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State transportation crews work together on rail bike project

Anyone traveling along Buffalo Creek Road near the J.G. Bradley Campground in Clay County will see that many improvements are being made at the site. Crews from the West Virginia Department of Transportation's Division of Multimodal Transportation Facilities and Division of Highways' Central Forces are partnering with the private company, Rail Explorers, to do the necessary work to bring rail bikes to Clay County.

Visitors will be able to rent the pedal-powered rail bikes and ride them along the railroad track, which is owned by the state of West Virginia. The rail bikes can be operated and enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. They have an electric motor to assist riders along inclines and when a break is needed. The rail bikes are expected to bring tourists to Clay County, as they have done in other communities across the United States.

"I am very excited to see a first class operation like Rail Explorers coming to West Virginia," said Cindy Butler, Commissioner of the West Virginia Division of Multimodal Transportation Facilities. "They are already in six other locations in five states. This unique tourist attraction will offer a new way to utilize our state owned railroads and see our beautiful state."

The West Virginia Division of Multimodal Transportation Facilities has been involved in the project for several years. Crews from the division's rail section began by clearing trees and brush at the site.

Things really kicked into high gear during the past six months. Multimodal crews cleaned up the tracks and started replacing worn out rail ties. In March, a group of four state workers from Hardy County replaced wooden rail ties and built a new rail spur, which will be the staging area for the rail bikes.

"It's a change of pace for everyone," said Jamie Cooper, a rail technician with the South Branch Valley Railroad and West Virginia state employee. "We get to experience a new place. Clay County is much different than Hardy County, so we all enjoy it."

However, the Division of Multimodal Transportation Facilities can't do it alone. As part of the West Virginia Department of Transportation's "One DOT" approach, four members of the Division of Highway's Cenfence team worked on the project as well. Cenfence is the state's heavy maintenance construction group, which has 37 employees.



"It works well because Cenfence has equipment we don't have access to unless we go and rent it," Cooper said. "And they have manpower which a small agency like us doesn't have as much of."

Cenfence team members spent eight days in March building and paving a new parking lot with 36 spaces and adding additional spaces to the existing lodge parking area.

"There was a good bit of debris, there was bridge steel, there was an old railroad track. Pretty major dropoff, it was all a grassy area. No parking, so we stripped everything, backfilled, removed all the debris, brought everything up to grade," said Larry Day, a Cenfence equipment operator for the past two years.

Many of the Cenfence and Multimodal crew members working at the Clay County site also helped rebuild the Trout Run Bridge for the

Durbin & Greenbrier Valley Railroad in Pocahontas County and repair a hiking trail that connects Babcock State Park with the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve.

Cenfence crews also reached out to the local Division of Highways office for assistance. "We work with a lot of good people throughout the DOH here in Clay County. These guys have been great to work with. We've been able to get stone from up here at the Clay County headquarters and one of their substations out here," Day said.

Day said it's gratifying to know that they are making a difference. "Oh I love it. I love it. You can see what you're doing and a lot of people are going to enjoy what we're doing for years to come," he said.

Under the partnership between Rail Explorers and the state of West Virginia, Rail Explorers will bring in a brand new inventory of rail bikes, build a shed for the rail bikes, update the lodge for ticket sales and concessions, and bring in a restroom trailer system. Rail Explorers will be open by early summer.

Emotions run high at Commission meeting over water access, PSD meeting follows



Pictured from left to right are County Clerk Shelia Stone, Commissioner, David Schoolcraft, Commissioner Joyce Johnson, and Commissioner Connie Kinder.

By Gary Lee Stuber

While technically not part of the regular Clay County Commission meeting, the 15 minutes before said meeting last week were reserved for a public report from Terry Martin as part of a necessary reading so the Commission could formally accept the request for the Grassy Fork water extension grant funding request. With more than 40 people in attendance, a few were there from Grassy Fork, but most were on other roads close to, but not otherwise impacted by the water line.

The atmosphere was a little warm as Martin did his best to present the public portion of his announcement. He assured all present that this was not a fast process.

"We have entered into the design phase, and have hired Chapman Technical. That process usually takes six to seven months. After that we have to get signatures for easements and right-of-ways before we can get a contractor involved in the real work. And the money for this won't be here for a year."

After, even though it encroached another 18 minutes on the regular Commission meeting, he graciously opened the floor for questions. Many in attendance voiced concern that they had been involved in water projects for years that never came to

fruition. They came with records and petitions and armed with something heavier: history. Questions ranged from, why was our location passed up, to, how do we get water for us now? Many came to air grievances and some wondered if corruption was involved.

Terry explained how the process involves the Public Service District (PSD), not just the Commission. "This is not the place to begin. Before you come to the County Commission you need to go to the PSD located right across the street. That's where you make application, bring friends and neighbors with you and take your petitions with you." There is an upcoming PSD meeting on Thursday at 11 a.m.

Regarding history, Terry said, "You can't go back and look at the past. You can only go forward. The PSD has a bunch of new commissioners there, who will look at everything with fresh eyes and can work forward from there. But, there is not funding every year for these types of projects. It depends upon what grant money is available from the federal government, who applies and especially the cost."

Commissioner Kinder added to Terry's thought, saying that sometimes the amount of money may be small, like \$1.5

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A crowd was in attendance to hear the water access updates.

Spotlight on Rebecca Adkins

By Gary Lee Stuber

Clay County has some beautiful architecture, and none more beautiful than the new Clay County Courthouse. It's amazing we still refer to it as new, even though it's been in place a generation now. And if you think it is beautiful on the outside, the inside takes your breath away, thanks largely to Rebecca Adkins. Let's say she is maintenance, landscaping, and janitorial. Do you think it stays this beautiful on its own?

"I started out as part time," she says, "I started out as somebody's relief. When they called off, I would do their shift. I was responsible for the whole building and the outside. I weedeat, pressure wash, wash windows, and do the floors, both this level and upstairs."

And it wasn't just this building when she first started, "We would do this courthouse as well as the old courthouse." The enormity of the work is staggering. It's not possible that anyone doing business at the courthouse hasn't run into her. "I've been doing this for 15 years on my own now," she says, and if you have never actually run into her, you have smelled the results. The atmosphere often smells like a hospital ward, clean and sanitized.



