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A new grant funded sales system will help vendors keep more efficient track of purchases at the Pendleton County Farmers Market.

Fire Department, Farmers Market Earn Grant Awards

By Stephen Smoot

Last month, three Pendleton County non-profit organizations saw their hard work of grant application rewarded as they received funds to support projects and equipment.

First, emergency responders across the state have seen costs for equipment and training continue to rise since 2021. This has caused strains on the budgets of volunteer services, such as those that serve Pendleton County.

Last month, U.S. Senator Joe Manchin announced that his office helped to secure more than \$310,000 for the South Fork Volunteer Fire Department in Brandywine.

Manchin noted that "our brave West Virginia firefighters risk their lives every day to protect our communities, which is why I'm pleased FEMA is investing more than \$2.3 million to support the West Side Volunteer Firefighters and the South Fork Volunteer Fire Department." He added that "I look forward to seeing the positive impacts of these investments."

According to FEMA, "since 2001, Assistance to Firefighters Grants program has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed resources necessary for protecting the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards."

The Pendleton County Farmers Market took advantage of a grant administered by the West Virginia Farmers Market Association and supported by the office of the West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture.

Annie Humes, director of the Pendleton County Farmers Market, shared that "we were delighted when we found out about their mini-grant program that launched this year." Humes noted that "in the past, the WVFMA has supported us with a variety of other programs, and this new one is specifically designed to support markets as they take important steps."

The farmers market opened every Saturday morning during the summer and is working with the Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau to plan the festivities surrounding the November visit of the U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree.

The grant will support the farmers market's consignment booth project. This "hugely successful" first year project allowed "community members to share what they make and grow at the market, even if they are not able to join us on Saturday mornings during the summer," Humes commented. The project was supported this year by a small business grant from the Pendleton County Economic Development Authority and also a mini-grant from the West Virginia Food and Farm coalition.

Funds from the grant recently awarded will boost the technological capabilities of the project by paying for a modern point of sale system for consignment products. As Humes explains, "This technology investment will make shopping with us at the market easier, allow us to share our vendors' offerings more effectively, and will allow us to give consignment vendors more information about their sales and expedite payment to them for items sold on consignment."

Finally, the Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau received a grant award from the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area for purposes of planning.

Sites Homestead Hosts Collection of West Virginia Servicemen's Military Uniforms



Emily Coffman's collection of uniforms, medals, artifacts, and stories from the past were on display last week at Sites Homestead.

By Stephen Smoot

It all started for Emily Coffman at the age of 13 when she bought a duffel bag of old Korean War uniforms.

"That kick-started the whole collection," she smiled.

Ever since, Coffman has built up a collection of military uniforms worn by Mountain State veterans who served between the Civil War and the War on Terror. The sight, touch, and feel of the uniforms also inspired her to research the stories behind the men who wore them.

Coffman, whose uncles served in World War II and who also had ancestors who fought in the Civil War, said the artifacts "made the wars real to me. The items made history real."

The way history is often taught, she says, sometimes does not appeal to students and even adults. Stories and artifacts create more interest, as opposed to "grand narratives in history books." Through her exhibit, "the world can see West Virginia's legacy of service."

"There are so many stories out there and so many people to remember," Coffman shared, adding that "each item represents a real person and a real story."

Coffman told the tale of one uniform owner, her own grandfather. He served in the Army Air Force as part of a bombing crew that flew over Europe. She shared that, if one reads between the lines of his letters, it was plain to see that he hated flying and that he much preferred tinkering with bicycles and riding them across

the English countryside.

Additionally, service on U.S. Army Air Force bomber crews ranked among the most hazardous duties of the war. In 1943 alone, as the National Museum of the United States Air Force reveals, only one of four members of the Eighth Army Air Force bomber crews completed their tours of duty.

At the close of the war, Coffman's grandfather had to stay behind because he had not filled his flight quota. She said that "I think they were trying to punish him for missing those flights."

Though an Elkins resident and business owner, Coffman has deep ties to Pendleton County. Dorothy Sites, she says, married into her family, giving her a kinship con-

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County Schools Superintendent Hedrick Addresses Balanced Scorecard Report

By Stephen Smoot

In his superintendent's report, Charles Hedrick addressed the recently released West Virginia Department of Education's Balanced Scorecard Report.

The scorecard divides numbers gathered from elementary, middle, and high schools across the state. Categories include "exceeds standard," "meets standard," "partially meets standard," and "does not meet standard."

Statewide, elementary schools exceed standards for behavior, do not meet standards for attendance, do not meet

standard for English learner progress, partially meet standards for math academic achievement, and English/language arts, and meets standards for English and language arts academic progress.

West Virginia high schools overall fail to meet standards in math academic achievement, English learner progress, mathematics, and attendance, partially meet standards in English language arts academic achievement, post secondary achievement, and students on track to graduate, and meet standards on graduation rates.

County elementary schools generally outstripped statewide averages. They partially met standards in both academic achievement categories, as well as academic progress in mathematics and student attendance. English academic progress met standards and behavior exceeded them.

Also, ratings shared by Schooldigger.com showed Brandywine Elementary School as ranking 27th of 368 elementary schools statewide. All Pendleton County elementary schools placed in

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BOE Hears Request from Service Personnel, Approves Teacher Education MOU

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, the Pendleton County Board of Education held its second meeting of the month. After opening with a prayer by J. D. Wilkins and the public comment segment of the agenda, the board heard a presentation from Kenna Champ and Pat Alt.

Champ, secretary of the service personnel organization, petitioned the board to consider providing attendance incentives and also retirement bonuses to school service personnel that the state currently provides to classroom teachers.

Under West Virginia State Code, after July 1, 2019, "a classroom teacher who has not utilized more than four days of personal leave during the 200-day employment term shall receive a bonus of \$500 at the end of the school year."

State law also mandates that classroom teachers "who provide written notice . . . on or before March 1 of the school year of their intention to retire from their positions at the conclusion of the current school year" receive a \$500 bonus.

Alt shared the potential benefits of extending the bonuses to service employees. She said, "If that were offered, they would only take off days when absolutely necessary." Alt also

added that "service personnel positions are hard to fill these days," and that it would "offer some incentive" and "boost employee morale."

After J. P. Mowery discussed the financial report, Travis Heavner gave an update on facilities. First, he informed the board that Franklin Elementary School would soon receive new school zone lights. The concrete had been poured and the lights themselves should arrive this week.

Next, Heavner said that the new alternate education building, still at Huttonsville prison, may be coming to its new home soon. After an exhaustive search, L and N Enterprises of Randolph County has the proper equipment to move the building out of the prison gate and to the high school campus.

He then said that the COPS grant funding security improvements in the schools "is 95 percent done." Delays prevented work until late July, but security cameras have been installed, intercoms updated, and access locks updated. Heavner also stated that the system was trying to get identification badges for school system employees put together in October.

A few "hiccups" remained in finishing the COPS program installation, but he expected to have these worked out soon.

Betty Kimble, board member, asked Heavner about teacher concerns with

possible mold and mildew in some of the ventilation system at Pendleton County Middle/High School. He explained that "the humidity sensors were not installed right," and that the sensors were rerouted and others installed to prevent humidity build up.

Furthermore, some condensation lines did not get sealed properly, allowing water to drip out. Lines have since been resealed to prevent further problems.

Prior to the superintendent's report, detailed elsewhere in this week's paper, Charles Hedrick and the board approved a memorandum of understanding between Pendleton County Schools, the West Virginia Department of Education, and Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College.

The MOU covers the "Grow Your Own" program that provides an early pathway from high school to a degree in teacher education. It states that "all parties to this MOU share the goal of collaboration and collective responsibility for developing high quality teacher candidates and in addressing the critical teacher shortage."

Hedrick noted that nine students currently had taken advantage of the program at the high school, adding that "we could potentially have these students graduate with degrees in education and come back and teach."

Community CALENDAR

Post 9666 To Meet

VFW Post 9666 will meet at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 12 at the post home in Sugar Grove.

Post 30 To Meet

American Legion Pendleton Post 30 will meet at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Star Restaurant in Franklin.

Free Clothing Closet Open

Friday, Saturday
A free clothing closet will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the North Fork Baptist Church in Riverton.

PVCD Board To Gather Tuesday

The Potomac Valley Conservation District board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Oct. 10 at the Farm Credit building in Moorefield. The meeting agenda will be available three days prior to the meeting on the district website at www.wvca.us/district/pvcd.cfm or by contacting the Romney office at 304-822-5174.

The public is invited to participate.



Hansel Harvey Spitzer

Hansel Harvey Spitzer, 92, passed away Sept. 18, 2023, at Advent Health Hospice Care in Kissimmee, Florida.

He was born Sept. 3, 1931, in Upper Tract and was the son of late Charles and Annie Spitzer.

Mr. Spitzer served in the United States Army for two years.

He was a journeyman welder and laboratory technician for Lockheed Martin, where he retired after 26 years. He also retired from Babcock Wilcox where he worked 10 years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge (32nd degree), American Legion, VFW, Shriners and Moose Lodge.

He enjoyed his 21 years at his summer home in Smoke Hole. He lived in Florida for 72 years and Ohio for 20 years.

His wife, Theda Vance Spitzer preceded him in death.

Surviving are his loving companion of 27 years, Frances McLaughlin; a sister Marie Hull; and children, William Spitzer (Kathy), Deborah Chisholm (John), Susan Armentano (Robert) and Hank Spitzer.

He was also preceded in death by a daughter; and siblings, Arlena Hinkle, Woodrow Spitzer and Lee Spitzer.

In honoring his wishes, his body has been cremated.



Minnie Pearl Bennett

Minnie Pearl Bennett, 82, of Circleville passed away Oct. 1, 2023, at Grant Rehabilitation and Care Center in Petersburg.

She was born on April 5, 1941, on Elk Mountain in Circleville, the daughter of the late Willie and Grethel (Lambert) Vandevander.

Ms. Bennett attended Circleville High School and was a homemaker. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Surviving are two daughters, Angela Bennett of Petersburg and Joann Shook (Charles) of Verona, Virginia; three sons, Cecil Bennett and Bradley Bennett (Leslie), all of Circleville, and Matthew Bennett of Charmco; three sisters, Myrtle Bennett of Elkins, Cindy Whetsell of Kerens and Bonnie Mick (Gary) of Circleville; four brothers, Willis Vandevander of Brandywine, Curtis Vandevander of Ohio, Allen Vandevander (Boots) of Whitmer and Golden Vandevander of Elkins; 14 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by an infant son; two brothers, Jeff and Charlie; and a sister, Lena Mae.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Circleville Presbyterian Church with Pastor Fletcher Hutcheson officiating. Interment was in the Arbogast Cemetery in Cherry Grove.

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



Vernon Foster "Fuzz" Baldwin

Vernon Foster "Fuzz" Baldwin, 79, of Brandywine passed away Sept. 29, 2023, at the Pendleton Manor in Franklin.

He was born on July 28, 1944, the son of the late Luther and Mary (Hoover) Baldwin.

Mr. Baldwin attended Franklin High School and had worked for 35 years before retiring as a truck driver for McKee Foods Corp, where he accomplished the safe miles without any preventable accident award (1,000,000) award. He loved watching westerns and cutting wood.

