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## Lady Wildcats — Sectional Champions



The Pendleton County Lady Wildcats captured the Region II Section 2 Championship title last Friday at home after defeating Pocahontas County 75-30. Pendleton County will play Union at 7 p.m. today for a regional title with the winner advancing to state playoffs next week in Charleston. Members of the team are, from left, front row, Julia Mongold, Jenna Smith, Nataley Hedrick, Kiera Heavener and Avery Townsend; and back row, Dylan Hedrick (assistant coach), Baylee Beachler, Lizzie Alt, Ana Young, Gabby DePue, Jameigh Miller, Madison Arbaugh and Micah Bailey (coach). Photo by Robin Alt.

## Pendleton County Students Benefit from Hands On Mentorship

By Stephen Smoot

“You can tell he’s been around vehicles some,” said Franklin mechanic Billy Rowe, smiling as he watched Andrew Mowery get his hands dirty helping to replace a set of front brakes. The Pendleton County High School student said that he enjoys that “satisfaction of fixing it,” while getting hands on experience doing repairs on automobiles.

Mowery is part of the Work Exploration Program offering workforce type education opportunities for students in counties across the state. Pendleton County joined the program last year but some counties, such as Berkeley, started participating as early as 2007.

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Hunter Roberts demonstrates welding techniques for James Alt in the Work Exploration Program.

## Clayton Receives State History Hero Award

By Stephen Smoot

For more than a quarter of a century, the State of West Virginia’s Archives and History Commission and its successor offices have honored “history heroes.” The ceremony takes place on a day set aside to honor and celebrate both the history of the Mountain State and those who best bring it to life.

This year, the state honored R. Paul Clayton, president of the Pendleton County Historical Society.

It all started when “my parents got me started on a book of the month club,” said Clayton. He explained that



R. Paul Clayton shows his History Hero award in the Boggs House, which holds the Pendleton County Historical Society Museum in Franklin.

“they were all biographies of people like Sam Houston, John Paul Jones, and others. That got me into it.”

The History Heroes Award can only be given to one person in the course of their lifetime. According to a release, “the purpose of this annual award is to give state-level recognition to individuals chosen for dedicated service on behalf of an organization’s programs or for a recent significant contribution to state and local history through research, interpretation, publication or preservation.”

Clayton’s love of state history started in young adulthood. As he stated, “I developed an interest in West Virginia history in college, primarily.” Clayton recounted that his state history professor at West Virginia University “had so many in-

accuracies in his knowledge of the state. I knew I could do better.”

He went and proved it by earning a teaching degree and returning to Pendleton County. “I taught West Virginia History to the eighth grade for years at Brandywine,” Clayton remembers, adding that “I had a number of Golden Horseshoe winners. I also took a number of kids to Youth in Government.” Working with history standouts “was the highlight of my history work outside of the museum.”

History is best learned outside of the classroom and Clayton tried to take his students to places where it happened and was remembered. Students often went on two-day outings to Washington, DC. Once, however, he led a three-day tour across

the state. Students raised funds to pay for a trip that included General Robert E. Lee’s favorite resort, The Greenbrier, the Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine, sites in and around the state capital, Marshall University, Point Pleasant, Moundsville, then a return home through Morgantown and Fairmont.

He recalled that “I found that children that age get bored easily.” They did not spend much time at each stop, but were encouraged to come back to areas of interest.

As a teacher, Clayton taught West Virginia History, world history, mathematics, and science, but his favorite topics centered on the frontier era and those from the state who became successful. “We get stepped on a lot,” he said, “by people from the outside, but we should be proud.”

Clayton also was part of history, serving as superintendent of Pendleton County Schools for six years during a controversial period of school consolidation.

According to the History Heroes program, Clayton earned the award when he “oversaw expansion of the museum through construction of an addition.” He explained that his background in construction helped considerably with the project. Clayton “also has overseen getting archival supplies

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## Community CALENDAR

### Lenten Lunches Begin Today

The annual Lenten Lunches hosted by the Pendleton County Ministerial Association will begin 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.

This 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.

Next week’s meal will be provided by Franklin Presbyterian Church. The message will be delivered by Fletcher Hutcheson, pastor of the Circleville and Seneca Rocks Presbyterian churches.

### Post 30 To Meet

American Legion Pendleton Post 30 will meet at 6:30 p.m. March 8 at the Star Restaurant in Franklin.

### Post 9666 To Meet

VFW Post 9666 will meet at 6:30 p.m. March 9 at the post home in Sugar Grove.

## Attendance Reports Highlight Board of Education Meeting

By Stephen Smoot

Pendleton County’s Board of Education held its second meeting of the month. Board president J. D. Wilkins gave the invocation in which he said “thank you for the opportunity to serve.”

The board received better than expected reports on attendance in the fifth and sixth months of the 2022-23 school year. According to the reports, attendance across the board in these two months rose to the highest levels all year.

North Fork Elementary helped to lead the charge in excellent attendance. The fifth grade enjoyed a 100% attendance day in the fifth month. North Fork’s sixth grade recorded 97% attendance for the sixth month of the school year. Best attendance in one grade in a school in the fifth month was Franklin Elementary School.

Brandywine Elementary School was the best school overall in the sixth month with a 94.384% rating. Additionally, the high school’s attendance

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## County Commission Hears Presentation On Windmills

By Stephen Smoot

The Pendleton County Commission took the unusual step of meeting in the courthouse last week to accommodate extra attendees and participants. Carl Hevener, county commission president, said at the start, “We’d like to value everyone here. It’s more than normal, which is good.”

Commissioners heard first from those representing the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department. “A lot of our equipment is very old,” they stated. They described how basic equipment has aged and what requires replacement. Hoses, which “are very expensive,” will need replaced soon. They come at \$6.50 per foot and \$4,000 would help the department to meet that need. Portable pumps that pull water from rivers and streams for use in fire suppression are “very old and hard to start.”

They also explained the high expense of fully equipping a firefighter. All the gear and training add up to \$6,000 per person, per year. Supply chain issues, however, force departments to order early in expectation of receiving new equipment nine to 11 months hence. Also, a new portable pump costs \$3,000.

Circleville Volunteer Fire Department also appeared to make a request. They seek to purchase a side-by-side vehicle for search and rescue operations. It would go beyond a typical recreational 4x4 in that it “has heating and air conditioning. It has everything we need,” including the capacity to carry equipment. “It offers us the capacity to go places that we can’t go with brush trucks.”

Representatives described a call last fall where a motorist had a rollover on a remote stretch of poorly maintained road. Debris and conditions made it difficult to reach the victim with conventional vehicles. In such situations, volunteer

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# Good Luck Wildcats!

## Come Out, Support the Wildcats

**Lady Wildcats:** The Lady Wildcats will host the Union Tigers at 7 p.m. today to determine a regional championship. The winner will advance to the state tournament and will play beginning either next Tuesday or Wednesday, depending on the team’s ranking.

**Wildcats:** The Wildcats hosted Harman on Wednesday in the first round of the sectional playoff. Depending the outcome of that game, Pendleton could be hosting the winner of the Tygarts Valley/Pocahontas County game, also played on Wednesday, at 7 p.m. on Friday. Regional play is scheduled for March 9.

**Come out and support the Pendleton County High School Wildcats as they seek berths in the state basketball tournament.**





**Anna Norene  
(Eckard) Cupp**

Anna Norene (Eckard) Cupp, 82, of Sugar Grove passed away Feb. 20, 2023, at Augusta Health in Fishersville, Virginia.

She was born Sept. 11, 1940, in Pendleton County, a daughter of the late Walter Edwin and Beulah Florence (Moats) Eckard.

Mrs. Cupp worked as a cook supervisor with Rockingham Memorial Hospital, several different nursing centers and ultimately retired from Ethan Allen.

Always proud of her community, she was a member of the former St. Michael's Lutheran Church and wrote the Fleisher Run news for the Pendleton Times. She was a lifelong fan of George Jones' music and enjoyed watching General Hospital. A friend to many, she loved emailing friends, eating out and socializing at lawn parties. Above all, she will be remembered as being very forgiving and thoughtful and a caring person to all.

Her husband of 48 years, Harold Stuart Cupp of Sugar Grove, survives.

Also surviving are sons, Doug Botkin and wife, Sandra of Churchville, Virginia, and Michael Cupp and wife, Joyce of Dayton, Virginia.; grandchildren, Douglas Dean Botkin and wife, Brianna of Churchville, Virginia, and Wesley Cupp of Dayton, Virginia; great-grandchildren, Lilly, Alex and Piper Botkin; brothers, Edwin "Ted" Eckard of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and Everett "Butch" Eckard and wife, Martha of Catlett, Virginia; sisters, Shirley Lohr and husband, June of Alexandria, Virginia, and Gloria Wood and husband, David of Mount Sidney, Virginia; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; and her special feline, Boots.

She was also preceded in death by a brother, Bill Moats.

A graveside funeral was held 11 a.m., Friday in St. Michael's Cemetery with Rev. Jerry Smith officiating.

Pallbearers were Zack Eckard, Travis Petit, Kenny Puffenbarger, Wesley Cupp, Douglas D. Botkin and Dwayne Berry.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael's Lutheran Church Cemetery Association, c/o Gary Sheffer, 627 Brushy Fork Road, Sugar Grove, WV 26815; or South Fork Rescue Squad, 10733 Sugar Grove Road., Sugar Grove, WV 26815.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Obaugh Funeral Home in McDowell, Virginia.



