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CCMS Students Win Awards at Regional Literature Fair



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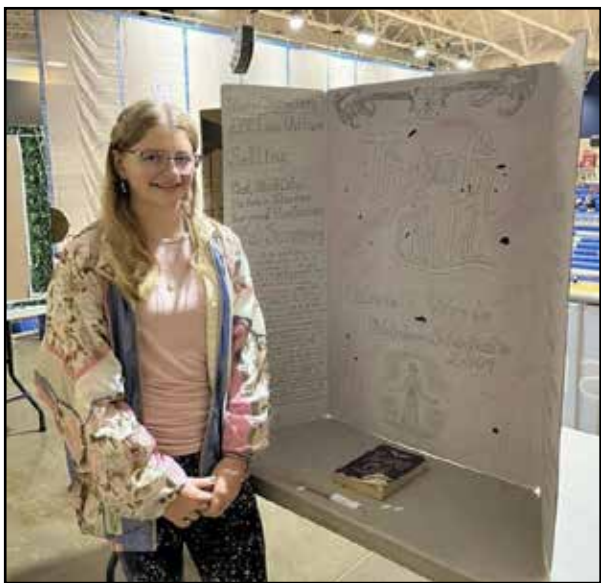
The West Virginia Reading Association Regional Literature Fair was held at Glenville State University on October 28, 2023. It was a huge event. Seven counties were represented including Calhoun, Clay, Pocahontas,

Wyoming, Gilmer/Lewis, Nicholas and Webster.

There were 145 projects along with 26 judges from Glenville State University, Marshall University and the West Virginia State Department of Education. Divided by grade, events were scored for kindergarten through second, third through fifth, sixth through eighth, and high school. Students could compete individually or in pairs and were categorized by fiction and non-fiction books.

Clay County Middle School students earned the right to compete at the Regional Fair by winning their divisions during the CCMS Literature Fair held at the school in mid-October. At the Regional competition, sixth graders Gunner Dobbins and Marissa Atha won first place in the pairs Middle School Non-Fiction Division for their project on What Were the Twin Towers by Jim O'Connor. Impressively, they scored 99 out of 100 total possible points. Eighth grader Abigail Grandon placed third in the individual Middle School Fiction Division with her project on Thirteenth Child by Patricia Wrede.

Special thanks goes out to Mrs. Josselyn Kiser for helping to coordinate this event. Congratulations to Gunner, Marissa, and Abigail on a job well done! They make CCMS proud.



Abigail Grandon placed third at the WVRA Regional Literature Fair.

Four buildings burn in Braxton County fire

The town of Gassaway suffered a large-loss fire this last week as four residential dwellings were destroyed in a fire.

The fire started a little after 5 a.m. in the morning of Nov. 5 at a home on Birch Street. The fire burnt four residential dwellings as well as a pickup truck. Only one

of the dwellings was occupied at the time. That building was being rented by the WV Department of Highways for use as an office for an area WVDOH project.

Investigators with the WV State Fire Marshal's Office were called to the scene and have ruled the cause of the fire as undetermined and it remains under investigation.

CMI2 breaks ground on development of military training and technology testing site in West Virginia



The official groundbreaking at the CMI2 Adaptive Experimentation Facility included Mr. Allen Tanner, Principal, Clay County High School; Speaker Roger Hanshaw, West Virginia House of Delegates; Mr. Walter Hatfield, CMI2 Vice President; Governor Jim Justice; Dr. Zenovy Wowczuk, Founder, CMI2; COL Rob Kincaid, West Virginia National Guard; and Senator Ryan Weld, West Virginia Senate. Allen Hamrick photo.

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WIC is Vital - but Vastly Underutilized, Research Finds

Study underscores the need for Congress to continue bipartisan commitment to fully fund WIC.

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, known as WIC, is vital to the health and well-being of nearly half of our nation's babies, along with millions of young children up to age 5 and their mothers. Yet, recent research based on 2021 data published by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service shows more than 6 million of those who are eligible for the program are missing out on its proven health benefits.

The just released study reports that an average of 12.13 million moms, babies, and young children were eligible for WIC in 2021. However, only 51%, or 6.21 million, of those who were eligible actually participated.

A number of new findings are included in this year's report: coverage rates by urban and poverty status; participation rates by state, race, and ethnicity; state estimates by WIC participation category, race, and ethnicity; and nonparticipation rates among Medicaid and SNAP participants.

While eligibility estimates for 2022 and 2023 are not available yet, preliminary data shows that WIC participation is rising in most states, with 6.7 million moms, babies and young kids benefitting from the program today. But sustaining that progress will depend on congressional action to maintain the longstanding bipartisan commitment to provide enough funding for WIC to serve all eligible people seeking to join the program. The Biden-Harris Administration asked Congress early this fall to fund WIC at the level needed to support this increased participation, but Congress has yet to take action on the request.

A failure to fully fund WIC this fiscal year means some states would likely need to put eligible families on waiting lists.

"We're making progress in connecting more of our nation's youngest children and moms with WIC's life-changing benefits," said Agriculture Sec-

retary Tom Vilsack. "It's up to Congress to fully fund WIC this fiscal year and continue the 25-year bipartisan track record of making sure every eligible low-income mom, infant, and child seeking WIC services can get the vital nutrition they need to thrive."

WIC provides mothers and young children with supplemental nutritious food, nutrition education, breastfeeding support, immunization screening, and important health and social services referrals. A strong body of research supports the positive impact of these benefits. For example, WIC mothers and children are more likely to eat healthy. WIC participation also results in fewer infant deaths, fewer premature births, and increased birth weights — and it is shown to reduce health-care costs.

Recognizing these powerful outcomes, Congress has fully funded the program for decades, allowing USDA and its state agency partners to provide these robust benefits and services to all those who are eligible and wish to participate.

Congress also provided USDA with funding in the American Rescue Plan Act to modernize and strengthen the program so that it reaches more eligible families and serves them well throughout the entire time they're eligible. FNS investments include prioritizing outreach, improving the shopping experience, investing in and diversifying the WIC workforce, and enhancing technology and service delivery.

"The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to creating a healthier future for our country and that starts by ensuring every mom, baby and child in the U.S. receives the nutrition they need to achieve their full potential," said Stacy Dean, deputy under secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services. "By closing the WIC participation gap, we can make incredible progress on addressing hunger, nutrition and health in America."

Learn more about how WIC builds healthy foundations and how FNS is modernizing WIC at the FNS website.

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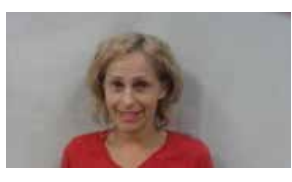


REGIONAL JAIL MUGSHOTS

BRAXTON COUNTY



Christopher Castro
Booked 11/10/23
Receive/transfer stolen goods



Jennifer Ellen Kemp
Booked 11/11/23
DUI first offense, defective equipment, no operators, no proof of insurance, no proof of registration, improper turning



Randy Allen Tinney
Booked 10/31/23
Impersonating law enforcement

CLAY COUNTY



Tamra Jo Garvin
Booked 11/6/23
Capias



James Arthur Hall
Booked 11/8/23
Burglary, possession of a controlled substance



Jacob Scott Miller
Booked 11/12/23
No insurance, unsafe motor vehicle, motor vehicle without ID # or mark, no MVI, seal belt violation, no operators, no proof of registration, driving on revoked license, driving suspended, improper registration, no insurance

NICHOLAS COUNTY



Robert Mannings Auxier
Booked 11/12/23
Violation of protective order



James Arthur Hall
Booked 11/8/23
Trespassing



Michael Edward Harless
Booked 11/9/23
Probation violation



Terry Lee Milam Jr.
Booked 11/12/23
Driving revoked for DUI, no insurance, possession of controlled substance, possession with intent to deliver



DMV Processes First Transaction through National Title Clearinghouse

The West Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is proud to announce that the National Digital Titling Clearinghouse is live and creating its first revenue for the state. Through the leadership of Gov. Justice, West Virginia is once again leading the nation with its innovative title and registration technology.

