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## Lizemore Lions Making Music

On a recent warm afternoon, Levi Hughes, a fifth grader at Lizemore Elementary School, used rocks to keep his sheet music from blowing away on a March breeze. Levi was joined by his classmates as they scattered around the spacious playground to practice playing “Amazing Grace.”

The students were playing a new type of recorder made by the Nuvo company. According to 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Stephanie Gauding, the recorders are easier to play than a traditional recorder.

“Instead of the musician covering an air hole with their fingers, the recorders have silicone keys which the students depress to play individual notes. The instruments also have an adjustable thumb rest to fit different sized hands. There is a lot less squeaking with the Nuvo recorder and they are much easier to play,” said Gauding.

The fifth graders are practicing several songs and will eventually use them in their graduation ceremony.

Gauding noted that the recorders are more costly than plastic recorders. “The music lessons are incorporated in our attendance incentive program, so we were able to get some financial support from the Communities In Schools program.”



## CCHS Digital Imaging Class designs billboard

The Clay County Prevention Coalition/Clay County Health Department, Pretera, and WV Help and Hope partnered with Trey Corwell and his Digital Imaging II class at Clay County High School to design a billboard with a prevention message. Mr. Corwell’s class had several students submit a design to be considered, then was voted on by the Clay County Prevention Coalition. The winning theme was “No Matter What Team You Play For, Healthy Alternatives Always Win.”

The winners of the billboard are Nathan Witt and Natalie Caldwell. Their artwork can be viewed along the Elk River nearest to the high school. We are extremely proud of these students.

## Attorney General Morrissey Sues Alleged Unlicensed ‘Contractor’

West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrissey has filed suit against a Charleston man who allegedly performed home improvement projects for consumers in Kanawha County without a license.

So far, one complainant was listed in the lawsuit against Larry Morehead, but the Attorney General said in court papers he “has reason to believe many more consumers fell victim to the Defendant’s unlawful conduct.” The complaint alleges Morehead failed to complete work on her roof.

“This lawsuit should serve as a warning to others who are tempted to conduct their business in West Virginia without a license and defraud their customers,” Attorney General Morrissey said. “Our office will vigorously investigate, and if nec-

essary litigate, any violation of the state’s consumer protection laws.”

The Attorney General is asking the Circuit Court of Kanawha County to bar Morehead from engaging in home improvement or contracting services unless and until he is properly licensed.

According to the lawsuit, Morehead had been doing business as L&M Construction since December 2020.

Read a copy of the lawsuit at: <https://bit.ly/3YZRCBZ>.

Anyone who believes they are a victim of this practice or any other scam can call the Attorney General’s Consumer Protection Division at 800-368-8808 or visit the office online at [www.ago.wv.gov](http://www.ago.wv.gov).

## WVDOT Sec. Jimmy Wriston lays out pothole repair blitz plan



West Virginia Division of Highways (WVDOH) is committed to patching every pothole in the state by Memorial Day as part of an aggressive spring repair blitz.

WVDOH maintenance crews in nearly two dozen counties across more than half of the WVDOH districts have already taken advantage of a few asphalt plants opening early to get a jump start on patching potholes.

“We’re seeing the benefit of doing that (patching) at this time of the year,” said West Virginia Transportation Secretary Jimmy Wriston, P.E. during Gov. Jim Justice’s administration update on Wednesday, March 22.

“We attack them now and we can reduce claims, we

can get this part of the work done before that hot August weather comes and we’re not out there sweating to patch these potholes.”

WVDOH maintenance crews can’t make permanent hot asphalt repairs during the winter, when temperatures are often under 40 degrees Fahrenheit. Temperatures have to be 40 degrees or above for hot asphalt to stick properly.

Cold weather means that most asphalt plants don’t open until early April. But a few plants around the state opened earlier based on a mild end to winter.

Pothole milling and filling is just one part of a multifaceted plan to keep West Virginia’s roads in the best condition possible. WVDOH has a dedicated core main-

tenance plan that includes keeping ditches clear to stop water from pooling beside roadways, cutting trees and branches that overhang roads to allow sunlight to dry wet roads, and proper pothole filling – milling out a nice square hole, removing all dirt and debris, putting down a sticky layer of tack to make asphalt stick better, and rolling out new, hot asphalt.

A proper patch on a pothole will last for years, meaning there will be fewer potholes to patch next year and the years thereafter.

“We’re going to have a great year paving,” said Wriston. “We’re going to do a lot of bridge work. We’re going to have another banner year in West Virginia with infrastructure.”

## CCMS and CCHS track teams are warming up the tracks.



Brooke Cliver with her 3<sup>rd</sup> place throw. Allen Hamrick photo.

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## I'm so Poor, I can't Pay Attention

By: Dr. James L. Snyder

Occasionally I go to my computer and search for the wealthiest preachers in America. I am curious to know who came up with this idea, but I check it out occasionally to see who they are.

As often as I have checked this information, I have never found my name on that list. I so much wanted to see my name on that list. Everybody knows that the Internet never lies. So, I need to accept that I am not one of the wealthiest preachers in America. Poor me!

