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EDA Round Table Features Talk Of Tourism and Opportunities



from the Pendleton County EDA provided important information and insights at the EDA Quarterly Business Roundtable hosted by the Lodestar Mountain Inn in Smoke Hole Canyon.

By Stephen Smoot

From the commanding vistas of the west rim of Smoke Hole Canyon, Pendleton County economic development stakeholders met to discuss opportunities. Attendees met in Lodestar Mountain Inn's beautiful wooden chapel graced by a hand built stone chimney and gorgeous glasswork.

After a short social greeting period, Jeffrey Hartley from

Thrasher gave his presentation. He started by talking $about\,the\,process\,of\,broadband$ expansion. In many areas, this starts with identification of which addresses could be eligible for grants. "You have to find that cluster of homes," Hartley said.

Hartley also shared that communities have discovered that broadband infrastructure is almost as vital of a need as

water and sewer. "There are tried and true ways to get help for water and sewer. Broadband was never before seen as a need."

Absent grant support, as he explained, for profit internet service providers have a process that governs where they choose to provide service. If 30 percent of current subscribers are willing to switch, this

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Competing bidders line up to make their best offer to buy WELD and its licenses. Locally organized Save Our Station LLC placed the highest bids.

Save Our Station Comes One Step Closer to Rescuing WELD

By Stephen Smoot

Since Dwight D. Eisenhower served in the White House, WELD has broadcast from a knoll in Fisher overlooking the South Branch Valley near Moorefield. Just as in the days of sock hops and poodle skirts, the tower rises above a Hardy County pastoral scene of undulating hayfields, broadcasting country and gospel music, news, sports, and, yes, the 9 a.m. obituaries.

According to an online history article, the original owners selected the site because it lay halfway

Petersburg "and neither one would feel slighted."

In recent months came the news that the station's Federal Communications Commission licenses and property would go up for sale to pay off debts held by the current owner.

Assisted by WELD station personality Chip Combs, a group called Save Our Station obtained an LLC type business license. They then offered shares of their business to locals for \$1,000 a piece to raise the capital to purchase both the licenses and the property. Investors from

between Moorefield and throughout the region answered the call.

> April 4, auction day, seemed to come way too early for those working to save WELD. One called the timeframe "herculean" in a previous meeting. Save Our Station LLC only organized itself in mid-March, but worked tirelessly to keep WELD from falling into the hands of an outside corporate entity that might ignore the needs and preferences of the listener base and com-

Attendees gathered on a

munity at large.

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Pendleton Board of Education Reviews Anti-Pill Video

By Stephen Smoot

The first meeting of the Pendleton County Board of Education for April opened with a prayer by J. D. Wilkins, board president. He urged that God "bless all the parents and students of Pendleton

Members first watched a video called "Game Changer."

Community CALENDAR

Senior Sponsored Meal Scheduled

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

Free Hearing Tests Available

Heritage Hearing Aid Center will be conducting free hearing tests at the Franklin Senior Center on Friday from 10 to 11:45 am. No appointment is necessary, simply come to the senior center.

Morrisey's Staff To Visit Monday

A representative from Attorney General Patrick Morrisey's office will meet with residents from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday at the Pendleton Senior and Family Services Center in Franof those producing it lay in fentanyl killed a family friend "preventing opioid use before instantly. A federal Drug it starts." It featured one of Enforcement Agency agent the all-time greats of West Virginia University women's basketball, Meg Bulger. Bulger, whose brother was a star quarterback for West Virginia University and the St. Louis Rams, hosted the video.

Other famous West Virginians participating in the video included country singing legend Brad Paisley from Moundsville, Nick Saban, the Fairmont-born head football coach of the University of Alabama, and Senators Joe Manchin and Shelley Moore Capito.

The video featured the theme "one pill can kill" and zeroed in on the destruction caused by fentanyl. It interspersed Bulger having frank talks with a group of children from around the state about drugs in school and families with interviews featuring law enforcement, educators, and

Middle and high school students informed Bulger that "I have a lot of friends who struggle with addiction." One

Wilkins shared that the goal shared how a small amount of pointed out that some fentanyl now looks like harmless aspirin or other over the counter and prescription products.

A student looking at an image of an intentionally disguised fentanyl pill explained that "this just looks like an Advil or ibuprofen I'd take."

After the video, the board moved on to approve the retirement of Linda Mallow. long time secretary of Pendleton County Middle/High School, "with regret."

As part of the finance report, J. P. Mowery discussed a \$1,400 payment to "Batman." This year, as part of a Community in Schools project, an actor portraying the Dark Knight visited Pendleton County Schools to teach valuable lessons and delight the students. Mowery reported that "I think it was a big hit."

Mowery also reported that a recent audit "went very well." He shared that "there were late nights," but that the re-

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County Commission Hears Citizen Concerns Over Wind Turbines

By Stephen Smoot

Winds of discontent made their way to the Pendleton County courthouse last Tuesday for the first meeting of the Pendleton County Commission in April.

Roger Dahmer, commissioner, opened the session with the customary prayer, including "we are here to serve You by serving the people of the county."

The commissioners agreed to allow Scott Somerville, a local lawyer, to open. He started by saying "I'm flattered and humbled to go first." Somerville commenced his presentation by stating that he had asked a question in his previous appearance and had not received an answer. Somerville then shared that he asked "who do I go to if I want to ask about wind turbines."

As he had in a prior meeting, Somerville explained that he had halted investment in a project due to the possibility of wind turbines appearing on Jack Mountain. He added that if he had seen wind turbines when he first viewed Pendleton County from Shenandoah was later confirmed by April Mountain, "I would not be standing here if there were windmills here."

sion that a company called Liberty Gap Wind Force LLC had purchased easements. This means that the company had paid property owners for the right to access their land.

Somerville proposed that an ordinance be passed that would restrict construction of any structure over 200 feet. Commercial wind turbines can range from 300 to 670 feet or more.

Rick Gillespie, Pendleton County emergency services director, shared that a 200-foot restriction could present serious problems to area communications capabilities. "We're not done with addressing the needs of communication," he stated. "This would hurt our ability to expand and that would be added to our Quiet Zone issues."

Carl Hevener, commission president, stated that "as far as I know, there is no application filed with the Public Service Commission." This

Mallow, Pendleton County prosecutor. She stated that her main purpose lay in ad-He also told the commis-vising. "Should the commission enact orders, I want to make sure they are written right."

> Mallow also informed the commission and audience that Liberty Gap Wind Force LLC was based in San Francisco. Somerville pointed out "US Wind Force is the top corporation." Hevener confirmed "they're the umbrella for the rest."

> This is not the first time that the turbine issue has emerged. Hevener said that he had dealt with the issue three times in his own tenure of office. In 2007, the Public Service Commission of West Virginia rejected the same company's 2005 application to build wind turbines on Jack Mountain, mostly based on an "inadequate application and lack of proof."

> First, Liberty Gap Wind Force failed to inform the PSC about existing land uses, including recreational, historic, or otherwise. When

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Discuss Transportation Needs Meeting Planned to

The West Virginia Department of Transportation Division of Public Transit is updating the coordinated human services transportation plans for a majority of the state's planning and development regions. A series of public meetings will be held to inform interested individuals about the possibilities of coordinated public and human service agency transportation and, more importantly, to listen

to anyone who rides, would like to ride, and/or operates public, private or human service agency transportation resources.

The coordinated plan input meeting for Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Mineral and Pendleton counties will begin at 10 a.m. Friday at the Potomac Valley Transit Authority office in Petersburg.

The meetings will begin with a brief presentation of the plan's purpose. Following

the presentation there will be an open discussion about specific needs for transportation to work, medical appointments, entertainment, or any other reason. Public, private and non-profit transportation providers, human service agencies, and any individual who needs transportation should attend.

The public is encouraged to attend the meeting to learn more about the plan and share their input. Agencies who receive or intend to receive funding under the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Program must participate in coordination planning. All meeting locations are wheelchair accessible. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid, service for effective communication or would like to obtain instructions for virtual participation, should contact Bethany Renner by phone at (937) 299-5007 or email brenner@

rlsandassoc.com.

Residents are asked to provide their input through the public survey available online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WVPlans. Paper versions of the survey are available upon request by calling (937) 299-5007.

For additional information, contact Renner or Bill Robinson with West Virginia Department of Transportation at (304) 558-0428.

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OBITUARIES



Olin "Shorty" Guy Waybright

Olin "Shorty" Guy Waybright, 86, of Monterey, Virginia, went to be with the Lord on April 3, 2023.

He was born Aug. 9, 1936. in Cave, a son of the late Ray and Nellie Susan (Mullenax) Waybright.

Mr. Waybright served his country in the Virginia National Guard for six years. He was active in the Forks of Water United Brethren in Christ Church as youth leader and teacher until its closing. For more than 50 years, he was a member of the Blue Grass Ruritan Club and sponsor of the National Wild Turkey Federation. He enjoyed volunteering with the NWTF in the community with hunting and fishing events involving youth, veterans and handicapped.

For 18 years, he and his wife owned Home Gas Co. serving Highland and Bath counties in Virginia and Pendleton and Pocahontas counties. After leaving Home Gas, he devoted his remaining years to the cattle business where one fellow cattleman said "his easy manner and skilled knowledge made him one of the best."

In his spare time, he could be found down by the river, often teaching others the skills of fly fishing. He also enjoyed being in the woods and was known to be a great hunter. Above all, he will be remembered for his softspoken nature, giving solid advice, his contagious smile, as well as being a devoted Christian, husband, father and Pa-Paw.

On Aug. 20, 1958, he married his beloved wife of 64 years, Judith "Judy" Maxine Siron, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Christie Burke and husband, David of Monterey, Virginia; a son, Mark Waybright and wife, Denise of Monterey, Virginia; a brother, Harlan Waybright of Churchville, Virginia; grandchildren, Gregory Hull, Tarah Davenport and husband, Clarence, Joshua Waybright and wife, Lisa, and Cheyna Mason and husband, Nick; great-grandchildren, Lauren, James and Tucker Mason; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; and many great friends.

He was also preceded in death by two brothers, Ocie and Randolph.

A celebration of life was held Saturday at Word of Faith Church in Monterey, Virginia, with Pastors Chip Hill and Ray Turner officiat-

Memorial contributions may be made to Highland County Volunteer Rescue Squad, PO Box 268, Monterey, VA 24465.

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

Raymond Gary Simmons, 74

Raymond Gary Simmons,74 of Timberville, Virginia, passed away April 3, 2023, at Sentara RMH of Harrisonburg, Virginia.

He was born June 8, 1948, in Brandywine to Raymond Simmons and the late Juanita Dickerson Miller Sim-

Mr. Simmons worked for Tyson Food hauling feed and previously drove a truck for Mountain Milk and Rockingham Construction. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and boating.

