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Big Otter Dobbins, Clay Young Win Youth Basketball

Clay County CERT Readies for Red Cross Blood Drive Mar. 30



Clay Young (B Team Champions)



Big Otter Dobbins (A Team Champions)

Big Otter Elementary School Dobbins A Team won the 4th-5th grade Clay County Youth Basketball League championship held at Clay County High School on March 4. This team was undefeated, going 10-0 in the regular season and winning three straight games in the tournament to capture the title.

They defeated Clay Elementary Taylor 33-12 in the championship game. Special congratulations go out to Gunner Dobbins, voted by league coaches as the team's Most Valuable Player, and Trenton Parker and Karter Brown, voted by the coaches for All-Tournament honors. Players for Big Otter are fifth graders Karter Brown, Gunner Dobbins, Zain Gray, Trenton Parker and Wyatt Persinger, and fourth graders Taygan Boggs, Bradley Childers, Kinley Collins, Isaac Lilly, Bran-

don McCourt, Holden Reed, Logan Taylor, and Chuck Young. Coaches are Philip Dobbins and Bailey Boggs.

Clay Elementary School Young B Team won the 2nd-3rd grade basketball championship. Clay out-scored opponent Big Otter Paxton 26-22 in a nail biter to the finish. Kash Kincaid won the Most Valuable Player award, and Sierra McMillion and Lila Duffield were voted for All-Tournament recognition. Players on the team are Allie Drake, Lila Duffield, Braelyn Fugate, Kash Kincaid, Sierra McMillion, Everett Mullins, Tucker Potasnik, Abigail Samples, Jaden Vance, and Jase Young. Coached by Savannah Young and Melissa McMillion, the team was an impressive 12-1 on the season.

Congratulations to both teams on a job well done!

On March 30, Clay County High School will be abuzz with excitement as the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) sponsors a Blood Drive on the Clay County High School premises. Students and teachers alike will be eager to participate in this life-saving event.

The event will be organized in collaboration with the American Red Cross and will aim to collect as many blood donations as possible. The CERT team will set up a designated area in the school's gymnasium, where volunteers from the Red Cross will conduct pre-screening tests on potential donors. They will check the donors' vital signs, ask them a few questions about their medical history, and make sure they meet all the eligibility criteria for donating blood.

Once the donors are deemed fit to donate, they will be ushered to the donation area, where the actual blood collection process will take place. The Red Cross volunteers will be highly skilled and will make sure that the donors feel comfortable through-

out the process.

The Blood Drive is expected to be a huge success, with dozens of students and teachers stepping up to donate their blood. The CERT team will be thrilled with the turnout and will praise the school community for their support. They will emphasize that every blood donation can save up to three lives, and encourage everyone to make blood donation a regular part of their lives.

The Blood Drive will not only serve as a means to collect blood donations but will also raise awareness about the importance of donating blood. It will help the students and teachers to understand how their small act of kindness can potentially make a huge difference in someone's life. Overall, the Blood Drive sponsored by Clay County, WV CERT at Clay County High School on Mar. 30 will be a remarkable event that will bring the school community together for a noble cause.

The Blood Drive will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

DHHR's Bureau for Medical Services Seeks to Help Members with Healthcare Coverage



With COVID-19 Continuous Coverage for Medicaid and WVCHIP benefits ending in April 2023 due to the ending of the federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR), Bureau for Medical Services is expanding efforts to reach members who have not responded to review or renew their enrollment.

Since the start of COVID-19, Medicaid and WVCHIP enrollment has increased by 30 percent, growing by 151,509 members from 504,760 in March 2020 to 656,269 in December 2022. DHHR's Bureau for Medical Services projects a 10 to 15 percent decline in overall Medicaid and WVCHIP enrollment when the public health emergency expires on March 31, 2023, and continuous enrollment unwinding occurs.

"We expect enrollment for Medicaid will decrease between 91,212 and 134,414 members and enrollment for WVCHIP will decrease between 2,184 and 3,494 members," said Cindy Beane, Commissioner for DHHR's Bureau for Medical Services. "We want all residents to have access to healthcare coverage and will continue to reach out to assure eligible West Virginians are re-enrolled for Medicaid and WVCHIP."

Medicaid and WVCHIP members should check their mail for a renewal letter, complete the renewal form, and contact DHHR to ensure contact information (mailing address, phone number, and email address) is up-to-date. Updates can be made by email to dhhrbcfchangectr@wv.gov, online at wvpath.wv.gov, or by calling the DHHR Customer Service Center at 1-877-716-1212.

Those who are not eligible for Medicaid or WVCHIP or who have already ended coverage are encouraged to contact the WV Navigator program at 304-356-5834 or acanavigator.com/wv/home for assistance in enrolling in a federal Marketplace health insurance plan.

Spring is just around the corner, or so it seems



Plants are growing nicely and getting ready for the outdoors. Allen Hamrick photo.

See "Spring" on Page 8

BOOKED CENTRAL REGIONAL JAIL

BRAXTON COUNTY



Lee Edgar Given
Booked 3/10/23
Soliciting a minor via computer and traveling to engage minor, sexual abuse by parent/guardian



Janet Katherine Hardway
Booked 3/9/23
Capias



Kansas Eneberg McMillion
Booked 3/8/23
Possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance



Kenneth Dwayne Shaffer
Booked 3/7/23
Trespassing asked to leave



Mark Douglas Bays
Booked 3/11/23
No insurance, no proof of registration, no MVI



Vincent Seth Ruggieri
Booked 3/8/23
Prohibited person with firearm, domestic battery, DOP, violation of protective order

NICHOLAS COUNTY



Marcus Dashawn Givens
Booked 3/13/23
Simple possession, cell phone use while driving, solicit minor via computer



James Michael Hughes
Booked 3/9/23
Petit larceny, burglary, conspiracy to commit a felony



Mark Allen Jarvis
Booked 3/9/23
Burglary, petit larceny, conspiracy to commit a felony



Evelyn Ashley Johnson
Booked 3/10/23
Day report violation



Todd Aaron McKinney
Booked 3/9/23
Arson in the first degree



Robert Eugene Spencer II
Booked 3/8/23
Probation violation



Mitch Tyron Walters
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DUI first offense

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Attorney General Morrissey Joins National Consumer Protection Initiative

West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrissey is joining with consumer protection groups and other state attorneys general to help consumers combat scam calls in observation of National Consumer Protection Week, a consumer education initiative spearheaded by the Federal Trade Commission.

“Slam the Scam,” which is part of the National Consumer Protection Week, is an initiative from the Social Security Administration’s Office of the Inspector General. It is aimed at educating consumers on what to do if they receive unsolicited or suspicious calls.

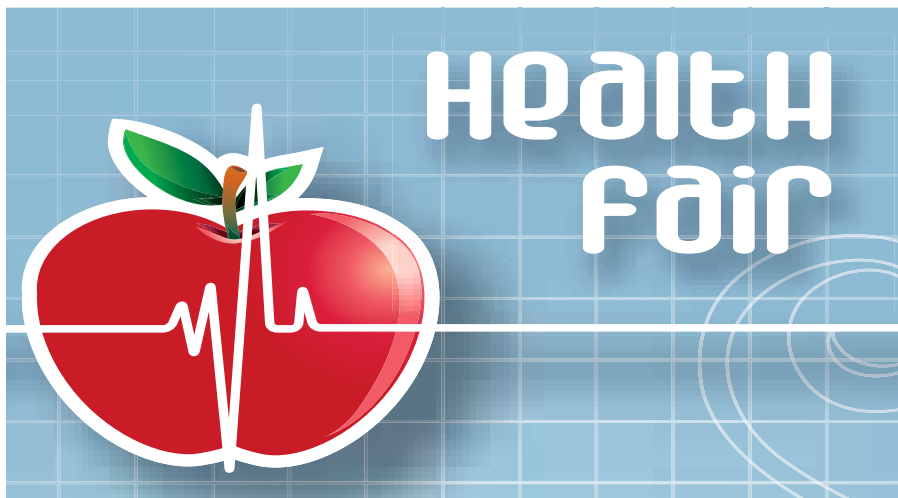
“Scam calls are one of the top issues that plague consumers daily, and it’s important to be on guard against scammers,” Attorney General Morrissey said. “If you receive such a call, don’t give in to the scammer or provide any personal, identifiable information. Instead, hang up and report the call to our office and other pertinent authorities.”

Consumers lost hundreds of millions of dollars to government imposter scams last year, according to the Federal Trade Commission. These scams often involve someone who calls and claims to represent a government agency. The caller will often attempt to gather the consumer’s personal information, demand payment or even threaten arrest or another penalty if the consumer does not comply.