Rebecca Adkins

She occupies a small office barely bigger than a closet, just inside the back sliding doors to the right, next to the elevator. She shares the space with her cleaning supplies. Behind and above her desk is what she refers to as her brag wall. It is dotted with page after page of children's artwork.

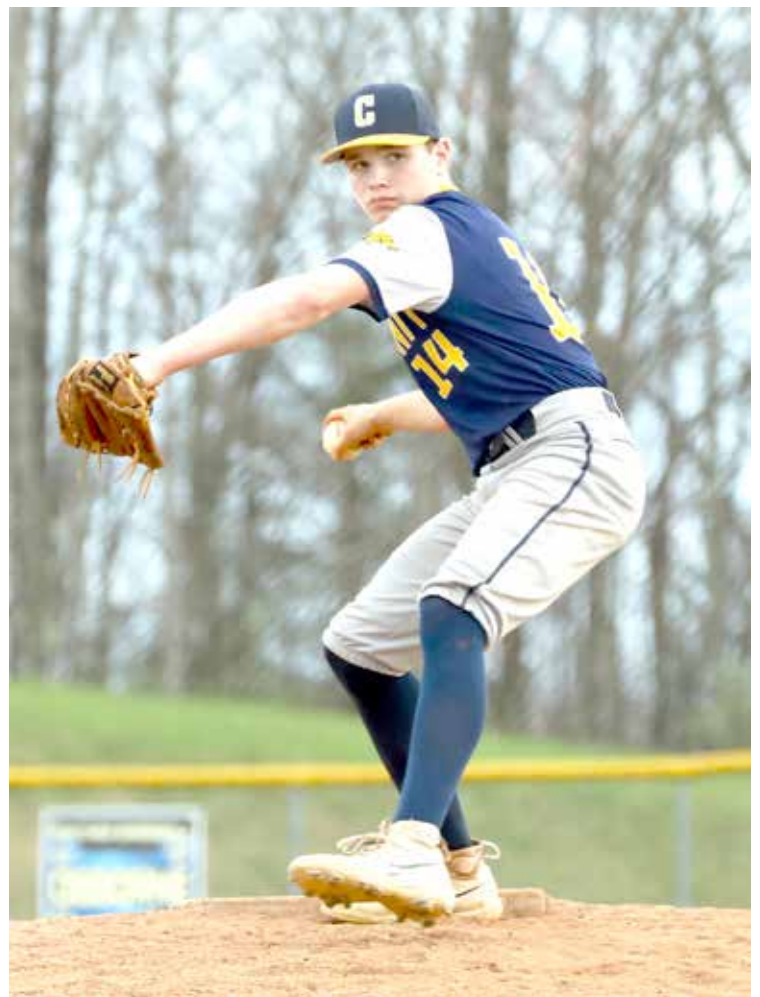
Rebecca says she was born in Roane County but has been a Clay County girl since eighth grade. Go Mustangs! Go Panthers! She now has two married

children. Courtney Sattler has given her grandchildren Skyler, Jamison, and Zeke, who have tried their best to show Mamaw their love in pictures. Her son Ryan is married to Gracy, but they have yet to have children.

There might be a reason that you rarely see Rebecca. "I get here 6:30 or 7:00 in the morning before the doors open to do the floors. I don't want to inconvenience people, and you know it is hard to work around morning traffic."

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Mustang baseball is on the move



Pierce Adkins fires tracers from the hill. Allen Hamrick photo.

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NICHOLAS COUNTY



Eric Andrew Barnett
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Capias



Delana Dawn Brantley
Booked 4/9/24
Capias



Dillion Lee Broyles
Booked 4/12/24
Grand larceny



Preston Wade Caudill
Booked 4/12/24
Intimidation of public officer



Shaina Ellen Jarvis
Booked 4/13/24
Capias



Abigail Renee Keener
Booked 4/13/24
Trespassing asked to leave

NICHOLAS COUNTY



Robert Allen Kinser
Booked 4/13/24
Capias



Taylor Cain Mullins
Booked 4/14/24
No proof of insurance, driving suspended

CLAY COUNTY



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Booked 4/9/24
Possession with intent



Elvis Arlen Dawson Jr.
Booked 4/9/24
No insurance



James Michael Morris
Booked 4/9/24
Prohibited person with firearm, possession with intent



Evelyn Flortasha Petry
Booked 4/9/24
Burglary, theft of utilities

BRAXTON COUNTY



Sabrina Eve Bookheimer
Booked 4/11/24
Petit larceny, trespassing asked to leave



Gordan Dale Davis III
Booked 4/13/24
Fleeing with reckless indifference



Carlos Galindo Mejia
Booked 4/15/23
DOR/DUI third



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Grand larceny, entry of building other than dwelling



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Domestic assault

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Clay County Schools student attendance report



In first place is Shawn Krajewski's classroom at Clay County High School.



In second place is Megan Sears's three-year-old preschool classroom at Big Otter Elementary.

Clay County Schools currently has a 92.24 attendance rate for the 2023-2024 school year. Leading the way for the seventh school month is Shawn Krajewski's classroom at Clay County High School with a rate of 95.74%. Closely following in second place is Megan Sears's classroom at Big Otter Elementary. Megan's three-year-old preschool students have a rate of 95.38%. Dawn Mullins' K-1 classroom was the best at H.E. White with a rate of 94.74%. Shawna Taylor's fifth grade students at Clay Elementary also had a rate of 94.74%. At Lizemore Elementary, Myescha Schoonover's fourth grade students were on top with a rate of 92.71%. And Allison Vaughn's students led the way at Clay Middle with a rate of 91.73%. Congratulations to each of the top attending students at all six schools!

Big Otter holds Family Night



Big Otter Elementary held a Spring Family Night earlier this month. It was a fun evening of learning and games with families and students enjoying games of Book Bingo and attending the Book Fair. Principal Anthony Boggs discussed how to read student data gathered from the iReady instructional program. Andrea Helmick, Family Engagement Coordinator, led parents and students in a fun game of "Generation Gap." Thank you to everyone who worked hard to make Family Night a huge success!

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million instead of the current \$2.7 million for the proposed project. She said she has been involved with her community to get water and after all these years, there is no water at her home. So the number of houses and direction the engineer takes is often to match the funds available. "The Big Otter Nebo water project started in 2019," Terry said, "And we are not even at construction yet. This is a long process."

