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Sarah Collins-Simmons from the Pendleton County Farmers Market shows food and crafts to State Agriculture Commissioner Kent Leonhardt and Joseph Benjamin Schwartz, 16.

Agriculture Commissioner Leonhardt Praises Expanding Maple Production in Pendleton

By Stephen Smoot

Future Generations University and the Pendleton County Farmers Market helped to kick off Mountain State Maple Days at McCoy's Mill last Saturday. The annual event held on the third Saturdays of February and March has emerged as the largest agritourism event in the state. Kent Leonhardt, West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture, was on hand to observe demonstrations and praise the de-

velopment of the industry in the region.

The event started at 10 a.m. under beautiful cobalt skies and with seasonable chilly temperatures. Organizers looked to demonstrate maple production, in some cases using equipment that those with welding skills could produce from spare parts at home.

Additionally, Future Generations discussed their work in exploring the production of different types of syrup and blends from native trees. Leon-

hardt explained, "They're blending sycamore and walnut with maple syrup. What a great way to help the small farms." He also added, "It's right here in Pendleton County. What a great place to do it!"

Mountain State Maple Days takes place across the state, with participants most active in the mountainous eastern counties. Pendleton County had seven producers and five sellers sign up to be part of the event. According to

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Students Celebrate Leadership, Skills Education at FCCLA events

By Stephen Smoot

"It is family. It is community. It is career."

These sentences encompass the mission and the work of the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America, as described by Janice Heavner, teacher and faculty advisor for the club at the Pendleton County Middle/High School.

For almost eight decades, FCCLA, formerly the Future Homemakers of America, has

paved the way in preparing young women and men to serve as leaders in either the home or the workplace. It started in Chicago in 1945 with 29 students and quickly evolved into a national institution with, as its website describes, "a legacy of making a difference in families, careers, and communities across America."

To serve as a member, students must take at least one course in the department of family and consumer sciences.

FCCLA is a club that emphasizes service from its members while providing the opportunity to learn from new experiences. As club member Elizabeth Gonshor explains, "you get to spend time with people that you normally don't. You learn skills that you don't get to learn anywhere else." Heavner added that the club "provides kids an intercurricular program with opportunities for growth outside of the classroom."

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FCCLA officers are, from left, Paigelyn Long, reporter; Elizabeth Gonshor, president; and Lydia Heavner, secretary and treasurer.

Town of Franklin Holds Final Hearing on Sewage Plant Bond Issue

By Stephen Smoot

Feb. 14 is almost universally seen as a day for love and lovers, but at least this year, it also served as a day for Franklin to conduct official town business.

The council received the

third hearing of a proposed bond issue that would pay for renovations to the town's sewer plant complex. As Frank Wehrle, business manager for the Town of Franklin explained earlier this year, the project will install "two new clearwell tanks to replace the existing clearwell that is situated below the plant. The area where the current clearwell is located will be shored up to prevent further settling of the plant's foundation."

Additionally, the town will

purchase "a new electronics suite planned to enable better plant automation and provide up-to-date feedback to the operators should their attention be needed. The primary filter is being renovated and the backwash system is being replaced as well." Work will also commence on the Hanover tank, which will "be sandblasted and painted on the exterior and interior." The town will also install new safety equipment.

The bond will raise \$1.8 million to help to pay for the

upgrades. Franklin officials are pursuing a bond issue for the plat to avoid raising rates on customers.

Wehrle also described other maintenance needs related to the sewer plant. First, he stated that the generator at the sewer plant would need a new transfer switch costing \$6,200. He explained later that in November or December, workers reported hearing a "clanging noise." Upon inspection, Wehrle discovered that the nearly

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Local Business to Open Doors for Clothing Swap and Shop in Late March

By Stephen Smoot

Every parent gets the problem. Children hit their growth spurts and suddenly clothes that fit perfectly no longer do. Pants no longer cover ankles. Shoes get uncomfortably small. Shirts suddenly get too tight or too short. With inflation setting in, too many parents struggle to put food on the table, much less keep up with their children's clothing needs.

The owners of Franklin based Deep Clean Machines Laundromat in Franklin, Jared and Katie Van Meter, have worked to come up with a solution.

"You wake up one day and their clothes don't fit," Van Meter explained. Many parents look for clothes in Facebook groups, but she said, "we've noticed that there are a lot of things online listed for the same price as at the store." Also, "we have clothes we're giving away that we have barely used."

The problem was two-fold. Parents are spending more for their children's clothes and are looking for ways to make money selling them after their children outgrow them. Those issues inspired the Van Meters to set up the Parents Helping Parents Clothing Community Swap Meet starting on March 25. The event runs between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Parents can reserve a space from which to sell their used clothes in the back of Deep Clean Machines Laundromat. "We're not charging people for a space," Van Meter explained, "we're just guaranteeing a space. We are taking zero money from anyone."

As the flier for the event notes, there are guidelines to ensure that purchases and sales reflect the spirit of "parents helping parents." Items of clothing will have a sales cap of \$1 per item, except for shoes which can sell from up to \$2. Most of the items will be "gently used or in play condition." Those who want to give items away for free are encouraged to do so.

Additionally, those selling can only bring clothing in sizes from preemie to age 10. As the flier says, "this is not a yard sale." Items outside of the guidelines cannot be sold at the swap meet.

Van Meter says that anyone who reserves a space is requested to come 20 to 30 minutes early to set up. At the close, all participants must take home everything they brought including unsold items. "We are not a clothing drive," the flier explains. Also the event is not affiliated with any other group.

The Van Meters were inspired by the spirit of giving back to the community. Katie Van Meter said that "we hope to do it twice a year, one in March or April and the other in September or October," but not during the Treasure Mountain Festival. If the event grows enough going forward, they will look for larger alternative venues.



CAN Closed Until March 3

CAN will be temporarily closed until March 3 due to a necessary renovation to the floors in the food storage area. Food donations need to be held until CAN reopens. Anyone with emergency food needs to call the phone number posted on the doors at CAN.

Lenten Lunches To Begin March 2

The annual Lenten Lunches hosted by the Pendleton County Ministerial Association will begin March 2 at noon today at Walnut Street United Methodist Church in Franklin.

A meal, consisting of soups, sandwiches, desserts and drinks, will be served at noon. The message will be delivered at 12:30 p.m.

Next week's meal will be provided by Friends Run and Smith Creek Churches of the Brethren. The message will be delivered by David Morris, pastor of the Smith Creek and Friends Run Churches of the Brethren.

Region 8 Hears PVRTA Presentation on Proposed Hydrogen Fuel Hub

By Stephen Smoot

One of the highlights of the Region 8 Planning and Development Council meeting last week came from Doug Pixler, Potomac Valley Transportation Authority executive director. He shared with the council PVRTA's proposed participation in a next generation fuels project.

At a recent Town of Franklin meeting, councilman Bruce Minor informed the gathering about the inability of electric vehicles to effectively navigate mountain roads or perform in cold weather. Pixler agreed in his presentation, stating that "EVs are just not the way to go," adding that the time required to charge buses would require PVRTA to double its fleet to sustain current operations.

Suzanne Park, who heads

communications for PVRTA said, "It's not something we're wanting to do for fun." She stated that "a Biden Administration directive says that by 2035-2040 all heavy-duty vehicles need to be at zero emissions" and that the federal government is pursuing "multiple options." Park then reiterated, "it's a federal directive, at least for now."

The directive has made it more difficult to get diesel fuel powered buses and, according to Park, fuel costs have risen from 14 to 30% of the budget. Pixler added that "it does make sense to produce our own energy to move our buses around."

Some shared concerns about the safety of hydrogen fuel, referring to the 1937 Hindenburg zeppelin crash and explosion. Pixler responded by saying that

today, "hydrogen is less dangerous than fueling with gasoline."

Hydrogen would be produced using a solar array to power equipment to separate hydrogen from water molecules. When hydrogen fuel is used to power engines, it creates a byproduct of water. Two years ago, CNN reported on a California company called Hyperion. Its prototype hydrogen cell sports car "ran 1,000 miles on one tank of compressed hydrogen and can go from zero to 60 miles per hour in two seconds."

Pixler said after the presentation that the hydrogen hub could eventually serve local government fleet vehicles, including emergency responders.