These scams primarily use the phone, but scammers may also use email, text messages, social media or U.S. mail. Social Security-related scams hold the top spot as the most common type of government imposter scam reported to the FTC.

Consumers who receive suspicious calls should keep the following in mind:

- Hang up. Ending the conversation is the quickest way to stop a scam—before it starts.
 - Don’t trust your caller ID. Scammers have been known to falsify or “spoof” calls to make them appear to come from a legitimate source.
 - Verify the call. If the caller claims to represent a particular government agency, hang up and call the main number for the legitimate agency to see if that agency was trying to reach you.
 - Don’t give in to the scammer. Scammers are hoping consumers will panic and surrender the information or money they are asking for out of fear.
 - Report the scam. In addition to calling the Attorney General’s Consumer Protection division at 800-368-8808, consumers should also report Social Security scam calls to <https://oig.ssa.gov/report/>.
- The West Virginia Attorney General’s Office has participated in National Consumer Protection Week for more than six years.



Health Fair set April 4

There will be a Health Fair on April 4 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Clay County Health Department. This event is sponsored by the Clay County Health Department, Clay

Senior and Community Services, and the Clay Family Resource Network.

There will be free blood testing for the first 75 participants (fasting

is required- no food or drink after midnight). Test one includes a CBC (infections test), CMP (electrolytes), and Lipids (cholesterol). The cost is \$20 after the first 75 participants. Test two is PSA (prostate cancer- men). The cost is \$10 after the first 75 participants. Test three is an AIC test, and costs \$5 after the first 75 participants.

Courthouse News



Friday, March 17, 2023 Docket Schedule for Magistrate:Rider, Charles “Jeff”:

- 09:00 AM, State v. Gallard Donald Fugate, Bench Trial, Battery
- 01:00 PM, State v. Johnathan Glen Williams, Preliminary Hearing, Burglary, Grand larceny

Puzzle Answers

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Super Crossword

Public Notices

• **Maysel Community Church Revival, March 17-19 with Devonna Brown-Dillard. 1632 Procius Maysel Road, Maysel, WV. Service begins at 6 P.M. each evening. Everyone welcome.**

• **The Clay County Middle School after-school program is still seeking donated sewing machines. If you have a working portable sewing machine that you no longer need and would like to donate to a beginning sewist, please drop it off at the Clay County Library earmarked for the CCMS sewing class. The manual would be great to have with the machine. Please, include your contact information. In the case that the class is too small for the number of machines that may be donated, leave a note saying what you want done with it. Thank you in advance for your support!**

• **The Clay County WIC office located at 452 Main Street in Clay is open to serve the public every Monday and Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

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Allegheny Metallurgical has an immediate opening for an UG Belt Coordinator. This position will report to the mine Superintendent. The Belt Coordinator will manage installation and maintenance of all underground belts in the mine and slope. The mine includes CM Units with a Long Wall starting mid-2023. This position is part of the senior mine management team. The successful candidate will be a WV Certified Mine Foreman who has demonstrated the ability to successfully manage large mine belt infrastructure.

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Nothing Like a Mystery to Calm My Nerves

By: Dr. James L. Snyder

Nothing calms me down more than a mystery when I have a busy week.

The other afternoon I got caught up and faced some rather stressful situations. The remedy to all of this would be to watch one of those mystery movies.

One was playing that afternoon, so I decided to rearrange my schedule, enjoy the afternoon watching that mystery movie with a nice hot cup of coffee, and maybe adding an Apple Fritter to it makes it even more restful.

As I began watching this mystery, the first part is always the murder. So who was it that committed this murder? That is the detective's job to find out the murderer.

As these mystery movies begin, I like to guess who the real murderer is. I am usually wrong but don't tell anybody, especially The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

Getting involved in the story, the detectives brought in one suspect they believed committed the crime.

I was getting involved when I heard someone walk into the living room; it was The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. She looked at the TV, then back at me and said very firmly, "He is not the murderer. The wife is the one who murdered her husband." Then she turned around and returned to her kitchen work.

I chuckled a little because how would she know who the murderer was at this point in the movie?

Watching this, the detectives finally concluded that the subject they were interviewing was not the one who did the murder.

Then they came up with another suspect, and as they were interviewing him, a head popped into the living room; it was The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. "He's not the guilty one; the wife killed her husband; trust me on this."

Of course, if anybody knows what wives are capable of, it would be her.

I knew she was wrong about the wife killing her husband. They had interviewed this wife, who had a good alibi; the detectives crossed her off the suspect list.

They brought in several more suspects, and they were all cleared as far as the crime. Finally, they got to the place where no other suspects were in view.

Suddenly, someone appeared as a suspect that they did not see before.

That's the way a good mystery goes. The one they had seemed like a very good prospect. He had no credible alibi at the time of the murder.

The more they interviewed him, the more it seemed like he was the murderer.

Watching it, I began to agree that they finally got their murderer. All they had to do was collect the evidence needed to convict him.

Just then, a head popped into the living room. "He did not do the killing," she said very emphatically. "As I said before, the wife killed her husband."

I did not know how she came up with that because she was working in the kitchen, and I was watching the television. So how could she know things about the mystery I didn't know? "You're wrong," I said to her, "all the evidence points to this one they just arrested. No other person has his evidence."

She poked her head back in, and I said, "The wife is not in the picture right now. She could not have done the crime."

With one of her smiles, she replied, "Trust me. The wife did it. If I'm right, I'll bet you lunch at my favorite restaurant tomorrow."

Could I pass up something like that? All the evidence pointed to that person, and none to the wife.

"I will take you up on that bet, and I can't wait to have lunch at my favorite restaurant tomorrow."

Walking back into the kitchen, I could hear her chuckling. I had never known her to be wrong like this, and I was preparing myself for a grand celebration at my favorite restaurant tomorrow for lunch. This will be the first time I have ever won a bet against her. I must jot this down and record it because it may never happen again.

Returning to the mystery movie, suddenly, everything began to change. The man they thought did the crime had an airtight alibi, then the unthinkable happened.

The wife's alibi began to break down as the detectives re-examined the evidence; they saw it differently, to their surprise.

As it turned out, all the evidence revealed the wife killed her husband, and she was the murderer.

I heard some chuckling from the kitchen area and wasn't going to ask what was happening. I knew exactly what was going on.

At lunch, the next day, all The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage could do was smile as she read through the menu and placed her order with the waitress.

I've never known her to order so much for lunch.

Driving home from the restaurant, I happen to think of a verse of Scripture found in Matthew 11:28-30. "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

If I want real rest from my labors, it will only come from my relationship with Jesus Christ. Nothing can compromise that rest.

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THE BAPTIST CLASSROOM

Pastor Doug Newell, IV



The Ordinary Way

Students lingered at the chapel on February 8, 2023, after the Wednesday evening service at Asbury University in Wilmore, Kentucky. I understand that some of the students were convicted by the sermon and wanted to continue praying and singing. And they kept on praying and singing. For weeks they continued the service, non-stop, with people coming and going. In the age of social media, the story went viral and made international news. People traveled from all over to attend just a few minutes of the service. A lot of people have differing opinions about what happened. Time will tell. I won't give my hot take on the situation, or my cold take, now that all the excitement is over.

Christians want to go deeper in their faith. We want to love Jesus more. We want to pray more and pray more fervently. We want to experience the blessings of God. Everyone knows the experience of waking up on Sunday and facing the temptation to roll over and go back to sleep. Then you see these people praying and singing all through the night, and you long for something you feel you are missing. We read stories about times in the past when whole communities were saved. Hundreds of people came to saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus, and church members fired up and put the Lord first in their lives. And who wouldn't want that? When Asbury comes along, people want to experience that and maybe "catch

the fire."

The desire is good, but there is also the danger of looking for shortcuts and "get holy quick" schemes. Your life isn't what you want it to be, so you go to a service where there is revival, and BAM, you level up and are endued with spiritual power, love, and producing fruit in abundance. Can that happen? Absolutely. But that is not the usual way that Christians grow. We grow like little children (1 Peter 2:2) desiring the Word. We grow in good works and knowledge of the Lord (1 Thessalonians 1:3). We grow through the preaching and teaching ministry of the local church (Ephesians 4:11-16) We grow in grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18). Notice a theme? That's not to mention the example of the Apostles praying for the churches and the call for churches to pray for one another. And love one another, care for one another, have compassion on one another, and encourage and lift one another up. This is the normal, ordinary way of growth and sanctification. We are prone to look for shortcuts to get us to where we serve and love the Lord with great zeal. But in reality, loving the Lord and loving one another, coming to the house of God on the Lord's Day, praying, hearing the Word of God, and fellowship of the saints is how the Lord strengthens us. The Lord will sanctify His people. Trust Him and the ordinary way He gave us.

