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Music fans filled the tent in readiness for the first show of the day at Summer Fun Fest.

Franklin's Summer Fun Fest Brings Music and More for Area Residents

By Stephen Smoot

Summertime in Pendleton County brings out the festivals and the fun. From fire department community party fundraisers to fish rodeos and tales of treasure, no one has an excuse to miss the party.

Every year in July, Franklin adds to the throng of events with Summer Fun Fest.

A solid slate of entertainment for children and adults alike greeted those who went to Franklin Town Park on Saturday afternoon

"I think it's terrific that the town puts on events like this," said Robin Alt, who attended with members of her family. "All of those who worked hard to put this on deserve thanks."

Elizabeth Scott, an administrator with the Town of Franklin who worked to help organize Summer Fun Fest, said that she was very pleased with the turnout – especially with "a lot of local events going on today."

One area in which she tried to improve the experience for attendees was the overall setup. "I feel like with the layout, we finally got it right," she noted.

Attractions for children, including a bouncy house sponsored by the Family Support Center, were placed near the town swimming pool. An "adult" section that permitted consumption of alcoholic beverages sold on site was marked off with yellow tape. It formed

a circular shape with the large music tent placed in the middle.

Almost all of the seats were quickly filled early in the afternoon as Jack and Davis Reid took the stage to play country favorites. They were followed later by Cameron Simmons, Mike Eye, and Spencer Hatcher and the Ol' Son Gang.

A first-time vendor, Gulp and Gallop, helped the crowd keep cool in the summer sun with tropical potent potables. Tasha Sponaugle, who along with her husband Isaac operate the mobile bar from a converted horse trailer, brought two bartenders, Jenny Harman and Ann Nesbit, with a total of 21 years of expe-

"We're going really good," she said, adding that it's been an awesome turnout." Sponaugle praised Scott, saying that she "has worked hard to keep this event going and she's done a fantastic job."

"The community needs this," Sponaugle

This weekend will see more family fun as the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department holds its annual lawn party at the carnival grounds in Franklin. This will serve as one of the department's most vital fundraising efforts of the year. Festivities will begin at 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday with fireworks scheduled at dusk on Friday and a parade at 6 p.m. Saturday.

45th President Escapes Would-Be Assassin's **Bullet, State and Local Residents Respond**

By Stephen Smoot

In another presidential campaign, in another place, in another time, Theodore Roosevelt took a bullet to the chest during a campaign address. He settled himself, continued the speech, then went to the hospital. That same president also once made a famous statement about people of action that includes "the credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood."

Last weekend, former President Donald Trump made a similar kind of history as a disaffected 20 year old tried to end his life – and with it a political era.

"I absolutely was shocked," said Pastor Jason Boggs from Redeeming Grace in Franklin. "For me, my response was, as soon as I heard about it, I started praying.'

The former president received a nick to the ear, but experts state that had he not turned his head a second before, the shot would have passed through his brain and skull.

Congressman Alex Mooney was the first to issue a statement last weekend, sharing that it was "a horrifying event for our nation." He praised "the brave members of the United States Secret Service, local police, and first responders," and added that "this type of senseless violence goes against everything our country stands for."

Boggs shared that "it was traumatizing to me. For me, it was a moment where America could come together, forget about political views, and pray."



States Secret Service agents usher him to safety.

Those sentiments echoed the response from Delegate Bryan Ward, who represents much of Pendleton County in the West Virginia State Legislature. He called the event "a sad day for America" and also showed the need to set politics aside by saying "had this been a Biden campaign event, my heart would be heavy just the same."

One of the real tragedies of the day came when a father and firefighter draped himself over his family to protect them and was shot and killed in the gunfire. Robbie Morris of Elkins said he was "horrified to hear about the attempted assassination of President Trump, but added that "my deepest condolences go to the family of Corey Comperatore...he is a true hero and epitome of what a father does to protect his family."

The incident seems to have created a different mindset for Trump. Near death experiences can produce powerful changes in thinking. He stated after the shooting that he decided to set aside the incendiary address that he had planned for later in

the week to speak about unity and values.

Many, however, do not have optimism that the country will de-escalate its political rhetoric. Boggs shared "unfortunately, I don't feel that it's going to. I've seen a lot just in posting ... we're seeing it both ways."

"I strongly condemn political violence of any type, toward any party, elected official, candidate, their supporters, their family, or anything else," Morris stated, adding like Boggs that praying for the country is a powerful tool.

West Virginia Governor Jim Justice presented a seemingly unscripted and unquestionably heartfelt address to the state about the incident, opening with "I never dreamed in my life that what we'd see is what we saw on Saturday."

"We saw a miracle right in front of our eyes," Justice said about the former President's near miss, adding "unbelievable the blessing."

"We've got to stop the violence do we not?" the Governor added, then ended with "keep in prayer all of us."

4-H Projects To Be Exhibited

The Pendleton County 4-H members will display their projects July 22 - 25 at the Pendleton Community Building in Franklin. The display will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and until 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

Senior Sponsored Meal Scheduled

Santa's Sailors will be an evening sponsoring "Lunch on Us" meal for seniors aged 60+ from 5 to 5:30 p.m. on July 25 at the Franklin Senior Center. To reserve a free meal, call 304-358-2421 by 2 p.m. on July

Family Support Center in Franklin **Sponsors Activities**

Pendleton County Strive to Thrive Family Support Center on Main Street in Franklin will sponsor a Family Night from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the support

A Christmas in July pool party, sponsored by EJ Wheeler Hardware, will be held from noon until 5 p.m. July 26 at the Franklin Town Pool. Admission is free with attendees receiving a free gift and frozen hot chocolate.

Donations of gifts for all ages are needed. Gifts can be dropped off at the pool, Franklin Town Office or Pendleton County Family Support Center.

For more information, call 304-538-7711.

Hoffman To Present History Of Seneca Rocks

Patrick Hoffman, climbing guide, will talk about modern climbing and guiding at Seneca Rocks at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Seneca Rocks Campground Amphitheater. He will also provide the history and geology of Seneca Rocks.

First Baptist **Church To Host** Bible School

Bible School, "Growing with Jesus" for ages 4 - 12 will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. July 22 - 26 at the First Baptist Church in Brandywine. A light dinner will be served.

A kick off will begin at 6 p.m. Sunday. Parents/ guardians must be present. Bring extra clothes and a towel for water activities.

For more information, call 304-249-3181.

VBS Planned at St. Paul Church

St. Paul Independent Lutheran Church will host a one day "Outback Rocks" Vacation Bible School from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Kids will venture into solid faith and discover God's powerful presence in everyday lift through songs, crafts, games, and Bible lessons. Lunch will be provided. Kids should bring a swimsuit and towel for water games.

The church is located at 4198 Doe Hill Road in Sugar

Contact Shanna Eye at 304-358-7830 for more information.

Franklin VFD Fireman Parade Back On

Monday night, the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department Fa cebook page announced a reversal of an earlier announcement. The department had previously stated that they would not hold the fireman's parade this year during their annual lawn party The announcement Monday was as follows:

"There WILL be a Fireman's parade on Saturday evening, July 20! Line-up begins at 5 p.m. on Loop Road at Hott's Ag. Service! Parade will begin at 6 p.m. going from T&K Market and ending at the courthouse."