Also surviving are two brothers, Donnie and wife, Carolyn of Franklin, and

Daniel and wife, Donna of Harrisonburg, Virginia; a niece, Cathy Simmons Bennett and husband, Rick of Brandywine; and companion of 45 years, Marie Stroop of Timberville, Virginia.

Pastor Victor Norris conducted a funeral service Friday at the Grandle Funeral Home Chapel in Broadway, Virginia. The burial followed at Pine Hill Cemetery in Brandywine.

Memorial contributions may be made to any of the following: Mt. Olivet Church of the Brethren, PO Box 534, Timberville, VA 22853; Timberville Fire Department, PO Box 101, Timberville, VA 22853.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www. Grandlefuneralhome.com.

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William "Conley" Raines

William "Conley" Raines, 93, of Riverton passed away peacefully April 7, 2023, at the Pendleton Manor in Franklin.

Born on July 5, 1929, in Riverton, he was the son of the late Robert M. and Edna (Simmons) Raines.

A native of Riverton, Mr. Raines graduated from Circleville High School in 1947. After serving in the U.S. Army, he attended school in Chicago, Illinois, where he received his license as an electrician. He retired in 1994 and remained a member of the IBEW, Local #26 for nearly 70 years.

He attended Riverton United Methodist Church.

Left behind to cherish his memory are a daughter, Delilah Koehler of Green Bay, Wisconsin; two grandsons, Andrew and Matthew Koehler; a sister, Norma Jean Teter; three nephews, Terry Raines, Johnny Raines and Michael Judy; seven nieces, Linda, Brenda, Angie, Michelle, LaDonna, Cathy and Carolyn; and a very special friend and companion, Dorothy Nelson of Riverton.

He was also preceded in death by four brothers, Theodore "Teddy", Johnny, Richard, and Dwight Judy; and a sister, Agnes (Raines)

The family will receive friends from 10 - 11 a.m. April 22 at the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin. A celebration of life will follow in the funeral home chapel with Pastor Cindy Skinner officiating. Inurnment will be in North Fork Memorial Cemetery in Riverton.

Memorials may be made to North Fork Fire Company or North Fork Rescue Squad.

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

WVDNR Releases Big Game Bulletin

West Virginia's annual white-tailed deer, wild turkey, black bear and wild boar harvest numbers for 2022 are now available to the public, the state Division of Natural Resources announced.

Harvest numbers, as well as harvests by season and county area, are made available each year in the West Virginia Big Game Bulletin. Physical copies are available for free at WVDNR district offices and at the agency's Elkins Operations Center. Digital copies are available online at WVdnr. gov/big-game.

"The Big Game Bulletin gives a broad overview of big game harvest numbers and helps our hunters see harvest trends,' said Paul Johansen, WVDNR Wildlife Resources Section Chief. "These harvest numbers also help our biologists monitor big game populations and recommend any needed changes in bag limits or season lengths so we can continue to sustain healthy populations of these important species."

Publishing the Big Game Bulletin is funded by money collected through the sale of hunting and fishing licenses and by funds from Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration.



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makes the strongest case to move into an area. Established routes that bring in competition can provide incentive to provide better service.

Hartley added that West Virginia stands to receive National Telecommunications and Information Administration, or NTIA funds "to build out about half the state."

When asked about Starlink, Hartley shared that "we have reached out to them. Starlink is expensive, but there is no need to wait for a provider. Starlink is a satellite internet service operated by Elon Musk's Space X. Unfortunately, most of Pendleton County and surrounding

areas in West Virginia and Virginia are categorized on a Starlink availability map as "coming soon." A similar coverage "hole" exists in New Mexico. The rest of West Virginia and Virginia are shown as in a "waitlist" zone. The Starlink website states that this means "area at current capacity. Order to reserve your place." According to a Mountain State Spotlight article published

in 2021, "Starlink has committed to serving nearly 10,000 households in West Virginia in exchange for federal subsidies and if its ambitious plans are any indication, it wants to sign up many, many more." Ryan Thorne, formerly from Senator Joe Manchin's office,

now heading up the USDA state office, presented next. He said that "I appreciate the invite to speak to you all. You truly have a great slice of Almost Heaven." He started by describing the role of the USDA state office

Across the state, it has 11 branches and 45 employees. Thorne said, "I am blessed to have a team of true seasoned profession The state office also operates USDA Rural Development

initiatives. Thorne said that USDA spent \$400 million on projects in West Virginia, mostly on water and sewer projects Other initiatives supported public safety, emergency response assisting first time homeowners, and other fundamental needs USDA Rural Development has approximately 50 programs

As Thorne explained, "we can build a community from the ground up applying these programs." Many of these support government services, businesses can also benefit from rural development initiatives. Pendleton County submitted two applications recently for

USDA assistance. Thorne told the group, "they're good projects." He said of an application to fund expansion of the Sweetwater Farm Trail Center, "there will be stiff competition for that." Another program supports farmers who expand their work into adding value to the food they produce. He provided examples including maple syrup and related products and cattle farms producing beef jerky.

Thorne closed with words of praise for the area. "Pendleton truly does rock," he said, referring to the county tourism slogan He went on to say that "Pendleton County is doing a lot better There's more energy. There's more engagement."

Amber Nesselrodt, executive director of the Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau, provided an update that included exciting news concerning the county's involvement in the US Capitol Christmas Tree tour. Nesselrodt also outlined collaboration between Pendleton and Grant counties on the Smoke Hole Bridge to Bridge initiative.

Then came the owner of the Lodestar Mountain Inn, Scott Wimer. His wife, Amy, said, "Thank you guys for being out here We love meeting new people." She explained that the Lodestar was not so much a resort as a ministry. "We support pastors veterans, and first responders." The Wimers built the Inn to provide these important community members "a place to come."

While they function primarily as a "private retreat center, we are always happy for people to come.'

They added that "God has provided us a great opportunity," which could refer to both the inn and the area as a whole.

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asked about cultural impact, the company merely supplied a list of churches in the area.

Additionally, the company did not meet expectations in providing evidence about the turbines' potential effect on the viewshed. Noise impact studies conducted by the company tested at 4,000 feet of distance, not the approximately 2,000-foot distance from Moatstown. Finally, the US Fish and Wildlife Service shared strong concerns about the possible killing of bats, particularly endangered species that use Pendleton County cave systems as their natural habitat.

Dahmer announced "let me go on record as saying I am not in favor of windmills. Wind power is not the answer. I see no value in them."

No commissioner spoke in favor of wind turbines in Pend-

Concerned citizens and local business owners also shared their concerns. Katie VanMeter, who along with her husband, owns the McCoy House and other local businesses, said. "they depreciate our property." She explained that a single communications tower does not affect a viewshed in nearly the same way as a line of turbines.

"We support agritourism. I want to protect my investment as a company and as a private citizen." VanMeter concluded with "I appreciate the time you took to listen to us today."

The meeting continued with Gillespie sharing recent well water issues at the 911 center. "If their water source dies," he said, "they'll be in a heap of trouble." He proposed that the commission consider a long-term goal to extend water service to the 911 center and also the Fisher Mountain complex Gillespie stated that the problem was "not an immediate threat," but "it's having its issues from time to time."

Next came a broadband update from Laura Brown, Pendleton County economic and community development director. She said that the county had received \$4.8 million for broadband, "thanks to our current commission and also our last commission." For example, Spruce Knob Seneca Rocks Telecommunications received grant funding to expand service over 81 miles to more than 400 customers.

A related grant could potentially help to create a public private partnership with Stanton, Virginia, based Lingo. She praised the assistance of attorney Josh Jarrell in helping the EDA with the draft proposal. Brown also stated that Shentel has commenced construction on the ECF project near Sugar Grove. "Rick is doing a lot of work," she stated, "thank you guys for your continued support."

Brown then announced that House Bill 3560, a measure designed to relieve landowners of liability if they allow tourism or other related activities on their land, was signed by Governor Jim Justice. She said that those taking advantage should follow a formal process and not rely on "gentlemen's handshakes."

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port made it in time for the state mandated deadline on March 31. Additionally, he stated that the "financial update looks very good," but that higher accounting standards for school finances may force some school systems to look at "more division of labor."

Travis Heavner said "after spring break we are getting into a very important time of year." Assessment tests will return at the end of the month. Furthermore, students taking Pathway to Proficiency tests will "give students some idea of where they

In the facilities update, Heavner informed the board that workers completed the floor in the Christian Assistance Net work building. "We did let the concrete cure," he explained, and added "as of Wednesday evening they were moving back in."

The board will also advertise for bids for the Pendleton Middle/High School fieldhouse project starting on April 19. A pre-bid meeting will take place at 11 AM. Anyone wishing to participate "is mandated to attend the pre-bid meeting."

Charles Hedrick, superintendent of Pendleton County Schools, recommended that the board approve a memorandum of understanding to accept student-teachers from West Virginia University, which it did.

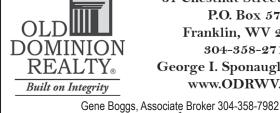
Grant, Hardy, and Pendleton counties completed their draft for the synchronized school year and will submit it to the state for approval. Due primarily to the shared use of the South Branch Career and Technical Center, the tri-county region aligns their calendars to prevent stress on the school and

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our loved one. No gesture was too small. We also want to thank Rev. Trevor Whetzel and

Pastor P. J. Landes for the beautiful service and words of comfort, also, Karen Wright for the encouraging words about Crystal and the Basagic Funeral Home for

the beautiful service. The Family of Crystal Whetzel Lewis

WELD Auction

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bright warm day that felt closer to late May than three days after April Fools'. Some came to place bids, but others arrived to witness the proceedings. "I'd like to see it locally owned and run the way the people agree with," shared Jim Crites, owner of Country Cars and Trucks, and also an advertiser on WELD. He added that "it is the tri-county area." He hoped that "maybe if it works out, it will stay local." Also present was Willard Earle, formerly part of a three

man ownership team. Local residents remember Earle as the comforting voice on the air while the Flood of '85 ripped through South Branch Valley communities. He remembered that during the flood "it was about

the only station there was for a few days." The flood took out almost all other means of communication and electric power. WELD, however, fired up its generator and remained on the air. Earle described how HAM radio operators would send reports that he would then read over the air. Earle's constant coverage of that historical event is one of the prevalent local memories of the flood and one important reason why the older generations treasure the station. One interested bidder in the station came from West

Union in Doddridge County. Oliver Azaria is an evangelist that owns WVGV. This call sign was once used by a station in the Greenbrier Valley, but the call sign fell dormant and was picked up by Azaria. As a self-described King James Version centered evangelist, Azaria saw an opportunity to obtain another way to spread the Word. Azaria explained his interest saying, "We're all about

ministry. Many stations are not concerned about real Bidding started at high noon. Debbie Flanigan, the

agent handling the property, explained that the auctioneer would offer the FCC licenses first, then the real estate associated with the station. After the two items were bid out separately, a third round would offer the licenses and real estate combined to see if they could earn more sold together.

