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TMF Future Threatened



The 55th annual Treasure Mountain Festival is scheduled to take place Sept. 14 - 17. Without new volunteers willing to oversee the event, it could be the last festival.

The Treasure Mountain Festival Association current board of directors will be retiring at the end of December 2023. If no volunteers step forward to take over the positions of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, the association will be dissolved.

In a release to the paper, the current board stated that “it has become increasingly difficult in the past few years to find volunteers to help with the festival as well as personnel to take over the positions on the board of directors.

“This is not an easy decision for the association board to make. There are members of the board who have been doing work for the festival and the association for more than 25 years. With the lack of response from members of the community to be volunteers or to serve on the board and maintain the business of the association, more and more tasks and responsibilities have been put on fewer and fewer people.”

The next meeting of the association will be held at 6 p.m. March 9 in the meeting room at the bowling alley in Franklin. Members of the board are urging all willing participants to attend.

For questions or more information concerning the future of the association, contact Carolyn Simmons, 304-358-7810 or email at cshds@yahoo.com.

Turner Serves As House of Delegate Page



Victoria Turner of Sugar Grove had the honor of serving as page for Pendleton County Delegate Bryan Ward on Feb. 3 during the annual “Homeschool Day at the Capitol.” After the House of Delegates session, Turner and her parents, Michael and Sarah Turner, were able to meet with both Ward and Elias Coop-Gonzalez, the county’s second delegate, to discuss homeschooling and other current topics. Turner is an eighth grader at her homeschool in Sugar Grove. She is the granddaughter of Larry and Jane Whetzel of Brandywine.

Conservation Agency Alerts County Commission to Problem Of Aging Flood Control Dams

By Stephen Smoot

The Pendleton County Commission held its second meeting of February last Tuesday. During the invocation to start the meeting, Commissioner Roger Dahmer stated during the opening prayer “by serving You, we are serving the people.”

Lois Carr and her staff from the Potomac Valley Conservation District provided an update on the state and local system of small watershed flood control dams. Throughout the state, 170 small dams, 22 in the South Branch Valley watershed alone, help to contain the rise

of potential floodwaters during major storms. Some, such as Dam Site 14 at the head of New Creek in Grant County, serve as tourist attractions. The West Virginia Department of Natural Resources even provides a fishing guide for it. Most, however, create small ponds on property held by private landowners.

According to the West Virginia Conservation Agency, the dams offer an estimated \$90 million worth of flood protection for the state. They directly protect 66% of lives and property in the state.

One concern raised by WVCA lay in the recent determination of the South

Branch Valley watershed as a “high alert” zone. This does not mean that dams face urgent structural issues so much as that the area has developed dramatically since the federal government ordered their construction almost seven decades ago. More farms, businesses, and homes lay in areas potentially threatened if these dams could not fulfill their function.

They addressed worries reported by concerned citizens about the buildup of sediment in the lakes and ponds over time. “They’re doing what they were designed

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Emergency Planning Committee Discusses Storage Tanks

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, the county’s Local Emergency Planning Committee, or LEPC, held a meeting at AGK Restaurant in Franklin.

According to the West Virginia Emergency Management website, LEPCs develop emergency response planning. For many areas, emergency planning focuses on developing a plan of response to chemical spills. They “must develop an emergency response plan, review the plan at least annually, and provide information about chemicals in the community to citizens.” Plans are made with the assistance of appropriate community stakeholders.

At the opening of the meeting Bruce Minor, president of the committee, updated the group on “tabletop exercises.” This planning and information event took place at the community building immediately prior to the LEPC meeting. Minor explained that “it went very well. We got food for thought.”

While Pendleton County does not have a major chemical industry, as Kanawha County enjoys, the LEPC creates plans to encompass local storage tanks. Minor explained that agencies must try to identify all tanks in the region that fall under their purview, as well as those that might lie in areas covered by mutual aid. “If

someone has chemicals and has not reported, talk to them,” he said.

Minor went on to say that “fire departments and EMS need to know what they are walking into.”

Diane Mitchell, representing Pendleton County 911, asked, “does that include farmers?” Minor answered, “it does if they have chemicals.”

Frank Wehrle, Town of Franklin administrator, added that they self-reported even though they knew that their storage tanks did not require it under the law. Communication towers also fall under reporting guidelines due to batteries con-

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Community CALENDAR

Broadband Work To Begin Monday

Broadband deployment work is currently scheduled to begin the week of Feb. 20 in the area of residents near Blue Gray Trail (from top of South Fork Mountain to Oak Flat) and Sweedlin Valley Road. Shentel, the internet service provider, will begin to install residential internet service drops on Monday.

Homeowners should expect to see construction crews installing fiber from the nearest existing utility pole to the home’s utility service entrance. This field work is scheduled to be complete by May 26.

This work is financed through an Emergency Connectivity Funded Grant Program and will be at no cost to the homeowner.

Morrissey’s Staff To Visit Tuesday

A representative from Attorney General Patrick Morrissey’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.

Board of Education Meeting Covers Special Programs

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, the Pendleton County Board of Education held its final meeting for the month of February. To kick off the meeting, Nicole Hevener discussed the school system’s plans for National School Counselors’ Week. “Each day of the school calendar has been highlighted with a bio about them,” she stated.

She then updated the board on personnel changes, saying “I am thankful to say no resignations and no retirements.” The board then approved all of the proposed hires of staff, teachers, and volunteers.

J. P. Mowery provided the financial update. He went over each of the bills for the board, noting that “I can’t say enough about Southern States of Moorefield” in terms of providing fuel. “They’ve treated us pretty well,” he added. Mowery followed that with a discussion of the county’s recent success in winning funding. “We have now more individual grants of various sizes than we’ve ever had.” He said that perhaps 75 grants currently supported county school

and related operations. “We have more vocational funding than we’ve ever had,” Mowery added.

The HOPE Scholarship’s impact on the growth of education alternatives will not affect county school funding under the state’s formula. Mowery explained in detail how the state helps sparsely populated counties to not experience a penalty from declining enrollments of Pendleton or similar counties. The policy establishes a funding floor of \$1,400 per student for counties with lower student numbers, which ends up being “good for the folks with HOPE Scholarships and good for the school system.”

He then highlighted key parts of the budget to explain different programs and projects. The school system, for instance, signed up for a service called Thrillshare. This program, offered by a company named “Apptegy,” provides next generation communications capabilities between teachers, staff, students, and others.

Mowery also shared costs of renovations of school owned buildings. Travis

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Music, Food, and Fun Highlights The Friends of the Library Annual Dinner and Meeting



Walter Hojka and his Snowy Mountain String Band entertain the Friends of the Library with traditional Appalachian music at its annual dinner.

By Stephen Smoot

During the invocation to open the 2023 Friends of the Library Annual Dinner, Rick Gardner said “I pray that we have good fellowship.” In that sense for certain, the group more than accomplished its goal.

Festivities opened at 5 p.m. with a social hour and potluck dinner. Group members brought their best, including homemade meatballs, potato casserole, spinach dip, pigs in a blanket, a variety of cakes and other desserts, and many more goodies. The

Friends of the Library also set out a table filled with used books, mainly about military history, fiction, biography, and art. Each attendee was invited to claim one book to take home.

Last year, 28 people attended the dinner, but last Saturday’s event attracted more than 60 to the meal and celebration of the year.

At 6 p.m., the group held its official meeting. After the secretary and finance reports, director Becky McConnell gave an overview of the library during the past year.

She described some of the programs held for children. These included a “History Alive” program featuring a portrayal of Charles Schultz of “Peanuts” fame and a summer reading program following the theme “Oceans of Possibility.”

The summer reading program taught ocean ecology, but also featured art projects. Children took items normally thrown away as trash, or at least not normally seen as art supplies, and created art from them. As McConnell explained,

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OBITUARIES



William Robert Brackman

William Robert Brackman, 69, of Sugar Grove passed away peacefully Feb. 9, 2023, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on March 28, 1953, at Clifton Forge, Virginia, the only child of the late Deward C. and Betty W. (War-nick) Brackman.

After graduating high school, Mr. Brackman attended Blue Ridge Community College pursuing a degree in police science. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served from 1972-1974.