The post also stated "we apologize for the confusion. Plan to come out and enjoy, then grab some yummy food and listen to some great music!"

The lawn party kicks off at 5 p.m. Friday with fireworks at

Sugar Grove Native Joins Team of Physicians at Pendleton Community Care

By Stephen Smoot

The famed American novelist Thomas Wolfe (not the Tom Wolfe who wrote Bonfire of the Vanities, but an unrelated author of the same name) wrote a novel entitled "You Can't Go Home Again" which was published after his death in 1940.

It should suffice to say that if Sugar Grove native Dr. Brandon Glover read that work, he was not swayed by its title.

"Pendleton County is the best place," said Glover, who also added "(It's a) very close-knit, small-town community and it doesn't get any better than

Glover chose his career path early on, while still a student at Brandywine Elementary School, choosing to emphasize work in family medicine while in medical school. Family medical practitioners, according to West Virginia University Medicine, "care for patients of all ages, including infants, children, adults, and seniors."

Although he says "I have



Pendleton County native Dr. Brandon Glover will add to the skilled staff of medical professionals at Pendleton Community Care.

lived in Morgantown for over 10 years for school and training, . . . I always considered Pendleton County my home." Glover added that "my wife, Haley, also grew up here and we wanted that same experience for our children."

Recruiting to rural areas has generally served as a challenge. Amna Nawaz from PBS,

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Two New Pastors Serve Mountain Lutheran Parish



Pastors Angela Lambert and Paul Schafer have served the Mountain Lutheran Parish for almost seven months.

By Stephen Smoot

"Faith is God's work in us, that changes us and gives us new birth from God." Just over 500 years ago, Martin Luther used this passage in his "Introduction to St. Paul's Letter to the Romans in his German Bible of 1522.

Pastors Paul Schafer and Angela Lambert, each in their own ways, experienced that "faith that changes us" in different ways that led them to service in the Lutheran church Their "living, bold trust in God's grace," as Luther described it has guided them through different stops and different places in life as they made their way to Pendleton County.

Lambert was "born in New Hampshire, but never lived there," as she said. Her early life prepared her for the life of a pastor, due to her father's service in the United States Air Force. She spent time living in Germany, Holland, and elsewhere but "most of my life I spent in the South. I was

She had originally sought to major in art, but "my mom said I needed to do something practical." That led her into a career in which she taught English and creative writing, also working as a writing specialist.

In his autobiography "Witness," National Review writer Whittaker Chambers wrote about how the birth of his daughter set him on the road from fanatical atheism to devout Roman Catholicism. Lambert was not an atheist, but thoughts of raising children provided similar inspiration. She shared that "I was in my early 20s and wanted to have kids. I didn't want to have that emptiness.'

"I started looking for a church home," she then explained, going on to say "I went to every denomination I could think of." In the early 2000s, she settled down and joined a Lutheran church in Franklin, North Carolina. Later, while

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OBITUARIES



Elva Mae (Rodgers) Smith

Elva Mae (Rodgers) Smith, 64, of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and formerly of Petersburg died July 9, 2024, at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

She was born on May 2, 1960, in Petersburg and was a daughter of the late James William "Billy" Rodgers and Louella (Reel) Rodgers.

Ms. Smith was a graduate of Annandale High School. She was involved in an auto accident at the age of 27 which left her as a quadriplegic. During her lifetime, she was determined she

would live as normal a life as possible being confined to a wheelchair. She drove and lived alone taking care of herself until the past year.

She was a member of Revival Center, UPC in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

She loved her three fur babies, Rambo, the dog and Kiki and Tux, the cats.

Surviving are a son, Dustin Smith; a grandson, Chase Smith; two sisters, Wanda Stump (Butch) of Petersburg and Pam deNiord (Lyman) of Colorado Springs, Colorado; a brother, John Rodgers of Augusta; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was also preceded in death by a sister, Carolyn (Smith) Haslacker; and her grandparents, Rex Rodgers and Norene (Bodkin) Rodgers and John and Lottie (Alt) Reel.

Funeral services were held Monday in the chapel of Schaeffer Funeral Home in Petersburg with Pastor Rob Borror officiating. Interment was at Maple Hill Cemetery in Petersburg.

Memorials may be made to the Schaeffer Funeral Home, 11 North Main Street, Petersburg, WV 26847.

Rosa Lynn (Rexrode) **Tichenor**

Rosa Lynn (Rexrode) Tichenor, 82, of Sugar Grove passed away on July 14, 2024, as the result of an extended

She was born on Oct. 4, 1941, in McDowell, Virginia, the daughter of the late Bruce and Susie (Waybright) Rexrode.

Mrs. Tichenor was a 1960 graduate of Franklin High

She had worked several years at Hanover Shoe and as a United States mail carrier. She was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church and active in the community of Franklin.

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and watching her hummingbirds. She loved her family and friends and will be dearly

Her husband, Kenneth Tichenor, Sr., preceded her in

Surviving family members include a sister, Donna Kay Ruddle and husband, Calvin "Buddy" of Sugar Grove; a brother, Donald "Dick" Rexrode and wife, Patricia of Sugar Grove; a grandson, Erik C. Turner of Franklin; a granddaughter, Kali Tichenor of Stephens City, Virginia; and a stepson, Kenneth Guy Tichenor, Jr. (Linda), of Deer

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Sandra Renee Turner; a son, Eldon Tichenor; two brothers, Glenn and Marvin Rexrode; and a friend/companion, Warnie "Buddy" Alt.

In honoring her wishes, her body has been cremated.

Memorials may be made to "the family," c/o Basagic Funeral Home, PO Box 215, Franklin, WV 26807 or to Donna Ruddle, 2703 Thorn Creek Rd., Sugar Grove, WV 26815.

Memories and words of comfort may be left at www. basagic.com.

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Rose Marie Robinson

Rose Marie Robinson, 70, of Brandywine passed away July 14, 2024, at her home.

She was born on Jan. 25, 1954, in Harrisonburg, Virginia, the daughter of the late Arvel Nester and Alma Vir- at Cherry Grove and was ginia (Eckard) Nesselrodt.

Mrs. Robinson was a 1971 graduate of Franklin High School and attended Fairmont State. She obtained her bachelor of science degree in elementary education from Shepherd University, and ob-Marshall University.

Potomac Highlands Shriners, Franklin OES #138, and Brandywine Christian Church, where she had served as a intermediate technician at treasurer, trustee and deacon-

She took pride in her career and worked as an educator in Pendleton County Schools until retiring in 2015. She taught at all five Pendleton County Elementary Schools. She coached cheerleading and volleyball at Brandywine Elementary.

On Nov. 6, 1992, she married the love of her life, Mark Robinson, who survives.