**Verla Martina  
Puffenbarger**

Verla Martina Puffenbarger, 80, of Sugar Grove died Feb. 25, 2023, at Sentara RMH in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

She was born Aug. 31, 1942, in Harlan County, Kentucky, and was the daughter of the late Bernard Givens Long and Minnie Estelle (Lamb) Long.

Mrs. Puffenbarger was a homemaker, was Lutheran by faith and attended St. Paul's Independent Lutheran Church.

She was loved by her Sugar Grove community and was the "go to" person for many years, serving as hairdresser, medical advisor and chauffeur, as well as being a friend and surrogate mom to the many young Navy families who lived nearby. She had a feisty spirit - tiny but mighty - loving the many furry companions who always seemed to find their way to her. She will be missed by everyone she touched.

On Sept. 25, 1964, she married Kenneth Dale "K.D." Puffenbarger, Sr., who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Danita Kiser (Tim) of Upper Tract and Beth McNulty of Grottoes, Virginia; a son, Kenneth Dale Puffenbarger, Jr. (Brand) of Powhatan, Virginia; and five grandchildren, Kyle McNulty, Allie Tepes-Darko, Luke Adamson, Martina Puffenbarger and Kerstin McNulty, who never did anything wrong in Mamaw's eyes.

She had a special place in her heart for Kinsley and Connor Armstrong, who lovingly referred to her as "Lala," as well as Grace McNulty.

She was also preceded in death by an infant daughter, Kelley Colleen.

Her body has been cremated.

A celebration of life service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at St. Paul Independent Lutheran Church in Moyers with Pastor Jerry Smith officiating.

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

Arrangements are entrusted to the Kimble Funeral Home in Franklin.



**Delmas Wayne  
"Jake" Ours**

Delmas Wayne "Jake" Ours, 76, of Petersburg passed away Feb. 26, 2023, at the home of his son, Randy.

Mr. Ours was born on June 23, 1946, in Rough Run and was a son of the late Charles Monroe Ours and Mernie Elizabeth (Thorne) Ours.

He was a lifelong logger. He loved the solitude of the outdoors. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. His passion was his family, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving are three sons, Ronnie (Anna) Ours, Ray (Evelyn) Ours and Randy (Gretchen) Ours, all of Petersburg; Roy (Jenny) Ruddle of Franklin, who was like a son to him; 12 grandchildren, Joshua Ours, Danielle Ours, Tamara Ours, Clifton Ours, Jonathan Davis, Devan Ours, Elizabeth Rohrbaugh, Cary "Terri" Ours, Lily Dayton, Hunter Heavener, Katie Ours and Thomas Ours; nine great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mernie (Paul) Kimble and Arvella Zimmerer, both of Petersburg; three brothers, Ralph (Cornelia) Ours, Dale (Virginia) Ours and Olin (Carol) Ours, all of Petersburg; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by a sister, Janie Sites; and eight brothers, Oscar, Cletus, William, Leon, Glen Ours, Sr., Bobby Ours, Paul Ours and Galen Ours.

The family received friends from 6 - 8 p.m. Wednesday at Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg. A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. today in the chapel of the funeral home with Pastor Ray Church and Pastor Daryl Dunsmore officiating. Burial will be in the Ours Family Cemetery,

Memorial donations may be made to the Ours Family, c/o Randall D. Ours, 134 Apalachia Ridge, Petersburg, WV 26847.



**Sue Adeline Sites**

Sue Adeline Sites, 93, of Franklin passed away Feb. 20, 2023, at Grant Memorial Hospital in Petersburg.

She was born on July 8, 1929, at Bartow, the daughter of the late Grover Cleveland and Vergie (Mullenax) Smith.

Mrs. Sites was a 1947 graduate of Franklin High School and had worked for many years as the manager of Franklin Financial Services.

She was a member of the Walnut Street United Methodist Church where she directed the choir. God gifted her with a beautiful voice which she used many times singing for weddings and funerals.

She was married to John William Sites, who preceded her in death on May 15, 1990.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory three sons, John W. Sites II of The Phillipines, Kelly Sites (Sue Ann) of Upper Tract and Tom Sites of Franklin; eight grandchildren, Wendy Beltran DelRio, Shara Rung, Robbie Hibbs, Doug Hibbs, Ashley Hibbs, Matthew Sites, Brian Sites and Thomas Sites; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Marsha Hibbs; a brother, Willie Smith; and three sisters, Nelva Phillips, Relma Geeding and Marie Sayer.

In honoring Mrs. Sites' wishes, her body has been cremated.

A celebration of life was held Saturday at Walnut Street United Methodist Church in Franklin with Pastor Mike Loudermilk officiating. A private burial will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Walnut Street United Methodist Church, PO Box 638, Franklin, WV 26807.

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



**Twila Alberta Kimble**

Twila Alberta Kimble, 88, of Pendleton Manor and formerly of Petersburg passed away Feb. 19, 2023, at Pendleton Manor in Franklin.

She was born on Aug. 28, 1936, at Oakmont, the daughter of the late Mitchell D. and Evelyn A. (Paugh) Evans.

Ms. Kimble was a graduate of Elk Garden High School and had worked at Franklin Garment Company and Hanover Shoe Company.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory three daughters, Kay Simmons (Stanley) of Upper Tract, Sueann Marie (Grant) of Mississippi, and Annabell Glaser of Connecticut; a son, Dannie Kimble (Susan) of Upper Tract; 11 grandchildren, Wesley, DJ, Donnie, Kari, Christopher, Melissa, Austin, Shaina, Coelena, Roger and Brendan; and 10 great-grandchildren.

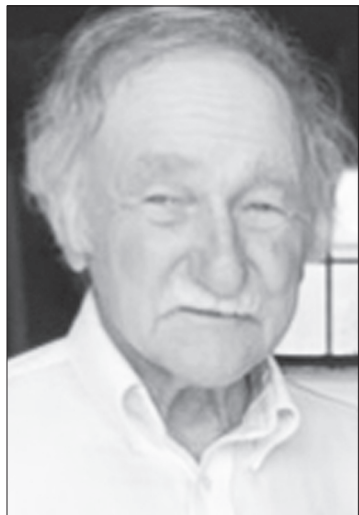
She was also preceded in death by three brothers, an infant, Ray and William.

In honoring Ms. Kimble's wishes her body was donated to West Virginia University Anatomical in Morgantown.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date with inurnment at Kline Cemetery in Upper Tract.

Memorials may be made to donor's choice.

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



**Joseph Ward Teter**

Joseph Ward Teter, 82, of Seneca Rocks passed from this life on Feb. 23, 2023, at his home.

He was born on Aug. 15, 1940, in Teterton and was a son of the late Zola Lee Teter and Ella Frances (Long) Teter.

Mr. Teter was a lifelong farmer. He served two years in the Merchant Marines transporting cargo via water routes all over the world. He worked 58 years for Armstrong West Virginia Paving.

Surviving are two daughters, Diana (Teter) Gracia of Jackson, New Jersey, and Renee Teter of Barboursville; two grandsons, Josh Downing of Elkins and Christian Gracia of Jackson, New Jersey; a sister, Dorothy Louann Teter Smith of Seneca Rocks; special friends, David Downing, Junior Sites and all crew members of West Virginia Paving.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Kenneth Teter, Jerry Teter and Bruce Teter.

A funeral service was held Sunday at Onego Christian Church (formerly known as Seneca United Methodist Church) with Preacher Greg Adamson officiating. Burial was in Teter Family Cemetery in Seneca Rocks.

Arrangements were by Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg.

## SINCERE THANKS

The family of the late Barbara Simmons extends their thanks and appreciation to all who cared for her in her final days, sent cards, food and flowers after her passing, assisted with her funeral, and offered support and prayers during this time of loss.

*Forever Grateful,*  
**The Simmons Family**

## Special Thanks

The family of the late Bill Brackman would like to express our sincere appreciation for the love and acts of kindness extended to our families at his passing.

Thank you to Pastor Sam Harper for the visits, prayers and funeral service, also Basagic Funeral Home and Grant Memorial Hospice. Thank you for the beautiful cards, memorial donations, food and the beautiful floral arrangements. A very special thank you to Susie and Roy Hartman.

*May God Bless Each and Everyone.*  
**The William "Bill" Brackman Family**

## With Heartfelt Gratitude

### THE FAMILY OF ARTHUR "ART" SAWYERS

would like to first thank our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who loves us and has carried us through this difficult time. Special thanks to our Pastor Sam Harper and wife, Lisa, as well as our amazing friends Rich and Jennifer Ganter, who stood by us and made things easier for us. We appreciate all the doctors, nurses and techs at Davita, RMH CCU, and VCU CCU, who took excellent care of our loved one, as well as the family.

The outpouring of love, care and support shown to us by our church family, extended family, friends and family was overwhelming! To everyone who took Art to dialysis, brought food, sent cards, visited, sent messages on Facebook, attended the funeral, gave monetary gifts and prayed, we are so grateful. For those who gave Gideon Bibles in memory of Art, thank you and our prayer is for more souls to be reached for Christ, what a tremendous legacy. Keith and Barb from Kimble Funeral home, you went above and beyond for our family. To the Army Honor Guard, what a beautiful and touching ceremony, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We as a family are humbled by the love and support shown to our family.

*God bless each one!*

## Sincere Thanks

I would like to thank family, friends, co-workers for your prayers, flowers, cards and visits during my recent surgery and since returning home.