Funding would come from a Rebuilding American In-

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Rheba Louise Helmick

Rheba Louise Helmick, 75, of Onego passed away Feb. 13, 2023, at Sentara RMH in Harrisonburg, Virginia. She was born on May 8, 1947, in Onego, the daughter of the late Grover and Ruth (Turner) Long. Mrs. Helmick attended school in Seneca Rocks and was a homemaker. She attended Spirit of Life Church and was a member of Bible Missionary Church. She loved spending time with her family and enjoyed watching her grandchildren excel.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory three daughters, Julie Mongold (Tommy) of Petersburg and Polly Hartman (Kelly) and Jamie Simpson (Matt), all of Franklin; a son, Joshua Helmick (Amanda) of Petersburg; four sisters, Ruby Kisamore and Rebecca Teter, both of Onego, Rose Mary Brackman of Sugar Grove and Ruthaleen “Susie” Hartman (Roy) of Franklin; two brothers, Robert Long (Patricia) of Petersburg and Richard Conrad of Rivesville; nine grandchildren, Michael Brunelle, David Brunelle, Jr. (Sarah), Cassandra McDowell, Haley Hartman (Blake), Cheyenne Dayton (Levi), Dustin Simpson (Mallory), Hilary Smith (Brandon), Devon Helmick (Kiersten) and Destiny Helmick (Branson); six great-grandchildren, Makynley, Ashlyn, Olyvia, Jackson, Travis and TJ; and a special great-granddog (furbaby), Quinn. She was also preceded in death by her lifelong companion, Richard Phares; three brothers, Randy J., Ray Michael and Ronnie Dale Long; and a sister, Ronna Thompson.

Funeral services were held Friday in the chapel of the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin with Pastor Daniel Ewald, Pastor Sam Harper and Pastor Brian Hipp officiating. Interment was in North Fork Memorial Cemetery in Riverton.

Memorials may be made to Bible Missionary Church, c/o Tabitha Ewald, 20 Roaring Creek Road, Seneca Rocks, WV 26884, or to “the family,” c/o Basagic Funeral Home, PO Box 215, Franklin, WV 26807.

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

Ann B. Wimer

A service celebrating the life of Ann B. Wimer will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Kimble Funeral Home in Franklin with Pastor Mike Lambert officiating. The family will receive friends from 1



Mildred Marie (Wimer) Vance

Mildred Marie (Wimer) Vance, 100, of Petersburg passed away Feb. 16, 2023, at Pendleton Manor in Franklin.

Mildred was born on Jan. 29, 1923, in the old house on the Hunting Ground. She was the daughter of the late Pinckney Brady Wimer and Lilly Mae Wimer.

Mrs. Vance was a 1941 graduate of Circleville High School, where she played on the women’s basketball team.

She married James Vance in 1958, and worked as a waitress in a few Petersburg eateries. She retired from Sites Restaurant in Petersburg, where she worked for many years. She was a longtime member of the Golden Lane’s Women’s Bowling League in Petersburg, winning several championship trophies and traveling to regional tournaments. She was also a member of the American Legion Post 78 Ladies Auxiliary.

She was beloved by her neighbors and was known for her love of gardening and tending to her flowerbeds in the summer, especially her tomato plants.

Her husband, James Vance, preceded her in death.

Surviving are two children, Virgil Wimer (Alice) of Montross, Virginia, and Linda Ruddle (John) of Franklin; a stepdaughter, Marietta Smalling of Petersburg; two grandchildren, Michael Wimer (Lea) of Tequesta, Florida, and Cassandra Richards (David) of Shamong, New Jersey; and four great-grandchildren, Emily Richards of Shamong, New Jersey, and Ella Wimer and Bryson Wimer of Tequesta, Florida.

She was also preceded in death by a sister, Wilda Mae Hartman (Ralph); a half brother, Ralph Hansel Wimer; and a half sister, Gae Nell Smith (Ralph).

A funeral service was held Sunday at the Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg. Burial was in Maple Hill Cemetery in Petersburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pendleton Animal Welfare Shelter (P.A.W.S.), PO Box 804, Franklin, WV 26807.

p.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Mrs. Wimer passed away Jan. 28, 2023, and was the wife of Shirl O. Wimer of Brandywine.

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



Wanda Lorraine Kimble Showalter

Wanda Lorraine Kimble Showalter, 81, passed away peacefully at her home in Staunton, Virginia, and went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Feb. 15, 2023.

She was born July 16, 1941, at home in Brushy Run (Upper Tract) to the late Olie F. Kimble and Viola Mae Harman Kimble.

Mrs. Showalter was preceded in death by her loving husband, William E. Showalter of Franklin. They were married on Halloween in 1958, in Cumberland, Maryland, enjoying nearly 58 years together. Her husband used to tease he got the “trick” and she got the “treat.” They were Franklin High School sweethearts and together they began their adventures traveling the world as an Air Force family of 20 years. She enjoyed being stationed stateside, so they could be near family and friends, but she loved living overseas in Okinawa and Iceland; relishing the opportunity to travel to Europe.

She collected traditional dolls and spoons from their tours and was known to ask friends and family to “bring her back something” for her collection as they traveled. She always teased her family that she was not ready to leave the military life of travel, so her husband showered her with cruises to the Caribbean, Hawaii and Alaska.

She worked as a church secretary in Naha, Okinawa, and for the Comptroller in Keflavik, Iceland. In more recent years, she worked as the receptionist at Degesch America in Weyers Cave, Virginia, from where she retired.

Mrs. Showalter loved the Lord and actively served in churches each time they relocated. In 1977, she and her husband became members of Memorial Baptist Church

Janet Imogene (Pitsenbarger) Hoover, 91

Janet Imogene (Pitsenbarger) Hoover, 91, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, passed away Feb.18, 2023, at Blue Ridge Rehabilitation and Nursing in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

She was born May 8, 1931, in Moyers, a daughter of the late Benjamin Cameron and Dorothy Louella (Simmons) Pitsenbarger.

Mrs. Hoover was a member of Saint Paul Independent Lutheran Church.

Prior to her retirement, she worked at Brockway Manufacturing (now Graham Packaging) as a machine operator for 33 years. She will be remembered as a great cook and baker, especially for her red velvet cake. She would raise a beautiful garden each summer to can her bounty for the winter months ahead and loved to crochet in her spare time. Above all, she will be remembered as a loving mother, whose desire to see her daughters’ needs were met, knew no end.

Her husband, Delbert William Hoover, preceded her in death on Dec. 21, 2008.

Surviving are daughters, Phyllis Mosher and husband, James of Harrisonburg, Virginia, and Debbie Hammer and husband Greg of Mount Solon, Virginia; three half sisters,

where she enjoyed teaching Sunday School to the children, helping in the nursery, working with the ladies in the WMU, studying the Bible with her precious friends in the Joy Sunday School class, and supporting foreign missions.

She was known for her delicious meals and loved trying new recipes out on the family. She cherished the opportunity of hosting the annual Sunday School Christmas party in her home, as well as providing meals to many service men and women during the years.

Surviving are a daughter Velina Phelps (Doug) of Marietta, Ohio; a son, Eric Showalter of Staunton, Virginia; four grandchildren, William White of Houston, Texas, Sean Phelps (Samantha) of Marietta, Ohio, Carrie Phelps of Gallipolis, Ohio, and Christopher White of Fort Mill, South Carolina; three great-grandchildren, Sterling and Sophia Phelps of Marietta, Ohio, Asher White of Fort Mill, South Carolina, and another great-grandson on the way; three sisters, Mildred Riggelman, Elaine Keplinger and Kay Simmons, all of Upper Tract; a brother, Reginald Kimble of Petersburg; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her dear father-in-law and mother-in-law, Manuel and Anna Racca of Staunton Virginia; an aunt, Kathleen (Katie) Harman of Harrisonburg, Virginia; a brother, Alvin Kimble of Upper Tract; and her sweet cats, Herkie and Tiger.

Funeral services were held Monday at Coffman Funeral Home in Staunton, Virginia, with Pastor Todd Latham officiating. Burial followed at Kline Cemetery in Upper Tract.

Active pallbearers were Aaron Adams, Gary Gough, Glenn Perkins, Sean Phelps, Wesley Simmons and Earl “Pat” Wortman.

The family would like to express their heartfelt appreciation to Augusta Health Hospice of the Shenandoah for their care and compassion during her illness with Alzheimer’s.

Memorial donations may be made to Augusta Health Hospice of the Shenandoah, 64 Sports Medicine Drive, Fishersville, Virginia, 22939.

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

Coffman Funeral Home and Crematory was in charge of her arrangements with assistance from Kimble Funeral Home in Franklin.

Jeanie Persinger of Delaware, Edna Bennett of Bridgewater, Virginia, and Linda Holsinger of Harrisonburg, Virginia; sisters-in-law, Barbara Pitsenbarger and Alberta Moran, both of Staunton, Virginia; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; her life-long friend, Dorothy Stone of Mt. Clinton, Virginia; and her caregiver, Monique, who provided exceptional care and comfort as a friend for many years.

She was also preceded in death by four brothers, Homer, James Otha, Dolan and Virgil Pitsenbarger.

A funeral service will be held at noon today at Obaugh Funeral Home in McDowell, Virginia, with pastor Frank Hall officiating. Interment will follow in St. Paul Cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be Mark Pitsenbarger, Dennis Riley, Lowell Simmons, Mike Pitsenbarger, Jim Armstrong and C.J. Eckard.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be sent to St. Paul Independent Lutheran Church, c/o Delbert Rexrode, 527 Windrush Lane, Doe Hill, VA 24433 or to Bridgewater Rescue Squad, PO Box 268, Bridgewater, VA 22812.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.obaughfuneralhome.com.