The Amazing Thing About Love

By Joseph J. Mazella

Last year my daughter started feeding a stray, female, black cat that we named Miss Alice. Well since then things have progressed. First two other stray, orange, male cats that we named Garfield and Tang also showed up wanting to be fed. Then the local birds noticed and started flying down to feast on any leftover cat food after those three had finished eating. Now my daughter has become like an animated Disney princess. Anytime she walks outside the animals gather around.

The only one who seems unhappy with this new arrangement is Miss Alice. She will often chase the male cats away until she is finished eating. And the other day when I walked over to my daughter's house Alice came up meowing asking to be loved on. While I was scratching her head and petting her back, Tang saw what was happening and also meowed for attention. The second he did Miss Alice hissed him away. She wasn't about to share me or anything else

The thing that Alice the cat doesn't understand is something that took me years to learn too. It is that there is an amazing thing about love. It is a thing that confounds poets and philosophers. It is a thing that makes mathematicians heads spin. It is a thing that we can't fully understand but just have to accept on faith. It is the truth that the more love you share and give away, the more love you have. Some gentle, loving souls like my daughter seem to know

this intuitively. The rest of us have to learn it the hard way.

Either way it is a true miracle. It is in sharing love that we connect ourselves with the love that fills the universe, the love that created all things, the love that our Father in Heaven has for us all. It truly is in loving that we are loved. It is in loving that we are lifted up. It is in loving that we grow as God's children. May we all learn this even if poor Miss Alice never does.



Miss Alice

Home Country

By Slim Randles

"Makes a guy wonder sometimes," Windy Wilson said, "if gettin' all stabbed to death might not be a bad way to go."

The rest of us – the Supreme Court of Dang Near Everything at the Mule Barn coffee shop – politely choked on our java and put the cups down. Even for Windy, this was quite an observation.

"Yerproollyaskin' yerselves," Windy said, "how I gerrymanderated myself into this observation."

"Well ... yes ... actually."

"Doc, I know you and the boys need fresh idears ever year or two jest to keep you sharpened, so here's how I figger it. You know it's dang near March fifteen, right? Back in the olden days, before we even had our interdependence from England, they called it The Idears of March. So they knew they needed idears even back then. This whole stabbin' thing came from that old Roman guy, Julius Caesar.


This year woman, called herself the Oriole of Dolphins, 'cuz she thought she was smarter than most folks in Baltimore or even in Miama ... she told ol' Julius to beware them Idears of March, 'cuzthey'snothin' but

trouble."

Windy waited for Loretta to top off his cup. "But ol' Julius wasn't too purty good about listenin' cuz he'd already whupped England and Germany so he figgered he was too smart already. So he give a speech they didn't like and a bunch of Brute's stabbed him plumb to death. Well, it sure made him famous, didn't it? I'm sure you heard of a caesarian section house – somethin' on the railroad, I think – and an epileptic Caesar, and Caesar salad, and an Orange Julius. 'Course you have.

"So mebbe we need to ease up on them Brute's in history, light up a roman candle in their honor. They messed up them Congressional steps some, but Julius Caesar's story is still around and it's long after that mop bucket dried out."

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 '50's and '60's
ROCK
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TRIVIA

This group was the first American group to have three #1 hits off of one album and the only American group to have 5 consecutive #1 hits.

Answer to last week's Trivia: The best-selling instrumental band of all time (14 Billboard's Hot 100 singles, 38 albums, and over 100 million records), who played Fender and then Mosrite guitars, and had a #5 single in Aug. of 1960 (Walk Don't Run) was: The Ventures.



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THIS WEEK IN West Virginia History

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The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to *WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia* at www.wvencyclopedia.org.

March 15, 1882: Union leader Frank Keeney was born on Cabin Creek, Kanawha County. Keeney, who went to work in the mines as a boy, became a rank-and-file leader during the Paint Creek-Cabin Creek Strike of 1912-13.

March 15, 1952: Governor Earl Ray Tomblin was born in Logan County. He was elected as a Democrat from Logan County to the House of Delegates in 1974, when he was only 22 years old and still a senior at West Virginia University.

March 16, 1906: Country musician Buddy Starcher



was born Oby Edgar Starcher near Ripley. In 1946, Starcher cut his first recordings on Four Star, including his best-known composition, "I'll Still Write Your Name in the Sand," which became a hit in 1949.

March 17, 1858: William Edwin Chilton was born in Coalsmouth, now St. Albans. A lawyer, U.S. Senator and businessman, Chilton expanded Charleston's electric streetcar system and was publisher and editor of the *Charleston Gazette*.

March 17, 1891: West Virginia State University

was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute by the legislature. It was one of 17 Black land-grant colleges established under the Second Morrill Act of 1890.

March 17, 1912: Athlete Joe Stydahar was born in Pennsylvania. A star in football and basketball at WVU, he was the first-round selection of the Chicago Bears in the first NFL draft of college players in 1936.

March 18, 1820: William Stevenson was born in Warren, Pennsylvania, but later moved to Wood County in western Virginia. In 1868, he was elected the third governor of West Virginia.

March 18, 1950: Actor Brad Dourif was born in Huntington. He is best known for his portrayal of offbeat characters, including Billy Bibbitt in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and Grima Wormtongue in Peter Jackson's *Lord of the Rings* trilogy.

March 19, 1925: Basketball teams from 11 of West Virginia's 24 African-American high schools took the court at West Virginia State College (now University) in Institute for the first West Virginia Athletic Union (WVAU) state basketball tournament. Lincoln High School of Wheeling defeated Kimball, 25-24, in the final game to win the championship.

March 19, 1992: Four miners were killed at the Blacksville No. 1 Mine in Monongalia County while it was being sealed. Drainage pipes were being welded together, and a spark fell into the shaft, igniting methane gas.

March 20, 1849: Businessman James Kay was born in Scotland. He constructed the coke ovens at Hawks Nest, installed a

cable car to carry coal across the New River, and installed a tramway to move miners and coal up and down the gorge face at Kaymoor.



March 20, 1897: Musician Frank Hutchison was born in Raleigh County. With a slide guitar sound akin to the bottleneck style, he helped instill a blues strain into modern country music and was influential among coalfield musicians.

March 21, 1914: The first West Virginia boys' high school basketball tournament began in Buckhannon. The event was sponsored by West Virginia Wesleyan College, which at the time had West Virginia's largest and finest gymnasium.



March 21, 2018: Sculptor Frank Gaylor died. Born 1925 in Clarksburg, his best-known work is "The Column," a platoon of 19 larger-than-life, stainless steel soldiers comprising the central element of the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington.

OBITUARIES

Dennis Brooks Tanner

Dennis Brooks Tanner, 87, of Nebo, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Sunday, March 5, 2023 surrounded by his family.

He was born January 8, 1936, at Nebo, the son of the late Samuel and Lyda Sampson Tanner.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Steve Tanner; daughter, Dorma Tanner; brothers, Russell, Romie, Richard, Andy, Seldon, Spencer, Homer, and Harry Tanner; sisters, Myrtle Tanner Dickey and Lula Tanner Cutlip.

Dennis was a lifelong resident of Nebo and an original member of the Tanner Boys Quartet. He loved singing the gospel for Jesus.

He retired from the Clay County Department of Highways in 1996, after 21 years of service.

His pastimes included attending various churches, spending time with his family, hunting and visiting special friends.

Survivors include his loving wife of 67 years, Patricia Tucker Tanner, whom he married December 5, 1955 at Clay; sons, Larry (April) Tanner of Charleston and Jerry (Karla) Tanner of Nebo; daughter, Loretta (James) Brady also of Nebo; daughter-in-law, Sue Tanner of Charleston; six grandchildren, Stefanie (Casey) Stutler, Dennis (Greta) Conley, Jordan Tanner, Joseph Tanner, Emma Tanner and Luke Tanner; four great grandchildren, Graceyn

Conley, Kamryn Stutler, Karter Brown and Peyton Nelson; many nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank the many special friends, neighbors, relatives, church family, nurses and Hospice for their prayers, love and support during his illness.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, March 8 at 2:30 p.m. at the Nebo Baptist Church, Nebo with the Rev. Kenneth Tanner and the Rev. Lester Tanner officiating. Burial will be in the Nebo Cemetery.