Of the dozen people who spoke during the question and answer period, none were more emotional than Brenda and George Parcell. George asked, "Why were we ignored? We were involved in the beginning of the water project 20 years ago." Terry answered, "No one in this room can answer that question because none of us were involved back then." He tried to explain that there were physical boundaries as well. "The town of Clay is responsible for their own water systems, the Clay County Commission is responsible for everything in the rest of rural Clay County, except where other entities are involved, such as Clay-Roane, or the Clay PSD and fringe areas that border other counties. And they can only apply for one system, serving one area, once a year." And as he explained before, all this depends upon funds available.

"Twenty years ago I was told to get some water samples," Brenda Parcell related, "I was never told that I had to go and apply at the PSD. The commission told me to get some more people involved. We did." George added that there were as many as 60 people up their hollow that would make better business sense than the few people being proposed on the new line. He added an apology to the Grassy Fork residents in attendance that he wasn't trying to deny them service, he was just being practical.

Terry offered one piece of sound advice. "Go to the PSD and apply. And then, frequently ask, 'Where are we on water?' Because if you let too much time lapse, year to year, commissioners might change, or status. They may wonder, 'Do those people even live there anymore?' 'So go frequently, but not every month trying to drive them crazy. But yes, the squeaky wheel gets the grease.'" He promised to record every note and comment that could help them in the future.

The Thursday Public Service District meeting had fewer members of the public in attendance, only five, with PSD Boardmembers Ted Underwood and Frank Lane present in-person and Boardmember Pastor Gary Drake of Clay First Baptist Church attending by phone remotely. General Manager Beverly Pierson Field Manager Joe Young, reception and clerical worker Tami Huges, and Engineer Greg Belcher were also all in attendance.

After a prayer and call to order the board quickly took care of routine business, approving last month's minutes, a financial report, and a field report. Then, because she had requested to be on the agenda the day before, Brenda Parcell spoke to the board. She represented residents of Upper Sycamore Creek Road at Lizemores. The two others present represented the Grassy Fork project, which is now in the grant proposal phase.

"I came here on behalf of myself and neighbors to petition for city water," Brenda began. "We have signatures of 45-50 people within a three to four mile distance up the road. We do need the water, we have needed it since. . ." She paused to look back at her husband. "We lived down close to Route 16 and we have been fighting for water for 40 years now."

Beverly Pierson add to her record. "She brought in a petition yesterday, and of course we did look at the fact that no one came in to sign up for water in the past." Then directing her conversation to Brenda, added, "It was suggested to me by Terry Martin that if we can get residents to come in and sign a user agreement application here at the office, especially so we have a record of how many want to have water."

Brenda pointed to the petition of 45-50 names, telling them that number was just for four miles. They could easily get as many as 60. Brenda responded, "At that point they wouldn't have to make a deposit, as that would come later as funding is achieved. But they would be committing to 36 months (three years) after the hookup deposit was made, and after service began." She showed Brenda the form, and told her the present hookup could range from \$150 to \$300 as sometimes some of the hookup is picked up in the grant. But they were asking them to come in and sign up as the signature has to be notarized. Especially as they would be committing to 36 months whether they use it or not.

Brenda asked about elderly people who could not come in. "Can we take the application to them?" "That is possible" Beverly answered, "As long as you have it notarized. Take a notary with you."

Gary Drake added that perhaps they could make a plea to our Clay County State Representative Roger Hanshaw to support their cause. The Board agreed that that would not be a bad idea, and since the Governor had to sign off on city block grants, like that at Grassy Creek, it would be wise to solicit his help as well.

Engineer Greg Belcher said that two of the three projects they are working on are either ready to be in construction, or in the grant project phase, and "now would be a great time to put in another request right behind it." Brenda made it clear that there could be as many as 60 families willing to sign up and wondered if it could be appended to Grassy Creek because they were so close.

"It wouldn't be a good idea, as it would delay the Grassy Creek project at least another year," Greg added, "It could be added right in line, behind Grassy Creek if they could get enough commitments for water." Brenda said she would try to get everyone on her list in to sign applications. And Beverly reiterated, "There would be no money at that time, just a signature making them aware if we did tap them into the water system they were committing to 36 months at the current rate, which is \$53.57 for 3,000 gallons."

The Engineer Greg Belcher gave a status on the existing projects. He also brought up that he had been approached by CMI2 (Civil Military Innovation Institute) who bought the Ben Murphy building and the orchard beyond to erect their Adaptive Experimentation Facility.

"They were wanting to tap into city water and expected to use 20,000 gallons a day. That would put a hurt on anything going south. And they asked about sewage. Presently there are no sewage treatment plants at Lizemores. They had their own engineer working on the project, and the possibility they might have to be responsible for their own water. They may have to build storage tanks, and their own infrastructure. I told them they can't operate the system themselves. They could if they put in a master meter. Then they will have to operate and maintain the system, and I don't think they can do that very easily. They might be able to do the infrastructure and then come back to the PSD and ask us to operate and maintain the system once they build it." His last meeting with them was March 7. More research would be required from both CMI and the PSD.

And Then There Was Broccoli

Dr. James L. Snyder

Sometimes, bad days are a blessing in disguise, but you don't know it at the time.

I have learned that whenever I have a bad day, it is not a time to get discouraged or sad. A bad day is often a door that opens up something I never expected.

Last week, for example, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage had plans to spend three days in St. Augustine with her daughter and granddaughter on a thrift store drive. They would visit all the thrift stores in the area and buy whatever they could at a good price.

"You don't mind if I and the girls go to St. Augustine for three days," the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage asked.

Asking me a question like that does two things for me. First, it allows me to have lunch at nearby restaurants.

Second, it allows me to do things against The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage's rules and guidelines without her knowing.

For three days, I will be left to my own rules and guidelines. What in the world more could I ask for?

As I was processing this, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage said, "And by the way your meals are already prepared and in the refrigerator."

Well, that wasn't expected.

After all the preparation on both sides of the aisle, she was ready to take off with her daughter and granddaughter for a three-day thrift store extravaganza. She kissed me goodbye, and out the door she went, and my three-day celebration had just begun.