In addition to her husband, she leaves behind to cherish her memory a daughter, Elizabeth Renee Eagle of Houston, Texas; three grandchildren, Olivia Lynn and Brooks Eliot Aaron Reid and Emmalee Rose Sargent; two sisters, Karen Ann Pszczolkowski (Michael) of Moundsville and Melody Kay Hodgson (Donald) of Winchester, Virginia; three nieces, Brittany Yvonne Sampson, Kayla Dawn Hodgson and Katie Pszczolkowski; and a nephew, Jacob Hunter Hodgson.

death by two daughters, Rebecca and Jennifer Robinson.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Basagic Funeral Home in Franklin with Pastor Larry Danner officiating.

Memorials may be made to South Fork Volunteer Fire Department or Rescue Squad, or National Kidney Foundation 26847 www.kidney.org.

comfort may be left at www. www.kimblefuneralhome. basagic.com.



Donald Lee Nelson

Donald Lee Nelson, 80, of Circleville passed away July 14, 2024, at Grant Rehabilitation and Care Center in Petersburg.

He was born Aug. 7, 1943, the son of the late Emma Lee Rymer Barkley and the stepson of the late Wardell Barkley.

Mr. Nelson graduated from Circleville High School and Potomac State College. He attended a 75tained her master's degree in week course in Technical elementary education from Electronics in Hyattsville, Maryland and did an in-She was a member of the ternship from 1966 - 1970 at Fairchild Hiller Corp. in Germantown, Maryland.

> In 1971, he became an Green Bank Observatory and later became a telescope operator. He had secret security clearance and observed frequencies of three 85' telescopes and one 45' telescope at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory.

He was a member of the Circleville Presbyterian

He enjoyed hunting. His pride and joy were his horses. He loved going on trail

Surviving are two sisters, Judy Warner of Stafford, Virginia, and Diana Hiner (Darrell) of Cherry Grove; two brothers, Kenneth Barkley (Bonnie) of Moorefield and Richard Barkley (Nancy) of Circleville; and a num-

ber of nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by two sisters, Patty Barkley and Carolyn Steele.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. She was also preceded in today at Kimble Funeral Home in Franklin, where a funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday with Rev. Fletcher Hutcheson officiating. Interment will be in the

Dry Run Hinkle Cemetery. Memorials may be made Brandywine Christian Church, toward his funeral expenses, c/o Krista Hiner, 33 Royal Glen Road, Petersburg, WV

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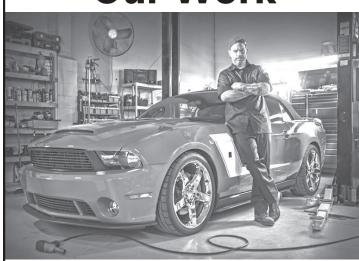
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Upper Tract Volunteer Fire Department Car Show Keeps on Truckin'

By Stephen Smoot

The Upper Tract Volunteer Fire Department has held its annual car show for only three years, but it has quickly grown into a Pendleton County tradition. Last Saturday, under brilliant blue and cloudless skies, attendees from as far away as Keyser and Virginia and Keyser (or perhaps further!) came to the car show.

"It just keeps going and going as it should," said Mike Alt, training officer for Pendleton County Emergency Rescue. "We got some people here from Elkins," he added.

Billed as a car show, the event featured classic automobiles and pickup trucks from across the decades. Aficionados of big trucks did not walk away disappointed, however. "Pretty much any entity in the county with trucks is here," Alt said.

The fire department relies heavily on the car show to help bring in much-needed funding. "It's one of the biggest ones that we do to support our operations," said Alt. He emphasized, however, that it also plays a role in promoting the Upper Tract area.

"We have so much to offer here," he noted, going on to say that "people really like it here."

The event brought in two food vendors, Bubba's BBQ and also Farm to Flame, a food truck from Mount Storm.

Alt praised the "very long list" of vendors and others whose generous donations helped to bring it to life. He

also credited Lori Smith from the UTVFD Auxiliary and

Lori Trail. "Those are the ones who head things up behind the scenes. They're the backbone behind all of this."

He also praised the Pendleton County Economic Development Authority, thanking them for use of the Industrial Park lot.

Eastern Action's Family Support Center also came to the event as part of its outreach program. The previous night, the group had offered face-painting and other fun options at Warner's Drive-In. On this day, kids who came up to the booth got to paint the cars and trucks on the lot. They could also select from a selection of diminutive wooden toy cars to take home.

Rachel Loudermilk from the support center shared one of the specific purposes for doing outreach at a car show. "We really want to get dads more involved," she said, adding that "it's very stereotypical to assume that moms are always the ones taking kids to events." Also, this kind of event helps to forge connections within families and with resources that can help.

Edna Mullenax, who directs the center and was manning the booth alongside Loudermilk, stated that "this is a good dad's day. We've seen excellent father turnout."

Even as state aid continues to build, a critical source of revenue for area volunteer fire departments continues to be community events such as this car show. People coming by to purchase raffle or other chance tickets, as well as supporting the vendors on site, help to ensure that Pendleton County has quality emergency services for years to come.



Sandra Narvaez of Old Fields made her first trip to Pendleton County with her family to check out the UTVFD car show and Summer Fun Fest.

Council Agrees to Systematize Town of Franklin Employee Job Descriptions

By Stephen Smoot

The Town of Franklin's Council meeting for July occupied little time, but got a lot accomplished.

In the nearly 30-minute session, Mayor Bob Horan and other attendees heard the report of the human resources committee of Kristen Dingess, Russ Sasso, and Jarred Rawson. The triumvirate met with all town employees to learn about the tasks performed by each with the aim of creating position descriptions for each job.

Once the committee put position descriptions to paper, they reviewed them with the employees. After these sessions, the committee determined that the descriptions made were "true and correct," in Dingess's words. Sasso added that the "supervisors approved the work descriptions of those who worked under them."

Additionally, the committee "discussed professionalism and the code of conduct" with each employee to ensure that all understood expectations. Going forward, those with "grievances" will take them to a three-person council instead of, as Sasso put it, "going at ludicrous speed" to various city officials

This process formalized employer-employee relations for the Town of Franklin and produced, as Sasso described "scalable and repeatable" guidelines. He explained to the council that "we had a lot of disconnects. We had a lot of incongruity with documents."

Much of this involved archaic lists of tasks for each posi-

tion. As times changed and technology advanced, some tasks were added, but not included in descriptions while other tasks no longer are part of the job.

Horan asked of the descriptions, "Is there any wiggle room?," expressing worry that too tightly written descriptions might not accommodate future changes. Sasso explained that the language of each description included wording that would allow flexibility in task assignments.

Dingess asked that the council approve the draft of descriptions so that the human resources committee could plan a final series of meetings with town employees.

Council members also received an update on progress with the water treatment system work. The Thrasher representative shared that "the water treatment plant is progressing pretty well." He stated that crews had nearly finished painting and had installed an algae unit.

"The big thing is the river crossing," the representative stated, adding that the quote for putting in a new line under the river will be in next week. He also said that the riverbed had dropped between two and three feet since the river crossing was originally put in decades ago and that the pipe would soon be exposed by erosion anyway.

