticism down under combined with his court vision and ballhandling make the Wildcats even more formidable, as Union and Pocahontas County witnessed over the past two weeks.

At the outset of the game, Pendleton County worked to establish themselves inside. Wildcat guards delivered entry passes to an active Jacob Beachler, who also snagged three offensive rebounds in the first 30 seconds of play.

Pendleton County established dominance in rebounding at both ends of the floor. Chase Owens put the Wildcats on the board first, grabbing an offensive rebound and scoring a layup 35 seconds into the first quarter. Kisamore made a short bucket off a rebound at the 6:41 mark to put his team up 4-0.

Establishing strength inside opens outside shooters when defenses collapse to prevent short range baskets. The Wildcats took advantage when Pocahontas County tried to stop the inside game. For example, Kisamore received an entry pass, then kicked it back to an open Owens for a 17-footer with just over six minutes left.

The Wildcats used crisp passing and quick decision-making to find open shooters and keep the defense on their heels. A Dusty Smith steal led to an entry pass to Kisamore who dished the ball to a streaking Beachler. He made a quick move and scored the layup with five minutes in the quarter. Beachler shortly thereafter swatted a Warrior shot, one of many blocks for him on the night.

The lead grew quickly, hitting 15-1 about midway through the quarter. Even as Coach Bodkin halted the smothering Wildcat press, Pocahontas County still struggled to score. The Wildcats stuck to their inside-out game plan even as they substituted. With the quarter winding down, Evan Teter took a Dillon Smith entry pass quickly to the hole, drawing a foul. Teter made one of two, putting his team up 17-3. Scoring in the quarter closed in dramatic style as Josiah Kimble sliced his way to the basket for a layup that fell only a second before the buzzer.

Second quarter action opened with a Brayden Beachler steal that opened a fast break. Dusty Smith received a pass on the post, but quickly whipped the ball back outside to a waiting Dustin Vandevander. He then buried a

three-pointer that extended the lead to 28-7.

Pocahontas County struggled to get into their offensive sets until almost the end of the game. Even without the press, shooters hoisted shots from outside as soon as they found themselves open with little positive effect. Meanwhile, the Wildcats stuck to their game plan to build a lead that hit 43-9 at the half.

Teter continued to make plays in the second quarter. At the 1:47 mark, he used a move to slide from the left to right post, executing a graceful reverse layup to complete the play. Then he ended the half by coming up with a steal. Scoring in the half ended with Kisamore driving to the basket, executing a Eurostep move to avoid the defender, then laying the ball in with 10 seconds to go.

The third quarter saw Pendleton County increasingly rely on cutters to get shots close to the basket. At the 6:30 mark, Kisamore pushed the ball ahead to Dusty Smith, who found a cutting Owens. Owens scored the layup, drew the foul, then completed the old fashioned three-point play from the foul line. Meanwhile, Brayden Beachler continued to harangue the Warriors as he disrupted play after play with steals and defensive intensity.

Despite the big lead and constant substitutions, the Wildcats never dropped their intensity. With 3:22 left in the third, Zykijah Wright fought for a rebound and scored to extend the lead to 64-14. Not long after, Dillon Smith dove out of bounds, successfully slinging the ball off a Warrior player to keep possession.

The Wildcats continued to claw the Warriors in the fourth quarter. In an incredible sequence with 4:26 to play, Wright was fouled in the act of shooting. He made the first, missed the second, rebounded the miss, and sank a three-pointer from near the top of the key. This extended the lead to 71-22. Cashton Kisamore shortly after took a Kimble entry pass, executed a drop step, and laid the ball in the hoop.

With 2:14 left, once again the hustle of Wright led to a great play. He tracked down a rebound in the corner, fired a quick pass to Dillon Smith. Smith immediately located Brayden Beachler camping alone just under the basket. Beachler laid the ball up for yet another Pendleton County score near the basket. Wildcat players toward the end of the game passed up easy fast break points in favor of running their offense to find baskets.

Pendleton County scoring closed for the night with a Kimble three-pointer followed immediately by a three from Brayden Beachler. After these shots, the Wildcats executed a near textbook "Dean Smith" four corners offense to run the clock out.

