

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
First Energy is up to corporate tricks again. Let me explain, and warn Prestonians.
Our electric company is Mon Power is a subsidiary of First Energy. So far so good.

But First Energy is an Ohio corporation. In Ohio electric power is deregulated, meaning First Energy has to scramble to make a profit

just like any other company. Mon Power, however, is a regulated utility, regulated by the West Virginia Public Service Commission. That means Mon Power gets guaranteed rates and profits from its customers - which is you.

Here's where the corporate tricks come in. First Energy wants to make Mon Power buy the Harrison power plant near Clarksburg for over \$1

It's pie time at McGrew

Members of McGrew Society are taking orders for their popular selection of pies. A selection of 13 fresh fruit and cream pies, along with Easter breads, nut rolls and pumpkin pies are being offered at a price of \$8.50 each. Orders must be placed by March 10. Pies will be delivered and may be picked up from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m., March 22 at McGrew House. You may place an order with members of the Society or by calling Rosemary at 304-329-0884 or Marion at 304-329-0221.

Childers guest speaker

By Ashley Bell
The Etam Eagles 4-H Club heard a presentation by Officer Childers and his K-9 partner, at the Szilagyi Center, on March 3. Much information was shared about the deputy and his dog's duties and abilities.

The Health Officer, Brittney Sanders, shared an exercise activity. Melissa Brewer and Wendy Beavers, along with participants, their Zumba class, gave a presentation. After the demonstration, everyone enjoyed homemade ice cream and other healthy snacks before calling the meeting to order.

Members will be taking orders for cheese until March 29. Call Chris at 304-454-9698 or Kim at 304-454-9747 or see any 4-H member for the Preston County 4-H Days and the Elimination Dinner will be on June 1.

Tickets for the Dinner are available by calling the same above numbers or the Extension Office in Kingwood. Price of the tickets are \$40 and will admit two. All proceeds help the Preston County 4-H Camp Fund. County 4-H Days will be at the Baptist Church in Kingwood. Registration will start at 9 a.m.

The Etam Eagles 4-H Club will be having a Lock-In

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Billion - yes, that's billion with a "B." Why? Because First Energy doesn't want its shareholders to be responsible for this enormous liability, like they are now. They would rather sell the plant to Mon Power, because then you the Mon Power customer would have to shoulder this \$1+ Billion debt.

They call you and the rest of us the "ratepayers." You can imagine what this new debt would do to Mon Power rates and your Mon Power electric bill - going up!

Wouldn't it be nice if Mon Power helped us save on our electric bills instead of saddling us with a gigantic new debt? They could support home energy conservation - like other First Energy companies do in Maryland and Ohio. Don't we deserve that kind of help too?

You can let the West Virginia Public Service Commission know what you think about this at: <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/generalComments.cfm>

**Yours truly,
Jim Sconyers
Cranesville**

Ten Pin Action

League standings for week 25 of 34 for Monday night Men's League at Luigi's Sport Center has been released.

Team Standings: 4
Horses & 1 Pony, 23.0-9.0; Phillips Precast, 20.5-11.5; Trouble Shooters, 18.0-14.0; TNT, 17.0-15.0; John's Pro Shop, 16.5-15.5; Preston Silver Eagle, 14.0-18.0; Crossroads Chiropractic, 13.0-19.0; Rainbow Tire, 6.0-26.0.

High Scratch Game - Team: Phillips Precast, 1045; John's Pro Shop, 1012, 4 Horses & 1 Pony, 1007.

High Scratch Series - Team: 4 Horses & 1 Pony, 2978; John's Pro Shop, 2903; Phillips Precast, 2817.

High Handicap Game - Team: Phillips Precast, 1150; TNT, 1147; Crossroads Chiropractic, 1086.

High Handicap Series - Team: TNT, 3185; Crossroads Chiropractic, 3177; 4 Horses & 1 Pony, 3149.

High Scratch Game - Men: Rick Cale, 275; Dan Stuck, 255; Wendell Williams, 235.

High Scratch Series - Men: Rick Cale, 674; Wendell Williams, 663; Harold Gibbon, 617.

High Handicap Game - Men: Rick Cale, 277; Frank Land, 261; Dan Stuck, 259.

High Handicap Series - Men: Frank Land, 688; Rick Cale, 680; Wendell Williams, 675.