On Sept. 16, 1965, he married his wife of 59 years, Betty Lou (Boyers) Baldwin, who survives.

In addition to his wife, he leaves behind to cherish his memory a daughter, Dawn Smith of Rawley Springs, Virginia; two sons, Vernon Lee Baldwin of Brandywine and Doug Marsh (Kelly) of Ft. Seybert; two sisters, Lora Lea Gordon and Eleanor Simmons, both of Brandywine; and five grandchildren, Brendan and Alyssa Baldwin and Harper, Will and Luke Marsh.

He was also preceded in death by a brother, Glenn.

The family will receive friends from 10 to 11 a.m. today at the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin. Funeral services will follow in the funeral home chapel with Pastor Harold Cullers officiating.

Memorials may be made to any Pendleton County Rescue Squad.

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

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This year's theme is "I Love 4-H," which invites incoming members to learn more about the program directly from both current members and alumni. Past and present 4-H'ers are encouraged to share why they fell in love with 4-H throughout the week.

In 2022, West Virginia 4-H reached more than 42,600 youths in all 55 counties through programs such as community and special interest clubs, STEM education, in-school activities, livestock projects and camping. Participants learn about a variety of topics, including health, citizenship, leadership and other important life skills.

"Across the nation, 4-H has made a commitment to ensuring that every child – no matter their race, religion, identity or background – has a safe space in our community," Brent Clark, director of WVU Extension 4-H and Youth Development, said. "Here in West Virginia, it is important that we always welcome all young people to be a part of our 4-H program and continue to identify new programs that meet the needs of young people throughout the state."

West Virginia 4-H provides youths with opportunities to grow with 4-H and build a strong foundation for future success. Across the state, 4-H'ers can become more confident versions of themselves through the program, just like Paige Powers, a Lewis County 4-H'er.

"Everybody always says to make the best better. Four-H can not only just make other things better, but it can make you be the best you could ever think about being," Powers said. "You can learn how to cook, clean, speak out, be yourself and lead people. You just have room to be you. You're not trying to strive to be anybody else. Four-H is just like the one thing that I know that will always be here in my heart."

For all youths, 4-H offers a welcoming environment to explore their interests, try new things and discover their passions. Taylor Davis, WVU Collegiate 4-H'er from Doddridge County, believes 4-H offers opportunities for all.

"If you're thinking about joining 4-H, I would honestly recommend giving it a shot. Even if you're unsure about it and think you might not like it, 4-H offers something for everyone," Davis said. "If you don't think you're going to be interested in a more business-oriented club or a community service club, there are clubs for robotics, agriculture or even dedicated to leadership skills. There's something out there for you. And I really think that it's important that you give yourself that shot to learn those skills."

Even West Virginia 4-H volunteers have fallen in love with 4-H and enjoy introducing young people to all the opportunities available through the program.

"What I would stress to anybody who's interested in be-

ing a 4-H volunteer is that you may not realize now why it's so important, but when you get involved and you see the kids and you see what it does for them, you'll realize that they need you," Annette Jordan, a Berkeley County 4-H volunteer, said. "We need to keep this program going. We need people to continue to grow this program so that they have these opportunities to be kids as long as they can."

Four-H is delivered by cooperative extension—a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people from diverse backgrounds learn by doing. In West Virginia, one in every four youths is involved in 4-H. During the 2022-2023 4-H year, there were nearly 550 clubs throughout the state and more than 9,700 West Virginia 4-H club members. This summer, West Virginia 4-H hosted more than 6,000 youths at county and state camps, providing more than \$135,000 in camp scholarships.

In addition to traditional club, camping and livestock activities, 4-H has expanded programming to include outdoor education and adventure activities; special interest clubs and camps; science, technology, engineering, art and math activities; and other engaging programs that provide them with a strong foundation for future education and career opportunities. Youths also learn about and participate in valuable community service events in their communities and throughout the state.

Youths between the ages of 9 and 21 can join 4-H with a parent or guardian's permission. Younger children, ages 5 to 8, who are interested in 4-H can join Cloverbuds, which focuses more on fun and social activities that set the stage for future learning. College-aged students also can join any of the seven collegiate 4-H clubs in West Virginia. To join a club or explore 4-H activities in your area, contact a local WVU Extension office.

"The 4-H program provides many opportunities and pathways for youths to grow confidence, independence, resilience and compassion. We also offer safe environments where youth can have positive relationships with caring adult mentors," Clark said.

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nection to the very place in which she displayed her collection.

She also cited relation to James and John Boggs. In memory of them, she named her business "Swamp Dragon Antiques" after the Union partisans who lived in northern Pendleton and terrorized Confederate leaning areas and military units.

"It's so cool to me to be here through such a story connecting with my ancestors," Coffman said.

The best part for Coffman, however, lies in sharing stories with children, helping "a new generation to keep history alive and keep the stories going."

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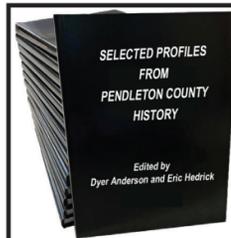
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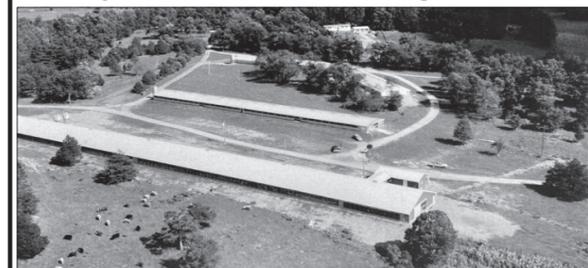
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The Pendleton County Building Commission an arm of the Pendleton County Commission intends to file an application for federal financial assistance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Public Facilities. This proposed project will include remodeling a portion of the existing courthouse and an addition to the courthouse.

The proposed funding includes U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Pendleton County Commission.

This notice is also to inform the public of a public meeting to be held on October 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., at the County Commission Office. The meeting will provide an opportunity to become acquainted with the proposed courthouse project and to comment on economic and environmental impacts, service area, or alternative to the project.

For further information regarding the proposed courthouse project, please contact the Pendleton County Building Commission 304-358-3333, the Pendleton County Commission 304-358-7573 or Omni Associates - Architects, David Snider, architect 304-367-1417.

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A special thanks to Pastor Jerry Smith for an inspiring service and to him and his wife, Julie, for the beautiful music, to Keith and Barb for all your help and compassion, to the U.S. Navy Honor Guard for the military honors and to Bob and my sister, Judy Grimm.

Also, a special thank you to the South Fork Fire Department/Ladies Auxiliary, South Fork Rescue Squad and St. Paul Independent Lutheran Church for providing the delicious meal after the Celebration of Life.

The loss of a loved one is a difficult time but the support of family and friends has been a comfort and blessing to our family.

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50 Years Ago
Week of October 4, 1973

Octane Number
Is Explained

Charleston — Your favorite gasoline pump now bears an octane number. What does it mean?

Jack McCullough, chairman of the West Virginia Petroleum Association, explains: "The number is a measure of the gasoline's anti-knock quality, and is a blend of two methods of figuring octane ratings—the "research" method and the "motor" method."

"But whatever the technicalities, the best way to determine a gasoline's anti-knock quality is to test the various grades in your car. Car engines, even in the same model lines, frequently have varying octane requirements."

60 Years Ago
Week of October 3, 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.

Hooker Brings Army To Rosecrans's Rescue

To the rescue!
That was the task that faced Union army officials 100 years ago this week as reports came in from southeastern Tennessee. There, bottled up in the city of Chattanooga, General William S. "Old Rosy" Rosecrans and his all-important 50,000 men of the Army of the Cumberland appeared in danger of liquidation.

To their south, east and west along the Alabama-Georgia-Tennessee state lines, sprawled the huge Confederate army of Braxton Bragg, waiting patiently for Rosecrans and his men either to starve to death or abandon Chattanooga. To the north lay the Tennessee River and the barren Cumberland mountains, over which any retreat would have to be made. Bragg's men looked down from the mountains to the river and the railway that paralleled the river, ready to blast anything that tried to move along them. Hence Rosecrans' main supply line along the river was cut, and his wagons had to struggle along the mud-filled paths through the Cumberland mountains for 60 miles to bring in food from Bridgeport, Ala., the nearest Yankee-held rail depot.

As a result, little food came in. Rations were cut in half, then in half again. Troops ate corn intended for the horses, and the horses gnawed on tree trunks until thousands of them died. Cattle were driven across the Cumberlands to Chattanooga, but many of them starved to death enroute for lack of pasturage in the mountains, and those that did arrive were so lean that they offered little food.

Then a disaster came even to the little supply line through the Cumberlands. Little Joe Wheeler, who had replaced

Bedford Forrest as head of Bragg's cavalry, crossed the Tennessee River October 1 with two divisions, moved up the Sequatchie Valley northwest of Chattanooga and fell on a ten-mile-long mule train of Union wagons, filled with supplies. The Confederates burned more than 300 wagons and killed and captured hundreds of animals. Federal cavalry rushed up the next day from Bridgeport and drove Wheeler off, but much of the vital supplies had been destroyed.

But as Wheeler made his attack on the wagon train, the first important help for Rosecrans was moving swiftly to the rescue on railway cars from the east. Under orders from Washington, General Joe Hooker had pulled 15,000 men out of the line in Virginia on September 24 and had put them on trains bound for Tennessee.

In an amazing five-day trip starting August 27, the huge force of men clicked southwestward across Virginia to Nashville, Tennessee, then southeast toward Chattanooga. On October 2, the advance of Hooker's force reached Bridgeport, 26 miles west of Chattanooga.

The problem was far from solved, however. Hooker's men would mean only more mouths to feed at Chattanooga, so they pitched camp at Bridgeport. The rescue of Rosecrans would come only when a good supply line was open, and that remained to be done.

Next week: Grant, Sherman and Week Head for Chattanooga.

Finding Customers
Is Vital to Business

By SAMUEL S. TALBERT

University of Missouri
This spring a California rancher sold a half million dollar estate through a want ad which cost less than ten dollars.

The sale illustrated one of the primary functions of newspaper advertising—locating unknown prospects. In the case of the rancher, there was probably only one prospect among thousands of people. The singular problem of the seller was to find the rare prospect.

The individual or the merchant who wishes to sell a highly specialized product would be at a loss without newspaper advertising. The newspaper is the only medium available to the entire public at any time. It is the only local medium which, within the bounds of reasonable cost, is likely to reach the whole citizenry in a trade area.

Who is the best prospect for a new automobile, a new tractor, a new home, a horse, an airplane, or a farm? Not even the most experienced salesman can be certain. The best prospect may be a person who would not appear to be in the market at all.

College professors buy farms. Children buy horses. Farmers buy airplanes. People with fine old homes buy modern homes. All of these people read the local newspaper. All might appear to be unlikely prospects before

newspaper advertising makes contact with them.

The general retailer—the grocer, the drug store, the dry goods store—has a similar problem of locating new customers, since there is a rapid turnover of people supporting any business.

From the whole public, the general retailer must find new customers for hundreds of items each week. This problem of location is necessarily met by newspaper advertising.

70 Years Ago
Week of October 1, 1953

Fire Is Enemy Of All Species Birds and Game

By ELDON HOTTINGER
County Conservation Officer

Fire is an enemy of all species of wildlife. From the age of the caveman, when man first knew fire, it was used to frighten away wild animals from his abode. The animals knew that fire would cause them harm upon contact.