I went to the kitchen, got a fresh cup of coffee, took it to my easy chair, set back, and just thought about what I was going to do during the next three days. I sat there thinking about all of the opportunities that were before me.

At lunchtime, I went to the refrigerator to see what lunch was waiting for me. When I opened the door, I was literally surprised. The refrigerator was jammed full of lunch, dinner, and breakfast food already for me. Every item was labeled either breakfast, lunch, or supper, so I knew which one to take and at what time.

Being the contrary person I am, instead of eating the lunch package, I ate the supper package. As I chomped on the delicious meal, I chuckled, knowing that I was in charge of my life.

I didn't care about the tags on the food; I just grabbed what was handy, and that was what I was going to eat at the time.

At the beginning of the second day, I noticed something. The labels were not exactly correct. The breakfast label was on the supper package, the lunch label was on

the breakfast package, and the supper label was on the lunch package. She made it very distinct and did an excellent job at it.

On the first day, I snuck out in the afternoon and got a cheeseburger, fries, and Diet Coke. I'm not sure if it was lunch or supper, but I enjoyed it.

By midmorning, when I was working at my desk on the second day, a thought fluttered into my head. That thought was about an Apple Fritter. This would be an excellent time for me to sneak over to Publix and get one. I could do that, and she would never know the difference.

I kept thinking about that and wondered how I could accomplish it. After all, everybody at Publix knows my wife and knows that she doesn't want me to eat any Apple Fritters. I tried it once before and got caught, and so I wasn't going to do it again.

It didn't stop me from thinking about those wonderful Apple Fritters. What harm would I do to sneak one into the house, but The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage wasn't home and wouldn't find me out?

I thought about going to the Publix across town, which would be worth the time and the gas.

I was eating the food from the refrigerator, and on the third morning I noticed a box in the back of the fridge. I pulled the box out, and on the top of the box was the word broccoli. I almost had a heart attack when I saw it and was afraid to open it.

Why did she put a box of broccoli in the refrigerator for me to find when she was away? Maybe she thought I would take that broccoli and throw it away. Or maybe she thought I would see it and do nothing with it.

I'm not that kind of person, so I pulled the box out. I was going to throw the broccoli away and put something else in it just to be funny, but when I opened the lid, inside were Apple Fritters.

In the box was a note on which she wrote, "You deserve a break today, just don't break a leg."

I could not help but think of that Bible verse, "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" (Amos 3:3).

As I munched on those Apple Fritters I thought about what it means to "be agreed." Certainly The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I "walk together." That has been true since our marriage. The important thing is that we agree sometimes to disagree.

Our difference is what makes us a great team. My weakness is her strength and her weakness is my strength.

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A Penny In The Mud

By Joseph J. Mazzella

It had been a long week. I'd had people working over three days to repair floors and replace a leaking bathtub in my bathroom. Water damage over a long period of time had caused the floors to soften and rot. It turned out to be a much bigger job than I had hoped with extra materials and a specially ordered tub needed. It was finally done but it had eaten up almost all of the money I had spent months and months saving, all just to fix my broken down house for a little longer.

I was walking in the rain stewing over all of this. It seemed like life was a long series of one problem after another. I felt like a punching bag being worked over by a boxer. Finally, I spoke to God about it. "Why is this life so tough at times, dear God?" I asked.

Just as those words left my lips I saw something. It was a penny gleaming in the mud. My mind flashed back to memories of my Mom. She had battled cancer for years often suffering terrible pain. Yet, through it all she remained optimistic. One day when we were walking together she saw a penny on the ground, picked it up, and told me that a found penny was always a sign that God loves us and is watching over us. When the cancer finally took her from this world, I was heartbroken. I remember drowning in grief on the day we buried her. But then as I was about to go home, I saw a penny shining in the snow. And since then I have found hundreds of them over the years.

I bent down with tears in my eyes and wiped off this one. Suddenly my problems seemed small next to God and my Mom's Love. I smiled, put the penny in my pocket and pledged again to try and live a life as full of love, giving, kindness, and joy as my Mom had. I thanked God and promised to try and be a gleaming penny myself in this world, reminding everyone that this world's problems are temporary but God's Love for us is eternal.

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And for the offices within? "I clean up the courtrooms after court, and offices generally when they are closed. In the summertime, I weedeat, clean out drain holes on the grounds behind the courthouse, and keep the place nice and presentable."

For those who have been to the courthouse, there is an inside "garden." So she is landscaper inside and out.

"I do the maintenance here as well. I have never had a broken window, but when the doors go down I have a vendor we call for repair. But for largely everything else, that's me. Often I have to clean out air conditioners, change filters, do minor repairs on various things. I do whatever I can to keep people from being called in for minor fixes. I used to change the ceiling lights but I can't climb up there on ladders anymore." This Mamaw would if she could.

"I was brought in years ago I when they had a shift and a part time, so I was his part time. For instance when Walter called off, Trina was the other full time shift and she took his place, and I took Trina's place. Eventually it was down to Walter and myself. And I was up on the hill where I cleaned the old courthouse. When Walter called off I cleaned the old courthouse and then came down here and cleaned this one. When Walter quit, the full time job here fell to me."

"During covid we had special protocols," she explained. "We would have to go into meeting rooms and courtrooms and wipe everything down with antiseptics, before and after use."

The next time you are at the courthouse and you see Rebecca at task inside or out, tell her how marvelous her work is, or just say hello.



Dusty Hern, ADON (left) and Brenda Nettles, DON (right)

Clay Healthcare Center welcomes new nursing leadership

Clay Healthcare Center is proud to announce the appointment of Brenda Nettles as Director of Nursing and Dusty Hern as Assistant Director of Nursing.

The dynamic duo will lead the clinical team at Clay Healthcare Center, a skilled nursing facility in Ivydale, West Virginia, that offers short- and long-term rehabilitation and therapy services.

A resident of Braxton County, Brenda Nettles brings a wealth of experience and expertise to her role as Director of Nursing. A distinguished alumna of the University of Charleston, Nettles holds an associate degree in nursing and has worked in long-term care for many years.

"I am thrilled to have the opportunity to serve as director of nursing for Clay Healthcare Center," Nettles said. "Together with our dedicated team, we will strive for compassion and excellence in caring for our residents and their families."