The family received friends at the church from 1:30 until 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

John H. Taylor Funeral Home, Spencer, is in charge of arrangements.

Condolences may be shared at www.taylorfuneralhomeinc.com.

Charles "Raymond" Douglas



Charles "Raymond" Douglas, 85, of Bethel, Ohio went home to be with the Lord after a long illness on January 30, 2023. He was born on April 25, 1937 in Ivydale, West Virginia to the late Charles Ernest and Goldie Marie Brannon Douglas.

In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by his sisters, Audra Douglas and Hazel Douglas Lilly, niece Brenda Velvens, nephews Christopher Lilly and Jeffrey Lilly.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Shanda Estep Douglas, son Charles "C. R." Ralph Douglas, his sister, Marjorie Douglas Browning and also many nieces and nephews. He was a member of the Church of Christ, now known as The Community Christian Church of Bethel, Ohio. Raymond and his wife were married for 62 wonderful years. They were married in 1960 while he was in the Army. He loved his country and was proud to be a part of keeping us safe. He told his wife that he wanted to be buried in his Army uniform.

In 1964 he was working for McLean Trucking Company in West Virginia. The company moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, so he moved to Ohio and drove a semi. The next year he started his own trucking company Douglas Trucking with one semi. Then it started growing so fast that he had to buy more trucks and trailers. He then re-named his company to Bantam Leasing, Inc. that kept growing and he started another company named C D X-Press, Inc. serving most of the United States. He was a mechanic, salesman, you name it he could do it without a problem. He loved the trucking business and all the people he met along the way. He re-

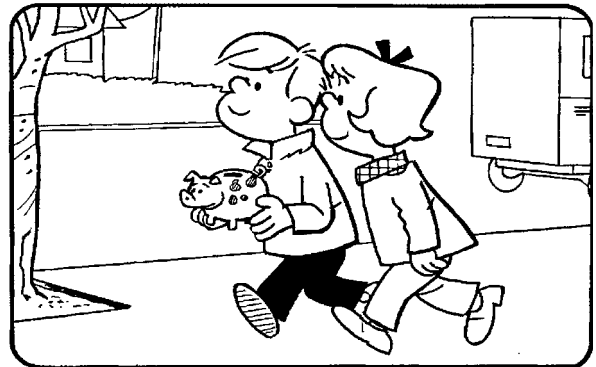
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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- 1 Pop's partner
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- 13 Tavern seats
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- 22 Is unable to
- 23 "Cocoon" co-star
- 25 Red gem
- 26 Singer Keys
- 27 Talk formally
- 28 "Never on Sunday" star
- 31 Suckerfishes
- 34 Tickle pink
- 35 -do-well (idle sort)
- 36 She voiced Elsa in "Frozen"
- 39 Piggens
- 42 "Desperate Housewives" character
- 43 Dickens' "Tiny" lad
- 46 Conclude
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- 50 18th Constitution addition
- 57 Tehran dweller
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- 59 "-ching!"
- 60 1983 Streisand title role
- 61 Popular Toyota model
- 64 Person decorating
- 68 Brain product
- 69 Eden woman
- 70 It's south of San Diego, California
- 74 "Nunnery" has three
- 75 Tee off
- 77 Political activist - X
- 78 "No, No, -"
- 80 "Find - and fill it"
- 82 Of a maritime mil. branch
- 83 Lofty poem
- 86 These, to Gabriela
- 87 Swede transplanted to the U.S., say
- 93 In position
- 94 Tycoon Onassis
- 95 Olympic code for Quito's country
- 96 Roman 2,051
- 97 Earp of Tombstone
- 99 "Desk Set" actress

- 106 Me, myself -
- 109 Stay
- 112 Way to watch a film at home
- 113 Rapid transit system of a large Spanish city
- 118 Footways
- 119 First-year athlete
- 120 Use a wand reader on
- 121 Jim Croce hit that's apt for eight answers in this puzzle
- 124 Current flow measure
- 125 Comic Idle
- 126 Arctic
- 127 Gun, in slang
- 128 Mago's title
- 129 Concluded
- 130 "It was - and stormy night ..."
- 131 -cone (cold treat)

- 6 Pen brand 7 2011-19 Chicago mayor - Emanuel
- 8 Away from the wind
- 9 Feel great excitement from
- 10 Basking box
- 11 Baseballer's turn to hit
- 12 Poetry devices
- 13 Wound mark
- 14 Soft powder
- 15 Big Mac components
- 16 As if scripted
- 17 Longest French river
- 18 Step
- 24 Heaps
- 29 Spike of film
- 30 Lauder of perfumery
- 32 Prefix with -dextrous
- 33 Certain Slav
- 37 Pop singer Diamond
- 38 Greek Z
- 40 Small hotel
- 41 Small vortex
- 44 Shared, as interests
- 45 Phil of skiing
- 47 Bitter feud
- 48 Determined to do
- 49 Map books

- 50 Division of Canada
- 51 Very unusual achievement
- 52 Yoko of the avant-garde
- 53 Sword handle
- 54 Ana who won the 2008 French Open
- 55 Cat with no tail
- 56 "Tell - was dreaming!"
- 57 Glacier or floe
- 62 Maximum or minimum: Abbr.
- 63 Steely Dan album with the hits "Peg" and "Deacon Blues"
- 65 NFL's Cowboys, on scoreboards
- 66 German "a"
- 67 Hitachi rival
- 71 Arm bone
- 72 Living in - (oblivious to current events)
- 73 "Dedicated to the - Love"
- 76 Swampy area
- 79 PC key
- 81 6/6/44
- 84 Accurse
- 85 Austen novel

INTERNAL IDENTIFICATION

- 88 Lyricist Gershwin
- 89 Part of TNT
- 90 Group of spectators
- 91 "Tickle Me" Muppet
- 92 French for "nothing"
- 97 Arch used in croquet
- 98 Tightened up
- 100 QB's error: Abbr.
- 101 Area for mobile campers
- 102 Johnson who directed "Star Wars: The Last Jedi"
- 103 Pets' jinglers
- 104 Golfer Tom who won the 1996 British Open
- 105 Be beaten by
- 106 James - Garfield
- 107 Actress Watts
- 108 Rain units
- 110 PC shortcut
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by Linda Thistle

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THE WIDEN NEWS



The people who think alike
should vote alike.

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Where all think alike, no one
thinks very much.

March, 1957



WHS Band Appears In New Red Uniforms

One of the attractive sights at the Employees' League of Widen Miners' meeting held last Thursday at the wash house was the appearance, for the first time in full dress uniforms, of the Widen High School Band under the capable direction of Mr. Jackson Hamrick. The uniforms are bright red with white trim and gorgeous white plumed caps, with white shoulder braid. The band members made a pretty sight parading from the YMCA to the wash house where they played special selections during the program. After the meeting, they crowded around Mr. Beattie to show him how pleased they were with their "new look" for which he was largely responsible. The cold, cloudy weather prevented getting a good picture of the entire band this time. Indoors colored shots were taken, however, and will be on display in the "Y" lobby in about 10 days.

Have You Heard That . . .

Blanche Burdette's Uncle
Death claimed the 83 year old uncle of Mrs. Blanche Burdette of Swandale in mid-March. He passed away at her home there after a long illness. His home was at Queen Shoals, and he was a lifelong resident of Clay County. He is survived by a brother, Joey of Clendenin. Reverends Lester Cantrell and Basil Hensley officiated at the services held in Bomont Methodist Church and burial was in the Queen Shoals Cemetery by the Harper Funeral Home of Clendenin.

Silver Medallion Awarded
Along with a beautiful silver medallion mounted on a plastic stand, came the following letter from the area manager of the U. S. Savings Bond Division of the United States Treasury: Dear Herb: Congratulations on a job well done during the past year in the sale of U. S. Savings Bonds. The U. S. Treasury Department appreciates your accomplishments very much and, as a result, is awarding you a silver medallion and stand, sorry I couldn't present this to you in person. Will plan to visit with you sometime during June or July. Signed—R. A. Thom, Area Manager.

Robert Stout's Mother
Mrs. Mary Victoria Stout, of Frametown died March 12th at her home there. She was 79 years old. Seven sons survive her, two daughters and one sister. Also 36 grandchildren and 56 great-grandchildren. Rev. Roy Hardway officiated from the Hope Baptist Church of Frametown with burial there. Bartletts had charge of arrangements.

Tiny Tots Celebrate
Jane and Mark Triplett, children of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Triplett, celebrated their joint birthdays on March 10th at home, 40 Nicholas Street with decorations, games, refreshments and all that goes with a birthday party and a housefull of Tiny Tots (some not so tiny.)