Virgie Ruby Shumaker Fulk

Virgie Ruby Shumaker Fulk, 89, of Fulks Run, Virginia, passed away Feb. 15, 2023, at her residence.

She was born on Aug. 31, 1933, in Mathias and was a daughter to the late Homer and Lena Dellinger Barb.

Mrs. Fulk was a quality assurance technician at Wampler Foods and attended Mt. Carmel United Brethren in Christ Church in Fulks Run, Virginia.

Her grandchildren were the apple of her eye. She was always on the go and enjoyed playing bingo at the New Market Fire Department and the Eagles.

On Nov. 7, 1964, she married Billy Eugene Fulk, Sr. who preceded her in death on Nov. 1, 2015.

Surviving are her two sons, Douglas Shumaker and wife, Sharon, and Billy E. Fulk, Jr. and wife, Viola, all of Fulks Run, Virginia; a daughter, Cindy Steele of Fulks Run, Virginia; five children whom she helped raise; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a great-great grandchild; two sisters, Mary Shumaker of Baker and Edna Wilkins of Harrisonburg, Virginia; a brother, Amos Barb of Fulks Run, Virginia; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by nine siblings.

A memorial service was held at Mt. Carmel U.B.C. in Fulks Run, Virginia, with Pastors Scott Budde and Rich Reed officiating.

Memorial contributions to help with funeral expenses may be sent to Grandle Funeral Home, PO Box 114, Broadway, VA 22815.

Online contributions may be sent to the family at www.grandlefuneralhome.com.

Edward Wayne Tallman, 70

Edward Wayne Tallman, 70, died Feb. 13, 2023, at home in Durbin after a battle with liver disease and heart failure.

He was born on May 8, 1952, to the late Harlan (Pete) and Inez Tallman, the youngest of three children.

Mr. Tallman grew up in Durbin when it was a bustling little town and loved to tell tales about the way it was. His earliest memories include dancing and singing Elvis songs on a tabletop in one of the restaurants on Main Street. As a teenager he played in local rock and roll bands, and still had a fair singing voice in later years, which he exercised singing to his dogs.

He was in the last class to graduate from Green Bank High School and then studied English literature at West Virginia University. After graduation, he moved to New York City where he became an editor for the Wilson Company and profiled celebrities for a publication called Current Biography. He returned to West Virginia in the late 1990s, worked as the news director for West Virginia Mountain Radio and served a brief stint as Pocahontas County commissioner, before taking a job as the editor of the Pendleton Times, in Franklin. During his many years at the paper, he greatly enjoyed writing human interest stories about the local characters he encountered and befriended. He retired in 2015.

He was larger than life - difficult at times but never dull.



Welford Kemper “Whitey” Johnson

Welford Kemper “Whitey” Johnson, 88, of Sugar Grove passed away Feb. 11, 2023, at his home.

He was born on October 1, 1934, in Sugar Grove, Virginia, the son of the late Olin and Geneva Johnson.

Mr. Johnson attended school in Goochland, Virginia. He was a Christian by faith and loved gardening and racing cars. He retired in 1988 as a fireman in Richmond, Virginia.

On April 21, 1990, he married Anne (Hill) Johnson, who preceded him in death on Dec. 3, 2022.

Mr. Johnson leaves behind to cherish his memory two sons, Terrance “Terry” Johnson of Mechanicsville, Virginia, and Mark Johnson of Urbana, Virginia; a daughter, Traci Johnson of Mechanicsville, Virginia; three stepdaughters, Sarah Kellam of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Cathi Athaide of Atlanta, Georgia, and Jessica Madden of Alexandria, Virginia; five grandchildren; and six step-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by a son, Kenny Johnson, in 2006.

In honoring Mr. Johnson’s wishes, his body has been cremated.

A memorials service will be held at a late date at his residence.

Memorial donations may be made to Grant Memorial Hospice, 100 Hospital Drive, Petersburg, WV 26847.

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

Passionate about politics, he was a populist at heart. He loved rock and roll, movies and words, words, words - the written and the spoken. He could spin a yarn - getting to the point was always a long and winding journey with him. In his last years, he especially loved reconnecting with old friends, driving around the mountains and sharing stories.

His wife, Sue Ann Heatherly, survives.

Also surviving are a nephew, Mark Tracy; and three nieces Anita Plyler, Melanie Tallman Vaughn and Julie Ann Tallman.

His siblings, Bonnie Plyler and Roger Tallman preceded Ed in death.

Rather than mourning Mr. Tallman’s passing, he would want one to watch The Godfather Part II, listen to a little classic Elvis, raise a glass of wine and tell a story in his memory.

Memorial donations may be made to the Bartow Frank Durbin Fire and Rescue Squad, PO Box 267, Durbin, WV 26264. They were in his corner over the past couple of years, and the family is very grateful.

No memorial services are planned for this time. On his birthday, a picnic and celebration of his life will take place and his ashes will be scattered up on Cheat Mountain per his wishes. Friends and family are most welcome to join. Details will be shared later.

Online condolences may be sent to www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale were in charge of arrangements.



OBITUARIES



Arlena Mae Hinkle

Arlena Mae Hinkle, 93, of Manassas, Virginia, joined her loving husband, Harlan, on Jan. 26, 2023. Born July 1, 1929, in West Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Annie Spitzer. After relocating from West Virginia, Mrs. Hinkle provided childcare in her home, working well into her 70s. Many still kept in touch with her. In retirement, she enjoyed working word find puzzles, tending to her

flowers, and daily phone conversations with her relatives. Surviving are a son, William “Eddie” Hinkle and wife, Terry; a daughter, Betty Keller and husband, Robert; a daughter-in-law, Sarah; a brother, Hansel Spitzer; a sister, Marie Hull; four grandchildren, Chastity Keller, Robert Keller, Jr, Kimberly Carr and Jennifer Cornwell; three great-grandchildren, Trent Carr, Cale Carr and Camyrn Keller; and extended family, Stephen, Victoria, Tony, Lisa and Zack. She was also preceded in death by a son, David Spitzer; and two brothers, Lee and Charles Spitzer. At her request, the service and interment were private. The guestbook may be signed at www.bakerpost-fh.com. Arrangements were entrusted to the Baker-Post Funeral Home & Cremation Center in Manassas, Virginia, under the direction of Michael Post.

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frastructure with Sustainability and Equity, or RAISE, grant. The first grant has requested \$5 million for the design phase. PVTa would request \$10-15 million more for construction. According to the US Department of Transportation, the RAISE grants help “counties . . . complete critical freight and passenger transportation infrastructure projects.” Funding nationally will be split between urban and rural projects. Region 8 agreed to provide a letter of support for the project with one dissenting vote. Terry Lively, Region 8 executive director, then shared that while the Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant application has been approved, the state will not cover the match expected from Region 8. The match is approximately \$28,000, of which Region 8 can cover \$8,000. Lively proposed that Region 8 request municipalities for \$1,000 and county commissions \$1,500 to make up the difference. Bob Hott, Hampshire County commissioner, asked “why won’t the state do the match?” Lively responded, “I have no answer for that,” but said that he would ask for a waiver, though he did not expect to get one. “Region 7 is doing what I’m proposing,” he added. Lynn Phillips, area representative from the office of Governor Jim Justice, said that he would bring the matter to the Governor’s attention. Hott also said that “I don’t know why we have to do this now. We’ve never had to do this before.” Frank Wehrle, Town of Franklin administrator, said that though he did not expect that his council would like it, he moved to support Lively’s proposal, which passed. The Region 8 Council also named its budget committee, with Carl Hevener, Pendleton County Commission president representing his county. William Bean of Moorefield, who has served as treasurer for 25 years, submitted his resignation. The council agreed to appoint as his replacement Scotty Miley, Grant County commissioner and loan officer at Grant County Bank.