Directional drilling will aim to put the new crossing between 10 and 11 feet beneath the bed of the South Branch River. After that work has been completed, the crews can work on installing a filter and doing electrical work at the plant.

New River Engineers, Inc also provided an update on their project with the Town of Franklin. Their representative informed the council that the feasibility plan which was uploaded to the Infrastructure and Job Development Council website, would go through the technical review committee in August, and be considered by the full council in September.

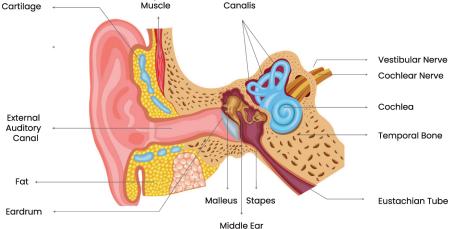
On Wednesday, the IJDC announced that Franklin's "water system improvement project estimated to cost \$1.7 million" was "found to be technically feasible and approved to pursue funding."

Elizabeth Scott, an administrator with the Town of Franklin, shared that she had publicly sought volunteers to work two-hour shifts at Summer Fun Fest and that those wishing to buy potent potables from Gulp and Gallop would need wristbands to show that they could legally purchase alcoholic beverages.

Sasso, in the time reserved for council members' comments, reported on the arrangement he made with the American Legion concerning how veterans' banners would be restored to their mountings if they fell. The town will accept the banners, turn them over to the American Legion, and volunteers will restore the banners to their rightful positions. Sasso stated that he will purchase any hardware needed to attach them

As Sasso explained the arrangement, Scott brought him a banner that had fallen, was retrieved by a citizen, and brought to the town office.





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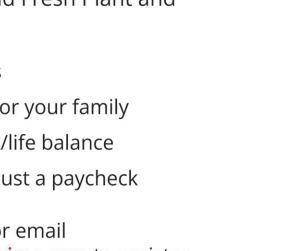
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30 Years Ago Week of July 19, 1994

Goland Finds Jackpot of Mushrooms On the North Fork

The day after a nice rain July 9, I found and harvested over two pounds of the King Bolete, Boletus edulis, in a wooded cow pasture near our place near Cherry Grove on the North Fork. This is one of the most prized edible mushrooms, called "porcini" in Italy, "cep" in France, and "steinpilz" in Germany. The top of the cap resembles a hamburger bun, and the pores (no gills on this mushroom) underneath are off-white bruising tawny; the stems are thick and bulbous.

I also found a new spectacularly beautiful American Caesar's mushroom, Amanita caesarea. This is a good edible mushroom in the Amanita family, which contains a number of deadly species. Fortunately, with its smooth red cap and bright yellow gills, it doesn't have poisonous look-a-likes. It's the only Amanita that I would eat. In the same pasture I found several other species

of mushrooms that were not edible, or if edible not particularly tasty, or that I couldn't clearly identify. I'd be happy to try to identify mushrooms in good condition that you find.

40 Years Ago Week of July 19, 1984

Wash Bathing Suit After Each Use

Wearing that damp bathing suit may act as an incubator for bacteria. Don't take chances with your health.

Washing your bathing suit thoroughly with suds and water before and after each wearing is a good preventive

Certainly, washing it after each wearing preserves the garment. Chlorine (or salt), sand, and perspiration are hard on fabric.

Nitrogen and Mulch **Help Tomatoes Produce Well**

When tomato plants start to set fruit, they need considerable nitrogen. If the soil does not have a sufficient amount of that element at that time, the quality and quantity of tomatoes will be greatly reduced.

To be sure that this condition does not develop in your garden this year, put about one tablespoon full of ammonium nitrate around each plant. Apply in a circle on top of the ground and keep it about three inches out from the plant. Be careful not to get the material against the stem, however, because it will likely damage it.

Mulching your tomatoes also might prove very helpful, particularly if it remains dry during July and August. A mulch may be the best step a gardener can take to reduce blossom-end rot, which is caused by irregular water supply. It also keeps unstaked tomatoes clean, and makes it easier to walk in the garden

when the soil is wet. And, when the mulch is worked into the soil later on, it will add a lot of valuable organic matter.

50 Years Ago Week of July 18, 1974

Catbirds Are Looked **Upon with Two Views**

Common in W. Va.

BY: GEORGE BREIDING Extension Specialist Outdoor Recreation

Catbirds are sleek, trimlooking birds. They're smaller than the robin, slate grey with a black cap and black tail. Another spot of color frequently not seen is a patch of reddish brown underneath the moderately long rounded

This species gets it main common name from its mewing-like call note. Its song is melodic but with a series of disjointed squeaky notes and phrases.

Some of its other common names are chicken bird, cat flycatcher, slate-colored mocking bird and blackcapped thrush. Its official common name according to the American Ornithologist Union is gray catbird.

The nest of the catbird is rather bulky, made of dry leaves, twigs, roots and grasses lined with rootlets and grass and placed in bushy trees, shrubs and thickets within 10 feet of the ground. The eggs are plain deep bluish green, much darker colored than the robin's.

The catbird has a dual nature. At times it is shy and retiring and even cautious in its relationship with humans. At other times it will perch or hop about in full view with an air of sociability.

Catbirds are also looked upon with two views. They eat large numbers of insects, but in turn, are likely to slip in and take a few berries as they ripen in the garden. For this reason they are regarded as a nuisance, with little thought given to the good they do as insect eaters.

The catbird is scattered throughout the United States and lower Canada during the nesting season. It winters from the southern states down into tropical America.

It arrives in West Virginia the latter part of April and stays until about the first week or middle October depending on the location in the state.

The catbird is a common species and one that you should become acquainted with. If you don't know it, you may confuse it with the gray-colored young starlings or with the female and young cowbirds, or female blackbirds. The long tail and black cap of the catbird distinguish it from other birds.

By planting some shrubs like mock orange, lilac, viburnum and brush honeysuckle, you can invite catbirds to be one of your wildlife neighbors.

60 Years Ago Week of July 16, 1964

100 YEARS AGO

By LON K. SAVAGE

following is one of a series of articles on the Civil War. Each weekly installment covers events which occurred exactly 100 years ago.

Davis Fires Johnston; Forrest Is Defeated

As the hard-driving Federal army of Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman approached the suburbs of Atlanta 100 years ago this week, a telegram from Richmond arrived at Atlanta, addressed to Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, commander of the Confederate army defending the city.

From the Confederate Adjutant General Samuel Cooper, the telegram read in part: "I am directed by the Secretary of War to inform you that, as you have failed to arrest the advance of the enemy to vicinity of Atlanta and express no confidence that you can defeat or repel him, you are hereby relieved from the command of the Army and Department of Tennessee, which you will immediately turn over to Gen. Hood."

Thus ended, for a time, a long smoldering feud between Johnston and Confederate President Jefferson Davis. All during May as Johnston retreated before Sherman's army, Davis fired off messages demanding to know why Sherman was not attacked. Johnston, eyeing a Federal army twice the size of his, asked for further help but did not receive it.