Now, in a civilized world, a fire is not needed for this purpose, but it still has the same meaning to the wild animals and birds that it had thousands of years ago. They know that it will cause them great harm, that a forest fire will take away their home and food supply, if they are lucky enough to escape the flames.

What we should know as a civilized people, is that a forest fire not only runs off or kills the wild birds and animals, known in the sportsman's world as game, at the present, but it ruins for future years the prospect of game in a burned area. Game depends on the forests for its two main necessities of existence, food and cover, and to produce this a forest must have some age or maturity.

With the passing of the chestnut timber, a great supply of game food disappeared. Some game animals depend on hollow trees for their homes. This is especially true of the squirrel and the raccoon. Anyone witnessing a forest fire knows that these "homes" become burning flues or chimneys when reached by fire. Scarcely any remain in a burned-over area. Food supplies always go, too. A fire destroys the productive function of a tree, thereby creating a food shortage for game. Birds and animals depend almost entirely on forests for food.

Many birds and animals perish in the fire. I have seen, after nightfall, at a forest fire, grouse fly directly into the fire, being blinded by the smoke and darkness, and rabbits and squirrels with blazing fur run out of the flames, only to die shortly after from the burns.

One excuse I have heard for burning a forest is to run out a bear which had killed sheep for a farmer. With a little thought I believe one can see how useless and how temporary this sort of tactic would be. Bruin is a roving animal, covering great distances. The fire seldom catches him but it does destroy his food supply. This would make him seek food elsewhere, which might be another farmer's sheep. He will probably move to new

range, but as they move about a great deal, another one will probably pass through the region before long. The newcomer finds his natural path burned over and no food so he may detour into the farmer's sheep pasture in passing by.

Forest fires mean mainly one thing to the game supply and that is, as fires increase, the game supply decreases.

Forest Products
Of County
Are Many and Varied

By DAVE JUDY
Sawmill Operator

The production of forest products in Pendleton county has been a major element in providing these facts. Financial statistics show that during the past few years, compared with the country as a whole, the average family income in Pendleton county has risen tremendously and is now near the top and, that the average individual family savings are near the top.

Important forest products of the county are saw logs, pulpwood and extract wood. Saw logs are by far the major product.

There are 36 sawmills in Pendleton county with 12 of them operating on a year-around basis. The remainder of these mills operate part time with some of them doing only a small amount of custom sawing.

The sawmills which employ men and women on a full time basis, employ about 275 persons. Also much labor is provided for persons who produce logs and sell to the sawmills and persons who produce the pulpwood and extract wood.

Sawmills operating on a year round basis require about 15 million board feet of saw logs annually. This means that our forest land should produce this amount every year in order to maintain the present sawmills.

The mills cannot continue to operate without a continuous supply of logs to each mill. In order to assure this continuous supply of logs, the mills must buy several tracts of timber in advance of cutting. This is particularly true in this area due to competition in purchasing timber and the adverse weather conditions and logging terrain. When an operator purchases large quantities of standing timber, he makes himself susceptible to a great risk.

Forest fire!
To a sawmill operator a forest fire in a non-owned tract of timber means that his future raw material is being destroyed. When a fire occurs in a timber tract owned by the operator, it means a loss in raw material plus a disastrous financial loss.

With the rapid increase in population in this county, the land must be put to the best possible use.

Since forest products are very important in Pendleton county, the forest land should be properly managed. This cannot be done if fires continue to ravage our woodlands. Neither can the sawmills of Pendleton county be provided with timber if forest fires beat the logger to the woods.

Forest Protectors
Doing Great Job
In Fighting Fires

The following is a list of men who have realized a civic responsibility to their community and to their country and they have recognized a need for protection of our forest resources against devastation by fire.

Fire-fighting is everyone's job, but there must be leaders to help shoulder the responsibility—to help direct the fire fighters in the most efficient means of suppressing the flames, and to care for the safety and well-being of their men.

The following men have accepted that responsibility and over the past years have helped to direct the fight against forest fires. These men have the authority to ask, or if necessary, to order any able-bodied man to assist in fire fighting.

Fire fighting is one of the hardest, hottest and dirtiest jobs there is, and one of the least paying. The only incentive there can be for accepting a local forest protector's commission is the satisfaction of knowing that they are doing a needed job in protecting our forest for us and for our children. The Conservation Commission of West Virginia is indeed proud of these men:

Brandywine: Spencer Evick, Carl Nesselrodt and T. J. Clayton.
Cave: L. L. Mullenax.
Deer Run: D. J. Lambert.
Doe Hill: R. W. McQuain, Gordon Wimer and W. R. Propst.

Fame: Olin Adamson.
Ft. Seybert: Charles F. Nesselrodt and Guy Shaver.
Franklin: Whitney Mitchell, Curtis Cayton, Henry Cayton, Herman Hartman, Otto Cayton, Fred Evick, Tom Hartman, Odwith Lambert, Denver Pennington, Robert Hartman, Fred L. Propst, J. L. Rexrode, Kenneth Sponaugle, Elmer Propst, Ira Ruddle and Robert F. Raines.

Kline: Andrew Mitchell, David Mallow, Abraham Crites, Jesse J. Hevener and Carl Mitchell.
Moyers: Jesse Moyers and Roy E. Moyers.
Mozer: John R. Greenawalt and Fred Kesner.
Riverton: Fred G. Bennett, Roy Mallow and Charles Mallow.

Rough Run: S. L. Kesner.
Ruddle: Fred Vandevander.
Sugar Grove: Lester Wilfong, Elmer C. Bodkin, Martin Propst and Luther Simmons.
Tetterton: F. M. Biby and Hurl Raines.
Upper Tract: Carson Waggy.

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Smith Creek/
Friends Run

by Dave Ellis

The area is starting the new month with warmer above average temperatures. The forecast for the weekend is a cold front coming with the weather getting back to normal. The area is still in a dry spell due to the lack of rain. Be careful when burning.

Smith Creek and Friends Run Churches of the Brethren: shut-ins - Mary Mitchell, Bucky Moyers, Pam Riner, Anna Tesi, Ruby Propst, Alice Johnson, Arlin Dale and Freda Jamison, Hazel Simmons, Vestyl Bible, Mary Alice Simmons, Reva Hartman, Sandy Washburn, Sandra Vandevander, Jean Landes and Larry Moyers; prayer list - Richard Campbell, Tristan Hartman, Joshua Shirk, Ava George, Roberta Bennett, Olin Hoover, Kenny Williams, Dennis Mitchell, Debbie Horst, Myrtle Hammer, Jimmie Bennett, Pam Rexrode, Nancy George, Abby Sites, Margaret Wimer, Harry Allen Warner, Sherman Bennett, Wendell Nelson, Pete Keplinger, Donald Burns, Neal Eye, David Bowers, Vada Bible, Keith George, Ruby Gail Robertson, Gary Hess and Ruth Bauer.

Prayer thought: "The threats we face are real. Yet we need not fear. The creator of the universe is with us and He's more than enough."
High and low temperatures and precipitation for Sept. 25 through Oct. 1, followed by the same for last year, were as follows: Sept. 25 - 69°, 53° (70°, 54°, .03°); Sept. 26 - 60°, 53°, 12° (69°, 52°); Sept. 27 - 66°, 55°, .14° (66°, 46°, .02°); Sept. 28 - 71°, 54° (64°, 38°); Sept. 29 - 72°, 48° (61°, 44°); Sept. 30 - 73°, 57° (53°, 46°, .39°) and Oct. 1 - 71°, 49° (52°, 45°, 1.09°).

Total rainfall for September was 3.27", compared to 4.25" in September of 2022.
Year-to-date rainfall is 29.01", compared to 32.75" for the same time period in 2022.

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TMF Quilt Show Winners Announced

The 2023 Sew & Sews Treasure Mountain Festival Quilt Show was a huge success with many visitors stopping by to see treasures exhibited by local and surrounding area quilters. From antique quilts to the most modern, there was something for everyone to admire.

Special quilts were given the honor of judges' choice overall and viewer's choice. This year, both awards were presented to Holly Hubbs for her winning quilt titled "Harmony."

The guild's annual member challenge titled "Out of the Blue" viewer's choice winner was Pam Sexton. She designed a crab for her challenge project which was titled "Out of the Deep Blue Sea."

First, second, third and honorable mention awards were given for entries in the following categories:

Machine quilted bed quilt — Elizabeth Mitchell, Tapestry, first, Pam Sexton, Fair Winds and Following Stars, second, Paula Waggy, Assembly Line Quilt, third, and Holly Hubbs, Bristle Creek Tree of Life, honorable mention;

Hand quilted bed quilt — Jamey Wimer, Irish Chain, Ocean Wave and First Dance, first, second and third, respectively, and Bonnie Simmons, Snowflake Flannel, honorable mention;

Knotted bed quilt — Twila Walker, Dog Quilt and Cat Quilt, first and second, respectively;

Antique crazy quilt — Sherry Crigler, Crazy Quilt, first;

Antique hand quilted bed quilt — Rosemary Thompson, LeMoyne Star, first, and Sue Bowers, Grandmother's Flower Garden, Courthouse Steps and Nine Patch, second, third and honorable mention, respectively;

Lap quilt/throw machine quilted — Jamey Wimer, Good Neighbor's Quilt, first, Janice Heavner, 4-H Thru the Years, second, Pam

Sexton, Patriotic Sampler, third, and Janie Dundes, Twist Sister Bunny throw, honorable mention;

Lap quilt/throw hand quilted — Jamey Wimer, Wagon Wheel, first, and Janice Estrada, Comforter of Valor, second;

Large wall hanging hand quilted — Elizabeth Mitchell, Sampler, first, and Bonnie Simmons, Sunflower and Haunted House, second and third, respectively;

Medium wall hanging hand quilted — Twila Walker, U.S. Wall Hanging and West Virginia, first and second, respectively;

Baby quilt machine quilted — Debra Gillespie, Purple Elephant, first, Pam Sexton, Recipe for a Hippo Sandwich, second, Melinda Walker, Farm Babies, third, and Debra Gillespie, Fireman, honorable mention;

Appliqué quilt machine quilted — Holly Hubbs, Harmony, first;

Whole cloth hand quilted — Holly Hubbs, White on White, first;

Antique knotted comforter — Sue Bowers, 4-Point Star, first;

Youth knotted comforter hand quilted — Alex Adams, My Quilt, first;

Youth wall hanging hand quilted — Zander Adams, At Dusk, first, and Alex Adams, Dog Days, second;

Antique miscellaneous — Twila Walker, pink pillowcase set and His and Her pillowcases, first and second, respectively;

Miscellaneous quilted arts — Sherry Crigler, Artwork table runner, first;

Needlework counted cross stitch — Barbara Umling, Duke of Gloucester Street, first;

Miscellaneous household items — Pam Sexton, Christmas table runner, first, Pam Hartman, Pumpkin table runner, second, Elizabeth Mitchell, needlework pillow, third, and Twila Walker, Cat quilted pillow, honorable mention;

Needlework embroidery — Jo Ann Dever,



Harmony, an appliqué machine quilted quilt exhibited by Holly Hubbs, stood out in the eyes of quilt show judges and visitors.