The Wildcats host Harman High School tomorrow night. Exactly one month prior, Harman eked out a 36-35 win over mutual opponent Union.

Scoring: Clayton Kisamore 19, Kimble 13, Owens 13, Jacob Beachler 12, Zykijah Wright 8, Brayden Beachler 7, Teter 7, Vandevander 3, Dillon Smith 2, Cashton Kisamore 2.

# Veterans Receive Blankets, Gift Boxes



The VFW Post 9666 Sugar Grove delivered 22 gift boxes and 50 blankets to veterans in the Riverton and Franklin area during the holiday season. Items for the gift boxes were donated by Timothy and Felicia Arbaugh and community residents. The boxes were delivered in the Riverton area by Timothy Arbaugh, Post 9666 member, and in the Franklin area by Allen Moats, post commander. Charles Teter receives a gift box from Arbaugh, left, and Tom Campbell receives a box from Moats.

## Library

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County Historical Society to learn their processes and see if they might work for the Friends of the Library. A board member also mentioned that the system must account for the fact that those who sign up late in the year, such as at the Treasure Mountain Festival, do not have to pay dues until the following year. It was agreed that having a system that could send reminders about meetings, dues, etc., would be helpful.

Board members also saw the annual newsletter set for distribution this month. The newsletter features the activities and progress from the previous year. This year's started with "It is with joy that we report on another year." Donations from the Friends of the Library to the Pendleton County Library totaled \$2,295, a huge help to an institution that runs on a thin margin of funding.

The newsletter showcased community events at the library, including a presentation for children about lessons from Charlie Brown and the Peanuts cartoon, the story time program led by Becky McConnell, library director, and her staff, local musicians headlining fundraisers, and much more.

The group praised Future Generations for donating printing services. Board members noted that they used paper that cost less, but added more flexibility to the creation of brochures or trifold style fliers. Because Future Generations printed the newsletter in house, it took only two weeks to receive the materials.

Hoover also wrote that "the library and our Friends group is reaching out to help the community in all we do. We welcome and thank everyone who participates or helps us out in any way."

The next regular meeting will take place on Feb 7.

## Region 8

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work. The number may fluctuate up or down during a client's tenure in the program as a result. Limited resources limit the number of participants and number of hours.

The program covers Pendleton, Grant, Mineral, Hardy, Morgan, Berkeley, and Jefferson counties in West Virginia and Frederick and Shenandoah in Virginia. Goodwill Industries accepts many of the clients, in part because helping the recently incarcerated is part of their overall mission. Clients also receive placements into county senior and family service agencies, school systems, and other nonprofits that serve disadvantaged populations.

Only one participant in the program comes from Pendleton County. Fortner says, however, that she has received requests for multiple placements. "Right now, I have been contacted by the Pendleton County Board of Education. They'd like to have participants in Franklin Elementary School, Brandywine Elementary School, and North Fork Elementary School. If I get more than they need, I will spend time trying to find organizations who need placements."

Any placements into the school system would be vetted and checked in the same way as any other volunteers, athletic coaches, or staff before starting.

Fortner advises that participants start looking for regular employment while still in the program. That way, if the actual job is not a good fit, they still have time to return to the program and learn more skills before the year limit expires.

She adds that the best outcome is when the placement organization offers the client a regular job. This happens often with the most motivated and hardest working clients. Fortner described a client who was not a great fit for the first placement, but thrived when moved to a new one. "Two weeks later, they hired her," she said.

# 4-H'ers Participate in Christmas Parade



Pendleton County 4-H members decked out their Christmas parade float with green lights and 4-H gear during the 2022 Winter Wonderland Lighted Christmas parade. Members and volunteers had a great time showing their Christmas and 4-H spirit throughout town during the event. Four-H'ers participating were, from left, front row, Katie Keyser, Alex Adams, Easton Boner, Owen Champ, Bryce Propst, Everett Boner, Ross Pownell, Vaylee Harper, Bella Hoover, Hannah Heavner, Kallie Keyser and Erica Sterbra; and, back row, Katie Heavner, Tia Heavner, Cole Harper, Phoebe Pownell, Mason Harper, Zander Adams, Ty Heavner, McKenna Hedrick, Lydia Heavner and Tanner Hedrick.

