



### Home gardening class coming to Hinton

HINTON. (Hinton News) - Summers County WIC and WVU Extension Service invite WV residents to an informal educational training called Home Gardening on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 3 p.m. at the Summers County WIC Office located at 312 3rd Ave, Hinton, WV 25951. Gardening instruction will be provided by David Richmond, M.S., Agriculture Extension Agent for Raleigh/Summers Co., WVU Extension Service Raleigh/Summers Co.

Special thanks to David Richmond. David was born and raised on a family farm in Raleigh County, West Virginia. His family worked together to produce and manage an average of 20 head of beef cattle, 70 ewes, 50 market hogs, 4 acres of burley tobacco and 50 acres of hay annually. David was active in FFA at Shady Spring High School, earning his State Farmer Degree. He attended Potomac State College where he received an Associate Degree and an Applied Science Degree, both in Agriculture. He then transferred to West Virginia University to further his education, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Education in 1991, and began teaching Agricultural Education at Gilmer County High School in Glenville, WV.

He obtained a Masters Degree in Agricultural Education in 1995, also from West Virginia University, went to work for the WVU Extension Service, and has served for the past 28 years as the Agricultural Extension Agent for both Raleigh and Summers counties. David lives in Daniels, WV with his wife Sherry and has two children, Cody and Kiera.

### War Ridge Free Will Baptist Church revival

WAYSIDE, (Hinton News) - The War Ridge Free Will Baptist Church in Wayside will hold a revival each evening starting Thursday, April 13 at 7 p.m. and continuing through Saturday, April 15. The evangelist for the three-day revival will be Pastor Mike Worley from the Bradley Free Will Baptist Church. Special music will be provided each night. All are invited to attend.

### REACHH holds flag raising ceremony for Child Abuse Prevention Month



The REACHH Child Advocacy Center team, police officers, Commissioner Saunders, and County Clerk Reed at the flag-raising ceremony.

Rebecca Stalnaker

HINTON, (Hinton News) - April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, a cause particularly close to the hearts of many Summers Countians after a tragedy in the community last year. The REACHH Family Resource Center and Child Advocacy Center work tirelessly to help the children in this county through whatever they may face. They see kids at their worst and hopefully at their best. On April 4, the Child Advocacy Center team stood on the steps of the Memorial Building, where a Child Abuse Prevention flag was raised, to talk about what this month means to them.

In REACHH Director Doris

Selko's opening statements, she noted that in 2021, there were 6,305 substantiated cases of child abuse in West Virginia. A heartwrenching number, though even one is too much. She also spoke about Haley Weikle, a five-year-old child who tragically lost her life in Summers County last year. According to Selko, April 4, 2023, would have been Haley's sixth birthday.

Next to speak was the Child Advocacy Center Director, Felishia Hartwell. Speaking passionately about protecting kids, Hartwell said, "It's not just law enforcement's job and CPS's job. We all have an obligation to keep our children safe." At this point, a paper was passed around contain-

ing the phone number for the child abuse hotline. The hotline is anonymous, and the caller does not have to provide proof. That paper is featured in one of the photos accompanying this story.

Others in attendance included Summers County Prosecuting Attorney Kristin Cook, representatives from the Summers County Sheriff's Office, and representatives from the Hinton Police Department. Cook, many of the officers present and others were presented with a special token. Specifically, they each received a framed print of an angel that was colored by a local child. This particular child dealt with a heartbreaking situation, but in the midst of it all, she sat at



Child abuse hotline information.

the Child Advocacy Center and colored a beautiful angel. Each recipient played a part in dealing with that child's situation.

Hartwell said she is often asked how she does her job, listening to the horrible things these children endure daily. In answer, she stated, "To see the light come back on in that child's eyes. Sometimes it takes three months, sometimes it takes six months, but the light usually always comes back on in those children's eyes, and that's why I do it."

During the ceremony, a young girl, Ellie Meadows, sang the National Anthem with passion, poise and talent. Additionally, Summers County Commissioner, Charles Saunders, read the commis-

sion's proclamation marking April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Summers County.

Toward the end of the ceremony, Harwell read We Pray for Children by Ina J. Hughes. As the poem's words flowed, there were few dry eyes amongst the crowd.