"Whatever earns the most, we'll take to the owner to see if it's acceptable," Flanigan said. Alan Heldreth, the auctioneer, read the terms and

conditions covering the sale of "a fully functioning and operational radio station." He then started the bidding for the licenses at \$10,000, but the first bidder only offered \$1,000. Bidders, both online and in person, drove the price to \$22,500, which came from Save Our Station LLC. Next came bidding on the real estate. This included

approximately six acres, the building, and most of its contents. These included an old and potentially valuable music catalog and much of the equipment. Elder took pains to explain that leased receiver equipment from Westwood One did not form part of the deal.

Bidding commenced at \$100,000. An online participant quickly offered that much. It quickly rose to \$175,000 again from Save Our Station LLC.

The third round requested bids over the combined licenses and property bid, which was \$197,500. No one chose to beat this offer, leaving the win in the hands of Save Our Station LLC. Combs said he was "cautiously optimistic" about the

road ahead. Placing the winning bids at auction did not seal the deal. The bids must be accepted, or the next step will see the items sold on the courthouse steps.

What happened leading up to the auction, as Combs explained took "a lot of wonderful people." He added, "Two hundred thousand for three radio stations is a good deal." Also, Combs said that "there's not much that will need to be borrowed, if at all."

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"A" Honor Roll

First grade — Jace Ours, Kinsley Shane and Hannah Sponaugle; Second grade — Darek Greathouse;

Third grade — Levi Arbaugh, Kimberly Sponaugle, Sadie Wimer, Declan Shane and Emilee Morris-Hedrick; Fourth grade — Skye Dahmer and Elaina Raines;

Fifth grade — Vaylee Harper, Alayna Huffman and Kathrynn Raines; and

Sixth grade — Wyatt Haynes, Isabella Jameson, Abigail Judy, Mason Miller and Jacey Thompson.

"A-B" Honor Roll

First grade — Oliver Cook, Vera Selmon, Leelan Swanigan, Jaden Warner, Blake Watring and Dale Watring

Second grade — Eli Nelson, Andelyn Vance and Haley Third grade — Tommy Waybright, Aaliyah Martin,

Isabella Arcure and Keaton Swick; Fourth grade - Nick Harper, Tori Heavner, Addy Huffman, Ally Jameson, Avery Kile, Callen Kisamore

and Nolin Nededog; Fifth grade — Kinley Bennett, Mackenzie Day, Miley

Kimble, Ty Johnson, Ava Sherman, Jacob Thompson and Azalea Waddell; and

Sixth grade — Brayden Morris-Hedrick and Mckenzie Vandevander. Perfect Attendance

First grade — Leelan Swanigan and Layla Warner; Third grade — Keaton Swick, Allison Warner, Tommy Waybright and Sadie Wimer;

Fifth grade — Alayna Huffman and Ava Sherman; and

Sixth grade — Wyatt Haynes, Jacey Thompson, Mckenzie Vandevander and Kayden Warner. Faithful Attendance

Kindergarten — Braxton Barkley, Makenna Bell, Gaige Eye, Benson Harper, Ellie Huffman, Nicholas Jameson, Easton Johnson, Ashton Kimble, Hunter Kimble, Blake Long and Hurikane Thompson;

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Fourth grade — Skye Dahmer, Jakob Gray, Tori Heavner, Addy Huffman, Ally Jameson, Callen Kisamore, Elaina Raines, Elizabeth Riffle and Caroline Vandevander;

Fifth grade — Kyley Hedrick, Miley Kimble, Kathrynn Raines, Aubree Simmons, Jacob Thompson and Azalea Waddell; and

Sixth grade — Allie Hedrick, Isabella Jameson, Abigail Judy, Mason Miller, Brayden Morris-Hedrick, Dalila Sponaugle and Mason Waybright.

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10 Years Ago Week of April 10, 2013

Area Youth Flock to JAKES Event

Over 120 youth from Pendleton County and surrounding areas were treated to a fun-filled day of educational events at the 10th Annual JAKES event sponsored by the Potomac Headwaters Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF). Excitement continues to build for this annual event which sported the largest crowd ever this past Saturday. JAKES, which stands for Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship, is a program that was started by the NWTF to give kids a chance to explore the outside world and learn about natural resources. The youth can test their skills and knowledge in both indoor and outdoor learning stations.

The event was held at the Killbuck Rifleman Shooting Range in Fort Seybert.

20 Years Ago Week of April 10, 2003

SUGAR GROVE

"Ten Secrets for Raising Sensible Successful Kids," by Dr. Kevin Leman. The following are the "Ten Commandments of a Child."

- 1. "My hands are small, so please don't expect perfection when I make a bed, draw a picture, or throw a ball. My legs are short; please slow down so I can keep up with you.
- 2. Please take the time to explain things to me about this wonderful world, and do so willingly.
- 3. My eyes have not seen the world as yours have, so please let me explore safely.
- My feelings are tender, so please be sensitive to my needs. Treat me as you would like to be treated.
- 5. Please treasure me as God intended you to do, holding me accountable for my actions, giving me guidelines to live by, and disciplining me in a loving manner.
- 6. Please go easy on the criticism, and remember you can criticize the things I do without criticizing me.
- 7. Please give me the freedom to make decisions concerning myself, and even to fail, so I can learn from my mistakes.
- 8. Please don't do things over for me. That makes me feel my efforts didn't quite measure up to your expecta-
- 9. Mom and Dad, show me that you love each other. That's something I need to know.

10. Don't forget to take me to Sunday School and church regularly. I enjoy learning about God, and I need to know He is my friend."

Week of April 17, 2003

Environmental Protection Agency Offers Tips for Lawn Care

With springtime thoughts turning to lawns and gar-

dens, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has some tips for caring for your yard in an environmentally friendly way.

There are a number of steps homeowners can take to promote a healthy and beautiful lawn without harming the environment.

Develop Healthy Soil— Make sure your soil has the right pH balance, key nutrients and good texture.

Choose The Right Grass For Your Climate—Select grass seed that is well-suited to your climate.

Longer Is Better—Grass that is slightly long makes a strong, healthy lawn with few pest problems.

Water Early—It is time to water early in the morning if footprint impressions stay in the lawn and do not spring back.

Recycle Grass—Don't pick up the grass clippings.

Let Your Lawn Breathe— Once a year, remove small plugs of earth to allow air and water to aerate the grass roots.

Use Manual Tools—Tools that don't require electric or gasoline engines are especially handy for small yards or small jobs.

30 Years Ago Week of April 15, 1993

Developing Countries Set Vaccination Pace

The world's richest country, the United States, lags behind the world's poorest countries in an effort to immunize all children under age two.

It's a paradox born out of the nearly total immunization of American kindergarten-age children in the 1970s.

"The paradox is that we ended up so successful that today many developing countries have higher vaccination levels than we do," says Dr. William H. Foege, executive director of the task force for child survival and development at the Carter Presidential Center in Atlanta, GA.

When global vaccinations began in 1974, barely five percent of the two-year-olds in poor countries were being vaccinated against childhood diseases. By 1991 the percentage had risen to 80. Leaders of the United Nations immunization program are now eyeing a goal of 90 percent by 2000.

In contrast, an average of only about 50 percent of American inner-city-two-year-olds are vaccinated, and the national rate for two-year-olds is about 70 percent, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

In New York City, only about 40 percent of preschool children received all their recommended immunizations by age two in 1991. That compared with 89 percent of children under one in Algeria, 77 percent in Uganda, 76 percent in El Salvador and 70 percent in Mexico.

The gap lies between ages two and five. State laws in the United States require children to be completely immunized before they enter kindergarten. More than 99 percent of American five-year-olds are fully vaccinated.

40 Years Ago Week of April 14, 1983

DAHMER

Today almost everyone has a watch of some make to tell the time of day, but this was not so many years ago. There was usually a clock in the home and a dinner bell to announce that dinner was ready. In the writer's home a horn was used. In his greatgrandfather's home, a clock with wooden cogs was used. At the home of Cora and Delmar Lough at Deer Run, they have a clock about like the one mentioned which is now prized as a relic. At Joel Dahmer's they drove wooden pegs or nails on the porch in order to tell the time by shadows when the sun shone. These pegs need to be adjusted also with the seasons of the year. Lewis Propst had a rule to let his children stop hoeing corn when the shadow of Flynn's Knob would strike a ledge of rocks against Pine Mountain, known as the six o'clock mark. At the old Propst schoolhouse, during the wintertime when the rays of the sun struck the line fence between Jacob Mitchell's and Charles W. Pitsenbarger's at Charlie's Knob, was at one time known as the

eight o'clock mark.

The writer has been so tied down with his ewes at lambing time and trying to serve the Lord that right now sleep appears to be a necessity. Eleven sets of triplet lambs in a short period is enough to bring smiles and frowns. Of the 33 triplet lambs, 30 are now living.

50 Years Ago Week of April 12, 1973

Crows Protected By Federal Law

Last March, jays, ravens and crows were placed on the list of federally protected birds. In the Federal Register this past January, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service proposed that sport hunting of crows be regulated.

The proposal suggests that hunting seasons may not be longer than 124 days; that crows may be taken only by firearms, bow and arrow or falconry; and that hunting by airplane during the peak nesting season within a state shall be illegal.

The proposal does not change the rule which permits the killing of crows, blackbirds, cowbirds, and grackles when they are damaging agricultural crops, shade or ornamental trees, or endan-

gering the public health.

Thus, the new proposal affords a measure of protection to the common crow and still permits sport hunting of an often maligned species of native wild bird.

Family Farmer Will Not Become Extinct

D. Don Pearlberg, director of agricultural economics for the U. S. Department of

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Agriculture, thinks the family farmer will never become extinct. He anticipates an agriculture of both family farms and the large-scale industrialized units. He also says that the family farm is tough competition and a very durable institution. The family farm still provides two-thirds of the nation's farm production. On about 95 per cent of U.S. farms, the operator and his family supply most of the labor. The family farm is not a high-cost method of production, "and if we stay with the family farm and improve its efficiency," Pearlberg said, "the amount we spend for our food can go lower."

He noted that we now spend 16 per cent of our income for food.

60 Years Ago Week of April 11, 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.

Grant Moves South Bypassing Vicksburg

It was in the dark of the night of April 16, 1863, 100 years ago this week that six Federal gunboats and a small fleet of transports, with coal barges lashed to their sides, eased down the Mississippi River just north of Vicksburg, Mississippi. Coming in sight of the city, the vessels picked up speed and charged headlong downstream under the Confederate guns on the Vicksburg bluffs. They were running the gauntlet of the Vicksburg defenses.