Joining Nettles is Dusty Hern, a seasoned nursing professional native to Central West Virginia. Hern has a bachelor's degree in nursing from Alderson Broaddus University and national certifications in Emergency Nursing and Ambulatory Care Nursing.

"Long-term care is a challenging yet rewarding environment to work in," Hern said. "I look forward to working with Brenda to elevate the standard of healthcare for our residents and cultivate a positive environment for our colleagues."

Clay Healthcare Center is excited to welcome Nettles and Hern to its dedicated team of nursing professionals.

For more information or to schedule a tour, visit communicarehealth.com or contact 304-286-4204. Clay Healthcare Center is located at 1053 Clinic Drive, in Ivydale.

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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.

April 17, 1827: Outdoorsman William "Squirrelly Bill" Carpenter was born on the Elk River near the mouth of Laurel Creek. Carpenter guided prominent West Virginians, including Gov. MacCorkle, through the wonders of the Elk Valley.

April 17, 1871: West Virginians approved the Flick Amendment, which allowed former Confederates to vote. It also applied to formerly enslaved people, but they had been enfranchised already by the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.



April 17, 1972: Actress Jennifer Garner was born in Houston but grew up in Charleston, appearing in various stage productions. Now a leading actor in film, television, and theater, she won both a Golden Globe and Screen Actors Guild award for her role in the show *Alias*.

April 18, 1756: The largest French & Indian War battle fought in present West Virginia occurred about two miles northeast of U.S. 50 and County Route 15 in present Capon Bridge, Hampshire County.



April 18, 1849: State Supreme Court Justice Marmaduke Dent was born in Monongalia County. He received the first bachelor's and master's degrees from West Virginia University. A populist judge, he ruled against railroads and supported Carrie Williams in an 1898 case finding that Black schools were entitled to the same length school terms as other schools.



April 18, 1861: At the beginning of the Civil War,

retreating U.S. troops set fire to the national armory and arsenal at Harpers Ferry to keep them out of Confederate hands. However, Virginia militia extinguished the flames and sent much of the weapon-making equipment south before destroying the site



in June 1861.

April 18, 1912: The Paint Creek-Cabin Creek Strike of 1912-13 began when coal operators rejected the demands of their unionized workers for a wage increase. The strike that followed was one of the most dramatic and bloody conflicts in the early 20th century labor struggles in southern West Virginia known as the Mine Wars.

April 19, 1896: Writer Melville Davison Post was born in Harrison County. His best-known works are the Randolph Mason series, published in three volumes, and the more successful collection, *Uncle Abner: Master of Mysteries*.

April 19, 1902: Author Jean Lee Latham was born in Buckhannon. She wrote a number of children's books, including *Carry On, Mr. Bowditch*, which

won the 1956 Newberry Award.

April 20, 1823: General Jesse Lee Reno was born in Wheeling and died in battle at South Mountain, Maryland, in 1862. He graduated from West Point in 1846 with another cadet from western Virginia, Thomas J. Jackson, later "Stonewall." Reno was the highest-ranking officer from present West Virginia killed in the Civil War.

April 20, 1863: President Lincoln issued a proclamation that in 60 days, West Virginia would become a state. This occasion was marked 100 years later during the state's Centennial celebration with a special ceremonial session of the West Virginia legislature on April 20, 1963, in Wheeling.

April 20, 1909: Fiddler Melvin Wine was born near Burnsville. A favorite of old-time music enthusiasts nationally, he was chosen as a National Heritage Fellow in 1991 by the National Endowment for the Arts, the highest recognition given to a folk artist in the United States.



April 20, 1939: Poet Irene McKinney was born in Belington, Barbour County. Governor Gaston Caperton appointed her state poet laureate in 1993, and she served in that capacity until her death in 2012.



April 21, 1908: Traditional musician Phoebe Cottrell Parsons was born in Calhoun County. Parsons's traditional clawhammer banjo style, unaccompanied ballad singing, riddles and storytelling influenced countless numbers of younger musicians.

April 21, 1936: President Franklin Roosevelt established the Jefferson National Forest. The West Virginia portion of this forest includes nearly 20,000 acres in Monroe County.

April 22, 1908: Marshall "Little Sleepy" Glenn was born in Elkins. Glenn coached basketball at West Virginia University from 1934 to 1938

and football from 1937 to 1940. He was inducted into the WVU Sports Hall of Fame in 1992.



April 22, 2003: Activist Judy Bonds, a Raleigh County native, received the Goldman Environmental Prize for her fight against mountaintop removal mining. Her efforts inspired thousands and turned a local issue in West Virginia into a national cause.

