

THE PENDLETON TIMES

Serving the Community since 1913

\$1.25
Volume 113, Number 36

Franklin, Pendleton County, West Virginia 26807

Thursday
September 10, 2026



Last year's Gigantic Pumpkin Contest winners participated in the parade. Weigh-in for this year will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Sept. 19 at the Pendleton County Health Department.

Treasure Mountain Festival Soon to Bring Fall Fun to Pendleton County

By Stephen Smoot

For generations, many have debated the nature of the “treasure” in the Treasure Mountain Festival. Some speculate that Chief Killbuck and his men pulled real wealth out of Fort Seybert when they attacked and burned it. Likely the treasure sought by the Delaware Indians lay more in tools and cooking implements of iron rather than gold or silver, which American Indians found useless in their own lives.

The real treasure, of course, is the traditions honored, friends and family seen, and memories made during the time in September where Pendleton County welcomes one and all to enjoy the good times. This year, Treasure Mountain Festival will be held Sept. 17 – 20.

“We’re excited for this year! We’ve got great stuff lined up,” shared Annie Humes, who is serving with the Treasure Mountain Festival and also is executive director of the convention

and visitors bureau.

TMF has always attracted some of the best available musical acts and 2026 will be no different. “Spencer Hatcher is coming back to kick us off,” said Humes. His website states that he “has always believed in country music, hard work, and God” and “I’ve got an immense amount of respect for all my heroes in music” but the Nashville recording artist hopes “to build my own reputation as a real country artists singing real country music.”

He takes the main stage at 6 p.m. on Sept. 17. Music lovers can also enjoy Joe Crites, Mahala Alt, Reckart Hollow, Tennessee Mojo, John Benjamin, Jonathan Zinn and Fender Ridge, Micala Curry, Jack and Davis Reid, Bryer Moyers, and more on Sept. 18 and 19.

Bill Wellington also returns with his popular square dancing show on Sept. 18 and 19.

One note to remember. The historical reen-

Continued on Page 2

County Commission Supports Youth Time Capsule Project

By Stephen Smoot

“Every day is a gift from You, Lord,” prayed Roger Dahmer, commissioner, to open the first meeting of September for the Pend-

leton County Commission.

Business began with the opening of sealed bids to purchase a 2014 Ford Explorer. Clifton Arbaugh’s bid of \$1202.99 secured the vehicle.

Diana Mitchell, director of Pendleton 911, provided a report. She opened by saying that after delays, the Next Generation transition for 911 service “is moving now.” “It’s in its migration phase,” explained Mitchell.

Next Gen 911 adds capabilities to the service that helps authorities gather more information in different ways from a call. In addition to voice communications, texting and video also are available for use once fully implemented. Next Gen will result in more effective calls because of better and more precise information.

Mitchell also shared a concern. During the courthouse renovations as personnel migrated between temporary and permanent offices, a message was recorded for those calling in to pay taxes. “The message,” Mitchell said, “gives our number at the end.” This has caused confusion and frustration with those trying to pay taxes over the phone and also the 911 staff.

Carl Hevener, commission president, speculated that the office forgot to change the message after the renovations were complete. Karen Pitsenbarger then asked for a representative from the sheriff’s department to join the proceedings.

Deputy Josh Dempsey came to the commission meeting to address the issue. He stated that as the tax payment deadlines came closer, the volume of calls overwhelmed staff. Tristan Waggoner was pulled from bailiff duties to help answer phones. He

Continued on Page 2

Community CALENDAR

Quilters To Meet

The Sew and Sews Quilt Guild will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at Faith Lutheran Church in Franklin.

Musicians and Majorettes To March in Parade

All alumni band members and any musicians and majorettes interested in planning to march in the Treasure Mountain Festival parade are to meet at 2 p.m. at Pendleton County Middle/High School. If you need an instrument, contact Frisky Lambert at 304-668-9037 by Sept. 17.

Tire Collection Set for Saturday

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection REAP’s PPOD program will be collecting tires from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Pendleton County Industrial Park in Upper Tract.

Only tires from state residents to be accepted so a WV ID must be presented when one signs in. A 10 tire limit per person will be strictly enforced. Tires must be off the rim. Only car or light truck tires, 16 inches or less, will be accepted. No tires from businesses will be collected.

Worship in the Park Planned for Sunday

Summer Worship Nights in the Park will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday at Ruddle Park in Upper Tract. There will be free ice cream and drinks starting at 5:30 p.m. Rob Porter will be the guest speaker with music by Mahala Alt. Bring a lawn chair and a friend. Everyone is welcome.

Needlework, Quilts Sought For TMF Show

All quilters and needle crafters from Pendleton County and the surrounding counties are encouraged to enter their quilts and needlework in the Treasure Mountain Festival Quilt Show. Items may be brought from 5 to 7 p.m. on Sept. 16 and from 9 a.m. to noon Sept. 17 to the Pendleton Community Building.

Library To Show Movie Saturday

The Pendleton County Library is hosting a family movie matinee at 2 p.m. Saturday. The classic version of Charlotte’s Web will be shown. Admission, popcorn and drinks are free.

A selection of books that connects with the movie theme will be available to check out. After the movie, those books will be displayed in the library.

Come relax, enjoy a movie and spend some time together at the library.

Postal Service Announces ‘Discontinuance Feasibility Study’ for Upper Tract Post Office

By Stephen Smoot

Customers and other residents within the service footprint of the Upper Tract Post Office recently received a letter from the United States Postal Service. It served as official notice of a “discontinuance feasibility study” for the facility.

Local officials have worked to help the USPS find an alternative home for the facility, suggesting the Pendleton County Industrial Park as a possible option.

According to the Cornell Law School Legal Information Institute, officials with USPS “may initiate a feasibility study of a USPS-operated facility for possible discontinuance.

“Any decision to close or consolidate a USPS-operated retail facility may be effected only upon the consideration of certain factors,” shared the site, which then explained that “these include the effect on the community served; the effect on employees of the USPS-operated retail facility; compliance with government policy established by law that the Postal Service must provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to rural areas, communities, and small towns where Post Offices are not self-sustaining; the economic savings to the Postal Service; and any other factors the Postal Service determines necessary.”

Mandatory procedures following that notice include a 60-day notice to



The Upper Tract Post Office before its suspension by the United States Postal Service is pictured.

the public. After the public comment period, “final determination to close or consolidate a USPS-operated retail facility must be made in writing and must include findings covering all the required considerations.”

After this step, the public has the right to respond. As the site explains, “within the first 30 days after the written determination is made available, any person regularly served by a Post Office subject to discontinuance may appeal the decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission.”

This includes residents, business owners, and operators of non profit and community service organizations.

The Postal Regulatory Commission may affirm the decision to close or return it to USPS, but cannot alter the determination itself.

The USPS can close a facility given one or more of the following circumstances: “A postmaster vacancy; Emergency suspension of the USPS-operated retail facility due to cancellation of a lease or rental agree-

ment when no suitable alternate quarters are available in the community, a fire or natural disaster, irreparable damage when no suitable alternate quarters are available in the community, challenge to the sanctity of the mail, or similar reasons; Earned workload below the minimum established level for the lowest level RMPO; Insufficient customer demand, evidenced by declining or low volume, revenue, revenue units, local business activity, or local population trends; The availability of reasonable alternate access to postal services for the community served by the USPS-operated retail facility; or the incorporation of two communities into one or other special circumstances.”

It may not close a facility if there is “any claim that the continued operation of a building without handicapped modifications is inconsistent with the Architectural Barriers Act; The absence of running water or restroom facilities;

Continued on Page 2

Hevener Announces Goals For Upcoming School Year

By Stephen Smoot

“We ask that . . . you would bless us specifically . . . bless the students and the people of Pendleton County,” prayed J. D. Wilkins, Pendleton County Board of Education president, during the traditional invocation to open the meeting.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, the business of the day commenced.

About halfway through the proceedings, Nicole Hevener, superintendent, shared her goals for herself and Pendleton County Schools in the upcoming school year 2026-27

“Goal number one,” she opened, “is academic growth, to provide effective district level leadership fostering a climate of high expectations and resulting in an environment focused on student learning.” Superintendent Hevener explained that growth will follow continuing “with our academic growth plan” with each school crafting their own academic growth plan “and that should be their strategic plan.”

Additionally, she said, “We will be having specific meetings on certain dates, and, we will use that time to look over data and to work on professional development.” Meetings with principals concerning those plans will take place “every 60 days as policy requires.”

Support for personnel will come from professional development opportunities while “the top three performing students in each school” for official testing will receive special recognition by the superintendent.

The second major goal lay in outreach “to gain respect and support of the community.” That includes retaining the anonymous “sharing with the superintendent link” while continuing to contribute a regular column to The Pendleton Times. Hevener also wishes to establish a sounding board and meet with it at least once a semester. “It’s just an opportunity to share things with me that they may not feel comfortable in any other setting,” she added.

The purpose of all outreach lies in getting feedback from across the county and “concerns that they might have.”

Other goals include “monthly Thursday talks on teams with county leadership and meet monthly in person,” quarterly meetings with central office staff, faculty senate presidents, and attending events at each school at least once a semester. Hevener also noted that she will attend at least two community events per semester “and we can definitely exceed on those.”

“The third goal is legislative participation,” she stated. Hevener, and J. P. Mowery, Pendleton County Schools treasurer and chief financial officer, have often traveled to both Charleston and Washington, D.C., to make the case for Pendleton County Schools and smaller rural schools in general. Charles Hedrick, retired superintendent, also remains active in advising the West Virginia Legislature on education issues.

Hevener plans three trips to the state capitol and “we are hoping to take school groups with that.” She then stated, “And, I would like to have a face-to-face meeting with at least two representatives.”

“And the fourth goal is, district finances to evaluate financial needs, making recommendations for adequate financing and staffing, meet once a semester with finance department to review needs, meet with an advisory committee, which is, basically the directors, minimally every other month to review personnel and financial needs and possible cost saving measures.”