Workman's Baby Dies
The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lanty Workman of Widen was laid to rest in the Ramsey Cemetery here the first of March. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Workman and Mr. and Mrs. Sherman McKinney.

Even the grown ups from out of town came for the party and included: Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sprigg of Sutton; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Triplett, Hedgie and Carol of Strange Creek; Mrs. Vera Murphy and Miss Janet Murphy of Clay. Others who enjoyed the refreshments most were:

Lorraine Hamrick, Johnny and Jimmy Russell, Anna Louise and Sherry Salisbury, Peggy, Patty and Rodney Conner, Bonita and Roger King, Judith Ann and Benny Butcher; Ronnie, Sue Kathy and Bill Ashley, Jr.; Patty Salisbury, Blanche Conner, Norma Hamrick, Maxine Russell, Annabelle King, Sarah Margaret Ashley, Jo Ann Conner and Joan Triplett. Mrs. Dennis Triplett is the former Miss Nina Murphy of Clay, who taught school here.

Preaching At Dundon
The Dundon gym will be the scene for a regular preaching service on the first and third Sunday afternoons of each month, immediately following the Sunday School which convenes at 3 P. M. o'clock each Sunday. The Rev. Mrs. Geneva Epperson of Charco will be the preacher.

The James Girls Come Home
Mr. and Mrs. Rance James of Dundon are quite happy that they will have two of their married daughters at home during the month. Polly K., now Mrs. James Moore expects to arrive from Washington, D. C. where her husband is stationed with the Air Corps Fife and Drum Corps. Evelyn Mrs. Orval Rogers, with their three children, Judy 9, Mike 4, and their two month old Kathy, are coming to visit from Cleveland, Ohio where Mr. Rogers is employed in the Cadillac Tank plant.

Leaves For Columbus
If plans were carried out, and Mrs. Eugene Barnette (M. Lou Sigman) and four month old Daniel Glenn, left last Tuesday for Columbus, Ohio, where Mr. Barnette will begin a course in electric refrigeration at the American Blower Company. He is a member of the newly organized dance band in Widen.

Nettles-Persinger Nuptials
Prominent Widen and Dille families were united February 2nd, when Miss Norma (Tootsie) Persinger became the bride of Mr. Sterling Lee Nettles, in a quiet marriage ceremony performed by the Rev. Jesse Hamrick of Widen at the bride's home. Mrs. Nettles is the daughter of Mrs. Glenna Persinger of Dille, and Mr. Nettles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Nettles of Widen. Mr. Nettles is a graduate of the '56 Widen High School, and his bride is a junior in the same school. He is currently employed in the Widen mines by the Elk River Coal and Lumber Company. Following the marriage, a reception was held. The young couple is at home to their many friends at No. 75 Nicholas street, Widen.

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(2021-S-00000007 - Clay County - GARY & DEBORAH CHANDLER)
 To: CONNIE M. LUPARDUS, SHARON L. ADAMS, FARM CREDIT OF THE VIRGINIAS, ACA, AS AGENT/NOMINEE, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, COMPLIANCE DIVISION, AMU, SHARON L. ADAMS, FARM CREDIT OF THE VIRGINIAS, ACA, CLAYTON MULLINS, HIS ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DESSIE EVANS, HER ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, THORDEN MULLINS, HIS ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, SIDNEY MULLINS, HIS ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, LEWIS MULLINS, HIS ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, SHIRLEY MOORE, HER ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, LUCILLE MULLINS, HER ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, LUCY MULLINS, HER ASSIGNS AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION MAP 16 PARCEL 0003 00003001
 You will take notice that GARY & DEBORAH CHANDLER, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000007, 15 AC QUEEN SHOALS SUR 7/14 INT, located in UNION, which was returned delinquent in the name of MULLINS JACKSON HRS, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Clay County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 16th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 23, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, April 22, 2023, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to April 22, 2023.	\$ 136.19
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to April 22, 2023.	\$ 68.72
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023.	\$ 933.38
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to April 22, 2023.	\$ 699.98
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Allen C. King, Sheriff and Treasurer of Clay County.	\$ 1,838.27
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

You may redeem any time before April 22, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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(2021-S-00000089 - Clay County - CKH LLC)
 To: JAMES BIRD JR OR HEIRS AT LAW, JAMES BIRD JR OR HEIRS AT LAW, OCCUPANT, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT PLEASANT MAP 26 PARCEL 0117 0000
 You will take notice that CKH LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000089, 1 AC WTS SYC FEE, located in PLEASANT, which was returned delinquent in the name of BIRD JAMES D JR, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Clay County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 16th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 24, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, April 23, 2023, will be as follows:

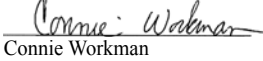
Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to April 23, 2023.	\$ 695.34
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to April 23, 2023.	\$ 1,071.40
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to April 23, 2023.	\$ 825.69
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to April 23, 2023.	\$ 130.71
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Allen C. King, Sheriff and Treasurer of Clay County.	\$ 2,723.14
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

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Notice of Ancillary Filing without any Administration to Creditors, Distributees & Legatees
 Notice is hereby given that the following foreign will or affidavit of heirs has been filed in the Clay County Clerk's Office at P.O. Box 190, 246 Main Street, Clay, WV 25043, and no appointment or administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of West Virginia Code 44-1-14b.

An interested person(s) objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this state must file a statement with the Clay County Commission through the County Clerk's Office at the address listed above within 60 days after the date of first publication or 30 days of service of the Commission upon receiving any timely objection thereto shall schedule a hearing or hearings thereon and order relief, if any. It considers proper including, but not limited to, an order directing that full and complete ancillary administration of the estate of the nonresident decedent be made in this state.
 First Publication Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023

ESTATE NAME: Ruth Ann Parsons, 377 Commerce Ave., New Castle, VA 24127
 ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATOR: Sara Lynn Argabright, 1898 Oak Dr., Salem, VA - Daughter
 Subscribed and sworn to before me on 6th day of March, 2023

 Connie Workman
 Clerk of the Clay County Commission

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 22-1059-E-IDS APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and WHEELING POWER COMPANY, public utilities.
 Application for Approval of a Written Plan for the Construction of Utility Infrastructure at two West Virginia Business Ready Sites and for Associated Cost Recovery Pursuant to W.Va. Code § 24-2-1n.

NOTICE OF REVISED HEARING DATE
 On December 14, 2022, Appalachian Power Company (APCo) and Wheeling Power Company (WPCo) (together, the Companies) filed an application, duly verified, for approval of a written plan to construct utility infrastructure at two West Virginia business ready sites and associated cost recovery, pursuant to W.Va. Code § 24-2-1n.

The Commission previously set this matter for an evidentiary hearing on March 23, 2023, and ordered publication of a Notice of Filing and Hearing Date. By Order issued March 6, 2023, the Commission changed the hearing date from March 23, 2023, to March 24, 2023, to begin at 9:30 a.m., in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. If no protest to the Companies' application is received, on or before March 17, 2023, the hearing may be waived and the Commission may issue a final order within 150 days of the application filing date.

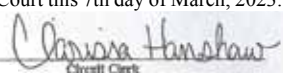
All written comments should state the case name and number and be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Public comments may also be filed online at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm> by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and WHEELING POWER COMPANY

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In The Matter of Petition of Name Change of Terrie Michele Moore Civil Action No.: 23-P-5 Current Name Terrie Michele Moore Judge Alsop To New Name Terrie Michele Drake Legal Notice of Publication Change of Name

Order of Publication Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of April, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, Petitioner Terrie Michele Moore will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia, for the entry of an order by said court, changing name of Terrie Michele Moore to Terrie Michele Drake at which time any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.
 A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office.
ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 7th day of March, 2023.


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BOOKKEEPING -CLERICAL HELP

The Clay County Clerk's office will be accepting resumes for the position of Deputy County Clerk. Main duties will be bookkeeping and payroll. Please send resumes to Clay County Clerk at PO Box 190, Clay, WV 25043. If you have any questions, please call 304-587-4259. The Clay County Clerk's office is an equal opportunity employer.

CLASSIFIEDS WANT TO BUY: 1940 up to 1954 Chevrolet car to restore. Call 540-395-2083.

NOTICE

NOTICE: Found, Mar. 7, approx. 8 a.m. in Valley Fork, Ovapa area: Small young dog wearing collar. No I.D. Healthy/energetic. Call 304-587-2752 to claim.