FCCLA Events

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Gonshor added that the club also cooked ham and cheese sliders for a recent board of education meeting. Lydia Heavner, another member, said that one of the top benefits of the club comes from developing leadership skills. She added that she also loves the trips, “but also during semester exams, we did bulletin boards around the school.” The bulletin board decorations all featured positive and encouraging messaging to reduce student stress during such an important time. Almost every month that school is in session, FCCLA has a community service project. While this month’s focus lies on FCCLA Week, last month the students launched a pop tab drive for Ronald McDonald House. Next month will have a Dr. Seuss theme. Other months featured projects such as Operation Christmas Child, breast cancer awareness, and more. May will feature a teacher appreciation project. Since 2015, FCCLA has cooked and served a lunch to teachers as a thank you. In recent years, the appreciation was extended to bus drivers who received breakfast as a thank you for their hard work. FCCLA students also created the “in a pinch bag” project. These bags contain toiletries and other essentials, such as toothpaste, deodorant, soap, and other items. Girls can receive makeup that mostly comes from donations of unneeded mail order cosmetics. Students also worked in conjunction with the Communities in Schools programs on projects involving mental health. As Janice Heavner stated, “we help with monthly seminars. The one recently was on healthy relationships.” She added that the work helps “to create a community of support within the school.” This helps children who come from struggling families to find secure systems of support. FCCLA especially helps to develop skills required in a serious career field of need in the area of education. Students have the opportunity to take classes and also gain experience in early childhood and middle school environments constructed within the school. Club member Paigelynn Long stated that “right now, we’re just learning classroom skills, especially how to interact with kids having trouble at home.” She added that “we’re helping other kids too,” saying that the FCCLA’s older students “made a lot of kids’ day in the middle school.” Other classes prepare future parents for their responsibilities. Currently, students in these classes use computer programmed devices that “act” like newborn babies to simulate the work of parenting. This club devoted to community service also knows how to have fun. Gonshor introduced “Pickles,” saying that “we have this dinosaur. We took him on a trip to Charleston with us.” The diminutive dinosaur quickly became the club mascot and traveling partner. Gonshor smiled and said “he’s part of the program now!” Long added, “that’s our buddy!” The club has rebounded since the pandemic took a toll on service work. Janice Heavner said, “COVID left us with Swiss cheese. We have to go back and fill in the holes.” Last week, the FCCLA club completed one of their biggest projects of the year. They delivered “cookiegrams” to all teachers for FCCLA Week. These were in addition to cookiegrams ordered and delivered as part of a fundraiser. They delivered over 550 cookies in three different sizes on Friday of that week.

Maple Production

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Luke Taylor-Ide from Future Generations, “I’m really excited. Participation rates are higher than we’ve ever had before.” He added that “historically, Maple Days do a lot to draw West Virginians into other parts of West Virginia.” Taylor-Ide said that they expected to see more attendees from out of state this year. While many focus on the sweet treats provided at each stop, maple’s momentum in the Mountain State has many thinking bigger. Leonhardt explained that because corn syrup has grown so expensive in recent years, authentic maple syrup has become more appealing. The high sugar content also gives it more shelf stability and creates less waste. Another practical reason to promote the product comes from the earning potential for landowners. “Timber goes up and down in price,” Leonhardt stated, adding that “We have got trees that they can get a sustained annual income from,” listing maple, sycamore, and walnut. Future Generations researchers explained how to tap syrup producing trees in such a way as to not harm their value as timber. Taylor-Ide shared that work performed in the West Virginia mountains has put the state “at the forefront in a lot of ways” in terms of the evolution of the industry. He praised the commissioner of agriculture and his office, saying that “at every step, it’s a partnership.” State officials worked hand in hand with researchers and the industry, rather than imposing their own vision, as they established and adjusted regulations. One producer in Pendleton County has incorporated maple production into an exciting and needed non-profit enterprise. Mountain Cajun Getaways in Circleville, run by United States Navy veteran Chris Grimes and his wife, Melissa, offers retreats for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and their families. Mountain Cajun Getaways invited attendees to see the production process and to also purchase finished products. These include a maple jalapeno glaze, glazed cashews, and a variety of other products with value added through innovative cooking. Melissa Grimes shared that “we have friends that put the glaze over pork and ribs.” “Whatever we sell funds and pays for activities,” said Melissa Grimes. The organization pays all the expenses for families to come to the retreat. Next week, a visiting family will learn to obtain maple sap and produce syrup from it. Visitors often find that they don’t want to leave. As Melissa Grimes explained, “I can’t tell you how many people come to visit, then next thing you know, they’re looking at Zillow,” to find properties in Pendleton County. All of this plays into what Leonhardt called “synergy.” He stated that “the more we work together, the better we do,” and added that through cooperation, maple syrup and value added products will continue to boost the local and state agricultural and tourism economies together.

Town of Franklin, Sewage Plant Bond

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50-year-old transfer switch original to the building required repair. The city could keep the box, but must “replace its guts.” When working properly, transfer switches help generators to kick on and provide power smoothly and efficiently. Wehrle suggested that “we don’t want to get into a situation where we need it and it breaks.” Sewage pump issues also required the town’s attention. Both sewage pumps that control flow for Painters Point failed, which Wehrle said was “unfortunate and irritating.” The town plans to acquire one new pump for \$12,000 and a second rebuilt model for \$9,200. Wehrle explained that “we’re going a little high here, estimating \$40,000 in total” The pumps may have failed in part because of oil, grease,

and “whatever goes down the drain.” Buildup of such materials can hamper or damage function. One council member asked about oil and grease traps while another listed the food service facilities in Franklin who have them in place. Wehrle replied that, “you’ll never completely eliminate it” and that preventative maintenance is the best way to maintain the systems. Bruce Minor then discussed the Potomac Valley Transit Authority’s grant application to design and build a hydrogen fuel hub in Petersburg. He explained that “we’ll use hydrogen to fuel buses,” and added that school buses in the region could also eventually use the fuel. The town council agreed to provide a letter of support for PVTa’s application.

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February Plays Host to Diverse Weather

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

February is the shortest month of the year, but sometimes it seems to be the longest. It is usually a muddy month when the frozen ground begins to thaw. That season called “mud” comes between winter and spring. The writer is sure that it centers in the middle of February. It can be vicious and sneaky with unexpected snowstorms and biting, cruel winds. Sometimes it drops a mild, sunny day to one, and then follows with a bitterly cold one dripping with icicles.

It is soup weather. With that, lots of vegetables can go into soup, depending on the recipe. Vegetables often can be carried to the counter by way of a basket.

The pioneers used baskets to haul grain, carry vegetables, fruits, eggs and store sewing implements. Basketmaking goes back before recorded history.

Pioneers made baskets using skills taught to them by their parents. They used whatever materials were at hand, but white oak was the primary material. It has a strong grain and is strong, flexible and durable. The wood needed to come from the forest, a smaller tree between six and 10 inches around. It has to be perfectly straight with no imperfections like knots, bug holes, or deer rubs.

Once the basketmakers have a tree, it is felled after which five- to six-foot sections are taken. Using mallets, wedges and knives, the sections are reduced to long thin strips of wood to weave into a basket, starting from the bottom.

When the sides are raised, a rim finishes the basket. Weaving should be snug. The key is to achieve the right tightness without unduly straining the wood. A basket used for harvesting field crops might have large gaps to let rocks and dirt to sift out. Other baskets might require tighter weaving and a top to retain small items, like sewing pins.

The pioneers did not think the baskets were to be used for decoration or collector’s items. They did not use nails, glue or forms to assemble the baskets. The way they made their baskets had a harmonious work. Everything in basketmaking worked together. Each basketmaker tended to specialize in a type of basket.

To have an old egg basket, made by a pioneer, is a treasure of memories to keep. The hard work surrounding these

baskets reminds one to appreciate that life style. It takes skill to accomplish the finished product.

Life’s instructions from grandma include the following:

1. Always, always speak the truth.
2. Please and thank you are good words, use them often.
3. Don’t go where a person is not invited.
4. Don’t call someone after nine o’clock at night.
5. Always flush the toilet when one uses it.

Moisture from snow and rains accumulated about 2 inches in this community. The South Fork River had quite a lot of water racing towards the Potomac River. Last week’s temperatures rose to the high 60s with strong winds bringing in a cold front and Saturday morning’s temperature being 16°. Of course, the winds take up what moisture lingers on the ground. Hopefully, a good bit of moisture soaked into the ground, raising the water table.

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

- Easter Island is a territory of Chile.
 - Nothing of note happened on April 18, 1930.
 - The Bible has been translated into Elvish and Klingon.
 - June is the wettest month in the United States.
 - Johnny Cash’s brother is also a singer/songwriter.
- Not sure where to sit to hear the “Talk of the Grove.”

Ava Bowers, daughter of Shaun and Leslie Bowers, placed third at the Pendleton County Social Studies Fair, Saturday. Her project was on Sugar Grove, before and after the fire of 1929.

The quilting group completed 200 quilts to send to be used by World Relief. This group met every Wednesday at St. John Lutheran Church to knot the quilts and to enjoy soup and sandwiches.

Visiting with Rosalee Grogg this week were Marleta Wimer, Terri Grogg and her friend, Claude.

The South Fork Volunteer Fire Department’s Auxiliary had its Christmas/valentine party this past week. A surprise birthday party for Phil Downs was enjoyed by all.

It won’t be long before the hummingbirds will be arriving. When cleaning up the feeders, be sure to use a weak vinegar solution to clean. Please avoid using soap or dish detergent as this leaves harmful residue in the feeder.

“Pidge” Anderson saw her first robin Monday morning.

Valentine’s Day Royalty Selected

Pendleton Manor



Winners of the Valentine King and Queen at Pendleton Manor were Jeff Evick and Neva Rexrode, respectively. A penny equaled a vote in the contest. The money raised will go to the home’s resident council.