Additionally, the superintendent will work with Mowery “on a three-year projection for the district’s finances, attend a minimum of one finance conference, update the CEFP, which is our comprehensive educational facilities plan.”

“And all four of these goals will start today and to be completed by June 30, 2027, with a ninety percent completion rate,” she concluded.

Treasure Mountain

Continued From Page 1

actment of the burning of Fort Seybert will take place at 7 p.m. on Sept. 19.

A new twist on an established tradition will also greet attendees. Called “Tea With the Queen,” those who participate in the Treasure Mountain Festival Heritage Tea Room will be served by one of the TMF pageant queens. On all three days, one can join between 11:30 a.m and 1:30 p.m at the community building. Money collected helps to support the financial demands of serving as a pageant queen and other associated costs.

A number of old favorite presentations and exhibits will welcome visitors. The Sew and Sews Quilt Guild will hold its annual traditional show at the community building. Also, the Friends of the Library will hold their fundraiser used book sale in the basement of the Pendleton County Library.

Pendleton Senior and Family Services will be having its customary breakfast. Humes added that a number of new food vendors will be selling their wares at TMF as well.

“A PSA, though,” Humes stated, “we appreciate our local folks running for office, but we graciously decline to have them in the parade.” She added that last year, Governor Patrick Morrissey was granted permission because “he was doing a public health promotion.”

She also asked that “people be respectful of parking signage” and not leave their cars in areas forbidden. Last year a vehicle fire erupted during TMF on Main Street and emergency vehicles struggled to get to the scene.

TMF officials advise that attendees park at the festival grounds parking behind the country store (freewill donation jar), Julie’s Flea Market (fee donated to local youth sports), Potomac Highlands Recreation Center (fee on Saturday), and Franklin Elementary School on Saturday and Sunday only.

The parade will be at 3 p.m. on Sept. 19 with registration held on the day of. All entrants must be physically present at Pendleton County Middle/High School by 2:30. There will be 13 classes where entrants can earn first, second, and third place trophies.

Karen Pitsenbarger, Pendleton County administrator, also confirmed that the Pendleton County Courthouse will be closed all day on Sept. 18 for TMF.

Let’s Celebrate!



By
Nicole Hevener,
Superintendent

The start of the 2026-2027 school year is now behind us with the first benchmark assessment and Labor Day weekend already in the books. As we focus on this year, I want to take time to recognize last year’s accomplishments. Pendleton County has many reasons to celebrate! Our General Summative Assessment results for last year reflect the dedication and commitment that the staff, parents, and the community devote daily.

Some highlights include the following:

• Overall, the county scored ninth in reading, 10th in math, and 11th in science, compared to the other counties in our state.

• In reading, our fourth grade scored seventh, sixth-grade students scored third, and our seventh grade ranked fifth in the state, compared to other counties.

• In math, third grade scored sixth, our sixth grade ranked ninth, and our seventh grade ranked seventh, compared to the other counties.

• In science, our fifth grade scored eighth and our eighth graders scored third, compared to other counties.

In SchoolDigger’s Best School Districts in West Virginia, Pendleton County is ranked 10th. This is an increase from last year’s ranking of 15th.

Congratulations to Franklin Elementary School for winning the Attendance Trophy last year with a final attendance rate of 94.69 percent; it was a close competition.

The overall average and the chronic absenteeism rate for the county improved. While we certainly want students to stay home when sick, and we understand that there are times that students have to miss school, the improved attendance reflects dedication to prioritizing the school calendar.

These celebration points are evidence that Pendleton County is invested in our students and are dedicated to our students’ well-being. Thank you to each and every one of you for making our county and school district a place to be proud of — where students are provided care, academic support and rigor to grow and staff are supported through the collaboration of parents, guardians, business partners, and community members. Your commitment is greatly appreciated. Impressive work, and thank you. Here’s to making the 2026-2027 school year even better.

MENU Pendleton Senior & Family Services

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 SENIOR PICNIC!

BBQ Chicken, BBQ Ribs
Rigatoni, Potato Salad
Whole Wheat Roll
Fruit

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
Ham & Cheese Hoagie w/
Lettuce, Tomato & Onion
Pea Salad, Orange

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
Broccoli Soup
Grilled Cheese on
Whole Wheat Bread
Carrot Sticks, Pears

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Brown Beans
Parsley Potatoes
Stewed Tomatoes
Corn Bread, Applesauce

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
Chicken Tortilla
Casserole
Mixed Vegetables
Spinach, Banana



Meal times are from 11:45 to 12:45. All meals served with 2% milk & a bread. Reserve your meals. Reservations served first. Menus are subject to change.

304-358-2421



Sincere Appreciation

THANK YOU for all the prayers, thoughts, love, texts, phone calls, money, food, memorial gifts, flowers, visits, cards and the fundraising events during the illness and loss of our son. Thank you, Basagic Funeral Home (David, Neil and Lori) for the beautiful service and all the love and support you have given us. Thank you, Pastor Sam Harper for the words of comfort, love and peace that you brought our family during the loss of Jimmy. Thank you, Melanie, Bobbi, Harman ladies and everyone who helped with the dinner by bringing and sending in food, drinks and for just being there to show us love and support. Thank you, North Fork Rescue, Grant Memorial, Berkeley Hospital, Elkins Vandalia Hospital and Ruby Memorial for the roles they had during this troubling time. Thank you, Beverly and Whitmer Fire Departments who covered our department during the funeral details. Thank you to all our brothers and sisters in FIRE, EMS, POLICE, CHURCH and WORK families and friends for honoring Jimmy and being together to bring immense comfort and support to us during this difficult time. Thank you, Andy Teter for strength and composure when presenting the last call for Firefighter 706. Special thanks to the Seneca Rocks VFD family and friends for the bond that joins us and being by our side and helping during this emotional time. Special thanks to our immediate family for all the love and support you have given to us, for being by our side and staying with us during the days and nights at the hospital and taking care of everything.

If we forgot anyone, we are sorry. Just remember we love every one of you and appreciate everything you do. We could not have gotten through this without you.

God Bless You.

Jerry and Tammie Bowers

Postal Service

Continued From Page 1

compliance with Occupational and Safety Health Act, or the operation of the Post Office at a deficit.

The site also makes reference to a study conducted “when it is anticipated that a lease or rental agreement will be cancelled with no suitable alternate quarters available in the community.”

The letter to Upper Tract residents cited the reason as the termination of the lease of the facility as “no suitable alternate quarters available.”

Sherry Mongold of Seneca Rocks Regional Development Authority stated that they proposed the Pendleton County Industrial Park as an alternate option, but “the project has been put on hold until the USPS completes its study.”

In its letter to customers, the USPS rather unhelpfully pointed out that customers could access the Seneca Rocks facility at 6.48 miles away, Onego at 8.44 miles away, and Riverton at 8.74 miles away.

Since the Mountain State features mountains, those “as the crow flies” distances do not faithfully represent the true distance. Upper Tract to Seneca Rocks, according to Google Maps, is 34.1 miles and a 43-minute drive, to Onego is 37.1 miles and 47 minutes, and to Riverton is 25.1 miles and 34 minutes.

County Commission

Continued From Page 1

stated that “we need to do better” and promised to have the message changed to resolve the situation.

“They shouldn’t be calling the 911 center. You’re 100 percent right,” Dempsey added.

Annie Humes, Seneca Rocks representative with Mon Forest Towns and Pendleton County Convention and Visitors Bureau director, discussed a request for proposal to upgrade the area around the intersection of US 33 and West Virginia Route 28. The goal lies in “what will make that intersection a better place.”

The proposal came after 18 months of discussions with locals, including “working with Harpers and Yokums,” as well as appropriate state and federal agencies. One example of a proposed improvement lay in a safe walkway connecting the businesses with attractions such as Sites Homestead.

She informed commissioners that no project would require county funds.

Next, Humes discussed a project connected to America 250. Each county received a time capsule in which to place objects for posterity. Humes is teaming with Haley Craig, Pendleton County Middle/High School eighth-grade social studies teacher. Students will learn about primary source materials and have the assignment to find those reflecting Pendleton County today so those who open the capsule can better understand it tomorrow.

She asked if the capsule could be placed in the courthouse grounds because it is unlikely that the property will change hands between now and the date to open it.

Betsy Orndoff-Sayers, candidate for House of Delegates District 86 and mayor of Wardensville, came to engage the commission. She stated that the non partisan nature of Wardensville’s mayoral office meant she could run for both mayor and delegate simultaneously.

Dahmer explained that she is running in Bryan Ward’s district. He declined to run for re-election this year.

Hevner noted that between Orndoff-Sayers and her

opponent, Steven Schetrom, Hardy County Commission president, the district would benefit either way from a delegate well-versed in local government.

“Not many in Charleston know how small government operates. They have no idea how city government or county government works,” he added.

**Subscribe to
The Pendleton Times**

FISH DAY!

IT’S TIME TO STOCK

YOUR POND!

Delivery Will Be:

Tuesday, September 22

Romney 12:15-1:00

@ Southern States

Wednesday, September 23

Keyser 9:45-10:30

@ Burgess Farm Service

Moorefield 11:30-12:15

@ Southern States

Petersburg 1:00-1:45

@ Freedom Ag & Energy

Franklin 2:30-3:15

@ Hott’s Ag Service

“LIKE” us on Facebook!

FISH WAGON

To Place an Order Call

1-800-643-8439 www.fishwagon.com

Suicide Prevention Month Warning Signs of Suicide:

- Feeling depressed or anxious
- Loss of interest •Changes in behavior
- Loss of appetite •Keeping secrets
- Pulling away from relationships
- Signs of despondency.

*No patient denied services because of inability to pay!

**P E N D L E T O N
Community Care, Inc.**

Franklin (304)358-2355 • Riverton (304)567-2101
Harman (304)227-4134
www.pccnfc.org

**Highlands
Community
Orchestra**

Directed by
Gretta Sandberg

Concert

Sunday,
September 13

Broadway Musicals
with Lew Freeman, baritone

Garth Newel Music Center, 3 pm
The Highland Center, 7 pm

Free admission, donations appreciated!