The National Digital Titling Clearinghouse was originally initiated by the DMV's desire to improve customer service and make the titling process more streamlined and efficient. With Gov. Justice's support, DMV brought in Champ Titles, Inc. and its partner, Tyler Technologies, to work together to create the National Digital Titling Clearinghouse (NDTC (wv.gov)), a transforma-

tional tool for businesses around the country to acquire vehicles and avoid titling headaches that plague most states. As dealers move more of their transactions online, the radius of where they acquire vehicles continues to expand across state borders. The Clearinghouse is the solution for these needs and many others.

"The Clearinghouse that Gov. Justice supported, and our great DMV implemented is now live! We are delighted to count Vroom as the first live user," said DMV Commissioner Everett Frazier. "With this step forward, the WV DMV and now Vroom continue to lead the digitization of the vehicle titling space for all dealers nationally. Consumers everywhere will have an improved

vehicle buying experience because West Virginia has made acquiring titles so much easier for dealers as they acquire inventory from anyone, anywhere in the country."

Vehicle acquisition, same-party title rebranding, and unrecovered theft reporting are currently possible through the Clearinghouse.

The National Digital Title Clearinghouse will continue to roll out new transaction types for businesses all around the country in the months to come.

For more information on the National Digital Title Clearinghouse visit NDTC (wv.gov), or email the Clearinghouse directly at dmvtitleclearinghouse@wv.gov.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Looking for someone to plow snow from the lot and shovel snow from the sidewalk for the Clay County Department of Health and Human Resources office in Clay, WV.

If interested, please contact
Patty Martin at 304-872-0810

Puzzle Answers

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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Super Crossword

Answers

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Paid internships and college scholarships of up to \$4,000 available for 2024

Interested in being a journalist or working in the media industry?

The West Virginia Press Association Foundation is accepting student applications for 2024 Summer Internships and 2024 Scholarships

If awarded, the WVPF provides paid and unpaid internships at West Virginia newspapers and college scholarships up to \$4,000.

Programs are open to journalism majors and students in related fields such as business management, human resources, advertising, social media and marketing, with preference given to students in at least their sophomore year of college.

Application deadline is Dec. 31, 2023.

Applications available on wvpress.org

For information or to have the applications mailed, contact Executive Director **Betsy Miles** at bmiles@wvpress.org, at 304-342-1011 or write to: WV Press Association Foundation, 3422 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston, WV, 25302.

Newspapers with a candidate for an internship or interested in having an intern should contact Betsy Miles.

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Hiding Like A Tortoise

By: Joseph J. Mazella

When I was a young father every spring at the end of May near Memorial Day, my wife and I would take our kids to her family reunion. It always took place at a picnic area on the side of a mountain. On the top of the mountain was her family's graveyard. The road to the top of it wasn't too gentle either. Even when it was graded, it was a rough ride with a dirt road full of pot holes, hairpin turns, and jutting rocks that could rip the bottom of your car out if you hit them wrong. If it had recently rained you had to go quick too or you ran the risk of getting your car stuck in the mud. Cars would roar up the road fast then looking for parking spots along the side of the hill in the grassy areas. You always had to keep your eyes on the road even when you were stepping out of your car.

On one of these reunions I remember seeing a small tortoise sunning itself on the top of a rock near the end of the road at the graveyard. I watched as one car zoomed up and

barely missed him on the right. Then a second car zipped up even faster and barely missed him on the left. The guy ducked into his shell both times thinking that would protect him, but I knew if one tire ran over the little guy he would be dead. I quickly walked over and grabbed him before the next car came roaring up the hill. Then I walked him deep into the nearby woods. Finally I found another stone where he might sunbath in safety and left him there in peace.

Over the years I have felt a lot like that tortoise at times. I have felt scared. I have felt like hiding in my shell. I have felt like life was about to run me over. Every time this has happened, though, I have felt God's loving hand lifting me up and carrying me back to the light. Every time God has been there to comfort me, reassure me, and fill me with His Love. Life can't be lived hiding in our shells. God meant for us to live in the Light. May we always do so.

Home Country

By: Slim Randles

Alphonse Wilson here, you know ... yore pal Windy? And I'm here to set the record straight, once and forever more, on turkeys.

Now for those folks out there who think a turkey is something hot and brown and tasty and is full of stuffing, this here'll come as a shock. You see, before he becomes a tasteful delicacy, the turkey is a big ol' bird who lives in the woods, or on a farm, and ain't too awful smart, neither. Iffen a turkey was smart, we'd probably have to eat vegetables for Thanksgiving. Now that's a fact. Truth be told, if you had a big ol' dial thingie with Alfred Linestein on one end of the smart meter ... you know, like to measure who is the intellectual prairie fire and who ain't? ... wellsir, at the very other end of that dial you'd have a flat brown rock, and then, 'way off in the

distance ... the other side of the rock, there'd be a turkey.

And that there turkey'd be there all by hisself, too. So you might think he'd get kinda lonesome out there all solitaried, right? Nossir. That's 'cause he ain't smart enough to get lonesome.

Ain't but two things a turkey can do proper, folks. Just two, and you can take this to the blank, too. For one thing, he companionizes right well with cranberry sauce twice or once a year. Yes he does. And for another? Well, he just might make a likely candidate for the United States Congress of America!

And you can tell 'em I said so.

This year, disguise your turkey as something that doesn't taste as good. You know, like a porcupine, or squash. Ideas at www.simpleeverydaymom.com.

"Sticks and stones can break my bones, but words can never hurt me." I heard this proverb a lot growing up from various well-meaning people. I tried to apply the ancient wisdom, but it didn't work because it's not true, nor is it ancient, for that matter. There is some debate about who wrote the saying, but it originated in England sometime in the 1800s. A proverb, by design, is a short, pithy, truthful bit of wisdom that helps you navigate life. It's not designed to say everything there is to say about a subject or build in a thousand qualifications. They are intended to be meditated on, remembered, and kept in your back pocket so when you are out and about in this sin-cursed world and then presented with a problem, you've got help to make the right decision or think about the situation in the right way. But they have to be true.

Words can hurt people. David cries out to God for deliverance and mercy in the fourth Psalm. The sons of

men were speaking lies against him. Hurtful words, lies, and slanders can bring a lot of sorrow that's hard to get over. Proverbs 17:22, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones." Words can break havoc like a wildfire set on fire by hell (James 3:6). Slander, gossip, lies, and deceitful words are not something you can put back in the bottle. Once you light that fire, it's going to burn. It's one of the things the Lord hates (Proverbs 6:16-19) and one of the things people love to be a part of. There's a good reminder of the wickedness of the heart of man and why people should not assume speaking everything in their heart is a good thing. We don't like being talked about, but we love being in the inner circle and hearing about what's happening with the unfortunate object of all the talk. This sort of stuff grieves the Holy Spirit of God. Christians should not participate in such sin but be kind, tenderhearted, and for-

giving (Ephesians 4:29-32).