That may explain many things in my life that I did not quite understand before.

When traveling in the Sissy Van, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage is always behind the steering wheel. I make it a point not to drive that Sissy Van anymore than I have to.

As we drive, my wife will say, "Did you see that car? They're from Idaho."

Of course, I did not see it because I was not paying attention. When The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage drives, she focuses on everything within her focus. Even when driving my truck, and she is in the passenger seat, she sees everything around her.

Do not let this get back to her, but she sees things that I do not think exist. I will never contest her on that subject.

Unlike my wife, I don't have that much focus to see everything that is happening around me.

Once when she asked me if I saw something, I replied, "No, I'm just too poor to pay attention."

I laughed, of course, but she didn't think it was funny.

Driving across town to church one Sunday morning, she said, "Did you see that sign? What did it say?"

I didn't see it, so I responded, "I'm sorry, but I'm too poor to pay attention." Then I chuckled.

She just threw me one of her infamous grimaces.

For some reason, she believes I should pay attention to everything around me. I don't know why because I'm not interested in many of the things around me. And, I am too poor to pay attention.

While driving to an appointment the other day, I asked, "Could I borrow a dollar from you?"

She looked at me quizzically and said, "Why do you need a dollar from me?"

"Oh," I said softly, "I just need some money to pay attention while you're driving."

She did not respond to me; of course, she never gave me that dollar. So I tried to explain to her that it is very expensive to pay attention. I don't think she believed me.

Several weeks later, we went to our Sunday morning church service, and I noticed a license plate and said, "Look at that license plate. They're from Montana."

There was silence on the other side of the car, and fi-

nally, she looked at me and said, "Where did you get that dollar?"

I had no idea what she was talking about, so I just said, "What dollar are you talking about?"

She snickered like I had not heard her snicker in a long time and said, "You know, the dollar so that you can pay attention."

The only thing I can say is that she has enough money to pay attention to everything, even some things I don't know.

Having enough money to pay attention to everything around you must be nice. I'm sure my life would change if I could afford to pay attention to everything.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage can pay attention even when fast asleep. One time we were taking a trip to St. Augustine. She leaned back in her side and took a nap. At least, I thought she was asleep.

I was coming to where I needed to turn, but I wasn't sure if this was the right place. As I slowed down, I heard The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage say, "No, you need to turn at the next light."

Looking over, I saw her eyes were closed, and it looked like she was sound asleep. She is rich enough to pay attention even when she is sound asleep.

I often wonder where she has all this money, probably in the Central Bank of Mind Your Own Business.

Watching television, suddenly, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage said, "Did you see that? I wonder who that is?"

I begin to say, "No...." My wife jumped in and said, "I know, dear, you're too poor to have paid attention."

Boy, has she got me figured out? I'm going to have to open up some kind of a savings account, maybe a little piggy bank, and try to save up enough money to finance my poor attention. So far, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has refused to loan me money for this cause.

During my Bible reading recently, I read 1 Timothy 6:9-10, "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

Being rich does have its challenge, which I will never face. The disturbing aspect of this passage is where Paul says, "the love of money is the root of all evil." That is my temptation.

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## THE BAPTIST CLASSROOM

Pastor Doug Newell, IV



# Christian Celebrities

It would be best if you didn't get your theology from celebrities. Looking up to people is hardly a new concept. In Corinth, there were factions within the church who were divided by who their "guy" was. Some followed Paul, some Peter, others Apollos. It was ridiculous because Peter, Paul, and Apollos were not divided, and they all followed Christ. But I can understand how they would instinctively (and rightly) follow these men for who they were and what they did.

But being famous for being famous is a new thing. Once upon a time, fame and notoriety came because you accomplished something that drew people's attention. Whether a great heroic deed or an infamous act of cowardice, you were known for something you did that was out of the ordinary. Now, you can make a silly YouTube video that gets shared around, and suddenly, you are having dinner with the President of the United States. Greta Thunburg skipped school to protest the weather, and suddenly, she has been bestowed an honorary doctorate and gallivants about lecturing world leaders. I've been complaining about the weather for many years and was frequently skipping class in high school, but no one gave me a doctorate. It's not Greta's fault that people listen to her, and I don't blame her for taking advantage of the opportunity she was given. But I question the people who gave her the worldwide microphone and the people who feel compelled to listen to what she has to say. "Trust the science!" Ok, why are we

following the guidance of someone who took a sabbatical from high school to lecture the world about science? Because in our age, we would rather hear something from a celebrity than an expert. They would rather hear from someone young and zealous than someone who has spent most of their life studying the topic.