Thanks to:

Morrissey Lays Out Next Steps in Energy Vision For West Virginia During Greenbrier Speech

By Stephen Smoot

Last week, West Virginia Governor Patrick Morrissey gave one of his most closely-watched speeches in his career at The Greenbrier. Meanwhile, the man most identified with the historic five star hotel and resort, United States Senator Jim Justice, was using the same occasion, the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce Annual Summit, to discuss a potential run for his former office.

To his credit, during the speech the governor resisted mention of the junior senator from the Mountain State and focused on key announcements and updates. His speech adds to a long list of private sector investments and the likelihood of more good paying construction and permanent jobs all over the state.

“Looks like you’ve had an exciting morning, and I’m hopeful with some of the announcements we’re going to make, we’re going to keep you on the edge of your seats for a few minutes longer,” said Governor Morrissey.

Much of Morrissey’s strategy for addressing the mounting list of needs facing the state lies in banking on revenues from development and assistance from companies seeking to make major investments. He stated early in his presentation that “we need to create the environment that gives every West Virginia family, and I mean every family, the opportunity to pursue their dreams, to wildly succeed, and allow West Virginia to be the best place to live, work, and play in America.”

“As your governor, that’s what motivates me,” he added. He touted \$96 billion in investment secured for the state during a one-year period, explaining that was nine times better than the next best year for economic development.

Later in the talk, he revealed that the investment would result in a little less than 20,000 new jobs.

The governor then turned to rural healthcare transformation funds that will improve access, facilities, communication, and other key elements of obtaining medical service in remote locations. He explained it as a “once in a lifetime opportunity to make improvements, improving transportation access for many people that struggle to get to their appointments, modernizing health care and billing, recruiting new nurse practitioners and doctors and other health care providers to come to our state, making health care more affordable.”

Improvements in healthcare outcomes, the governor reasoned, will directly improve West Virginia’s poor workforce participation rate.

“Clean, clear water” formed the next major topic of discussion, with the governor sharing that the State will put \$145 million towards improving water systems and infrastructure. He also pointed out that the amount of money from the state does not mean that only \$145 million will be spent on these projects. Much of that money will go into matching funds attached to potentially hundreds of millions more in funding from the federal government and other sources.

Often the federal government will provide a grant to fund a large percent, often 70 to 90 percent, if the recipient can put in the smaller percentage. State funding will help to meet those matches and leverage more help, the Governor suggesting that \$450 million more could be obtained.

He added that the state could soon see spending from his administration on such projects top \$1 billion.

Next came the topic of energy. Historically, West Virginia has served as a source of raw materials for manufacturing

or power production in other states. Many aware of that history have cited it in criticizing recent development moves and efforts.

The difference is that the state has a policy in place to monetize West Virginia resources as much as possible in state. For example, as Morrissey explained, “In the past, West Virginia was exporting 90 percent of its natural gas out of state for the benefit of others. This is a different philosophy than we have.”

He went on to explain that “historically, West Virginia’s energy and resources that were used to benefit others were mostly shipped out of state, not directly benefitting West Virginia. Our plan is different . . . to use West Virginia’s coal, our gas, and other resources to generate power in West Virginia. And this is power that could be used for manufacturers, for technology companies, and other businesses in our state.”

A year ago, the governor shared the vision to add 50 gigawatts of electric power production to state capacity by 2050. One year later, almost one fifth of that goal has been realized. He explained that coal has benefited from a renewed commitment by President Donald Trump, especially in terms of extending the expected useful life of coal-fired plants. Also, the National Science Foundation made a major \$320 million investment in an initiative from West Virginia University and its partners to develop clean coal technology.

Morrissey also shared how his administration had worked with leadership at EQT, Hope Gas, and American Electric Power to drive even more investment. He stated that the effort had led to another \$80 million in potential investment “to monetize that intersection between energy and manufacturing and technology and health care.”

He then described developments across the state, starting with a major expansion by Randox in Jefferson County. Next came an announcement of a foundation for the Potomac Highlands created by \$13 million in a joint effort between Microsoft and one of their power vendors, Clearway. That company operates windfarms in Grant and Mineral counties and elsewhere.

All of that set the stage for a major announcement of a \$12 billion project from Starwood Digital ventures in Mason County. The project runs on a closed loop cooling system that minimizes demands on water systems.

Anthony Balestrieri, chief executive officer of the company, joined the governor on stage. He stated that “West Virginia has been at the forefront of bringing and defining a clear set of standards for responsible development, and we appreciate that leadership.”

The governor had another Mason County announcement that nScale received approval for its high impact data center project whose investment will reach close to \$70 billion.

Dan Shapiro of nScale praised the diligence of West Virginia officials in examining proposals and forming counter-proposals to protect state interests in environmental impact, aesthetics, infrastructure, and community concerns.

In response to state legislation and in anticipation of the Ratepayers Protection Act currently before the United States Congress and supported by Congressman Riley Moore, nScale representatives stated that the process to earn agreement with the State was “not easy.”

They went on to say, “It was rigorous, and it should be, because West Virginia getting it right on the front end rather than blindly welcoming in every type of data centers made us all better and focused.”

The governor concurred, saying, “West Virginia has learned from the mistakes of others and we’re doing it right.”

PENDLETON COUNTY SCHOOLS

JOIN OUR TEAM • BUILD YOUR FUTURE • MAKE A DIFFERENCE

More Than a Job — A Place to Belong

Serve students. Grow professionally. Enjoy a community where people know one another, support one another, and work together for student success.

WHY PENDLETON COUNTY?

- Strong community connections and small-town pride
- A team-centered culture focused on students and families
- Competitive benefits package and meaningful public service
- Opportunities to grow, contribute, and be part of something important

LIVE WHERE OTHERS VACATION

- Mountain scenery and four-season outdoor recreation
- Hiking, fishing, hunting, camping, and time in the great outdoors
- A relaxed rural lifestyle with room to breathe
- Convenient driving access to regional cities in West Virginia and Virginia

NOW HIRING FOR THE 2026–2027 SCHOOL YEAR

First Grade Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teacher at FES	Job #72950
School Based Parent Coordinator/Community Activities Coordinator at FES	Job #72952
Substitute Bus Operators	Job #72956
Substitute Teachers	Job #72957

APPLICATION WINDOW: SEPTEMBER 3–10, 2026

All positions close at 11:59 p.m. on September 10, 2026.

READY TO JOIN THE PCS TEAM?

Explore job descriptions and apply online:
www.pendletoncountyschools.com/page/employment
West Virginia K-12 Jobs – Frontline Recruitment

Pendleton County Board of Education • 125 N. Main Street, Franklin, WV 26807

304-358-2207 • kristy.tritapoe@k12.wv.us

Pendleton County Schools — where community, opportunity, and teamwork come together.



•Residential and Commercial
•New Construction •Remodeling
“No job too large or small”
Jay Nesselrodt, General Contractor
304-668-2172
License #057375

Harrison & Ida Frances Wimer-Hedrick



Sunday September 13
Ruddle Park Shelter #3
Lunch at 1:00 p.m.

Bring a dish and join us!



Stuff the Bus

Help us stuff the bus with school supplies, nonperishable food items, & hygiene items for PCMHS, FES, BES, & NFES students.

When: September 18 & 19
Where: Board of Education parking lot

Sponsored by CIS

Appointments are limited!

Hear Your Best

with Heritage Hearing Aid Center



Locally owned and operated since 1985

Call (304) 935-5830 to schedule your FREE Better Hearing screening today!



JASON KAPOSY, BC-HIS
Owner, Board Certified Hearing Instrument Specialist



STACIA DEMOSS, AU.D., CCC-A
Doctor of Audiology



TODD ELLIFRITZ, HIS
Hearing Instrument Specialist

Heritage 
Hearing Aid Center

365 Mill Street | Franklin, WV 26807
Also in: Keyser • Moorefield • Petersburg • Romney
www.heritagehearingwv.com

© 2026AcuityMarketing

The Pendleton Title Was Derived from Virginia Statesman

Sugar Grove

By Paula Mitchell

This being the 250th year of celebrating the nation, most Americans know virtually nothing about the origins of the place they currently live. How about Pendletonians? Let's delve into that subject. Edmund Pendleton (Sept. 9, 1721 – Oct. 23, 1803) is who the county's name honors. He was born on a plantation in Caroline County, Virginia. He was married twice having no direct descendants.

Edmund Pendleton was an American planter, gaining great eminence in the profession of law, a moderate politician, and judge. He was a member of the House of Burgesses (from 1752 until the Revolution), becoming the first speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates. (In March 1777, he dislocated his hip in a fall from a horse in which caused him to miss the first session. He used crutches the rest of his life.) Pendleton was also a delegate to the Continental Congress

He protested against the Stamp Act, became president of the Committee on Public Safety, and in 1775 he presided as president of the Virginia convention which framed the first state constitution, drawing the declaration of Virginia in favor of American independence. Pendleton proposed the modification in the statement of universal right in Virginia's declaration to exclude slaves, thus winning support of slave owners. In 1778, he became judge of the High Court of Appeals, becoming the first Chief Justice of Virginia. When Virginia created a Supreme Court of Appeals in 1778, Pendleton was appointed its first president and served until his death in 1803 at the age of 82 years. Thomas Jefferson said, "Taken all in all, he was the ablest man in debate I ever met."

Pendleton lay in state in Richmond, Virginia. He was buried at his home, Edmundsbury in Caroline County. Because of the ravages of time upon the estate's buildings, his body was removed in 1907 and moved to Bruton Parish Church in what became Colonial Williamsburg.

Pendleton County was established in 1787 from portions of Augusta, Hardy, and Rockingham counties. Be-

ing formed in 1788, the county was named for Virginia statesman and jurist Edmund Pendleton. Formed in 1798 Pendleton County in Kentucky was also named in honor of Edmund Pendleton.

And now one, the reader, "knows the rest of the story," of how Pendleton County came to be honored with the name, Pendleton.

Life's little instructions to help one along are as follows:

1. Shine a light on those who need it most.
2. Always be willing to laugh at oneself.
3. Don't be afraid to age.
4. Remember a person's roots.
5. Give back to the community....do it on purpose.