Let's Go Fishing, first, Shirley Shank, Kitty Lover, second, and Paula Waggy, Crazy Quilt Sampler, third;

Crochet afghans — Rosemary Thompson, pink afghan and colorful Granny Squares, first and second, respectively;

Knitted miscellaneous — Sherry Crigler,

Three Snowmen, first; and

Crochet miscellaneous — Sherry Crigler, tablecloth, first, and Twila Walker, pink shell baby sweater and angel, second and third, respectively, and pink sweater, blue rag rug, afternoon tea doily and the gift doily, all honorable mention.

Boggs Supports Local Historical Society County Schools

Howard Boggs of Keyser and Richard Ruddle, curator of the Boggs Museum, discussed achievements of the Pendleton County Historical Society and some of the long-range plans for the group and the museum.

Boggs has been a long-time supporter of the museum as his family tree goes back to the county, and the museum is named after his cousins who donated the building to the historical society. His most recent financial donation will greatly assist the organization in the achievement of its goals of preserving and sharing the rich history of the county.

The Pendleton County Historical Society will be hosting a public meeting beginning at 2 p.m. Oct. 15. The meeting will

be at the Upper Tract Presbyterian Church building and will feature a presentation by Professor John Taylor, Emeritus, on the topic of the Civil War in and around Pendleton County



Howard Boggs and Richard Ruddle

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the top half of the rankings for the state.

High school numbers, which also include the middle school grades due to the combined facility, showed challenges in key areas. Both academic achievement categories, attendance, and post-secondary achievement fell just short of partially meeting standards. Students on track to graduate partially met standards.

Graduation rates, however, exceeded standards considerably.

Hedrick shared that many of the high school's challenges reflected trends shown in high schools statewide. He said particularly that "math is not faring well" and "attendance is not faring well statewide."

He then discussed ways that the schools and the system as a whole were addressing the challenges and working toward improvements. Hedrick shared, "We have had conversations. We are working on improving our benchmarks."

Some of the issues in Pendleton County and around the state stemmed from the disruptions in education created by COVID lockdowns and restrictions. Hedrick said "we weren't as prepared for remote learning as many counties," but also discussed how limited internet access in many areas hamstrung teachers and students alike as they tried to overcome barriers.

Data also indicated that the scores came back better in the years prior to the pandemic.

One process that should help lead to improvement lies in use of data. Hedrick explained that "principals are meeting with faculty about data. Teachers are talking to students about data."

One major change over last year saw the movement of Barbara Whitecotton from Franklin Elementary School principal to county School Improvement Coordinator. Whitecotton also served as a long time superintendent with Hardy County Schools before FES.

J. P. Mowery, Pendleton County Schools business manager, noted that "Ms. Whitecotton is a force of nature," always working the phones and holding meetings to address making the schools better.

Additionally, the school system has placed more of a priority on adding mentoring time and opportunities, especially for newer teachers.

"It will take us time," said Hedrick, "but we have things in place to make that happen."

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West Virginia Affords Many Prospects

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

West Virginia has been coined by John Denver as “Almost Heaven.” There are many reasons why he stated this fact: four beautiful seasons, its hospitality, unmatched outdoor recreation, friendly folks, and its own version of culture through artisans, cuisines, and history that has been passed down for generations. As Governor Jim Justice states, “Come along for the ride.”

Having a map of West Virginia in hand, the author couldn't help but notice how many locations had names of girls. The reader needs to take a sharp look at this fact. There is Adrian, Alice, Amma, Auburn, Ashton, Bell, Belva, Bethany, Beverly, Blair, Bristol, Brooks, Carolina, Chloe, Devon, Diana, Dixie, Dorcas, Dorothy, Eleanor, Elizabeth, Ethel, Gay, Harper, Helen, Jane Lew, Kimberly, Leslie, Mace, Marie, Melissa, Morgan, Myrtle, Page, Rainelle, Rita, Sarah Ann, Sharon, Shirley, Sophia, Taylor, and Winona, to name a few.

Then, there are boy names as well: Adolph, Adrian, Alexander, Anthony, Arthur, Barnabus, Barrott, Berlin, Blair, Blakely, Braxton, Burton, Calvin, Camden, Cameron, Chester, Christian, Clay, Clayton, Cyrus, Devon, Davy, Edmond, Elton, Erwin, Frank, Franklin, Gary, Gilbert, Glen, Gordon, Harvey, Henry, Herold, Jefferson, Jeffrey, Jesse, Job, Julian, Junior, Kason, Kermit, Kirby, Leon, LeRoy, Leslie, Lester, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Martin, Mason, Monroe, Morgan, Morris, Neal, Nolan, Ona, Omar, Orlando, Perry, Raleigh, Randolph, Seth, Sherman, Spencer, Sylvester, Tad, Taylor, Tanner, Thomas, Tucker, Victor, Ward, Walker, Wayne, Wilson, and Wyatt.

And not to be out classed, there are surnames as well: Albright, Arnett, Baker, Baldwin, Bancroft, Boone, Bragg, Crawford, Dawson, Dingess, Doddridge, Ellison, Evans, Fisher, Frost, Greer, Hancock, Harman, Harper, Hartford, Hemlock, Ireland, Jackson, Jefferson, Kline, MacArthur, Martin, Moyers, Mozer, Mullens, Prichard, Reedy, Ritchie, Schultz, Spencer, Unger, Walker, Wallace, Washburn, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Whitmer, Wilson and Wood.

No doubt there are more that were not mentioned on the map. Wouldn't it be fun to take a ride and explore the location of one's name? Wishing everyone safe travels to one's destination.

One by one, the trees are beginning to take the stage to show off their colors. It's that time of the year. The panorama is slowly changing now that the nights are cooler with the days warmer. Trees are beginning to clothe themselves with fall-colored robes. The Monterey, Virginia, area takes the prize this week. Leaf peepers will be in awe over the annual show.

Life's important lessons to inspire the day include the following:

1. Give someone the benefit of the doubt.
2. Plan a healthy meal.
3. Write a thank you note.
4. Weigh the pros and cons of a decision.
5. Select a gift that the receiver will appreciate.

Clickety-clacks for the chin wagggers are as follows:

- Feb. 22, 1980, was the miracle on ice. The U.S. Olympic hockey team beat the heavily favored Soviets.
- Sept. 26, 1960, was the Nixon-Kennedy debate where 70 million saw a sweaty Nixon take on the photogenic Kennedy.



Olin Hoover and John Crummett are pictured. Olin was the son of Raymond Ralph Hoover (June 12, 1904 - Sept. 9, 1982) and Beulah Elizabeth Moyers Hoover (Oct. 19, 1911 - Feb. 22, 1997). John was the son of Archie Samuel Crummett (April 27, 1908 - May 31, 1975) and Elvira Jane Dahmer Crummett (Aug. 29, 1913 - Sept. 1, 2012).

•The doughnut hole was invented in 1847 by a sea captain, Hanson Gregory.

•Only three people in a hundred are naturally red-headed.

•A full grown hippopotamus has a stomach more than 10 feet long.

This week's quotes are as follows:

“Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory.” — Dr. Seuss

“Live your life like you're happy to be alive, because there is an alternative.” — Sheryl Ralph

“I do things like get in a taxi and say, “The library, and step on it.” — David Foster Wallace

“I like to say, take the shot, even if your knees are shaking.” — Robin Roberts

“Let all your things have their place; part of your business have its time.” — Benjamin Franklin

Sitting inside to enjoy the “Talk of the Grove.”

Shannon Walls and Rick Adkins just returned from a 10-day adventure to Iceland and Greenland. They enjoyed whale watching, seeing many whales, sightseeing, hiking, seeing northern lights almost every night and way too much great food. They did a lot of fishing and catching of Arctic Char and Cod. Rick was able to harvest a trophy musk ox and a great reindeer. A really great time was had in the mountains with no electricity, no cell phones, no internet for a week. It was rather cold as they saw the world's largest glacier and many icebergs. Fun, fun...but they are happy to be back home.

Terri Grogg, Claude Castleberry and Marleta Wimer were visitors of Rosalee Grogg this week.

Paul and Betty Morris of Piney River, Virginia, visited

with their aunt, Evelyn Varner.

Margie and Ken Robert were in Cambridge, Maryland. The occasion was for Ken to participate in the full 92-hour bike ride. Congratulations to Ken for completing this marathon in 6 hours and 17 minutes, placing third place in his age group.

Concerns for this week are many. They are as follows: Charles Anderson, Roger and Joan Ashley, Mercedes Aumann, the Vernon “Fuzzy” Baldwin family, the V. S. Bible family, Lynn Beatty, Nila Bland, “Bo” Boggs, Marie Cole, Jeff Craig, Norma Propst Cunningham, Bethany Eye, Mary Eye, Neal Eye, Donna Fleisher, Lola Graham, Jordan Greathouse, Marlene Harman, Marvin Hartman, Steve and Armand Heavner, Grace Hedrick, Jackie Hill, Edsel and May Ann Hogan, Virgil Homan, Jr., Adelbert Hoover, Myrtle Hoover, Debbie Horst, Alice Johnson, Richard Judy, Ruthlene Judy, Marsha Keller, Danny Kimble, Dennis Kincaid, Kim Kline, Tracie Knight, Melissa Lambert, Robert Lambert, Rex Landis, Angela Lung, Linda Malcolm, Betty Mallow, Roger and Skip Mallow, Willard May, Neil McLaughlin, Rose Miller, Tucker Minor, Carrol Mitchell, Barbara Moats, Melvin Moats, Aaron Nelson, Ruth Nelson, Don Nilsen, Cheryl Paine, Barbara Parker, Sutton Parrack, Shirley Pratt, Alda Propst, John O. Propst, Kathy Propst, Linda Propst, Harley Propst, Mary Puffenbarger, Charles Rexrode, Jason Rexrode, Jimmy Rexrode, Pam Rexrode, Donna Ruddle, Annie Simmons, the Barry Simmons family, Phyllis Simmons, Davey Simmons, Erin Simmons, Eva Simmons, Robbie Sites, Connie Sulser, Rosa Tichenor, Sandra Vandevander, Evelyn Varner, Amy Vaus, Sheldon Waggy, Judy Williams, Junior Wimer, Margaret Wimer, Dana Yokum, the fire victims of Maui, Hawaii and earthquake victims in Morocco.

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CVB Discusses Fall Plans, Fall Fire Season Began Oct. 1

By Stephen Smoot

With a string of successes this year in the rearview mirror, the Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau discussed upcoming events and ways to build on the foundation created.

The team opened with committee reports. Amber Nesselrodt, executive director, congratulated the grants committee on securing a near \$4,000 planning grant from the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area organization. She said, "This is the first grant the CVB has received. A big thank you to everyone on the grants committee."

She then turned to the marketing committee, starting first with the short term. "The biggest thing the marketing committee is looking at right now is the Capitol Christmas Tree at Swilled Dog." The tree, during its tour of West Virginia, will stop between 2 and 4 p.m. on Nov. 12 at the Pendleton County Industrial Park.

The CVB has started work to build the visit into a major community event that includes Mike Eye performing live music, "vendors... set up through the farmers market," and other family friendly opportunities for sales and attractions. Deans Gap Farms has already signed up. Food sales must meet the same criteria as the farmers market, including consumables grown within 100 miles. Nesselrodt said, however, that alcohol sales would be problematic to approve.