And in so doing, the vessels—commanded by Adm. David Porter—began the final and successful campaign of General Ulysses S. Grant to capture Vicksburg and cut the Confederacy in two.

Running the gauntlet at Vicksburg had long been a game of Fedearl gunboats on the Mississippi. It worked like this: the gunboats charged past the city full speed; the Confederates blasted away at the speeding gunboats, occasionally picking one off, until the vessels passed under the guns to safety farther downstream.

But now it was different. For the first time, the gunboats were accompanied by transports and barges loaded with stores and fuel. Their purpose: to get below Vicksburg to feed and service Grant's army.

For Grant's army was moving south of Vicksburg, too. As the Confederates opened fire on Porter's river boats, Grant's troops were moving down the Louisiana side of the river. Their plan: to move below Vicksburg on the western bank, cross the river on the transports, and then move north on Vicksburg itself.

Porter's running of the gauntlet made for a spectacular night at Vicksburg. Confederate cannon boomed

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out; smoke poured from the steamers' stacks; fires burst out, illuminating the river; a transport was hit and burst into flames, burning to the water's edge in front of the city; two boats were disabled and several barges sunk.

But when dawn came, eight of the Federal vessels had gotten through the gauntlet and were safely south of Vicksburg. They quickly made contact with Grant's men on the western bank.

Grant, himself, was listening to the gunfire that night from his headquarters boat just north of the city. His wife and children were with him, on a visit, and it must have been a satisfying moment for him. No longer were his 45,000 men digging and cursing in the Mississippi bayous and swamps; now they were marching smartly southward. No longer was he fighting floods and river currents; now he had a plan to fight Confederates. It was the beginning of the end for Vicksburg.

To make doubly sure of success in his new plan, Grant had ordered up some tactics like he had been fighting—a Yankee guerilla raid through Mississippi. On April 17, the day after the running of the gauntlet, Federal Col. Benjamin H. Grierson moved out of Memphis with three regiments of cavalry and headed into Mississippi. They rode the full length of the state, 600 miles, to Baton Rouge, La., cutting Rebel communications, eluding pursuers and throwing the state into

Monterey Livestock Market Bought By Staunton Man

The Highland County Livestock Market, Inc., located at Monterey, Va., has been sold to Charles W. Lawson of Staunton, Va. The purchase price was reported to be \$18,000.

The market, formed in 1945, has been owned by some fifty stockholders, most of whom own only one or two shares. The purchase price embraces the five acres of land and all other physical assets, including the restaurant. Leonard Hammer of Blue Grass has been the manager for several years. George R. Swecker, also of Blue Grass, has served for some time as office manager.

"By The President of the United States of America A Proclamation"

IT WAS ON APRIL 20, 1863, that President Abraham Lincoln signed the official proclamation putting in force the Act of Congress which made West Virginia the thirty-fifth State of the Union. He "declared and proclaimed" the Act to be in effect "from and after" 60 days from the date of the Proclamation's signing which made West Virginia's official birthday June 20.

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Smith Creek/ Friends Run

by Dave Ellis

This spring season sure does have its ups and downs on the weather. There were several days with warm temperatures, but then it went back to being cold. This is hurting the fruit trees as they are budding their flowers.

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, Olin Hoover, Quinley Mc-Connell, Etha Mae Bowers, Mary Jo Wilfong, Kenny Williams, Dennis Mitchell, Debbie Horst, Charlotte Copley, Billy Rowe, Myrtle Hammer, Jack Judy, Jimmie Bennett, Pam Rexrode, Jason Rexrode, Margaret Wimer, Doris Simmons, Harry Allen Warner and

Sherman Bennett.
Prayer thought: "This life seems so hard some times. Yet, I trust You to do what's right for me. Help me live in Your promise and trust."

High and low temperatures and precipitation for April 3 through April 9, followed by the same for last year, were as follows: April 3 - 72° , 38° (46° , 36°); April 4 - 82° , 47° (52° , 27°); April 5 - 83° , 52° , $.12^{\circ}$ (59° , 40° , $.92^{\circ}$); April 6 - 77° , 50° (63° , 43° , $.07^{\circ}$); April 7 - 49° , 35° , $.04^{\circ}$ (52° , 38° , 1.98°); April 8 - 50° , 32° (51° , 30° , $.07^{\circ}$) and April 9 - 60° , 25° (48° ,

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Wit of American Vocabulary Lost to Time

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

There was a time when folks in this community used idioms, word usage, sayings, and slang that stirred an interest to document and record them. Some of the usage is as follows:

A bone to pick — a problem to discuss with someone I swan — an expression equivalent to "I swear"

Ain't never seen the beat — used when frustrated or

Onery — lazy

Ought'nta — should not have

Shine — moonshine

Stool — toilet

Summers — somewhere

Youbetcha — you better

Meer — come here Mon — come on

Lickety-split — to do something very fast.

Hootnanny — a social gathering that often includes

Holler — to get eye contact with someone; a mountain

Buggy — grocery cart

Fixin' to — getting ready or preparing to carry out a plan Goosey — a person who jumps when poked in the stomch or ribs

Pronunciations:

Extry — extra

Souse — pon haus

Summers — somewhere

Sad to say, these expressions are hardly in use today. Just once in a while, one will run across someone who still uses some of these expressions. Perhaps some of the readers still do.

Life's daily lessons include the following:

- 1. Enjoy the smell of fresh baked bread.
- 2. Hold a baby kitten.
- 3. Daydream.
- 4. Count a baby's toes.

5. Take time to enjoy the splash of colors in the sky

Mornings have been quite chilly. But then, it is just the beginning of spring. No doubt there will be more winter blasts along the way.

This week's quotes are as follows:

"If there ever comes a day when we can't be together, keep me in your heart; I'll stay there forever." — A.A.

"In every curving beach, in every grain of salt there is the story of the earth." — Rachel Carson

"Someday we'll find it, the rainbow connection, the lovers, the dreamers and me." — Kermit the Frog

The remainder of the April birthdays are as follows: Dakota Grogg and Brody Wimer, 16th; Brenda Propst, 17th; Anna Mauzy, 18th; Paul Cunningham, 19th; Mike Propst and Shelby Morrison, 20th; Evelyn Varner, 22nd; Ronald Pitsenbarger, 24th; Jackie Koontz, 27th; Myrtle Hoover, Marcus Smith and Carl Simmons, 29th; and Jim Rexrode and Justin Simmons, 30th.

Out on the porch swing is a great place to hear the "Talk of the Grove."

Linda Rexrode of Sweet Dreams of Cakes and Things sold approximately 600 dozen donuts from February through March. That's a lot of donuts!

Alvin, Shirley and David Pratt spent Easter with Charles and Pidge Anderson. They had a grand time.

Ed Rader of Davis was a Friday visitor in the home of Willard and Judy Rader. Willard and Judy Rader enjoyed a delicious Easter dinner Sunday in the home of Benny and Linda Custer. They also celebrated Judy and Kevin's birthday.

Helen and Rhonda Nash celebrated Christmas in April with granddaughter/niece, Holly Lowery, and children, Kinsley and Levi of Mineral, Virginia, during a recent visit which also included a trip to the Green Valley Book Fair. Helen and Rhonda also enjoyed the blessing of friends, Diane Healey, Daniel Wheeler and Norman Wilfong, for Easter Sunday luncheon at Nashland.

Sunday dinner guests of Charles and Susan Kiser of Harrisonburg, Virginia, were Bob and Brenda Fisher and

Phil Downs was a Sunday visitor of K.D. Puffenbarger where he enjoyed Easter dinner with K.D. and his family. Jeffrey and Sally Smith of Harrisonburg, Virginia, stopped in that same afternoon.

by Eugene and Cindy Varner, Randy, Jessica, Nathaniel, and Geneva, Joyce and Richard Marshall, Judy Costello, Janet Varner, Terry Harper, Kitty Purcell and D.J.

Wimer, Terri and Claude and Hendrix Bogan.

More than 7 million tulips bloom in the Netherlands. Butterflies hatch in March and April.

The North Pole has six months of uninterrupted daylight when spring arrives.

of flowers is known as Anthophile.

Concerns for this week are many. They are as follows: Charles Anderson, Roger and Joan Ashley, Mercedes Aumann, Vernon "Fuzzy" Baldwin, Nathan Beachler, Lynn Beatty, Debbie Beeal, Jed Conrad, Jeff Craig, the John Doores family, Grayson Andrew Eye, Jordan Eye, Mary Eye, Mia Felici, Donna Fleisher, Ron Gilkerson, Lola Graham, Jordan Greathouse, Marvin Hartman, Steve and Armanda Heavner, Gary and Jackie Hills, Virgil Homan, Jr., Myrtle Hoover, Debbie Horst, Anna Gae Hughes, Alice Johnson, Richard Judy, Dennis Kincaid, Kim Kline, Melissa Lambert, Robert Lambert, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, Betty Mallow, Roger and Skip



Roy Franklin Wilfong (Jan. 22, 1904 - Feb. 27, 1980) was the youngest and ninth child of George William (June 20, 1861 - Aug. 20, 1935) and Mary Jane Puffenbarger Wilfong (Sept. 30, 1860-July 13, 1932). They were married Nov. 19, 1885. Roy married Alice Luberta Mitchell (Sept. 1, 1903 - Oct. 23, 1985) by Rev. R. Sieberg on March 6, 1926. From this union were six children, Mary Virginia, Ervin Lynn, William Ira, Randolph, Betty Lea and Nancy Louise. Roy and Alice are buried in the Sugar Grove Cemetery. Roy was a direct descendant of (George) Michael and Sophia Wilfong, the pioneers who settled at the mouth of Brushy Fork and the South Fork in 1766. They had been given a land grant from King George ${\it III of England}.$

Aaron Nelson, Ruth Nelson, Don Nilsen, Cheryl Paine, Sutton Parrack, Shirley Pratt, Alda Propst, Kara Propst, Kathy Propst, Linda Propst, Sheldon Propst, K.D. Puffenbarger, Dick Rexrode, Gary Rexrode, Harley Propst, Jason Rexrode, Jimmy Rexrode, Robbie Sites, Ona Smith, Sandra Vandevander, Pam Rexrode, Max Rodriguez, Donna Ruddle, Annie Simmons, Barry and Phyllis Simmons, Davey Simmons, Amy Vaus, Judy Williams, the Crystal Willis family, Margaret Wimer, people in Ukraine and Yemen and earthquake victims in Turkey.

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their grandsons, Logan and Michael Fisher.