Alexander the coppersmith, with his words, did much harm to Paul. He was likely trying to undermine the ministry of the Apostle and turn people against him. So Paul wrote to Timothy and warned him against this wicked man (2 Timothy 4:14-15). Discerning readers may be asking, "Isn't Paul judging people?" There is a difference between protecting other people, defending the truth, and trying to destroy someone for evil purposes. Alexander was working to destroy Paul, and Paul was telling the truth about Alexander's malicious, devilish behavior. It's the tactic of abusers to commit a sin and, when they are confronted, to cry foul and victimhood. Proverbs 18:21, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof." Paul was protecting Timothy and speaking truth, Alexander used his wicked words to hurt Paul and the work of the gospel.

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**Sticks and Stones****The Cookie Monster Has Returned**

By: Dr. James Snyder

Sitting in my office working on some projects, I was suddenly surrounded by a familiar aroma. This surprised me because I had no idea what was happening.

That aroma was familiar, but I couldn't identify it. I'm like that most of the time. My nose doesn't work quite like The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. I don't smell many things, and what I do smell I can't identify. On the other hand, my wife can smell something three days before it happens. How she does that, I don't know.

Thinking about what I was smelling, it did have some familiarity to it. I know I smelled this aroma before and needed to find out what it was.

The more I sniffed, the stronger that aroma became. Then, I had a flash in my head. I recognized that aroma. The aroma coming from the kitchen was freshly baked cookies.

It's the time of the year when The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage spends a lot of time making cookies. You name the cookie, and she's making it. She can make cookies that I have not heard of before. That is her specialty.

I leaned back in my office chair, trying to figure out what to do next. It is the time of the year when she makes cookies, and I smelled that cookie aroma all morning. What is my next step?

Should I sneak out to the kitchen and see what she was doing?

If I do that, I am asking for trouble. Leaning back in my chair, I looked around my office and noticed one thing that could help. There was my coffee cup, and it was empty. All I needed to do was take my cup to the kitchen for a refill. I think that might work.

With a very joyful demeanor, I picked up my cup and marched to the kitchen, expecting to see those cookies. I contemplated what cookies I would see, but there is nothing like seeing them in person.

As I entered the kitchen, my wife said, "And why are you coming into the kitchen?"

I'm not a gambler, but I knew I had to lay my cards on the table, or I would be in trouble.

"Oh, my dear," I said with a smile, "I'm here to get another cup of coffee."

Looking at me with one of her looks, she said, "So, you're not here for any cookies?"

"Cookies? I didn't know you were making cookies today."

"You couldn't smell those cookies?" she said with a snicker.

I had to divert her attention, so I complimented her, "This is the best coffee I've had in a long time. I just had to have another cup. Thank you so much for it."

Looking at me, she said, "If I give you a cookie, will you stay out of the kitchen for the rest of the day?"

I must confess I would do anything for a cookie. So I agreed to this, and she gave me a fresh cookie. I smiled at her and said, "Thank you so much."

Basking in the aroma of that cookie, I headed to my office. What could be better?

Munching on that cookie was the best thing I had done all morning. I don't know how she does it, but she makes the best cookies in the world.

I finished that cookie and tried not to think of any cookies anymore. I remembered that cookie was given to me with the provision I would not come into the kitchen that day. Why did I make such an agreement?

It was hard for me to return to work; I could only think of cookies. I don't care what cookie it is; if it comes from our kitchen, it is the best cookie in the world.

Something happened that I wasn't expecting. My wife popped into my office with another cookie and said, "I gotta run across town to get something for my cookies. Here's another cookie if you promise not to come into the kitchen while I'm gone."

All I could see was the cookie in her hand. I nodded excitedly and took the cookie, and she left my office. It was a delight to have another cookie, and I munched on it rather slowly but enjoyably.

The cookie disappeared rather quickly, and my wife had been gone for at least half an hour, and all I could think of was cookies, cookies, cookies.

Getting up out of my chair, I slowly walked toward the kitchen. As you go into our kitchen on the right, a table connects with the kitchen sink. I noticed on that table piles of freshly baked cookies.

I thought of my agreement with her that I would not go into the kitchen, and I stood there, reached my arm around the corner, found several cookies, picked them up, and returned to my office. I think I got away with some more cookies.

Not long after that, I heard The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage come into the house and go into the kitchen. Then I heard her say, "Oh, the cookie monster has returned."

I then knew I was in trouble.

A scripture verse came to my mind, "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (James 4:17). Ouch! I think I know what to do. Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage, here I come.

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WVDNR reminds hunters about late black bear gun seasons

The next segment of West Virginia's black bear firearms season will run concurrently with the buck firearms season.

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources today reminded deer hunters that there will be a concurrent bear season in all or parts of 42 counties open to buck firearms hunting.

The concurrent bear season is without dogs and will run from Nov. 20 to Dec. 3. Hunting is legal on both public and private property.

"Concurrent bear hunting during deer season takes advantage of a time of year when the maximum number of hunters are in the woods," said Colin Carpenter, black bear project leader for the WVDNR. "This helps manage bear populations by increasing the number of harvests, but also provides a unique opportunity for hunters who may have never hunted bears to harvest one."

The best-producing mast crops of 2023 were in the red oak family and hunters should find bear feeding activity in the same places as deer.

"The fact that both bears and deer will be seeking red, black and scarlet oak acorns should give hunters a good chance to harvest either species during the upcoming season," Carpenter said.

Due to spotty acorn production, hunters are encouraged to scout immediately prior to the season to find the most recent feeding activity.

Additional Bear Hunting Opportunities

Bear hunting opportunities continue after the buck-gun season as well. All or parts of 26 counties will be open for bear hunting with or without dogs from Dec. 4-31. In addition, all or parts of 35 counties will be open for bear hunting without dogs from Dec. 4-31.

Successful hunters are required to submit a first premolar tooth from each harvested bear. Hunters who harvest a female black bear are encouraged to save the reproductive tract or all the entrails. Reproductive tracts and entrails should be kept cool or frozen. Hunters should contact their nearest district office or Elkins Operations Center to arrange a drop-off. The WVDNR will offer hunters who submit a complete reproductive tract a \$20 gift card for their effort.

Data obtained from tooth samples and reproductive tracts are used for black bear population monitoring. Information on how to collect and submit a black bear first premolar tooth and reproductive tract can be found on pages 37-38 in the West Virginia Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary, available to download at WVdnr.gov/hunting-regulations.

Hunters are reminded to purchase their hunting license and bear damage stamp at WVhunt.com. For more information about bear hunting, check pages 34-40 in the West Virginia Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary.



THIS WEEK IN West Virginia History

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

Nov. 15, 2010: The landmark Aracoma Hotel in Logan was damaged by fire. It was demolished later that year.

Nov. 16, 1734: Samuel Washington was born at Pope's Creek, Virginia. Samuel, a younger brother of George Washington, was the first of several members of the Washington family to live in what is now the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.



Nov. 16, 1823: Politician and industrialist Henry Gassaway Davis, known in the early 20th century as West Virginia's "Grand Old Man," was born in Baltimore, Md.