Pendleton Senior and Family Services



Wanda Pitsenbarger and Wayne Kimble were selected as Pendleton Senior and Family Services’ Valentine Queen and King, respectively. In early February, three women and three men were nominated to be the queen and king. Each nominated person had a jar with his or her photo on it. Each vote cost a penny. The nominee having the most change in his or her jar was crowned the Valentine Queen and King. The winners received a gift certificate to the Korner Shop Café, a large heart full of chocolates, a heart scepter, a swag bag and a sash.

Fleishers Run

By Judy Coleman

Anna Cupp dawned this life Sept. 11, 1940, as the daughter of the late Beulah and Walter Eckard. She was well known for her writings of the Fleishers Run news articles in the Pendleton Times. She was a resident of Fleishers Run and married to Harold Cupp. Her news articles reached many readers near and far. It is with great sadness to inform her readers that Anna passed away Feb. 20, 2023, at the Augusta Medical Center in Fishersville, Virginia. Please be in much prayers for her family and friends.

Correction:

Lois Carr was erroneously named as head of the West Virginia Conservation Agency delegation to the Pendleton County Commission meeting. The actual senior official was Don Wetzel, watershed manager from the Romney office.

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She and Charles enjoyed a mess of dandelions for Sunday dinner.

Helen and Rhonda Nash are celebrating the recent birth of Marley Anne Putnam, whose parents are granddaughter/niece, Savannah, and husband, Brogan Putnam of Wasilla, Alaska. Marley brings the total of the fourth generation to 14 and now ties the girls with the boys.

The Sugar Grove Lions Club held its meeting with a cruet dinner. Evelyn Varner is the cruet maker and she does a great job.

Quotes for the week are as follows:

“The only things you can take with you when you leave this world are things you’ve packed inside your heart.” — Susan Gale

“Be happy. You never know how much time you have left.” — Unknown

“The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away.” — Picasso

“Do everything with a good heart and expect nothing in return, and you will never be disappointed.” — Barbara Lowe

“However much you deny the truth, the truth goes on existing.” — George Orwell

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, Linda 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, Margaret Wimer, people in Ukraine and Yemen and earthquake victims in Turkey.

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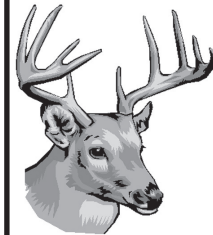
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A Tale of Two Games: Pendleton County Splits Final Two Games Against Rivals



Ana Young celebrates senior night with her parents, Jake and Darla Young, before playing against Petersburg. Photo by Robin Alt.

AA Petersburg Picks Up Win Against Pendleton County

By Stephen Smoot

After a grueling end-of-season schedule that saw the Lady Wildcats playing six games in 10 days, Pendleton County hosted a strong AA Petersburg squad on senior night. The Wildcats had also mounted a furious comeback against talented Tucker County that fell only slightly short. Petersburg came to Franklin to find a worn down home team.

Also, Petersburg well remembered the punishment handed out by Pendleton County on their home court and came in looking for revenge.

The Wildcats started well with Ana Young hitting a 15-foot shot to open scoring 20 seconds into the action. Petersburg answered quickly with a long two-point shot of their own. Young countered with a three-pointer at the 7:10 mark. A minute later, she connected with Gabby DePue who scored a layup on the play.

First quarter scoring for both teams took the form of punch and counter punch. Petersburg surged ahead late in the quarter, but the Wildcats tied it up at 10. Young and DePue ex-

ecuted a pick and roll that put DePue on the line. She made one of two to knot the game. Petersburg quickly retook the lead, but a Young three-pointer brought her team within 20-18 to close the quarter.

Second quarter action commenced with Young and Jameigh Miller executing a pick and roll play, leading to a Miller layup. Until the middle of the second quarter, the Vikings would edge ahead and Pendleton County found a way to tie.

The key for Petersburg on this night lay in disciplined offense and hanging onto the ball. Normally, Pendleton County feasts on opponents' mistakes that lead to scoring possessions. Crisp and accurate passing by the Vikings kept the explosive offense of the Wildcats more at bay as the game continued.

In the last five minutes of the second quarter, the Vikings outscored the Wildcats 12 -3. Against Tucker County, the Wildcats came roaring out of the locker room and closed the gap. The Vikings opened the half with a three-point shot to keep Pendleton County at arms length. Avery Townsend, however, worked to keep her

team close. She hit a 15-foot shot with almost a minute gone. She then drove the ball to the basket, drew a foul, and hit one of two free throws to set the lead at 43-29. A minute later, she took a steal in for a basket.

Baylee Beachler worked hard to disrupt Petersburg and get possessions, tying up a player under the basket and snagging offensive rebounds. The third quarter closed with Jenna Smith getting a steal, then later finding Miller for an assist. Miller then blocked a Viking shot with a minute left to play.

The fourth quarter started with Pendleton County down 54-37. Townsend hit a one-handed shot to close the gap to 18 points. Young then blocked a shot and forced a Viking turnover. At the 5:37 mark, Townsend and Beachler ran a give and go play that led to a Wildcat layup and cut the lead to 15.

Despite the hard work on defense, the Vikings' outside shooters got hot. Even well-defended shots fell for the Vikings. Every Pendleton County run saw a Petersburg answer. At the end, the opposing squad walked off with a 69-45 victory.

Pendleton County Upends Union At Home 70-32

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, the Union Tigers traveled to Franklin to tangle with the Wildcats and ran into a hungry pack of Wildcats. Though they gave a strong effort through the entire game, Union struggled mightily.

Pendleton County controlled the tip off. Union played well in half-court defense through much of the game, but scoring eluded them. Jacob Beachler drew first blood by tipping in an offensive rebound with a minute gone in the game. Josiah Kimble also had a strong start in the game. After stealing the ball earlier in the quarter, he swiped a pass at the 4:43 mark and shortly thereafter hit a three-pointer to give his team a 10-0 lead.

Chase Owens then took his own steal all the way in to give his team a 12-point advantage. Later, he took a Connor Armentrout pass for a layup. At the one-minute mark, Brayden Beachler hit his own three, followed by Owens taking the ball from the Union point guard's hands and scoring yet again. A Clayton Kisamore layup on a Dustin Vandevander assist ended scoring at 24 to 0 for the quarter.

The second quarter started with a Kimble steal two seconds in. Almost a minute later, another Armentrout pass hit gold, this time ending in a Kisamore score to lift the lead to 26 to 0. Shortly afterwards, Evan Teter kicked the ball out

to Kisamore for a completed three-point shot. They teamed up again at the 5:47 mark to steal the ball. Then Brayden Beachler got a steal of his own, passed the ball quickly ahead to Teter, who again found Kisamore in scoring position, leading to a 31 to 0 score.

Wildcat defenders kept the pressure on Union ball-handlers all evening. Owens and Dusty Smith combined for a steal at the 3:03 mark. Shortly thereafter, Smith hit a three-point shot off a Brayden Beachler assist and racked up another steal with less than two minutes in the half. Smith then found Brayden Beachler with an assist leading to a layup to put the score at 38 - 6. First half scoring ended, appropriately, on yet another hustle play with Owens putting an offensive rebound back in for a layup for a 41-6 halftime advantage.

In the second half of the season, Coach Jeremy Bodkin has preached patience on offense. This has led to a significant uptick in baskets made off of assists while also opening up scoring opportunities for everyone on the floor and making the offense more formidable. The Wildcats also generate big plays through hustle and work on defense and the offensive boards.

Action started in the second half with Jacob Beachler putting back an offensive rebound for an easy score with only 30 seconds gone in the quarter. A minute later,

Kimble found Owens on the perimeter for a three-point shot. Kimble then hit another three 30 seconds later to elevate the score to 52-8.

Pendleton County's defense continued to attack the Tigers throughout the game. With 37 seconds left in the quarter, Teter tipped a Tiger shot attempt, then tracked down the rebound. Union hit a buzzer beater in the closing seconds for a 59-16 score.

The first few minutes of the fourth quarter saw the Wildcats continuing to give full effort. Vandevander took a steak only 10 seconds into the action. Cashton Kisamore and Brady Bowers worked the boards for an offensive rebound a piece. Teter, in one of his best games all year, found Vandevander for an assist and combined with Brayden Beachler for a steal. Teter later hit a 17-foot shot of his own.

Armentrout also showed his athleticism, getting two steals in the last three minutes of the game. He also scored a layup on a Vandevander pass. Scoring closed on a Union layup that left the final at 70-32.

The Wildcats hosted Tygarts Valley and Frankfort earlier this week. They play the final game of the season tonight at Moorefield.

In other action, Keyser upset Allegany in a last second shot 68-67. Pendleton County had dropped two tightly contested games to Keyser earlier in the season.

In Gut Check Game, Pendleton County Blows Out Rival Moorefield 63-27

By Stephen Smoot

A week ago, the Pendleton County Lady Wildcats were enjoying a long winning streak. Then came an emotional close loss versus Tucker County, then a setback on senior night against a powerful Petersburg squad. Only two days later, the Pendleton County hosted rival Moorefield in what old school coaches call a "gut check" game. In essence, in these games teams show themselves and others what they have when forced to dig deep for a great performance.