If you believe a child is being abused, contact the child abuse hotline, local law enforcement or CPS. The hotline number is 1-800-352-6513, and it is available 24/7. Don't wait, you could save a life. If you have any questions regarding making a report, or concerns you want to address, reach out to the REACHH Child Advocacy Center by calling 304-466-2226.

### American Pro Wrestling comes to Hinton

Rebecca Stalnaker

HINTON, (Hinton News) - Hinton played host to American Pro Wrestling on Friday, March 31. The event featured a series of matches, with the main event seeing George South go up against Brad Thomas.

Prior to the fighting, APW wrestlers held a Meet & Greet at Kirk's Restaurant and CAN Outdoors. The professionals signed autographs, talked to fans and spent time enjoying the town. Later, the team headed to the old middle school gym to prepare for their respective fights.

Other matches included a tag team showdown. One team consisted of Crash Cassidy and Brian Logan. The other side featured Bobby Yela and James Anthony. Additionally, Murphy Costigan fought Wayne, and the Cuban Assassin faced off

with Dragon Scott Lee.

During the event, wrestlers utilized some classic moves that had the audience screaming and cheering. The arena echoed with fans' shouts as each match progressed.

Several wrestlers set up merch tables where fans could purchase a myriad of items before the fighting began.

Event sponsors included Kirks' Restaurant, BSA Auto, Gamma Fishing Line, Nikko Soft Baits and the Summers County School Board. The organizers emphasized a special "thank you" to Berry's Campgroup, who they called one of their "most supportive sponsors."

American Pro Wrestling will be back in Hinton in May, exact dates are yet to be announced. Stick with Hinton News for more details as they become available.



All of the wrestlers before the event. Photo by Matt Stalnaker

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## Senators Manchin and Capito attend Batteau Beach groundbreaking in Hinton

Rebecca Stalnaker

HINTON, (Hinton News) - Community members, senators, city officials and more gathered at 105 Grace Street in Hinton to celebrate the groundbreaking for the Batteau Beach at Hinton Landing project. Two state senators, Shelley Moore Capito and Joe Manchin, both of who supported this project, were present.

Not long ago, the City of Hinton announced that Senator Manchin had aided officials in securing \$500,000 through Congressionally Directed Spending. These funds were earmarked for the Hinton Landing Project. Today, a groundbreaking ceremony took place at the Batteau Beach location. Manchin said this project will “help showcase our beautiful state to the world while preserving Hinton’s rich history.”

Senator Capito, another supporter of the project, said, “This is a critical aspect in making Hinton a true destination that appeals to more tourists and visitors alike!”



**Batteau Beach at Hinton Landing groundbreaking. Photo by Candice Helms.**

In addition to the dignitaries present, a group of students from the Summers County Comprehensive High School Careers in Education CTE program also attended. The group of young ladies helped serve lunch to the crowd of attendees after the groundbreaking. They also had the opportunity to meet both senators. School officials noted that students showed initiative and did a

“fantastic job representing SCCHS.”

Local business Hinton Outfitters provided some of its beautiful prints as souvenirs for the senators to remember their time in the picturesque town.

Work will now begin on Batteau Beach at Hinton Landing.

Stick with Hinton News for more information as the project progresses.

## Summers County Courthouse news

### Marriages

None.

### Fiduciaries

William T. Humphrey, Administrator of the Martha Suzanne Humphrey estate; Julia Kirk, Administrator of the Margaret Dale Woodrum estate; Linda Turner, Administrator of the Ruth G. Stanley estate; Pamela Cayton, Administrator of the Jean Ann Ballengee estate; David Lee Adkins, Administrator of the Twilla Freeman estate; Deborah Susan Lilly, Administrator of the Dorothy Jane Cox estate; Amy L. Mann, Administrator of the Jane Ellen Meadows estate; Gerald Brennan, Administrator of the Dorothy Jean Boley estate; Edward Thompson Sr., Administrator of the Sallie Elizabeth Thompson estate; Trina D. Powell, Administrator of the Dixie Lee Powell estate; Amy L. Mann, Administrator of the Andrew Spencer Monti estate; Mary Jane Briers, Administrator of the Brenda Carol Garten estate; Kristi Taylor, Administrator of the Michael Lee Taylor estate.