American Legion Post 56 (Preston County)

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VETERANS AFFAIRS WANTS TO LEASE SPACE

The Department of Veterans Affairs desires to lease sufficient rentable square footage to yield between 2975-3375 Net Usable Square Feet (NUSF) in Tucker County, WV, for use as a VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC). The space must include a contiguous floor plan and can be provided by new construction or modification of existing space. Facility requirements include yielding a minimum of 7 medical treatment rooms, additional support space for Telemedicine and group counseling/treatment, restrooms and other supporting needs. Required parking for 22 vehicles to include 4 dedicated to handicapped, and easy access to parking area. The leased facility will need to meet VA build out requirements and be fully compliant with the American with Disabilities Act. A lease for up to ten (10) years will be considered. Lease term will be for a two (2) year Base Period with yearly options to extend for eight (8) additional years.

Space located within the Tucker County Limits or fronting on the county line will be considered.

A market survey of properties offered for the lease will be conducted by the VA. Interested individuals (Owners, Brokers or legal representative) should contact Rebecca Besten, Contracting Officer at (304) 623-3461 Ext 3982 via email at Rebecca.Besten@va.gov

Or mail to the following address:
Rebecca Besten, Contracting (90C)
Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center
1 Medical Center Drive
Clarksburg, WV 26301

Contact is required by 4:00 p.m., March 15, 2013.

The government is limited by law (40 USC 278a, as amended 10-1-81) to pay no more than the appraised fair rental value for space.

Please note: This advertisement is not a solicitation for offers, nor is it a request for proposals. A solicitation for offers may be issued by the Department of Veterans Affairs at a later date.

Rowlesburg news

Submitted by Kimberly Felton Quilter class set

The Community Quilters in Rowlesburg will be sponsoring a Quilt Show over the Memorial Day weekend at the Szilagyi Center.

The show will be open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, May 25, and from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, May 26.

A donation of \$10 per quilt or miscellaneous item will be requested. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places. To enter a quilt or item, contact Helen Edmunds at 304-568-2776. Quilt entries need to be received by May 1.

Proceeds benefit The Community Quilters and the RRC, Inc.

The Community Quilters in Rowlesburg will be sponsoring a VJ Hersh Pocket Purse class starting at 10 a.m. on April 13.

The class will be held in the Quilt Room, Third Floor, of the Szilagyi Center (Old RHS).

The class fee is \$15. Registration will need to be in my March 25, along with the class fee of \$15 payable to the RRC, Inc.

In addition a pattern fee of \$5 will be due to the

instructor on the day of the class.

After receiving the registration, a materials list will be sent to you. The registration should be sent to Helen Edmunds, 3845 Fill Hollow Road, Tunnelton, WV 26444. For additional information, you may contact Helen at 304-568-2776.

Pictures sought

After the flood of 1985 the old school was sold to the whitewater rafting company.

The Rowlesburg Alumni Association auctioned off to individuals all of the class pictures of RHS.

RRC is collecting the pictures to again hang on the walls of the top floor.

People have donated some of the pictures back. RRC is in the process of repairing the backings, affixing new wires, cleaning frames and glass, and polishing the frames in order to have the pictures on the walls by the River City Festival on Memorial Weekend.

Class pictures still missing are 1930, 1932, 1935, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1942, 1944, 1949, 1952, 1955, 1957, 1960, 1962, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1973 through 1979, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1986,

1987, and 1988.

If you bought a class picture at the auction, consider donating it back to RRC so it will hang with the rest of them in old RHS. Contact Katie Wolfe, 304-454-9232 or Katie Burke 304-454-9601.

Dinner planned

Rowlesburg PTO will be holding its annual Elimination Dinner at 6 p.m. on March 9 at the Rowlesburg School. Tickets are \$35 which admits two \$1,000 jackpot. Tickets are available from PTO members or by calling 304-454-9311 or 304-454-9747.

Bingo scheduled

Basket Bingo will be held on March 17. Packets are \$10. Tips will be sold on the floor. Doors open at 1 p.m. and games start at 2 p.m. Bring a snack for everyone to share. Must be 18 years of age to play. Sponsored by Rowlesburg Volunteer Ambulance Service and all proceeds go to a cancer patient.

March breakfast set

An All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast will be held from 8 a.m. until noon on March 17 at the Rowlesburg VFW. A variety of home-cooked breakfast items will be served. Cost is \$8. It is a joint effort of the Rowlesburg Lions and VFW.

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