He had worked at Augusta Correctional Center in maintenance before moving to Sugar Grove where he then worked for Bowman Hardware in Franklin until his retirement.

He was always eager to help others with their projects or in any way that he was needed. He was passionate about caring for and supporting others, and he certainly did not disappoint when it came to wholeheartedly loving his family. He will be deeply missed by his family, friends and all who knew him as he was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend to all.

On April 9, 2009, he married his wife of 14 years, Rose Mary (Long) Brackman, who survives.

In addition to his wife, he leaves behind to cherish his memory two sons, William Brackman (Anita) of Churchville, Virginia, and David Brackman (Tonya) of Staunton, Virginia; a daughter, Cathy Hensley of Radford, Virginia; bonus children, David Allen Arbaugh (Wendy) of Sugar Grove, Troy Bennett (Missy) of Petersburg, Shelly Simmons (Donnie) of Hinton, Virginia, Todd Bennett of Circleville, Deborah Bennett of Fairmont, and Michael Arbaugh (Vickie) of Fulks Run, Virginia; grandchildren, Ashton Smith, Cole Brackman, Dawson Brackman, Grayson Hensley, Taylor Brackman and Jenna Brackman; many loving bonus grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and his special fur-baby, "Milo."

In honoring Mr. Brackman's wishes, his body has been cremated.

A celebration of life service was held Tuesday in the chapel of the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin with Pastor Sam Harper officiating. Military honors were conducted by the U.S. Army, Camp Dawson.

Memorials may be made to Sugar Grove Rescue Squad.

Memories of words and comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.



Arthur Junior Sawyers

Arthur Junior Sawyers, 71, of Fort Seybert went to be with his heavenly father on Feb. 7, 2023, while a patient at Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center in Richmond, Virginia.

He was born Oct. 28, 1951, in Bluefield, Virginia, and was the son of the late Junior Frazier Sawyers and Ethel Marie (Alley) Sawyers.

Mr. Sawyers was a veteran, having served in the U.S. Army, a plumber by trade, a jack of all trades and a master of many. He had a great work ethic and loved helping others. He enjoyed working with leather and created numerous belts and gun slings for many around the county.

He loved the Lord and was an active member of Christ Central Community Church. He was a past member of the South Fork Ruritan Club.

He loved his family dearly. He also loved hunting and was a Master of Archery and Master Scuba Diver in his younger years.

The love of his life, his wife of 50 years, Mary (Breece) Sawyers, survives.

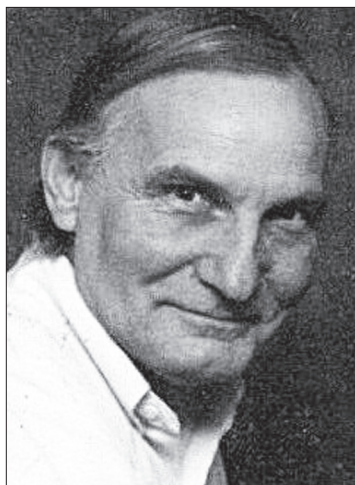
Also surviving are a daughter, Amanda Fike and husband, Doug; two sons, Jason Sawyers and fiancée, Jarell Sowell of Moorefield, and Steven Toney of Tazewell, Virginia; three sisters, Virgie Lane, Shelby Orlando (Cory) and Dreama Adams (Tony); seven grandchildren, Fanta Kaba, Bintou Kaba (Tyler Seabolt), Salou Sawyers, Amanda Sawyers, Jae'Sean Sawyers, Janiyah Sawyers and Kellan Sawyers; and three great-grandchildren, Tashaun, Nailah and Omilani Seabolt.

A funeral service was held on Sunday at Christ Central Community Church near Upper Tract with Pastor Sam Harper officiating. Military honors were accorded by the West Virginia Army Honor Guard. Private interment was at Oaklawn Cemetery near Franklin.

Memorials may be made to Gideons International, PO Box 582, Franklin, WV 26807.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.kimblefuneralhome.com.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Kimble Funeral Home in Franklin.



Johnny William Mick

Johnny William Mick, 69, of Circleville passed away Feb. 8, 2023, at Grant Memorial Hospital in Petersburg.

He was born on Feb. 24, 1953, in Blue Grass, Virginia, the son of the late Robert and Maggie (Hedrick) Mick.

Mr. Mick attended school in Blue Grass, Virginia, and he was a Pentecostal by faith.

He was noted as one of the best mechanics around and had worked for Allegheny Wood, Ted Davis Auto and Rexrode Logging.

He loved spending time with his grandchildren and hunting. He was very talented and could build anything. He and his wife took pride in building their home together on their own.

On Jan. 25, 2011, Mr. Mick faced death with a ruptured aortic aneurysm, but God spared his life and honored him with 12 more years in which he fought hard to improve things during that time.

On Aug. 16, 1974, he married Gloria Lynn (Paugh) Mick, who survives.

In addition to his wife, he leaves behind to cherish his memory three sons, Alonzo Mick (Jessica) of Troy, Tennessee, Jody Mick (Samantha) of Baker and Christopher Mick (Sylvia) of Circleville; eight grandchildren, Cory, Taylor, Tyler, Cheyenne, Kelsi, Aurora, Dominic and Xander; four sisters, Freda Vandevander, Mottie Bennett (Lacy) and Wanda Bennett, all of Circleville, and Angela Cosner (Rocky) of Mt. Storm; and many nieces and nephews including a special nephew, Morgan Lambert.

He was also preceded in death by three sisters, Callie, Flornie and Patsy; a brother, Robert "June" Mick, Jr.; and two half brothers, Raymond and Donald Mick.

Funeral services were held Sunday in the chapel of the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin with Rev. George Lambert II, Rev. George Lambert, Sr., and Rev. Lewis Paugh officiating.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.

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Robert Evan Crider

Robert Evan Crider, 60, of Brandywine passed away Feb. 7, 2023, at his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on May 14, 1962, in Harrisonburg, Virginia, the son of the late Luther Wayne "Pap" and Anna Lee "Bootie" Crider.

Mr. Crider attended Franklin High School and was a member of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Franklin.

He was an avid sportsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing, West Virginia University sports and playing softball in Brandywine. He had worked as a truck driver for eight years for Superior Concrete. He loved spending time with his family and treasured every moment with them.

On Nov. 18, 1982, he married Wendy (Eye) Crider, who survives in Brandywine.

In addition to his wife, he leaves behind to cherish his memory a daughter, Kimberly Ann Reyes (Fredy) of Brandywine; a son, Joshua Wayne Crider (Lindsay Kazarick) of Brandywine; four sisters, Deborah Eye and Cathy Adams (Mike), all of Brandywine, and Sharon Wheeler and Rebecca Sager (Mark), all of Broadway, Virginia; a sister-in-law, Juanita "Dee" Crider of Knoxville, Tennessee; three granddaughters, Aliya, Kayleigh and Yaslin; a grandson, Lucas; and his three "furry friends," Roxy, Harley, and Noodle.

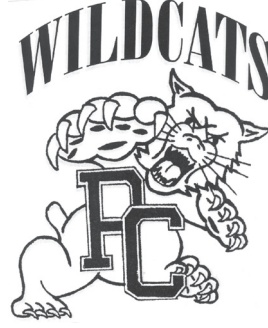
He was also preceded in death by a brother, Joseph Wayne Crider.

In honoring his wishes, his body has been cremated.

A celebration of life service was held Saturday in the chapel of the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin with Father Dan Pisano officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to South Fork Rescue Squad.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at www.basagic.com or on Facebook at Basagic Funeral Home.



Olie "Bardon" Warner

Olie "Bardon" Warner, 88, husband of Dorothy "Dot" Ann (Gum) Warner of Blue Grass, Virginia, passed away Feb. 10, 2023, at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born Oct. 19, 1934 in Riverton, a son of the late Emory John and Tena Catherine (Judy) Warner.

An active member of his community, Mr. Warner was a member of the Hightown United Methodist Church, Blue Grass Ruritan Club, Highland County Farm Bureau and the Sheep and Wool Producers Association and caretaker of both Blue Grass and Hightown cemeteries.