Easter dinner at the home of Evelyn Varner was enjoyed

Visitors of Rosalee Grogg were Marleta and Junior Clickety-clacks for the chin waggers are as follows:

The condition that is marked by an excessive fondness

In Roman mythology the goddess of spring is known

Mallow, Neil McLaughlin, Gary Mitchell, Melvin Moats,

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Vikings Take First Game In Tournament from 'Cats

By Stephen Smoot

On Good Friday, Pendleton County, Keyser, and Petersburg held a tournament to honor some of the many legends who helped to develop high school and youth baseball over the decades. The opening game pitted Petersburg, ranked seventh in single A by West Virginia Metro News, and 10th ranked Pendleton County.

The 1 p.m. start time saw a slate gray sky, an occasional stiff breeze, and raw 50 degree temperatures. When temperatures drop below 60, it creates an effect on a baseball. They become denser and less elastic, giving the ball some extra pop. This puts more pressure on pitchers and defenders because, in many cases, the ball will jump off the bat faster and hit the glove harder.

Both teams hit the ball hard, but only one team was able to follow the classic hitting advice of the former Brooklyn Superbas and New York Highlander (now Yankees) star Wee Willie Keeler - "Hit 'em where they ain't."

Petersburg opened their first barrage in the opening inning. The first hitter launched a home run, followed by a single to right, then a second home run to establish a 3-0 lead. Clayton Kisamore settled in and got three of the next four batters out to retire the side.

In Pendleton County's first opportunity at the plate, Chase Owens earned a lead off walk on five pitches, but was picked off on a fielder's

Petersburg took a 3-0 lead into the top of the second. The leadoff batter grounded to short, but legged out the play. The next Viking batter drew a five strike walk with a steal on the second pitch. With two on and no outs, the subsequent batter bunted

the ball too aggressively, giving Kisamore the opportunity to take out the lead runner advancing to third.

The next Viking batter fired a shot to the wall in left center, gaining two runs batted in on a stand up double. Petersburg gained two walks to load the bases with two outs, but Kisamore got the final batter in the inning out on a screaming line drive snagged by Cameron Beachler.

In the bottom of the second, Beachler drew a lead off walk. Brayden Beachler followed with a hard shot, but right at the shortstop. The throw beat the runner back to first for a five-three double play. The Wildcats tried to challenge with two outs. Dustin Vandevander hit a line drive base hit to center field, followed by a Jayden Roberson single to right field. Petersburg got the next batter, however, to strike out to retire the side.

Petersburg opened the top of the third with an infield single. Kisamore earned a strikeout with the next batter, but then dealt a walk. Cameron Beachler then came in to pitch with men on first and second. The first batter he pitched to fired a line drive that, in a frightening looking shot, hit the pitcher in the arm.

All runners were safe with the bases loaded. With one out, Cameron Beachler got a Viking to hit a slow roller toward first that the Petersburg player legged out to extend the lead to 6-0. Pendleton County retired Petersburg in four batters in the fourth. In the bottom of the inning, once again the Wildcats had an opportunity. Cameron Beachler hit a one out seeing eye single between the second baseman and the shortstop, but could not

Petersburg picked up an-

other run in the fifth after they loaded the bases with no outs. Brayden Beachler came in to pitch and got the batter to hit a slow ground ball that was fired home to get the out and prevent the run. The next batter hit a ground ball to the very busy Dillon Smith who prevented another run by tossing the ball to James Vincell covering home. The inning ended with a ground ball to short, but the Vikings added another run for a 7-0

Petersburg scored another run in the top of the sixth. To lead off the Wildcat half of the inning, on a 2-0 pitch, Kisamore drove the ball to the wall for a stand up double. A Vincell sacrifice sent him to third, but they could not drive him home.

The Vikings picked up four more runs in the top of the final inning. In the bottom of the seventh, Roberson drew a walk. Caleb Armentrout followed that with a base hit, but the inning ended on a strikeout.

Petersburg took advantage of the conditions and opportunities and played mostly mistake free in the field. The Wildcats saw more hard luck, although they hit the ball well.

On April 3, Pendleton County went on the road to defeat Pocahontas County 12-1 in five innings. Vincell had three hits and four RBIs with a triple. Brayden Beachler and Kisamore also each had two hits. Landon Colaw took the win, giving up one run in four innings.

The next evening the Wildcats took on Tygarts Valley, Colaw, Vincell, Owens, and Clayton Kisamore each had two base hits.

After the tournament, West Virginia Metro News released their Week Three Power Rankings, placing Pendleton County in ninth place and Petersburg eighth.



As Cashton Kisamore (at first) and Dillon Smith (at third) watch, starting pitcher Landon Colaw winds up against Keyser.

Keyser Storms Away with a Win in Legends Tournament

By Stephen Smoot

After the disappointing loss to Petersburg in the opening game, the Wildcats had to turn around and face double A Keyser to close the day. The Golden Tornado boasted a 6-4 record coming in with big wins over Petersburg, triple A Spring Mills, and Frankfort and tough losses to teams such as Martinsburg and Allegany.

Weather conditions only changed from the first game in that the breeze blew slightly harder and colder at times.

Landon Colaw started the game at pitcher for Pendleton County. Keyser worked their first at bat into an infield single to short, followed by a five pitch strikeout. Unfortunately, the next batter took a two

strike pitch deep for a home

With one out, the next Golden Tornado batsman hit a line drive single into left field, followed by an infield single, fielded by Dillon Smith at third. A passed ball allowed runners to move to second and third. Colaw got the next batter to pop out on a 2-1 pitch and the subsequent hitter to tap a slow ground ball to third for the easy play. Keyser took a 2-0 lead into the bottom of the inning.

Pendleton County tried to answer in the bottom of the inning. With one out, Clayton Kisamore knocked a base hit to shallow center. He advanced to scoring position on a James Vincell ground ball, but the next hitters could not drive Kisamore in.

Keyser drew a lead off walk to start the inning, but Vincell's precise throw

stopped his steal attempt when the next batter fell to a 1-2 count. Colaw then got the runner to ground out to third for the second out. The Golden Tornado struck again with the next hitter, who lofted a deep ball out of play for a home run.

With a three run lead and two outs, Keyser drew a walk. Coach Sam Yokum then tapped Dustin Vandevander to step in. His first batter earned a walk. With runners on first and second, Vandevander got the next batter to ground out to second, but not before another runner crossed the

Pendleton County went into the bottom of the second down 4-0, going down in order. Vandevander allowed a lead off standup double to start the third, but got the next three batters to fly out

The top of the fourth saw the Keyser bats erupt again. They earned a lead off walk, followed by an unintentionally hit batter. The next hitter was called out on the infield fly rule, leaving one out with runners at first and second. A walk left the bases loaded on a single out, but the next batter hit the ball sharply back to the pitcher. Vandevander tossed the ball to Vincell to catch the lead runner at home for the second out.

The next batter walked, scoring a run. The Golden Tornado followed with a single to left and a hit batter, extending their lead to 7-0.

After another walk scored a run, Cashton Kisamore came in to pitch. Keyser shot a grand slam home run to left. The inning ended on a slow ground ball to first and a 12-0 score.

Caleb Armentrout entered the game to lead off the bottom of the fourth and earned an infield base hit. Cameron Beachler then knocked a seeing eye single through short. On his previous swing, he had hit the ball foul down the third base side, but adjusted slightly to gain the right timing. Brayden Beachler followed with a ground ball single.

Pendleton County had bases loaded and no outs, giving them one of their best opportunities of the day. Vandevander hit the ball safely to left field to score a run, but Keyser got the runner out at second. Jayden Roberson then shot a base hit to right to score another run, closing the gap to 12-2.

Chase Owens came to the plate with two outs and runners at first and second. As per usual, Owens delivered in the clutch with a base hit to right field, giving the team another RBI and a 12-3 score. Keyser's pitching got the next batter to pop out to end an inning of

In the top of the fifth, Keyser scored a single run to bring the threat of the 10 run rule back in play. With the Wildcats going down in order in the bottom of the inning, the Golden Tornado

secured the win.

Coach Sam Yokum said after the tournament, "We only played eight games before Friday. I don't want to say that we weren't challenged, but we weren't challenged. We ran into two teams here that are on their thirteenth and fourteenth games."

"There are games coming up that they'll grow from," he added.



Local legends were honored in last Friday's tournament. From left, Pendleton County head coach Sam Yokum holds a plaque for former coach Ed Wimer, and Keyser head coach Scott Rohrbaugh holds plaque belonging to Stan Szafan. Steve Hines and Joe Mohr display their own.

in the top of the third. After

the first out, Baylee Beachler

walked on four pitches. Katie

Hedrick then hit a ground ball

into left field to put runners on

first and second with one out.

Ashton Hess followed that with

a drive through the gap in right

center field to the wall. Hess

knocked one run in and landed

Hannah Rexrode followed

that shot with a sacrifice bunt

with runners at second and

third. Her sacrifice earned her

team an RBI and a score tied

at five. With a runner at third,

Jenna Smith hit a double to the

wall to score another run. The

Wildcats ended their half of the

Tucker County benefited from

a hit batter to lead off the bottom

of the third. After a fly ball out in

deep center, the Mountain Lions

hit a triple. Two batters later, a

ground ball to short scored the

run and tied the game at six.

The next batter also hit in a run

on a ground ball. A strikeout

ended the inning, but not until

Tucker County climbed back

inning with a 6-5 lead.

safely at second.

Tucker County Rains on Wildcat Hopes at Camp Kidd

By Stephen Smoot

As storms raged across the state last Wednesday evening, Tucker County tried to host a doubleheader with Pendleton County. The Mountain Lions, unfortunately, brought the thunder in the first game, leaving Mother Nature to provide it for the second. The Wildcats offered a light-

ning strike of their own in the first inning as Lizzie Alt belted her first home run in the game's second at bat as her team piled on three runs in the first inning. In the top of the second, Av-

ery Townsend rocketed a two out line drive to left center for a sliding triple, but could not advance from there. Tucker County led off the bottom of the inning with a walk, but Nataley Hedrick caught a foul tip from the next batter for the initial out. Two hard luck slow ground balls later and the Mountain Lions loaded the bases. Another walk sent in the first run of the

Two batters later, Tucker County hit a ground ball triple that scored three runs and gave them a 5-3 advantage.

inning.