Nov. 17, 1927: Composer and performer Robert Drasnin was born in Charleston. He performed with classic combos and big bands such as Tommy Dorsey and Les Brown, and scored music for movies and television.



Nov. 18, 2007: Country singer Chickie Williams died. As wife of musician Doc Williams, she

performed with his Border Riders band and appeared on the Wheeling Jamboree radio show.

Nov. 19, 1854: Poet Danske Dandridge was born in Copenhagen. The daughter of an American ambassador, she lived in Shepherdstown from age 19, where her work was published in Harper's and The Century. Both of her homes, The Bower and Rosebrake, are Jefferson County landmarks.

Nov. 19, 1899: Sculptor Gladys Tuke was born in Linwood, Pocahontas County. Tuke was a member of the original artist colony at The Greenbrier; during World War II, she taught at Ashford General Hospital, and later established a pottery and sculpture studio in White Sulphur Springs.



Nov. 19, 1900: William Page Pitt was born in New York City. In 1926, Pitt joined the faculty of what was then Marshall College. In his 45-year career at Marshall, he built its journalism program into one with dozens of classes and hundreds of students. Marshall University's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications is named in his honor.

Nov. 19, 1909: The Lincoln County Courthouse was burned. With coal, oil and gas, and timber booming, arson was suspected

for the purpose of destroying land records and confusing titles.

Nov. 19, 1921: The USS West Virginia was christened. It was one of six battleships at Pearl Harbor on the morning of December 7, 1941, that suffered massive damage from torpedoes and bombs in the surprise attack. It was rebuilt and joined the Seventh Fleet for the invasion of the Philippines.

Nov. 20, 1894: Eight men were killed in a coal mine disaster near Colliers, Brooke County. They were using a dangerous method called "shooting from the solid," meaning that they blasted the coal loose without first undercutting it.

Nov. 20, 1917: Robert C. Byrd was born in North Wilkesboro, North Carolina. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1958 and remained in office until his death in 2010.

Nov. 20, 1968: An explosion at Consolidation Coal Company's No. 9 mine near Farmington killed 78 men. The disaster brought national attention to the issue of mine safety.

Nov. 21, 1810: Allen Taylor Caperton was born in Monroe County. Caperton served in the Confederate Senate during the Civil War and in the U.S. Senate from 1875 to 1876.



THE FREEPRESS '50's and '60's ROCK 'N' ROLL TRIVIA

Name three things Charlie Brown is gonna get caught doing. (Charlie Brown, Coasters, March, '59)

Answer to last week's Trivia: In Bobby Bare's single "Detroit City (I Wanna Go Home)" (May, 1963), by day he makes the cars and: "at night I make the bars."

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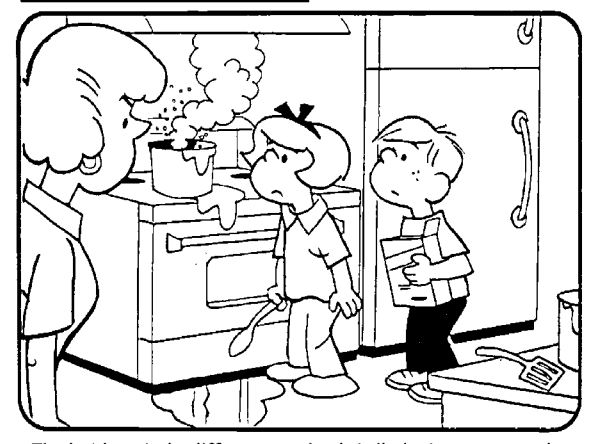
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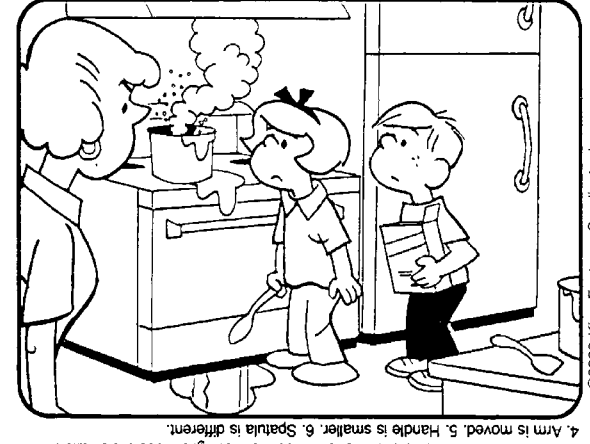
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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Super Crossword

WOMEN'S MOVEMENTS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Golf tourney
 - 7 "Nonsense!"
 - 12 Wordplay bits
 - 16 Jump
 - 19 Tiny country in Europe
 - 20 Similar
 - 21 Woodwind instrument
 - 22 Spring mo.
 - 23 Prima ballerina who received the Kennedy Center Honors in 1989
 - 26 Winning sign
 - 27 Sinuous
 - 28 2003 Tony winner for "Movin' Out" choreography
 - 30 Vamp player in "Singin' in the Rain"
 - 36 Choose
 - 37 Writer Jaffe
 - 38 Vast period
 - 39 Doggy doc
 - 40 Part of TNT
 - 42 "The Wedding Singer" director Frank
 - 44 Magical land of C.S. Lewis
 - 46 Noted performer in a Greek tunic and bare feet
 - 50 "Honest" prez
 - 51 Southwestern grassy plain
 - 54 Feature of "Christmas"
 - 55 Raises
 - 56 San — Zoo
 - 58 Soda holders
 - 60 Inflict on
 - 61 "Su-u-ure"
 - 62 1947 Tony winner for "Brigadoon" choreography
 - 66 Suture
 - 67 Throng
 - 68 Zodiac cat
 - 69 "Water" star Michael
 - 71 Greek vowel
 - 73 Imitated
 - 76 Camera type, in brief
 - 79 "Top Hat" co-star
 - 85 Fishing aids
 - 86 Take to heart
 - 88 "Horrors!"
 - 89 Rival of U.S. Grant
 - 90 Rink surface
 - 91 Laundromat dryers, e.g.
 - 94 Radio booth notification
 - 96 Golf standard
 - 97 Royal Ballet legend awarded the 1977 Shakespeare Prize
 - 100 City due west of Chicago
 - 102 Historical records
 - 103 Birthday topic
 - 104 Ascot, e.g.
 - 106 — Spumante
 - 107 Sauce brand
 - 108 Doctrine
 - 111 Prima ballerina famous for her "Dying Swan"
 - 114 Courtesan whom King Ludwig I made Countess of Landsfeld
 - 117 Bush replacer
 - 118 Yale alum
 - 119 "The Twelve Days of Christmas" gift (and what this puzzle features)
 - 126 Mtn. statistic
 - 127 Yemen locale
 - 128 Cocooned stages
 - 129 Many a web surfer
 - 130 Mind-related, in combinations
 - 131 Smell bad
 - 132 Deficient
 - 133 "— Fi" (Marines' motto)
- DOWN**
- 1 Thurman of Hollywood
 - 2 Fa follower
 - 3 Undivided
 - 4 — Romana (peace)
 - 5 Digital money
 - 6 Unrelated to maritime armed forces
 - 7 Sit down, slangily
 - 8 Makes laugh loudly
 - 9 Shrouded
 - 10 Nickname lead-in
 - 11 Proceeded
 - 12 Coral colony member
 - 13 Curved fastening bar
 - 14 — Scolia
 - 15 Marine fish of the western Atlantic
 - 16 West Indies' largest city
 - 17 Outerwear for some high-culture shows
 - 18 Get ready
 - 24 Have the gall
 - 25 — Jima
 - 29 Tooting thing
 - 30 Trudeau's country
 - 31 "About this large," informally
 - 32 Original Mouseketeer — Tracey
 - 33 Channel for Wolf Blitzer
 - 34 Parts of city grids: Abbr.
 - 35 Noted times
 - 41 Tyrant Amin
 - 42 Structure for storing music
 - 43 Some ctrs. of learning
 - 45 "You win"
 - 46 Charged, as particles
 - 47 From long ago
 - 48 Autos from long ago
 - 49 Kitty chip
 - 52 Maven
 - 53 "Rambo" war zone, in brief
 - 57 Neuters, as a stallion
 - 59 Smelting junk
 - 61 GIF or JPEG
 - 63 Throw a few back in a bar
 - 64 52, to Livia
 - 65 Kin of -ess
 - 70 Goad
 - 72 Baseball executive Joe
 - 73 Jungian inner personality
 - 74 Sticky, nutty treats
 - 75 Endlessness
 - 77 Overtime teen idol Garrett
 - 78 Nevada city
 - 80 Suffix with Caesar
 - 81 Nutrition amt.
 - 82 Texas city
 - 83 1990s "caught on tape" series
 - 84 Belgrade site
 - 87 Dress in
 - 91 In a pillared structure
 - 92 Educ. org.
 - 93 Overtime rival of Atari
 - 95 Diagrams for brainstorming
 - 98 Infatuated
 - 99 Deep longing
 - 101 — Kan (classic dog food brand)
 - 104 Typewriter formatting aid
 - 105 Apple tablet
 - 108 Kind of navel
 - 109 T-bone, e.g.
 - 110 Brooks of film
 - 112 A lack of musical skill
 - 113 Actress Vivian
 - 114 Jump
 - 115 French river
 - 116 Electric jolts
 - 120 "OB-viously!"
 - 121 NYSE event
 - 122 — laude
 - 123 Enabler of web access
 - 124 Once named
 - 125 Mutt's noise