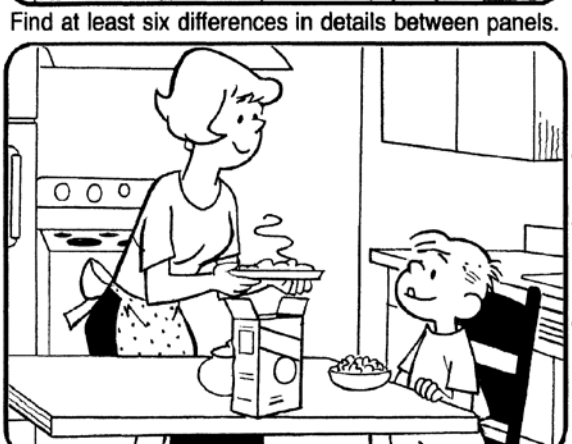
April 23, 1857: Andrew S. Rowan was born in Gap Mills, Monroe County. Rowan, a military officer, was chosen as the messenger when President William McKinley wanted to send a message to Cuban General Calixto Garcia during the Spanish-American War. The 1899 pamphlet *A Message to Garcia* made the incident famous.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Super Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Big trucks
 - 5 "Serial" podcast host Koenig
 - 10 Brothers Wyatt, Virgil and Morgan
 - 15 Like GI garb, often
 - 19 Woeful things
 - 20 Bingham of "Baywatch"
 - 21 Slobber
 - 22 Nivea rival
 - 23 Outfit
 - 26 Lasses
 - 27 All upset, with "up"
 - 28 "... flaw — feature?"
 - 29 Actor Knotts
 - 30 Wrung (out)
 - 32 Deli classic
 - 33 Bother a lot
 - 35 Frank of rock
 - 38 Outward display of courage
 - 40 Attachable with a click
 - 42 Hits, as a fly
 - 44 Fill with love
 - 45 "The X Factor," e.g.
 - 47 Congeal
 - 49 Short sleeps
 - 50 Diane once of NPR
 - 51 Gentlemen
 - 53 Breather
 - 56 Apple option
 - 59 Cow sound
 - 62 Primer for a wall, e.g.
 - 67 Names anew
 - 70 Outdoor enclosure for a tabby
 - 72 Abundant
 - 73 Cow sound
 - 74 Despot Amin
 - 75 It's often played during a massage
 - 78 "Let us spray," e.g.
 - 79 Recognize
 - 80 Central Asia's — Sea
 - 81 Honking birds
 - 82 Old Jewish ascetic
 - 84 Snootiness
 - 87 Cur's warning
 - 89 Snake's warning
 - 90 Not bogus
 - 91 Small plateau
 - 93 Give relief to
 - 96 Choir female
 - 99 Responses to massages
 - 101 Something revealed by a scale
 - 107 Fly without a co-pilot, e.g.
 - 110 Like a famed Vatican chapel
 - 112 Roll around in mud or dust
 - 113 Mascara, e.g.
 - 115 Writer Calvino
 - 117 Ethiopia's — Selassie
 - 118 Ovid's lang.
 - 119 Tubers often candied
 - 120 Engine speed meas.
 - 121 By way of supply
 - 123 Tattooist's supply
 - 124 Otherwise
 - 126 What eight answers in this puzzle might say if they could talk?
 - 131 Increase, with "up"
 - 132 Internet sales
 - 133 Increase, with "up"
 - 134 Villain in "The Avengers"
 - 135 609-homer Sammy
 - 136 AC — (big name in auto parts)
 - 137 Promotes heavily
 - 138 Leg joint
 - 3 Pertaining to an opening of the larynx
 - 4 Former jet to JFK
 - 5 Mix, as batter
 - 6 Desi of Desilu Studios
 - 7 Sleazy paper
 - 8 King topper
 - 9 Furry feet in back
 - 10 Biblical utopia
 - 11 Shirt part
 - 12 Clemente of baseball
 - 13 Oompah band genre
 - 14 Shirt part
 - 15 Tooth on a gearwheel
 - 16 A Gulf state
 - 17 Patroller around a food court
 - 18 Bivalve mollusks
 - 24 Sweltering summer day
 - 25 Ivory, e.g.
 - 31 Lion's hideout
 - 34 Fast glance
 - 36 Burnt residue
 - 37 Gp. once led by Arafat
 - 38 Raft wood
 - 39 Soda brand
 - 41 Utmost
 - 43 Dickens' miser
 - 46 Opposite of lge.
 - 48 Three, to Fifi
 - 52 Slippery road condition
 - 54 "The Hunger Games" escort
 - 55 Blueprint data, in brief
 - 56 From Dublin or Cork
 - 57 Jason's wife, in myth
 - 58 "Ta-ta!," in Tours
 - 60 Central Florida city
 - 61 Crayon stuff
 - 63 Less of a lie
 - 64 Louvre Pyramid architect
 - 65 Adjectives modify them
 - 66 Message-leavers'
 - 68 Astronomer Tycho —
 - 69 Mattress brand
 - 71 Fierce female feline
 - 76 1972 Eric Clapton hit
 - 77 Chinese menu letters
 - 83 Aussie girl
 - 85 Newlywed man
 - 86 "Got it, man"
 - 88 San Luis —
 - 92 Slightly excessive
 - 94 "How cute!"
 - 95 Ugly foe of Popeye
 - 96 Neverending
 - 97 Not deserting
 - 98 Frightful flies
 - 100 Like always
 - 102 "Ode — Grecian Urn"
 - 103 Costa — Sol
 - 104 Use as a skating surface
 - 105 Mount — College (Elaine Chao's alma mater)
 - 106 12-year-old kid, say
 - 108 Set in place
 - 109 Gave the nod
 - 111 — City (Ohio town named for William Henry Harrison's moniker)
 - 114 Theatricalize
 - 116 Like sheep
 - 120 Move, to a Realtor
 - 122 Tattooist's supplies
 - 125 Green org.
 - 127 Ocasek of The Cars
 - 128 Endeavor
 - 129 Spying setup
 - 130 Big name in civ. rights

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Spoon is missing. 2. Box is different. 3. Collar is missing. 4. Mouth is different. 5. Refrigerator handle is not as long. 6. Oven handle is missing.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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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.



December 1957

Happy Birthday!

Grade School

Baughman, Sharon Ruth	Dec. 29
Buck, Paul Steven	Dec. 23
Butcher, Noell Beth	Dec. 12
Connor, Donald Howard	Dec. 23
Frame, Patsy Jean	Dec. 28
Hamrick, Carol Jane	Dec. 26
Holcomb, Jack Stewart, Jr.	Dec. 21
James, Brenda Kay	Dec. 7
James, Jerry	Dec. 17
James, Keith	Dec. 21
Pinney, Nancy Louise	Dec. 6
Rapp, Teddy Sheridan	Dec. 22
Salisbury, Terry Wayne	Dec. 22
Salisbury, Violet Carolyn	Dec. 17
Taylor, Nadine	Dec. 4
Triplett, Janice Elaine	Dec. 10
Truman, Carl Steven	Dec. 29
Truman, Joseph Michael	Dec. 9
Wilson, Roscoe	Dec. 16
Woods, Anita Louise	Dec. 11

High School

Adkins, Joanna Mae	Dec. 3
Eagle, Barbara Lee	Dec. 19
Hamrick, Mary	Dec. 10
Nash, Lillie Mae	Dec. 1
Nicholas, Lois Jean	Dec. 29
Shaffer, David	Dec. 29
Truman, Dorothy Joan	Dec. 12
Wilson, Jack	Dec. 16

A Work Out

B.r.r.r! Turn on the heat! Hey Coach, someone stole my shoes. Where's the locker key? Can I be excused to get a hair cut? I got a stay in Detention Hall, will be in tomorrow. These and many similar remarks can be heard every evening as the basketball team turns out for practice in the gym.