Pendleton County struck back

The Wildcats went in order in the fourth. Tucker County Page 6 - April 13, 2023 - The Pendleton Times

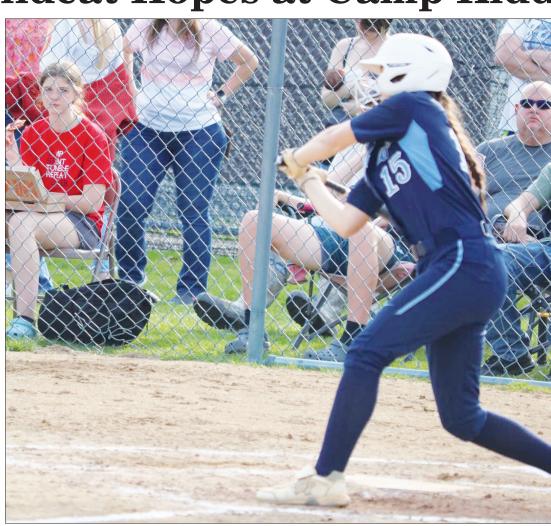
on top 7-6.

launched a barrage in the bottom of the inning, leading off by getting two runners on base. They then hit a ground ball to short. The Wildcats got a runner at second, but the Mountain Lions picked up the RBI. Tucker County then picked up two singles to left field with an out in between to extend their lead to 10-6. They added four more runs in the bottom of the inning to close out the win at 14-6. In the second game, the Wild-

cats raced out to a 2-0 lead, gave up four in the bottom of the first, then scored in the top of the second for a 4-3 Tucker County advantage. At that point, the game was called for lightning and is expected to be rescheduled for completion at a later time. Later in the week, the Wild-

cats took a 9-7 game from Liberty. The squad led 2-0 after the first inning, but Liberty knotted it up in the bottom of the stanza. One run in the third and three in the fourth gave Liberty a 6-4 lead, but Pendleton County took the final 9-7, going ahead to stay after a four run fourth.

Pendleton County plays Saturday at Frankfort.



Lizzie Alt takes a cut at a Tucker County pitch. She hit her first home run of the season in game one of the doubleheader.

Pendleton County Track Races into Action In Opening Meet of the Season at Keyser

By Stephen Smoot

As the area saw the tail end of a warm winter turn cold Pendleton County's track squad competed in its first meet of the year at Keyser's Alumni Stadium. The Golden Tornado hosted regional teams, such as East Hardy, Frankfort, Moorefield,

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olimits$ Garrett (Maryland), $\operatorname{Paw}
olimits$ Paw, $\operatorname{Petersburg}
olimits$, and $\operatorname{Union}
olimits$. The runners and throwers competed under a partly cloudy sky with temperatures in the mid-30s and a stiff breeze keeping the athletes chilled.

Chris Wilburn, in his first year as head coach after serving as an assistant last year, shared that the team featured a squad of good, but inexperienced athletes. "Last year, we were really young," he explained. Also, the team has grown to 19 athletes, 14 more than last year. "We're still trying to come up with an identity," Wilburn said.

Despite the freezing temperatures and stiff competition. Pendleton County fought hard for a seventh-place finish in boys competition and eighth in girls. They placed ahead of Petersburg in the former and Paw Paw in the latter.

In the Keyser meet on the men's side, Isaiah Lockard placed 18th in the 100 meter with a time of 13.10. Gabriel Harvey placed $11 ext{th}$ with a time of 26.18 and Lockard placed $22 ext{nd}$ with a 26.94 in the 200 meter.

The 400 meter also saw Pendleton County runners competing well against strong competition from larger schools. Lockard earned an eighth-place finish with a time of 59.40. Gage Sites-Woods came in only slightly behind at 12th place with a time of 59.83. Marcus Smith finished 29th with a time of 2:44.82 in the 800-meter race.

In the long distance 3200-meter race, names familiar from cross-country dominated mentions. Thunder Gill placed sixth with a time of 11:20.13 with Titus Nulph coming in at 10th and 12:09.09 and Sites-Woods taking 14th with a 13:11.21 time.

In the 110 meter 39" hurdles, Sawyer Apple placed sixth with

a time of 19.49. He also placed seventh in the 300 meter 36' hurdles. Additionally, the 4x800 meter relay team for Pendleton County, comprised of Gill, Nulph, Smith, and Sites-Woods, ground out a third-place finish of six teams.

Four Wildcats competed in shot put. Sites-Woods threw the 12-pound sphere 35-02:00. Ryland Copley placed 24th with a distance of 28-11.00. Evan Teter threw for a finish at 29th with a distance of 26-10.00. Andrew Mowery placed 39th with a distance of 21-8.00. Both Copley and Mowery set personal bests.

Copley placed first among Pendleton County discus throwers with a 14th place finish and a distance of 89-03, a personal record. Teter threw for 84-01 and 19th place, while Mowery earned a 37th place finish throwing for 50-02.

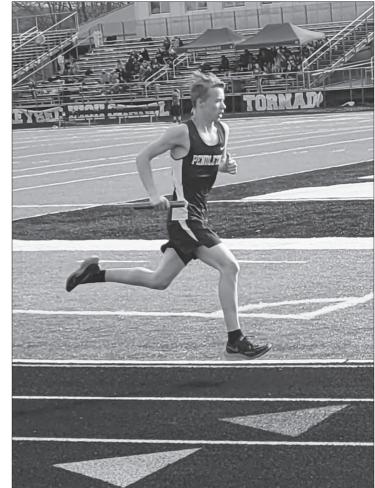
Apple seized first place in the high jump, setting a personal record of 5-8.00. In the long jump, Harvey took 11th with a distance of 15-4.00. Smith placed 17th, leaping out to 14-06.25

On the girls' side, Laney Sites Woods took a seventh-place finish in the 100 meter, finishing with a 15.03 time. Riley Apple took third in the 200 meters, setting a season record at 31.21, followed by Laney Sites-Woods finishing ninth with 33.31, Emma Hartman at 21st and 35.30, Aubree Keiter at 35.45, and Brynlynn Waggy at 35.86

Three Wildcats competed in the 400-meter race. Laney Sites-Woods topped Pendleton County participants with a 12th place finish and a time of 1:17.58. Hartman finished just behind in 13th with a time of 1:18.30. Keiter placed 22nd at 1:23.85

In hurdles, Riley Apple took fifth place with a time of 19.20 in the 100 meters for a personal best. In the 300-meter hurdles, she came in second with a 53.93 time and a season record.

Wildcat results in the field events include BreAnna Wolfe placing 18th in shot put and tossing for a distance of 21-9.00. She also threw the discus for 62-00 for a 14th place finish. Addie Rexrode and Hartman tied at third in the high jump, both setting a season best height of 4-00.00. Finally, Riley Apple set a season record with a 13-00.50 distance in the long jump.



Thunder Gill competes in a relay event at Alumni Stadium in Keyser.

After the Keyser meet, Wilburn said, "everyone has improved in the first and second week, so I'm pleased with that."

Wildcat Track and Field Sees Improved Results at Frankfort

By Stephen Smoot

The second meet of the season saw the Wildcat track and field teams once again traveling to Mineral County. This time, the squad found blue skies and much warmer temperatures. "I was pleased with everyone's progression," Coach Chris Wilburn explained, adding that he was happy with their performance. "Good weather. Good effort," he said.

Isaiah Lockard placed sixth and set a personal record with a time of 12.63 in the 100 meters. Gabriel Harvey then took ninth in the 200 meters with a time of 26.25. Lockard also took fourth place with a personal best time of 57.07 in the 400 meter. Logan Fisher also set a personal best time in this event with a 1:06.48.

Titus Nulph legged out a personal best time of 2:19.14, placing sixth in the 800 meter. Marcus Smith took 11th with a personal best of 2:39.13, while Fisher scored a personal best time of 2:40.40 and placing 13th. In the 1600-meter race, Gage Sites-Woods took sixth and set a season record of 5:18.19. Nulph came in close behind, placing eighth and setting a personal record of 5:20.17.

The 3200-meter race saw Thunder Gill set a personal record of 11:07.69 while taking seventh place. Fisher and Lockard also set personal records in the event, placing 11th and 12th and 14.20.50 and 14.26.12, respectively.

Sawyer Apple set a personal record of 18.29 in the 110-meter hurdles while also setting a personal best in the 300-meter version of 49.15 on the way to placing fourth. Wildcat runners Apple, Lockard, Harvey, and Sites-Woods claimed second place in the 4x400 meter relay with a time of 4:07.20The 4x800 also saw Pendleton County taking second place

as the team of Gill, Sites-Woods, Smith, and Nulph set a

In shot put, Sites-Woods set a season record and took third

place with a 37-11.50. Evan Teter came in seventh with a 30-9:00, a personal best, followed by Ryland Copley in 10th place with a 28-4.00, Andres Mowery with a 20-02.00 in 16th, and Victor Rhodes throwing for a personal best at 16-11.00 in 17th place.

Teter set a personal best in discus with an 87-07, good enough for fourth place. Copley came right behind in sixth with an 86-06. Mowery took 12th with a personal best of 61.08 and Rhodes set a personal best with a 41-02. Pendleton County dominated the high jump with Apple taking first with a 5-08.00. Harvey set a personal best claiming second place with a 5-04.00.

In the long jump, Harvey took fifth and set a personal best mark of 15-06.00. He was followed by Smith, also setting a season record with a distance of 14-07.00.

The Wildcat girl runners also competed strongly and set a number of personal and season bests at Frankfort. Laney Sites-Woods set her personal best mark at 14.31 and finished second in the 100 meters. Riley Apple took fourth and ran a 31.69, followed by fifth-place finisher Laney Sites-Woods who set a personal best at 31.82. Aubree Keiter earned 11th place with a 34.00, setting a personal best. Brynlynn Waggy and Emma Hartman finished 13th and 14th, timing at 34.57 and 35.51 respectively, both setting personal bests. Addie Rexrode set a season best mark with a 36.85.

In the 400 meters, Laney Sites-Woods took sixth, setting a personal best at 1:13.47. Keiter finished right behind in seventh place with a personal best time of 1:14.66. Waggy placed 15th and also set a personal best time of 1:19.44. Following her in 16th was Hartman at 1:20.03. Rexrode seized fifth place in the 800 meters, setting her personal best at 3:10.28.

The 100-meter hurdles race saw Riley Apple take fifth with a time of 19.47. She took first in the 300-meter hurdles

with a mark of 54.06. Pendleton County's 4x400 relay team of Laney Sites-Woods, Hartman, Waggy, and Keiter took fourth place with a time of 5:18.93.

BreAnna Wolfe took eighth place in shot put with a 20-150 mark, then set a season record throwing the discus 64-09 for a fifth-place finish. Waggy earned a second-place finish in high jump with a personal record height of 4-02.00. Hartman placed third with a jump of 4-00.00 and Rexrode set a 3-10.00 mark. In the long jump, Riley Apple placed second with a distance of 12-03.50.

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- consultation on reportable disease issues with local health department personnel, hospital, and long-term care infection preventionists, health care providers and other public health
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- communication with health department personnel and other public health providers, including colleagues in bordering states, concerning cluster and outbreak issues, prepare surveillance reports on diseases for individual
- counties and the region, travel to all counties in the region quarterly or as needed,
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- reports to the Bureau for Public Health, Office of Epidemiology and Prevention, adhere to the Statement of Work duties as outlined in the
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Training: Master's degree in epidemiology, public health, biol-

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AND two years of full-time or equivalent part-time paid experience in conducting epidemiology, including disease investigation, risk assessment or environmental epidemiology may substitute for the required training.