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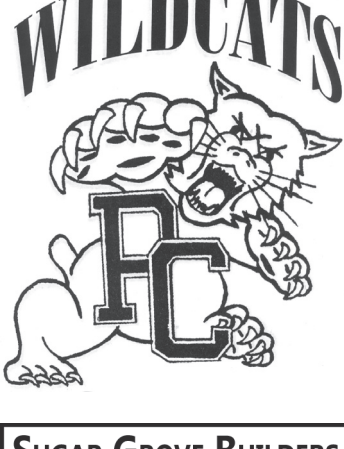


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### SPECIAL NOTICES

**NOTICE**  
The annual meeting of the Potomac Highlands Rec. Center will be held Saturday, January 21, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the conference room. Public is invited to attend. 1-12-2c

### NOTICE

**RECOVERY CELEBRATION** Saturdays at 6 p.m., Fairview-Bethel United Methodist Church, Siple Mountain Road, Fort Seybert. (signed credit available) Meet-Greet-Eat. 5-12-tfn

### LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PENDLETON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA:**  
**IN RE: IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF: MARION W.**  
CASE NO. 23-A-1

### NOTICE IS GIVEN

**YOU, JORDAN FROELICH,** and to all persons who may be affected or prejudiced by the above specified action, that on January 3, 2023, an Adoption Petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Pendleton County, West Virginia. That on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, a hearing will be held on the Adoption Petition in the Courtroom of the Pendleton County Courthouse located at 100 South Main Street, Franklin, West Virginia 26807. **JORDAN FROELICH** your parental rights, if any, may be terminated in the proceeding and that you may appear and defend any such rights within the required time after this service and if you fail to respond within the required time after this service, you may not appear in or receive further notice of the aforementioned adoption proceedings. Additionally, an Order may be entered against you for the relief requested for in the Adoption Petition;  
2. A copy of this Order shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Pendleton County, West Virginia, for two times as required by law; and,  
3. A copy of this Order shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Ward County, North South Dakota, for two times as required by law.  
Dated January 3, 2023  
Shalee D. Wilburn, Clerk 1-12-2c

### NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW AND EQUALIZATION

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**  
You are hereby notified that the County Commission of Pendleton County will meet as a Board of Review and Equalization of Pendleton County, West Virginia, at the Courthouse of said Pendleton County beginning on  
February 1, 2023

For the purpose of reviewing and equalizing the assessment of said Pendleton County, as returned by the Assessor thereof, and said Board will continue to meet in session from day to day as long as the said Board deems that it will be justified in remaining in session. The land books and personal property books of said Pendleton County for this current year will then be open for inspection and any person, or persons may examine the same and have any errors corrected that may appear in the assessment of his or their property and do such other and further things as may be necessary to protect his interest therein. If any person fails to apply for relief at such meeting, then he shall be deemed to have waived his right to ask for any correction in his assessment list as fixed by the aforesaid Pendleton County Commission, acting in the capacity of said boards, and he shall not thereafter be permitted to question the correctness of his list.  
Anyone desiring to appear before said Board should contact Elise M. White, P.O. Box 1167, Franklin, WV 26807, or call 304-358-2505.  
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Pendleton County, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Review and Equalization 1-12-2c

## Four-day Mountaineer Heritage Season Opens Today

West Virginia's four-day Mountaineer Heritage Season for deer, bear and turkey opens today.  
This unique season, which runs through Jan. 15, gives hunters an additional opportunity to target big game and is designed to reconnect West Virginians to the hunting and outdoor traditions that have shaped the state's culture and history.  
The season is open in all 55 counties. Hunters may only use primitive-style weapons, including longbows and recurve bows, muzzleloading black powder rifles and pistols with a flint-lock or percussion cap action. However, only long and recurve bows are legal in Logan, McDowell, Mingo and Wyoming counties. Modern muzzleloaders with a scope are not permitted anywhere for this season.  
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**Notice of Public Hearing**  
Pendleton County Schools will conduct the second mandatory public hearing for community comment on the 2022-2023 public school calendar on January 17, 2023 at the Pendleton County Board Office Annex at 5:30 p.m. 1-5-2c

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
The administration of the following estates is pending in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Pendleton County, West Virginia, 100 S. Main Street, P. O. Box 1167, Franklin, West Virginia 26807. The names of the personal representatives are set forth below.

**ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:**  
All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections that challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Commission are required to file their objections with this Commission WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF NOTICE, whichever is later.  
All creditors of the decedent(s) and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate(s) must file their claims with this Commission WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.  
ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

**WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**  
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# Pendleton County One of Top Spots in the Eastern United States for Star Gazing

By Stephen Smoot

Only two hours away from Brandywine, on the eastern edge of Pendleton County, sit the heavily populated suburban cities of Northern Virginia. Almost every night brings either a featureless dark sky or varying shades of orange tinged with black or gray as they reflect the lights from below.

The night sky over most of eastern West Virginia, however, radiates the star-studded sky in all of its glory. Bright stars and planets dot the firmament, bisected by the soft glowing band of the Milky Way Galaxy.

While most in the region may take an unobstructed view of a brilliant night sky for granted, over most of the eastern United States, such a sight has become a rare privilege. According to the International Dark Sky Association, or IDA, modern industrial civilization produces a side effect of light pollution. Light pollution can come from exterior and even interior lighting, as well as advertising, street light, illuminated outdoor sporting venues, and more.

Experts call the resulting sky with varying levels of artificial illumination "skyglow." According to the World Atlas of Artificial Night Sky Brightness, four out of five people worldwide, including 99% of those living in Europe and the United States, do not have a consistently clear view of the night sky.

Astronomer David Burnham told West Virginia Explorer magazine that "if you want to know what the sky looked like in the good ol' days, come to West Virginia

where the sky can grow brilliant with stars."

The IDA last year named Watoga State Park in Pocahontas County as its first official skygazing spot in West Virginia, but the state offers a list of great locations, including in Pendleton County. Since then, they have also named Droop Mountain Battlefield and Calvin Price State Forest as official sites.

Two years ago, the West Virginia State Department of Tourism released its top sites in the state to view clear skies. After Calhoun County Park, the state agency listed Spruce Knob as an ideal location for camping and stargazing. Near the summit, Experience Learning operates a 400-acre facility where they rent out sustainable yurts that allow campers to enjoy the night sky, even from the comfort of their bed.

Experience Learning also offers a wide range of camps, as well as educational and recreational opportunities for visitors to enjoy both the sky and the surrounding landscape.

Local skygazing aficionados do not need to drive to officially listed sites to see clear skies. The sparse population of Pendleton and surrounding counties, as well as the undeveloped lands of the area's national forests, prevents significant amounts of light from blocking clear views.

The other benefit of West Virginia as a skygazing destination lies in the fact that, at least for now, the best views are not overrun by masses of people. Other major sky viewing areas in the state include the upper Little Kanawha River Valley and the Yew Mountains adjoining Cranberry Glades.

# Lions Club Honors Grimm, Keller, Marsh



Franklin Lions Club president, Clay Richardson, presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship award to Bob Grimm for his dedication to humanitarian service. The club has made a \$1,000 donation in his name to Lions Clubs International Foundation, the organization that gave matching funds for the nursing home project in 2015. Also honored at the meeting were Ed Keller, who has been a member of the Lions Club for 70 years, and Nichole Marsh, Lion of the Year. Pictured are, from left, Bob Grimm, Nichole Marsh and Ed Keller.