Pendleton County more than came through last Saturday. The Yellow Jackets found themselves swarmed by a pack of angry Wildcats.

Moorefield controlled the tipoff and scored first, followed quickly by a Baylee Beachler layup to tie the game. The Wildcats quickly surged ahead and never lost the lead again when Avery Townsend took a pass by Ana Young and buried a three-point shot to give her squad a 5-4 advantage. At the five-minute mark, a Young assist once again powered a Townsend three-point shot.

On a team loaded with talent, Young and Townsend have emerged as the straws that stir the drink. They pose dangerous threats to score or steal and have been the catalysts of many scoring explosions. It was fitting that each player brought out their best against their biggest rival for the last game of the season.

Even more important, over the second half of the season, they have both worked hard to spread opportunities to teammates. The Moorefield game saw more points off of assists, as when Lizzie Alt found Beachler for a layup at the 3:42 mark, then later tossed a pass to Young that resulted in a three-point basket that extended the lead to 16-5.

Moorefield never got their legs under themselves in the game, shooting poorly much of the afternoon. Wildcat pressure on ball handlers caused numerous steals that led to multiple fast break layups and scoring possessions. Gabby DePue and Young teamed up on a steal that led to a Young layup with 35 seconds left.

The quarter ended with a play that Wildcat faithful will miss next year - Young stepping back to 20 feet to make a three-point goal with only a second left. The score at the end of the first was 28-5.

Moorefield is always a dangerous team and Pendleton County continued to attack.



Julie Mongold goes for a shot during the Wildcats' big win Saturday over the Yellow Jackets. Photo by Robin Alt.

The Yellow Jackets opened the second quarter with a three-point goal. Townsend, however, found Nataley Hedrick for a pass, leading to an easy layup. Beachler then took a Jameigh Miller pass for a close shot as well, giving the Wildcats a 24-point lead with only a minute and a half gone in the second.

Later in the quarter, Hedrick and Young combined for a steal that led to a DePue layup at the four-minute mark. The diminutive Hedrick's hustle makes her inch for inch the best rebounder on the court while also a constant threat to steal.

A Jenna Smith three pointer with 2:11 left and a 17-foot shot by Moorefield set the halftime score at 41-17.

Pendleton County has enjoyed big plays from the starting five all year. Outside of Young, many of the starters and first players off the bench are young, but highly experienced and disciplined. Players like Alt, Townsend, DePue, and Beachler often have to compete with older players with more varsity experience, but generally perform as well or better in the contests.

Coach Micah Bailey also deserves credit for the reserves' development into strong contributors. Miller, only a freshman, has grown into a gutsy defender and rebounder with an improving shot. Sophomore Smith has delivered timely deep shots

while also using her speed to play solid defense. The evolution of the players and the team should make the Wildcats formidable in the postseason.

The third quarter saw Moorefield continuing to find no answers against a motivated Pendleton County squad. Wildcat players attacked the basket in the third, drawing fouls and scoring at the free throw line. Alt hit one of two free throws after driving the lane and getting fouled, putting her team up 48-21.

Young then took over the game in the waning minutes of the quarter. With 1:10 left in the quarter, she drove the lane and delivered a pinpoint behind the back pass to Townsend in the left corner. She promptly hit a three-point shot. Young followed that with her own three not 20 seconds later. With only 12 seconds left, Young stole a pass and scored on a coast-to-coast layup.

In just over a minute, Young was the catalyst for an 8-0 run.

Effort did not falter in the fourth. Madison Arbaugh stole a pass at almost the six-minute mark with Hedrick forcing a double dribble only seconds later. Kiera Heavener's tight defense also forced a turnover. Julia Mongold played strong defense that helped her team nearly blank the Yellow Jackets in the final stanza.



Dustin Vandevander hoists another three-pointer in the victory over Union. Photo by Steve Cutter.

Pendleton To Host Sectional Play Friday

The Pendleton County Lady Wildcats had a bye on Wednesday. They will play the winner of the Pocahontas and Tygarts Valley game at 7 p.m. Friday night. Please come out and support the ladies as they seek to advance to regional and state tournament competition.

Oh, How it Snowed And the Wind Blew

As the 61st anniversary of the 1962 snow gets close, I decided to write what I recall. I have a friend who said I should write about the big snow I remember. I remember a lot of big snows as I'm sure most of the older readers do, but I'll write what I remember.

I'll start by describing the place where I spent all but six years of my life before leaving home at age 20. The house is six-tenths of a mile from the state road, on a slight hill, and the wind blows all the time. The fields for miles to the south and the north are wide open space. The water from the south side of the house flows all the way to the James River while the water from the north side flows down the Thorn Creek to the South Branch, then all the way to the Potomac River. That's history in itself! One inch of snow is easily piled into a drift of several feet by the constant, blowing wind.

I often think back to how life was in the 1950s and 1960s and some of the big snows we received. I remember one time daddy was helping us get to the school bus. The snow was well above my knees and daddy was walking in front, breaking a path. He was carrying my brother, leading my sister, and I followed behind. We hadn't gone very far until my sister slid under a snow drift. Daddy pulled her out, turned around, and we went back to the house.

I recall when I was a junior in high school that the snow was piled so high in front of the yard we couldn't see out over it. A man by the name of Harlan Simmons would use his bulldozer to open the roads and had piled the snow that high. He would open roads all through the area and sometimes it would be a day or two before he got to us. It wasn't uncommon for the end of the road to drift back shut while he was working up to the house. School was rarely canceled but during my last two years in school we missed so many days that we went on Saturdays after it warmed up in order to have the credits we needed to graduate.

The most snow I ever saw was in February and March of 1962. There have been snows that have come close since but haven't topped those three snows. My daughter was born the second week in in February and was just two weeks old when the first snow fell, the second about a week later, and then the third. It wasn't inches but feet with each one! The wind drifted the first snow so high that mom, daddy, and my husband walked over the top of the yard fence in order to get to the barn. The sheep were in a pen outside the barn and all you could see were their heads. The milk cows and the horses were in the barn and that is where they stayed that first day as the barn doors were drifted shut.

My daddy was in charge of seeing to the animals at three farms and with no way to get the tractor or jeep out, and the barn doors drifted shut, the only thing he and my husband could do was walk. Seeing to the animals at home first, they went south to the Hiner Farm. They stopped at the house for a sandwich and then headed east to the Sally Place. They had to carry axes along to break the ice so the animals could get water. It was nearing dark when they got back to the house. I don't really know how many miles they walked pushing through the snow and drifts but would guess at least 10.

They shoveled out the doors to the horse stalls the next morning and took the horses on that trip. With a foot and half of snow

already on the ground and drifted, the second snow of equal amount fell in less than a week and the digging out started again. The wind piled the snow even higher on the drifts. In less than a week, the third snow fell and more shoveling—mountains of snow where there were no mountains! I don't really know the amount of snow that fell in that short period of time. I can say I know how hard it is to navigate six-to-eight inches of snow but pushing through feet and drifts makes me tired just thinking about that.

Getting through the snow and seeing to the animals was difficult but keeping the house warm added to the misery. There were wood stoves in three of the rooms and still it was cold. The wind would blow snow under the front door until there would be a mini drift on the floor. It wasn't unusual to wake with snow on the comforters we were sleeping under or stepping in snow when getting out of bed.

The snows demanded a lot of strength and dedication to those in charge of seeing to the animals and outside chores. Taking care of things inside the house was just as demanding. While keeping fires and fixing something to eat, mom also had to brave the snow to get to the barn to milk.

Added to all this was taking care of a two-week-old baby whose formula didn't agree with her. After two different commercial brands didn't work, we started her on whole cow's milk that we heated until it was considered bacteria free. We would add Karo syrup to each bottle after it had been heated. Then there was the colic! Does anyone remember a baby with colic? My mom, God rest her soul, would sit beside the stove and rock this child until three or four in the morning before she would sleep. February and March of 1962 were not an easy time for any of us and a time in my life I'll always remember.

The farm, the house, the same open fields are still there. There is a different heating system in the house but they still have trouble getting the temperature above 60 degrees when it's really cold outside. That inch or two of snow still blows into a drift several feet high—just ask my brother if you doubt.

I saw big snows before 1962 and big snows since, but I can honestly say the amount of snow from those three storms in that short time span is the most I ever saw on the ground at one time. That is the only time I can ever remember walking over the top of the yard fence!

Thank God for modern snow removal equipment and state road crews!