A life-long farmer, he enjoyed his cattle, sheep, donkeys, horses and his barn cat, "Meow." He also built a sawmill where he liked to spend as much time as possible.

In his spare time, he could be found playing his guitar, singing his favorite songs and playing with his band "The Blue Grass Valley Boys." He also enjoyed tending to his honey bee hives and growing his prize-winning potatoes. Above all, he will be remembered as one to always lend a helping hand.

In addition to his wife of 67 years, he leaves behind two daughters, Tena W. Turner and spouse, Dean of Fishersville, Virginia, and Crystal W. Stephenson and spouse, Troy of Glen Allen, Virginia;

two sons, Robert "Barney" Bardon Warner and spouse, Robin of Blue Grass, Virginia, and Timothy W. Warner and late companion, Bill Newman of Landenburg, Pennsylvania; five brothers, Buddy of Green Bank, Ray and Gene, both of Beverly, Steve of Valley Bend and Kenneth Warner of Elkins; four sisters, Ina W. Pitsenbarger of Franklin, Mary W. Tenney and Kitty W. Ball, both of Elkins, and Linda W. Cross of Beverly; three grandchildren, Jonathan C. Warner and spouse, Sara of Blue Grass, Virginia, Jess C. Warner of Pensacola, Florida, and Caitlyn T. Maxfield and spouse, Ian of Zebulon, North Carolina; two great-grandchildren, Bonnie Jean and Margo June Warner, both of Blue Grass, Virginia; an aunt, Mary W. Marshall of Blue Grass, Virginia; as well as his special "sidekick," Adam Snook of Seabeck, Washington.

He was also preceded in death by brothers, Roy "Butch" Warner and infant brother, Richard Warner; and half sister, Marie Cobb.

A funeral service was held Tuesday at Obaugh Funeral Home in McDowell, Virginia, with pastor George Taylor and Rev. Andre Crummett officiating. Burial followed in Blue Grass Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Rod Ritchie, Dakota Ritchie, George Smith Jr., Gary Jack, Chris Swecker, Herb Lightner, Lanny Wimer and Mike Marshall.

Honorary pallbearers were Harold Arbogast, Nathan Rexrode, Alvie Humphreys, Jake Colaw, Jackie Will and Junior Kimble.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Blue Grass Cemetery, 3042 Blue Grass Valley Road, Blue Grass, VA 24413, Hightown Cemetery, c/o Sarah Shifflett, 87 Maple Sugar Road, Hightown, VA 24465 or to a charity of one's choice.

Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.obaughfuneralhome.com.

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Olivia Irene Orndorff

Our dear, sweet, Olivia Irene Orndorff went to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Feb. 10, 2023. She passed away peacefully with her husband by her side at Rockingham Memorial Hospital in Harrisonburg, Virginia, following a long battle with colon cancer.

A graduate of Franklin High School, Mrs. Orndorff was very proud of her West Virginia roots. After high school, she moved to Virginia where she earned a degree in biology from Bridgewater

College and later met the love her life, her husband, Craig.

She was an avid sports fan, loved music, reading and crafting, but most importantly, snuggling with her pups. Toby and Nibbler, the “boys” served faithfully as her sweet companions and “puppy lap blanket”.

Her faith was an essential part of her life. She evangelized everyone she touched and if necessary, she used words.

She was an active member of Harrisonburg First Church of the Nazarene. She loved her church family and always enjoyed helping others wherever she was able, including “Best Week Ever” and “Hope Distributed.”

For many years, she participated in the Relay for Life movement, raising funds to find a cure and free the world from cancer. She volunteered at the Hahn Cancer Center, providing encouragement to other patients and assisting staff wherever she could until her declining health made it impossible. Understanding firsthand their needs, she started the Hahn Cancer Center “Rookie Bags” program.

Collecting donations, she filled individual bags with essential items and notes of encouragement for new patients who were just starting their cancer treatment journey.

If a person knew her, even briefly, one would have witnessed her courage, strong faith and heart for others. It is believed she would want to leave a person with her favorite expression, “God bless you and be a blessing to others.”

Her husband of 21 years, Craig Orndorff, survives.

Also surviving are her parents, Brenda Armentrout Haas and Gordon Haas (Nora); paternal grandmother, Irene Haas; aunt and Godmother, Eda Haas McNeas (Uncle Bill); cousin and Godfather, Jeffrey Cabbage; mother-in-law, Nancy Orndorff; brother and sisters-in-law, John Orndorff (Michelle) and Leslie Orndorff Cocco; nieces and nephews, Zach, Nicole, Janelle, Amy, Jed, Rachel and Jack; and numerous cousins and extended family.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Dayton and Olive Armentrout; and

father-in-law, John E. Orndorff, Sr.

A special and sincere thank you to her cousin, Robin Lindsay; her heart family, Ted and Nancy Sterne, Andrew Sterne, Jennifer Kramer and Laura Bauer; her church family; her RMH and Hahn Cancer Center care team who walked with her, prayed with her and supported her during this journey.

A funeral service will be conducted at 10 a.m. today at Kyger Funeral Home in Harrisonburg, Virginia. A private family graveside service will be conducted at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Franklin.

Memorial donations may be made to Relay for Life, American Cancer Society at <https://mobileacs.org/7qeplc> or mailed to 4405 Cox Road, Suite 110, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

Mary Catherine Loudermilk, 90

Mary Catherine Loudermilk, 90, of Clintonville passed away Feb. 8, 2023, at her home with her loving family by her side.

She was born Aug. 25, 1932, in Asbury and was the daughter of the late William Kenna and Alta Jane Henson Harvey.

Mrs. Loudermilk was a homemaker and a member of James Chapel United Methodist Church and had been a Sunday School teacher and member of the choir. She was a member with the Sweet Charity Group.

Her husband, Paul O. Loudermilk, preceded her in death.

Surviving are a daughter, Sharon Wolfe of Clintonville and close friend, Darryl Bartley; two sons Ronnie Loudermilk of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, and Mike Loudermilk and wife Jaime of Franklin; five grandchildren, Josh Wolfe, Tiffany Loudermilk, Brandon

Loudermilk, Leah Loudermilk and Rachel Loudermilk; and four great-grandchildren, Clare Wolfe, Mason Patterson, Gavin Loudermilk and Brellyn Loudermilk.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers, William Earl Harvey, Burl Sandy Harvey and Gerald Harvey.

Funeral services were held Monday at James Chapel United Methodist Church in Clintonville with Pastors Mike Loudermilk, Jesse Pope and Frank Hampton officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions be made to James Chapel United Methodist Church, 1710 Shoestring Trail, Crawley, WV 24931 or to Peyton Hospice House, 1265 Maplewood Avenue, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.wallaceandwallaceFH.com.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg was in charge of arrangements.

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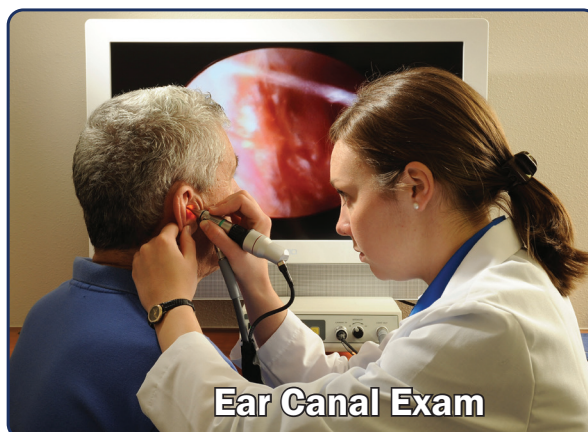


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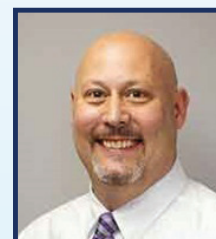
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Community Mourns Loss of Dedicated Man

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

A beloved friend of the community has passed on to meet his Saviour. William “Bill” Robert Brackman passed away surrounded by his family on Thursday.