The Thursday night show was live entertainment without admission. Little rain fell but the 100 degree temperatures have been lowered as a result. The rains still continue to circle like a plane over the countryside. September appears to be having difficulty saying "good-bye" to the July heat and temperatures.

Quotes for the week are as follows:

"I also think that what's wrong with all of us is that we don't show enough love toward each other." — Little Richard

"How smartly September comes in, like a racing gig, all style, no confusion." — Eleanor Clark

"Inspiration is finding something that excites you." — Connie Smith

"Sunshine on my shoulders makes me happy." — John Denver

"Where flowers bloom, so does hope." — Lady Bird Johnson

Enjoying the patio with a cool drink is the best place to hear the "Talk of the Grove."

Bide-A-While Park has taken on a new look. It's a great relaxing place to enjoy swimming, grilling, swinging, and just plain picnicking. Thanks to Garber's Painting Company for this "new" look.

On Sunday, Judy Rader and Natalie Nieves of Huntington visited Benny and Linda Custer of Verona, Virginia, and enjoyed a delicious lunch with them.

There is a beautiful array of flowers at the home of Steve Stump.

Sunday, Jim and Sharon Puffenbarger of Maryland had a family cookout to which Phil Downs was one of the guests in attendance.

All but five of Gordon and Lula Smith's grandchildren were in attendance for the Saturday reunion. This reunion has been well attended for more than 75 years, which is a mark in history. The oldest attendee was Cleo Simmons (102) and the youngest Riley Leo Adamson being 7 weeks of age.

Spending the weekend with Eugene and Evelyn Varner were Cheyenne and Bentley, grandchild and great-grandchild.

Bringing beautiful flowers to Brenda Fisher (who greatly appreciated the gesture) were Patty Sponaugle, Carolyn Wilfong, Thelma Puffenbarger, and Gary Simmons, all from the Harrisonburg, Virginia, area. They had a great time visiting on Sunday.

Clickety-clacks for the chin wagggers are as follows:

• Since 1985, Costco has sold more than 2 billion hot dogs.

• The Flintstones made its television debut on Sept. 9, 1960.

• One of the best-known Starbucks flavored drinks in the early fall is the Pumpkin Spice Latte.

• In September 1620, the Pilgrims sailed toward North America on the Mayflower.

• The Price is Right, the television game show, began on Sept. 4, 1972, with Bob Barker as host.

Concerns are for Roger and Joan Ashley, Mercedes Aumann, Dave Basagic, "Bo" Boggs, family and friends of Jimmy Bowers, Jeff Craig, Stanley Dahmer, Clinton Eye, Isaac Eye, Carl Gant, Sue Hall, Clyde Hamilton, Chip Harper, Armanda Heavner, Starr Hedrick, Keith Hoover, Mickey Huffman, Cynthia Hurry, Gary Jamison, Mike and Lisa Jamison, Tara Kelley, Stanley Kile, Keith Kimble, Lori Ann Lambert, Melissa Lambert, the family and friends of Nettie Losh, Skip and Roger Mal-low, Yvonne Marsh, Harold Michael, Dottie Mitchell, Helen Nash, Willa Nelson, Ronald Pitsenbarger, Alda Propst, Sheldon Propst, family and friends of Everette Puffenbarger, Willard Rader, Jimmy Rexrode, Robbie Sites, Kitty and Curtis Waggy, Jr. and Edwin Wimer.

Pendleton County to See Support from Foundation Funded by Clearway and Microsoft

By Stephen Smoot

Last week at the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce Annual Summit, West Virginia Governor Patrick Morrisey laid out a vision for energy and infrastructure in the Mountain State moving forward. Alongside of a new slate of proposals, the governor discussed a collaboration between Microsoft and Clearway to inject \$13 million into regional needs.

Funding will continue annually for 20 years.

The governor spoke of an initial \$4.5 million already allocated in the Community Energy Fund and managed by the Sustain Our Future Foundation "managing grant distribution and working with community members to identify priorities for future grant cycles."

"This state is more than an American energy powerhouse," noted Morrisey in a release from Clearway, "It is our schools, our entrepreneurs, and our volunteer firefighters, who today gained \$4.5 million towards their efforts to raise the quality of life around our state."

Paul Sari, director of Global Carbon-Free Energy at

Microsoft, said of the move, "This is what Community First AI infrastructure looks like – supporting and investing in communities where we do business."

Funding comes as part of the long-term power purchase agreement between Clearway and Microsoft. The technology giant purchases power from the Clearway wind farm on Mount Storm that straddles Corridor H/ US Route 48.

One of those initial projects supported through the foundation is continuing renovation and development of the Pendleton County General Services Center. After 2025 storms brought flooding to buildings near the community building, the Pendleton County Commission and Office of Emergency Management worked to purchase the former Franklin Elementary School, then sitting idle, and transform it into a government building for county and state offices.

This removed these agencies from the threat of flooding, including the OEM which would serve as an emergency response hub in time of flood or other disaster.

Pendleton County residents will also see direct benefit in support for the South Branch Career and Technical Center, offering world-class skills training in a variety of trades, health care, and small business applications. South Branch Career and Technical Center serves Pendleton, Grant, and Hardy counties.

"The future of the workforce in the Potomac Highlands

region is brighter than ever thanks to this collaboration between Clearway and Microsoft. These funds will enhance workforce training programs preparing students and adult learners . . . for high-demand careers and opportunities right in their backyard," said Shelly Crites, administrative director of the career and technical center.

Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College, Mount West Community College, West Virginia State University, and Bluefield State University will also receive grant support. West Virginia State and Bluefield State are West Virginia's representatives on the list of Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Funds also went to the West Virginia Community Development Hub and the Eastern West Virginia Community Action Agency. Morrisey made specific mention of their work in helping vulnerable households better seal off their homes against extremes of cold and hot weather.

Grant County, home of the Mount Storm wind farm, received much of the funding. It supported local schools, emergency responders, economic development agencies, and more. That county has enjoyed a remarkable run in 2026 of positive news in the energy sector, with major projects and a number of jobs now slated for the area.

Callie Dayton of Clearway stated that "energy infrastructure continues to build economic strength in West Virginia, in addition to delivering home-grown power into the local electric grid."

www.PendletonTimes.com



Jim Crites

Sales & Service
on all makes of Vacuum Cleaners
*Specializing in
Electrolux and Rainbow Vacuums*
3 Spruce Avenue, Petersburg, WV 26847
or drop off at Country Cars & Trucks
304-257-8540 • jimcrites@hotmail.com

Doug Richmond, PS

Land Surveyor
**40 years of experience
in large and small projects**
Licensed in Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland
959 Cowpasture River Rd., S
Head Waters, VA 24442
Home 540-396-4862 • Cell 540-373-4045



Autobody Repair and Painting

105 Arlie Lane, Brandywine
(near Intersection of Rt. 33 & Sweedlin Valley Rd.)
304-249-2109
Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Garrett Aumann, Owner
Over 25 Years Experience All insurances accepted

TOP NOTCH TREE SERVICE

Locally Owned w/20+ Years Experience
Tree Removal is not a hobby
It's our full-time business!



SPECIALIZING IN  **FULLY INSURED W/\$2 MILLION PLUS**

- TREE REMOVAL/PRUNING
- BRUSH CLEARING • LAND CLEARING
- 24/7 EMERGENCY SERVICES

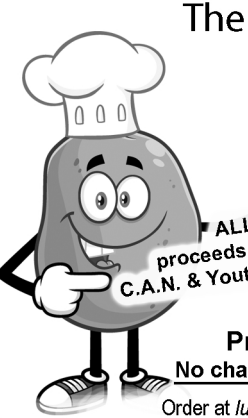
Free Estimates! • Call Justin Will at **540-474-2222**

VANCE CEMETERY

Onego
is asking for your support to help with
the upkeep of the cemetery.
Mail your contributions to:
Vicky (Landis) Maphis
27 S. Camerson St., Apt. 608
Winchester, VA 22601

The Lutheran Potato is back!

Tuesday, Sept. 15
Faith Lutheran Church
45 Lutheran Dr, Franklin



ALL proceeds benefit
C.A.N. & Youth Programs

Loaded Baked Potatoes - \$8.⁰⁰
(Toppings include: butter, chili, cheese, sour cream, chives and bacon bits)
Bottled Water - \$1.⁰⁰
Dine-In or Carry Out - 11am til 4pm

Pre-orders due by Friday, Sept. 11
No changes will be accepted once order is placed.
Order at lutheranpotato@gmail.com or by texting 304-668-4680.
Include name, phone number & pick up time with order.



Expert Work at Reasonable Rates

Trust our experienced mechanics to repair and tune
your car to perfection! And see us for:

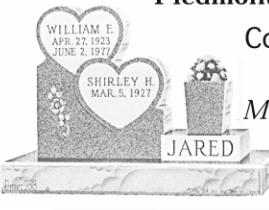
- Engine tune ups
- Wheel bearing work
- Transmission service
- Front end alignment
- Brake service
- Oil change

Bowers Garage & Body Shop

Sugar Grove - Phone 304-249-5154
Brandywine - Phone 304-249-5900
~~ 24-Hour Wrecker Service ~~
• State Inspections •

TRI-STATE MEMORIAL CO.

Piedmont, WV **1-800-924-6701**
Compare our prices and **SAVE**
*Granite – Marble – Bronze
Memorials – Markers – Mausoleums*
Final Date Engraving Service
Available - CALL TODAY



Home Consultations Available
EXPERT DESIGN AND SUPERIOR WORKMANSHIP
Area Representative: Dave Sponaugle
Circleville, WV **1-304-668-6716**

HARDY BELGIUM MUMS

More than 20 Varieties
8" Pot \$5.00
10" Tri-Color Pot \$10.00
In bloom & some ready to plant green
for better survival & fall bloom.