Written by:
Violet R. Eye
Jan. 12, 2023



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POSITION: FULL TIME PATIENT ACCESS CLERK (FLOATER POSITION). APPLICANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO WORK ALL AREAS OF ADMISSIONS DEPARTMENT. — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Various shifts, based on departmental needs. This could vary on a week-to-week basis. High school diploma or GED required. Excellent customer service, communication and computer skills required. Must possess the ability to type 35 words per minute. Good decision-making skills. Professional and responsible with great work ethic. Ability to multitask in a fast-paced environment and work as part of a team, also required. Must have keen attention to detail and ability to maintain and balance a cash drawer. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/03/2023**

POSITION: PART TIME MATERIALS MANAGEMENT SUPPLY CLERK — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days 24 hours per week. Prior computer experience preferred. Must be able to lift 50 lbs. Excellent customer skills required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/03/2023**

POSITION: PART TIME NUTRITION SERVICES ASSISTANT - COOK — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days/Evenings (main work hours will vary from 5:00 am until 1:30 pm and/or 10:00 am until 6:30 pm with alternating weekends also required). This is also a floating position for all jobs in the dietary department. Excellent Customer Service Skills required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/03/2023**

POSITION: PART TIME NUTRITION SERVICES ASSISTANT - TRAY LINE/FLOATER — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days/Evenings (main work hours will vary from 5:00 am until 1:30 pm and/or 10:00 am until 6:30 pm). This position will require being able to work weekends and cover shifts during the week. This is also a floating position for all jobs in the dietary department. Excellent Customer Service Skills required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/03/2023**

POSITION: FULL TIME PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT FOR SPECIAL CARE UNIT — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days - (3) 12 hour shifts per week, with alternating weekends and holidays. Previous patient care assistant experience, preferred. BLS required. Monitor vital signs. Must have ability to handle high stress situations. Assist patients with their ADLS. Work with RN to provide one on one care and ability to read telemetry, must have completed telemetry course. Emergency department or special care unit experience preferred. Provide emotional support to patients and family members. Must be a team player. Philips monitor experience preferred for patient management, trouble shoot telemetry hardware (battery changes, cable changes, pad placement). Excellent Customer Service Skills required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/03/2023**

POSITION: FULL TIME NUTRITION SERVICES ASSISTANT - TRAY LINE/FLOATER — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days/Evenings (main work hours will vary from 5:00 am until 1:30 pm and/or 10:00 am until 6:30 pm). This position will require being able to work weekends and cover shifts during the week. This is also a floating position for all jobs in the dietary department. Excellent Customer Service Skills required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/03/2023**

POSITION: FULL TIME PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT FOR MEDICAL SURGICAL UNIT — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Days - (3) 12 hour shifts per week, with alternating weekends and holidays. Previous patient care assistant experience, preferred. BLS required. Monitor vital signs. Must have ability to handle high stress situations. Assist patients with their ADLS. Work with RN to provide one on one care and ability to read telemetry, must have completed telemetry course. Emergency department or special care unit experience preferred. Provide emotional support to patients and family members. Must be a team player. Philips monitor experience preferred for patient management, trouble shoot telemetry hardware (battery changes, cable changes, pad placement). Excellent Customer Service Skills required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/03/2023**

POSITION: FULL TIME REGISTERED RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Rotating nights and weekends. ARRT and West Virginia license required. CT experience preferred, but not required. Excellent customer service and computer skills needed. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/31/2023**

POSITION: FULL TIME RN FOR MEDICAL SURGICAL/SPECIAL CARE UNIT — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Nights - (3) 12-hour shifts per week, with rotating weekends and holidays. Current West Virginia RN license required. BLS, ACLS and PALS certifications recommended. Reliable and detail oriented, exhibits good judgment and promotes teamwork. Must be capable of multitasking and have critical thinking skills. Excellent Customer Service Skills required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/31/2023**

POSITION: PART TIME LPN FOR MOTHER INFANT CARE CENTER (MICC) — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Various; 12-hour shifts, with alternating weekends. Current West Virginia RN license required. Excellent customer service skills and prior labor and delivery experience preferred, but not required. ACLS and PALS recommended. Must be capable of multitasking and have critical thinking skills. Highly motivated individual who can work as a team and individually. Ability to undertake a variety of diverse care tasks and work in a multi-disciplinary environment. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 03/31/2023**

POSITION: FULL TIME RN - OPERATING ROOM/OUTPATIENT SURGERY DEPARTMENT — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday - Friday with occasional evenings and nights. No call hours. Will also float to Outpatient and PACU Departments, a few days late shifts. Will learn to circulate eyes/endoscopy cases. Prior Operating Room experience preferred but not required. Excellent Customer Service Skills required. Current West Virginia RN license required. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 02/28/2023**

POSITION: FULL TIME RN FOR MOTHER INFANT CARE CENTER — SHIFT OR HOURS NEEDED: Nights - (3) 12-hour shifts per week, with every other weekends. Current WV license required. Excellent customer service skills and previous labor and delivery experience preferred, but not required. Must be capable of multitasking and have critical thinking skills. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 2/28/2023**

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Pursuant to W.Va. Code §60A-7-707, the Pendleton County Sheriff's Department will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder a 2020 Toyota Camry SE, VIN: 4T1M11AKXLU998168, 4 door sedan, 4 cylinder, 2.5 liter, gas, automatic transmission, navy blue in color with approximately 17,852 miles, 2 prior owners and clean CARFAX report. The auction is scheduled for Friday, March 10, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at the Pendleton County Courthouse, first floor, and will be conducted by Josh Nesselrodt, Auctioneer, WV # 4179. Payment due on day of sale. Cash or cashier's check accepted. 2-23-3c

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This position is responsible for all supervisory, technical, and administrative work involving planning, organization, direction, and coordination of the operations of two commercial solid waste transfer stations located in the Potomac Highlands of West Virginia. The work is performed under the general direction of a regional Board of Directors. The position requires prior supervisory experience, thorough knowledge of the basic principles involved in solid waste management and disposal and thorough knowledge of safety practices within the solid waste management industry. Extensive on-the-job training will be provided. The position requires a BS degree in Environmental Sciences or a related field of study or any equivalent combination of experience and training in the solid waste management field.

Cover letters and resumes will be accepted at the Region VIII SWA, P.O. Box 116, Petersburg, WV 26847 or by email to r8swa@region8swa.org until 4 p.m., Friday, March 17, 2023.

The Region VIII SWA is an equal opportunity employer.

Hunters, Trappers Reminded Of Furbearer Season Dates

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources reminds hunters and trappers that the state's various furbearer trapping and small game hunting seasons will end in February and March.

Hunting and trapping seasons for red and gray fox, bobcat and raccoon will close on Feb. 28. Trapping seasons for coyote, otter, mink and muskrat will also close on Feb. 28. The trapping season for beaver will remain open until March 31. Beaver trappers are reminded that during the month of March, traps must be placed in the water. Trappers should be aware that it is illegal to set traps or leave traps after noon on the last day of the respective season.

All beaver, bobcat, otter and fisher pelts are required to be checked in electronically within 30 days of the close of their respective seasons. Trappers, hunters and fur dealers are reminded that furs shipped out of West Virginia must have a fur shipping tag, which is available at WVDNR district offices.

The WVDNR also is reminding bobcat hunters

and trappers and otter trappers to obtain a plastic Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species seal for each bobcat and otter pelt they plan to sell out of state. All bobcat and otter pelts sold by licensed fur dealers must have a CITES seal from the state where the animal was harvested before being sold on the international market. CITES seals are only available at WVDNR district offices and must be attached to the pelt by a wildlife biologist. To ensure personnel authorized to seal pelts will be available, hunters and trappers are encouraged to contact their WVDNR district office in advance.

The WVDNR also is reminding landowners to make plans to deal with nuisance muskrats and beavers before the trapping season ends. Trappers may be more likely to assist landowners while their gear is in working order and pelts are prime.

To learn more about small game hunting and trapping in West Virginia or to purchase a license, visit WVdnr.gov.

This Week in History...

Feb. 23, 1905: The first USS West Virginia was commissioned. The armored cruiser was renamed the USS Huntington in 1916 to allow the transfer of the original name to a newly authorized battleship.

Feb. 25, 1911: Newspaperman Jim Comstock was born in Richwood. In 1957, he founded the West Virginia Hillbilly, a weekly newspaper that circulated inside and outside the state.

Feb. 26, 1869: The legislature approved a bill moving the state capital to Charleston.

Feb. 26, 1972: One of the country's worst mining-related disasters occurred on Buffalo Creek in Logan County. A coal waste dam collapsed, sending 132 million gallons of water, coal refuse and silt into the valley. In the end, 125 people, including entire families, were killed, and 1,000 people were injured.

Feb. 27, 1867: Marshall College (now university) was established as a normal school for the training of teachers. The first term began June 15, 1868, with 25 students enrolled in three departments.

Feb. 28, 1875: Musician Edwin "Edder" Hammons was born in Pocahontas County. A subsistence farmer and hunter, he is remembered as one of West Virginia's finest traditional fiddlers.

Feb. 28, 1909: Athlete John Zontini was born. Nicknamed the "Sheik of Seth" for his outstanding football career at Sherman High School in Boone County, he still holds state high school and Marshall University rushing records.

Town of Franklin/Board of Parks

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Applications are available at the Town Office and are due by 4:30 p.m. February 24

Request for Proposal

*North Fork Primary Care
Roof Replacement*

Pendleton Community Care is seeking bids to remove and replace the existing shingle roof at North Fork Primary Care 16921 Mountaineer Drive, Riverton, WV 26814.