Jeff Munn pointed out that maple products, always high on the list of county promotions, should sell well at a Christmas themed event. Lindsay Kazarick, board chair and representative of Future Generations University, shared that FGU's fun and educational "Noble Sugar Shack" would also be present.

Committee members agreed to place one of the marketing focuses for the visit on nearby counties that will not be visited by the tree, including Rockingham and Highland in Virginia. Nesselrodt added that "we need someone to dress up as Santa," and "we will have a whole group meeting to talk about the nitty-gritty details."

Additionally, the U.S. Forest Service announced that the tree has been granted the Shawnee name "wa'feem'tekwi" which means "bright tree."

She then turned to discussing the possibility of decorative signage on major highways at the county lines, telling the board, "It's something that we just started talking about." The point was raised that there could be difficulty working with the state department of highways or the

national forest.

Munn responded that he had personally found the DOH easy to work with when he requested Tourism Oriented Directional Signs directing travelers from U.S. Route 220 toward his establishment, but had no idea about the National Forest. Others noted that the state retains the rights-of-way along roads, even in forest land.

Next, the board discussed recently created promotional materials. The full scale Adventure Guide's final draft is ready with the goal of publishing by late December in plenty of time for Maple Days in February.

More discussion centered around the final draft of the promotional video created for the CVB by Folkways. Nesselrodt said that edits were still possible even at this late stage, but that the board could also consider creating more targeted videos by using the raw footage that Folkways will make available for CVB use.

The main question going forward, as Nesselrodt put it, lies in "where will we use the tools for our particular marketing push."

Then, board members switched gears and discussed the creation of an advisory board. Members approved the appointment of Chelsea Simmons from Pendleton Community Bank for her expertise on year-end financial matters. They also chose to defer discussion of other appointees until creating more specific guidelines about participation.

Board members then engaged in a free discussion of various issues of importance. Janice Lantz proposed creating a stronger partnership between the CVB and the Pendleton County Chamber of Commerce. She also asked if the CVB could hand out mini-grants similar to the practice of the Grant County Chamber of Commerce.

Various board members responded in support of enhanced cooperation. Kazarick related that the economic development authority in the past had handed out grants as Lantz described, then suggested that the CVB, Chamber, and EDA combine on such a program.

Munn returned to the theme of DOH tourism signage, noting that they provide the signs for \$275 a piece, and also charge a \$100 fee to replace stolen signs the first time. He stated that many businesses could take advantage, but that the CVB could provide some level of match for those seeking to have them put up.

The next meeting of the CVB will take place on Oct. 17.

Fall fire season started Oct. 1, and continues through Dec. 31. The West Virginia Division of Forestry reminds residents to confine their outdoor burning from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. Fires set during that time must be put out before 7 a.m.

"Autumn's vibrant hues bring joy, but they also signal the start of our fall fire season. We are asking everyone to please help us safeguard our forests from the threat of wildfire by following burning laws," said Jeremy Jones, state forester and director of the West Virginia Division of Forestry.

Debris burning is West Virginia's most common cause of wildfires, averaging more than 35 percent of all wildfires over the past 10 years.

As the crisp, dry fall season replaces the humid summer, the air offers less moisture for grasses and leaf litter to absorb. Dry leaves and forest floor debris become more flammable. Burning is prohibited during the day because, even in fall, relative humid-

ity typically increases in the evening.

A summary of forest fire laws and safe fire practices can be found on the state Division of Forestry website at <https://wvforestry.com/laws-regulations/fire/>.

The West Virginia Division of Forestry reminds residents to confine their outdoor burning to the hours of 5 p.m. to 7 a.m., according to the West Virginia State Code Chapter 20-3-5. Fires set during that time must be put out before 7 a.m.

The fall fire season state law restrictions include:

- No outdoor burning from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Any fire set between 5 p.m. and 7 a.m. must be extinguished before 7 a.m.
- Fires must be attended at all times.
- Before leaving any fire for any length of time, the fire must be completely extinguished.

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• If the fire escapes, one is liable for the costs of fighting the fire and any damage the fire may cause.

• Violation of the burning law is punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.

The WV DOF can issue commercial permits to burn during the prohibited periods.

The Division of Forestry protects nearly 12 million acres of forestland across West Virginia.

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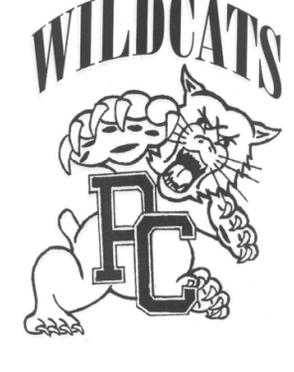
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SATURDAY will offer:
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Household and Furniture: Dining table (60s), oak dressers, brass beds, wooden beds, end stands, recliners, 2 freezers, 2 refrigerators, hospital bed, microwave, entertainment stand, Siegler kerosene stove, wall mount propane heater, pots, aluminum pans, dishes, some depression glass, water buckets, enamel ware pans, Fire King dishes, TVs, canning jars.

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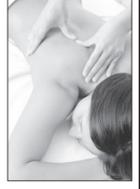
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Pendleton County Golf Squad Wraps Up Season at Regionals

By Stephen Smoot

As warm summer breezes turned to chilly wind and rain last month, the Pendleton County High School golf team competed on flat land, hills, under the sun, and through storms.

Over the past two weeks, Wildcat golfers competed in four events on the road and a fundraising exhibition at Fisher Mountain. On Sept. 12, they traveled to Raven Golf Club at Snowshoe Mountain for Potomac Valley Conference honors. Not unlike Canaan Valley, the course is set on a flat ridgetop with stunning mountain vistas.

Teams from Petersburg, Pocahontas County, Tygarts Valley, Tucker County, and East Hardy joined them. The rest of the conference competed in Division II at Moorefield.

In the PVCs, Petersburg took team honors with a score of 260. The Wildcats scored 324. Team scores were determined by the combination of the best three scorers on the squad.

The close of the season came with both highlights and learning experiences. On Sept 17, the team competed in the Leo Slusher Tournament at Fisher Mountain, a fundraiser to benefit the Pendleton County scholarship fund. The day was a cold, rainy slog, but as Charlie Burgoyne, head coach, explained, "It's good for you to have to play in those conditions."

He added that "the food was good!"

The next day at Tygarts Valley, the squad all shot in the 40s, a season first.

Then came the tournament on Sept. 19 at Valley View,

which included Buckhannon-Upshur, Petersburg, and Tygarts Valley. The team competed under sunny skies and in late summerlike mid 70s temperatures. The B. U. Buccaneers rarely play this far east, but as Jason Westfall, head coach of the team, shared, "We try every year to play a new course against new people."

At the end of the day, Cameron Beachler recorded a score of 40, followed by Mason DiFalco at 57, and Barrett Cook at 62.

Of Cook, a first-year sophomore, Burgoyne said, "He loves it. For starting out, he's got a lot to learn and to learn how to do it properly. He's a good kid. He shot his best last evening."

DiFalco said of his play on the 19th that the course treated him well. Beachler agreed that day that the course felt good to him as well and said he "hit a lot of good shots."

Regionals served as the last time that Beachler would compete on the links for Pendleton County, though he does also play on the Wildcat baseball squad. The team held senior day for him at Fisher Mountain. Burgoyne said of his sole senior that "he exhibited excellent leadership to the high school and middle school players."

He added that "Cameron has an outgoing personality and all the opponents he played with this year enjoyed the round of golf with him."

Beachler, who has also competed in fishing tournaments this year, usually chatted teammates and opponents alike about his twin passions of fishing and hunting.

Burgoyne summed up last year's representative at the state tournament as "an excellent representative for the Pendleton County golf team."



Senior Cameron Beachler proudly shows divot he took at Snowshoe's Raven Golf Club.

Mountain Lions Take Bite Out of Wildcats at Parsons

By Stephen Smoot

After a two game winning streak of sorts (a win against Richwood and a forfeit from Southern Garrett, Maryland) Pendleton County took an improved team into Parsons to face Tucker County.

There, on a cool, dry, and windless night, they ran into a Mountain Lion squad working to overcome two straight weeks of wins, but also sub-par play.

Tucker County kicked off to the Wildcats, then lost a fumble to them on the Pendleton County 30 with 7:30 left in the first quarter. The visiting squad moved the ball up the field into Tucker County territory, seeing a first and 10 at the Mountain Lion 39. The drive stalled out, however, and the Wildcats had to punt.

Taking the ball at their own 30, Tucker County ran the ball right for five yards, then threw a pass into the left flats for a gain to their own 43. The Mountain Lions used a version of the old Rich Rodriguez offense, spreading receivers across the field, throwing short passes and running the ball

to work against the pass defense. Pendleton County tried to contain the offense, bending but not breaking. The Mountain Lions, unfortunately, had significant speed and experience at the skilled positions.

Tucker County's offense held onto the ball on this drive for almost four minutes, methodically moving the ball. They reached the Wildcat 16 where on second and seven, then third and seven, defenders swatted the ball from receivers at the goal line. On fourth and seven, however, the quarterback arced a pass over the outstretched hands of the defense into the endzone for a touchdown. A two-point conversion made the score 8-0.

Pendleton County tried to use the passing game to respond, but the Mountain Lions returned an interception back to the Wildcat nine, then took two plays to post their second touchdown of the night.

Most of the rest of the first half saw frustrations pile up for the Wildcats. Tucker County moved the ball well, then stymied Wildcat efforts to answer. The main bright spot of

the first half came with 1:44 left in the second quarter.

After Tucker County extended its lead to 32 - 0, Josiah Kimble stumbled somewhat at the 20 when trying to pick up the kickoff. This threw off the timing of the kickoff team's pursuit. Kimble found a hole and made a sharp cut toward the middle to evade a would-be tackler. Then he showed his speed, streaking down the field to score Pendleton County's first points of the game. Dillon Smith bulled over the goal line to add the two-point conversion.

The quick strike did not sap Tucker County's momentum as they resumed their dominant performance through the end of the game, running away with a 54 to 8 win.

Pendleton County's interesting schedule has pitted it against either powerhouses or weak squads all season. Over the next two weeks, the Wildcats should have solid opportunities to build up the win column before facing Moorefield, then Cameron to close out the season.

Friday night's game against Tygarts Valley will be homecoming and senior night. Game time is 7 p.m.

Pendleton County Volleyballers Fall to East Hardy on the Road



Allie Cooper tracks down a hard hit ball to set up her front line.

By Stephen Smoot

If volleyball were more akin to horseshoes and hand grenades, the recent trip to East Hardy might have produced a better outcome. Though the Wildcats fought hard throughout the game, the home standing Cougars edged out an advantage in each of the three sets played.

In set number one, East Hardy fired a spike to the back line to take the initial lead. Two spikes by Baylee Beachler helped the Wildcats to even up the score early on at three. Both teams played evenly, including two consecutive Kate Hedrick spikes, to knot the game again at seven.