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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.

October, 1957

Mrs. Harold L. Beattie Honored By District

Mrs. Harold L. Beattie, past president of the Widen Woman's Club, was elected vice president of the Capitol District Women's Clubs at the annual convention held in St. Albans, October 19, attended by over 250 members of this district of which Widen is a part.

She succeeds Mrs. J. A. B. Holt of Charleston who was elected president of that body. Other officers are Mrs. Mrs. K. K. Pauley of Nitro, secretary and Mrs. Nathan Haddad of Madison, treasurer. Installation of the new officers was conducted by Miss Mary Katherine Barnes of Charleston, second vice president of the West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Beattie is the fourth member of the Widen Club to be elected a district officer.

Other Widen club members who appeared on the district program includes Miss Hazel Baughman, president of the Widen Club who was accorded an ovation for her able presentation of the highlights of the first Adult Education Institute inaugurated this year at the West Virginia University last August; and Mrs. Herbert C. Johnson who gave the



MRS. HAROLD L. BEATTIE invocation at the luncheon. She is a past president of the Capitol District, also of the Widen Club.

Annual Widen High School Carnival Is Scheduled For October 31st

The Senior class will have its Halloween Carnival on Thursday night, October 31, 1957. The winners of the high school popularity contest, the elementary King and Queen contest, and the baby contest and a Talent Show also. The Widen High School band will parade through town and later give a concert at the Carnival. There will be entertainment of all kinds, namely: dancing of all sorts, square dancing called by Theodore Johnson, music by records. Bingo, operated by Willy Laxton and Lillian Dodrill; darts, operated by Ronald Cottrell and Howard Wilson; balls and bottles operated by June and Betty Craft; penny-pitching, operated by Paul DeMoss and Russell Butcher; grab bag, operated by Lois Frame and Pat Young. Fortunes, told by Helen Ellis and Joan Truman. Fish Pond, operated by Delano Facemire and Lanty Wilson. April Manning is in charge of the King and Queen contest. Alice Hamrick is in charge of the high school popularity contest. The home room mothers are in charge of the food stand.

Candidates For Baby Contest
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Otto.

Dianna Lynn Holcomb—6 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Holcomb.

Delmas Frame — 17 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Norris Frame.

Candidates For High School Popularity Contest

- 7th Mary Jo Morris
- 9th Terry Shaffer
- 8th Lois Nicholas
- 10th Karen Donohue
- 11th Rosie Gibson

Candidates For Carnival King And Queen—Elementary Grades

- 1st grade (Mrs. Butcher) Gary Hill and Nancy Pinney
- 2nd grade (Mrs. Elliott) Mike Triplett and Anita Woods
- 2nd grade (Miss Graham) Marilyn Rapp and Terry Salisbury
- 3rd grade (Miss Ashley) Herby Gibson and Connie Henderson
- 4th grade (Mrs. Bragg) Frankie Donohue and Lynn Mullins
- 5th grade (Mr. Jackson) Richard Gibson and Lois Casto
- 6th grade (Mrs. Reynolds) Franklin Davis and Janice Triplett
- 6th grade (Mr. Reynolds) Sandra Williams and T. G. Griffith

Win A Shot Gun

The Seniors are selling chances on a 16 Gauge Remington Pump Shotgun. It has a full choke and holds five shells. Chances sell for a dollar. No definite date has been set on the drawing. The Seniors are also selling Christmas Cards. If you desire to buy some, please order as soon as possible so that they will be here before the holiday.

A Co-Ed Writes

Dear Sally;

School is settling into it's accustomed routine. Days fly by and many of them are unmarred by incidents.

Our town has been participating in a revival meeting, and so our social functions have been few.

Our last dance before the meeting started, was sponsored by the junior class—and yes, I went!

J—asked me as soon as the dance was announced. That's another nice thing about that guy. He doesn't keep a girl dangling-wondering whether to make another date or take a chance on being asked by the "right" fellow. A girl appreciates that, doesn't she?

We really had fun that night. We had some good rock and roll numbers and then, a couple of good square dances. Do you remember Gordon Butcher and Karl, ("Red") Butcher of last year senior class? They were there in their Navy whites, looking so clean and handsome. They called figures for the dance, too. Seemed like old times.

This time I wore a skirt and sweater. J—likes me to wear feminine clothes—He likes Bermudas and such, but he likes me to look feminine, sometimes too—it's funny he always seems different to me when I wear dresses — more considerate—or somthin'.

The seventh grade presented a really good assembly program the other day. They set a good example for the rest of us by their attitude and their performance.

Our Student Council members are working hard and the results of their recent clean-up campaign can certainly be seen around the school—makes me prouder of the place and prouder of those who care enough to help keep the place clean.

Love,
Coed.

Have You Heard That...

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dunlap, of Charleston, and their two children Mike and Anna Marie, were recent visitors at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Dunlap on Nicholas Street.

W. H. McElfresh's grandson, Eddie McElfresh, recently won the national contest sponsored by Tim's Magazine and Frankenberg's boys' department Franco Club in Charleston. A photograph he took of a porpoise jumping through a hoop at Marineland in Florida secured for him the top spot in the contest. Eddie received the largest erector set yet made and was photographed with general store manager, Sydney Klee-man. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Edward McElfresh. His grandfather is a retired master plumber of the Elk River Coal & Lumber Company.