RED LICK FARM GREENHOUSE

Beside Post Office in Circleville
304-567-2203 / 2599



GOOD OLE ANTIQUE PAUL HELSLEY SR. ESTATE AUCTION

**Saturday, September 12
2 p.m.**
132 N Main St., Moorefield
304-530-6403

Auction will consist of Cocks, Quilts, Oyster Cans,
RR Items, Cast Iron & A Wide Variety of Awesome
Antiques. Followed by Coins
Online bidding & previewing available at
Oaksummit.hibid.com.

Auctioneer: Michael Thomas License #2151
Auctioneer: Tyler Bradfield License #2147
Auctioneer: Terry Rudolph License #2517A

Wildcats Fall Agonizingly Short In Contest Between Contenders

By Stephen Smoot

Coming out of week one, both Pendleton County and East Hardy looked like contenders for the Class A football title. Each program made an early statement with big wins.

One could arguably say that after last Friday's game, both of these teams still look like they could meet again in the finals. Big time players made big time plays, as expected. The contest between two disciplined and well-coached teams came down to a handful of mistakes by the visiting squad and the ability of their less-than-accommodating host to capitalize on them.

East Hardy took the ball first at their own 30. For much of the game, running back Trevor Roof lined up directly behind quarterback Nehemiah Graham, taking the shotgun snap. Roof took the handoff on the first play and advanced the ball to the 35.

Two plays later, Graham completed a short pass on first down that picked up a first down at the Cougar 47. The team continued moving the ball about five yards at a time down to the Wildcat 24.

There, East Hardy faced third and five. Graham lined up in an empty backfield, but handed off to Roof running from right to left across the formation. East Hardy picked up the first down at the Pendleton County 11.

With 7:30 left on fourth and six, however, Cameron Wyatt got a hand on a pass fired into the endzone, giving his team the ball deep in its own territory.

Colton Roberson moved the ball ahead five yards in two plays. Then on third and six, he unleashed a missile deep to Britton Lough after a play fake froze the defense. He gained 33 on the reception.

East Hardy put Pendleton County into a fourth and four at midfield. Roberson rolled left and outraced the edge defender to the first down marker and went out at the 40. On the next play, the quarterback found Travis Owens over the middle. The fleet footed receiver evaded a tackle and took the ball the rest of the way for the initial score of the contest.

The kick went wide, however.

Up 6-0 after an eight-play, three-minute drive, the Wildcats kicked to East Hardy, who started from the 38. On first and 10, a half second delay in the handoff gave David Noble the chance to explode into the backfield and drop Roof for a loss of three. Graham, however, got much of the yardage back finding a crease in the defense on second and 13. He exploded ahead to the 48 after a gain of nine.



Cameron Wyatt, seen here on the tackle, had a big game on both offense and defense against East Hardy. Photo courtesy of Light in Motion.

On third and one Zander Adams played huge, bursting through the line and getting the first hit on the shifty Roof with Roberson coming in hot from his safety position to finish off the play. On fourth and two, however, Graham found Micah Ludwig with a short pass that picked up the first down.

Ludwig found the ball in his hands twice more on passes as East Hardy closed in on the endzone. A Graham keeper on first and goal at the five, plus a made kick put the home team up 7-6 with 11:10 left in the first half.

Throughout the game, both offenses ran efficient and patient drives punctuated by big plays. A judicious mixture of runs and passes characterized both offenses.

East Hardy has the same scoring punch and wealth of offensive skill players that took it to the state playoffs last season. Where the Cougars have demonstrated improvement is on defense. In this game, they worked to keep the potent Wildcat offense in front of the defensive backfield as much as possible.

Both squads showed the state great play last year, but both teams built on that success in the off-season, neither satisfied with where they finished last season and both eyeing a deep run in 2026.

The Wildcats started deep in their end of the field at the 23. Three plays later with 10 minutes in the first half, Braylon Willis broke through arm tackles to pick up three yards and

a first down at his own 35. Not long after, at the 8:43 mark in the second stanza, Roberson on play action threw to Owens at the 15, who dove to the 10. A flag moved the ball half the distance to the five.

Roberson faked a hand off and ran it in himself. The Wildcats couldn't convert and the score remained 12-7.

East Hardy tried a deep ball from the 45 on first down, but Wyatt defended the play downfield. He had made a touchdown saving tackle just prior on the kickoff. East Hardy got the ball to the Wildcat 47, but Spencer Hartman took down Roof in the backfield to kill the drive and get his squad the ball back.

Pendleton County looked to take control, pushing the ball to first and goal at the one yard line of East Hardy. A fumble on that play landed in the hands of a Cougar who ran it back out to their 10.

A five minute, 13 play, 90-yard drive to take the lead followed that game changing defensive play. Notably, almost every offensive play took the ball out of bounds, stopping the clock. Offensive discipline allowed East Hardy to keep clock-stopping time outs in their pocket and also maintain their full slate of running options.

On third and three at the nine, Graham ran the read option and kept the ball, moving to a first down at the two. From there, with almost no time left, the Cougars scored, kicked successfully, and walked into halftime with a 14-12 advantage.

Wyatt took the second half kickoff to his own 24. Connor Henderson on first down chased down Roberson and was assisted by Graham with a four-yard sack. Back on their heels momentarily, the Wildcats responded effectively with the offensive line plowing a hole through the middle of the Cougar defense. Willis ran straight ahead to midfield, showing his speed on the play.

Both teams generally took their time before running each play, but this time Roberson attempted a Rich Rodriguez "spot the ball" style move. He raced his team to the line to get a

play off, but East Hardy was not thrown off and tackled Willis for a one-yard gain.

A few plays later Roberson had second and eight at the East Hardy 36. Jonah See pulled in the reception at the 22 for a fresh set of downs. Pendleton County did advance the ball to the 16, but the Cougars broke up a pass that would have given at least a first down to the visitors with a little less than eight minutes to go in the third.

East Hardy took over after another big defensive stop deep in their end of the field. They moved the ball to the 20 and had to punt it away at that point. Pendleton County moved the ball to the Cougar 30, but one of the defensive linemen drifting backwards into the passing lanes pulled in the interception.

Graham took the offense inside the Wildcat 30. There Wyatt once again came up with a vital play to break up a pass. On fourth down Graham looked for room to escape the rush of Hartman, but was flushed into the arms of Noble and others to end the drive at the Wildcat 31.

The Wildcats had the ball and a two-point disadvantage with 8:17 in the game. On first down, the Wildcats lined up in a set with four wide receivers bunched on the right, suggesting a bubble screen. Pendleton County ran the ball forward, but the Cougars were not fooled and stopped the play after a gain of two.

East Hardy took the ball at their own 36 after a punt from the Wildcat 36. On first and 10, Roof found space to run, but Lough found Roof's leg and held on tight, shutting down the play after a gain of five. Trying to advance the ball and seal a narrow win, the Cougars tried to catch the Wildcats with a deep pass. Wyatt, however, gave his team new life by snagging an interception and taking the ball to midfield.

Roberson and the Wildcat offense would not be denied on this drive. Roberson fired the ball deep on first and 10 at his own 49. Owens, running a post pattern reminiscent of the 49ers Brent Jones, split two deep defenders and pulled in the pass at the Cougar 15. Willis ran the ball to the five and Roberson the rest of the way.

Pendleton County scored the two-point conversion and took a 20-14 lead with four minutes remaining.

East Hardy took the kick to the 40 and then came the biggest play of the game. Roof ran straight ahead, found a gap, and never looked back. After the touchdown, the kick lifted the home team up by one with 3:50 left. The Wildcats lost a fumble late that ended their final drive. East Hardy held onto the ball to conclude the contest 21-20.

The game was efficiently and effectively played by both sides. Mistakes made by the Wildcats gave East Hardy opportunities and they capitalized enough to pull away with the win. Both teams, however, showed their strengths and played well overall, an excellent showcase of Potomac Highlands high school football.

After the game, the teams that brought the best out in each other gathered at midfield. Coaches from both sides locked arms and players joined hands in a postgame prayer.

A fitting end to a classic game played the right way by both teams.

Pendleton County Upends Moorefield in Franklin Contest

By Stephen Smoot

After a week of games against opponents big and small, the Wildcat volleyball team starts a run of games against both fierce regional rivals and also some of the largest schools in the Eastern Panhandle.

Last week, the Moorefield Yellow Jackets brought some sting with their game against the home standing Wildcats. After winning their first two against Highland, Virginia, and Tygarts Valley without losing a set, the Wildcats fell to Buckhannon-Upshur.

Moorefield opened with the serve in the first set, but Pendleton County pulled out to a 4-1 lead. Two aces by Colbie Wimer set the table for the early advantage. Moorefield, however, battled back and came within one at 7-6. Then Chesnee Colaw received the ball, popping it up to Phoebe Pownell who in turn set up Wimer for a scoring strike.

That started a five to one run for the Wildcats, giving them room to work with the score 13-8. Moorefield scored an ace to close within 13-9, but the home squad outscored the Yellow Jackets during the remainder of the set by a score of 12 to two.

Pendleton County took the initial set 25-11.

Moorefield refused to let the big set one setback deflate them and charged back hard in the next two sets. Set two opened like set one, with a 4-1 Pendleton lead early. Pownell scored an ace in the early run. The Wildcats enjoyed leads of 8-2, then 13-6.

Back came the visitors from Hardy County. They doubled up the Wildcats in a 12 to six run that brought them within one at 19-18. Moorefield established momentum with more aggressive play, taking more chances with sets and spikes. Success at the net put the Wildcats on their heels for a bit.



Chesnee Colaw dives full extension to keep the play alive during the big win against rival Moorefield. Photo courtesy of Light in Motion.

Callie Judy stepped in to serve with the score 20-18. She got Moorefield to hit it into the net to pick up a point, but then the visitors scored and took the serve back with the mark at 21-19. Moorefield then fired a serve off a defender's hands for an ace and another chance to knot the game up.

Moorefield then scored two to tie up the contest at 22, but a key hit by Kinsley Price put the Wildcats on top again. A service error tied the game at 23, but Moorefield then gave the point back with their own serve into the net.