East Hardy then pushed out to a three-point lead at 11 to 8. Much of the rest of the first set saw the Wildcats clawing back, only to watch the Cougars edge out to a three-point advantage again. Allie Cooper's serving brought her squad to a 19 to 17 deficit before an East Hardy surge pushed their lead to six. Lizzie Alt spiked the ball to stave off a set loss, but East Hardy took the win 25 to 18.

In the second set, the Wildcats once again fell behind 2-0 at the outset. Beachler cut the lead in half with a spike, but

then East Hardy went on a five to one run. Down 7-2, the Wildcats caught a break on a poor serve by the home team, followed by a Hedrick block at the net. Emma Hartman's turn to serve resulted in her team coming back within two at 7-5.

The game continued to tighten up. Carolyn Varner cut the lead to one by serving up an ace. East Hardy pulled ahead, but then a Gabby DePue spike brought her team back, only down 13 to 12. East Hardy then went on an eight to one run to take a 20 to 13 lead. The Wildcats made a late push, but could not challenge again, losing the set 25 to 19.

The third set featured the same start as the first two, the Cougars taking a 2-0 lead, then allowing a Wildcat score. This time, Alt took a Varner set and aimed it precisely into the Cougar defense. East Hardy responded by pushing the lead out to 16 to 6, but the Wildcats answered with a five to two run, including two straight Cooper aces, to get back into it.

The score remained tight as Alt set up a successful Avery Townsend return followed by a DePue spike to knot the game at 14. Unfortunately, East Hardy once again pulled ahead and took the set and the game.

Pendleton County's road trip to Baker came after a long weekend of play where they won the silver bracket championship in a tournament held at Greenbrier West. Head Coach Rod Cooper did not mark fatigue as an issue, saying that East Hardy

simply played better on that given night.

The Wildcats traveled Tuesday to Elkins. They take the court today at home versus the Tucker County Mountain Lions.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FYE JUNE 30, 2023

	11 General Current Expense	61 Special Revenue	65 Special Revenue School Activity Fund	71 Special Revenue ESSERF	41 Permanent Improvement Fund	51 Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental
Revenues:							
Property taxes	\$ 3,381,582	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,381,582
Other Local sources	86,790	190,511	360,595	-	-	-	637,896
State sources	9,714,287	806,416	-	-	-	-	10,520,702
Federal sources	297,766	1,569,961	-	1,100,217	-	-	2,967,945
Miscellaneous sources	42,249	-	-	-	-	-	42,249
Total revenues	13,522,674	2,566,888	360,595	1,100,217	-	-	17,550,374
Expenditures:							
Instruction	7,027,012	337,962	309,880	497,810	-	-	8,172,664
Supporting services:							
Students	668,040	593,068	-	19,227	-	-	1,280,336
Instructional staff	671,782	339,696	-	98,956	-	-	1,110,434
General administration	492,949	-	-	-	-	-	492,949
School administration	512,786	-	-	369,778	-	-	882,564
Central Services	346,355	90	-	-	-	-	346,445
Operation and maintenance of facilities	1,645,462	171,326	-	1,823	-	-	1,818,611
Student transportation	1,878,508	-	-	20,321	-	-	1,898,829
Other support services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food services	31,200	1,139,083	-	-	-	-	1,170,283
Community services	26,025	39,893	-	-	-	-	65,918
Capital outlay	-	949,354	-	-	-	-	949,354
Debt service:							
Principal Retirement	32,410	-	-	-	-	-	32,410
Interest and fiscal charges	6,981	-	-	-	-	-	6,981
Total expenditures	13,339,510	3,570,473	309,880	1,007,915	-	-	18,227,778
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	183,164	(1,003,585)	50,715	92,302	-	-	(677,404)
Other financing sources (uses):							
Proceeds from disposal of real or personal property	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from the sale of bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Premium on sale of bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from finance lease	161,300	-	-	-	-	-	161,300
Proceeds from financed purchases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from SBITAs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	252,543	1,090,256	3,015	-	50,000	21,496	1,417,309
Transfers (out)	(1,312,127)	(9,865)	(3,015)	(92,302)	-	-	(1,417,309)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(898,284)	1,080,391	-	(92,302)	50,000	21,496	161,300
Extraordinary Item:							
Other post employment benefits:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	(715,120)	76,805	50,715	(0)	50,000	21,496	(516,104)
Fund balances - beginning	1,964,829	214,195	255,781	-	150,000	(21,496)	2,563,309
Prior period adjustments - (See Note.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund balances - beginning, as restated	1,964,829	214,195	255,781	-	150,000	(21,496)	2,563,309
Fund balances - ending	\$ 1,249,709	\$ 291,001	\$ 306,496	\$ (0)	\$ 200,000	\$ (0)	\$ 2,047,205

PENDLETON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FYE JUNE 30, 2023

	11 General Current Expense	61 Special Revenue Fund	65 Special Revenue School Activity Fund	71 Special Revenue ESSERF Fund	41 Permanent Improvement Fund	51 Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES							
Assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,802,733	\$ (592,841)	\$ 306,496	\$ (722,710)	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 993,678
Taxes receivable, net	84,749	-	-	-	-	-	84,749
Deposit with Retirement Board	79,809	-	-	-	-	-	79,809
Prepaid Workers' Comp	189	-	-	-	-	-	189
Food service receivables, net	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other receivables	36,861	6,869	-	-	-	-	43,730
Other prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments:							
State aid receivable	70,851	-	-	-	-	-	70,851
EIA allocation	198,707	-	-	-	-	-	198,707
Reimbursements Receivable	80,004	971,845	-	851,085	-	-	1,848,934
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	2,353,903	331,873	306,496	128,375	200,000	-	3,320,646
Deferred outflows of resources							
Total deferred outflows of resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS PLUS DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 2,353,903	\$ 331,873	\$ 306,496	\$ 128,375	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 3,320,646
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Salaries payable and related payroll liabilities	\$ 728,235	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97,328	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 825,563
Other post employment benefits payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PEIA premiums payable	285,570	-	-	-	-	-	285,570
Accounts payable & Payable to others	29,135	39,419	-	31,046	-	-	99,600
Due to other fiscal agents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	1,042,939	39,419	-	128,375	-	-	1,210,732
Deferred inflows of resources							
Total deferred inflows of resources	61,255	1,454	-	-	-	-	62,709
Fund Balances:							
Nonspendable	168,672	-	-	-	-	-	168,672
Restricted	351,117	-	-	-	-	-	351,117
Committed	249,556	-	-	-	-	-	249,556
Assigned	-	-	306,496	-	-	-	306,496
Unassigned	480,364	291,001	-	(0)	200,000	(0)	971,365
Total fund balances	1,249,709	291,001	306,496	(0)	200,000	(0)	2,047,205
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 2,353,903	\$ 331,874	\$ 306,496	\$ 128,375	\$ 200,000	\$ (0)	\$ 3,320,647

TOTAL PAYMENTS TO VENDORS IN EXCESS OF \$250 — FISCAL YEAR 2023

VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT PAID
A & S ENTERPRISES	3,027
ABSOLUTE ASSURANCE DRUG	1,267
ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGY	3,503
AIRGAS USA, LLC	963
ALAN TYE AND ASSOCIATES	8,173
ALEXANDER, WESLEY	795
ALT, MAHALA	265
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	57,872
ANGELTRAX	12,141
APPALACHIAN SIGNALS & PRODUCTS	83,110
APPTGY, INC	8,110
ASCEND ELEVATOR INSPECTION	800
ASKIN, SALLIE	1,600
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	268
AUTO-JET MUFFLER CORP	6,126
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION	2,717
BARNETT, STEVEN	2,000
BATTERIES PLUS LLC	5,240
BEATTY, WILLIAM	9,022
BIG "L" TIRE	17,919
BILL WARNER & SON TOWING	2,856
BLACK BROTHERS PAINTING INC	45,383
BLACK'S PAINT AND FLOOR	20,809
BLAUCH BROTHERS INC	296
BLUE BIRD BUS SALES	15,356
BOWLES RICE LLP	2,328
BOWMANS DO IT BEST HARDWARE	15,085
BP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	19,686
BRANDYWINE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	4,879
BRANDYWINE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION	875
BRIGHTLY	6,860
BROWN'S PAVING & CONSTRUCTION	81,650
BSN SPORTS	20,843
BUCKLAND, JOHN	1,400
BUNZL KOCH SUPPLIES	500
CAMPBELL PRINT CENTER	2,050
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	35,640
CAPITAL ELECTRIC	300
CDW-GOVERNMENT, INC.	126,907
CEDAR MOUNTAIN SERVICES	298
CENTRAL RESTAURANT PRODUCTS	31,595
CERTIPORT (NCS PEARSON INC)	723
CHAMP, HOLLY	1,439
CHAMP, KENNA	335
CIVIX	2,584
CLAIRMONT PRESS	720
COLE-PARMER	252
COLLEGEBOARD	3,257
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	718
COUNTRY RHODES SUITES	62,550
CPG (CONTRACT PAPER GROUP, INC)	14,790
CRAMER SECURITY &	1,800
CROMER, LEVI A.	400
CRYSTAL CLEANING SERVICE	653
CRYSTAL HUFFMAN-WARNER	3,271

DAILY NEWS-RECORD	2,169
DAVID MCCLURE	500
DAVIS, KIMBERLY G.	548
DEAN BROTHERS INC	11,215
DIGITAL BUYER	2,372
DILLON SUPPLY COMPANY	815
DINSMORE AND SHOHL LLP	36,135
DIRTY DOG CLEANING LLC	13,574
DOLLYWOOD FOUNDATION	3,444
DOVE, CAREY (SHAY)	396
DSO MECHANICAL	254,361
EASON, AMY	1,065
EDUSPIRE SOLUTIONS	1,000
ELECTRONIC SPECIALITY CO.	1,696
EPIC	18,344
EWELL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	335
EXCEL STEEL	903
EXCEL TRUCK GROUP	6,780
EXPERIENCE	

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PENDLETON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FYE JUNE 30, 2023

Functions	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue & Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	
Governmental activities:				
Instruction	\$ 6,961,972	\$ -	\$ 2,276,602	\$ (4,685,370)
Supporting services:				
Students	1,237,776	220,222	375,187	(642,367)
Instructional staff	1,058,319	-	111,484	(946,835)
General administration	472,758	-	-	(472,758)
School administration	853,621	-	-	(853,621)
Central services	299,215	-	-	(299,215)
Operation and maintenance of facilities	1,375,374	42,249	127,785	(1,205,340)
Student transportation	1,615,386	-	-	(1,615,386)
Other support services	(250)	-	-	250
Food services	1,058,505	660,030	116,018	(282,457)
Community services	65,918	-	-	(65,918)
Interest on long-term debt/finance leases	6,981	-	-	(6,981)
Total governmental activities	15,005,575	922,501	3,007,076	(11,075,999)
General revenues:				
Property taxes			3,395,152	
Unrestricted state aid			6,901,455	
Unrestricted investment earnings			79,445	
Unrestricted grants and contributions			445,475	
Extraordinary item - other post employment benefits			-	
Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets			-	
Gain (loss) on termination of ROU assets			-	
Transfers in			1,417,309	
Transfers (out)			(1,417,309)	
Total general revenues, extraordinary items and transfers			10,821,531	
Change in net position			(254,463)	
Net assets - beginning			35,725,216	
Prior period adjustments - (See Note 1)			-	
Net position - beginning, as restated			35,725,216	
Net position - ending			\$ 35,470,753	