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Tariff Form No. 8 (RULE 23)

PUBLIC NOTICE CHANGE IN RATES WITH PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES

NOTICE is hereby given that Mountaineer Gas Company, a public utility, has filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a tariff containing a requested increase in rates and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers in Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective Friday April 5, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce, on a total Company basis, \$19,740,000 annually in additional revenues, or an overall average increase in revenues of approximately 6.08%. The \$19,740,000 consists of an increase in base rates of \$37,649,000 and a decrease in the Company's Investment Replacement and Expansion Program ("IREP") of \$17,909,000. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$ 7.08	% 7.85
Commercial	\$ 10.26	% 2.68
Large Commercial	\$ 747.47	% 0.70
Industrial	\$ 293.54	% 0.40
Resale	\$ 100.00	% 1.70
Other	\$ -	% -

This increase incorporates the rate impact of the cumulative Investment under the IREP that was placed into service as of December 31, 2022. As a result, the Company proposes to reduce the IREP component of its rates relating to that investment when the new base rates go into effect.

Resale customers of Mountaineer Gas Company include Canaan Valley Gas Company, Consumers Gas Utility Company, Cardinal Natural Gas Company, Hope Gas, Inc., Megan Oil and Gas, City of Philippi and Southern Public Service Company. The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

Anyone desiring to intervene and act as a part in the case should file on or before June 5, 2023 a Petition to Intervene complying with the Commission rules on intervention in the Rules of Practice and Procedure, 150 C.S.R.1, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Anyone desiring to protest should file a written protest as soon as possible, although protests will be accepted by the Commission through the pendency of this proceeding. All written protest should briefly state the reason for the protest. All protest and Petitions to Intervene should clearly state the case name and number and the addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston West Virginia 25323.

A complete copy of the Company's tariff proposals and a representative of the Company to provide information concerning this tariff are available to all customers, prospective customers or their agents at the following office of the Company:

501 56th Street SE, Charleston, WV 25304

A copy of this tariff is also available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia 25301.

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(2021-S-00000090 - Clay County - CKH LLC)

To: OCCUPANT, GREATHOUSE LISA, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT UNION MAP 9 PARCEL 0023 0000
 You will take notice that CKH LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000090, 1 AC QUEEN SHOALS SUR, located in UNION, which was returned delinquent in the name of GREATHOUSE LISA, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Clay County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 16th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after May 3, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, May 2, 2023, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to May 2, 2023.	\$ 264.93
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to May 2, 2023.	\$ 157.45
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to May 2, 2023.	\$ 838.64
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to May 2, 2023.	\$ 43.57
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Allen C. King, Sheriff and Treasurer of Clay County.	\$ 1,304.59
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

You may redeem any time before May 2, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The Clay County Commission proposes to increase property tax levies.

- Appraisal/Assessment Increase:**
Total assessed value of property, excluding additional assessments due to new or improved property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of property by 8.31%
- Lowered Rate necessary to Offset Increased Assessment:**
The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property with the exclusions mentioned above, per \$100 of assessed value on each class of property, would be:

	Lowered Tax Rates
Class I	13.52¢
Class II	27.04¢
Class III	54.08¢
Class IV	54.08¢

- Effective Rate Increase:**
The Clay County Commission proposes to adopt a tax rate per \$100 of assessed value on each class of property as follows:

Proposed	Rate	Effective Tax Rate Increase	Percentage of Increase
Class I	14.30¢	0.78¢	6%
Class II	28.60¢	1.56¢	6%
Class III	57.20¢	3.12¢	6%
Class IV	57.20¢	3.12¢	6%

Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

- Revenue produced last year:** **\$1,222,040**
- Revenue projected under the effective rate increases:** **\$72,990**
- Revenue projected from new property or improvements:** **\$6,949**
- General areas in which revenue is to be allocated: Regional Jail, old and new courthouse maintenance, utilities and judicial annex maintenance**

A public hearing on the increases will be held on
 March 27, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at Courthouse, 246 Main St., Clay, WV 25043
 the decision regarding the increase will be made on
 March 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Courthouse, 246 Main St., Clay, WV 25043

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(2021-S-00000088 - Clay County - CKH LLC)

To: OCCUPANT, NATALIE COLE, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE US SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION OR ASSIGNS, WV STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, COMPLIANCE DIVISION, AMU, LARRY COLE, 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 an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT HENRY MAP 17 PARCEL 0036 0000
 You will take notice that CKH LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000088, .20 AC BIG LAUREL SUR, located in HENRY, which was returned delinquent in the name of COLE LARRY W ETUX, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Clay County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 16th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after May 3, 2023, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, May 2, 2023, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to May 2, 2023.	\$ 297.54
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to May 2, 2023.	\$ 176.71
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to May 2, 2023.	\$ 904.65
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to May 2, 2023.	\$ 244.28
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Allen C. King, Sheriff and Treasurer of Clay County.	\$ 1,623.18
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 35.00

You may redeem any time before May 2, 2023, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
THAT BEING THE JUVENILE COURT OF SAID COUNTY
 IN RE: State v E.J. and M.J. Case Nos. 23-JA-6-7
 In the matter of E.J. and M.J., and the unknown whereabouts of Lataura Jarrett, Adult Respondent Mother of said Infants.
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
 And
NOTICE OF ANSWER
 To: **Lataura Jarrett**
 (The object of this action is to notify the Adult Respondent Mother of an abuse and neglect petition herein filed so that said Adult Respondent Mother may answer the same to protect her interest).
 You are hereby notified that an abuse and neglect and/or abandonment petition has been filed with the Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia, on the 2nd day of February 2023, and assigned Case Numbers 23-JA-6-7, wherein it is alleged that the Adult Respondent Mother of Infant Respondents E.J. (DOB: 12/13/12), and M.J. (DOB: 1/13/11), is Lataura Jarrett, and that said Infant Respondents be placed in the custody of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, with said Infant Respondents remaining in the care, custody and control of the said Department since that time in accordance with WV Code §49-6-3. You are hereby notified that you have the right to answer said petition and you have the right to have counsel present at all stages of these proceedings and ALL PROCEEDINGS CAN RESULT IN THE PERMANENT TERMINATION OF CUSTODIAL AND PARENTAL RIGHTS TO SAID INFANT CHILD.
 Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the Adult Respondent Mother, Lataura Jarrett, shall appear before the Honorable Richard Facemire on the **18th day of April 2023, at 9:00 a.m.**, at the Clay County Courthouse, 246 Main Street, Clay, West Virginia, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against them at any time thereafter, and termination of your custodial and parental rights may be ordered by the Court.
 A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Clay County, West Virginia, at the Clay County Courthouse, Clay, West Virginia.
 STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES, CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION.
 BY: Jim E. Samples, Prosecuting Attorney, Clay County, West Virginia. Entered by the Clerk of said Court on the 3rd day of March 2023.

Christina Hanshaw
 Circuit Clerk

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Public Meeting Notice
 The Clay County Board of Education will hold 2 public hearings to allow interested parties to discuss and provide input for the 2023-2024 school calendar. The first hearing will be held at the Clay County Board of Education Office on Monday, March 20th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The second hearing will be conducted at the Clay County Board of Education Office on Monday, April 3rd, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Anyone interested in addressing the Clay County Board of Education at one or both meetings, should contact Mrs. Joan Haynie, Superintendent, at 304-587-4266, to have your name placed on the agenda. There will also be an on-line calendar survey posted at claycountyschools.org for students, parents, and staff to provide input to the Clay County Board of Education.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
In The Matter of Petition of Name Change of S.L.D. Civil Action No.: 23-P-6
Current Name S.L.D. Judge Richard Facemire
To
New Name S.L.T.
Legal Notice of Publication Change of Name
Order of Publication
Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia
 Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of May, 2023, at 9:15 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, Petitioner Timothy Tryon will apply by Petition to the Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia, for the entry of an order by said court, changing name of S.L.D. to S.L.T. at which time any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.
 A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office.
ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 8th day of March, 2023.