Today a young man can write a Tweet or make a YouTube video about a Biblical subject, and it goes viral. Suddenly, he's got more followers on social media than most have in their denomination. He's got book deals, an agent, and a roadie named Bart. Not because he has the knowledge, experience, or qualification of a Biblical elder, but just because he's famous. Sometimes, preachers become celebrities because they have natural gifts. Some preachers can read the phone book and make half the congregation weep, and the other half question the direction of their lives. They have a powerful ability to move and persuade through their public speaking abilities, and the tone, and tenor of their voice. Congregations go crazy about a sharp-dressed man. They get a following, people listen to them, and now the book publishers want in on the action. Do they have the moral qualifications to lead? Have they put the time and effort into studying the Scriptures to make them worthy of following? Does being well-known make you right? It doesn't necessarily make you wrong, but it shouldn't be the standard by which you judge the truth. Don't get your theology from celebrities.

## A Little Loving-Kindness

By: Joseph J. Mazella

In the last months of his life, my brothers and I moved our Dad from a crowded V.A. hospital several hours drive away to a local nursing home just a few miles from us. I spent as much time as I could visiting him there. Cancer had ravaged his body and was now eating away at his mind. I could tell that he only had a few months or weeks left to live.

During one of those visits I walked into his room only to find him in a deep sleep. I sat by his side for a while silently wishing for more time with him and also regretting that I hadn't made the most of all the years we did have together. I got up and started to walk out. The nursing home smelt strongly of disinfectant. And in spite of the kindness and loving care of the over worked staff, there was an air of sadness and loneliness in this place. So many people were nearing the end of their lives here and I am sure many visitors had the same regrets that I did.

Finally I reached the doors and walked outside. A

rain was starting to fall and it matched my mood. As I started to walk to my car, though, I saw a woman in a wheelchair struggling to move herself out of the rain. I quickly walked over and helped push her inside. She thanked me and gave me the most beautiful smile I had seen in a long time. In that moment I felt a light shine into my soul and a warmth return to my heart. I walked back out, let the rain wash over me, and thanked God for all the years He had given me with my Dad. I also knew that even if Dad died, the love we shared would still go on.

I still think of that moment of loving-kindness often. It reminds me that while we might not be able to live every moment here to the fullest we can still cherish the moments we do. Life is meant for love. Life is meant for kindness. And love and kindness transcend even death. They are eternal treasures in the eyes of God. May you fill your days with them.

## Home Country

By Slim Randles

Windy Wilson dropped anchor at the philosophy counter just about the time we'd finished the hash browns with chile on the side. Red this time. Windy looked terrible.

"What's wrong, Windy?"

"These here folks today ..." he said. And we gulped a bit when we hear a sentence begun that way. "Folks today..." he sounded resigned, "they don't ever try to unnerstand folks who ain'tperzackly like them. And people who have a leetlehandiclap? Fergit it!"

Yep. Windy talks like that.

"What happened, Windy?"

"Wellsir, Doc, you know I been gittin' a leetle hard a-hearin' recently. Sometimes gotta ask somebody to say somethin' twice ... you know?" We all knew.

"It's that ding-danged tea kettle," Windy said. "You know ... got a whistler on it for when the water boils up? Cain't hear it. I gotta be right in the ding-danged kitchen to hear it."

"So you got some hearing aids?" Steve asked.

"Naw, cost too much. What I figgered to do was

jest make that tea kettle louder. I saw one a them coach whistles in the store and I got that fer only \$3.59. Then I got me a little piece of tube thing and I glued 'er all together. Hey, looks good, too. I figgered, that there steam would come out and actuarialize that coach whistle, and I know I could hear that."

"Did it work, Windy?"

"Work? Well, I should smile it worked," he said, proudly. "I was admirin' that sound. I could hear it even out in the back yard. Yessir. 'course my dog, Ramses, he wouldn't come back in, but it's a nice day. It's them other folks."

He took a sip of coffee. "Wellsir, first thing happens is Old Man Johnson next door, he calls the fire departmentals and tells 'em my smoke alarm is goin' off. Then Mrs. Garcia over the way, she calls the cops and says my burglar alarm is goin' off. That ol' brown dog of the Simpsons started barkin' and runnin' off toward Lewis Crick. Them kids at the playground thought recess was over and went back in to class."

Windy shook his head. "First thing ya know, sireens and flashing lights up and down the street. Oh well ... two good things come of it, though."

"Two things?"

"Yep. I can hear that kettle now, and I noticed I ain't got no more gophers in the yard."

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The best known Jamaican reggae hit to reach the Hot 100 in the US was "The Israelites" by Desmond Dekker & The Aces (#9 June, '69). The lyrics made reference to what 1930's gangsters?

**Answer to last week's Trivia:** The 1966 #1 hit done in the 1930's style with the lead vocal sung through a megaphone was: "Winchester Cathedral" (New Vaudeville Band, Dec., '66)

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# THE WIDEN NEWS



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March, 1957

### February Relief Payments Approved By Committee

The Widen Relief Committee met at the offices of Elk River Coal & Lumber Company on Friday, February 22, with Lanty Face-mire, Ernie Acree, Doyle Waggoner, Lloyd Blucher, Jr., Joe Truman and Harold Dawson representing the employees and H. L. Beattie, G. D. Craft and R. G. Elliott representing the employer.

There was no change in the list of 29 retired men previously approved for monthly pension.