Applications/Resumes may be submitted to: **Pendleton County Health Department Amber Hedrick, Administrator** P.O. Box 520, Franklin, WV 26807 Or Applications may be filed online at: http://www.personnel.wv.gov



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Everyone Can Play a Part in Supporting Strong, Thriving Families

Abuse Prevention Month. MountainHeart Community Services, Inc. encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making every community a better place for children and families. By ensuring that parents have the knowledge, skills, and resources that they need to care for their children, everyone can help prevent child abuse and neglect by creating strong and thriving children, youth, and families in the communities. Research shows that protective factors are present in healthy families. Protective factors are conditions or attributes of individuals, families, communities, or the large society that reduce risk and promote healthy development and wellbeing. Promoting the following protective factors is one of the most effective ways to reduce the risk of child abuse and neglect:

- •Nurturing and attach-
- •Knowledge of parenting skills and child/youth development;
- Social connections;
- Concrete support for parents; and
- Social and emotional competence of children.

April is a time to celebrate the important role the communities play in protecting children and strengthening families. Peggy Rittenhouse, community resource and outreach specialist, stated "Everyone's participation is critical. Focusing on ways to connect with families is the best things our community can do to strengthen families and prevent child abuse and

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April is National Child within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in collaboration with its information service, the Child Welfare Information Gateway, the Office of Child Abuse and Neglect, the FRIENDS National Center for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention, and over 30 national prevention partners, has created the 2021/2022 Prevention

Thriving Families, Prevention with a Purpose. The resource guide, designed for service providers who work throughout the community to support families is available online at https://www. childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth/ resources/resource-guide/.

For additional information, please contact the Petersburg office at 304-257-9375.

Registration Open for YLA Summer Programs

Leadership Association's summer programs for high school and middle school students are accepting registrations for its summer programs.

YLA offers three weeklong residential programs that promote student success, leadership, entrepreneurial thinking, school, and community engagement. YLA summer programs are held at YLA Camp Horseshoe near Parsons.

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Contaminants that may be present in sources water before we treat it include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban $storm\ water\ runoff, industrial\ or\ domestic\ was tewater\ discharges, oil\ and\ gas\ production,\ mining\ or\ farming.$ Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as storm water run-off, agriculture,

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or the result of mining activity. Organic contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-

off, and septic systems. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulation which limits the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. We treat our water according to EPA's

regulations. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water.

which must provide the same protection for public health. Our water system has an estimated population of 1402 and is required to test a minimum of 2 samples per month in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present

in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public.

Water Quality Data

The following tables list all of the drinking water contaminants which were detected during the 2022 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. Unless noted, the data presented in this table is from the testing done January 1- December 31, 2022. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

Terms & Abbreviations

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): the "Goal" is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): the "Maximum Allowed" MCL is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology

Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL): recommended level for a contaminant that is

Action Level (AL): the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other

Treatment Technique (TT): a required process intended to reduce levels of a contaminant in drinking

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial

Non-Detects (ND): not detected at or above the MDL (Method Detection Limit).

Parts per Million (ppm) or milligrams per liter (mg/l)

Parts per Billion (ppb) or micrograms per liter (µg/l) Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L): a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per Year (mrem/yr): measure of radiation absorbed by the body

Monitoring Period Average (MPA): An average of sample results obtained during a defined time frame, common examples of monitoring periods are monthly, quarterly and yearly.

is just noticeable to the average person. Turbidity is not regulated for groundwater systems.

Running Annual Average (RAA): an average of sample results obtained over the most current 12 months and used to determine compliance with MCLs.

Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA): Average of sample analytical results for samples taken at a particular monitoring location during the previous four calendar quarters

Testing Results for: FRANKLIN, MUNICIPALITY OF

Microbiologica	1 1	Result		MCL		N	ICLG	Typical Source
No Detected Results were Found in the Calendar Year of 2022								
Regulated Contaminants		lection e	Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
BARIUM	8/9/2	2022	0.0136	0.0136	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural

Contaminants	Date	Value Value	(low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Source
BARIUM	8/9/2022	0.0136	0.0136	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CHROMIUM	8/9/2022	0.94	0.94	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
NITRATE	8/9/2022	0.46	0.46	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
NITRATE- NITRITE	9/20/2021	0.4	0.4	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural

	TOTAL HALOACE ACIDS (HA		SMITH CREEK	2022	9	2.4	1 - 12	ppb	60	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
s n	TTHM		Smith Creek	2022	8	<0.4	47 - 10	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
g I	Lead and Copper		nitoring riod	90th Percentile	Range (low/high	1)	Unit	AL	Sites Over A	${f L}$	Typical Source	
	COPPER, FREE	201	8 - 2020	0.0631	0.0114 - 0	.214	ppm	1.3	0		Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives	
	LEAD	201	8 - 2020	5.1	0.18 - 37.4	1	ppb	15	1		Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Your water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/ safewater/lead.

FRANKLIN, MUNICIPALITY OF is working towards identifying service line materials throughout the water distribution supply. The service line inventory is required to be submitted to the state by October 16, 2024. The most up to date inventory is located at the Town Office, if you have any questions about our inventory, please contact the Town Office at 304-358-7525.

Year Sampled	RANGE	Units	MRDL	Units	TYPICAL SOURCE
2022	1.40 - 1.86	MG/L	4.0	MG/L	Water additive used to control microbes
Chlorine/Chloramines Maximum Disinfection Level		MPA	MPA Units	RAA	RAA Units
2022 - 2022		1.74	MG/L	1.6	MG/L

05/10/2021	WATER SYSTEM	water system previously had waiver which allowed plant to operate unattended; the core instrumentation and controls to shut the plant down if either the turbidigy increases to set level or cholorine residual decreases to set level is still in place and operational but the permit expired - 15 years ago and the water system must re-apply for the waiver + comply with all new requirements of DW-36 or maintain Class II operator present at all times water is being produced.
05/10/2021	HANOVER STORAGE TANK	tank exterior in extremely poor condition with severe rust/corrosion present to be remedied in upcoming water project
05/10/2021	HANOVER STORAGE TANK	overflow does not extend down 1' above ground level discharging to splash pad/ drainage swale to be remedied in

Radiological Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical So	ource
GROSS, ALPH EXCL. RADON & U		0.029	0.029	pCi/L	15	0	Erosion of a deposits	natural
Secondary Contaminants-Non Health Based Contaminants-No Federal Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Established.		-No	Collection Date	Hig Val	hest ue	Range (low/high	Unit	SMCL
ALKALINITY, TOTAL			8/9/2022	98.2		45.7 - 98.2	2 MG/L	10000
		I						1

Month Occurred

JUL 2022

Unit of Measure

& U						
Secondary Contaminants-Non Health Based Contaminants-No Federal Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Established.		Collection Date	Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	SMCL
ALKALINITY, TOTAL		8/9/2022	98.2	45.7 - 98.2	MG/L	10000
CARBON, TOTAL		5/18/2022	1.2	0 - 1.2	ppm	10000
FREE RESIDUAL CHL	ORINE	11/16/2021	1.88	1.88	ppm	
NICKEL		8/9/2022	0.00057	0.00057	MG/L	0.1
SODIUM		8/9/2022	3.96	3.96	MG/L	1000
SULFATE		4/27/2021	5.8	5.8	MG/L	250
TEMPERATURE (CEN	ΓIGRADE)	6/12/2018	7.8	7.8	С	

During the 2022 calendar year, we had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Water System	Туре	Category	Analyte	Compliance Period
FRANKLIN, MUNCIPALITY OF	03	TIER 3	SYNTHETIC ORGANICS 2	1/1/2020 to 12/31/2022

Additional Required Health Effects Language:

TURBIDITY TREATMENT PLANT

Infants and children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result $of \ materials \ used in \ your \ home's \ plumbing. \ If \ you \ are \ concerned \ about \ elevated \ lead \ levels \ in \ your \ home's$ water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4761).

There are no additional required health effects violation notices. There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

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Public Utility Total Class I

Real Estate

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Less Assessor Valuation Fund

Watch vs Warning: What to Know

In Case of Severe Storms 4-13-2cstorms like parts of the region saw recently. Two tornadoes were confirmed by the National Weather Service in Delaware and Pennsylvania. NWS often issues watches and warnings to alert residents of severe weather and when to seek shelter. So, what is the difference and how should a person prepare? Severe Thunderstorm Watch vs. Warning: The NWS issues a severe thunderstorm watch when the atmosphere is favorable for the development of severe thunderstorms. Watch

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warning when severe weather has been reported

by spotters or indicated by radar. Warnings

indicate imminent danger to life and property to

Tornado Watch vs. Warning:

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conditions in an area indicate an increased

risk for severe weather that may be capable of

Prepare Before the Storm Hits:

During severe weather, remain alert,

keep one's cell phone charged and take

steps to prepare now to potentially

save lives and protect property when

• Have several ways to receive alerts.

Download the FEMA App (available in

English and Spanish) to receive real-

time emergency alerts from the NWS

and follow the safety guidance of one's

It appearing by affida- are set forth below.

•Pay attention to local warnings

•Make sure an emergency kit is

those in the path of the storm.

producing a tornado.

shelter immediately.

severe weather strikes.

and find a nearby shelter.

local officials.

IN THE MATTER OF:

Salou A.S and Amanda

THE OBJECT OF THIS

APPOINTMENT OF

To the above name

GHARDIAN

Respondent:

of April, 2023.

Certificate of Valuation

Assessed Value for Tax Purposes

MUNICIPALITY OF FRANKLIN, WEST VIRGINIA

Regular Current Expense Levy

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

19,897,690

\$ 11,306,060

6,630,038

2,727,588

20,663,686

\$ 40,587,278

Less Delinquencies, Exonerations, & Uncollectable Taxes.5.00%

 $(use\ Total\ Projected\ Revenue\ to\ calculate).....2.00\%$

Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)......

Total Projected Property Tax Collection.....\$

Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes.....\$

(Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)

commercial radio or television for information.