Up 24-23 with almost no margin for error, Pownell sent the serve across for game point. On the return, Colaw received the hit, sent it to Pownell, who then set up Alyssa Bennett for the set winning spike.

Moorefield lost the second set, but maintained momentum going into the third. Continually playing with aggression and pride, they seized that moment. There, they took control and upended the home squad 25-16, taking the game to a fourth set.

Pendleton County moved ahead in the fourth set, building a 14-8 advantage. Moorefield, however, went on a six to one run to cut the lead to one, 15-14.

Teamwork righted the Wildcat ship. Olivia Gonshor got

the ball to Judy, who set up a Bennett spike, extending the lead to 16-14. Then Colaw sent a pass to Judy, who popped the ball up to Price for a scoring spike.

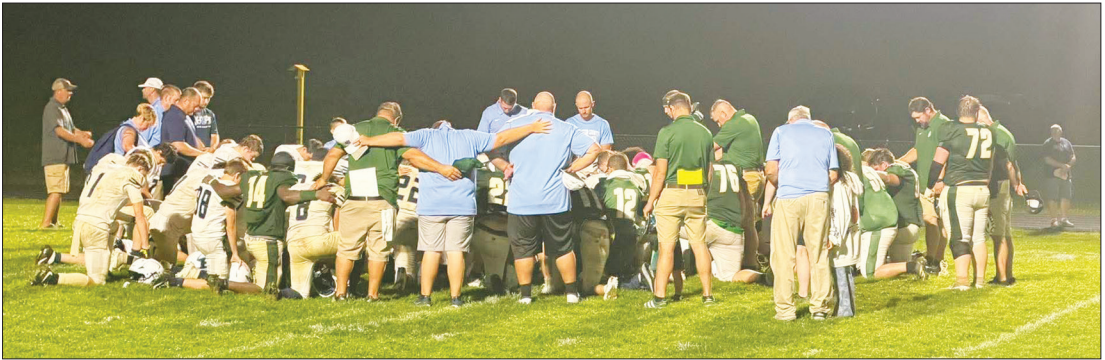
Pendleton County took over. Moorefield started making errors of fatigue and frustration as the home team put together a 23-15 lead after Pownell set up Tia Heavner for a soft tap to the middle. The Yellow Jackets went on a short run of four points to Pendleton County's one, but a serve inches past the back line was game point for the winning set, 25-19.

A challenging early season slate has led to a three and three record. After the triumph against rival Moorefield, Pendleton County dropped matches to Class AAAA Martinsburg and Class AA Petersburg.

The schedule gets no easier going forward, with games set up against Pocahontas County, Musselman, Spring Mills, and Jefferson, as well as rival East Hardy. Pendleton County traditionally schedules to challenge the squad more than rack up gaudy win totals. This strategy has served them well in the past, helping to prepare teams for state tournament action during the past several years.

The Wildcats will travel to Pocahontas County for a 6 p.m. match today.

Bigger Than the Game...



As national headlines shared ugly news of disrespect and bad behavior in the first weeks of football season from youth up, Pendleton County and East Hardy showed the way after a hard fought and clean contest. Photo courtesy of Pendleton County Athletics.

Highland Golf League Concludes Season



The Highlands golf league ended Aug. 23 with a captain's choice tournament and a meal provided by Twisted Iron. Bob Hoops, who ran the golf league at the inception of the course, joined the group for the evening. He received special recognition for the many years he ran the league. Members of the captain's choice winning team with a score of 11 under par were, above, from left, Dayne Davis, Steve Conrad, Ritchie Shreve and Marlan Bentz. Pictured below are the flight winners, from left, Dennis Hevener and Greg Hoover, champion flight; Ed Hiatt and Caleb Feagans, second flight; and Matt Cayton and Rodney Turner (not pictured), first flight. League winners were Scott Glover and Bruce Crantz.



CLASSIFIEDS

Buy, Sell or Trade! Place Your Ad Today.

CLASSIFIED BUSINESS DIRECTORY

AUTOMOTIVE

Aumann's
Custom Auto

- Custom Paint Mixing
- Complete Body Work
- Frame Straightening
- Insurance Work Accepted



OPEN Monday - Friday 8-5

358-7758

53 Mill Road ~ Franklin

CLEANING

J&L's RECONDITIONING

- Detail Vehicles
- Steam Clean Carpets & Furniture
- Contract Cleaning

Joyce Moates, owner

304-249-5480

BBB Accredited

CONTRACTORS

JERRY L. LAMBERT
Construction, LLC

- Stick Built Homes
- Additions & Garages
- Decks
- Remodeling & Repairs
- Replacement Windows

1-304-668-4161

1-304-358-2500

WV 027848

HEATING/COOLING



HEATING, COOLING & SERVICES
WV051083

Josh Owens, owner
Brandywine, WV

Heil Dealer

Service & Installation

Heat Pumps, Oil & Propane

Furnaces & Commercial Refrigeration Units

304.249.5420 304.668.9616



Heating & Cooling L.L.C.

Franklin

- Installations
- Custom Duct Work
- Service on All Brands

Trane, Carrier & Heil

Serving the area for more than 30 years

Here Today and Here To Stay

Tyler Scheibner

304-668-9296

License # WV 062818

Folklore for September...

- Heavy September rains bring drought.
- If the storms of September clear off warm, the storms of the following winter will be warm.
- Fair on September 1st, fair for the month.
- An early September west wind was said to forecast a mild winter, whereas an east wind warned of approaching hardship and cold.
- Traditional proverbs claim that thunder in September promises a fruitful year ahead, while clear, warm storms at the end of the month predict a similarly warm winter.
- September dries up ditches or breaks down bridges.
- Married in September's golden glow, smooth and serene your life will go.

ELECTRICAL

MALLOW ELECTRIC, LLC

- Residential
- Commercial
- Standby Generators

304-668-9885

304-358-7515

Brandon Mallow

Licensed and Insured WV057572



FUEL



- Automatic Fill Plan
- Budget Payment Plan
- Small Tanks Filled
- Heating Systems - Sales

(304) 358-2307

Service Heatline

1-800-287-3494



MATHESON VALLEY

ask. . . The Gas Professionals™

1256 Mountaineer Dr.
Franklin, WV

STORAGE SPACE

FOX DEN MINI STORAGE LLC

Storage Units
5x10, 10x10, 10x15, 10x20

24-Hour Accessibility

Call 304-358-3514

6.7 MILES SOUTH OF BRANDYWINE
ON ROUTE 21 IN SUGAR GROVE, WV

just south of Navy Base

Storage Spaces

Available Now

Spaces for Vehicles
Also Available

Call Julie VanMeter

at 304-358-7492

(after 6 o'clock)

Very Reasonable Prices

E-ZEE SELF STORAGE

Glover Dr. - Franklin

304-358-3651

Inside Units

7x10

10x20

TNT SELF STORAGE
Upper Tract

304-257-1421
or 304-703-3054

NEW SELF STORAGE UNITS
5X10 • 10X10
10X20

FOR RENT

BISSELL CARPET Shampooer for rent. Bowman's Do It Best. Call 304-358-2303.

WANTED

* PAINTING * 36 years experience: Houses, Barns, Roofs, Churches, Outbuildings, Poultry House Roofs, Log Homes, etc. Call Ronnie Kimble, 358-7208 WV03545. 3/5-10/29p

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

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

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

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

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

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is September 3, 2026. Deadline for claims is November 2, 2026.

Susie Mae Thompson Estate - Nancy Bergdoll, Executrix; Richard Dale Washington Estate -Joyce A. Michael, Executrix; James G. Harper Estate - Wilma R. Harper, Executrix; Jimmy Lee Bowers Estate - Kimberly Bowers, Administratrix.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on August

28, 2026. the Pendleton County Commission 9-3-26

Elise M. White, Clerk of (2025-C-000003-PENDLETON COUNTY-RED SHOULDER LLC)

To: WILLIAM J NIX, JACQUELINE R NIX, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have any interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT BETHEL MAP 33B PARCEL 0008 0000 0000

You will take notice that RED SHOULDER LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, Cert No. 2025-C-000003, located in BETHEL District, .72 ACS FISHER MTN SEC 2 PHASE 1 which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of NIX WILLIAM J & JACQUELINE R, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of PENDLETON County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on May 21, 2026. RED SHOULDER LLC. requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after February 1, 2027, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before January 31, 2027 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2024 - 887\$97.76

Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number\$0.00

Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest for tax year 2025-8884\$45.77

Additional taxes with interest.....\$0.00

Auditor's Certificatio, Publication and Redemption fee plus interest.....\$106.46

Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.....\$417.61

Additional Statutory Fees with interest.....\$0.00

Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or persnal check\$667.60

This Week in History...

Sept. 12, 1952: A group of local youths were startled at a football game by a fireball streaking across the sky. The fireball fell to earth just beyond a hillside at Flatwoods. This sighting led to the legend of the Braxton County, or Flatwoods, Monster.

Sept. 13, 1848: Attorney J. R. Clifford was born in present Grant County. In 1887, Clifford became the first African American admitted to practice law before the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. He was one of the first lawyers in the nation to challenge segregated schools.

Sept. 15, 1906: Songwriter Jack Rollins was born in Keyser. Rollins wrote the lyrics to "Here Comes Peter Cottontail" and "Frosty the Snowman," two of America's most popular songs.

You may redeem at any time before January 31, 2027 by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

If the above real estate is your primary residence, you may petition the Auditor to redeem the real estate in not more than three incremental payments that equal the total amount required to redeem the real estate prior to the issuance of the deed described above.

Given under my hand August 28, 2026

Christal G. Perry
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of PENDLETON County, State of West Virginia

Return this letter and payment to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collections Division 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568

9-10-36

THE PENDLETON TIMES

One of Pendleton County's Oldest Treasures!