On the disability list, 11 men received assistance for the entire month and 4 others for a part of the month. Hubert Butler, Bert Hickman and Levy Friend returned to work during February, and J. B. Holcomb was the only new applicant still off duty at the end of the month.

There was one new addition to the list of survivors of deceased employees. Ruby Rogers, widow of Carl Rogers, who died February 20, and their five small children, are receiving relief benefits in accordance with the labor agreement in effect at Widen.

In addition to the regular list account at Charleston General Hospital, bills for eligible employees were paid at Charleston, Clay, Clendenin, Cowen, Craigsville, Dunbar, Gassaway, Marmet, Phillippi, Richwood, Summersville, Sutton, and Weston, W. Va., and Akron, Ohio; West Salem, Ohio; Fountain City, Tenn.; and Washington, D. C. Because of the great length to which the monthly hospital list has grown, the list of names will not be published and eligible employees who submitted bills for action of the relief committee should consider those bills paid in due course unless the individual employee has been notified otherwise. With only one exception, the bills presented at the February meeting were paid. The exception was the case of an employee whose baby was born less than ten months after the employee went to work at Widen and was not covered according to the ruling of the Relief Committee on November 23, 1955, when the ten-month rule went into effect.

One new item of policy was adopted by the Committee when it decided on the matter of hospital and medical bills for former eligible employees. The Committee ruled that any employee whose em-

ployment at Widen is terminated for any reason whatsoever will be allowed thirty days after the date of his last work to submit any relief claims he may have. Any bills or other matters submitted after thirty days will be rejected without consideration by the Committee.

### Accident Near Widen Sends 3 To Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Sigman and four year old baby daughter Sarah, were severely battered and bruised up in a head-on auto collision on Wilson Ridge near the top of Widen hill last Tuesday, when a car, suddenly out of control, slammed into them. It was driven by Heron Johnson.

Mr. Sigman is reported to have three or four broken ribs a leg injury and multiple cuts and bruises, while both Mrs. Sigman and the baby were badly bruised and cut around head, chest and knees and received treatment for shock when admitted to Charleston General Hospital where the trio was still hospitalized April 20th, although family members said that their conditions were somewhat improved.

Mrs. Sigman is employed at the YMCA counter on one of the clerk shifts. Mr. Sigman is a loader in the mine.

### SENIORS HOME FROM TRIP

Seventeen WHS seniors and their sponsors: Miss Tressie Bailes and Mr. Calvin Reynolds, reached home safely after a thrilling C.&O. guided tour of New York City. The group raised over \$1,300 throughout Clay County, Sutton, Gassaway and Summersville to make this trip possible. After paying the C.&O. some \$997.00 for the party, they had about \$300.00 left for special pleasures.

### Widen Graduating Class To Hear Woman Educator From W.V.U.

For the first time in recent years, the graduates of Widen High School will be privileged to hear a woman educator bring the address to the class.

Dr. Sarah Brown will speak on the subject, "Our Faith In The Future—YOU."

Dr. Brown is professor in home economics at West Virginia University in Morgantown.

Other participants in the exercises include: the WHS Girls' Chorus; Gayle Butcher, Lois Rapp and H. C. Johnson.

### Widen Club Guest Of Gassaway Club April 1

Mrs. Phares E. Reeder of Dunbar, president of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs was the guest speaker of the Gassaway Woman's Club on April 1.

The Widen Woman's Club was invited to attend a big meeting and the following members were present: Miss Hazel Baughman, president, Mrs. Harold L. Beattie, Mrs. Scott Williams, Mrs. E. D. Moyers, Mrs. Russell Paribus and Mrs. Richard Shelton.

### Chest X-Ray Mobile Unit Visited Widen This Week

County Health Nurse Mrs. Anna Mae Leeson, assisted by Mrs. Susan Groves, laboratory technician of the Widen Medical Department, processed some 55 persons during the visit of the mobile unit of the Chest X-Ray laboratory in Widen April 23-24. The big unit was located in the front parking lot of the YMCA building and attracted considerable interest from 9 to 12 noon, and from 1 to 5 p.m. This free service has proven to be of untold value in the disease arrest and cure of tuberculosis patients throughout the state. Many citizens just "visited" the unit to acquaint themselves with the portable operation of modern medical science.

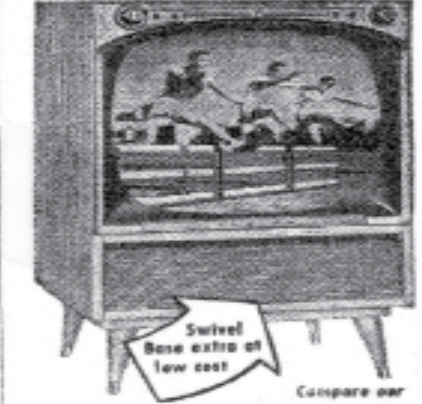
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**ADVERTISEMENT**

Notice is hereby given that SCREAMING EAGLE COAL, LLC, P.O. BOX 1050, 22 MINE ROAD, HOLDEN, WV 25625 has submitted an application to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), 47 School Street, Suite 301, Philippi, WV 26416-1600, for a significant permit revision to Article 3 permit number U201495 in order to add approximately 1,309 acres and delete approximately 914 acres of underground mining limits.