### Land Transfers

Gary R. Milton and Sandra H. Milton to Vanessa Milton-Vigil, Lots Numbers 88 & 89, Talcott District; Patricia Ann Heartwell to Robert R. Brown and Connie D. Cimino-Brown, Deed of Exchange, one-half acre more or less, Greenbrier Rural District; Robert Brown and Connie D. Cimino-Brown to Patricia Ann Hartwell, Deed of Exchange, Lots Numbers 17 & 18 Block M, City of Hinton District; Patricia S. Dishner to Tommy F. Booth, Tract 1: 181.70 acres more or less, Tract 2: 0.89 acres, Forest Hill District; Peggy Jo Paul and Connie Sue Moore and John David Moore and Jennifer Lynn Moore and Elizabeth Malczewski and Robert Lee Moore III and Dustin Dwayne Moore and Miricle Brown and Destiny Moore and Grace Moore and Gary Bennett and Erin M. Angell and Nathaniel J. Eerenberg and Brian Eerenberg and Timothy Eerenberg and Joshua Eerenberg and Rebecca Elizabeth McLaughlin to Nathaniel J. Eerenberg and Alexandra Bengay, Lot, City of Hinton District.

## Event to support Summers County Council on Aging scheduled in Hinton

Rebecca Stalnaker

HINTON, (Hinton News) - A benefit for the Summers County Council on Aging, Singing for Seniors, is scheduled for April 22 at 6 p.m. in the Summers County Memorial Building. Two acts, George Whittaker and New Horizon, will perform during the event.

The senior center recently endured a funding cut, and event organizer, Laura Lilly hopes to help the organization recoup some of the lost funds. Anyone who wishes to make

a tax-deductible donation can do so by contacting Lilly at 681-238-3045. Additionally, donations will be accepted at the door during the event. Raffle tickets will be sold and concessions will be available. All proceeds go to the Summers County Council on Aging.

According to Lilly, the senior center has served the community for more than 40 years. The organization provides a multitude of services including meals, activities, transportation, outings and in-

home care.

1. For more information on the event, contact Lilly at the above number. To get involved with Summers County Council on Aging, call 304--466-4019.



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Region I Planning & Development Council cordially invites you to attend a series of listening sessions for the West Virginia Office of Broadband’s Digital Equity (DE) and Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Programs. During these sessions, Region I will document questions and concerns regarding the DE/BEAD programs, as well as any other relevant broadband-related issues that should be conveyed to the Office of Broadband. We strongly urge all residents, special interest groups, and community leaders to attend one, or all, of the listening sessions outlined below. Additional information about the state’s broadband initiatives may be found at: <https://broadband.wv.gov>.

**April 24, 2023**

9:00 A.M. – Wyoming County Commission, 911 Cedar Street, Pineville, WV  
3:00 P.M. – Raleigh County Commission, 116 ½ N. Heber St., Beckley, WV

**April 25, 2023**

10:00 A.M. – Summers County Memorial Building, Conference Room, 451 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Hinton  
2:00 P.M. – Monroe County Rescue Squad Building, 11 Pump Street, Union, WV

**April 26, 2023**

10:00 A.M. – Mercer County Commission, 1501 W. Main Street, Princeton, WV  
2:00 P.M. – McDowell County Commission – Old Armory Bldg., 600 Stewart Street, Welch, WV

If you have questions about the meetings, feel free to contact Kim Odle, Executive Assistant, at kimodle@regiononepdc.org or 304-431-7225 ext. 209.

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TRUSTEE’S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated January 11, 2007, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Summers County, West Virginia, in Document No. 133345, in Book No. 229, at Page 679, Dewey H Stickler did convey unto BB&T Collateral Service Corporation, Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust c/o U.S. Bank Trust National Association to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door

of the Summers County Court-house in Hinton, West Virginia, on **May 2, 2023 at 11:00 AM** the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 03 - Green Sulphur District, Summers County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All of that certain lot, tract or parcel of land, together with all improvements thereon and easements and appurtenances thereto belonging, situate in Green Sulphur District, Summers County, West Virginia, and being more particularly described as follows:

A parcel of land located on the south side of the Lockbridge Road and 4 miles south of the Route 20 intersection, in Green Sulphur District, Summers County, West Virginia, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a 1/2 inch iron pipe fifteen feet south of the centerline of the Lockbridge Road and S 75° 21’ W 195.5

feet from a fence post corner to the Gregory Stickler Et. Al. 51.09 acre parent tract, thence through said tract the following courses and distances: S 22° 52’ W 219.7 feet to a fence post located S 85° 45’ E 13.8 feet from a large maple, thence N 61° 49’ W 134.0 feet to a fence post, thence N 16° 50’ E 166.1 feet to a 1/2 inch iron pipe set fifteen feet from the center of the Lockbridge road, thence leaving the Stickler parent tract and binding with the right-of-way of the Lockbridge road the following two courses: S 81° 16’ E 111.6 feet to a point, thence S 86° 22’ E 45.1 feet to the beginning and containing 0.626 acre, more or less, as surveyed by Paul E. McClung, L.L.S., 539 in May, 1999, and as shown on a plat entitled “Plat of Survey for Dewey Stickler, Jr.” Said plat is attached to the below referenced deed and made a part of this description. All bearings are from the true north meridian as found by one-site sunshots.

And being the same property conveyed to Dewey H. Stickler, by Deed dated the 29th day of

October, 1999, from Dewey H. Stickler, Sr. and Thelma J. Stickler, his wife, Anita Denise Simms (formerly Anita Denise Stickler) and Phillip Simms, and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Summers County, West Virginia in Deed Book 199 at Page 380.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 5920 Hump Mountain Rd, Meadow Bridge, WV 25976.

The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk’s Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring

real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes.

The subject property will be sold in “AS IS” condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

TERMS: \$5,000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.

Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by

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NOTICE

The Summers County Board of Education will hold a Public Hearing regarding the Proposed Budget of the Summers County Schools for fiscal year 2023-2024 for the purpose of hearing any person(s) wishing to speak regarding parts or all of such budget. Proposed budget documents available for public inspection beginning April 7, 2023.

Date: April 18, 2023  
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Summers County Central Office 418 Temple Street, Hinton, WV 25951 (12,19ap)

Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year				Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year			
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA County of: Summers, West Virginia							
In accordance with WV Code §11-8-10, as amended, the Summers County Commission proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by a levy of taxes for the current year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:							
General Fund		Estimated Revenues		ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES		General Fund	Coal Severance Tax Fund
Fund Balance		\$ 559,994		PUBLIC SAFETY		-	-
Property Taxes Current year		2,514,396		Sheriff - Law Enforcement		715,417	-
Prior Year Taxes		191,403		Sheriff - Service of Process		9,000	-
Tax Penalties, Interest & Publication Fees		68,675		Regional Jail		320,000	-
Property Transfer Tax		154,008		Police Special Duty		96,334	-
Gas and Oil Severance Tax		44,712		Emergency Services		11,411	-
Wine & Liquor Tax		2,328		Flood Control		16,548	-
Hotel Occupancy Tax		272,630		TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		1,168,710	-
Miscellaneous Energy Tax (Coal Bed Methane)		4,919		CULTURE AND RECREATION		-	-
Licenses		118		Parks & Recreation		71,937	-
Building Permits		1,133		4 - H Camp		181,098	-
Federal Grants / Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes		65,000		Visitor's Bureau		136,315	-
Sheriff's Service of Process		9,000		Library		6,000	-
Sheriff's Earnings		7,933		TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION		395,350	-
County Clerk's Earnings		39,180		CAPITAL PROJECTS		-	-
Circuit Clerk's Earnings		13,600		General Government		300,000	-
Prosecuting Attorney's Earnings		588		Courthouse		14,440	-
Accident Reports		528		TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY		314,440	-
Motor Vehicle License Fee		2,980		Total Expenditures		\$ 4,585,243	\$ 20,000
Map Sales		12		Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year			
Parks & Recreation Fees		86,529		SUMMERS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA REGULAR CURRENT EXPENSE LEVY FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024			
Rents & Concessions		26,400		Certificate of Valuation			
Franchise Agreement		47,023		Assessed Value for Tax Purposes			
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)		60,458		Levy Rate/\$100			
Fines, Fees & Court Costs		759		Taxes Levied			
Regional Jail Operations Partial Reimbursement		16,516		Class I			
Interest Earned		3,969		Personal Property			
Miscellaneous Revenue		103,721		Public Utility			
Gaming Income		42,022		Total Class I			
Video Lottery		3,872		Class II			
Refunds/Reimbursements (External Sources)		124,186		Real Estate			
General School Reimbursements		36,235		Personal Property			
Magistrate Court Reimbursements		4,448		Total Class II			
Worthless Check Reimbursements		480		Class III			
Transfers Assessor's Valuation Fund		75,488		Real Estate			
Total Estimated General Fund Revenues		\$ 4,585,243		Personal Property			
Coal Severance Tax		Estimated Revenues		Public Utility			
Assigned Fund Balance		\$ 4,500		Total Class III			
Coal Severance Tax		15,500		Class IV			
Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year				Real Estate			
Total Coal Severance		\$ 20,000		Personal Property			
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES		General Fund	Coal Severance Tax Fund	Public Utility			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				Total Class IV			
County Commission		\$ 237,902	\$ -	Total Value & Projected Revenue			
County Clerk		307,149	-	Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes			
Circuit Clerk		208,324	-	Less Tax Discounts			
Sheriff - Treasurer		311,604	-	Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)			
Prosecuting Attorney		241,061	-	Total Projected Property Tax Collection			
Assessor		288,486	-	Less Assessor Valuation Fund			
Assessor's Valuation Fund		75,488	-	(Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)			
Statewide Computer Network		20,352	-	Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes			
Fiduciary Supervisor		45,000	-	Summers County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year			
Agricultural Agent		9,000	-	STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY OF SUMMERS			
Elections - County Clerk		88,480	-	I, Lynn Reed, CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF SAID COUNTY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ARE TRUE COPIES FROM THE RECORD OF ORDERS MADE AND ENTERED BY SAID COMMISSION ON THE 29TH DAY OF MARCH 2023.			
Purchasing Department		425,000	20,000				
Courthouse		370,394	-				
Other Buildings		41,000	-				
Regional Development Authority		12,000	-				
Economic Development		15,750	-				
County Clerk Operations		9,753	-				
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		2,706,743	20,000				





LEGAL NOTICE

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Division of Highways  
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days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code § 44-2 or 44-3A.

Settlement of the estates of the following named decedents will proceed without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

**First Publication Date:** Wednesday, April 5, 2023  
**Claim Deadline:** Sunday, June 4, 2023

**ESTATE OF:** TEDDY KENNETH WILLEY JR.

**ADMINISTRATRIX:** JESSICA NICOLE PEAL

**ESTATE OF:** PAUL THOMAS WOODRUM

**ADMINISTRATOR:** MICAH WOODRUM

**ESTATE OF:** DANNY J. SMITH

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**ESTATE OF:** MAXINE ANN COYER

**ADMINISTRATOR:** EDNA GILLEN

**ESTATE OF:** TWILLA DARLENE FREEMAN

**EXECUTOR:** DAVID LEE ADKINS

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the March 29, 2023.  
Donald R. Basham Jr.  
Fiduciary Supervisor of Summers County  
(5,12ap)

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR APPRAISER & REVIEW APPRAISER

Big Bend Public Service District, Summers County, West Virginia is in the process of hiring an appraiser and a review appraiser to provide the necessary professional services to complete the Big Bend Public Service District Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project. The selected professionals will work closely with Big Bend Public Service District, Region I Planning & Development Council, and other team members.

Procurement of said services shall be in accordance with 2 CFR 200.320 (b)(2). Contracts are to be awarded on familiarity with and expertise on this type of project, as well as on a fixed basis for services. All those interested in being considered for this must submit a proposal detailing qualifications and staffing capabilities, related prior work experience, fee schedule, and ability to complete work as needed on this project in a timely manner.

Contracts will be awarded to the responsible offeror whose proposal is within the competitive range and determined to be the most advantageous to the project; price and other factors considered including familiarity and expertise with this type of project.

The consultant's eligibility to receive federal funds will be verified at <http://www.sam.gov> prior to contract award.