Special thanks to Harry Lee, Jr., Michelle, Madison, Tyler, my sister in Anchorage, Alaska, Anita Jo, Doug Pitsenbarger, Kendra, Cedar Grove Church of prayer chain, Pendleton Community Care, Dr. Cauchi and Dr. Lancy.

**God Bless ~ Juanita Scott**

### In Memory of JEANNE B. HOMAN

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*I'd always heard time heals all wounds,  
I now know that's not true.*

*I miss you mom, you were my best friend and  
not a day passes, that I don't think of you.*

*I know your body's been made anew and you are now  
pain free,  
Yet part of me still selfishly longs for you to be here  
with me.*

**Love and miss you every single day,**

**Jill and Family**

## With Heartfelt Thanks

*Your words have comforted us,  
your support has strengthened us,  
and your love has sustained us.  
We extend our deepest thanks  
to you for your kindness  
during our greatest sadness.  
We appreciate it more than  
words can express and  
it will always be remembered.*

**THE FAMILY OF TOM BURGOYNE**

### In Loving Memory of my Dear Aunt

**Cleda Teter**

March 5, 1991

Your gentle face and patient smile with sadness we recall.

You had a kindly word for each, and died beloved by all.

The voice is mute and stilled, the heart that loved us well and true. Ah, bitter was the trial to part from one so good as you.

No one knows the silent heartaches. Only those who have lost can tell of the grief we bear in silence for the one we loved so well.

**Loved and Very Sadly Missed by Lorraine**







**James C. Propst**

James C. Propst, 90, passed away Jan. 17, 2023, at his home in Centreville, Virginia. He was born Jan. 1, 1933, at Dahmer, a son of the late Alva and Martha Propst. Mr. Propst was a 1952 graduate of Franklin High School. He served in the

United States Army in Korea from 1952 – 1954. He retired from Melpar in Washington, DC. Surviving are a daughter, Rhonda Garner; two grandchildren, Breanna and Koren; two sisters, Fran Rexrode of Linville, Virginia, and Martha Lambert of Broadway, Virginia; and two brothers, Ray Propst of Linville, Virginia, and Jesse Propst of Bergton, Virginia. He was also preceded in death by a daughter, Pamela of New Mexico; two sisters, Bonnie Hulvey of Linville, Virginia, and Virginia Killander of LaVale, Maryland; and two brothers, Charles Propst of Weyers Cave, Virginia, and Lester Propst of Linville, Virginia. His body was cremated. A private graveside service was held.

## Sue Ann Lough Nickels, 76

Sue Ann Lough Nickels died peacefully Feb. 23, 2023, at Shenandoah House, Augusta Medical Center in Fishersville, Virginia. Born Sept. 19, 1946, in Harrisonburg, Virginia, she grew up in Franklin, daughter of the late Helen Blanche Propst Lough and Walton Ward Lough. Following graduation from Franklin High School, Ms. Nickels received degrees from Potomac State College, West Virginia University and James Madison University. Her noteworthy career, teaching advanced placement English and journalism, spanned 30 years with tenure at Franklin High School and Page County and Turner Ashby High Schools in Virginia. At FHS she began the first chapter of the John M. Dice National Honor Society and in 2004 was named Teacher of the Year at Luray High School. During graduate school years at James Madison University, she was a teaching assistant for the English department, and later became adjunct faculty. Most treasured teaching experiences were her years in Cairo, Egypt, at the Namer

American College and Misr American College. After teaching abroad, she retired to Staunton, Virginia, and volunteered for the SPCA, Augusta Medical Center and Co Art. She also enjoyed teaching life-long learning classes via JMU's adult educational programs. She was an enthusiastic adventurer, often enjoying the challenge of traveling alone, domestically and internationally. Cooking and entertaining were also sources of pleasure, as were gardening, crafting, reading, and caring for her adored cats. Surviving are a brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Rebecca Bowman Lough of Franklin and their sons, Adam and Matthew (Ashley) Lough. Also left to mourn is Cameron Nickels of Staunton, Virginia, and a number of nieces, nephews and cousins. In honoring Ms. Nickels' wishes, her body has been cremated. A private graveside service will be held at a later date. Per her wish, charitable donations can be made to Shenandoah Valley Animal Services, 1001 Mt. Torrey Road, Lyndhurst, VA 22952. Memorials and words of comfort may be left at [www.basagic.com](http://www.basagic.com).

# Pendleton County Student Mentorship

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According to Berkeley County Schools, “the Work Exploration Program is, simply, business owners and managers allowing students to come into their places of business for job observation and educational work experience.” Students receive placements at local businesses to work and learn. They are allowed to “shop” to a certain extent between placements to find what best suits their interest and motivation. Dolly Rexrode, who administers the program for Pendleton County Schools, said “my prayer each morning has been to help each kid to be the best that they can be.” Through helping the students “experience different jobs,” she is helping them to find which jobs they may want to pursue after graduation, maybe even for a career. Some students, like Mowery, come in with prior experience. He said, “I started watching videos on You Tube (about auto repair) and it got me interested.” That experience helped him when he was asked to help with complicated tasks. “I’ve learned to take a transmission out,” Mowery explained. “It’s kind of difficult.” One of the benefits of the program lies in exposing students to high salaried trades fields that give opportunities close to home, such as auto repair. James Alt, a Troublesome Valley based welding company owner with 33 years of experience, enjoys opening young people’s minds to the possibility of a rewarding career where one can earn high salaries and/or own their own business. “Welding work has really been good to me,” Alt explains. He added that “I encourage these kids to go to trade school.” Just as in other placements, Alt emphasizes educating his mentorees in how to do the job both correctly and safely. “I tell these young boys, always wear safety glasses,” and other required equipment. He warns, “you will get burnt, but just have to toughen up.” He also laughed and said, “sometimes it’s hot. Sometimes it’s cold. But you’re never comfortable.” On this day, Alt was working with Hunter Roberts and Nicholas Shifflett. He asked Roberts, “how much welding have you done?” Roberts responded by saying he’d done some stick welding. Alt then dispensed safety equipment, made sure the boys had it on correctly, then commenced instruction.

# State History Hero Awardee, Clayton

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and new computers, as well as development of a collection catalog.” Furthermore, he is one of the most vital volunteers who help to keep the museum open to visitors during the Treasure Mountain Festival. Clayton is proud that “the historical society is putting out information that’s real,” telling the stories of the region’s past. Recent research turned up the fact that his great-grandfather’s brother was indentured. Outside of the historical society, he is working on providing opportunities “for people to stay several days in a rural atmosphere.” The property has a sugar camp and also raises cattle and hay. Clayton has restored and displayed a large number of old farm and household tools as well. “I wanted people to be able to see this,” he explained. Randall Reid-Smith, Governor’s Curator for the West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History, presented the awards. Clayton recalled that Reid-Smith “said the drive in is a successful activity, and he is glad of that.”

Shifflett explained that learning with his hands was “a lot more fun than reading about it.” As the boys worked, Roberts showed his experience and interest. At the end of the session, Roberts indicated that he would like to continue working with Alt. He reasoned that “you can always use welding.” Shifflett, however, opted to return to small engine repair at Potomac Hardware, a job in which he feels more comfortable. That is the point of the placement, not to make a single commitment and carry it through, but to try different jobs out to see what will motivate them as adults. Rexrode adds that “the businesses have been very supportive and go out of their way to teach them or let them experience different things each time we go.” Not all placements take place in the trades. One student will soon start working with the Pendleton County Sheriff’s Department. Other placements include the courthouse offices, Tiny Tots Day Care, the Potomac Highlands Recreation Center, Hott’s Ag Service, Brandywine Elementary School, and Faithful Friends Animal Clinic. Jakob Campbell is in his second year working with Subway of Franklin. Campbell says that the benefits include “getting the job training. I’m planning on trying to find a job after I graduate.” Placements focus not just on skills needed in certain jobs, but also the “soft skills” of being on time, treating coworkers, managers, and customers respectfully, and other important lessons. Campbell went on to say that at last year’s placement, T&K Markets, “I learned how to rearrange stuff, put things in order. I learned to be on time. I woke up at 5ish and got to work at 6.” He said it’s important to “work hard, don’t be late. Always have a good attitude.” Rexrode praised Campbell’s commitment, saying, “If he tells you he’ll be there, he’ll be there.” Sarah Whetzel, who manages at the Subway, said, “I like the job he’s done. We’re teaching him a bit. Dolly teaches him, too.” Whetzel also praised Campbell’s work ethic and said, “he has a lot of common sense.” Overall, she agreed that “I think this is a very good program to help these kids.” Participants can range in ages from 14 – 21.



## Do You Hear... But Not Understand?

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**10 Years Ago**  
**Week of February 28, 2013**

## SUGAR GROVE

Winter still grips these hills, and the warmth of the fire feels comforting. Someone sent the old poem, which is written anonymously, and it describes this season well.

Beech wood fires are bright and clear,  
If the logs are kept a year.  
Chestnut’s only good they say, if for long it’s laid away.  
Birch and pine burn too fast  
Blaze up bright and not to last.

Elm wood burns like churchyard mold,  
Ev’n the very flames are cold.

Poplar gives a bitter smoke  
Fills your eyes and makes you choke.

Apple wood will scent your room

With incense like perfume.  
Oak and maple, if dry and old,  
Keep away the winter cold.  
But ash wood wet and ash wood dry

A king shall warm his slip-pers by.