The revised permit will discharge into Peachorchard Branch of Twentymile Creek of Gauley River of Kanawha River and is located 5.0 miles, Northwest of DRENNEN in the JEFFERSON District of Nicholas County, Longitude 81° 3' 18" and Latitude 38° 19' 16" (Coordinates from USGS Topographic Map).

Surface of the area associated herewith is owned by:  
**NAME ADDRESS**  
 Appleatcha Land LLC 200 Park Ave, Ste 400, Orange Village, OH 44122  
 Screaming Eagle Coal, LLC 1245 22 Mine Road, Holden, WV 25625

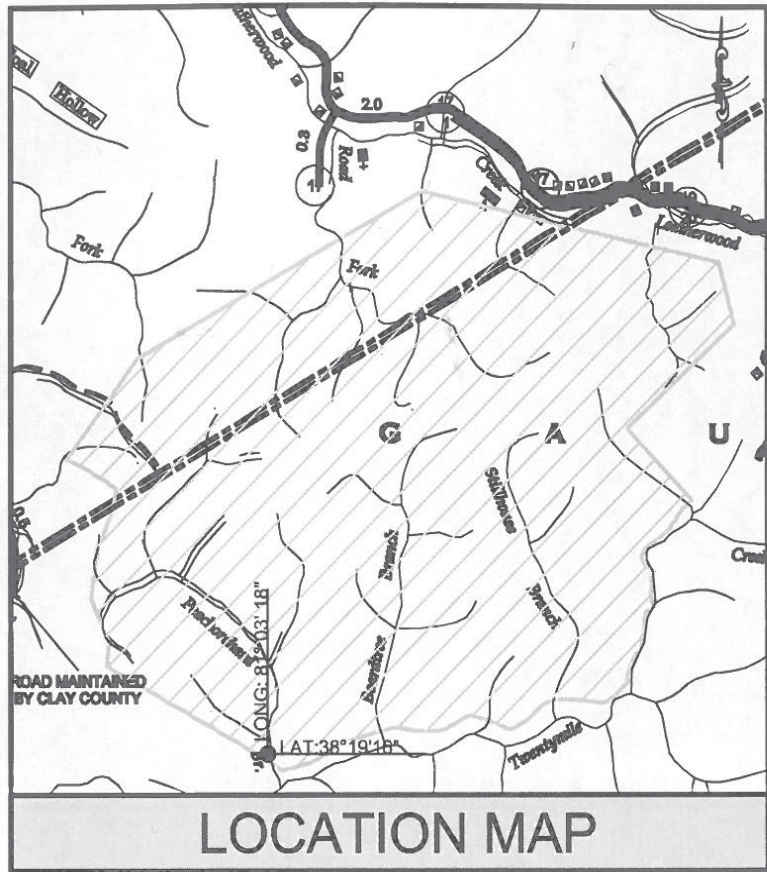
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**NAME ADDRESS**  
 Screaming Eagle Coal, LLC 1245 22 Mine Road, Holden, WV 25625

\*Surface of the area within 100 feet of the permit area is owned by:  
**NAME ADDRESS**  
 Appleatcha Land LLC 200 Park Ave, Ste 400, Orange Village, OH 44122

\*and the mineral within 100 feet of the permit area is owned by:  
**NAME ADDRESS**  
 Appleatcha Land LLC 200 Park Ave, Ste 400, Orange Village, OH 44122

Written comments and/or requests for an informal conference of the permit renewal application shall identify the applicant and application number and will be received by the Permit Supervisor at the DEP address above until May 21, 2023, or thirty (30) days from the date of final publication. A copy of the application will be available for review until May 21, 2023, or thirty (30) days from the date of final publication in the DEP Regional Office located at the address above and is available at  
[http://apps.dep.wv.gov/WebApp/\\_dep/Search/ePermitting/ePermittingApplicationSearchPage.cfm](http://apps.dep.wv.gov/WebApp/_dep/Search/ePermitting/ePermittingApplicationSearchPage.cfm)  
 The above link can be accessed from a computer at all West Virginia public libraries.

DEP Telephone No. 304-457-3219 Permit No. U201495 REV # 2  
 \*These items are to be completed only for revisions which change the boundaries of the current permit. Include location map in accordance with 38-2-3.2(b)(2).