See Notes to Financial Statements

0000001799	COOPER HUBERT R TRUSTEE, .235 AC ELK MT	85.79	United States Postal Service
0000001819	DEHAVEN CARRIE, 2.50 ACRES ELK MT	84.17	Statement of Ownership, Management and Circulation
0000001820	DEHAVEN CARRIE & ADAM, 2.50 ACRES ELK MT	502.13	1. Publication Title — Mountain Media LLC/Pendleton Times (The)
0000001844	DOVE NATHAN H JR, 2 ACRES TIMBER RIDGE	386.65	2. Publication Number — 425-240.
0000001955	HEDRICK ROBERT & ASHLEY, 0.72 ACS NORTH FORK	351.61	3. Filing Date — 09/27/2023.
0000002072	LAMBORNE MICHAEL & SHIRLEY, 119.39 ACRES NORTH FORK HILLS	847.09	4. Issue Frequency — Weekly.
0000002073	LAMBORNE MICHAEL & SHIRLEY ANN, 36.22 AC NORTH FORK HILLS	1340.30	5. Number of Issues Published Annually — 51.
0000002080	LEGG PROPERTIES LLC, .55 ACRES SPRUCE MT	864.67	6. Annual Subscription Price — \$36.00.
0000002154	MITCHELL CRAIG & KIMBERLY, 5.87 ACS TRACT A NORTH FORK HILLS	182.86	7. Complete Mailing Address of Known Office of Publication, Contact Person and Telephone — PO Box 906, Franklin, Pendleton, West Virginia 26807-0906; Pam Hartman; 304-358-2304.
0000002181	NELSON CHARLES J JR, 1.10 AC DRY RUN	387.52	8. Complete Mailing Address of Headquarters or General Business Office of Publisher — PO Box 429, Lewisburg, WV 24901-0429.
0000002203	NICHOLAS JACKIE L, 0.36 AC BIG RUN	98.23	9. Full Names and Complete Mailing Addresses of Publisher, Editor, and Managing Editor — Michael Showell, PO Box 429, Lewisburg WV 24901-0429; Editor — Michael Showell, PO Box 429, Lewisburg WV 24901-0429; Managing Editor — Michael Showell, PO Box 429, Lewisburg WV 24901-0429.
0000002213	PECK CLARA L, .42 ACS HUNTING GROUND	170.77	10. Owner — Michael Showell, PO Box 429, Lewisburg WV 24901-0429.
0000002326	SHOENFELD PETER, 16 AC HORSE MT	584.53	11. Known Bondholders, Mortgagees, and Other Security Holders Owning or Holding 1 Percent or More of Total Amount of Bonds, Mortgages, or Other Securities — None.
0000002459	TINGLER RICKY & POLLY, 21.07 ACS ELK MT	635.92	13. Publication Title — Mountain Media LLC/The Pendleton Times.
0000002461	TINGLER TIMMY & MELINDA, 2.62 ACS ELK MT	190.59	14. Issue Date for Circulation Data — 09/21/2023.
0000002467	UPP JACQUELINE W REVOCABLE, 183.57 ACS TRACT #1 NORTH FORK	1980.36	15. Extent and Nature of Circulation
0000002468	UPP JACQUELINE WILKINS TRUSTEE, NORTH FORK 9.25 AC	167.22	Average No. Copies of Each Issue During Preceding 12 Months
0000002490	VANDEVANDER MICHELLE R &, 1.20 ACS NORTH FORK HILLS	815.04	No. Copies of Single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date

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0000002812	ANDERSON JOHN D JR & DIANNE M, 1.383 AC SOUTH BRANCH	637.68	1. Mailed In-County Paid Subscriptions Stated on PS Form 3541
0000002846	BARR WANDA FAYE, PROPST GAP 0.34 ACS	319.21	2. Mailed In-County Paid Subscriptions Stated on PS Form 3541
0000002847	BARR WANDA FAYE, .14 AC PROPST GAP	104.16	3. Paid Distribution Outside the Mails Including Sales Through Dealers and Carriers, Street Vendors, Counter Sales, and Other Paid Distribution Outside the USPS
0000002924	BODKIN & SMITH LLC, 45.415 ACS TREASURE MTN ESTATES	379.16	4. Free or Nominal Rate Distribution Outside the Mail
0000002925	BODKIN & SMITH LLC, 5.46 ACS LOT #1 TREASURE MTN ESTATES	154.62	5. Total Free or Nominal Rate Distribution
0000002926	BODKIN & SMITH LLC, 4.38 ACS LOT #4 TREASURE MTN ESTATES	144.61	6. Total Paid Distribution
0000002927	BODKIN & SMITH LLC, 3.22 ACS LOT#23 TREASURE MTN ESTATES	128.75	7. Free or Nominal Rate Distribution
0000002943	BOSTIC BELVA M 5.21 ACS SMITH CREEK	516.35	8. Percentage Paid (Both Print & Electronic Copies)
0000002944	BOSTIC WILLIAM D, LOT #11 2.87 ACS	114.59	9. Publication of Statement of Ownership — Will be printed in the 10/05/2023 issue of this publication.
0000002949	BOWERS DANNY, .038 ACRE TROUT RUN	70.73	10. Signature and Title of Editor, Publisher, Business Manager or Owner and Date — Michael Showell, Owner, 09/27/2023.
0000002978	BOWERS JUSTIN, .047 ACS TROUT RUN	85.33	I certify that all information on this form is true and complete. I understand that anyone who furnishes false or misleading information on this form or who omits material or information requested on the form may be subject to criminal sanctions (including fines and imprisonment) and/or civil sanctions (including penalties).
0000002979	BOWERS JUSTIN DANIEL, S FORK MT 75.9 ACRES	900.65	
0000002980	BOWERS JUSTIN DANIEL, 13.13 ACRES BUFFALO RUN	159.14	
0000002999	BOWMAN FRED, 72 AC THORNY MEADOW	119.06	
0000003145	COOPER JANET NOVACK TRUSTEE, 3.08 AC THORN CREEK PARCEL B PARTITION	248.48	
0000003187	DASHER VALARIE, .68 AC LOT #1 RUDDLE	170.30	
0000003265	DRAGO FAMILY REVOCABLE, 8.87 ACRES 3RD ADDITION TREASURE MOUNTAINS LOT #1	256.96	
0000003273	EDISON BLAIN & BRIAN, ENTRY MT .20 ACRE	93.65	
0000003274	EDISON BLAINE & BRIAN &, ENTRY MT .25	72.62	
0000003275	EDISON RUTH WRIGHT & HEIRS, .87 AC ENTRY MT	102.42	
0000003568	HARTMAN EDWIN V & SUSAN O, 40.43 ACRES N FORK MT	706.50	
0000003597	HARVEY BONZELL JR, .41 AC JACK MT	298.61	
0000003643	HERSH STEVEN W, 66.90 ACS SOUTH BRANCH	562.25	
0000003644	HERSH STEVEN W, 57.40 ACS SOUTH BRANCH	373.86	
0000003645	HERSH STEVEN W, JACK MT 107.05 AC	756.49	
0000003776	HUGHES THOMAS R, 1.005 ACS SOUTH BRANCH	406.29	
0000003800	INGLE CAROLYN J, 52 ACS SMITH CREEK	558.18	
0000003812	JAMESON KAREN L, 17.5 ACS "ROS" THORNY MEADOW	756.35	
0000003831	JOHNSON ELVIN S, LOT 3 THORNY MEADOW 0.62 AC	144.46	
0000003941	KIMBLE LABRESKA K, 14.17 ACS SMITH CREEK	349.78	
0000003982	KOENIG ROSS W, 76.786 ACRES BOBS MT	552.68	
0000004042	LANTZ DENNIS, 107.69 SIMPSON KNOB	206.66	
0000004047	LAYMAN & NICHOLS FC TRUSTEE, SOUTH BRANCH 1.4 ACRES	71.92	
0000004099	M & B FARMS LLC, 17 AC FRIENDS HILL	74.39	
0000004100	M & B FARMS LLC, 0.40 ACS FRIENDS HILL	130.52	
0000004101	M & B FARMS LLC, 214 AC FRIENDS HILL SUB DIV	115.27	
0000004136	MARLER LESLIE JO, 20.75 ACS SMITH CREEK	199.35	
0000004137	MARLER LESLIE JO, 3.89 AC SMITH CREEK	97.15	
0000004138	MARLER LESLIE JO, 7.09 ACS SMITH CREEK	108.98	
0000004202	MERRITT JOHN A, 3.08 AC LOT C-5 ENTRY MT	173.37	
0000004335	MURPHY JUSTIN ISAAC, SOUTH BRANCH 82.5 X 300	84.39	
0000004336	MURPHY JUSTIN ISAAC, SOUTH BRANCH 2.618 AC	346.73	
0000004337	MURPHY PATSY ANN (DUNBRACK), .152 AC SOUTH BRANCH	103.28	
0000004389	NIBBLINS DIANNE HAROLD, .75 AC ENTRY MT	403.29	
0000004484	PROPST GARRY C, 0.74 ACS FRIENDS RUN	534.83	
0000004485	PROPST GARRY C, 0.74 ACS FRIENDS RUN	146.95	
0000004486	PROPST GARRY C, .90 AC PROPST GAP	954.68	
0000004487	PROPST GARRY C, .52 AC PROPST GAP	77.89	
0000004488	PROPST GARY, PROPST GAP 1 AC	277.15	
0000004561	REXRODE CARL, 7.3 ACS SANDY RIDGE	408.69	
0000004573	REXRODE GEORGE, 5 AS HIGH VALLEY SUB DIV	209.56	
0000004628	RION JAMES F & HUFFMAN C, NEAR FRANKLIN .277 ACRE	578.25	
0000004964	SPOUNGLE PATSY B, 49.16 ACS LOT#10 DAHMER	100.66	
0000005038	THOMPSON JEREMY &, .268 AC LOT #1	182.13	
0000005061	TOKHI ALICE LILEY & HAFIZ JON, 1.63 ACS RUDDLE	278.40	
0000005131	VANMETER MARK & BRENDA, .275 AC POTOMAC HEIGHTS	296.44	
0000005259	WAYBRIGHT CARL LEE, S BRANCH 1.7 ACS	209.28	
0000005315	WILLIS PATTY 3.08 AC ENTRY MT	92.77	
0000005316	WILLIS PATTY J, 10.79 AC LOT B-2 ENTRY MT	132.35	
0000005332	WIMER MARGIE, .23 ACS LOT #6 POTOMAC HEIGHTS SUB DIV	250.88	
0000005335	WIMER MATTHEW, 2.19 ACS LOT #15 TREASURE MTN ESTATES	183.00	