Most of the mountain words and phrases that one’s parents and grandparents used have very much been watered down. When people come in from work, they’re “tired to the bone,” “plumb wore out,” “just tucked out,” or “plumb petered out.” All of these are more descriptive than plain exhausted. If one were sick, they might be “feelin’ poorly”; however, when recovering, they might be “right peart.” “Briggity britches” pretty well described those who had exalted opinions of themselves. An answer to the question, “How are you feeling?” might be answered “fair to middlin’,” meaning okay.

A wink is as good as a nod to a blind horse meaning “What difference does it make?” When something is messy, one might hear, “You kids sure have gomed up this house.” “Over yonder” is over there, and when meeting a neighbor, a kind welcoming phrase might be “Hidey-do” or “Howdy.” The regular mountain luggage most often was a “paper poke” or a paper bag.

Mountain folk seem to have a hankering for a mess of wild greens early in March, when grocery store greens don’t satisfy. The hills have been blessed with an abundant supply of wild food. Early settlers brought dandelions to America for use as a healing herb, salad greens, or a flavoring for tea and wine. Because they were not a native species, they had no natural control and quickly spread across the country. The medicinal value of dandelions has been known for centuries. They are high in calcium, trace minerals and potassium, thought to enhance memory and overall brain activity. The blooms, leaves and roots make an excellent diuretic.

**20 Years Ago**  
**Week of March 6, 2003**

## Eastern’s First Year a Success

In the first year after opening its doors, Eastern WV Community & Technical College provided direct services to 1,558 individuals in six Potomac Highlands counties, according to a new report released on the occasion of Higher Education Day at the legislature on Feb. 4.

Of that total, nearly 346—more than 20 percent—registered for credit courses, while 1,212—nearly 80 percent—took non-credit training.

The average age of those 346 students is 33, and eight percent of them are from Pendleton County.

Also this past year, Eastern’s Workforce Education unit secured approximately \$12,975 in grants for training to Pendleton County businesses.

## Structural Safety Of Utmost Importance During Times Of Inclement Weather

During the course of the past week everyone has been contending with large snow-fall amounts. For most everyone the snow was a major inconvenience causing the disruption of travel, school, meetings, activities and other things. For farmers in the area it posed many other significant problems with damaging effects.

As most are aware, several poultry houses, barns, machine sheds, carports, etc., collapsed under the weight of the snowfall. While there was some livestock mortality reported, thankfully, there were no human casualties resulting from these building and structure collapses.

As for the questions about structures and damage from heavy snow loads, there is no real easy answer. There appears to be no simple solution to these problems. Instead, each situation warrants its own special circumstances and solutions. However, the single most important factor is one’s safety. So, please continue to practice safety first principles as one follows the proceeding recommendations.

As for a roof or structure to be able to withstand the added weight of the snow it is clear that each will be affected differently by snow depth and the moisture content in the snow. Such information is useful only as a guideline and does not reflect the conditions on the roof because it does not take into account three important variables: 1) how much weight can the roof support, 2) how much dead weight (from roofing materials) is the roof carrying, and, 3) how heavy the snow/ice accumulation on the roof is. (This varies according to drifting, melting, and slide-off conditions).

When building, erecting or purchasing buildings please ask about the snow load and other general information about structural stability. This is also a good time to consider an evacuation plan

and contingency for what one might do with displaced livestock as a result of building failure. There is no time like the present to consider options.

**30 Years Ago**  
**Week of February 25, 1993**

## Power Company Tells What to do When Your Lights Go Out

The area has seen some nasty winter weather already this season. Snow, ice, high winds and extremely cold temperatures can create problems for electric utility companies, occasionally breaking power lines and causing electrical equipment to fail. If this happens, don’t be left “in the dark” about how to cope.

“The first thing to do when the power goes off is to see if your neighbors have electricity,” said Jim Haney, manager of Monongahela Power Company’s Elkins Division. “If they have lights and you don’t, check your house for blown fuses or tripped circuit breakers.”

“If the problem is with our facilities, we’ll take care of it,” Haney said. “Call Monongahela and give us your name, your phone number, good directions to your house and the time the electricity went off.

“If the lines are busy, please keep trying,” he said. “Customers are important sources of information in the case of an outage.”

After reporting the outage, take the following steps to minimize your inconvenience until power is restored”

•Turn off major appliances in use when the power went out; this will help to avoid an overload when power returns.

•Leave one light switch turned on so you will know when service is restored.

•Do not open refrigerators or freezers any more than necessary. Food will keep for two or three days if the doors are not opened and closed frequently.

•Be alert for downed power lines and report them immediately to Monongahela Power. Always assume that a downed wire is energized and keep away from it.

Customers can prepare for a power outage by keeping an emergency kit on hand. A typical kit should include flashlights, candles, matches, a battery-powered radio, extra batteries, a portable heater, a supply of water for drinking and cooking and camping gear such as sleeping bags, portable lamp and cook stoves.

In homes where medical life-support equipment is used, contact Monongahela promptly and call the police or fire department for emergency equipment or transportation to a hospital.

**50 Years Ago**  
**Week of March 1, 1973**

## Hellhole Cave To Be Protected

Joe Beymer, Assistant

Chief, Division of Reclamation, Dept. of Natural Resources, during a Feb. 14 meeting at the office of the Germany Valley Limestone Company of Riverton, agreed to classify Hellhole Cave, refuge for the rare Plecotus townsendi bat, as a “dwelling,” thereby bringing the extensive and historic cave under the protection afforded dwelling places according to blasting regulations of the state of West Virginia.

## Conservation Work Offers Many Job Opportunities

Employment opportunities have increased in recent years for persons interested in conservation and improvement of forests and other natural resources. These opportunities have developed because more leisure time and the increase in population have brought about an upsurge in outdoor activities. The federal government is especially interested in developing outdoor recreational facilities, and making sure employment opportunities for workers in state and national parks exist for those who have the knowledge and skills necessary to do the work.

**60 Years Ago**  
**Week of March 7, 1963**

## 100 YEARS AGO

By LON K. SAVAGE

**Editor’s Note—The following is one of a series of articles on the Civil War. Each weekly installment covers events which occurred exactly 100 years ago.**

## Rebel Ranger Mosby Captures A General

There were patches of snow on the ground, and a cold drizzle fell as the band of 29 horsemen hunched in their oilcloth slickers and trotted eastward through the northern Virginia night. At their head was Confederate Lieutenant John Singleton Mosby who was beginning a career that would earn him a name in history as the famous “Ranger Mosby.”

It was the night of March 7, 100 years ago this week, when the Virginia front in the Civil War was a quiet one, where Federal and Confederate soldiers often chatted and exchanged pleasantries while their generals mapped out campaigns of war.

Mosby’s plan: to ride through the lines surrounding Washington, enter the Federal headquarters at Fairfax Courthouse and capture as many of the top officers as he could.

The plan went remarkably well. Mosby’s men passed unmolested through the Federal lines, riding among the campfires of the Union troops who assumed the riders were Federals returning from the front.

Several times, Federal sentinels hailed Mosby and his

men, and the answer was the same: “Fifth New York Cavalry.” On they rode.

It was past midnight when they reached Fairfax Courthouse, a few miles east of Washington, and they quickly went to work. In groups of three, four or five, the Confederates pushed their way into officers’ quarters and stables, making off with prisoners and horses. Not a shot was fired. One Federal officer fled in his nightshirt, and raiders had to contend with his wife who Mosby said was “like a lioness at the door.”

Mosby saved the biggest prize for himself. With five of his raiders, he knocked at the door, and Mosby grabbed him by the shirt, pushed a gun into his ribs and demanded to be led to Stoughton.

Stoughton was awakening when Mosby and his men entered the general’s bedroom. A light was struck, and the general asked what was going on.

“General,” Mosby said. “Get up. Dress quick. You are a prisoner.”

To Stoughton’s indignant questions, Mosby announced his name and said Confederates had taken over the village.

“Is Fitz Lee here?” asked Stoughton, referring to Mosby’s commander, Gen. Fitzhugh Lee. “Yes,” Mosby replied. “Then take me to him,” said Stoughton. “We were classmates at West Point.”

Within an hour, the 29 raiders and a herd of more than 100 prisoners, including Stoughton, began moving back toward Confederate lines. They zigzagged their route to throw off pursuers and flanked an encampment of several thousand Federals, finally fording a swiftly-flowing stream into Confederate territory.

Within a week, the capture of Stoughton and the boldness of the raid were being talked of throughout the nation.

Next week: Port Hudson is besieged.

## South Branch Library Service - - -

You have been hearing a great deal recently about proposed bookmobile services for Pendleton County. The first questions which come to mind are—who would control such service for us—just what would it mean in dollars and cents outlay for Pendleton County—exactly what great advantage for us lies in this service.

The advantages of such services to us appear in the availability of a constantly-changing library making regular trips through our county—the opportunity to ask for any books on any subject which we might not find upon the shelves—and the ability to send any questions to the reference service in Keyser for answering. The services of a professional librarian will be available for our region for supervision and advice.

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# Smith Creek/ Friends Run

by Dave Ellis

Another month is starting, and it is getting closer to spring. A good sign of spring is that the robins have been spotted. With the new month, the burning law comes into effect. With the winds that have been blowing, be careful when starting a fire.

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

Prayer thought: “God, grant me the wisdom to discern opportunities before me and the faith to follow Your way that I might always do what pleases You.”