Mrs. S. C. McLaughlin, a salesman with the Comtometer Corporation of Charleston is being welcomed in the Widen office on his first trip here talking over this territory.

Mr. Joe Bragg of Carlsbad, Mexico, a brother of Mrs. Walker W. Henderson, was a recent visitor in Widen at his sister's home. He is a miner in the ore mines in Carlsbad and manages to make a biennial trip to Widen which he says is really showing great progress.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parrish of Charleston (the former Shirley Gibson) have a fine new son, Gary Eugene, born October 4th at Charleston General Hospital, weighing six pounds and 15 ounces.

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Two brothers Edison Moore deceased and Naaman Moore. Six sisters—Mamie Morton, Della Graham, Faye Tuesdale.

Three sisters deceased—Louise Graham-Magdalene Morton-Kaye Reagan.

Anna Mae was a lifetime member of Laurel Fork Baptist church. Her favorite pastime was working outdoors in her flowers.

Services will be at Laurel Fork Baptist church Sunday Nov. 12 at 2 PM.

Calling hours will be from 12 to 2 pm. She will be buried at Elliot Cemetery.

Service will be conducted by Pastor Jason Moore and his father Naaman Moore.

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(2022-C-000001 - Clay County - ELEMENTAL RESOURCES)

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DISTRICT BUFFALO MAP 14 PARCEL 0009 0000 0000

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 2003.	\$ 289.74
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 1971.	\$ 174.48
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 757.69
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,433.51

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Given under my hand November 2, 2023

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

Nonentered Lands of CLAY County, State of West Virginia

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(2022-C-000005 - Clay County - ELEMENTAL RESOURCES)

To: WILLIAM E. MOHLER II, WILLIAM E. MOHLER, WILLIAM E. MOHLER II, DANIEL N. MOHLER III, MARIAN MOHLER SCOTT, MARGARET MOHLER CROMELIN, MIMI MOHLER HUNT, AUDREY P. MESMER, STEPHEN AUSTIN MESMER, MATTHEW J. MESMER, MICHAEL A. MESMER, BETHANY V. VANGOTUM, MRS. MARSHALL V. BROWN, W.E.R. BYRNE IV, AMY M. O'SHAUGHNESSY, COREY TODD BYRNE, JEREMY AUSTIN BYRNE, BARBARA M. WRIGHT, HOUSTON ELLIS BYRNE, CHARLES ETHAN BYRNE, MARY BYRNE, CINDY WILSON, PAMELA GETZ, RANDOLPH GETZ, RICHARD GETZ, RACHEL BYRNE HECTOR, MARIAN M. SCOTT, RANDOLPH GETZ, 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 BUFFALO MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 0123 0000

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 1336.	\$ 106.27
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022- 1367.	\$ 38.47
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 107.46
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 783.86
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,036.06

You may redeem at any time before March 24, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Given under my hand October 26, 2023

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

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Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

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DISTRICT BUFFALO MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 0210 0000

You will take notice that ELEMENTAL RESOURCES, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000006**, located in BUFFALO District, 2300 AC SAND FORK O&G 1/5 INT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of GRAHAM W H, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. ELEMENTAL RESOURCES requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after March 25, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 24, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 860.	\$ 196.86
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 900.	\$ 104.35
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 166.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 760.38
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,228.19

You may redeem at any time before March 24, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Given under my hand October 26, 2023

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

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Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

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(2022-C-000346 - Clay County - CKH LLC)

To: CHARLES JARVIS, LOVE TRAIN INC, OCCUPANT, 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 UNION MAP 14 PARCEL 0034 0000 0000

You will take notice that CKH LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000346**, located in UNION District, 1.071 AC N S ELK SUR, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of JARVIS CHARLES W ETUX, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. CKH LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after March 25, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 24, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 17812.	\$ 226.21
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 17813.	\$ 151.05
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 196.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 824.30
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,398.16

You may redeem at any time before March 24, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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LEGALS

(2022-C-00000330 - Clay County - ROGER C MULLINS)

To: KATLYN HOLSTEIN, 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 9999 PARCEL 0000 0497 0000

You will take notice that ROGER C MULLINS, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-00000330**, located in PLEASANT District, 13 AC WTS BELL CRK MIN 2/6 INT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SIZEMORE ALICE J HRS, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. ROGER C MULLINS requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after March 23, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 22, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 15559.	\$ 88.16
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022- 15556.	\$ 22.27
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 104.94
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 215.24
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 430.61

You may redeem at any time before March 22, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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LEGALS

(2022-C-000044 - Clay County - GATEWOOD MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS)

To: MARY X. HALL PARCELLA ADAMS, KENT S. HALL JR, MOLLY E HALL, 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 CLAY CORP MAP 7 PARCEL 0008 0000 3003

You will take notice that GATEWOOD MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000044**, located in CLAY CORP District, 3 AC EAGLE BEND FEE 2/3 OF 1/4 & 1/2 OF 1/3 OF 1/4, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HALL O L HRS, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. GATEWOOD MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after March 23, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 22, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 15559.	\$ 105.02
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022- 15556.	\$ 40.71
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 107.54
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 796.96
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,050.23

You may redeem at any time before March 22, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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LEGALS

(2022-C-000336 - Clay County - CKH LLC)

To: TERRY EPLING, 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 5 PARCEL 0027 0000 0000

You will take notice that CKH LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000336**, located in UNION District, .75 AC S S ELK SUR, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of EPLING TERRY E, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. CKH LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after March 25, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 24, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 17407.	\$ 213.08
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 17401.	\$ 138.30
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 122.69
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 765.24
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,239.31

You may redeem at any time before March 24, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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LEGALS

(2022-C-000063 - Clay County - ELEMENTAL RESOURCES)

To: ANNE ERSKINE, JOSIE L ERSKINE, JOSEPHINE LORENTZ ERSKINE, LORIE ERSKINE, ANNE LORENTZ ERSKINE, MEGAN ERSKINE, STUART ERSKINE, JUSTIN ROGERS, SHARLENE ROGERS, BRITTANY ERSKINE, TAYLOR ERSKINE, THOMAS ERSKINE, SHARON L ERSKINE, BENTON ERSKINE, 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 19 PARCEL 0038 0000 3002

You will take notice that ELEMENTAL RESOURCES, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000063**, located in HENRY District, 24.5 AC N S ELK 1/2 INTEREST SUR, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of ERSKINE JOSIE L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. ELEMENTAL RESOURCES requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after April 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 4209.	\$ 154.37
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 4219.	\$ 72.29
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 196.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 757.69
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,180.95

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Given under my hand November 2, 2023

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(2022-C-000141 - Clay County - ELEMENTAL RESOURCES)

To: JOSIE L ERSKINE, JOSEPHINE LORENTZ ERSKINE, LORIE ERSKINE, ANNE LORENTZ ERSKINE, MEGAN ERSKINE, STUART ERSKINE, JUSTIN ROGERS, SHARLENE ROGERS, BRITTANY ERSKINE, TAYLOR ERSKINE, THOMAS ERSKINE, SHARON L ERSKINE, BENTON ERSKINE, ANNE ERSKINE, 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 9999 PARCEL 0000 0619 3002