Bill was an only child who was born March 20, 1953, in Clifton Forge, Virginia. He was a proud veteran, having served his country 1972-1974, taking a tour in Germany. Along his life journey, he befriended persons, never knowing a stranger, and always reaching a helping hand to all. He worked in the maintenance department of the Augusta Correction Center, and retired from Bowman’s Hardware after many years. He was a very dedicated individual who assisted the public whenever the opportunity presented itself.

Bill loved the outdoors. He loved to garden, split wood, mow yards, and take his hand at fishing. With just about anything he encountered, he certainly enjoyed himself. Even though he had a quiet personality, his smile was infectious. He enjoyed truck pulls, and when he was younger, he took on the challenge of drag racing. Perhaps his favorite music to enjoy was classic rock. He loved to build things and was always tinkering.

Bill married Rose Mary Long on April 20, 2009. He built the house he lived in, on a hill overlooking the lovely Stoney Run area. Rose maintains that he was a heck of an omelet maker. Rose was able to get Bill to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, once, where he sat on the beach to enjoy the “going’s on along the beach.”

The latter years of Bill’s life were not easy. Cancer meant many appointment visits to the doctor’s office for consultation, and hospital visits with many forms of treatment to undertake. He fought the battle very gallantly, with his lovely wife, Rose, as his caretaker.

Rose sang the song “What a Day that Will Be” with Bill. It was a hymn he loved to sing and to hear.

“There’ll be no sorrows there,
No more burdens to bear,
No more sickness and no pain.
No more parting over there;
And forever I will be
With the One who died for me
What a day, glorious day that will be.
What a day that will be
When my Jesus I shall see
And I look upon His face
The one who saved me by His grace.
When He takes me by the hand,
And leads me through the Promised Land
What a day, glorious day that will be.”

Sympathy is extended to Rose and the family. Prayers are being uplifted for comfort during this difficult time.

Life’s little instructions for daily living include the following:

1. Compliment even small improvements.
2. Sing in the shower.
3. Send lots of Valentine cards, sign them, “someone



Bill Brackman was the son of the late Deward C. and Betty W. Warnick Brackman.

who thinks you are wonderful.”

4. Never leave the toilet seat in the up position.
5. Compliment three people every day.

Sunday morning graced the community members with a mix of sleet and snow. By evening, there was about 4 inches of snow on top of the sleet. School was delayed three hours on Monday morning, and surprisingly, other parts of the county got very little falling weather, as compared to the Sugar Grove community. Many pine trees with their shallow root systems fell on the roadways, making driving quite hazardous. Hopefully, the state road crew, in all good time, can address the trees that are standing so near to the roadways.

Valentine quotes are as follows:

“If you find someone you love in your life, then hang on to that love.” — Diana, Princess of Wales

“Where there is love, there is life.” — Mahatma Gandhi

“All you need is life. But a little chocolate now and then doesn’t hurt.” — Charles M. Schulz

“You can always gain by giving love.” — Reese Witherspoon

“Valentine’s Day is just another day to truly love like there is no tomorrow.” — Roy A. Ngansop

“The greatest thing we can do is to let people know they are loved.” — Fred Rogers

Sitting by the fire place is a wonderful place to hear the “Talk of the Grove.”

Imagine living to celebrate one’s 100th birthday. Imagine again, if one will, being able to get around fairly well and to have a very keen mind. This was the case for Virginia Hively Propst who celebrated with a party Sunday afternoon. Even though the weather was not very conducive to getting outdoors, so many friends and family members helped her to celebrate at St. John Lutheran Church. She was very glad to see them all. During her lifetime, she has had the following presidents serve her country: Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard M. Nixon, Gerald R. Ford, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, George Bush, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush, Barack Obama, Donald J. Trump, and Joseph R. Biden. Congratulations, Virginia!

Charles and “Pidge” Anderson’s two grandsons, C. J. and Jimmy Anderson, spent five days with them this past week. They had a wonderful time together.

Phil Downs spent last Tuesday visiting friends at Romney.

Visitors of Rosalee Grogg were Marleta Wimer, Diane Kuykendall, and Shannon and Bill Simmons of Harrisonburg, Virginia.

This week’s clickety-clacks for the chin waggors are as follows:

- Utah’s Great Salt Lake is so salty that the human body cannot sink in it.
- Geese are quite intelligent. In some parts of the world, they have been trained to tend sheep.
- Light as a cloud? The average cloud weighs 150 tons.
- People bowled in churches in Germany hundreds of years ago. A “strike” was considered a sign of a righteous life.
- A group of more than 100 islands makes up the city of Venice, Italy.

Concerns for this week are many, and they are as follows: Roger and Joan Ashley, Mercedes Aumann, Vernon “Fuzzy” Baldwin, Nathan Beachler, Lynn Beatty, the Bill Brackman family, Jed Conrad, Rachel Felton Wright, Mia Felici, Donna Fleisher, Ron Gilkerson, Lola Graham, Marvin Hartman, Steve and Armanda Heavner, the Rheba Helmick family, Gary and Jackie Hills, Virgil Homan, Jr., Myrtle Hoover, Debbie Horst, Anna Gae Hughes, Alice Johnson, Kim Kline, Richard Judy, Melissa Lambert, Robert Lambert, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, Betty Mallow, Roger and Skip Mallow, Neil McLaughlin, Jamie Mitchell, Melvin Moats, Aaron Nelson, Ruth Nelson, Don Nilsen, Cheryl Paine, Sutton Parrack, Shirley Pratt, Kathy Propst, Mike Propst, Stanley Propst, Sheldon Propst, Verla Puffenbarger, Gary Rexrode, Jason Rexrode, Jimmy Rexrode, the Art Sawyer family, Robbie Sites, Ona Smith, Sandra Vandevander, Pam Rexrode, Max Rodriguez, Donna Ruddle, Annie Simmons, Barry and Phyllis Simmons, Davey Simmons and Margaret Wimer.

Board of Education

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Heavner later explained that the biggest project was still the Lovegrove building in which the school system will move its meetings and other operations. “The Shreve boys have been in there finishing up. They were almost done with the large board room and office.” Heavner added that they should “have the flooring knocked out by the end of the week.”

Additionally, he reported on “the floor of the C. A. N. building that we need to replace.” He stated that they needed to set the dates for that work and that “moisture has eaten that floor up. We’ll fix it the right way this time.” The school system saved some money in replacing the North Fork Elementary School bleachers by using leftover parts from another project.

That led to the mention of an ongoing problem in some schools, that “the biggest issue now is people spilling on the bleachers.” The mess that leaks through “wreaks havoc on our floors.” It was mentioned that at one point food and drinks were not permitted in the gyms, but “you can’t police eating and drinking.”

The single largest item in the budget came from the school lunch program, which cost approximately \$500,000. Mowery explained that “it’s a very large program. Feeding children is very important.”

Superintendent Charles Hedrick related to the board that “right now, we’re okay” in terms of not needing to infringe upon spring break or the start of summer. He warned that “it could change if we have additional snow days or two-hour delays, but as of now, it’s okay.”



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Community in Schools is offering the

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Details for the poster:

https://www.napt.org/files/NATIONAL%20SCHOOL%20BUS%20SAFETY%20POSTER%20CONTEST_Web.pdf

There will be 5 divisions:
Division #1 - Grades K-2
Division #2 - Grades 3-5
Division #3 - Grade 6-8
Division #4 - Special Education (Grades K- 12)
Division #5 - CAD (Computer Aided Drawing)

Prizes for EACH division will be:
First Place: \$25 gift certificate to The Gateway Restaurant
Second Place: \$15 gift certificate to Fox’s Pizza
Third Place: \$10 gift certificate to Potomac Highlands Recreation Center

Completed poster size must be 11” x 17” or 12” x 18”. Posters may be illustrated vertically or horizontally.

First place winners will be submitted to the West Virginia Department of Education to compete on the state level. A poster must win at the state level to be entered into the national contest, so please do not mail your posters directly to the NAPT.

Posters must be submitted by February 28, 2023 to a school Community in Schools (CIS) Coordinator:
Brandywine Elementary School: Manda Teter
Franklin Elementary School: Wendy Kisamore
North Fork Elementary School: Elizabeth Harper
Pendleton County Middle/High School: Lesley Cook or Elizabeth Warner

Please contact a CIS Coordinator for the required paper for the poster or if you have any questions.