High and low temperatures and precipitation for Feb. 20 through Feb. 26, followed by the same for last year, were as follows: Feb. 20 - 56°, 42° (52°, 16°); Feb. 21 - 59°, 37°, .08” (58°, 41°); Feb. 22 - 60°, 43°, .33” (59°, 51°, .07”); Feb. 23 - 72°, 52° (64°, 41°); Feb. 24 - 51°, 34° (42°, 31°, .8”); Feb. 25 - 43°, 24°, .06” (49°, 32°, .23) and Feb. 26 - 54°, 23° (42°, 26°).

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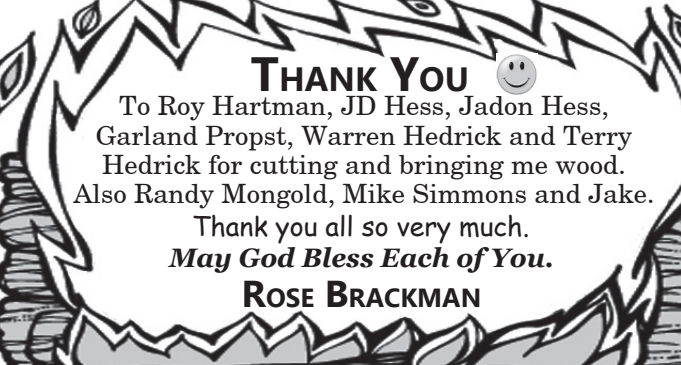
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# Community Will Miss Worthy Traits of Local Lady

## Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

A surrogate mother to many young Navy families who missed their home, a “go to” person, hairdresser, medical advisor, and chauffeur to those in her community were all character traits of Verla Puffenbarger. She will be missed by every life she touched. She was born Aug. 31, 1942, in Harlan County, Kentucky, the last living member of eight children born to the late Bernard and Minnie Long. (Her older brother was missing in action during World War 11). Prior to moving to Alexandria, Virginia Verla was a nurses’ aide whilst living in Kentucky.

She worked at the Lunch Box Restaurant, owned by Harlan (Puff) and Bert (Jim) Puffenbarger in Arlington, Virginia. She met K.D. (who happened to be the nephew of Harlan and Jim) following his hospital stay, and soon after, they married on Sept. 25, 1964. Her grandmother needed care, so they moved to her Kentucky home, staying there until her grandmother went into a nursing home.

Their move to Bridgewater, Virginia, was short, after which they moved and settled in Stoney Run. It was quite an adjustment for Verla, as she wondered at that time what kind of a place K.D. had them living in. However, it wasn’t long before Verla made herself at home. Her Kentucky family loved to come and visit. She worked at the Brandywine Restaurant with “Dutch” Peer and had a brief stint working at Hanover Shoe, before becoming a “stay at home” mom. She and K.D. had three children, followed in time, with grandchildren. They were all very dear to her as she showed this time and time again by playing with them and keeping them active and happy, with her creativity.

She loved the times she could enjoy the beach. Her last visit to the Outer Banks, North Carolina, with her family was June of 2022. Verla was able to get down to the shore line and played lots of games amidst her little giggle. Lots of memories were made.

Although Verla was a very private person, she continually welcomed all her neighbors and friends. This continued even though she was dealing with a lot of medical and health issues during the last years. One of her favorite hymns was Amazing Grace, written by John Newton:

“When we’ve been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we’d first begun.

Amazing grace!—how sweet the sound—that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.”

Sympathy is extended to K.D., Danita, Beth, and Kenny and their extended families.

Life’s little lessons to help make one’s day better include the following:

1. Always, always send a thank you note for gifts received.
2. What one has to do, do wholeheartedly.
3. Seek respect rather than popularity.
4. Finish projects before they are due.
5. Cut one’s toenails in private.
6. Spoil one’s wife, not one’s children.

Thursday’s temperatures were in the 70s, but by Saturday they had dipped down to the 30s. The peepers have been crooning their song telling the reader that spring is around the corner. The snow drops continue to burst forth their showy, white attire, and a few robins have been sighted. But, the temperatures indicate that winter is not over! Saturday morning began with rain, followed by a sleet/snow mixture. Sunday morning temperatures indicated that winter is definitely not over!

Friday found a large sun dog in the sky. Many robins have been sighted, but as Gernon Hoover told his wife, Myrtle, they may as well pack their suitcase and head out. The winds have been quite ferocious, bringing in “loveliness” of ladybugs.

Quotes for the week are as follows:

“It is easier to do a job right than explain why you didn’t.” — Martin Van Buren

“Whenever you do a thing...ask yourself how you would act were all the world looking at you.” — Thomas Jefferson

“I have one life and one chance to make it count for something...my faith demands that I do whatever I can wherever I am,



Verla Puffenbarger was married to K.D. Puffenbarger, and they lived in Stoney Run.

whenever I can, for as long as I can with whatever I have to try to make a difference.” — Jimmy Carter

Brandywine Elementary School had several winners at the county level, for the Young Writers. They are as follows:

Grade 1 and 2 — “The Princess and the Crazy Frog” by Aubrey Pitsenbarger, first place; and “Ally” by Bethany Teagarden, second place;

Grade 3 and 4 — “Over the Ridge” by Addison Williams, third place; and

Grade 5 and 6 — “The Book of Lessons” by Ava Bowers, second place.

Congratulations to all the winners!

It is back by the fireplace to hear the “Talk of the Grove.”

Helen and Rhonda Nash were delighted to have a recent weekend visit from granddaughter/niece, Myah Hidalgo, and friend, Vadim Barnakov, both of Richmond, Virginia. They enjoyed finally exchanging Christmas gifts and a highlight for Myah was Linda Rexrode’s maple donuts. She also had been looking forward to introducing Vadim to her mamaw’s biscuits and chocolate gravy, which was a big hit.

Marleta Wimer was a visitor of her mother, Rosalee Grogg, this week.

Bob and Brenda Fisher enjoyed their Friday luncheon at Traditions Restaurant with Thelma Puffenbarger and Carolyn Wilfong of Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Visitors of Evelyn Varner on Sunday were Wanda Pitsenbarger and Joyce and Richard Marshall of McGaheysville,

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Shaun, Ava and Leslie Bowers spent the weekend in Thomas. They went tubing at Canaan.

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

- The Liberty Bell was actually made in England.
- Crocodiles cry when they eat.
- The Hawaiian language has only 12 letters.
- The cassowary bird cannot fly, but can run at speeds up to 30 mph.
- The largest jigsaw puzzle ever made was the size of a small billboard and had 10,000 pieces.

March birthdays include Tim Hoover, Ben Puffenbarger, Bradley Wilfong, and Leslie Bowers, second; Chris Lambert, third; Judy Grimm and Joy Bennett, fourth; Ruth Warner, Myrtle Mauzy, and Gail Wright-Wilson, fifth; Teresa Hott and Tina Eye, sixth; Myrtle Pitsenbarger, Linda Rexrode and Garrett Lambert, seventh; Hendrix Bogan and Alvin Pratt, eighth; Marsha Nelson, ninth; Willy Rader, Emily Kobetic, Ann Wimer and Pam Waggy, 10th; Robert Lambert, Ryan Sponaule, Jason Rexrode, Eugene Varner and Diane Sue Pennybacker, 11th; Jeff Bowers and Carolyn Thompson, 12th; Linda Mallow, Anthony Bowers and Leah Caplinger, 14th; and Wanda Pitsenbarger, Krista Owens, April Simmons and Chloe Simmons, 15th.

Concerns for this week are many, and they are as follows: Roger and Joan Ashley, Mercedes Aumann, Vernon “Fuzzy” Baldwin, Nathan Beachler, Lynn Beatty, Rose Brackman, Jed Conrad, the Anna Cupp family, 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, Dennis Kincaid, 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, K.D. Puffenbarger, the Verla Puffenbarger family, Gary Rexrode, Jason Rexrode, Jimmy Rexrode, 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, earthquake victims in Turkey and victims of East Palestine, Ohio.



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# Wildcats Pacify Warriors on Way to Earning Sectional Crown



Coach Micah Bailey cuts the last strings of the net, helping to celebrate his team's sectional championship. Photo courtesy of Robin Alt.

By Stephen Smoot

Two weeks prior, the Lady Wildcats traveled on a lazy unseasonably warm February afternoon to compete against the Pocahontas County High School Warriors. Playing varsity basketball on a sunny weekend afternoon tends to thwart the drive to exert and dominate.

In the previous meeting, the Warriors hung with the Wildcats until the half. Then their discipline cracked, Pendleton County surged ahead and won the game handily.

Last Friday night, the atmosphere could not have been more different. The home standing Wildcats enjoyed a full house supporting them. Expectations from both teams were high in the electrified post season environment.

Where the Wildcats last time toyed with their opponent for two quarters as a cat does a mouse, this time they dispatched Pocahontas County quickly and ruthlessly.

The home team controlled the tip off and immediately drew blood with an Avery Townsend three-point goal

only 30 seconds into the contest. The Wildcats immediately went into a full court man to man press that forced a traveling violation on the Warriors' first possession.

Pendleton County's defense set the tone early. Gabby DePue blocked a shot with just over a minute gone by. The Warriors answered with a layup at the 6:23 mark, but did not score again for almost three and a half minutes. In the meantime, Ana Young and DePue both took steals. Young also hit a three-pointer at the five-minute mark, followed by two made free throws shortly thereafter to give her team a 10-2 lead.