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**2023**

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<b>SGR265A</b> .63 Acre lot, located in Brandywine. <b>NEW LISTING \$7,900.00.</b>	<b>SGR234</b> 10.21 Acres (2 parcels, Lots 3 & 6), Well, Septic, Ravens Rock Development, Franklin District. <b>\$90,900.00.</b>
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<b>SGR259A</b> 230.83 Acres, more or less, Spring, Septic, Electric available, Subject to 4-year farm lease. Sugar Grove District. <b>NEW LISTING \$869,000.00.</b>	<b>SGR223</b> 0.6673 Acres w/Spacious 3 Bed, 2 Bath Home, 2090 sq. ft., 1 Car Detached Garage. Franklin Corp. <b>NEW LISTING \$329,000.00.</b>
<b>SGR257A</b> 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. <b>NEW LISTING \$80,000.00.</b>	<b>SGR216</b> 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. <b>\$79,900.00 REDUCED \$74,500.00</b>
<b>SGR255A</b> 2 Bed, 1 Bath recently remodeled home w/ basement on 1.02 Acres w/road access. Located between Seneca Rocks & Riverton. <b>NEW LISTING \$224,900.00.</b>	<b>SGR197</b> 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. <b>\$1,749,000.00.</b>
<b>SGR252A</b> 81.01 Acres, more or less, Lot 7, Seneca Lookout, adjoining National Forest. Spring on property. North Fork hiking trail crosses. Union District. Covenants & Restrictions. <b>NEW LISTING \$519,000.00.</b>	<b>SGR190</b> 3.97 Acres, Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Level Bldg. Site, Mature Timber. <b>\$49,900.00.</b>
<b>SGR249</b> 1.417 Acres, more or less, Lot 10, Highland Estates, Grant County, Perc approved. Some Restrictions. <b>NEW LISTING \$31,500.00.</b>	<b>SGR188</b> 22.72 Acres, Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Hunting, Bldg. Sites. <b>\$179,900.00.</b>
<b>SGR248</b> 1.407 Acres, more or less, Lot 9, Highland Estates, Grant County, Perc approved. Some Restrictions. <b>NEW LISTING \$31,500.00.</b>	<b>SGR187</b> 8.87 Acres, Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Views, Bldg. Sites. <b>\$79,900.00.</b>
<b>SGR247A</b> 12 Acres, more or less, w/386 sq. ft. 1 Bedroom Cabin, Loft, Cisterne, etc. Located Buffalo Hills Vista, Franklin District. <b>NEW LISTING \$199,000.00.</b>	<b>SGR176</b> 2.02 Acres Raw Land, Rocky Mountain Rd, Deer Run area. Electric nearby. <b>\$19,900.00.</b>
<b>SGR246</b> 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. <b>\$998,700.00.</b>	<b>SGR174</b> 8.94 Acres, w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Doublewide, unfinished basement, Heat Pump, Propane, Central AC, Shop. <b>\$299,000.00, \$279,000.00 REDUCED \$239,000.00.</b>
<b>SGR245</b> 0.96 Acres w/2 Bed, 1.5 Bath 1900's Remodeled Cottage, Seneca Rocks. <b>\$249,900.00 REDUCED \$234,900.00.</b>	<b>SGR156</b> 15.97 Acres, Rolling Hills Estate, Electric nearby, Water available. Hardy County. <b>\$95,000.00. REDUCED \$89,900.00.</b>
<b>SGR244</b> 0.14 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath 1,008 sq. ft. Home, Bonus Room, Metal Roof, Mini-Splits. Franklin Corp. <b>\$149,900.00. REDUCED \$144,900.00.</b>	<b>SGR128</b> 2-3 Bedroom Ranch w/Full Basement on 0.6386 Acres, more or less, Moyers Gap Rd, Sugar Grove District. <b>NEW LISTING \$169,000.00.</b>
<b>SGR238</b> 533.29 Assessed Acres. Mobile home w/ addition and new roof over both. Pastureland, Pond. <b>\$979,000.00.</b>	<b>SGR042</b> 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! <b>\$399,000.00.</b>
<b>SGR237</b> 4.62 Acres, w/Home, Barn, Smokehouse & Shed located on Hammer Run Rd., Franklin District. <b>\$269,000.00 REDUCED \$239,000.00.</b>	<b>SGR634</b> 2.77 Acres, Raw Land, Hawes Run, Great Commercial Property, on US 33, Brandywine. <b>\$75,000.00. REDUCED \$69,500.00.</b>
	<b>SGR441</b> Residential lots, public water, protective covenants and restrictions. Oak Flat Estates near Brandywine on Rte 33 East of Franklin. Lots from <b>\$20,760.00.</b>
	<b>SGR247</b> Residential lots with town water, sewer & underground utilities. Protective covenants and restrictions. Franklin Airport Development. Lots from <b>\$14,630.00.</b>