Tenth Ranked Wildcats Take Win Over Warriors

By Stephen Smoot

Basketball coaches, especially late in the season, talk about “trap games.” Teams with big postseason dreams run across an opponent who has struggled, but improved — a team with enough heart to beat any given team on any given day.

In essence Pendleton County, who was on a five game winning streak and who had won seven of their last eight, met a very determined and motivated opponent Saturday in Pocahontas County.

The Wildcats took the tipoff and opened the game strong. Ana Young scored her 400th point of the season 13 seconds into the game by hitting a 10-foot baseline jump shot. Gabby DePue picked up where she left off at Union, dominating the middle with big defensive plays. She blocked her first shot only 40 seconds into the contest.

Scoring came at a premium in the first quarter. Both teams brought tremendous energy to defensive play and took several turnovers from each other. Avery Townsend, who had 21 steals on the year, swiped her first with almost a minute gone. Her lead pass to Young led to that player drawing a foul and completing two free throws to put her team up 4-2.

Almost 40 seconds later, Townsend hit her 23rd three-pointer of the year.

Young seemed to often steal the ball at will during the game and came into it with 62 on the season. Midway through the first quarter, with the team struggling to score, she stole the ball from Pocahontas County three times in 30 seconds.

The rest of the quarter saw Young and Townsend working to stay ahead of the Warriors. Long range shots, however, pulled them even at 11 by the end of the quarter.

Over the first half of the second quarter, the defenses still throttled each other's offenses. Young picked the Warriors' pockets twice in the first minute while Jenna Smith broke up a fast break with a block near the basket. Pocahontas County countered by turning big defensive plays into layups.

Additionally, the home

team played a very physical game to try to disrupt the visitors. They used aggressive picks to attempt to wear down point guards Townsend and Nataley Hedrick while helping their star, Olivia Vandevander, find scoring opportunities.

The Warriors crowd responded to their 6-10 team giving their best and playing even with the heralded Wildcats. After a Young three put the Wildcats ahead 14-13, Pocahontas County hit two layups in 10 seconds to take a 15-14 lead. Jameigh Miller took a steal coast to coast for a layup, but was answered by two straight deep two-point shots by Pocahontas County to take the lead again at 20-19.

Just when the Warrior home crowd seemed sure that this might be a close game throughout, Pendleton County shifted gears. With three minutes left, DePue deflected a pass intended for the post. Young then hit a three-point shot followed by a coast-to-coast drive in which she beat three defenders to score. Another DePue block with two minutes left sparked a fast break that ended with a Townsend layup at the other end.

In just three minutes, a 20-19 deficit turned into a 30-19 lead. It happened that fast.

Just as at Union, improved rebounding led to big plays. Pocahontas County had a height advantage across the board, particularly among the guards. Work on the offensive boards once again helped Pendleton County to manufacture points inside when the outside shooting sometimes went cold. With 1:37 left, Lizzie Alt put an offensive rebound back for a score to push the lead to 33-19. She then disrupted a pass to the post to shut down another Warrior possession.

Pendleton County put an exclamation mark on the second quarter in the last 11 seconds. Young stole the ball and quickly found the basket for a layup. Then, with three seconds remaining, Townsend pulled off the exact same magic. The Warriors left the court in shock, seeing their slender lead disappear in a 14-0 run.

In the second half, the

Wildcats started in a full

court man to man press to put the game away quickly. The Warriors, however, also came out of the half just as determined to keep the game from slipping entirely out of their hands. It took a minute and a half for either team to hit a shot and that came from a running one hand shot by Pocahontas County. Almost a minute later, Townsend answered with a steal and coast to coast drive for a layup.

Offensive rebounding put away any hopes that Pocahontas County had of climbing back into the game. At the 2:50 mark, Miller converted an offensive rebound into a layup to put the lead at 42-21. DePue did the same a minute later after three straight offensive rebounds and put backs failed to end up back in the basket. With 1:22 left in the third, Miller once again outworked the Warriors, pulled down a rebound, and laid it back in.

Even with the big lead, the Wildcats continued to stifle the Pocahontas County offense. Coach Micah Bailey had pulled his team out of the press once the lead looked secure, but Pocahontas County still struggled. Hedrick, pesky on defense all night, hit a 10-foot shot to open scoring. Shortly after, Alt found DePue for an open shot that built the lead to 52-21.

Two minutes later, Julia Mongold drove the lane, scored a layup and drew a foul. She hit the shot, completing the old fashioned three-point play. Great effort on the boards continued until the end of the game for the Wildcats, despite the score. Madison Arbaugh worked for two rebounds while Kiera Heavener grabbed an offensive rebound in the final minutes. Smith closed scoring with a drive to the middle and six foot pull up shot to set the final at 59-30.

The Wildcats traveled to Lewis County on Wednesday and will host Petersburg at 6:30 p.m. today and Moorefield at noon on Saturday.

Sectional play begins next week. Pocahontas County and Tygarts Valley are scheduled to play Feb. 22. The winner of that game will advance to play the Lady Wildcats on Feb. 24, at home.



Dustin Vandevander looks to make a play against the Golden Tornado defense. Photo by Marlene Beachler.

AAA Golden Tornadoes Defeat the Wildcats

By Stephen Smoot

According to the National Center Educational Statistics, Keyser High School has 701 students.

Pendleton County has 385. According to the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission, the governing body for state high school athletics, for the purposes of basketball, Pendleton County is a single A squad. Keyser is triple A.

Keyser under coach Scott Furey, now 11-6 on the year, also has 13 upperclassmen, six of whom are seniors. Pendleton County enjoys tremendous effort and contributions from sophomores and freshmen in addition to juniors and seniors.

One had to throw out all of those facts and figures, however, when the Golden Tornadoes stormed in to take on the Wildcats. It took a buzzer beater for Keyser to defeat Pendleton County in the first game of the year and both teams have improved substantially since the beginning of December.

Keyser controlled the opening tip and scored on its first possession, working the ball inside for an easier shot near the basket. That remained their strategy for much of the game, despite Jacob Beachler giving one of his most dominant defensive performances of the season so far. He blocked two Keyser shots within five seconds of each other only a minute into the contest.

In the early minutes, Chase Owens helped the Wildcats keep pace with the visitors, driving hard to the basket for layups at the 6:38 and 4:57 marks, pulling his team within four with his second shot. Both Owens and Clayton Kisamore drove the ball hard against the Keyser defense every time they touched the ball, their aggressiveness leading to big plays all night.

Defense dominated the game as both teams turned mistakes into points. Keyser used turnovers to build a 10-6 lead halfway through

the quarter, but a layup by Kisamore and a beautiful high arcing hook by Beachler helped the Wildcats stay close. The quarter closed when Dustin Vandevander worked off of a solid pick by Dusty Smith to hit a three-point shot, ending the quarter with a 16-13 Keyser lead.

The second quarter saw Keyser quickly extend their lead to 21-13, but, as he did all night, Kisamore provided the answer. He drew a foul on a shot attempt from 19 feet, then hit all three free throws. Kisamore then beat three Keyser defenders on a fast break to score a layup to bring his team within three again at the 5:48 mark.

Pendleton County used patience, passing, and picks to pry openings in the Keyser defense. Owens used a screen from Beachler to hit from 17 feet to pull within four points at the 4:16 mark. As the game progressed, Kisamore put more of the offense on his back. He bulled his way up the floor on fast breaks, used his ball handling skills to dance around the defense to find shots close to the basket, found his teammates when they came open, and disrupted Keyser often with his defense.

The second half started with Pendleton County facing a six-point deficit, 31-25. Kisamore took a Beachler pass for a layup at the seven minute mark, then a minute later took a precision lead pass from Owens to cut the lead to 36-32. Owens then got fouled trying to put back an offensive rebound, but made both shots.

Keyser's experienced and athletic guards used strength and quickness to stay just ahead of the pursuing Wildcats. They used dribble drives to break down the defense, create mismatches, and find open shots against a tough and active Wildcat defense.