**LOCATION MAP**

SCALE: 1" = 1 MILE

PERMIT NO. U201495 NPDES NO. WV1013866

LOCKWOOD 7.5' USGS QUADRANGLE  
 NEAREST POST OFFICE: DRENNEN, WV  
 TAKEN FROM WV DEPT. OF HIGHWAYS MAP  
 JEFFERSON DISTRICT OF NICHOLAS COUNTY

RECEIVING STREAMS: PEACHORCHARD BRANCH OF TWENTYMILE CREEK OF THE GAULEY RIVER OF KANAWHA RIVER

**LEGAL**

**WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
 Division of Highways  
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Call Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
005 2021000740	S399-STR/IP-23. 02	NHPP-2023(244)D	PAVEMENT MARKINGS INTERSTATE STRIPING STATEWIDE COUNTY: CALHOUN, CLAY, DODDRIDGE

**DBE GOAL:** 10% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

**REMARKS:**  
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The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

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**PROPOSED LEVY ORDER AND RATES  
 Clay COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

The following is a true copy from the record of orders entered by CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION on the 20th day of April 2023.

Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Current Expense Levy	
	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
<b>Class I</b>		
Personal Property	\$ -	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-
<b>Total Class I</b>	-	-
<b>Class II</b>		
Real Estate	123,600,050	479,568
Personal Property	3,373,719	13,090
<b>Total Class II</b>	126,973,769	492,658
<b>Class III</b>		
Real Estate	59,145,020	490,006
Personal Property	56,121,769	483,477
Public Utilities	42,849,083	322,596
<b>Total Class III</b>	158,020,594	1,296,979
<b>Class IV</b>		
Real Estate	6,225,490	48,310
Personal Property	3,250,218	25,222
Public Utilities	2,863,866	22,224
<b>Total Class IV</b>	12,330,574	95,756
<b>Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections</b>	<b>\$ 297,429,215</b>	<b>\$ 1,815,393</b>
Less uncollectibles, exonerations and delinquencies	8.00%	(145,231)
Less tax discounts	1.00%	(16,702)
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing - see worksheet (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)		-
Net Projected Tax Collections, before allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund		1,653,460
Less - Assessor's Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)	2.00%	(33,069)
<b>Projected Net Taxes to be Collected</b>		<b>\$ 1,620,391</b>

Note: Copies of all approved excess and/or bond levy orders and certified copies of the canvass of votes must be on file with the State Auditor's Office and the State Department of Education before excess or bond levy rates can be approved.

SIGNED THIS 20th DAY OF March, 2023 by  
 Joan Haynie SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**PROPOSED LEVY ORDER AND RATES  
 Clay COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Excess Levy Levy Rates/\$100	Permanent Improvement		Bond Levy	
	Taxes Levied	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied	Levy Rate/\$100
<b>Class I</b>				
Personal Property	0.94	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Class I</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Class II</b>				
Real Estate	1.88	23,237	-	-
Personal Property	-	634	-	-
<b>Total Class II</b>	-	23,871	-	-
<b>Class III</b>				
Real Estate	3.76	23,239	-	-
Personal Property	-	21,102	-	-
Public Utilities	-	16,111	-	-
<b>Total Class III</b>	-	59,452	-	-
<b>Class IV</b>				
Real Estate	3.76	2,341	-	-
Personal Property	-	1,222	-	-
Public Utilities	-	1,077	-	-
<b>Total Class IV</b>	-	4,640	-	-
<b>Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections</b>	<b>\$ 87,963</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Less uncollectibles, exonerations and delinquencies	8.00%	(7,037)	5.00%	-
Less tax discounts	1.00%	(809)	1.00%	-
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing - see worksheet (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)		-	-	-
Net Projected Tax Collections, before allowance for Assessor's Valuation		0		
Less-Assessor's Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)	0.00%	-	-	-
<b>Projected Net Taxes to be Collected</b>	<b>\$ 80,117</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Total Projected Net Taxes from Regular and Excess Levies</b>	<b>\$ 1,700,508</b>			

SIGNED THIS 20th day of March, 2023 by  
 Joan Haynie SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**LEGAL**

(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 <b>The Honorable Allen C. King, Sheriff and Treasurer of Clay County.</b>	\$ 1,304.59
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.</b>	\$ 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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**LEGAL**

**IN THE FAMILY COURT OF CLAY COUNTY,  
 WEST VIRGINIA**

**IN RE:** Civil Action No.: 23-D-14  
**The Marriage of:**  
 Daniel Craddock and Crystal Craddock  
 Petitioner Respondent

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**  
**THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A DIVORCE.**  
**THIS IS A PUBLICATION BY CLASS II LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT.**  
**To the Above-Named Respondent:**

It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that Crystal Craddock is a non-resident of the State of West Virginia or has an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that Crystal Craddock serve upon Daniel Craddock, petitioner, whose address is 1255 Dyer Hill Rd., Sutton, WV 26601, an Answer, including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition for Divorce filed in this action on or before April 27, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. If you fail to Answer the Petition for Divorce, a judgment may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk's Office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court - Clay County

*Christina Hanshaw*  
 Clerk of the Court

**Classifieds**

**WANT TO BUY**

**WANT TO BUY:** Small log skidder with ppo winch. 540-395-2083.

**WANT TO BUY**

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

**FOR RENT**

**FOR RENT:** Nebo, WV. Two, (2) bedroom mobile homes. Non-smoking units. No pets. \$550.00-\$625.00. Security deposit. Now taking applications. Dalmation Trailer Park. 304-765-5071.