Later in the quarter after a Warrior layup, Townsend found DePue underneath for a layup. Jameigh Miller stepped into a passing lane and got a steal of her own, leading to a possession where Young buried a 23-foot three to push the lead to 17-6. A Townsend three with time running off the clock set the first quarter ending score at 26-7.

Young and Townsend opened the second quarter with 17-foot shots. The Wildcats continued

to throttle their opponents on defense, with Lizzie Alt getting a steal at the 6:44 point. She followed that with a 10-foot basket to give her team a 32-7 lead. Alt found the basket again three minutes later on a Nataley Hedrick assist, then took a pass from Young in for a layup to push the lead to 43-17.

Jenna Smith, Townsend, and Hedrick each racked up a steal in the waning minutes of the half, which ended in a Pendleton County lead of 45-20.

Young and Townsend kept the door shut on their opponents in the opening minutes of the second half. Young swiped a pass with only 20 seconds gone, then hit a three at the 7:22 mark. Next, Townsend took the ball coast to coast for a layup. Then Young and Townsend worked a give and go play that ended in a Townsend layup, making the score 52-20. That was followed by a DePue three from the right wing with almost five minutes left in the third. Baylee Beachler continued her team's defensive dominance by blocking a shot and combining with Young on a steal. Madison Arbaugh also contributed several minutes of strong defense and rebounding.

The last minute of the third and first minute of the fourth quarter, however, was Miller time. The freshman forward drove down the lane and laid a finger roll into the basket with 42 left in the third, a play that she repeated in the waning seconds after combining with Hedrick to gain a steal. Miller then opened the fourth with a three-point shot.

Pendleton County kept the strong effort going through the final seconds of the game. Kiera Heavener used slick dribbling and a step back move to hit a three, then buried a deep two point shot later. Julia Mongold drove the lane, evaded defenders, and scored an open layup to set the score at 72-28.

The final score of the sectional title game was a 75-30 Pendleton County victory.

# Wildcats Shake Off Tenacious Bulldogs 59-46

By Stephen Smoot

Tygarts Valley has lived up to its name in boys' basketball this year. On their way to a 10-8 record, they gave Pendleton County a tough time in their home venue, only losing by 10. Last Monday, they brought a seasoned squad to Franklin to take a bite out of the Wildcats' plans to finish strong going into sectional play.

Tygarts Valley barely contested the tipoff, which went to the Wildcats. Both teams started the contest in the same fashion. Pendleton County played as they have much of the year, running their sets to find good shots and using stout defense to create fast break opportunities. It took 30 seconds for the offense to get the ball to the recently hot handed Josiah Kimble. He promptly put his team up first with an assist from Dusty Smith.

The first quarter saw more action than scoring. Tygarts Valley answered Kimble with a three-pointer at the 6:50 mark. The teams traded possessions until almost two and a half minutes later when the Bulldogs hit a hook shot in the lane to go up 5-3. Jacob Beachler, who had a huge night, put an offensive rebound back in to get his team back up 6-5. The Bulldogs again answered with a three-point shot to take the lead again.

By the end of the quarter, Tygarts Valley clung to a slender 10-9 lead.

The Bulldogs through much of the first half played to their

strengths, good half court offense and defense. Like the Wildcats, at least initially, they spread the floor, ran their plays and took time off the clock. Pendleton County had little opportunity to force turnovers at this point.

Pendleton County opened the second quarter with Kimble taking a charge. On the Wildcats' next possession Chase Owens was fouled shooting from the post. He hit one of two free throws, with Beachler taking the offensive rebound on the second attempt. He kicked it to Owens at the top of the key, who hit the open three and put them ahead 13-10.

Through the first half while others struggled from the floor, Beachler put the Wildcats on his back. At the 5:07 mark, he drove the lane and scored a layup to put his team up 15-13. Meanwhile the Bulldog defense remained tough, getting four steals in the quarter.

With 1:17 left, Tygarts Valley took a one-point lead. Beachler then put Pendleton County back on top 17-16 with a minute left, stole the ball with 28 seconds left, then laid the ball in again at the six-second mark. Pendleton County went into the half with a 19-16 lead.

Pendleton County broke the game wide open in the third quarter for two reasons. Other shooters started to heat up, but also, Tygarts Valley forgot the formula that kept them in the game. The Bulldogs stopped running their offense, tending instead to bunch up on the ball

side of the floor. The Wildcats' athletes easily defended a smaller area, forcing more turnovers and shutting down scoring.

For the Wildcats, the third quarter began much like the first. Kimble started off the scoring, but this time with a running hook shot. With close to two minutes gone, Beachler buried a three-point shot, pushing the lead to 24-16.

Brayden Beachler also helped to widen the score, hitting two three-pointers in the quarter, one off of a Dusty Smith assist. Clayton Kisamore launched himself into passing lanes, coming up with two steals that he took all the way down the court for scores.

Pendleton County ended the third quarter with a comfortable 41-22 lead, but Tygarts Valley was not yet ready to concede the game. The first half of the fourth quarter saw the Wildcats holding off efforts to catch back up. Dusty Smith hit two free throws at the beginning of the quarter, followed by a Jacob Beachler baseline drive that kept the lead at 20.

The Wildcats earned almost their biggest lead of the night when Brayden Beachler hit Kisamore inside. He pivoted, scored a layup, and drew a foul, putting Pendleton County up 51-29.

Then the Bulldogs tried to mount a comeback. Throughout the game, they had not pressed. Now, down by over 20, they went into a full court man-to-man press. From the 4:07 mark to the end of the game,



Coach Jeremy Bodkin gives final instructions before the Wildcats' big second half comeback against Frankfort.

# Falcons Fly High, then Falter As Wildcats Surge to Victory

By Stephen Smoot

A Frankfort team much improved from the one that gave up a 32-point loss in December flew into Franklin last week. They clashed with a Pendleton County squad putting the last pieces in place for, hopefully, a deep postseason run. The Falcons brought a team with tremendous height across the board, with a significant advantage over the Wildcats' outside players. Frankfort, like their cross-county rival, has a team loaded with experience as well.

Frankfort controlled the opening tip, but Chase Owens ruled the first two minutes. He stole the ball with 19 seconds gone, then hit a trifecta of three-point shots in less than a minute of play, giving his team a 9-2 lead with 5:55 left in the quarter.

Pendleton County spent much of the first quarter patiently building a lead. Clayton Kisamore scored from the foul line to extend the lead to 10-2, then took a steal all the way to the basket, finishing with a finger roll. Josiah Kimble later hit a three-pointer after his team grabbed three offensive rebounds in the possession, giving his team a 15-8 lead with three and a half minutes left in the quarter.

When Jacob Beachler took a Kisamore lob for a score at the 5:55 second mark, the Wildcats seemed to have taken control with a 21-11 lead. Frankfort then countered with two three-point shots and a layup to close the quarter with a 21-19 score.

The Falcons surged ahead in the second quarter. They tied the game at 23 with a three halfway through the quarter. Kisamore hit two free throws to inch back ahead, but the Falcons answered quickly. Frankfort attacked the middle with their big men, often using one to distract Pendleton County's shot blocker Beachler while passing around him to get layups. At the same time,

they caught fire from the field.

By the half, Frankfort had taken a 13 point lead and seemed to have seized command of the game.

Pendleton County took the floor in the second half as a different team. Although they gave up a steal in the early seconds, they dominated the quarter. Frankfort helped considerably by continuing to put some of the best Wildcat free throw shooters on the line.

The Wildcats attacked the Falcon defense with drives and strong offensive rebounding. Owens scored on the third offensive rebound of a Wildcat possession at the 5:49 point. Shortly after, Brayden Beachler hit a 10-foot shot on a pull-up that set the score at 42-39, still Frankfort's advantage. A defensive goaltending call in the final seconds extended the Frankfort lead to 44-41.

Pendleton County achieved a remarkable feat in the third. Frankfort failed to hit a shot from the field in the entire stanza. They completed two free throws. Jacob Beachler actually accounted for half of their points in the quarter with the goaltending call.

Two great teams then faced off in the fourth quarter, virtually dead even. Coach Jeremy Bodkin exhorted his team between the quarters, saying "I know you're tired. Give me everything you've got."

A coach can shine with his X's and O's. He or she can also excel at play calling during the game. Sometimes, however, a coach must be the kind of leader who gets more out of his team than even they think they can give. Pendleton County and Frankfort had both given 100% in three physical quarters. Both teams excelled and even dominated at times.

The win in this game would come to the team that not only wanted it more, but also had more to give. Coach Bodkin got exactly what he asked for in the fourth - and then some.

Pendleton County start-

ed the quarter down 44-41.

Kisamore drove to the basket and laid the ball in to cut the lead to one, followed by blocked shots from Jacob Beachler and Dusty Smith.

A Kimble layup at the 6:15 mark finally put the Wildcats on top 46-45, but the lead was short-lived. Frankfort scored on two successive layups to retake the lead and push it back out to three. Kisamore responded with a made layup while drawing a foul. Frankfort's discipline then cracked as their team picked up a technical foul in the aftermath of the call. After the layup and free throws by Kisamore and Kimble, Pendleton County enjoyed a slender 50-48 advantage with 4:45 left in the game.

Pendleton County then spread the floor, using passing and cutting to work the ball around. This ate up the clock while giving the Wildcats optimal opportunities against a tiring Falcon defense. Frankfort players who had challenged Pendleton County successfully on defense prior now fouled. Wildcat players took advantage, hitting most of their free throws down the stretch to extend the lead. With a little more than three minutes to go, Smith took a hard foul while attempting a layup, but hit both of his free throws to give his team a 53-50 lead.