Kisamore attacked the Golden Tornadoes from the outset, grabbing a steal only 14 seconds into the half. Shortly thereafter, Keyser hit a three-pointer to extend

their lead to 34-25. Kisamore at the 7:01 mark answered with a layup off of a Beachler assist. Later, Kisamore took a precise outlet from Owens to drive in for a fast break layup to cut the lead to four. Owens also later got fouled trying to put back an offensive rebound, but hit both free throws to set the score at 38-34, Keyser still in the lead.

The quarter progressed much like this with Keyser keeping the Wildcats at arms-length as Pendleton County players gave their best to remain within striking distance. The quarter ended with Beachler blocking two shots in the last seven seconds, but Keyser maintaining a 51-40 lead.

Pendleton County started the fourth in a full court man-to-man press. Smith, always wolverinelike on defense, hit a three almost 40 seconds into the quarter and followed that with steal at the midway point in the fourth. Pendleton County never fell short on effort or belief.

The home team kept coming close, even within five with only 1:34 left to play. Shortly thereafter, however, the Wildcats had to start fouling to extend the game. Keyser replied with machine-like efficiency at the line. The final score of 59-51 did not reflect how close the game was and how hard both teams fought for the victory.

Though, or perhaps because, the two teams gave such intense effort in a very physical game, both head coaches went to the opposing locker rooms to offer words of praise to the other teams and their coaching staffs. This level of class and sportsmanship is as welcome as it is rare in modern competitive sports.

The Wildcats faced Union on Wednesday and will host Tygarts Valley on Monday and Frankfort on Tuesday. They will finish regular season play on Feb. 23 at Moorefield.



Jenna Smith challenges the Pocahontas County point guard as Madison Arbaugh (#23) and Jameigh Miller (#24) tightly guard their assignments. Photo by Robin Alt.

Pendleton County Defeats Union 58-34 in Workmanlike Effort

By Stephen Smoot

The Pendleton County Lady Wildcats opened their season at Union with a solid win over a Tiger squad. Last Thursday, as the season winds down, the Wildcats hosted a team looking for revenge and carrying a plan of attack.

The game started with Pendleton County winning the tip off. The Wildcats turned immediately to Ana Young, who delivered her first long range shot of the night to put her team up three to nothing after only nine seconds had passed. Only a minute later, Lizzie Alt swiped a ball and drove it coast to coast for a layup to put her team up 5-0.

After a Union three-pointer, Avery Townsend answered with her own three. Shortly thereafter, Young rewarded her team's effort in getting three offensive rebounds in a possession by hitting a shot from the foul line to extend the Pendleton County lead to 10-3 with 5:27 left in the corner.

Despite hitting early from deep, Union's first half game plan lay in attacking Gabby DePue and Baylee Beachler inside. The Tigers enjoyed both a height and strength advantage, but DePue and Beachler, with help from the outside players at times, stood tall and foiled most shot attempts. Union's post players mainly succeeded in drawing fouls, but struggled to hit free throws.

With 3:16 left in the first, DePue blocked a shot that led to a fast break ending with Townsend converting a foul shot.

Seventeen seconds later, she disrupted a move to the basket and forced a turnover. Not long after, at the 2:45 mark, a Union player committed a charge trying to get through the defense to the basket.

The Wildcats struggled from outside throughout the game, but managed to manufacture enough points to continually build the lead. At the end of the first quarter, Pendleton County enjoyed a 16-8 lead.

Union's defense continued to slow the Wildcat offense. In the second quarter, the Wildcats only outscored the Tigers seven to six. The first score in the quarter came at the 5:25 mark when Young benefitted once again from excellent offensive rebounding to find an open shot to extend the lead to 18-8. Almost a minute later, after another Young three, Nataley Hedrick grabbed her first of two offensive rebounds in the quarter. She was fouled on the successful put back attempt and helped to push the lead to 23-9.

Despite Young and DePue disrupting the Tigers with steals, Union hit a three and a two to get their team within nine. Young blocked another three-point attempt with 1.1 seconds on the clock.

In the second quarter, Union drifted away from their strategy to get shots close to the basket and draw fouls. The third quarter saw the Tigers go into a high low offense with players mostly positioned between the two wings and

the top of the key. Scoring from this offense came mostly from Victoria Seabolt who found open spots on the floor to drive or shoot.

Pendleton County was generally content to allow Union to pass the ball, eat clock, and then stymie any shot attempted. DePue continued to dominate defensively. She opened the third quarter with a block, then hit Beachler with an outlet pass that led to a layup to extend the lead to 29-14.

Townsend continued to be the hot shooter for the Wildcats. She hit two more three-pointers in the quarter as the Wildcats built a commanding lead. Scoring in the quarter closed with a Young three-pointer on a Beachler assist. Pendleton County earned a 13-5 run in the quarter.

Beachler continued to fight inside in the fourth, getting an offensive rebound and scoring 30 seconds into the quarter. At the 4:47 mark, she took an offensive rebound and kicked it outside to Young for a three. With the minutes ticking away, Pendleton County continued to clamp down on defense. Jenna Smith blocked a shot with 3:33 remaining and followed the defensive play up with a three-point shot.

With 1:31 left Jameigh Miller, who also contributed mightily to Wildcat rebounding success, hit a three. Shortly after Julia Mongold, who earlier hit a 10-foot shot, drove to the basket and drew a foul. She converted the free throw and closed scoring for the game at 58-34.

Flood Control Dams

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to do, fill with sediment until it is time for rehabilitation.” Most of them have a 50 – 100 year lifespan. Many of those have reached their life expectancy, but remain in acceptable condition due to work done on them through the decades.

All that said, the dams require consistent maintenance to keep their structural integrity. They require regular mowing to prevent roots from larger plants from breaking down the earthen structure. Farmers are strongly urged to not allow livestock to graze on the grassy surfaces of the outside of the dams. Groundhogs and other critters can also undermine them.

Carr requested a raise in the yearly allotment of maintenance funds, from \$7,500 to \$10,000. Commissioner Dahmer replied that “you do good work. You do necessary work.” Carl Hevener, Pendleton County Commission president stated, “we’ll look at the numbers and let you know next week,” but added that “it’s when, not if” in terms of the need to continue funding dam maintenance.

Commissioners next discussed the possibility of acquiring a generator for the community building and emergency response operations housed there. It would come at an approximate cost of \$35,000.

Commissioner Jimmie Bennett asked “will that run the whole building?” Hevener affirmed that it would, saying that “it’s a little bigger than we actually need, but it’s easier on the unit,” meaning that the generator’s use will not overload and damage systems. Rick Gillespie, coordinator of emergency services for Pendleton County, agreed, saying “it’ll power the whole thing.”

Sheriff Chad Bowers provided a supply chain saga story that could adversely affect law enforcement throughout the nation. Bowers related that he ordered a cruiser a year ago, but that was cancelled. Even worse, the West Virginia State Police saw 52 cruiser orders cancelled. Bowers said the department purchased approximately \$10,000 in equipment for the cruiser. He eventually found a rebuilt cruiser in Ohio.

He then added that he was told “if you’re lucky enough to find a cruiser, get it,” and that another source speculated that there might not be a single police cruiser available for sale east of the Mississippi. Gillespie added “a lot of departments are going with pickup trucks” because they cannot find traditional models to purchase.

Gillespie then updated the county commission on emergency services news. The new phone system at the 911 operations center was installed and “good to go.” With the modernized phone system, telecommunications now have 10 instead of only seven lines with which to work. They also “interface better with computer systems” so well that “information pops up on screen before the phone rings.”

“We hope to make progress,” said Gillespie on continual negotiations with National Radio Quiet Zone authorities about installing a tower near Seneca Rocks. A timber easement forced the consideration of a less than ideal location that would give the tower significantly reduced capabilities due to restrictions. “They’d rather force us to low frequencies,” stated Gillespie, but those would not allow the full use of modern emergency response and patient health technologies in the area.

Gillespie then noted that grants exist that could help fund the reconstruction of the parking lot at the community building in Franklin “through USDA, probably one of their programs.” American Rescue Plan funds can only be used for sewer, water, and broadband.

Amber Nesselrodt, the incoming Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau executive director, addressed the commission, saying “thank you for all of your support to get the CVB up and running.” She informed them that she will be providing quarterly reports on the organization’s progress.