Christina Hanshaw
 Circuit Clerk


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A Saint, by any Other Name



St. Patrick's Day is a wildly popular holiday. Though the holiday honors the life of the patron saint of Ireland and has become a way for people from all backgrounds to celebrate Irish culture, celebrants may be surprised to learn that St. Patrick was not really named "Patrick" and he also was not Irish. Historians are uncertain about the actual date of St. Patrick's birth, but many believe he was born in Roman

Britain in the 5th century. Other accounts trace St. Patrick's birth to present-day Scotland or possibly even Wales. But no account suggests that St. Patrick was born in Ireland. But St. Patrick did set foot on Irish

soil, and in fact spent years living in the land now known as the Emerald Isle after he was captured by a group of Irish pirates, taken to Ireland and ultimately enslaved. But St. Patrick was not only not Irish, he also was not named "Patrick." Historians believe Ireland's patron saint was born Maewyn Succat, but changed his name to "Patricius" upon becoming a priest after he escaped from slavery. Celebrants of St. Patrick's Day also may be surprised to learn that St. Patrick was never formally canonized, as he lived prior to the adoption of the current laws governing canonization in the Catholic Church. That said, St. Patrick is still venerated as a saint in various Christian churches, including the Catholic Church and the Eastern Orthodox Church.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

- A**
ALTA CHURCH OF GOD
 Sunday Night Services 6:00 PM
 Wednesday 7:00 PM
 Everyone is welcome!
Pastor: Paul E. Young
- B**
BELL CREEK COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
 NO Scheduled Services At This Time
BELL CREEK PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
 Dixie
 Thursday Night 7:00 PM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM with Services After
 Sunday Night 7:00 PM
Pastor: Lee Holiday (304) 632-1135
BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH of Adonijah.
 Preaching from K.J.V. Bible
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Morning 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening 7:00 PM
 Thursday Evening 7:00 PM
BETHEL COMMUNITY CHURCH, Porter Creek Road, Bomont, WV
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 7:30 PM
 Thursday Night Service 7:30 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Junior Davis
- BICKMORE BAPTIST CHURCH** located at Bickmore on Fola Road
 Sunday School 9:45 AM
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
 Wednesday evening services 7:00 PM
Pastor: Ralph D. Lane
- BIG OTTER BAPTIST CHURCH OF IVYDALE**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Wednesday prayer service and Bible Study 6:30 PM
Pastor: Danny Richardson
- BIG UNION BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:15 AM
 Worship Service 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Service 1st, 3rd and 4th
 Sundays Preaching 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 PM
 2nd Sunday Communion Service 6:00 PM
Pastor: Pete Shaffer
- BLUE KNOB CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Everyone is Welcome!
- BUFFALO VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Worship Service 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 PM
 Radio Broadcast, Sunday Morning 9:00 AM. WCWV Summersville
 Everyone Welcome **Pastor: John Pruitt**
- BURKE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH** in Prochios. Across Camp Creek Bridge on the left. Preaching Every Sunday 9:00 AM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Bible Study every Wednesday 7:00 PM **Pastor: Jerry Chandler**
- CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LIZEMORE**
 Prayer Service and Bible Study, Tuesday 7:00 PM
 Regular Service Sunday Nights at 7:00 PM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
Pastor: Thurman Sizemore
- CLAY COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Michael L. Holcomb, Sr.
- CLAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Worship 11:00 AM.
 Everyone is Welcome!
Pastor: Wilma Dobbins
- CLENDENIN UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**
 10:00 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Preaching 6:00 PM
 Wednesday 7:30 PM
Pastor: Fred Walker
- CLIO COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night Preaching 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Worship 7:00 PM
 Everyone welcome.
Pastor: George Stickland
- COLD SPRINGS GOSPEL TABERNACLE**, Upper Falling Rock, Clay County
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM
 Sunday School 11:30 AM
 Sunday Evening Service 7:30 PM
 Tuesday Evenings 7:30 PM
 Teachings from the King James Bible
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Darris Barker
- CORNERSTONE INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH**, Rt. 3, Newton
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Prayer Service/Discovery Clubs 7:00 PM
Pastor: Roy Huffman
- E**
ELK RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
 Saturday Night 7:00 PM
Pastor: Bruce Cook
- FAIRVIEW BAPTIST TEMPLE**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
 Wednesday 7:00 PM
Pastor: Bret Wiley
- FAITH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Dutch Ridge Laurel Road
 Sunday Service 6:00 PM
 Tuesday Service 6:00 PM
 Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: Brother B. J. Evans
 Associate Pastor: Lee Roy Anderson
- FAITH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Bomont, WV
 Sunday Service 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Nick Bird
 Phone 304-548-6665
- FLAT FORK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 PM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 11:30 AM
Pastor: Chris Johnson
- FOLA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Adults Bible Study & Kids for Christ 7:00 PM
Pastor: Daniel Tanner
- G**
GAULEY BRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday School 9:45 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Junior BYF/Senior BYF 6:00 PM
 Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Kids/Children/Youth 7:00 PM
GOSPEL LIGHT COMMUNITY CHURCH
 Located on Rt. 119 at the mouth of Gabe. All Sunday night services begin at 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Rev. David Smith
- GROVES CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Sunday Service 10:00 AM
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
 Friday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Dean Rogers
- H**
HALLBURG BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday Sunday 10:30 AM
 Sunday Night Preaching 6:00 PM
Pastor: Michael Jackson
- HARTLAND COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Wednesday Night Service 7:00 PM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 6:00 PM
Pastor: Jeremy Holcomb
- HORNERS FORK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Evening Youth 7:00 PM
Pastor: Joe Dawson
- HOUSE OF PRAYER**
 Hansford Fork Rd, Maysel, WV (off Rt. 36)
 Pentecostal/Full Gospel
 Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
 Wednesday evening 7:00 PM
 Pastor: (304) 587-2996 (home), (304) 587-2703 (church)
Pastor: James R. Paxton
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IDA BAPTIST CHURCH
 Bentree
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Wednesday Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:00 PM
 Wednesday BYF 7:00 PM.
 All ages welcome. Also have crafts, etc., all children welcome.
Pastor: Larry Skaggs
- INDORE BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday Worship 10:00 AM
 Sunday Class 11:00-12:30
 Preaching Lunch 12:30-1:30 PM
 Wednesday Service 6:30-7:30 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Paul Stepp
- IVYDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Worship Service 11:00 AM
 Everyone Welcome!
 304-395-9990
Pastor: Freddie Elliott
- J**
JODIE BAPTIST CHURCH
 Come Worship with Us!
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Evening Service 7:00 PM
 Wednesday (BYF) 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
- JOHNSON CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Vineyard Ridge
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
- JUBILEE MOUNTAIN CHURCH**
 103 Main Street, Clay
 Sunday 11:00 AM & 6 PM
 Tuesday 7:00 PM
 For more info call 304-632-1378
Pastor: Ann Huddleston
- LAUREL FORK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH** of Adonijah
 Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
 Youth Meeting 7:00 PM
- LEATHERWOOD FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Service 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Services 7:00 PM
- LIBERTY ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Wednesday Night: Bible Study/Prayer Meeting and Youth Group 7:00 PM
Pastor: John Barnhouse
- LICKFORK BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 10:00 every Sunday Morning
 Sunday Night Services 7:00 PM
 Wednesday 7:00 PM
 Come worship with us!
Pastor: Herb Vance
- LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Mark Dudley
 Phone 304-286-5909
- LITTLE LAUREL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM
 Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: David McLaughlin
- LIVING GOD WORSHIP CENTER**
 We invite you to come and worship with us.
 Thursday Evening 7:00 PM
 Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Pastor: Cecil Lee
- LIZEMORE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
 Sunday School 10-11:00 AM
 Church Service 11-12 Noon
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Robert Thomas
- M**
MAYSEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
 Sunday School 10:00
 Sunday Night 6:00 PM
 Monday Night Service 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 6:00 PM
 Everyone welcome!
- MAYSEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Worship Service 11:00 AM
 Everyone Welcome
Pastor: Jim Hamrick
- MIDDLE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
Pastor: John Osborne
- MT. OLIVE COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Preaching 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting
 Everyone welcome!
- MUD FORK CHURCH**
 Sunday & Jr. Worship Service 10:00 AM
 Sunday School 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night & Jr. Church Service 7:00 PM
 Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: Christopher Stout
- N**
NEBO BAPTIST CHURCH
 Preaching every Sunday Morning at 10:00 AM
 Sunday School 11:00 AM
 Preaching, Prayer Meeting Wednesday at 7:30 PM
NEW ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Service 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night 7:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM
 Please join us in Praise!
Pastor: Gary Walker
- NEWTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching every Sunday 11:00 AM
Pastor: Kenneth Boggs
- NEWTON BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Adult Choir Practice Sun. 9 AM
 Sunday School 9:45 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 PM
Pastor: Darius Walker
Pastor Emeritus: Ron Fisher
- NOAH'S ARK FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**
 Thursday 7:00 PM
 Sunday 7:00 PM
Pastor: R.J. Mullins, Sr.
- O**
O'BRIAN ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching after Sunday School. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM
Pastor: James L. Balsler
- OVAPA METHODIST CHURCH**
 Preaching every Sunday at 9:45 PM
 Sunday School 10:30 AM
 Sunday School on the 2nd Sunday is at 10:00 AM
 Wednesday 7:00 PM
 Phone 304-587-2955
Pastors: Cindy & Roger Dunlap
- OTTERLICK COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 6:00 PM
 Bible Study Thursday 6:00 PM
Pastor: Gene Copen
- OTTERVALE ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching every Sunday, except 5th, 11:00 AM
 Prayer Meeting Tuesday Evening
Pastor: Rev. Rick Sams
- PEOPLES COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
 Saturday Night Service 7:00 PM
 Take time out for Jesus, he took time out for you.
Pastor: Freddie Schoolcraft
- PISGAH FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Bible Study & preaching 6:00 PM
Pastor: Dennis Vance
- PLEASANT DALE BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching Sunday 11:00 AM
 Wednesday night Bible Study 7:00 PM
 Saturday Night Preaching
Pastor: Wayne Litton
- PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Sunday Evening 6:30 PM
 Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
 Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Wayne Smith
- PROCIOUS COMMUNITY CHURCH**
Welcomes You!
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:15 AM
 Bible Study 2nd, 4th, 5th
 Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Pastor: David Walker
- QUEEN SHOALS F.G.C. CHURCH**
 Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night 7:00 PM
 Thursday Night 7:00 PM
 Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: Scott Means
- R**
RISEN LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH at Maysel
 Sunday Liturgy 8:30 AM followed by Religious Education 9:30 AM
 Wednesday Liturgy 6:00 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Father Mathews Ro SVD
Pastoral Associates: Father Dominijus Boak SVD
- ROGERS FORK BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Saturday Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM
 Sunday Worship 7:00 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Delbert McKenzie
- RUSH FORK COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 2nd & 4th Sunday 11:00 AM
 Every 1st and 3rd Sunday Singing or Preaching 11:00 AM
 Wednesday Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:00 PM
 Come see us in church.
Pastor: Harry Dobbins
- STRANGE CREEK CHURCH**
 Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
 Preaching 10:30 AM
 Thursday School 11:00 AM
 Thursday Service 7:00 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Jason Belt
- T**
THE AMERICAN CHAPEL AT ELKHURST
 Saturday Services 7:00 PM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
Pastor: Hiram Lewis
- TRINITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Sunday Worship 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Service 7:00 PM.
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Clifford Samples
- U**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LIZEMORES
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Service 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
 Everyone welcome
Pastor: Don Dobbins
- UNITY GOSPEL TABERNACLE**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Geoff Hamrick
- V**
VALLEY RIDGE CHURCH
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Bible Study Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
 Everyone is welcome to attend.
- W**
WALLBACK METHODIST CHURCH
 Preaching 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 9:45 AM
 Bible Study Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM
 Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Rev. Stewart Cottrell
- WALNUT GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
 Preaching 1st & 3rd Sundays 11:00 AM
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Pastor: (304) 332-5503
Pastor: Jimmy Adkins
- WALNUT MEMORIAL CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 10:00 AM
 Thursday Evening Service 7:30 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Lester Tanner
- WHITE PILGRIM METHODIST CHURCH**
 Preaching Sunday 9:45 AM
 Sunday School 11:00 AM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Paul Cooen
- WHITESTAR TABERNACLE CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night 6:30 PM
 Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Pastor: Rev. Mike Hall
- WIDEN BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Sunday School 10:00 AM
 Preaching 11:00 AM
 Sunday Night Service 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Service 6:00 PM
 Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Randy Tinney
- WINGS OF DELIVERANCE APOSTOLIC PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**
 Rt. 4, 1/4 miles below Maysel on the left
 Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
 Sunday Night 6:00 PM
 Come worship the Lord with us!
 Phone: (304) 587-7410
Pastor: Jerry Hanshaw