Kimble shortly thereafter ended a Falcon possession with a steal, then 10 seconds later was fouled. He made one to push the lead to 54-50, but Frankfort quickly answered with their own layup with almost two minutes left. Owens fired right back, hitting his own layup to put the lead at four again. With 38 seconds left, he hit two free throws to put the game close to out of reach.

Owens then hit two foul shots with 6.5 seconds left, but the Falcons scored last in the hard earned 61-53 Pendleton County victory.



Clayton Kisamore works his way around Tygarts Valley defenders to get a shot off in the crucial Wildcat win. Photo courtesy of Marlena Beachler.

they went on a 19-7 run. Pendleton County, however, slowed the run enough to keep their opponents at arms' length.

Dustin Vandevander grabbed a steal at the 3:49 mark, starting a fast break

that ended in a Kisamore layup. More importantly, the Wildcats got the ball at the 2:46 point and ran their offense with precision for 50 seconds. This kept the suddenly hot Bulldog shooters away from

scoring chances while letting the home team settle down. Tygarts Valley got the last score, hitting a basket with one second left to set the final at 59-46.



# Wildcat Defense Swats Pesky Yellow Jackets in Season Ending Road Win

By Stephen Smoot

Rivalries entertain because they force fans to toss aside every objective measure by which one would expect one team to dominate or defeat another. Moorefield has struggled this year, their main highlight an upset win over Pendleton County at Franklin. Overall, however, they went 4-14 on the season, defeated decisively by the Wildcats earlier this month 59-29.

What Moorefield lacks in offensive punch; however, they supplement with toughness and effort. This makes them a tough out with almost a deceptive record. Last week, they brought playoff intensity to their contest against Pendleton County in their home venue.

Pendleton County controlled the tipoff and set to work. Both teams brought high energy to defense initially and it took two and a half minutes for the first score. This came on a Jacob Beachler layup after an offensive rebound. Moorefield responded with a layup of their own, countered by the now quite familiar sight of Chase Owens stealing the ball, driving to the hoop, and scoring on a fast break to give his team a 6-2 lead with 3:12 left in the quarter.

The emergence of Owens as a solid triple threat on offense, defense, and rebounding has helped to solidify Pendleton County as a contender. His relentless energy in all three phases has made him likely one of the best freshmen varsity players in the state.

Shortly after Owens scored, Beachler inadvertently tipped in a score for Moorefield. In a statistic that reveals just how dominant the Wildcat defense can get, this was the second game in a row in which Beachler has accounted for half of the points scored for the other team in a quarter. In both games, Frankfort and Moorefield only scored four in that quarter of play.

After the tip in, Josiah Kimble and Dusty Smith demonstrated teamwork and skill. Kimble hit a three at the 2:32 mark. Twenty seconds later, both Smith and Kimble dove to the floor to steal the ball, a hustle play that led to a Clayton Kisamore layup at the other end, extending the lead to 11-4. Smith and Kimble teamed up on yet another steal with 1:27 left, right after a Smith three-point goal. That ended scoring in the first quarter 13-4.

The two hard-nosed guards, Smith and Kimble, prevent even more big plays than they create. Pendleton County relies on Smith's steady hand at point guard to protect the ball and set the pace. Kimble is one of his team's most dangerous outside shooters, but also racks up steals. Both players worked hard to neutralize much taller guards in the Frankfort game

The second quarter opened with a Beachler hook shot. Over the course of the season, he has expanded his reper-

toire of offensive moves from both the post and on dribble drives while using his long arms to disrupt more passes and gain steals. He has grown into a multi-dimensional threat who has the potential to grow into a consistently dominant player.

Kisamore also made big plays in the second. He hit a three-point shot with 5:27 to give his team a 20-6 lead, then two minutes later drove into the paint for a layup, drawing a foul in the process. Defenders struggle to keep up with his quickness on drives and his height close to the basket. He can adjust shots in mid-flight close to the hoop to draw fouls or get past defenders.

Toward the end of the second quarter, Moorefield briefly tried a full court press. This mainly had the effect of giving Wildcat players more space to move and make plays. At the 1:15 mark, Kisamore softly banked a shot in to push the lead to 27-13. Beachler closed scoring in the half at 29-15 with a layup at 25 seconds left.

The third quarter saw Pendleton County striving to extend the lead, but seeing the Yellow Jackets successfully stay within striking distance. Moorefield tried to work the ball inside, but Beachler not only blocked multiple shots, but came up with steals as well. At the 4:44 mark, he dunked the ball, drew a foul, and hit the free throw for the old fashioned three-point play.

In relief of the starting center, Connor Armentrout stood tall. He fought for rebounds and blocked a shot with 32 seconds left. Moorefield hit shots to slice into the lead and cut it to 13. Then, with time ticking away, Armentrout took a pass down low and scored a layup. In recent weeks, his athleticism has helped the team on defense, especially.

In the first two minutes and two seconds of the fourth, Beachler had two steals, a block, and a layup, but Yellow Jacket scores kept the Wildcat advantage at 13. Kisamore played a key role in helping to put the game away. He hit a six-foot shot at 4:33 to push the lead back out to 15, then a minute later scored again close to the hoop. Kisamore's defense also helped to prevent Moorefield from even finding open shots. He hit a layup with 1:38 left to nail shut any chance of a Yellow Jacket comeback.

Evan Teter closed scoring for his team in the game with a jump shot from 15 feet. Moorefield hit a three, however, with 55 seconds left to set the final at 55-40.

## DNR Schedules Public Regulations Meetings

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources will be holding in-person public meetings on proposed hunting, trapping and fishing regulations.

Meetings are scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. at the DNR Operations Center on Ward Road in Elkins on March 13 and at the South Branch Inn in Moorefield on March 14.

Hunters, trappers, anglers, landowners and other interested parties are invited to attend and comment on proposed 2023 hunting regulations for white-tailed deer, wild turkey, black bear and boar, proposed 2024-2025 general hunting and trapping regulations and proposed 2024 fishing regulations.

"West Virginia's hunting, fishing and outdoor community is incredible and we value their feedback at these open house-style meetings where folks can be part of making our state the best place for outdoor recreation," said Brett McMillion, WVDNR director. "This informal meeting style allows people to attend at their convenience during the scheduled meeting times, learn about proposed regulation changes, discuss these proposals with personnel from the wildlife resources and law enforcement sections and comment on the proposed regulations and other wildlife-related issues."

Written comments from the public on these proposed hunting, trapping and fishing regulations also are encouraged. The proposals will be posted online before the meetings at WVdnr.gov. The deadline to submit written comments on proposed regulations is April 3.

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# County Commission

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firefighters rely on use of personally owned side by sides, but retrieving them costs precious time that could mean the difference eventually between life and death.

They added that “we get numerous calls of people getting stuck” on Spruce Knob and other national forest areas in winter. Additionally, they help with mutual aid to remote sections of Grant and Pocahontas counties.

“We’re only as good as our equipment,” they said as they revealed the cost of the new vehicle to be \$28,624.

Jimmie Bennett, county commissioner, asked “if we can’t cover it all, can you cover some?” Hevener said, “we could use some Title III funds, but not all.” Title III funds come from the federal government to compensate local emergency responders who cover rescues on federal lands. It was pointed out by the representatives that “most of the use will be in the national forest, search and rescue, fires, and MVAs.”

Next Scott Somerville, local farmer, was asked to give his scheduled presentation. He described how he and a neighbor had made a \$150,000 deal to transform an old scenic family homeplace into a bed and breakfast inn, but said that he foresees a “problem I’m seeing on the horizon.”

He explained that he will not pull the trigger on the deal out of concern for what could happen to the property’s viewshed on Jack Mountain, then explained how in the past efforts had been made to erect a windmill farm on the ridge.

Somerville described how Gene McConnell, former county commission president, said that the county had no authority over how individuals chose to use their personal property. Absent zoning laws or a planning commission, Pendleton County lacks laws governing property use. Hevener agreed, saying “legally a landowner can do with their land what they see fit.”

Hevener also explained that the last proposal to pass zoning laws brought an overwhelmingly negative community response. Somerville responded that “a lot is changing,” and proposed that a foundational planning document combined with a planning commission could keep windmills away from areas of high scenic value while giving citizens a forum of discussion.

Rick Gillespie, Pendleton County emergency services coordinator, updated the commission on talks with National Radio Quiet Zone officials. He said he was “still not convinced that we are where we need to be.” A project at Green Bank funded out of Canada now poses a potential threat to Pendleton County’s desires to loosen restrictions on the Quiet Zone to allow for modern emergency communications in the northern end of the county.

Roger Dahmer, county commissioner, responded, saying that the commission had productive meetings with the representatives of Senator Shelley Moore Capito and Representative Carol Miller on the subject.

Amber Nesselrodt, executive director of the Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau, said, “I want to thank the commission for their help.” That assistance came in the form of \$60,000 to help the office get started. She asked, “Is there any stipulation on how the CVB is to spend that?” She was told that “The CVB may use it as needed.”

The next county commission meeting shall take place on Tuesday, March 7.

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# Board of Education

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exceeded last year’s count while the best grade countywide was kindergarten. Board member Sonny O’Neill exclaimed that “it says a lot when you have such good attendance in kindergarten.”

Members also weighed a calendar adjustment that resulted in, as Charles Hedrick, county superintendent, said would “make sure the staff has the entire week off” over spring break. Unless there are more cancellations for weather, Hedrick said, “we’re out Memorial Day weekend.”