You will take notice that ELEMENTAL RESOURCES, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000141**, located in HENRY District, 100 AC N S ELK MIN (C OUT) 1/2 OF 4/9 INT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of ERSKINE JOSIE L, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. ELEMENTAL RESOURCES requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after April 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 4209.	\$ 88.16
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 4219.	\$ 22.27
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 104.94
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 757.69
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 973.06

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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LEGALS

(2022-C-000184 - Clay County - GARNET GAS CORPORATION)

To: ALL THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, CREDITORS & ASSIGNS OF EMMA ELIZABETH GRAHAM, W.A. GRAHAM, MARIE GRAHAM, W.E. GRAHAM, WILLENA GRAHAM, A.L. GRAHAM, LARUE MORRIS, H.W. MORRIS, HAZEL LANDIS, G.R. LANDIS, SUSAN STANDIFER, JASPER STANDIFER & JAMES R. JIM GRAHAM, JAMES R. JIM GRAHAM, JAMES R. JIM GRAHAM, C/O PAUL MORGAN, 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 OTTER MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 0574 0000

You will take notice that GARNET GAS CORPORATION, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000184**, located in OTTER District, 331 AC WEST FORK O&G 1/16 INT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of GRAHAM ELIZABETH HRS, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. GARNET GAS CORPORATION requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 9903.	\$ 88.91
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 9893.	\$ 22.46
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 105.49
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 789.05
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,005.91

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Given under my hand November 3, 2023

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

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LEGALS

(2022-C-000281 - Clay County - ELEMENTAL RESOURCES)

To: GARY J TANNER, JANET FITZWATER, WV STATE TAX DEPT. COMPLIANCE DIV. AMU, RE: JUDGMNT 20/200 LIEN# 1557027, WV STATE TAX DEPT. COMPLIANCE DIV. AMU, RE: JUDGMNT 19/567 LIEN# 1454995, KATHLEEN TANNER, O. J. TANNER JR., JANET LYNN FITZWATER, KARL FITZWATER, GARY JAMES TANNER, MARTHA TANNER, WANDA JEAN BARTLEY, STEPHEN BARTLEY, JERRY LEE TANNER, JEWEL TANNER, JOSEPH PAUL TANNER, JULIE ANN TANNER, 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 14 PARCEL 0004 0000 0000

You will take notice that ELEMENTAL RESOURCES, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000281**, located in PLEASANT District, 102.55 AC BIG SYCAMORE SUR, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of TANNER KATHLEEN EST, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. ELEMENTAL RESOURCES requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after April 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 15804.	\$ 364.90
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 15776.	\$ 231.25
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 211.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 791.54
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,599.29

You may redeem at any time before March 31, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

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LEGALS

Notice of Administration to Creditors, Distributees & Legatees

Notice is hereby given that the following estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Clay County Clerk's Office at P.O. Box 190, 246 Main Street, Clay, WV 25043-0190. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue or jurisdiction of the court, shall file written notice of an objection with the County Commission through the Clay County Clerk's Office at the address listed above within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred. Any person interested in filing claims against an estate must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code 44-2 or 44-3A.

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

Publication Date: Thursday, November 9, 2023

Claim Deadline: Monday, January 8, 2024

APPOINTMENT DATE 10/12/2023

ESTATE NAME: EVA JANE THOMAS

EXECUTRIX SARAH V MORTON

54 JUNO DR

LIZEMORES WV 25125-9744

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 10/26/2023

Sheila Stone

County Clerk

Clay County

P.O. Box 190

246 Main Street

Clay WV 25043-0190

LEGALS

(2022-C-000017 - Clay County - ELEMENTAL RESOURCES)

To: TERRY ALLEN HANSHAW, TRACY A HANSHAW, ELLA E HANSHAW, ELLA SAMPLES HANSHAW, PAM KERNEY, DANNY KERNEY, TERRY ALLEN HANSHAW, SANDY WARNER, WALTER WARNER, THERESA PLEVNY, DAN PLEVNY, LARRY BROOKS HANSHAW, SHEILA HANSHAW, 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 BUFFALO MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 0231 0000

You will take notice that ELEMENTAL RESOURCES, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000017**, located in BUFFALO District, 98.75 AC S S ELK MIN COAL OUT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HANSHAW TRACY A, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent or nonentered lands of CLAY County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on the May 4, 2023. ELEMENTAL RESOURCES requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after April 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 31, 2024 will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 945.	\$ 107.93
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 983.	\$ 37.20
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 107.49
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 757.69
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 1,010.31

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THANK YOU FOR READING!

Invitation to Nominate: West Virginia Endangered Properties List

The West Virginia Endangered Properties List is a collection of the state's historic resources in danger of being forever lost. The goal of this list is to draw attention to our Mountain State's endangered historic properties and encourage the preservation of these special places.

PAWV invites you to nominate a historic, but threatened, building or site to the West Virginia Endangered Properties List.

To nominate your building to the West Virginia Endangered Properties List, the property must be listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic

Places and meet other criteria such as historic significance, preservation emergency, and local support.

Sites added to the West Virginia Endangered Properties List will receive targeted advocacy; statewide publicity, technical assistance from PAWV, eligibility for Saving Historic Places Grants and PAWV fundraising partnerships, and a preference for hands-on workshops at your property with direct support to organize.

Nominations are due on December 31 annually with a special announcement each February at the State Capitol in Charleston, WV.

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Pastor: Wilma Dobbins

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Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
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Pastor: Brace Cook

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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
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Everyone Welcome!
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Sunday Night 6:00 PM
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Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 6:00 PM
Everyone welcome!

MAYSSEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Worship Service 11:00 AM
Everyone Welcome
Pastor: Jim Hamrick

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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

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Sunday School 11:00 AM
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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

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Preaching every Sunday 11:00 AM
Pastor: Kenneth Boggs

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Thursday 7:00 PM
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
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Sunday Evening Bible Study & preaching 6:00 PM
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Wednesday night Bible Study 7:00 PM
Saturday Night Preaching
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening 6:30 PM
Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Wayne Smith

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Saturday Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM
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Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Delbert McKenzie

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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
Sunday School 11:00 AM
Thursday Service 7:00 PM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Jason Belt

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
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Sunday Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 PM.
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Clifford Samples

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

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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

VALLEY RIDGE CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Bible Study Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
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WALLBACK METHODIST CHURCH
Preaching 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 9:45 AM
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Everyone welcome.
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Preaching 1st & 3rd Sundays 11:00 AM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Pastor: (304) 332-5503
Pastor: Jimmy Adkins

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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 Coon

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
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Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
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Come worship the Lord with us!
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Pastor: Jerry Hanshaw



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Bible Study Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
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Pastor: Jimmy Adkins

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CMI2 breaks ground on development of military training and technology testing site in West Virginia

Article collaboration between Allen Hamrick and Aly Gregg

Since the beginning of the world, there has always been the pursuit of peace - days where generations could thrive individually, and with hard work, live comfortably with a continued search for the freedom to engage in adventurous activities. However, since the beginning of time there has also been a constant pursuit of power, money, and more power. With these come conflict, war, desperation and an endless supply of fear. There is nothing to stop the flocks of humans who want nothing but ultimate power and will do everything they can to get it. With that being said, I spoke with one elderly gentleman several years ago who gave me the insight of what it takes for peace and freedom to rule the day, "Whoever has the biggest weapon will decide whether there is freedom or if there is war."