After the boys have changed clothes, they practice their warm-up shots and passes. They show good spirit and they try hard in hopes of winning their ball games.

A quick shower ends another two hours hard work, but as the boys wearily leave the building, their bodies glow with self-confidence. It was work well done and the results will show in the next game.

Fifteen Plus Club To Have Christmas Dance

Invitations were being accepted right and left for the ever popular Fifteen Plus Club's first Christmas dance in the new Community building from 9 'til 12 on this Saturday. Their social gatherings have been so crowded in the Legion Hall that the larger quarters present an inviting and welcome change. Refreshments will be served during the evening.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Christmas Caroling is beginning to be a thing of the past. A few years ago people enjoyed the closeness of each other's company at Christmas. Groups of jolly singers, both young and old, went Christmas Caroling. Now the old seem too old and the young will get too cold, I guess, and so the old custom is dying out and even its memory's is growing faint and dim.

The rush of the Christmas season often makes us forget the meaning of Christmas. Let's not forget December 25th is the Savior's Birthday, and singing Christmas Carols to praise his name helps us keep the Spirit of his Love alive on His day.

WHO?

Let us consider the case of the mystery girl! Be on the look out for this attractive young Miss who is wanted for identification. She is 13 years old and is four feet and ten inches tall and weighs eighty-five pounds. She is a brunette, with lovely brown eyes.

This young lady may be spotted in any public place by her playing of Pat Boone's records on the juke box—She may also be eating French Fries. All hospitals have been alerted to look among their student nurses for this girl—She is interested in nursing—If you know the whereabouts of this young girl, or if you know her, please consider yourself lucky!

Calling all cars—Be on the look out for a young man who is a "killer" with the girls!

He is blond and has twinkling blue eyes. He has a pleasant expression and wide smile, and will generally be found anywhere where there are music and girls—especially girls.

If you hear strains of Elvis Presleys special style on Jail House Rock." or "Mean Woman Blues"—investigates please—It may be this wanted boy. He may be found loitering around airports for inspiration; his hobby is model airplanes.

MY SHOPPING LIST

In making up my shopping list Of Christmas gifts, I can't resist The chance to buy a thing or two That's needed—from my point of view.

For big sis I intend to buy A dozen shirts and then I'll try To see that she shall wear her own And leave my favorite shirts alone. And mother's gift is one I need. T'will be the greatest help indeed. For this contraption, so they say, Takes care of garbage right away.

For years it's been a standing rule, I'd tote it out right after school. If I can end this hated task I think it's more than she should ask.

Brother John is tall and slim I's very easy to buy for him. He likes bright colors, blues and greens,

V-neck sweaters, and khaki jeans. He likes to hunt and fish and camp And doesn't mind living in the damp.

A canvas tent would suit him fine And save a lot of wear on mine. These gifts should end my shopping spree.

And leave a little dough for me. And with it I'm expecting soon To buy two tickets to the moon. The teachers here are sure to cry When they see Moss and me whiz by.

So have a lot of Christmas cheer. We'll see you on the moon next year!

Senior News

The senior class members are very busy at this time of the year making plans for our BIG CHRISTMAS dance. The class has delivered all their Christmas Cards.

Sam Shelton was the winner of the senior's shot gun which was chanced off at the shooting match on November 23.

The seniors have decided not to decorate their class room this year, because we have other important things to do.

The seniors are planning to sell pins with WHS and 1958 written on them. We are taking orders now and will continue to until February 1. The pins sell for \$1.00 each.

We are going to serve at the Sportsmen's Club dinner on December 14.

We are also planning to have a rummage sale on December 16, but have postponed it until a later date. We hope to have as much success with this one as we did with the one last year.

The senior Christmas dance will be held on Friday night, December 27. No definite place has been found yet. Tickets sell for a dollar each, and all class members are selling them now.

The dance will be a semi-formal affair, and the Widen Dance Band is playing.

So long until next month. Hope to see you at the Christmas dance. MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Well! Here comes Christmas again, just around the corner. There is nothing like Christmas Spirit as it is expressed at school.

The little kiddies in grade school are busy decorating their rooms, painting pictures, and concentrating on painting each other. As usual there is noise here and there and the teachers are nearing a nervous breakdown. There are pretty poinsettias and candles on the windows, and sparkling stars on the inside. Also, there are angels and a manger to remind us of the baby who was born.

At home the situation is a lot worse. Every little child must write Santa a letter with a list containing more than a dozen things for Christmas. Parents are busy hiding presents from nosy little angels."

Everyone has the Christmas Spirit and the first fall of snow has added its charm to the festive gaiety of the town.

Alumni News

We wish to apologize for omitting Henrietta Holcomb's name from the Alumni Class News of 1954.

Mrs. Clyde Holcomb, mother of Henrietta, sent us the following letter, which we appreciated and wish to pass on to you:
Dear Mr. Baer:

In the November issue of the Widen News I find in the Alumni News of the graduating class of 1954 Henrietta Holcomb was not mentioned. I would like for her Classmates to know that she married Robert Crawford Harris of South Charleston who is an engineer for I.B.M.

They live in Cincinnati, Ohio and have two children, Melonie Gale, 18 months old and Robert Crawford II who was born on November 5, 1957.