If interested in providing this service, please submit an original, three (3) copies, and a digital submission of all requested information to Big Bend Public Service District, and one (1) copy and a digital submission to Region I Planning & Development Council no later than close of business Friday, May 5th, 2023.

**Big Bend Public Service District**  
RFP Appraiser  
P.O. Box 114

Talcott, West Virginia 24981  
**Region I Planning & Development Council**

Attention: Courtney Neese, Project Manager  
1439 E. Main St., Suite 5  
Princeton, WV 24740

If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact Courtney Neese, Project Manager, at [courtney@regiononepdc.org](mailto:courtney@regiononepdc.org).

Attention is directed to the fact that the proposed project may be undertaken through funding including but not limited to WV DEP CWSRF Loans and IJDC Soft Cost Grant.

All work will be performed in accordance with the regulations issued by the funding sources and the State of West Virginia appertaining thereto. The selected firm(s) will be required to comply with Executive Order 11246, Conflict of Interest Statement and Access of Records, Title VI and Section 109.

Big Bend Public Service District will afford full opportunity for minority business enterprises to submit a show of interest in response to this invitation and will not discriminate against any interested firm or individual on the grounds of race, color, creed, sex, age, handicap or national origin in the contract award.

Big Bend Public Service District reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals. Big Bend Public Service District also reserves the right to negotiate the fee for services.

Debra Bower, Chairwoman  
Big Bend Public Service District  
(12,19ap)

Summers County Baseball  
wins big over Montcalm



Brandon Isaac on the field. Photo by Lawson Jones.

Lawson Jones

HINTON, (Hinton News) - Summers County's baseball team is now 3-3 after a 26-3 ten-run-rule win over the Montcalm Generals at Gardner Field in Princeton.

Summers took the lead early when Ben Lane scored on a Brandon Isaac double.

Isaac led the Bobcats in hits, going 4-for-4 at the plate. Colten Jones had three hits in six at-bats. Lane and Ryan Oliveros had two hits each. Devin Mansfield, Grady Allen, John Williams, Matthew Cox, Drake Davis, and Braiden Cozort had a hit each.

Lane led in RBIs, driving in

six of the twenty-six runs. Isaac had 4 RBIs. Oliveros and Jones were responsible for three runs each. Other runs were driven in by Xander Hudgins, Peyton Miller, Jake Boone, Ben Bragg, Mansfield, Allen, and Cozort.

Oliveros, Cox, and Williams all toed the rubber for the Bobcats. Combined, the three Bobcats struck out eleven.

On the win, Assistant Coach Odie Gibson said, "Great game. Played pretty clean. I'll take it! Go Bobcats!"

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The proposal needs to include contract rate for a uniformed, armed security officer who will patrol the courthouse, check and regulate pedestrian traffic inside the courthouse. The hours of coverage will include all days the courthouse is open to the public. The term of the contract will be for the period of one year (365 days).

Please send proposals to Summers County Commission, 120 Ballengee Street, Suite 203, Hinton, WV 25951. Proposals need to be submitted by the Summers County Commission by 4:30 p.m. on April 21, 2023.

Sheriff of Summers County  
Tax Office

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SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES  
SUMMERS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The following is a true copy from the record of orders entered by SUMMERS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION on the 14th day of March 2023:

Column E Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Current Expense Levy	
	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I Personal Property Public Utilities Total Class I	19.40	- - -
Class II Real Estate Personal Property Total Class II	38.80	1,149,376 6,603 1,155,979
Class III Real Estate Personal Property Public Utilities Total Class III	77.60	996,694 379,797 721,406 2,097,897
Class IV Real Estate Personal Property Public Utilities Total Class IV	77.60	260,566 147,039 157,645 565,250

Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections	\$ 641,121,934	\$ 3,819,126
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Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies	3.00%	(114,574)
Less Allowance for Tax Discounts	2.00%	(74,091)

Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing - see worksheet (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)		-
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Net Projected Tax Collections, before allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund		3,630,461
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Less - Allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)	2.00%	(72,609)
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Projected Net Taxes to be Collected	\$ 3,557,852
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Note: Copies of all approved excess and/or bond levy orders and certified copies of the canvass of votes must be on file with the State Auditor's Office and the State Department of Education before excess or bond levy rates can be approved.