Serving our Community since 1913



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mail to: PO Box 906, Franklin, WV 26807,
Subscribe by phone with credit card - 304.358.2304 or Online at pendleontimes.com

	In-State	Out-of-State
1 yr.	\$40	\$42
2 yrs.	\$78	\$82
3 yrs.	\$114	\$120

Canned Goods Word Search

L T F T T F B H S E V H N S U U B K O V
O L V F O Y N L L H L R Z O R T I N F N
R N A Y N B Y A E H E I M U U C A V P E
I R I N O I B G T Z L L P B T C I P A P
E L E S K E E I O U I N F K G T Y E C Z
T L H H L R P R N A E R V T C B T U K U
C L C N Y S L R O R U K U N M O I T I G
R Z G Z O D K G O T D N T E N O T M N I
L R K N N I R S N C A B G S T O O S G Z
S I F G I M T A E P E T E Y V S B K V U
Y L D R E N I A T A U S I H R E A M O V
P L L C E E I G T E L R S O E O E P P I
C I M K S V S L A N E I C I N H I F E U
C L C Z I I R S Y T E Z N O N K F I N G
B A A K U A T E S M R M N G P G A L E V
U E N V L E Z I S I P R R U O H Y L R E
H K V I R I N R F E L I R E U A N E G N
F Y V I B A N E L S R Y H Y F V I D U I
S I L Y C S H G Z U S P K D O A S D S R
K E A Y U B U V E P Y M S T O R A G E B

BRINE
CAN
CANISTER
FERMENTATION
FILLED
LABEL
LID
LINING
OPENER
PACKING
PASTEURIZE
PICKLING
PRESERVE
PROCESSING
REHYDRATE
ROTATION
SEALING
SHELF
STERILE
STOCKPILE
STORAGE
SYRUP
TIN
VACUUM

Highlands Community Orchestra To Perform Sunday in Virginia

The Highlands Community Orchestra's next concert will feature music from classic American musical theatre shows. The program will be performed at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Garth Newel Music Center in Bath County, Virginia, and repeated that evening at 7 p.m. at The Highland Center in Monterey, Virginia. Admission is free.

The program will feature music from classic musical theatre shows that ran on Broadway, including "South Pacific" (1948), "My Fair Lady" (1956), "The Sound of Music" (1959) and "Fiddler on the Roof" (1964).

The orchestra will be joined by Lewis Freeman, Highland baritone who will perform songs from several well-known songs from Broadway musicals.

Freeman has performed widely in the Mid-Atlantic region and beyond. He has been a featured soloist with the Washington National Opera, National Symphony Orchestra, Detmolder Jugendorchester in Germany, the Cathedral Choral Society, Columbus (Ohio) Symphony Orchestra and the Greenville (South Carolina) Symphony. He appeared in the first operas performed at both the Wolf Trap Performing Arts Center and at the Kennedy Center. He has also performed as an actor in Washington, D.C., and in film projects, most recently in an educational film for The Museum of the Bible.

The Highlands Community Orchestra includes musicians from Highland and Bath counties in Virginia, and Pocahontas and Pendleton counties. The orchestra is an all-volunteer group, most of whose members first played their instruments in their school years and now have an opportunity to rediscover their musical talents.

The Highlands Community Orchestra is conducted by Gretta Sandberg, a Highland County, Virginia, resident. It is supported by donations from the Highland County Arts County and the public.

For more information about joining the orchestra, email Sandberg at grettasandberg@gmail.com.

SUGAR GROVE BUILDERS
Sugar Grove, WV

•Roofing
•Decks
•Garages



Jeremy Swartzentruber
304-249-1584
WV 060843

Show Kids You Care



"Forget your worries sometimes and concentrate on them."

Brought to you by
Pendleton County Partners in
Prevention Team and
Search Institute

HARTMAN'S SERVICE STATION
502 LEE AVE • FRANKLIN, WV 26807
304-358-2574



Chain Saws • Trimmers
Bars • Chains • Oil
Trimmer Line • Blowers

STATE INSPECTIONS
OIL CHANGE ~ GREASE JOBS
SELL NEW TIRES ~ BATTERIES
AC WORK ~ BRAKES
ROTORS ~ TIE RODS
SCANNER HOOKUP DIAGNOSIS
GET YOUR VEHICLE CHECKED OUT TODAY.

Been in Business over 50 Years!

Find Your Treasure
at the
Treasure Mountain Festival
BOOK SALE
Lower Level of Pendleton County Library
(off South Branch Street, Franklin)



Hours: Thursday, Sept. 17 - Noon - 4 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 18 - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 19 - 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 20 - Noon - 4 p.m.

Sponsored by Friends of the Library



Join us to Celebrate
**Cunningham Place
Greenhouse**
10 Year Anniversary
Saturday, Sept 12
10-3
Food and Prizes

TED DAVIS AUTO SALES
13869 Mountaineer Dr., Riverton 304-567-2999 • 1-540-246-2999
Pictures and Full Description of ALL Our Inventory
Online at teddavisautosales.com
GREAT FINANCING RATES NOW AVAILABLE

TRUCKS
2024 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 1500 CREW CAB S/BED 4X4, 5.3 liter V-8, auto., ldd., 42K miles, white.....\$34,900
2024 RAM 2500 CREW CAB SHORTBED 4X4 "BIGHORN EDITION," Cummins diesel, auto., ldd., white, 58K miles.....\$23,500
SPECIAL \$48,500 \$46,500
2023 FORD F-550 CREW CAB LARIAT 4X4, 7.3 gas V-8, auto., ldd., burgundy, only 2K miles, new cond.....\$69,500
2020 FORD F-150 SUPERCREW 4X4 UTILITY TRUCK, 5.0 liter V-8, auto., ldd., white, 124K miles.....\$18,900
2020 FORD F-150 SUPERCREW SHORTBED 4X4, XLT sport pkg, 2.7 V-6, auto., ldd., silver, 118K miles.....\$24,900
2019 NISSAN FRONTIER CREW CAB SHORTBED 4X4, 4.0 liter V-6, auto., ldd., charcoal, 92K miles.....\$19,500
2018 FORD F-250 S/CAB LONGBED 4X4, 6.7 diesel, auto., air, etc., white, 275K VDOT highway miles.....\$21,900
2014 FORD F-150 SUPERCREW STX 4X4, 3.5 Ecoboost, auto., ldd., black, 112K miles, sharp tk.....\$14,900
2008 FORD F-550 4X4 UTILITY TRUCK, w/ mechanic's crane and auger, 6.4 dsl., auto., air, etc.....SPECIAL \$26,900 \$19,500
2006 FORD F-250 CREW CAB S/BED LARIAT 4X4, 6.0 diesel, auto., ldd., wht/tan, 223K miles.....\$18,500
2005 FORD F-350 4X4 KING RANCH DUALY, 6.0 diesel, auto., ldd., white & tan, only 60K miles.....\$39,500

PASSENGER VEHICLES
2025 FORD BRONCO 4-DR "BADLANDS SASQUATCH PKG.," V-6, auto., ldd., blue, only 6K miles, 72K new.....\$49,500
2022 KIA SORENTO AWD PREMIUM EDITION, 2.5 liter, 4-cyl., auto., ldd., light gray, 92K miles.....\$23,500
2022 SUBARU LEGACY 4-DR SEDAN "Premium Pkg.," ldd w/options, perfect condition, charcoal, 111K miles.....\$19,900
SPECIAL \$19,900 \$17,900
2021 FORD EXPEDITION LIMITED 4X4, 3.5 Ecoboost, auto., ldd., black cherry, 92K miles, very clean.....\$32,900
2021 JEEP WRANGLER 2-DR HARDTOP "80TH ANNIVERSARY PKG.," V-6, auto., ldd., orange, 64K miles.....\$24,900
SPECIAL \$24,900 \$22,500
2021 KIA SELTOS PREMIUM PKG., AWD, 4-cyl., auto., ldd., bronze, 104K miles, ex. cond.....\$16,500
2020 FORD EDGE SELAWD, 2.0 liter 4-cyl., auto., ldd., Ruby red, 116k miles, very sharp.....\$14,900
2020 SUBARU OUTBACK AWD WAGON, 2.5 liter, 4-cyl., auto., ldd., olive green, 114K miles.....SPECIAL \$19,500 \$17,500
2019 LINCOLN MKC AWD, 2.3 liter 4-cyl., auto., ldd., black, local trade in w/only 64K miles, ex. cond.....\$19,900
2019 INFINITI QX60 LUXE AWD, V-6, auto., ldd., pearl white, 94K miles.....SPECIAL \$19,500 \$17,900
2018 FORD EXPLORER XLT "SPORT PKG" AWD, 2.3 4-cyl., auto., ldd., dark cherry, 115K miles, very sharp.....SPECIAL \$18,900 \$17,900
2017 JEEP WRANGLER 4-DR SPORT 4X4, V-6, auto., ldd., white, 89K miles.....SPECIAL \$18,900 \$17,900
2017 FORD EXPLORER XLT AWD, V-6, auto., ldd., copper color, 118K miles, sharp.....\$14,900
2016 FORD EXPLORER XLT AWD, V-6, auto., ldd., white, 124K miles.....\$12,900

R/V's & RECREATIONAL
2016 FORD E-450 w/Jayco Greywolf 31FS Motorhome Conversion, V-10, auto., ldd. w/features, only 26K miles.....\$34,900

FHS Classmates of '62 Gather for Reunion



Members of the Franklin High School of 1962 gathered for a reunion July 25 at the South Fork Ruritan Building at Oak Flat. Classmates attending were, from left, front row, Ruth Simmons Nelson, Sandra Kimble Borror, Polly Mitchell Pittington, Mary Alice Simmons Evick, Joie Simmons Nelson and Philip Nelson; and back row, Martha Botkin Kimble, Faye Thorn Kile, Myrtle Hammer, Winifred Miller Williams, Gerald Sites, Tom Simmons, Joe Kimble Jerry Warner and Joe Heavner.

Ours Named CEO at Grant Memorial Hospital

Grant Memorial Hospital has appointed Felicity Ours as president and chief executive officer following her successful tenure as interim president and CEO.

A lifelong Petersburg resident, Ours has served as interim president and CEO since April, providing steady leadership while advancing the hospital's focus on quality, operational excellence, financial stewardship and community engagement.