Finally, David Snider of Omni gave a presentation on plans for the courthouse annex. He assured commission members that the designs would reflect the historical appearance of both the courthouse and the surrounding area.

Tree Seedlings Available

The Potomac Valley Conservation District is accepting orders for tree seedlings. The seedlings may be used for windbreaks, forest products, erosion control, landscaping or wildlife cover. The following varieties are available: Colorado Blue Spruce, Norway Spruce, White Pine, Red Oak, White Oak, Sugar Maple, Black Walnut, Chinese Chestnut and American Redbud. Most of the seedlings are 2-year-old stock and range in size from 5 - 24 inches in height.

A variety of fruit trees are available. All will be bare root and approximately 3 – 5 feet in height. Quantities are limited; we suggest placing orders early to ensure availability.

Orders will be accepted until March 17. The seedlings must be picked up at the district office in Romney on April 7.

For more information or to obtain an order form, please call the district office at (304) 822-5174, or email pvcd@wvca.us. Order forms are also available on the district web page at www.wvca.us/district/pvcd.cfm.

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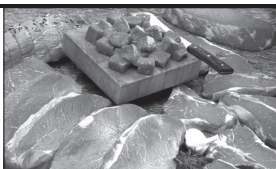


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Friends of the Library

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these programs taught children to be more creative in using what they can find around them. During shark week, for example, “they made sharks out of clothes pins.” She added that “one girl recycled tennis balls and made gnomes out of them. They’re pretty creative.”

McConnell also shared numbers from the past year. Borrower numbers hit 2,859. The library circulated a total of 36,196 books, 13,901 being children’s.

Supply chain issues, however, bedeviled the library’s plans for upgrades. McConnell explained that equipment shelving is entering its third decade of use and does not match modern technology. A unit of shelving ordered a year ago arrived damaged. A reorder delivered in late December and early January contained pieces that did not match what the library needed.

Hardy County also donated six computer stations made available by its library’s renovations. The Pendleton County Library, however, must wait for state officials to make a determination if they can work with the wiring currently in place.

McConnell also addressed state money coming at the behest of Senator Bill Hamilton to replace the circulation desk. The piece dates back decades to a time before digital technology dominated library services and funding will go toward its replacement. Finally, the library will replace the flagpole damaged in an accident last year, but will likely move it closer to the building to avoid the same type of incident.

After the overview, Nancy Boyer-Rechlin praised McConnell, stating “Thank you for the wonderful job that you do with such a small staff.”

Next came the entertainment for the evening, courtesy of Snowy Mountain Music School. Walter Hojka, director of the school, opened by introducing the Snowy Mountain String Band, composed of Azalea Waddell, Jax Bennett, Ava Sherman, and Aubrey Simmons singing and also playing the drums, keyboard, tambourine, and even the fiddle.

He said that “the theme of tonight is ‘My Friends.’”

The children played Irish inspired toe-tapping traditional Appalachian folk music, including songs such as “Morrison’s Jig” and “Tell Me Ma.” They were followed by adults who performed in the same general genre, but added traditional Appalachian instruments such as the hammer dulcimer and the banjo. Jennifer Taylor-Ide, Susan Patton, Carmen Rexrode, and Asa Mullenax joined Hojka on stage to perform a set for the attendees.

Hojka explained that the word “dulcimer” translates to “beautiful music.” Jennifer Taylor-Ide on the banjo then quipped “how long does it take to tune a banjo?” Her answer was “no one knows.”

What everyone knows, however, is the importance of libraries to the community. The vitality and mission of the Pendleton County Library was both celebrated and supported at the dinner to the enjoyment of all in attendance.

Be Careful Burning During Dry Weather

The West Virginia Department of Forestry urges West Virginians to be cautious of burning amid dry, windy conditions this winter.

“Our winter hasn’t seen as much precipitation as we would like, and the warmer temperatures and higher winds tend to dry out the fine fuels like leaves and grass,” said Jeremy Jones, assistant state forester, WV DOF. “We have seen an uptick of fires in the past few days, with 30 fires burning 150 acres, so we urge caution at this time. Hopefully, this next system coming through will bring some needed precipitation with it. Until then, we ask that you please listen to the weather report, and if high winds are called for, please refrain from burning.”

Safe Burning Tips

A summary of forest fire laws and safe fire practices can be found on the state Division of Forestry website.

- Before leaving any fire for any length of time, the fire must be completely extinguished.
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taining sulfuric acid.

Minor also updated the group on Greer Lime Company developing a trained rescue team for its own operations in the North Fork area. He said that the group has specialized training for “underground operations,” but was “not sure how far they are advanced now.”

Rick Gillespie, Pendleton County emergency management coordinator, gave an update on ongoing attempts to install a tower near Seneca Rocks. He said that “we have a willing landowner for the tower near Seneca Rocks.” The land, however, is under a timber easement that restricts removal of trees. A suitable spot lying relatively an “infinitesimal” distance away on the map, however, only allows a tower there to operate with significantly reduced capability. He added that he met with both Senators Joe Manchin and Shelley Moore Capito by phone to discuss the problem.

The main issue lies in restrictions imposed by the National Radio Quiet Zone that encompasses parts of Pendleton and Pocahontas counties. It protects sensitive government facilities from electronic “noise” that could interfere with operations. Gillespie says that similar facilities around the world do not require a Quiet Zone to operate.

Additionally, he explained that when implemented in 1958 that the zone’s designers would have no concept of the future of communications, nor how much emergency services would rely on electronic and digital equipment to coordinate responses and provide first rate care. “We can’t continue to move forward in the future,” Gillespie said, “if that continues to choke us down.”

The group also discussed the National LEPC conference to be held at the end of next month in Canaan Valley. Part of the program will cover pipeline emergency response. Minor said that the event served as a good opportunity for local officials to learn more and added, “it’s like a lot of meetings. You do more after the meetings end.”

Make It Shine Applications Due March 10

Applications are now available for the 2023 West Virginia Make It Shine Statewide Cleanup. This annual event is sponsored by the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection’s Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan.

This year’s event will be held April 1 - 15 and applications are due by March 10.

The Make It Shine program will provide resources such as cleanup materials, waste hauling, and landfill fees to community groups volunteering to conduct litter cleanups in state streams or on public lands.

More than 3,500 volunteers from nearly 150 groups participated in the 2022 cleanup, removing 146 tons of litter, and collecting 1,190 tires from 292 acres of public lands and 55 miles of streams, while remediating 87 dumps.

To register, submit the online application at https://apps.dep.wv.gov/ppod/make_it_shine.a5w. Once the project is approved, REAP staff will coordinate delivery of cleanup supplies, waste hauling and disposal. For more information, contact Chris Cartwright at DEPwvmis@wv.gov or by phone at 1-800-322-5530.


This event is completely dependent on volunteers, so sign up today and help make West Virginia shine.

REAP, whose motto is “Keeping WV Clean and Green,” was created in 2005 and strives to clean up West Virginia and rid the state of litter. The program empowers citizens to take ownership of their communities by providing technical, financial, and resource assistance in cleanup and recycling efforts. More information is available on the REAP webpage at <https://dep.wv.gov/environmental-advocate/reap/Pages/default.aspx>.

Kirk, Wright Named To Dean’s List

Two Pendleton County students, Bryce Kirk and Aliyah Nichole Wright, have been named to the fall Dean’s List at Shepherd University in Shepherdstown.