Public opinion turned against Johnston, too, as Sherman took more and more of Georgia, and Braxton Bragg, Davis' right-handman, was working behind the scenes to get Johnston fired and replaced by Bragg's friend, Hood. Finally, on July 17, Davis administered the blow, and Hood was in command.

John B. Hood, 33 years old and Kentucky born, was brave as a lion; all agreed to that. But in Sherman's opinion, Hood also was "not deemed much of a scholar, or of great mental capacity," and many agreed to that, too

Within two days after assuming command, Hood was to have ample opportunity to show his fighting merit as Johnston stepped quietly and

sadly down. Meanwhile in Mississippi, the one Confederate general who made a habit of winning in the west-Nathan Bedford Forrest—suffered one of his

few defeats that week. Early in July, an army of 14,000 Federals under Gen. A. J. Smith had set out from La Grange, Tenn., to find and defeat the famous Forrest. By happenstance, Smith found Forrest near Tupelo, Miss., at a time when Forrest was operating under another general's orders, and Forrest never was at his best unless he was running his own battles.

On June 13, Smith was nearing Tupelo when Forrest, under orders from Gen. S. D. Lee, fell upon Smith's rear. Misfortune started at once,

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Editor's Note—The as his men were beaten off by a brigade of Negroes and a Kansas cavalry detachment. That night, Smith encamped atop a knoll at Harrisburg, a mile from Tupelo, and prepared his defense.

At 7:30 next morning, Forrest, with about 6,000 men, dismounted his command and charged. Four times, his men went forward, and each time they were driven back with heavy loss. That night, they charged again, and again they met defeat.

Next morning, the 15th, Forrest prepared for another attack but was met, instead by a Federal charge, that broke his line. Forrest, himself, was shot in the toe, and his men were forced to retreat.

It was not a catastrophe for Forrest. Although his 1,300 casualties were double Smith's and although he was forced to ride in a buggy afterward because of his wound, his fighting days were far from over. Nevertheless, Forrest was never again to fill his depleted ranks.

Next week: The Battle of Atlanta.

70 Years Ago Week of July 15, 1954

Franklin Gets New Lumber Mill; Will Begin **Operations Monday**

> See \$25,000 Monthly For Labor & Logs

A new saw mill which will employ twenty-five men and have an outlay of approximately \$1,000 per day for labor and logs is scheduled to begin operations in Franklin Monday.

Operating under the name of Franklin Lumber Company, the new plant will utilize the Bennie Snyder saw mill property in north Franklin which was recently operated by the Franklin Walnut

The plant will be operated by W. R. Serber of Staunton, who has leased the Snyder property. Serber resigned his job as manager of the Floyd Lumber Mill at Natural Bridge, and the Holston River Lumber Company at Staunton to go into business here.

Serber said that he would operate a dry kiln in connection with the saw mill and that he planned to install a planing mill soon. He said that he also expects to add a building supply department and handle all types of building needs and materials.

Several men have been working on the mill for the past two weeks getting it ready to begin sawing Monday. Serber said that he would employ approximately twenty-five men at first but that more would be needed when dry lumber becomes available and that probably they would employ as many as thirty-five men when they get into full production. He said he expected the payroll and cost of logs to amount to \$25,000 monthly.

The new plant will handle both hard and soft wood and they will buy logs delivered at the mill as well as timber on

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the stump. Logs can be hauled to the mill profitably within an area of fifty miles from the plant, it was pointed out.

A. B. Owen of Bluefield will be the plant foreman. Both Serber and Owen plan to move their families here as soon as they can locate suitable living accommodations.

EDITORIAL

What's Happened to Old Glory? ---

What has happened to the American Flag? It seems that we see it so seldom anymore. Not too many years ago on the Fourth of July the Stars and Stripes flew from practically every front door in Franklin. This past Independence Day it would have been difficult to have found a half-dozen flags displayed in the entire town. Why? Having lived through two or three wars, has our patriotism become exhausted, have we forgotten what the American Flag stands for, or are we just growing indifferent?

We are concerned, not only because we seldom see Old Glory anymore, but also because of the lack of respect which it elicits when it is displayed in public. During the firemen's Independence Day parade through Franklin recently, the American Flag was proudly carried by a detachment of the Sugar Grove Veterans of Foreign Wars. Certainly there were few persons standing along the street that day who did not experience a tingling of the spine as the Stars and Stripes went by, but in entirely too few cases did that tingle of patriotism elicit an act of respect. Why do so many of us fail to salute the flag as it passes in a parade? If it is because we are uncertain of the proper method of doing it, let us take a look at Public Law 829 which was passed by the Seventy-seventh Congress of the United States. Public

Law states: "When the flag is passing in a parade or in a review, all persons present should face the flag, stand at attention, and salute. Those present in uniform should render the military salute. When not in uniform, men should remove the headdress with the right hand holding it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Men without hats should salute in the same manner. Aliens should stand at attention. Women should salute by placing the right hand over the heart. The salute to the flag in the moving column should be rendered at the moment the flag passes."

The American Flag has survived foreign wars, sneak attacks by aggressive nations and internal disturbances within our country. Let us not destroy it with ignorance and indifference. Let us display and honor Old Glory.

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Smith Creek/ Friends Run

by Dave Ellis

Everyone is saying and asking God in prayers for much needed rain. The grass is turning brown and crunchy. Some folks haven't mowed their grass in four weeks. This heat and a lack of rain is making the gardens harder to grow.

Smith Creek and Friends Run Churches of the Brethren: shut-ins - Mary Mitchell, Bucky Moyers, Pam Riner, Anna Tesi, Alice Johnson, Arlin Dale and Freda Jamison, Hazel Simmons, Sandy Washburn, Larry Moyers, Mary Alice Simmons and Sandra Vandevander; prayer list -Richard Campbell, Tristan Hartman, Joshua Shirk, Ava George, Roberta Bennett, Kenny Williams, Dennis Mitchell, Debbie Horst, Myrtle Hammer, Pam Rexrode, Nancy George, Neal Eye, Margaret Wimer, Donald Burns, Wendell and Darlene Nelson, Ruby Gail Roberson, Ruth Bauer, Anna Mauzy, Linda Maxwell Looney, Wayne Kimble, Leann Britton, Bennie and Mary Alice Evick, Martha R. Kimble, Jimmie Bennett, Ruthalene Judy, Stanley Propst, Kathy Puffenbarger, Wanda Pitsenbarger, Gloria Moats, Tim and Dee McCormick, Judy A. Simmons, Nancy Blankenship, Jackie Smith, Rick Waggy, Frankie Judy, Jim Judy, Jessie Simmons, Lucy and Charlie Westfall, David Berg, Minny Rhoads, Mary and Gary Hess, Phil Downs, Larry Rexrode, Ethel Murphy, Bill Snyder, Troy Bennett and Marcia "Marty"

Warner. Prayer thought: "Heavenly Father, thank you for your overwhelming gift of grace. As we pause to reflect on all the resulting blessings, we'll find ourselves in grateful praise to

our generous God." High and low temperatures and precipitation for July 8 through July 14, followed by the same for last year, were as follows: July 8 - 89°, 64° (85°, 61°); July 9 - 90°, 67° (75°, 62°, 1.41"); July 10 – 92°, 71° (78°, 61°); July 11 - 85°, 64° (80°, 52°); July 12 - 84°, 60° (87°, 56°); July 13 – 91°, 59° (88°, 63°, .34") and July 14 - 92°,

61° (83°, 62°, .03").