Down through history it has always been this way. To get power, you must have money and to get the money, you must disregard the lives of innocent people or whomever you hurt on the way up the ladder, both of which lead to conflict. The United States of America is one of the newest countries in this world but has become, in its short span of growth, one of the most powerful nations on earth. Our country was not formed in peace but in war, war with Native peoples, wars with the English, each other, and then the wars against the world during WWI and WWII. Thereafter, there were wars in Korea, Vietnam, and eventually against terrorists that still holds true to this day.

In all these conflicts, the people of this country have lived in relative freedom - freedom to work, think, dream, and believe what we choose to believe. The only way to have this freedom was to have the biggest gun in the holster with the greatest highly trained war fighters on Earth. Our military have not only have been the best fighters down through history but the best fighters with the best equipment...the biggest gun. With the threat of terrorism on the rise like no one has ever seen, it is most important to have highly skilled war fighters to combat these new threats.

Enter the Civil-Military Innovation Institute (CMI2), based in Morgantown, West Virginia, a company that has become a part of our county in a big way. Their Adaptive Experimentation Facility, AEF, located in Fola, West Virginia, offers a challenging and combat-realistic facility for military users seeking a multi-domain environment for research and development for military technology. CMI2 has been working on getting the facility up and running to its full potential. Not only does the site benefit our country but also the county as they progress to being the biggest and best training facility east of the Mississippi. This will bring much needed jobs to our county as they grow in operation. Ten CCHS students have benefitted already with CMI2's internship program with some students already being hired full time to do various jobs on the site

This past week, CMI2 officials broke ground on the newest facility which will be the first of many permanent structures on site. The building will be a place where people who come to test equipment can stay. It will be fully functional with suites for lodging, conference rooms, a kitchen and dining room, and a place where they can feed hundreds of people. The founder of CMI2, Zenovy Wowczuk, proclaimed, "This groundbreaking represents our continued commitment to and investment in Clay County and the Adaptive Experimentation Facility. A collaborative and innovative approach to the development of the Fola facility has shown us there is a very real need for such facilities by the military, for training purposes and for field testing military technology. The feedback we have received from the military personnel who have used the facility has been overwhelmingly encouraging, and the logical next step for us is the investment in permanent facilities there." Governor Jim Justice and West Virginia House Speaker Roger Hanshaw were on hand to speak

at the event offering words of encouragement and their dedication to the cause.

The new CMI2 facility will include nearly 9,800 square feet and be constructed over the next year. Looking ahead to 2024, the new facility and the Adaptive Experimentation Force team will continue to support the military in exercises at the Fola site.

To date, the AEF has hosted some of the most notable units in the nation's military. From the U.S. Marine Corps Infantry Officer Course, the West Virginia Army National Guard, and the 101st Airborne Division to Picatinny Arsenal and the US Army Combat Capabilities Development Command, the facility is quickly becoming a key destination for military experimentation and development. "I'm thrilled to see CMI2 building new facilities right here in Clay County, making our state a key destination for military experimentation and development," Senator Shelley Capito said.

"No matter which branch or unit, I know that the resources provided by CMI2 will result in even greater military readiness and signal that the opportunities for defense innovation are tremendous in West Virginia." Last week's groundbreaking signifies the ongoing commitment and continued series of investments in not only Clay County but also the entire state of West Virginia with the construction of the first permanent office structure for the AEF. "As technology continues to advance, we must ensure that we are equipped with practical solutions to handle every threat that comes our way," said Senator Joe Manchin. "Whether it's testing against vulnerabilities or protecting critical infrastructure, we are well on our way to preparing our fellow West Virginians for a safer, better future. I am proud to have appropriated funds for this program and the countless opportunities that will come from it."

Architectural services for the facility are provided by the Mills Groups LLC of Morgantown, West Virginia, and the contractor for the new building is Fairchance Construction Company of Fairchance, Pennsylvania. Remember last week was Veteran's Day. CMI2 and other research companies would not be the companies they are without the fighters that keep this country safe from oppressors and the veterans who kept this country secure before the days of high technology. Nor would our military be the fighters they are without companies like CMI2. Clay County is proud to have them as part of our community.



Dr. Zenovy Wowczuk speaks about what's ahead for CMI2. Photo Allen Hamrick.



Governor Jim Justice was on hand to speak at the event. Photo Allen Hamrick.



A rendering of what the new permanent facility will look like. Photo Aly Gregg.

Remembering Veteran's Day

By Allen Hamrick

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...I step off with my right foot and look down, I spot a grenade just in front of me and off to the left where I am about to place my right foot. In back of the grenade a c-ration can sits in the bushes. C.L. has tripped the wire attached to the grenade and pulled it from the can. It's live. I know it's too late. I'm in the middle of taking a step; my left foot has yet to hit the ground.



The CMI2 team joined the celebration at CCHS. From l-r: Micah Osborne, Allen Tanner (CCHS), Borys Wowczuk, Walter Hatfield, Ethan Nottingham, Elijah Moore, Adam Landers, Aly Gregg, Landon Williams, Travis Tatalovich, and Brent DeBoard. Photo Aly Gregg

My mind says run, duck, evaporate, but my body won't react fast enough. It is like sliding on ice. No way to stop and nowhere to go but in the direction gravity moves you. I feel a rush go through my body. I feel the stillness. My left foot touches earth. I start to take a running stride. The grenade explodes...

This is a true account of a Lance Corporal who was severely wounded in Vietnam. Every war the United States has been involved in, from the Revolutionary war to Afghanistan, brings similar stories, and believe it or not, more horrific stories can be told of when our soldiers were out on the field of battle guarding our rights to live free and dying because of it. No matter what, they did their duty, and their duty was above all consequences. They were through diversity, commanded to neither look left or right, but straight forward. It was in their heart and will where their honor was kept that made them move forward. They didn't rely on their arms and legs but on their courage and their soul because when their arms and legs failed them they fought on their knees.

No one down through history wanted to go to war, and at times the wars seemed senseless; however, when the people of this country were called upon, they reacted. How do you think it felt on a troop carrier on D-Day when as soon as the door opened a thousand bullets flew through your friends killing everyone around you and where the ocean ran red with the blood of Americans. Did they run? No, they fought on for the future of America. How would you react on Pork Chop Hill in Korea or Hamburger Hill in Vietnam where men were cut to pieces, and for what? Our military men and women did their duty because they were asked to do it, because they were Americans, for you and for me and for America's future. Today, men and women fight on because they are asked to and they are dying for it. When one comes home, dead or alive, we don't say it is just a police action and we shouldn't be there. We pat them on the back and express our gratitude for their effort. Our nation is proud of them and their sacrifice. No matter what the reason, soldiers of this United States have stepped up for the rights and freedoms of the people of this country; let us not forget that.

Veteran's Day programs went on in schools across the county last week as veterans were honored for their services. Walter (Wally) Hatfield, a retired Army Colonel and currently serving as CMI2 Vice President for Experimentation and Training of CMI2, was one of the guest speakers at the CCHS Veteran's Day program. Remember our veterans not only one day a year but all the time. When they want to tell their story, don't yawn and wish you were somewhere else - listen. Woodrow Wilson said it best, "Right is more precious than peace, and we shall fight for the things we hold near and dear to our hearts, for rights and liberties and for a voice in our governments." When you see a veteran, older or younger, keep in mind that they have probably went through some kind of diversity far beyond what you can imagine and thank them for their service.



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