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(2021-S-0000088 - 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-0000088, .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 <b>The Honorable Allen C. King, Sheriff and Treasurer of Clay County.</b>	\$ 1,623.18
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.</b>	\$ 35.00

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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON**

CASE NO. 22-0949-PWD-19A  
 CLAY COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT,  
 Rule 19A application to increase water rates and charges, and request for emergency interim rates.

**NOTICE OF EMERGENCY INTERIM RATE INCREASE**

On October 26, 2022, the Clay County Public Service District (CCPSD) filed an application for increased rates and charges under the Commission process for small utilities.

On the recommendation of Commission Staff, the Commission approved an emergency interim rate increase of 3.83 percent for CCPSD water bills rendered on or after the effective date of the Order. The specific rates approved are as follows:

**RATES (Customers with metered water supply)**

First	3,000 gallons used per month	\$15.16 per 1,000 gallons
Next	3,000 gallons used per month	\$14.54 per 1,000 gallons
Next	4,000 gallons used per month	\$13.94 per 1,000 gallons
Next	10,000 gallons used per month	\$13.34 per 1,000 gallons
All over	20,000 gallons used per month	\$12.76 per 1,000 gallons

**MINIMUM CHARGE**

No bill shall be rendered for less than the following:

5/8	inch meter	\$ 42.00 per month
3/4	inch meter	\$ 63.00 per month
1	inch meter	\$ 105.00 per month
1-1/2	inch meter	\$ 210.00 per month
2	inch meter	\$ 336.00 per month
3	inch meter	\$ 630.00 per month
4	inch meter	\$ 1,050.00 per month
6	inch meter	\$ 2,100.00 per month
8	inch meter	\$ 3,360.00 per month

The above minimum charge is subject to an additional \$1.16 per 1,000 gallons used per month. This emergency interim rate increase is applicable to all CCPSD customers. The emergency interim rates are subject to refund if not justified by an ongoing Staff audit and final decision in this matter. Customers may review the specific emergency interim rate changes at the CCPSD offices.

These rates are interim rates only and may be increased, decreased or left unchanged at the conclusion of this rate case. During the course of this proceeding the Staff of the Commission will recommend final rates for use by the District. Those rates will be published at a later date and may be protested at that time.  
 CLAY COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

# 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  
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**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 Precious. 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**

**CHURCH OF GOD BENTREE**  
 Sangamore Rd., Bentree, WV  
 Sunday School 10:00 AM  
 Sunday Evening Service 7:00 PM  
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM  
 Come and worship the Lord with us.  
 Everyone Welcome!  
**Pastor: Michael L. Holcomb, Sr.**

**CLAY COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 Sunday School 10:00 AM  
 Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night Service 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome.

**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**

**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**

**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**

**IDA BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Bentre  
 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

**J**  
**JONHSON 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**

**J**  
**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 CHRISTIAN 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'BRIEN 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**

**P**  
**PEOPLES COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 Sunday School 10:00 AM  
 Wednesday Night 7:00 PM  
 Sunday 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**

**PROCIOSUS 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 Matheus 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**

**S**  
**STRANGE CREEK CHURCH**  
 Sunday Morning 10:00 AM  
 Preaching 10:30 AM  
 Sunday 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 LIZEMORE**  
 Sunday Worship 11:00 AM  
 Sunday School 10:00 AM  
 Sunday Service 6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Service 7:00 PM  
 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  
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 Sunday School 10:00 AM  
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 Preaching 10:00 AM  
 Thursday Evening Service 7:30 PM  
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 Sunday School 11:00 AM  
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**Pastor: Paul Coon**

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 Sunday School 10:00 AM  
 Sunday Night 6:30 PM  
 Wednesday Night 6:30 PM  
**Pastor: Rev. Mike Hall**

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 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**

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 Sunday Night 6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night 7:00 PM  
 Come worship the Lord with us!  
 Phone: (304) 587-7410  
**Pastor: Jerry Hanshaw**





# SPORTS

## CCHS track places 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> at Richwood Invitational



Seth Robinson runs the 100 meter dash.

By Allen Hamrick

The Mustang track team is back to making waves in the track world as they hit the fields for their first meets of the season. The Mustangs have a lot of new young faces on the team and are building back from last season's party. Nothing but iron lungs, grit and determination sends this Mustang team to new levels and continues to make peoples' jaws fall out of place.

There are no chicken legs on the Mustang team and definitely no laziness. They are a team bent on making the Mustang name one to remember.

The Mustangs started their season off with one of the toughest meets in the middle school world, the McKinley Invitational at Laidley Field. This meet brings some of the top schools in the state and is tough competition. They had a tough time scoring points, but Seth Robinson and Brooke Cliver sent waves of pressure to the upper food



Brody Scarbro wins his 100 meter heat.

chain schools.