SPORTS

Spring

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Get them seeds planted - spring is coming



A day trip on the river fishing is a great way to enjoy spring.

By Allen Hamrick

Spring is just around the corner and has been shucking and jiving, teasing us with warm stretches that make us long for that wonderful time of the year. It is as though this year that old man winter and old lady spring are breaking out the gloves and going toe to toe. So far, old lady spring is ahead by three rounds and has old man winter on the ropes for a knockout punch.

With little snow hitting the ground this season, there may be a double batch of bugs and bees this year to contend with. Ants and yellow jackets will come out of their hiding places like an army bent on making our lives miserable. The reason, according to Granny's secret book of the old ways, is because the frost just didn't get deep enough to freeze their noses much less thin the population. Of course, in other parts of the country, winter is alive and well. It will be important to keep a supply of chemicals or the all natural bug killers around as you will probably need a bucket full. Vinegar or the juice of hot peppers sometimes work wonders, but as time goes on, the bugs are thriving on these concoctions. It just might be time to mix something else in the brew to surprise them.

The sounds and smells of spring start a boiling pot

of emotions for us creatures who call the hills home. There is a sense of nature calling us out to change the world one tomato plant at a time. Now seems to be the time to fill our mailbox with the latest seed catalogs and spend hours planning a garden that will surpass last year's wheelbarrow full of harvested veggies. Of course, if the deer, bear, raccoons, rabbits, bugs, worms and larvae hadn't razed the garden to the ground, there would have been a lot more... if I had only built a fence. This season will be different for sure, or so go the plans. Right now, there is only time for armchair planning, but spring planting is not far off. Soon the tilling and plowing of the soil will smell fresh in our noses; the ground has to be tilled so that those garden destroying bugs will come to the top and get sucked up by old man winter like an ant eater. The green houses will be set up and production of those new seeds will commence.

It is mid-March now and all planning has to be put into action. If your budget is near flat lining, a good way to save some money is to start your own seeds. Starting your own seed gives you versatility. You are no longer bound to a couple of species of pepper or tomato, and now you can grow some of those heirloom tomatoes that are difficult to find. If you are not ac-

customed to starting seeds, there is a plethora of information in books and on the internet to get you started. According to the calendar, the time is now to get peppers and tomatoes started indoors. Just an insider tip - don't throw away those plastic milk jugs too soon; they make great mini green houses for your plants.

Getting back to a homestead mindset will not only benefit you and your family, but it is a great way to get healthy. Gardening is hard work but rewarding when you roll out fresh vegetables for the table. With the price of eggs fetching the gold standard, raising chicken makes sense. That is, of course, if you eat free range eggs as opposed to the eggs sold in supermarkets that we all know comes from a box not a chicken's ... Oh, gross.

Spring fever does something to a person, but it only lasts so long before summer dries it up and melts it down. So, get out and do something this spring. If you're not into gardening, stretch your legs on a trail or perhaps do a day long float trip down a river. There will be a myriad of things to do, one has to just get off the couch and do it.



Spring butterflies Artwork by the late June Hamrick Odom



The reward for gardening is a good one.



Get out and find your trail.

Obituaries

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tired and closed the doors in 2017 when he turned 80 years young.

Just like he dealt with all experiences in life, he managed his illness with strength and grace and wanted to spend as much time with his loved ones as possible.

He always told his wife "I'll be waiting for you at the edge of the river". When God took him home, he held his hand with his loving wife Shanda, and with his son C. R. holding his other hand, with special friends all around him.

He will be missed and loved and never forgotten by all who knew him.

Visitation was held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, February 3, 2023 at the Community Christian Church, Bethel, Ohio. The Amelia Masonic Lodge #590, Scottish Rite and The Amelia Order of the

Eastern Star #338 held services at the church.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 4, 2023 at E. C. Nurre Funeral Home, Amelia, Ohio. Interment at Tate Township Cemetery, Bethel, Ohio.

Dean Edward "Fritz" Taylor



Dean Edward "Fritz" Taylor, 66, of Lizemores, WV, passed away March 4, 2023.

He was the son of Dwayne Taylor and Wanda (Price) Taylor.

Survivors include his loving wife, Tammy Taylor; his two children, Dean Jr. of Lizemores and Dana Marie Fields and her husband Danny of Ovapa; grandchildren, Zoey Jarvis, Lakin Taylor, Riley Taylor, William Fields and Cali Fields; and sister, Drema Walker of Blue Creek, WV.

Preceding him in death were his parents; brothers, Dannie Taylor, David Taylor, and Dale Taylor; and sister, Diann Bays.

Fritz was very loved and will be very missed throughout his community.

Memorial service will be held at a later date.

You may send condolences to the family at www.barlowbonsall.com.

Barlow Bonsall Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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