SIGNED THIS 14th DAY OF MARCH 2023, BY

David Warvel SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Signature





## A peek into Summers County's past: Pence Springs Water Company

Rebecca Stalnaker  
and William Jones

PENCE SPRINGS, (Hinton News) - It is time for another edition of A Peek into Summers County's Past. Each week, a collector of local history items, William Jones, provides information about one or more pieces from his collection. This week, we are talking about the Pence Springs Water Company.

To bring this story to life, we must go back to 1872. According to Jones, "In 1872, Andrew Pence, for whom Pence Springs was named, around the turn of the century, erected a large wooden frame hotel near the springs and developed it commercially as a resort. In the early 19th century, the water was believed to have medical properties. The amount of visitors to the site largely increased due to the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway extending their line down the Greenbrier River to what is now Pence Springs."

The story continued when Pence obtained the property with the spring a few years later. Jones said, "Mr. Pence then acquired the property that contained the spring in 1878, but he did not start bottling and selling the water until 1882. He built up a business selling and shipping the water very quickly. Later on a manufacturing plant was constructed to bottle the water and produce and bottle ginger ale using the spring water. Eventually numerous boarding houses ran during the time of the original hotel to accommodate the influx of traffic coming to Pence Springs daily. Around 1900, E.M. Carney of Charleston, W.Va., acquired property a little further up Valley Heights above the spring."

Continuing the story of E.M. Carney, Jones stated, "He erected a very stately rival hotel and started bottling the water himself, having drilled into the very spring that fed the spring that Andrew Pence had built into a very successful business. Carney, having tapped into Mr. Pences spring, caused his supply to dwindle and caused Mr Pence to lose a lot of business. This ordeal ended up being dealt with by a lawsuit in the West Virginia Supreme Court, which was ultimately decided in Mr. Carney's favor." The entire 1905 West Virginia Supreme Court decision is available through the Harvard University Caselaw Access Project.

Moving on to this week's featured objects, Jones noted, "Pence Springs water shipping crates can be seen on the ground beside the train depot where the water



**Bottles are a crate from Pence Springs' past. Photo provided by William Jones.**

was sold and shipped across the country. The first item in my collection that I am showcasing this week is a wooden shipping crate like the ones in the photo from the turn of the century."

"I will first address the early blue glass bottle with embossed lettering that reads 'Pence Springs Water Co. Pence Springs, W.Va.' bottle with a wooden stopper. My father found this bottle shortly after he moved with his family to Pence Springs in 1962 on the site of the Hines Boarding House," Jones said. "These bottles were used when Andrew Pence started selling spring water in the 1880s until the 1910s. They were produced in blue like the one you see here and clear ones. I had always wanted one of these shipping crates. I went with my grandfather to the flea market during the West Virginia State Fair about

25 years ago, and one happened to be there that day. It was near my birthday, so my granddad bought it for me as an early birthday gift."

The bottles were originally sold in wooden crates like the one previously mentioned. Jones said, "They were sold and shipped in wooden shipping crates like the one seen here. Two of these shipping crates can be seen in the photo of the Pence Springs railroad depot from the turn of the century. Next we will address the dark green bottle with the burgundy and gold label that simply reads Pence Springs Water. The ginger ale that was produced using the spring water used an identical bottle with a nearly identical label. The only difference was that it read Pence Springs Ginger Ale. This was the label used from the 1910s to the late 1920s."

Finally, Jones discusses



**Pence Springs train depot with Pence Springs Water crates on the ground. Photo provided by William Jones.**

the more colorful bottle label pictured. He said, "Last is the more colorful, predominantly blue label that was used until the bottling company closed in 1935. This particular bottle and its label is one that someone has placed on a much earlier bottle just for looks, I have never seen an original bottle with one of these labels. However, my good friend Alvin Garten salvaged this pack of unused labels that were stored in a barn in Valley Heights above the flea market when it was being torn down around 20 years ago."

That's it for this week's edition of A Peek into Summers County's Past. Did you know about the Pence Springs Water Company? We would love to hear your stories! Be

sure to check back next week for more about the county's history.

If you would like to sub-

mit a story from Summers County's history, send us an email at [news@hintonnews.com](mailto:news@hintonnews.com).

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