"Felicity has demonstrated exactly the kind of leadership Grant Memorial Hospital needs for the future," said Mark O'Hern, regional president of WVU Hospitals East and president and CEO of Berkeley Medical Center. "She understands this organization, she cares deeply about our employees and patients, and she has a genuine connection to the community Grant Memorial Hospital serves. We have tremendous confidence in her leadership and are excited about what lies ahead for Grant Memorial Hospital."

A Great Big
THANK YOU

to all our friends and neighbors for helping get the trees off our house. Thanks to Jim Reichard and Robby Fisher for 2 hard days of work A special thank you to Mark Rexrode for the heavy equipment and working two days helping with the disposal of brush.

Charles and "Pidgeon" Anderson

Ours joined Grant Memorial Hospital in 2023 as director of finance following careers in public accounting and commercial lending administration. Her financial expertise, collaborative approach and knowledge of the organization have helped position her to lead the hospital as it continues to strengthen healthcare services for Grant County and the surrounding region.

For Ours, the opportunity to lead the hospital is especially meaningful in the community she has called home throughout her life.

"It is a privilege to lead Grant Memorial Hospital and work alongside such a dedicated team of healthcare professionals," Ours said. "I am grateful for the trust that has been placed in me and remain committed to ensuring our patients receive exceptional care close to home. Together, we will build on the strong foundation already in place while pursuing new opportunities to strengthen healthcare throughout our region."

As Ours assumes her permanent role, Grant Memorial Hospital is also implementing a new finance leadership structure. Autum "Brandy" Rogers has been promoted to manager of accounting, and Felicia Goldizen has been promoted to manager of financial planning and analysis. The internal promotions provide continued leadership and stability within the hospital's financial operations while recognizing the experience and talent of the existing team.

Grant Memorial Hospital remains focused on delivering high-quality healthcare close to home while advancing initiatives that improve access, enhance patient care and respond to the evolving health needs of the communities it serves.

**OLD DOMINION REALTY**
Built on Integrity

61 Chestnut St.,
Franklin, WV 26807

Broker George Sponaule - 304-358-2714
Agents: Kathy Sponaule - 304-668-3283
Gene Boggs - 304-668-2982 Angie Nelson - 304-358-2524

NEW LISTING - DRY RUN - FRANKLIN DISTRICT - 6.01 acres w/3 BR, 2 BA trailer, excellent condition, w/deck, swimming pool, washer, dryer, refrig., public water, metal roof, out bldg., new 35x36 metal shop w/heat and air, good hunting, views, private. \$198,000.

BRANDYWINE - 3-4 BR, 2 BA brick ranch, built-in-garage, 20'x40' pavilion, creek, on 2.01 ac.\$299,900 **SOLD** \$219,900.

FRANKLIN - 2 BR, 1 BA Lindel w/ding siding home on 2.26 acres. \$180,000 \$170,000 \$160,000.

FRANKLIN - 4 BR, 2 BA, 2 story Pre-Civil War home with basement in town. 2 apartments, detached. Paved parking area. \$340,000 \$290,000.

SMOKE HOLE - 13.93 +/- ac., adjoining National Forest, 2 story cabin, 3 rental cabins, 2 ponds. \$849,000 \$749,000 or best offer.

**Sugar Grove Realty, Inc.**

39 Maple Ave
PO Box 999
Franklin, WV 26807

sugargrovewv.com
304.358.3332/3337 304.358.3334 (fax)

Jeffrey S. Bowers, Broker C **304.668.0002**
Tommy A. Roberson, Sales Agent **304.668.1050**
Penny K. Lambert, Sales Agent C **304.668.2975**
Jennifer Raines, Sales Agent **304.851.3522**
Kelly Roby, Sales Agent **304.257.8859**

**FOR PHOTOS AND MUCH MORE ABOUT THESE PROPERTIES VISIT
WWW.SUGARGROVEWV.COM**

SGR422A 1.891 Acres, w/3,637 sq. ft., 3 Bed, 3 Bath Brick home located in Franklin Corp. LP Furnace, Heat Pump & Baseboard Electric. Public water & sewer. Barn, Camper Shed and Garage. ~~\$429,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$405,000.00.**

SGR416A 5.12 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath Cabin w/Spacious Loft area. Cistern, Septic, Shed. New Metal Roof, New Sliding Door, Newly Sealed Deck. Access to 9 acre Common Area. Located Kile Knob Subdivision, Franklin District. **\$239,000.00.**

SGR413A 3.0 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath Cabin w/Loft. Off grid, Solar, generator. Access to 9 acre Common Area. Located Kile Knob Subdivision, Franklin District. **\$289,000.00.**

SGR412A 5.69 Acres, w/1 Bed, 1 Bath Cabin, built in 2010. Loft for overflow sleeping, Septic, 1800 Gallon Cistern, Washer/Dishwasher, round access, Outbuilding, Wood Shed. Very well maintained. Located in Dry Run area. Shared ROW. Franklin District, Pendleton Cty. **\$180,000.00.**

SGR410A 1492 Dice Warner Road, Circleville, 3 Bed, 2 Bath, log siding and rock home, top of Peter Gap, gorgeous mountain views, 3 bedrooms, propane heat/AC and a forced air wood furnace. House being sold "AS-IS." **\$249,900.00.**

SGR409A 0.04 Acres w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Home located on 18 Spruce St., Franklin Corp. New Hot water heater w/expansion tank, New stainless steel appliances, New guttering system, Cement driveway, Hard wired Ring cameras with motion lights. Mini-Splits and new window installation in 2021. **\$175,000.00.**

SGR408A 7.88 Acres w/3 Bed, 2 Bath Log Siding Cabin, Fully & Tastefully Furnished, Large Decks, Full Finished basement, Screened in Porch, Spring Water. Higher clearance vehicle recommended. Buck Ridges Development. Some Restrictions. **\$285,000.00.**

SGR406A World Class View at 3017 ft, overlooking beautiful Germany Valley & Spruce Knob. Located in Seneca Lookout Development. 70.00 Acres w/2 Bed, 2.5 Bath 1.5 Story Log Cabin. Baseboard Elec & Wood Heat, Well, Septic, Outbuilding, Joins National Forest. **\$749,000.00.**

SGR403A 15.38 Acres, w/4-6 Bed, 2 Bath Contemporary Home. Make it your Residence or it would make a great Retreat Center. Great views, surrounded by mountain ranges. Double Kitchen, dual W/D Hookups, 2 Heat Pumps, 37KW Generac backup generator, Spacious workshop/garage. Large Spring Fed Pond. Franklin District, Pendleton Cty. ~~\$929,000.00~~ ~~\$879,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$789,000.00.**

SGR402A 0.62 Acres w/3 Bed, 1.5 Bath Ranch Home located in Upper Tract, WV. Brick exterior, Metal Roof, Carport, Unfinished Basement, Septic, Public Water. Nice level lot. Mill Run District, Pendleton Cty. ~~\$269,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$229,000.00.**

SGR400A 5 Bed, 3 Bath home located in Franklin District on 2.5 acres offers privacy in peaceful, wooded surroundings while being near schools and all town amenities. Attached 2 car garage, partially finished basement, fenced yard, Heat Pump & Central AC, 3 Fireplaces, Well, Septic and Water Filtration system. ~~\$549,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$525,000.00.**

SGR393A 14.5 Acres w/2 Bed, 1 Bath Cabin with very efficient use of space. Located on Dry Run Rd. 1900 gallon Cistern. Wood & Electric Heat. ~~\$249,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$239,000.00.**

SGR392A Custom Canadian White Cedar Log Home. 4 Bed, 2 Bath, 3,088 sq. ft. Cabin on 119.45 acres located in Hidden Valley. Red Oak and Mexican Tile flooring. Two Car Garage & partial basement. Mature plants and trees. Some Restrictions apply. Franklin District. ~~\$919,000.00~~ ~~\$899,000.00~~ ~~\$849,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$799,000.00.**

SGR385A 11.54 Acres w/3+ Bed, 3 Bath Cabin located in Buck Ridges, Dylmt. Screened porch, Deck, Stone Patio, Primed w/white paint, Hardwood, Tile, Floating Linoleum flooring. Lots of natural light, Metal Roof, Board and Batten Exterior. 3080 assessed sq ft. Very well maintained. **\$325,000.00.**

SGR382A 45 Ac. w/1 Bed, 1 Bath Cabin, Solar powered, no restrictions, Cistern & Septic, Shooting Range, Excellent Hunting, Franklin District. ~~\$399,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$379,000.00.**

SGR382B 35 Acres, Strauter Rd, Ruddle area. Year-Round Spring. Building w/2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, excellent Hunting. Life Estate on 6 Acres. Franklin District. **\$169,000.00.**

SGR374A Spectacular View! 2.81 Ac w/2 Bed, 1 Bath Cabin w/Loft, located on Kile Knob. Propane cook stove & lighting. Propane & Wood Heat. On site Septic, Cistern Water Source. **NEW LISTING \$299,000.00 REDUCED \$270,000.00.**

SGR340A 327.98 Acres, with 4 Bed, 3.5 Bath Home w/2 car garage and Barn. Property adjoins lands owned by Fisher Mtn. Golf Course. Expansive view of Shenandoah Mountain and Fisher Mountain Golf Course. Year round spring-fed creek w/several other Springs and nice bldg. sites. **NEW LISTING \$2,250,000.00.**

SGR316A 10.35 Acres, Entry Mountain, Some Covenants & Restrictions. Nice View. **\$89,900.00.**

SGR302A "The Hollow" Restaurant, fully furnished, at the corner of US RT 220/US RT 33W, Franklin. Property adjoins neighboring motel. ~~\$425,000.00~~ ~~\$320,000.00~~ ~~\$299,000.00~~ ~~\$229,000.00~~ **REDUCED \$219,000.00.**

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.**

SGR441 Residential lots, public water, protective covenants and restrictions. Oak Flat Estates near Brandywine on Rte 33 East of Franklin. Lots from **\$22,836.00.**

SGR247 Residential lots with town water, sewer & underground utilities. Protective covenants and restrictions. Franklin Airport Development. Lots from **\$14,630.00.**