Board members also took up a request from the West Virginia University Cooperative Extension service. They requested \$800 in addition to the \$5,000 received last year. Funding helps to support 4-H programs. Hedrick proposed raising the contribution to \$5,900, noting that “the county commission pays quite a bit more.”

Two longtime county school employees requested a resignation. The first was Kelly Sites, assistant coach for the high school golf team. Karen Propst also resigned her position as the keyboarding and business teacher at the high school. Wilkins stated that “The reason my daughter is a CPA is because of Karen.” It was also noted that Propst was the last active employee who taught at Circleville High School.

Board member Sonny O’Neil said, “I make the motion with regret,” to accept the resignations.

Hedrick also updated the board on the timetable for mov-

ing into the new building. “We have moved a lot of stuff out of the board office,” he noted. “Next week we should have our employees in the new building.” Hedrick added, however, that it might take until midsummer to move every item into the new building. “There’s plenty of room,” he said, “just a lot to move.”

Finally, the board approved a new policy on its second reading. The policy establishes that the county school system will use the “lowest qualified responsible bidder” in contracts. This means that the bidder has met the competitive requirements of the bidding process and also submitted the bid at the lowest cost.

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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

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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

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To: OCCUPANT, RVR LLC, RVR LLC, RVR LLC  
RICHARD K. WILKINSON, REG. AGENT, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT MILL RUN MAP 26 PARCEL 0002 0007

You will take notice that Hardy County Holdings, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000006, 7.75 ACS LOT#7 WILDLIFE HAVEN, located in MILL RUN, which was returned delinquent in the name of RVR LLC, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Pendleton County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 4th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 19, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, April 18, 2023 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to April 18, 2023. ....\$311.70

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### ADVERTISEMENT MR-34-BR

Notice is hereby given that Greer Lime Company 8477 Veterans Memorial HWY, Masontown, WV 26542 has submitted an application for the **reissuance** of Article 11/WVNPDES Permit No. WV0091821 to the Department of Environmental Protection, 47 School Street, Suite 301, Philippi, WV 26416-1150 in order to maintain, monitor, and operate a loadout facility, haulroad, office or shop area, surface quarry and underground quarry in the New Market and Lincolnshire Limestone seam/mineral bed. The operation will discharge treated stormwater into Unnamed Tributaries of and Mill Creek of North Fork of S. Potomac River and is located 1.5 (miles), Northeast of Riverton, in Union District of Pendleton County, Longitude 79° 23' 40" and Latitude 38° 46' 08" (Coordinates from USGS Topographical Map).

The Department of Environmental Protection is seeking information on private surface water intakes for human consumption located in the above listed receiving streams and located down stream of this operation. Please provide your name, phone number, mailing address, the name of the stream being with the intake, and the physical location of the intake. This information needs to be submitted to the address above.

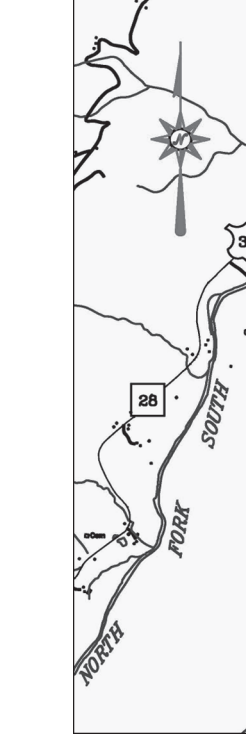
An anti-degradation review has been conducted. Tier 1 protection is afforded because effluent limitations ensure compliance with quality criteria for all designated uses. Where applicable, a full Tier 2 anti-degradation review has been conducted.

Comments on the Article 11 WV/NPDES application or requests for a public hearing regarding the Article 11/NPDES application shall be in writing and if a public hearing is requested shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Such written comments or requests should be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) at the address above, and must also reference the Article 11/NPDES permit number shown above. Comments received by April 1, 2023, or 30 days from date of publication, will be considered. A copy of the Article 11/WVNPDES application, draft permit, rational page, and fact sheet (if required) will be available for inspection and obtaining copies during normal business hours at the DEP Regional Office located at the address above.

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LOCATION MAP 1-INCH = 1 MILE

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### NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

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

### ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections that challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Commission are required to file their objections with this Commission WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR

THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF THE NOTICE, whichever is later.

All creditors of the decedent(s) and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate(s) must file their claims with this Commission WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is March 2, 2023. Deadline for claims is May 1, 2023.

Kenneth L. Nelson Estate – Lori M. Nelson-Roberson, Executrix; Evelyn Marie Ruddle P. O. Box 1167, Franklin, West Virginia 26807. The names of the personal representatives are set forth below.

Eddie W. Malcolm Estate – Garry Sheffer, Executor; Betty C. May Estate – Mary E. May, Executrix; Barbara A. Simmons Estate – R. Kent Simmons, Executor.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on February 24, 2023.

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

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# Eighth Graders Win Championship Game

The Pendleton County Middle School eighth-grade basketball team has earned the Potomac Valley League championship title. After defeating Moorefield 40-38 in the semifinal, the Wildcats advanced to the championship game Feb. 23 at Capon Bridge Middle School where they beat Warm Springs 23-17. The team had an overall season record of 15-2. Members of the team were, from left, front row, Britton Lough, Colton Roberson, Travis Owens and Brennan Wyatt; and back row, Travis Heavner (head coach), Will Smith, Ty Heavner, Cole Harper, Cayson Armstrong, David Noble and Dave Eason (assistant coach). Other schools participating in the league were Petersburg, Union, East Hardy, Romney and Capon Bridge.

# Waddell Joins Ruritan Club



Azalea Waddell is the newest member of Spruce Mountain Ruritan Club. She is the first student from North Fork Elementary School to join the organization. Her parents, Gatan and Kellee Waddell, are also members of the club.

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**SGR268A** 183.7 acres, Raw Land, Dry Run area, Excellent Hunting, Franklin District. **NEW LISTING \$449,900.00.**

**SGR266A** 1.0 Acre, 3 Bed, 2 Bath Doublewide w/2 Car Garage, Mountain View, located in Green Acres Estates. Some Convenants & Restrictions. **UNDER CONTRACT**

**SGR265A** 6.6 Acres, 4 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car, Brandywine. **UNDER CONTRACT**

**SGR264A** 2.097 Acres w/4 Bed, 2 bath Brick Cape Cod, 2 Car Detached Garage, Professional Landscaping. Quiet neighborhood, conveniently located to town amenities. **UNDER CONTRACT**

**SGR259A** 230.82 Acres, 100' Spring, Septic, Electric available, subject to 4-year farm lease. Sugar Grove District. **NEW LISTING \$869,000.00.**

**SGR257A** 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath 14x70, 2007, Mobile Home and Cabin (Camp) 1.02 acres, more or less, Sugar Grove District located near Brushy Fork Lake. Well & Septic. Cabin needs work. **NEW LISTING \$80,000.00.**

**SGR255A** 2 Bed, 1 Bath recently remodeled home w/ basement on 4.6 acres w/river access. Located between Seneca Rocks & Riverton. **NEW LISTING \$224,900.00.**

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

**SGR249** 1,417 Acres, 10, Highland Estates, Grant County, Perc approved. Some Restrictions. **UNDER CONTRACT**

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

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

**SGR245** 0.96 Acres w/2 Bed, 1.5 Bath 1900's Remodeled Cottage, Seneca Rocks. **\$249,900.00 REDUCED \$234,900.00.**

**SGR244** 0.14 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath, 1008 sq. ft. Home, Bonus Room, subject to 4-year farm lease. Franklin Corp. **UNDER CONTRACT**

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

**SGR236** World Class View Overlooking Germany Valley! Log Cabin, 70.08 Acres, 2 bed, 2.5 Baths. Seneca Lookout. Some Restrictions. **\$799,000.00.**

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

**SGR223** 0.6673 Acres w/Spacious 3 Bed, 2 Bath Home, 2090 sq. ft., 1 Car Detached Garage. Franklin Corp. **NEW LISTING \$329,000.00.**

**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.**

**SGR197** 557.7 Ac., Raw Land, Excellent Hunting, Joins National Forest, No Utilities, Potential Food Plots, Watering Holes, Bldg. Sites w/Views. Milroy District, Grant County. **\$1,749,000.00.**

**SGR190** 3.97 Ac., Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Level Bldg. Site, Mature Timber. **\$49,900.00.**

**SGR188** 22.72 Ac., Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Hunting, Bldg. Sites. **\$179,900.00.**

**SGR187** 8.87 Ac., Raw Land, Hoover Mtn., Bldg. Sites, View. **\$79,900.00.**

**SGR176** 2.02 Acres Raw Land, Rocky Mountain Rd, Deer Run area. Electric nearby. **\$19,900.00.**

**SGR174** 8.94 Acres, w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Doublewide, unfinished basement, Heat Pump, Propane, Central AC, Shop. **\$299,000.00, \$279,000.00 REDUCED \$239,000.00.**

**SGR156** 15.97 Acres, Rolling Hills Estate, Electric nearby, Water available. Hardy County. **\$95,000.00. REDUCED \$89,900.00.**

**SGR128** 2-3 Bedroom Ranch w/Full Basement on 0.6386 Acres, more or less, Moyers Gap Rd, Sugar Grove District. **NEW LISTING \$169,000.00 REDUCED \$149,900.00.**

**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.**

**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.**

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