Seth was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100 meter dash, 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 400 meter and 5<sup>th</sup> in the 100 meter hurdles. Brody Scarbro was 6<sup>th</sup> in the 200 meter run. For the girls, it was Brooke Cliver who place 3<sup>rd</sup> in the shot put and Jayda Stricker was 10<sup>th</sup> in the 400 and 8<sup>th</sup> in the long jump. The boys placed 10<sup>th</sup> overall and the girls were 12<sup>th</sup> over all. It was a good first meet and the team will only get better as the season rolls on. They will be at Richwood on Tuesday evening for the Richwood meet; it should be a good one.

Track is up and running for the CCHS team and they have the best running, jumping, and shot putting athletes the school can muster. They travelled to Richwood for the Richwood Invitational last week and did very well.

Overall, the boys placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the event with Jacob McCune placing 4<sup>th</sup> in the 400 meter and Kaden Fitzwater placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 1600. Evan Bass put some numbers on



Jayda Stricker and Cheyenne Taylor run the 100 meter.

the board placing 4<sup>th</sup> in the 110 hurdles and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 300 meter hurdles. The relay teams took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 4x200 and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 4x800. They were first in the shuttle hurdle relay and Ethan Morris was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the shot put.

The girls placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall lead by Sarah Ligeralde placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the shot put and the discus. Xena Legg took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the shot put while Evie Young took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the high jump and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 800. Olivia Witt took 4<sup>th</sup> in the 1600 meter run and Destiny Mullins took 4<sup>th</sup> in the 300 meter hurdles.

The Panthers laced up their shoes and hit the track. All of the team did pretty well considering the circumstances. These numbers will no doubt climb up as the season goes on. The Panther Track team is working hard to bring track back on the map in Clay County. They will be back in action on Tuesday evening at Roane County and again on Saturday at Richwood. Come out and support the teams.

## CCHS softball girls' team cracking the whip, CCMS baseball season begins

By Allen Hamrick

The Lady Panthers are kicking some softball butt as they began their season. Calhoun was their first game of the regular season, and the way the Lady Panthers played, it looked like they were going to be the ones to beat. The game was like watching a mouse fight a red tailed hawk. The Lady Panther defense went to work, and Calhoun just couldn't get past it. The Lady Panther offense dominated the game, racking up a pile of runs in scattering hits all over the field in a softball feeding frenzy. When the smoke cleared, it was the Lady Panthers over Calhoun 16-1. Up next was Webster, which was a little tougher game for the Lady Panthers, but they won it in style. The Lady Panthers came out swinging for the fences and were racking up the points, but Webster was doing the same as they figured out the Lady Panther pitching. The game went the full seven innings with the Lady Panthers getting one more chance to chew on the score board. That's just what they did; not intimidated by their chances, the Lady Panthers scored the winning run to take the game 11-10. The Lady Panthers will play again at Gilmer on Tuesday night and back home on Thursday night against Braxton.

It was the season opener for the CCMS Mustang baseball team this past week as they went toe to toe with Braxton and Spencer. First up was Braxton, and this is always a good game to open the season with. Both teams come in unwilling to lose and pretty equally matched. The Mustangs were the first to swing the bats and get the bugs worked out. The Mustangs had a few problems scoring runs as Braxton got on the boards first. When the Mustangs took the field, it was Joel Elliot up first on the hill to start the season. With

his cannon loaded, Elliot went to work. Braxton scattered some hits and reached the bases which scored two runs early. After that, Mustang defense went to work and Elliot settled down and started taking care of the business at hand. It was late in the 5<sup>th</sup> inning when the Mustangs crossed home plate three times and went ahead in the game 3-2. However, by the end of the game and after a couple of pitching changes, Braxton went ahead and won the game 14-7.

The Mustangs then locked horns with Spencer and again had trouble getting the bat on the ball and once again lost the game 5-16. Baseball is a game full of bursts of action and intense, edgy moments. If you want to see this for yourself, get to one of the Mustang's baseball games; they have plenty of season left. Make sure you get a schedule and get to a few games; this season looks to be a good one.

The Panthers are playing pretty good baseball but are having a tough time getting the wins as their season got underway. After taking down Sherman in the season opener 16-1, the Panthers had a tough time getting runs on the board and lost the next four games as they



Joel Elliot gets the tag at home saving a run.

struggled to figure out the bugs. A loss to Hoover was enough to make the Panthers light a fire in the bull pen and when they squared off against Webster, it was bat frenzy. The Panthers won the game 17-3.

The Panthers will be at home against Capitol High School on Monday night and will have two more games in the week. Get out and catch a game. The seasons are just beginning and there are plenty of games left. So, if it matters to you, come out and support the teams



John Paxton teaches English from the hill.



Levi Quinn gets in under the throw.

### Obituaries

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ceived many honors and was proud of the Purple Heart with Gold Star, Korean Service Medal with three Gold Stars, Presidential Unit Citation with two Bronze Stars, and Combat Action Ribbon with three Gold Stars. A funeral service was

held on March 9. The family requests memorials be made to the Marine Corps League.

Online condolences and floral gifts can be sent by visiting <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/memphis-tn/james-brown-11182209>

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