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Heartfelt thanks to Pastor Rita Beeman and Pastor Dave Webb for their words of comfort and for conducting the service. Thanks also to Cindy Sites for the beautiful music and special song, all the pallbearers and to Schaeffer Funeral Home for the arrangements. Special thanks also to the Grant County Veterans Honor

Guard and to the United States Army Color Guard for your participation and service. Thank you to our family, our church family and our friends for

the delicious meal. The cards, flowers, gifts and memorial donations are much

appreciated. We are grateful for all your love and support.

Sincerely,

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Ramona and Kerri Harman and Family

Dog Star, Dog Days Equal Extreme Heat

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

The sweltering heat coincides with the rising of Sirius, the Dog Star. In ancient Greece and Rome, the Dog Days were believed to be a time of drought, bad luck, and unrest, when men and dogs alike would be driven mad by the extreme heat! In other words, the "combined heat" of super-bright Sirius and the Sun was thought to be the cause of summer's sweltering temperatures. The name "Sirius" even stems from the Ancient Greek *seírios*, meaning "scorching."

In this day and age, the phrase doesn't conjure up such bad imagery. Instead, Dog Days are associated with the time of the summer's peak temperatures and high humidity. Of course, the appearance of Sirius does not actually affect seasonal weather here on Earth, but its appearance during the hottest part of summer ensures that the lore surrounding the star lives

This year's Dog Days are July 3 – Aug. 11. Yes, the extreme heat and humidity is being felt, to a great degree, in this community. There are only 27 more days to go before Dog Days are over. Man and beast can hardly wait!

Life's little lessons to live by daily include the following:

- 1. Stop blaming other people.
- 2. Give clothes not worn to charity.
- 3. Listen more, talk less.
- 4. Return everything a person borrows.
- 5. Be on time, don't make excuses.

Temperatures have been soaring dangerously near the 100 degree mark. Every living thing is hunting for cooler shelter. The river is at its lowest in years. One can actually tread water by walking across from side to side. Rain is sorely needed!

Quotes for the week are as follows:

"If I had my way, I'd remove January from the calendar altogether and have an extra July instead." — Roald Dahl

"Being humble means recognizing that we are not on earth to see how important we can become, but to see how much difference we can make in the lives of others." — G. Hinkley

"I am summer, come to lure you away from your computer... come dance on my fresh grass, dig your toes into my beaches."

"You can't do ugly things to people and expect to live a beautiful life." — Tiny Buddha

"We must dare to be great; and we must realize that greatness is the fruit of toil and sacrifice and high courage."—Theodore

Sitting inside during Dog Days is where one wants to be to hear the "Talk of the Grove."

Ryan Sponaugle has a new baby donkey...Little Jimmy...born on July 6 which happens to be Jimmy Rexrode's birthday. The combined efforts of Calvary and St. John Lutheran

churches had a successful Fiesta Vacation Bible School on Saturday. The children learned about Jesus through crafting, singing, dancing, playing games, and laughing a lot.

Wesley, Becky, Nathan, Emma, and Ben Puffenbarger held a birthday celebration for Robert Hodges at their house. Also attending were Nancy Robby and Matt Hodges, along with Elden Puffenbarger.

This week's clickety-clacks for the chin waggers are as follows: • More than 8 million people from all over the United States and the world visit Lancaster, Pennsylvania, each year.

- •The largest bridge in North Carolina is the Virginia Dare Memorial Bridge which stretches 5.2 miles over Croatan Sound in Manteo in Dare County (Outer Banks, North Carolina).
- One opossum can eat 5,500 larval ticks and withstand 80 rattlesnake bites.
 - The largest adjustable telescope in the world is at the Green

Bank Observatory.

· Although Papua New Guinea lies close to the equator, its higher altitudes do receive snow.

Concerns for this week are as follows: Bob Adamson, Dyer Anderson, John Ashley, Roger Ashley, Mercedes Aumann, Richard Bennett, "Bo" Boggs, Marie Cole, Steve Conrad, Christian Dasher, Benny Evick, Isaac Eye, Linda Eye, Marie Eye, Mary Eye, the Allison Fleming family, Carl Gant, David Gillespie, Lola Graham, Patsy Green, JC Hammer, Marlene Harman, Marvin Hartman, Steve and Armanda Heavner, Grace Hedrick, Jim Hiner, Evan Hise, Tim Hively, the Gary Harman family, Alma Harper, George Hevener, Edsel and Mary Ann Hogan, Virgil Homan, Jr., Adalbert Hoover, Keith Hoover, Myrtle Hoover, Debbie and Enos Horst, the Lois Huffman family, Lisa and Mike Jamison, Jessica Janney, Alice Johnson, Richard Judy, Marsha Keller, Kim Kline, Ginger Knight, Tracie Knight, Melissa Lambert, Robert Lambert, Ronnie Lambert, Rex Landis, Roger and Skip Mallow, Yvonne Marsh, Ed May Gary McDonald, Neil McLaughlin, Rose Miller, Bruce Minor Tom Mitchell, Barbara Moats, Gloria Moats, John Morford Bill Mullenax, Helen Nash, Aaron Nelson, Ruth Nelson, Chery Paine, Walt Pitsenbarger, Wanda Pitsenbarger, Andy Pond Janice Propst, Eldon "Butch" Puffenbarger, Alda Propst, Janis Propst, Mike Propst, Sheldon Propst, Stanley Propst, Tom Rader, Brandon Reel, Charles Rexrode, Jason Rexrode, Linda Fay Rexrode, Pam Rexrode, Dennis Riggleman, Mike Roberts, the Rose Robinson family, Donna Ruddle, Jenny Ruddle, Brittany Shriver, Annie Simmons, Barry Simmons, Greg Simmons, Phyllis Simmons, Erin Simmons, Eva Simmons, Judy Simmons, Nelson Simmons, Robbie Sites, Mike Skiles, Tina Stuben, Steve Stump, Elizabeth Terry, the Rosa Tichenor family, Linda and Larry Vandevander, Sandra Vandevander, Raymond Varner, Amy Vaus, Estelle Wagner, Rene White, Judy Williams, Ann and Ed Wimer and Margaret Wimer.

New Physician at PCC

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during a broadcast feature about a hospital in Jefferson County, stated that "nearly two-thirds of areas with a shortage of primary health care professionals are in rural communities." Recent studies, however, seem to indicate that

rural health care can serve as a magnet for those who grew up in the countryside, as well as those with a higher dedication to patient well-being. According to the National Rural Health Asso-

ciation, a rural upbringing serves as a key factor in new doctors desiring to "go home again." An article they published in May cited a study that concluded that, as in the case of Glover, "physicians from rural backgrounds were almost twice as likely to practice in a small town than their urban counterparts."