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SOUTH 40 SURVEYING	1,975	WV DEPT OF EDUCATION	6,850
SOUTH BRANCH CAREER & TECHNICAL	52,666	WV DIVISION OF LABOR	270
SOUTH FORK RURITAN CLUB	750	WV SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION	9,443
SOUTHERN REFRIGERATION CORP	1,630	WV STATE AUDITOR	2,872
SOUTHERN STATES	20,697	WV STATE FIRE MARSHAL	275
SOUTHERN STATES-MOOREFIELD - DIESEL/PROPANE	240,524	WV TEACH. DEF. BEN. PLAN IB	535,870
SOUTHERN THERMAL SOLUTIONS	56,861	WV TEACH. DEF. BENEFIT PLAN 1A	54,706
SPLMAN THOMAS & BATTLE, PLLC	1,083	WV TEACHERS DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT	20,043
SPRUCE KNOB SENECA ROCKS TELE	4,139	WV TEACHERS RETIREMENT - SHARE OF STATE LIABILITY	1,347,812
STAFF DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATES	2,281	WV WOOD TECHNOLOGY CENTER	415
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	8,636	WVASA	1,000
STINSON, SHAWN	270	WVASHRO, INC.	260
STUDIES WEEKLY	717	YOUNG'S MECHANICAL SOLUTIONS	2,266
SUBWAY	1,225	YURACTION FACTION, LLC	1,350
SUCCESS BY DESIGN INC.	1,105	ZONES LLC	34,323
SUNNYSIDE SOLUTIONS	400		
T & K MARKETS LLC	6,129	Total non-salary expenditures paid in excess of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250)	9,331,297
TAPROOT LEARNING	6,000		
TEACHERMADE.COM	1,157		
TEAM TUTOR	24,148		
TED DAVIS AUTO SALES	23,900		
TEL/LOGIC INC	5,355		
TETER, MANDA R	399		
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THE RECORDER	489		
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TRAVELERS - WORKERS COMPENSATION	22,534		
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VISA	3,843		
WADDELL, KELLE	1,451		
WARNER, DARELL	9,684		
WARNER, JERRY M	7,000		
WEAVERS FLOORING AMERICA	61,099		
WHITEROCK EXCAVATING, LLC	14,965		
WILLIS, MS. JENNIFER L	352		
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WORLDWIDE EQUIPMENT - NEW BUS	119,272		
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WV DEPARTMENT OF ED	2,838		

PENDLETON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, BOARD OF EDUCATION

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FYE JUNE 30, 2023

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (516,104)
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different due to:

Hands and Harvest Festival Begins Friday

The annual Hands and Harvest Festival returns with county-wide fall fun during the weekend of Oct. 6 - 8 in Highland County, Virginia, where everyone is invited to celebrate the traditions, harvest, and crafts found in this rural mountain community.

From farms to a fire tower, visitors can experience the sights and tastes of the season while viewing the beautiful countryside of fall foliage. On the self-guided Harvest Trail, the public is invited to take part in traditional fall staples like cider pressing, making apple butter, or picking pumpkins at local farms and maple sugar camps, or they can try something different like viewing the process of creating colorful barn quilts or taking a tour of a mini equine sanctuary. While traveling, guests can get their Virginia Maple Syrup Trail passports stamped at five sugar camps - get them while one can before the trail program ends on March 31, 2024 (www.virginiamaplesyrup.com).

Community activities include an exciting 5K Fall Color Run, Valley AeroSpace Team Rocket Launches, the

restored Sounding Knob Fire Tower, popular annual sweater and used book sales, historic Monterey walking tours starting from the Highland Inn, and more. New attractions like the Charles Pinckney Jones House Museum, the working cattle farm of Hazy Hollow Farm, and the grand opening of the local artist gallery, The 3rd Space, add to the opportunities to create lasting memories.

Free entertainment in Monterey, Virginia, is available for the entire family. Kick off the weekend on Friday afternoon with bluegrass music at the Highland County Courthouse lawn from Eyes on Him. On Saturday starting at noon, children can take a ride on Andy's Bug Train that is sure to bring smiles. Sunday afternoon join in the excitement of an old-fashioned street dance on Spruce Street with one of Virginia's oldest clogging groups, the Little Switzerland Cloggers, as well as local square dance callers Ellen and Eugene Ratcliffe for a rollicking performance and interactive fun.

Bring one's appetite, because there will be abundant

food options available around the county. The Friday Highland Farmers' Market, Puff's BBQ, and Martinez Kitchen will be open on the courthouse lawn. Fall-themed menus at local restaurants with expanded hours are sure to please. Whether a person visits traditional staples like High's Restaurant and Hull's Hideaway Restaurant and Tavern or newer establishments like Claire's Cakes and Café, The Curly Maple, or the Monterey Inn, the tastebuds will thank one. Big Fish Cider, Company will be open with their award-winning craft ciders in Monterey, Virginia.

Many adventures await with a visit. The full schedule, details, and addresses of all the festival happenings can be found at www.highlandcounty.org/hands-harvest-festival. Maps with daily schedules will be available at local stores and on the Highland County Courthouse lawn in Monterey, Virginia, during the event.

The Hands and Harvest Festival is brought to one by the Highland County Chamber of Commerce.

Eastern Offers Free Events to Community

Eastern West Virginia Technical and Community College is offering events that are free and open to the public. The events will take place at the main campus at 316 Eastern Drive in Moorefield. Some events will be also held over Zoom.

•Let's Learn LinkedIn - Noon Oct. 10. Topics to include LinkedIn Basics 101, tips on profile optimization and Take Action: Engagement, Networking, & Outreach, plus, a free professional digital headshot and free Chic-fil-A lunch. (Zoom at <https://bit.ly/44IZU4c>).

•Art Club Session - second meet-up, 4:30 - 6 p.m., Oct. 11. Drawing and illustration will be the main focus, but feel free to bring other mediums; bring own materials with one to draw from provided prompts, a still life, or whatever a person wants.

•Academic Success Strategies: Test Taking and Anxiety - 5:30 p.m. Oct. 11. Topics will include identify good study habits, recognize ways to prevent test anxiety and learn strategies for answering multiple-choice

and open-ended questions. Participants will be entered for a chance to win a \$25 Amazon gift card. (Zoom at <https://bit.ly/44TBu2>)

•Diversity: Perspective of - Noon Oct. 19. When diverse perspectives of racism, equality, and white privilege result in disparity, what can the average American do to incite healing? This workshop is all about one's perspective on the tough questions. RSVP by Oct. 12 to Monica Wilson at monica.wilson@easternwv.edu to attend in person. (Zoom at <https://bit.ly/3PlwtQ1>)

•Overcoming the Frightfully Scary Interview Process (Halloween theme) - noon Oct. 31. Costumes welcome and the best costume wins a prize. Free Chic-fil-A lunch provided. (Zoom at <https://bit.ly/3Zd0yG6>)

•Trunk N Treat - 5 - 6:30 p.m. Oct. 31. A family-friendly event, Trunk N Treat, will provide safe environment for children to trick or treat. Trunkers (participants handing out candy) should RSVP by Oct. 24 to Wilson, at monica.wilson@easternwv.edu.

•Mental Health Stigma - Noon Nov. 6. People fear what they don't understand. When it comes to mental health care, this statement is especially true. Individuals suffering from mental health disorders shy away from seeking treatment, many times for the sake of labeling alone. This workshop has been created to shed some light on issues facing society in unimaginable ways. This workshop provides a brief overview of mental health-related maladies, statistics on deaths related to mental health, and stigmas that prevent individuals from seeking treatment for mental health-related issues. The objective of this workshop is to expose misconceptions and common stigmas related to mental health hygiene and treatment. To attend in person, RSVP by Oct. 25 to Wilson at monica.wilson@easternwv.edu. (Zoom at <https://bit.ly/3sYBTd>)

•Fall 2023 Community Job Fair - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 14. Attendees can search the job market, network and make one's next career move.

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SGR303A 18 Acres w/Unfinished 3-Story Cabin, another Older cabin and Hunting Bunkhouse w/Spectacular View of Dolly Sods. Located in Roaring Creek area, Union Dist. Septic avail, but not hooked up. Spring, Electric, Phone/Internet. NEW LISTING \$279,000.00.	SGR244 0.14 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath 1,008 sq. ft. Home, Bonus Room, Metal Roof, Mini-Splits. Franklin Corp. \$149,900.00 REDUCED \$146,400.00.
SGR302A "The Hollow" Restaurant, fully furnished, at the corner of US RT 220/US RT 33W, Franklin. Property adjoins neighboring motel. NEW LISTING \$425,000.00 REDUCED \$320,000.00.	SGR241 60.24 Acres w/Cabin. Exceptional Views. Excellent Hunting w/Hunt Stands in place. Bathhouse, Electric Nearby, Cistern, Small pond. Close to National Forest. NEW LISTING \$289,000.00 REDUCED \$259,000.00.
SGR300A 599.19 Acres, more or less, off of Sandy Ridge Rd. Hunting, Food Plots, Timber, Catfish Pond, Mtn. Views, Roads throughout. Franklin District. NEW LISTING \$1,795,000.00.	SGR223 World Class View Overlooking Germany Valley! Log Cabin, 70.08 Acres, 2 bed, 2.5 Baths. Seneca Lookout. Some Restrictions. \$799,000.00.
SGR296A 0.90 Acres w/2 Bed, 2 Bath Home w/Loft, Riverbend Garage, Common Area, HOA Fee, Corner Unit. NEW LISTING \$64,900.00.	SGR222 0.6673 Acres w/Spacious 3 Bed, 2 Bath Home, 2090 sq. ft., 1 Car Detached Garage. Franklin Corp. \$229,900.00 REDUCED \$299,000.00.
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SGR287A 0.20 Acres w/3 Bed, 1.5 Bath Doublewide Home, close to local amenities. Franklin Corp., Pendleton County. NEW LISTING REDUCED \$100,000.00 REDUCED \$89,900.00.	SGR128 2-3 Bedroom Ranch w/Full Basement on 0.6386 Acres, more or less, w/2 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage. NEW LISTING \$145,000.00 REDUCED \$149,900.00 REDUCED \$145,000.00.
SGR282A 0.75 Acres Store Front/Residence located in Brandywine. Needs some TLC. \$95,000.00 \$69,000.00.	SGR056 Highland County property. Pasture, several year-round Springs, Hunting, High Speed Internet, Electric, 1.3 miles of public Road Frontage. Awesome view of Blue Grass Valley. \$2,973,000.00.
SGR277A 17.81 Acres w/4 Bed, 3 Bath Home, 2-4 Car Garages, Hiking/ATV Trail, Well water w/deeded access to Spring, Sugar Grove District. Covenants & Restrictions apply. \$499,900.00 REDUCED \$469,900.00.	SGR042 Five Unit Townhouse property located in Brandywine. Each unit has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, LR and Large Kitchen. Near National Forest for hunting and fishing. Perfect for retirement income, live in one and rent the others! \$399,000.00.
SGR271-A 1.84 Acres, Potomac Heights Subdivision, Williams Rd., Franklin District, Pendleton County, WV. \$14,000.00.	SGR441 Residential lots , public water, protective covenants and restrictions. Oak Flat Estates near Brandywine on Rte 33 East of Franklin. Lots from \$20,760.00.
SGR258B 3.42 Acres, w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Home. Sugar Grove District, Falcon Lane. \$259,000.00. REDUCED \$229,000.00.	SGR247 Residential lots with town water, sewer & underground utilities. Protective covenants and restrictions. Franklin Airport Development. Lots from \$14,630.00.
SGR252A 81.01 Acres, more or less, Lot 7, Seneca Lookout, adjoins National Forest. Spring on property. North Fork hiking trail crosses. Union District. Covenants & Restrictions. \$519,000.00.	