Scope of work includes but is not limited to the following:

- Demolition, removal, and disposal of existing roofing shingles, underlayment, and drip edge.
- Furnish and install new synthetic underlayment, shingle, and drip edge.
 - o Ice and water shield at all eaves, rakes, and valleys for 24" in each direction or manufacturer's warranty, whichever is greater.
 - o Drip edge to closely match in color and profile to existing.
 - o Underlayment equal to Owens Corning Titanium UDL25.
 - o Shingles equal to Tamco FD Titan XT, color to closely match existing.
- Any permitting, builders risk insurance, material handling, disposal fees, and temporary sanitary facilities shall be the responsibility of the contractor.

Provide alternative metal roofing price as noted below:

- Furnish and install new synthetic underlayment, shingle, and drip edge.
 - o Ice and water shield at all eaves, rakes, and valleys for 24" in each direction or manufacturer's warranty, whichever is greater.
 - o Underlayment equal to Owens Corning Titanium UDL25.
 - o 24 gauge metal roofing Medallion-Lok by McElroy Metals, flat pan, 18" width, or approved equivalent, color to closely match existing and to be approved by Owner prior to purchase. Also include all required appropriate trim components.
- Any permitting, builders risk insurance, material handling, disposal fees, and temporary sanitary facilities shall be the responsibility of the contractor.

Provide Per Unit Price as follows:

- Provide per sheet price to remove and replace any roof sheathing if required and discovered during demolition.

Shingle or metal replacement will be considered.

All bids must be received by 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, to Pendleton Community Care, Inc., Attn: Jamie Hudson, PO Box 100, Franklin, WV 26807 or jhudson@pcc-nfc.org.
For questions, contact Charles Sisson, Facilities Manager, 304-358-2355 or csisson@pcc-nfc.org.

NFES Students Go Skiing

Fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade students at North Fork Elementary School loaded the buses and headed to Canaan Valley Ski Resort Jan. 6 for a day outdoors.



Ally Jameson, Tori Heavner and Nolin Nededog receive a ski lesson.

Generous donations from the Franklin Moose Lodge and NFES PTSO made the ski trip possible for the students. Students in fourth grade received a ski lesson from trained



Ava Sherman, Aubree Simmons, Azalea Waddell and Kylee Hedrick enjoy time on the slopes.

instructors.

All of the students enjoyed a day of outdoor winter fun and were very disappointed it was time to head back to school.



Elaina and Katy Raines enjoy time on the slopes.

Rail Line Between Cass and Durbin Reopens

The rail line between Cass and Durbin in Pocahontas County is finally open following almost four years of cooperative work between the West Virginia Division of Highways, Durbin and Greenbrier Valley Railroad and the State Rail Authority, which is now part of the West Virginia Division of Transportation's Division of Multimodal Transportation Facilities.

"Finally! The multi-year labor of love to restore the track from Durbin to Cass is finally complete," said

Cindy Butler, multimodal transportation facilities commissioner. "This 15-mile section of track was washed out during the 1985 flood and laid dormant ever since."

Work crews from WVDOH Central Forces took the lead in building a new bridge over Trout Run, allowing the rail line between Cass and Durbin to reopen. Central Forces worked closely with the railroad on the project. Originally intending to build only the bridge abutments in 2019 and 2020, Central Forces came back in 2022 to

build the bridge itself. Conditions at the work site were harsh, with crews having to bring all materials by rail five miles up the rail line. Twelve or 14-hour work days were common as dedicated Central Forces work crews toiled in rain and snow.

"Years from now, my kids, my grandkids, their grandkids are going to have the opportunity to ride this valley," said Greg Pennington, a supervisor on the Cass project. "And they can say my dad or my grandad or my great-grandad helped build

this bridge.

"I think we owe it to the state and to the nation to open this back up so people can see the beauty of the river and this valley," Pennington said.

A Shay locomotive from Cass made a test run over the new bridge in early February 2023.

"A truer example of a Public Private Partnership won't be seen in a long time," Butler said. "This 15-mile section of track with this

beautiful ballast deck bridge, is a star for West Virginia and should be a showpiece for our WVDOH employees and the DGVR employees for many years to come. To say I am proud of everyone that played a part in the completion of this line, is an understatement. It is a true testament of the talent we have within our state."

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2018 FORD EXPLORER 4-DR XLT AWD, V-6, auto., ldd., charcoal, only 59K miles, ex. cond.	\$24,900
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SGR268A 183.7 acres, Raw Land, Dry Run area, Excellent Hunting, Franklin District. NEW LISTING \$449,900.00.	SGR236 World Class View Overlooking Germany Valley! Log Cabin, 70.08 Acres, 2 bed, 2.5 Baths. Seneca Lookout. Some Restrictions. \$799,000.00.
SGR266A 1.0 Acre, 3 Bed, 2 Bath Doublewide w/2 Car Garage, Mountain View, located in Green Acres Estates. Some Covenants & Restrictions. NEW LISTING \$199,900.00.	SGR233 29.82 Acres, Raw Land, Electric. Located on South Fork Mountain, Mill Run District. \$190,000.00..
SGR265A 63 Acres, located in Brandywine. NEW LISTING \$749,900.00.	SGR223 0.6673 Acres w/Spacious 3 Bed, 2 Bath Home, 2090 sq. ft., 1 Car Detached Garage. Franklin Corp. NEW LISTING \$329,000.00.
SGR264A 2.097 Acres w/4 Bed, 2 bath Brick Cape Cod, 2 Car Detached Garage, Hardwood flooring. Quiet neighborhood, fully finished, located to town amenities. NEW LISTING \$329,000.00.	SGR216 0.662 Acres w/1 Bed, 1 Bath, 908 sq. ft. Cabin located in close proximity to Brushy Fork Lake and National Forest, Sugar Grove District. \$79,900.00 REDUCED \$74,500.00
SGR259A 230.88 Acres, more or less, Spring, Septic, Electric available, subject to 4-year farm lease. Sugar Grove District. NEW LISTING \$869,000.00.	SGR197 557.7 Ac., Raw Land, Excellent Hunting, Joins National Forest, No Utilities, Potential Food Plots, Watering Holes, Bldg. Sites w/Views. Milroy District, Grant County. \$179,900.00.
SGR257A 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath 14x70, 2007, Mobile Home and Cabin (Camp) 2.097 acres, more or less, Sugar Grove District located near Brushy Fork Lake. Well & Septic. Cabin needs work. NEW LISTING \$80,000.00.	SGR187 8.87 Ac., Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Bldg. Sites, View. \$79,900.00.
SGR255A 2 Bed, 1 Bath recently remodeled home w/ basement on 4.14 Acres, more or less, located between Seneca Rocks & Riverton. NEW LISTING \$224,900.00.	SGR176 2.02 Acres Raw Land, Rocky Mountain Rd, Deer Run area. Electric nearby. \$19,900.00.
SGR248 1.407 Acres, more or less, Lot 9, Highland Estates, Grant County, Perc approved. Some Restrictions. NEW LISTING \$31,500.00.	SGR174 8.94 Acres, w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Doublewide, unfinished basement, Heat Pump, Propane, Central AC, Shop. \$299,000.00, \$279,000.00 REDUCED \$239,000.00.
SGR246 242.36 Acres, more or less, w/5 Bed, 2-1/2 Bath Contemporary Home as well as a Farmhouse on property. Pond, Magnificent Views. Conservation Easement. \$998,700.00.	SGR156 15.97 Acres, Rolling Hills Estate, Electric nearby, Water available. Hardy County. \$95,000.00. REDUCED \$89,900.00.
SGR245 0.96 Acres w/2 Bed, 1.5 Bath 1900's Remodeled Cottage, Seneca Rocks. \$249,900.00 REDUCED \$234,900.00.	SGR128 2-3 Bedroom Ranch w/Full Basement on 0.6386 Acres, more or less, Moyers Gap Rd. Sugar Grove District. NEW LISTING \$469,000.00 REDUCED \$149,900.00.
SGR244 0.14 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath 1,008 sq. ft. Home, Bonus Room, Hardwood Floors, Franklin Corp. \$149,900.00. REDUCED \$144,900.00.	SGR042 Five Unit Townhouse property located in Brandywine. Each unit has 2 Bdrms, 1.5 Baths, LR and Large Kitchen. Near National Forest for hunting and fishing. Perfect for retirement income, live in one and rent the others! \$399,000.00.
SGR238 533.29 Assessed Acres, Mobile home w/ addition and 2 Bdrms, 2 Bath, Pastureland, Pond. \$979,000.00.	SGR441 Residential lots , public water, protective covenants and restrictions. Oak Flat Estates near Brandywine on Rte 33 East of Franklin. Lots from \$20,760.00.
	SGR247 Residential lots with town water, sewer & underground utilities. Protective covenants and restrictions. Franklin Airport Development. Lots from \$14,630.00.