The administration of the following estates Civil Action No. 21-FIG-5 is pending in the Of- BARRED. fice of the Clerk of the County Commission of SUIT IS: PETITION FOR Franklin, West Virginia personal representatives

ter diligence to determine ALL INTERESTED PERthe address of Kade Kaba SONS ARE NOTIFIED

Sawyers, residency is un- THAT: known, it is hereby ordered All persons on whom that Kade Kaba Sawvers serve upon Mary Sawyers, this notice is served who whose address is 65 Tea. have objections that berry Lane, Brandywine, challenge the validity WV 26802, an Answer, in of the will, the qualificluding any related coun- cations of the personal terclaim or defense you representative, venue, or hunting or trapping may have to the Petition jurisdiction of this Comof any kind and no for Appointment of Guard- mission are required running or retrievian filed in this action, on to file their objections ing of dogs on any of or before May 12, 2023. If with this Commission will fail to do so thereof WITHIN SIXTY DAYS you fail to do so, thereaf- WITHIN SIXTY DAYS my lands on Snowy
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THE THE DATE OF THE STRUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERTER A copy of said Petition VICE OF THE NOTICE,

> undersigned Clerk at her All creditors of the decedent(s) and other Entered by the Clerk of persons having claims said Court on this 11th day or demands against decedent's estate(s) must file their claims with this Commission WITH-Shalee D. Wilburn ${\rm CLERK\ OF\ COURT}\quad \textbf{IN\ SIXTY\ DAYS\ AFTER}$ 4-13-2c THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION

> > Taxes

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•Consider special needs household members might have. Older adults and people with disabilities may need extra assistance to prepare for the storm. Visit Ready.gov/older-adults and Individuals with Disabilities to get more tips and information.

•Don't forget the needs of one's pets. Many shelters do not take household pets, so remember to create a plan and have supplies available for the animals.

•Check on one's neighbors. As a person prepares one's family and loved ones for a disaster, check on neighbors in the community to see if they are doing the same or if they might need help to get started.

• Prepare one's property for dangerous weather by clearing out any large or loose materials. Remove dead trees, hanging branches and loose objects in the yard or patio that could be dangerous during severe winds.

•Create an emergency plan with one's family. The NWS issues a tornado warning when a Use the new "Make a Plan" form to get started. A tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather person can easily save an electronic copy or share radar. A warning means a person should take it with other family members.

Town of Franklin

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WILL BE FOREVER tate - H. Michael Eye, The date of the first

Wendy Shobe, Adminis

Pendleton County, West publication of this Notice istratrix;

TIONS NOT SO FILED Johnny L. Rexrode Es-Administrator;

James R. Dyer Estate - Joyce M. Dver, Admin- Subscribed and sworn Virginia, 100 S. Main is April 6, 2023. Deadline William R. Brackman Es-Street, P. O. Box 1167, for claims is June 5, 2023. tate - Rose Mary Brack-

man. Executrix:

Elise M. White, Clerk of 26807. The names of the Brian Shobe Estate - Delmas W. Ours Estate the Pendleton County

Barbara Jean Verdoni

to before me on March

Hulmes, Executrix.

LEVY ESTIMATE — BUDGET DOCUMENT

MUNICIPALITY OF FRANKLIN

estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

Property Taxes Excise Tax on Utilities.... Animal Control Tax Hotel Occupancy Tax Licenses .. Building Permit Fees Franchise Fees Refuse Collection.... Gaming Income Interest Revenue Filing Fees..... Video Lottery..

COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND

REVENUE SOURCE

Unassigned Balance (July 1)\$ Coal Severance	50.00 2,500.00 50.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND) $\$$	2,600.00

	Funa	Severance
Mayor's Office	5,700.00	
City Council	10,500.00	
Recorder's Office	3,480.00	
City Clerk's Office	53,000.00	
Dues to Regional Council	800.00	
Elections	1,200.00	
City Hall	197,857.00	
Fire Department	1,000.00	
Emergency Services	1,000.00	
Streets & Highways	16,000.00	
Street Lights	20,000.00	
Garbage Department	72,250.00	
Parks & Recreation	9,500.00	2,600.00
Visitor's Bureau	10,500.00	
Library	1,000.00	

MUNICIPALITY OF FRANKLIN

I, CHARLES FRANKLIN WEHRLE JR, CLERK OF SAID MUNICIPALITY DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ARE TRUE COPIES FROM THE RECORDS OF ORDERS MADE AND ENTERED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE SAID

139,487 CHARLES FRANKLIN WEHRLE JR.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY OF PENDLETON

MUNICIPALITY ON THE 14TH DAY OF MARCH, 2023.

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2023-2024 Fiscal Year

Executor:

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA In accordance with Code 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an

REVENUE SOURCE

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND).....\$403,787.00

© ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES General Coal

TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES 403,787.00 \$ 2,600.00

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PCM/HS Honor Rolls Released

Ali Judy, Pendleton County High School school counselor, has released the following honor rolls for the third nine-weeks grading period.

Principal's Honor Roll

Seventh grade — Sam Eason, Dylan Eye, Alaena Fertig, Mason Harper, Katie Heavner, Katie Keyser, Chloe Kisamore, Marleigh Moyers, Phoebe Pownell, Benjamin Puffenbarger, Albert Ramos-Rivera, Jonah See, Lauren Sisson and Kaylee Teter;

Eighth grade — Zander Adams, Cole Harper, Spencer Hartman, Ty Heavner, Liam Simmons and Susan

Ninth grade — Madison Arbaugh, Mason DiFalco, Corbin Dove, Kiera Heavener, Dakota Huffman, Braylin Hull, Cashton Kisamore, Gena Lambert, William Owens, Vivian Pownell, Ronald Vanmeter, Carolyn Varner and Brynlynn Waggy;

Tenth grade — Elizabeth Alt, Sawyer Apple, Leah Bennett, Emma Hartman, Aubree Keiter, Paigelyn Long, Jacob Mitchell, Titus Nulph, Addison Rexrode, Nicholas Rhodes, Jenna Smith, Makayla Tingler, Avery Townsend and Zykijah Wright;

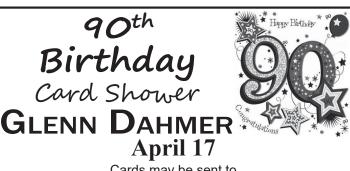
Eleventh grade — Kaylee Arbogast, Claire Cooney, Natalie Evick, Ashlyn Judy, Myra Mitchell, Dillon Poling, Dusty Smith and Megan Smith; and

Twelfth grade—Riley Apple, Alexandria Perry, Hannah Rexrode and Rowan Witt.

Regular Honor Roll (B / 3.0 Average)

Seventh grade — Natalie Arbaugh, Ty Armentrout, Charity Chan, Chesnee Colaw, Jack Connor, Susan George, Jordyn Gibson, Lukas Halterman, Tanner Hedrick, Aubriana Holloway, Candace McQuain, Alanna Miller, Travis Owens, Alessandra Piel, Allison Reuss, Colton Roberson, Erica Sterba, Danielle Warner and Cameron Wvatt:

Eighth grade — Alex Adams, Claire Adkins, Cayson Armstrong, Callie Judy, Trace Lambert, Cain Nulph, Jessica Parker, Colby Simmons, Rylan Tilley, Alex Tracy, Madison Wells, Brody Wimer and Brennan Wyatt;

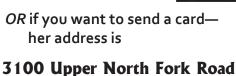


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Ninth grade — Breena Bowers, Landen Champ. Madison Ciangetti, Evelyn Ditch, Logan Fisher, Tildon Graham, Larissa Greathouse, Laikyn Hanna, Garrett Hartman, Makinley Hedrick, Jaydon Hess, Ruby Mc-Clanahan, Kaitlyn McQuain, Orrin Merrick, Jameigh Miller, Jaiden Mitts, Leah Nesselrodt, Emily Poling, Clara Raines, Kammron Redman, Taylor Roberson, Sadie Rowe, Lindsay Simmons, Madison Simmons, Jonas Turner, Henry Warner, James Waybright, Cheyanne Whetzel and Isabelle Zirkle;

Tenth grade — Caleb Armentrout, Kinsley Armstrong, Baylee Beachler, Hannah Bennett, Kacy Bennett, Timothy Bogan, Bradey Bowers, Madisen Brooks, Jacob Buck, Michael Gill, Cortlyn Hartman, Benjamin Hartwell, Hannah Harvey, Lydia Heavner, McKenna Hedrick, Ashton Hess, Dalton Hester, Josiah Kimble, Isabella Lockard, Gracie Lough, Julia Mongold, Andrew Mowery, Jaida Reel, Hunter Roberts, Bryson Ruddle, Laney Sites-Woods, Johnnie Tidd, Lucas Vandevander, James Vincell and Taylor Wimer;

Eleventh grade — Cameron Beachler, Makaylin Calkins, Kaylee Callison, Josey Collier, Margaret Connor, Allie Cooper, Blaine Davis, Gabby DePue, Skyler Frame, Wyatt Franklin, Katelyn Hedrick, Nataley Hedrick, Kinley Hinkle, Riley Howard, Tanner Huffman, Seneca Johnson, Bailee Kiger, Emily Medzius, Magenta Merrick, Colton Pennington, Hanna Pennington, Ashley Reuss, Kacie Simon, Dillon Smith, Marcus Smith, Ally Vance, Abigail Vanmeter and Breanna Wolfe; and

Twelfth grade — Bravden Beachler, Glenna Burns, Jakob Campbell, Ryleigh Cook, Emma Daughtry, Elizabeth Gonshor, Blake Harris, Selena Hedrick, Travis Huffman, Kamron Kirk, Clayton Kisamore, Landan Mason, Reagan McConnell, Braden McCoy, Camden Miller, Lilly Phillips, Lukas Redman, Adam Ruddle, James Ruddle, Gage Sites-Woods, Lindsey Smith, Joclyne Souza, Kaleb Steinbrecher, Evan Teter and Ariana Young.

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Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Is April 29

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection is now accepting registrations for the Adopt-A-Highway Spring Statewide Cleanup set for April 29.

Co-sponsored by the WVDEP and the state Division of Highways, the Adopt-A-Highway program is administered by the WVDEP's Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan and improves the quality of the state's environment by encouraging public involvement in the elimination of highway litter.

Individuals, families, churches, businesses, schools, civic organizations, government agencies and communities can register to pick up trash on almost any state-maintained road, back road or main route. Private roads and interstate highways cannot be adopted.

The Adopt-A-Highway program provides garbage bags, work gloves and safety vests to volunteers, and takes care of disposing of collected trash. Volunteers must be at least 12 years old to participate. One-time cleanups are encouraged but must be registered.

Groups must register in advance by April 21 and inform their county DOH garage if they need supplies. To register, call 1-800-322-5530 or send an email to dep.aah@wv.gov. If a person reaches the REAP voicemail, please leave one's name, phone number, group name, date of cleanup, number of participants, and the county where the adopted road is located.

REAP, whose motto is "Keeping WV Clean and Green," was created in 2005 and strives to clean up West Virginia and rid the state of litter. The program empowers citizens to take ownership of their communities by providing technical, financial, and resource assistance in cleanup and recycling efforts. More information is available on the REAP webpage.

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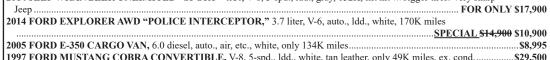
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