Furthermore, physicians who trained in rural areas "were more than twice as likely to practice in a small town compared to urban counterparts. A 2014 West Virginia University Institute for Community and Rural Health found "that medical students who scored high on measures of service orientation were more likely to practice in a rural area, regardless of where they grew up."

In many cases, small towns and rural areas rely on health care from Federally Qualified Health Centers, also known as FQHC. Also called Community Health Centers, these facilities, according to The Primary Health Network, are "community based and patient directed." They "exist to serve those who have limited access to healthcare, although all are welcome." These include "low-income individuals, the uninsured, or the underinsured," but generally offer the same high-quality healthcare as other

As Glover notes, "FQHCs, like PCC [Pendleton Community Care, bridge the gap for access to health care in underserved areas." He went on to say that "PCC, with our multiple clinic sites provides convenient, exceptional health care." Another critical element in patient care, re

gardless of location, lies in providing a welcom ing atmosphere. Glover said, "I will be joining a group of already fantastic providers offering another friendly face and comprehensive care. He shared that PCC will offer "office based vasec tomies for male patients who seek a permanent form of birth control."

Finally, he said of his return to Pendleton County, "I consider it a privilege to be able to come back to my hometown to provide care."

New Lutheran Pastors Continued From Page 1

living in Chilhowie, on the Virginia side of the Commonwealth's border with Tennessee, the church she attended asked her to lead "They needed help. That's

how I said yes," she stated. Lambert went on to say, "When I started volunteering, I said I wouldn't do sermons." She ended up serving in church leadership for approximately six years until deciding to attend seminary. That didn't happen until another woman pastor assured her that she was not too old to go.

Eventually, she came to the mindset of "Lord, whatever you want me to do, I'll do." This perspective reads very similar to Luther's ideal of God as described in his Large Catechism, which reads "to have a god means this: You expect to receive all good things from it and turn to it in every time of trouble. Yes, to have a god means to trust and to believe in Him with your whole is one of the oldest Lutheran

Schafer trod a much different path, saying that "I'm sort of a lifer" in Lutheranism. He grew up in Wheeling, a center of German-American culture and Lutheranism since before the Civil War. "I grew up in the Lutheran church," he said, adding, "I was baptized as an infant." His childhood church was St. James.

Some in the faith refer to such an individual as a "cradle Lutheran."

After graduating from high school, Schafer attended Capital University in Columbus, Ohio. There, he majored in vocal music. According to the school's website, it was "founded as the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Ohio in 1830 by German immigrants to train Lutheran pastors to lead their churches."

Though devoted to his

faith in childhood, Schafer started considering life as a pastor "toward the end of my college years." That said, he shared that "I always had it in the back of my mind. The church was my second home, my second family. . . the church was there in my DNA. That's where the Spirit was sending me"

Upon graduation, he attended Trinity Lutheran Seminary and was ordained in 1990.

Schafer first served in Moundsville and New Martinsville until 1997, then Gloucester, Virginia.

The pair started service in the Mountain Lutheran Parish in mid-January and have steadily worked to learn the area since. The parish includes churches in both Pendleton and Pocahontas counties, including the half-century old Calvary between Brandywine and Sugar Grove, Franklin's Faith Lutheran, Mount Hope in Upper Tract (which churches in the state, dating back to 1797 when John Adams was inaugurated as President), St. John in Moyers, and New Hope in Minnehaha Springs.

The parish covers nearly 70 miles in distance from north to south, requiring the pair to adopt the traditional "circuit rider" model of traveling to different churches. The phrase "circuit riding" refers to the frontier traditions established by Lutherans, Methodists, and others of assigning scarce clergy to cover more than one congre-

One week, the pastors travel a 114-mile-long round trip covering two churches while another three church circuit requires 70 miles of travel. Schafer noted that "people around here are used" to traveling very long distances in their life routines.

Pastoral duties also re-

quire that, at times, they comfort the sick. From this region, congregants may end up in hospitals as far separated as Morgantown and Charlottesville, Virginia. Schafer noted that each

church has its own distinctiveness that the pastors must understand. According to Lambert, one of the challenges lies in finding "ways to integrate the whole parish, but at the same time, it's a circuit rider concept."

Some characteristics, however, tie the whole parish together. Lambert explained that their churches all "have rich traditions and gatherings that are rich with fellowship."

Schafer shared that "the welcome here and the food have both been extravagant." He also praised the parish churches for being "self-starting." Since he and Lambert have a tight schedule with a priority on delivering sermons, they by necessity must arrive in some churches after Sunday service starts. The churches they serve "don't wait for the pastor to get there to get started."



Pilgrim's Moorefield To Host Informational Workshop July 24

Pilgrim's Moorefield, the largest employer in better part of 30 years are now retiring. Attract-Hardy County and largest poultry integrator in West Virginia, is hosting a workshop at 1 p.m. July 24 at the Pilgrim's Moorefield Fresh Plant in an effort to attract a new generation of poultry growers from the Potomac Highlands region.

The workshop will educate attendees on becoming a grower, daily activities involved in raising birds and the career's lifestyle benefits.

According to Allen Collins, Pilgrim's Moorefield complex manager, the goal of the workshop is to help attract new growers to fill the need left by retiring growers. New growers are vital to meeting increased global poultry demands.

"The demand for poultry continues to rise and many farmers who have supplied birds for the ing new growers will ensure that we can continue to feed millions of people across the nation while investing in our communities at home," Collins said. "The average grower can make around \$70,000 with a two-house farm. It's a great way of life that offers benefits other careers do not."

Interested individuals living in Mineral, Hardv. Hampshire, Grant, Pendleton and Tucker counties are encouraged to attend to learn more about the benefits of a career in poultry.

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Pendleton County's two head basketball coaches taught game skills, teamwork, and fun to third through eighth graders last week.

Bodkin and Kopp Summer Basketball Camp Continues Work on Programs' Foundations

By Stephen Smoot

A well-constructed foundation generally reguires a lot of front end work to build. If set in place properly - and if located on solid ground a foundation for a home or business generally needs little attention over the years. The structure can rest on its concrete, block, or stone for decades or even centuries to come.

The foundation for a successful basketball team - or any sports program for that matter relies on constant construction. Foundations for the varsity teams require hard work to make sure that student-athletes coming up learn the proper skills, develop chemistry with other players their age, and absorb the expectations that come along with a winning program.

Last week, Pendleton County youth with a love of basketball had an opportunity to learn from Mountain State legends. Pendleton County boys head coach Jeremy Bodkin was a team captain during his senior year for one of West Virginia University's all-time great coaches, Gale Catlett. Donnie Kopp, who heads the girls' varsity program, led girls' squads in Harrison County to two state titles.

Other county coaches joined the two program leaders to provide an intensive, but welcoming and fun, education in the fundamentals of playing basketball. Bodkin noted that four of the coaches helping him and Kopp "scored over 1,000 points in high school." He added that "Donnie's been coaching for 16 or 17 years. He knows it."