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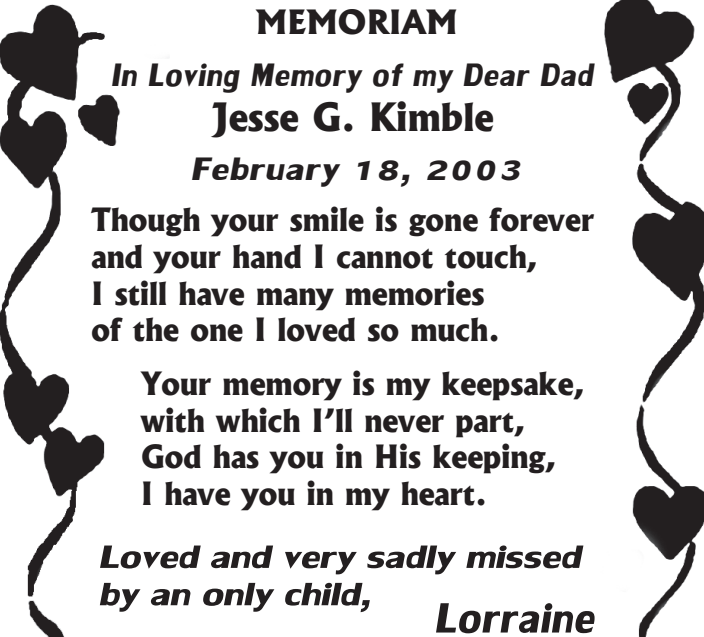
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Kowatli To Head Davis Medical Center's Better Sleep Center

Dr. Emad Kowatli has joined Davis Health System as the new medical director for Davis Medical Center's Better Sleep Center.

Kowatli, a pulmonologist, will provide inpatient consults and office visits in his role overseeing the Better Sleep Center. He previously served in a similar position in West Virginia as director of Thomas Health's Sleep Laboratory in Charleston. Kowatli will also work for Davis Health System in critical care.

Working and studying in healthcare for nearly 40 years, Kowatli has also served communities in Tampa, Florida, Dayton, Ohio, and Chicago. He credited his long and successful career to his patients and helping them get better.

"It's always about the medicine – how can I improve someone's life, and truly make a difference," he said. "I enjoy developing relationships with patients and their families through the healthcare process. Enabling a change for the better and to encourage a positive outlook is what I love the most."

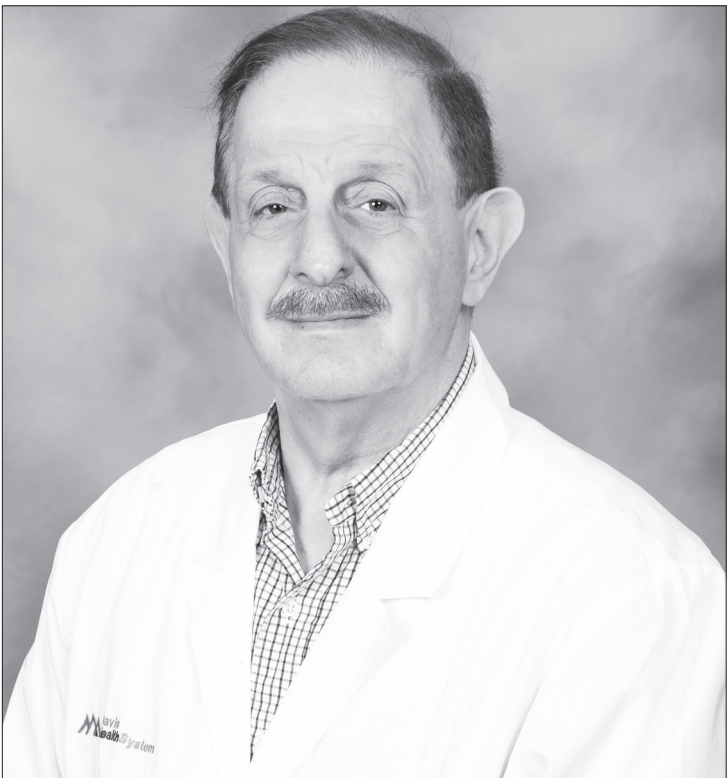
Kowatli acknowledges the stress insurance and healthcare coverage can cause patients and their families. When his patients face benefits being cut, or an overall lack of adequate coverage, Kowatli said he will work to guide patients through every one of their options.

"Insurance is a problem at times," he said. "I want to give the people what they need, not what the insurance wants to give them."

It's a situation many patients unfortunately must deal with.

"It makes the way we can treat a patient very challenging," said Kowatli.

At Davis Health System, Kowatli will continue to monitor research and discoveries in the medical field, understanding that science and technology



Dr. Emad Kowatli

have long been rapidly developing fields.

"Medicine is constantly changing, so you have to change with it," Kowatli said. "Technology changes too. It's always about adapting to new and different challenges."

Kowatli served Southern West Virginians as director of the intensive care unit at the Logan Regional Medical Center. While there, he quickly grew to appreciate West Virginia for its natural landscape and scenery.

"I just fell in love with West Virginia and its beauty – I love the mountains," he said.

All of his children live in West Virginia, which made Davis Medical Center a desired destination.

He was born and raised in Damascus, Syria. He is board certified with the American Board of Sleep Disorder, the American Board of Critical Care and Internal Medicine, as well as the American Board of Pulmonary Medicine.

Kowatli's pulmonology highlighted treatment options are diagnosis and treatment of black lung, diagnosis and treatment of asthma with ex-

perience in biologic treatment for severe asthma, chronic obstructive lung disease diagnosis and management, lung cancer screening and stage, bronchoscopies with biopsy and bronchial washing, diagnosis and treatment of interstitial lung disease and fibrosis, treatment of sleep disorders, including obstructive sleep apnea, insomnia and hypersomnolence like narcolepsy, diagnosis and treatment of pleural lung disease, such as pleural effusion and pneumothorax with use of percutaneous chest tube for minimal scarring and percutaneous tracheostomies and chronic follow up of tracheostomy tube, including downsizing and speaking valve.

Proposed First Responder Legislation Seen as Insufficient

By Stephen Smoot

Both the West Virginia House of Delegates and the State Senate have introduced bills to address problems facing volunteer first responder units. Local officials, however, say that they do not go far enough to address fundamental needs.

Some bills do not address the major problems while others are seen as unsustainable because the state lacks the resources to pay for them.

Senate Bill 29, for example, would ensure that "any increased costs or expenditures to volunteer fire departments that result from the implementation of a state legislative rule shall be funded respectively by the State Fire Commission and the Commissioner of the Bureau of Public Health." This means that, if passed, the bill forbids that the cost of state mandates relating to volunteer fire departments cannot be passed on to those departments or local government.

Regarding SB 29, Gillespie added that "it needs to be modified to include all fire and EMS." Additionally, "the state should not feel free to hand down new burdens on county fire and EMS entities without funding those new requirements if/when they come at an increased cost."

Meanwhile, House Bill 2879 mandates a 10% pay raise for all EMT workers within the state on July 1 of this year.

Another proposed piece of legislation, House Bill 3027,

proposes to remove the requirement that EMTs meet nationally required standards.

According to Mike Alt of Upper Tract Volunteer Fire Department, legislators have "thrown out six to eight distraction bills." He includes SB 29 and HB 2879 as examples. He explains that "they are distractions because they will never get off the table." Alt fears that the Legislature will put most of the focus on tax reform and reorganization of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. As a potential result, volunteer first responders may not get the attention that they deserve for the problems they have.

Additionally, as Alt explains, the state cannot afford at this time to offer an across the board pay hike to all EMTs.

Other states, Alt says, have specific provisions in their tax laws to support emergency services. They may pull from personal property taxes, vehicle registrations, or some other source. He adds that Senate Bill 429 could help to provide a dedicated source of funding, that could help counties like Pocahontas or Pendleton. The bill, if passed, would require "county commissions to impose a Health and Safety Fee of \$1.00 per day or activity per person for tourism and recreational activities." Alt says that this could especially help

counties with established and expanding tourism industries.


Alt says that although additional funds would help, the real problem is manpower. Gillespie agrees, adding that "the 'canary in the coal mine' warning is before us. For those of us willing to see/hear those warnings, it is apparent that we are headed toward a collapse of services due to a lack of personnel." He adds that the "EMS is in more severe shape than most of the volunteer fire departments, but all are seeing declines in personnel on historical basis. The faithful few volunteers are doing all they can."

"We also need people to put boots on the ground," Alt said. "The workforce to sustain it is just not there."

A bill that could expand the workforce also earned Alt's concern. House Bill 3027 would remove "the need for volunteer first responders to the requirement for emergency medical technicians ('EMTs') to be nationally certified." The bill would replace those standards with those set by the state.

Alt shared worries that some applicants "don't even have a high school diploma or even read and write," and worries that reduced standards could mean reduced performance.

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