Approximately 50 players from third to eighth grade joined the week-long evening camp. Some came in from Monterey and elsewhere in Highland County, Virginia.

From Bodkin's point of view, the foundation starts with the fundamentals. He explained that one must "set the fundamentals early. Take their fundamentals and build on them throughout the year."

When players learn the fundamentals of the game, including handling the ball with both hands equally well, developing proper shooting form, learning proper "boxing out" on rebounds, shooting layups correctly, defensive stance and sliding, and much more, Bodkin says, "Coach Kopp and I don't have to teach" those skills. They can instead work on more advanced techniques

with their high school competitors. "You have to do these things for these kids to

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have a chance to get better," Bodkin said.

Kopp shared that "it's fun to watch them." He added that over the course of the week "they've come a long way."

"They may not be able to do it," said Kopp of the younger players working on drills, "but they try to do it." Bodkin also stated that "it's fun to watch them try."

As he watched and advised a group of youngsters learning how to correctly shoot layups, one of his players, team forward Jameigh Miller looked on and helped to teach. Kopp shared that fellow players Julia Mongold and Avery Townsend had also participated during the week in helping to coach the upcoming cagers.

"They enjoy being a role model," noted Kopp, who added that "they looked up to the older ones when they were younger."

For both coaches, the camp serves an even greater purpose than simply teaching the game of basketball. Bodkin explained that all of the work required to organize the camp, recruit players and counselors, then run it all week is "giving back to the community" every bit as much as helping to develop better varsity squads.

The coaches also enjoyed watching some of the younger players stand out and show their skills. "Some of the eighth graders are really talented," noted Bodkin. Kopp had praise for middle school standout Alana Huffman and her work during

Camp award winners among the younger girls included Caston Lightner for foul shooting and layups, Bristol Bowers earned the hot shot award, and Macie Mitchell was camper of the

For the older girls, Vaylee Harper won awards for foul shooting, hot shot, and one-on-one while Makayla Lambert earned camper of the week.

Among the younger boys, Luke Kimble won the foul shots award, Hyrum Hartman earned awards in hot shot and layups, and Carson Mitchell was camper of the week.

Older boys' awards went to Mason Miller for foul shots, Jackson Wimer for hot shot and oneon-one, and camper of the week was Coen Hiett.

With the work put in this week by the varsity coaches, other volunteers, and, most of all, the players, Pendleton County High School basketball's foundation looks to remain sturdy and strong for the foreseeable future.

Women's Bowling Tournament Held at PHRC in Franklin

Association held its annual Women's Tournament April 20 at the Potomac Highlands Recreation Center in Franklin.

Women representing Hardy, Grant and Pendleton counties bowled in the tourna-

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SGR342A 5 Acres, Lot 40W, High Valley Development. Some Restrictions. **NEW LISTING \$15.000.00**.

SGR339A 1.00 Acre w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Home, 2 Car Garage. 12'x40' deck, paved driveway. Smith Heights Subdivision. Some Restrictions. NEW LISTING \$279,000.00. SGR335A 2.58 Acres w/3-4 Bdrm., 2 Bath, Ranch Home,

Maintenance free exterior, Oil heat, Central AC, Public Water, Outbuildings, Franklin District. NEW LISTING \$349,000.00. SGR334A 4.25 Acre Lot Shenwood Forest Nice building lot, Electric Wall She Reshictions apply, Franklin

District. NEW LISTING \$39,000.00. SGR333A 5.37 Acres w/Cabin. Open Living space, Main

floor bdrm, Large Loft bdrm, 1 Bath, Deck along 2 sides, Easy access to property. Located in Buck Ridges, Franklin District. NEW LISTING \$164.900.00. SGR332A 0.39 Acre w/4 Bed, 3 Bath Home, conveniently

located in Franklin. Updated Kitchen, Quality Wood & Tile Flooring throughout, Well insulated throughout, Wood Burning FP in den, Large Laundry room with storage on Lower Level, Generator. Large Garage/Workshop located in the back of the house, perfect for the hobbyist or car enthusiast. One bath needs some TLC. \$369,900.00.

SGR331A 3.0 Acres w/2 Bed. 1 Bath Gabin, Generator, Brand New Tip Erne Control Brand New Tip Erne Cont

SGR330A 3.69 Acres, 2 New 12x24 Buildings w/Metal Roofs. 1 Building is insulated w/living space, electricity and 2 lofts. The other is used for storage. 200AMP service,

Bethel District. Close to National Forest. \$89,900.00. SGR328A&B 0.30 Acres w/Duplex. 2-1 bed, 1 bath units

w/shared laundry. Newly Rehabbed. Located at South Fork Crossing. Some Restrictions. Purchase separately at \$69,900.00 per unit \$64,900.00 per unit or purchase

both units for \$135,000.00 \$125,000.00. SGR327A 0.44 Acres w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Rancher. Located

in Brandywine, South Fork Crossing. Newly rehabbed. Some Restrictions. \$109,900.00. SGR326A 141.74 Acres, Raw Land, Franklin District.

SGR320A 2.75 wooded acres, Lot #13, Yeager Ct., Highland Estates Development, Milroy District, Grant County, WV. \$63,250.00. **SGR318A** 14.47 Acres Raw Land, w/Road cut in and leveled building pad being prepared, Buck Ridges Development, Franklin District. **\$49,900.00**.

SGR317A 0.21 AS mystore of the Apartments, Large Storage area located in Riverton. \$70,000.00.

SGR316A 10.35 Acres, Entry Mountain, Some Covenants

& Restrictions. Nice View. \$89,900.00. SGR309A 0.41 Asca p./4 co Na Tabla (me in Franklin Two car garage Welchus room: \$229,000.00. SGR308A 10.04 Acres, Raw Land, Lot #26, Blackthorn Mtn. Estates, Sugar Grove Dist. Great View Potential.

Perc tested. \$60,000.00.

SGR302A "The Hollow" Restaurant, fully furnished, at the corner of US RT 220/US RT 33W, Franklin. Property adjoins neighboring motel. \$425,000.00 REDUCED \$320,000.00.

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 REDUCED \$1,595,000.00.

SGR258B 3.42 Acres, w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Home. Sugar Grove District, Falcon Lane. \$259,000.00. REDUCED \$229,000.00 REDUCED \$199,000.00.

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. SGR246 242.36 Acres, more or less, w/5 Bed, 2-1/2

Bath Contemporary Home as well as a Farmhouse on property. Pond, Magnificent Views. Conservation Easement. \$998,700.00.

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

SGR223 4 Bad 13 Bath, 2001 TRAC Tocated in town of Franklin (290) 6000

SGR056 Highland County property. Pasture, several yearround Springs, Hunting, High Speed Internet, Electric, 1.3 miles of public Road Frontage. Awesome view of Blue

Grass Valley. \$2,973,000.00. SGR441 Residential lots, public water, protective covenants and restrictions. Oak Flat Estates near Bran dywine on Rte 33 East of Franklin. Lots from \$20,760.00. SGR247 Residential lots with town water, sewer & underground utilities. Protective covenants and restrictions. Franklin Airport Development. Lots from \$14,630.00.

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