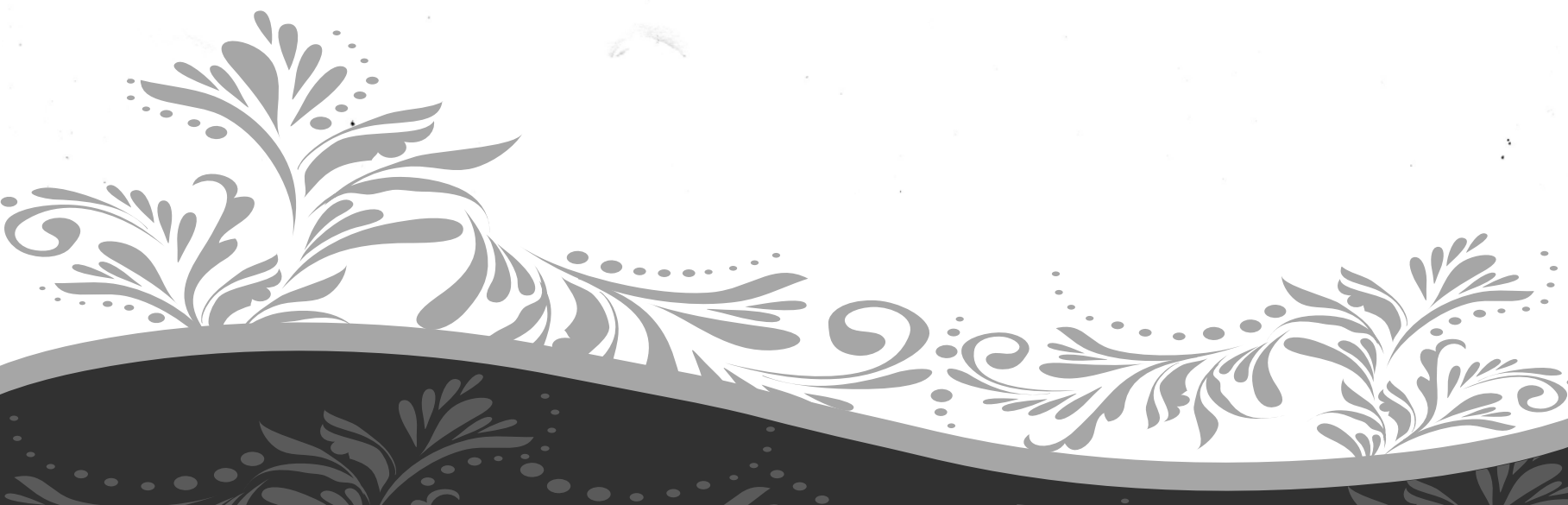
Melonie Gale was the first girl baby born in her great grandfather's family on the Harris side for over 100 years.

Roberta and I went to Cincinnati on the 3rd of November and stayed with the Harris family, and come home on the 17th of November.

We always read all The Widen News and enjoy everything about our school.

Hope you and yours have a happy, wonderful holiday season.

Mrs. Clyde Holcomb



LEGAL

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT	OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT
<p>Special Levy Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of the Board of Education of the County of Clay Adopted and Entered on January 23, 2024</p> <p>Special election to authorize additional levies (the "Excess Levy") for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028, in the approximate average amount of \$1,107,585, annually, for the purpose of the payment of the general current expenses of the Board of Education of the County of Clay (the "Board"), including for the purposes hereinafter set forth, all according to the Order of the Board entered on the 23rd day of January 2024, and as more particularly described below.</p> <p>The purposes for which additional funds are needed during the term of this five year levy, and the approximate average annual amount for such purposes after due allowances for discounts, delinquencies, exonerations, uncollected taxes and shrinkage, subject to variation from year to year as set forth herein, are as follows:</p> <p>PURPOSES FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</p> <p>School Health, Safety, and Security, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment of two school security officers (one to service Clay High School and Clay Middle School and one to service Clay Elementary and Big Otter Elementary); • Installation of safe school entrances for Big Otter Elementary School, Clay Elementary School, and Clay Middle School; • Intruder locksets for all classroom doors; and panic alert systems; • Surveillance and communication upgrades, including security cameras and telephones and intercom systems; and/or • Accident and liability insurance. <p>Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Programs and Transportation, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain activity buses for August for fall sports and extracurricular activities, along main routes, to transport students for practices, competitions, and educational field trips; • Pay for buses to transport students to attend school football, basketball, track and cross-country practice to Maysel Park and to Dundorf; • Alleviate expenses incurred for national competitions by qualifying teams; • Pay for travel for Clay Middle School and Clay High School bands, chorals, choir and the arts to competitions; and/or • Offer free admittance for students, employees of Clay County Board of Education, and residents of Clay County with a school issued pass to attend regular home sporting events. <p>Maintenance, Repair, and Improvement of School Buildings, Playgrounds, and Athletic Facilities, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground equipment at Clay Elementary School; • Outdoor basketball court at Big Otter Elementary; • Cost to improve and maintain athletic facilities including but not limited to: o Funding source to turf Bradley Field; and/or o Improvements required by local, state, and federal agencies to ensure the safe and efficient operation of facilities; • Pay for repair and replacement of instruments for Clay Middle School and Clay High School bands; and/or • Custodial and maintenance supplies and equipment. <p>Support Student-Related Community Organizations and Agencies, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and keep the Clay Pool open, purchase of pool supplies, chemicals, water, sewage, maintenance and utilities; • Pay for water and electricity for Maysel Park usage for Clay High School baseball, Clay Middle School baseball, Clay County Youth baseball and Clay County Youth Football; • Clay County Health Department; • Clay County WVU Extension Office (4-H); and • Clay County Public Library. <p>Free Textbooks and Workbooks (including digital and electronic equivalents) for all students in preschool through twelfth grade, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required textbooks and tuition for Advanced Placement and dual credit courses at Clay High School; • Required textbooks for grades PreK-12; • Software to facilitate virtual school instruction; and/or • Software and licenses for supplemental programs. <p>Instructional Supplies, Materials and Equipment for the classroom teachers and students, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copiers, toner, paper, and contracts to service copy machines; • Replacement of iPads, laptops, mobile computer labs, and printers; and/or • Other electronic equipment for all students as needed. <p>Establishment of a Permanent Improvement Fund to allow for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constructing new facilities; • Remodeling and major improvements to existing facilities; and/or • A contingency fund for inflation and other unforeseen costs. <p>Contracted Services, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech, occupational, and physical therapy services for special education and qualifying students; 	<p>• Required inspections;</p> <p>• Maintenance and Pest control;</p> <p>• Random drug testing and background checks; and/or Legal services.</p> <p>Total: \$1,107,585</p> <p>As noted above, the amounts set forth above are the anticipated average annual amounts for each purpose. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.</p> <p>The total amount necessary to carry out the above purposes over five fiscal years, after making reasonable allowances for discounts, delinquencies, exonerations, uncollected taxes and shrinkage, is \$5,539,940 or the average sum of \$1,107,988 annually. The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Clay County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amounts shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.</p> <p>If additional State, Federal, private or other special funds are made available to the Board for any of the above-stated purposes, the amounts herein set forth may be used, solely or on a matching basis, to secure said additional funds or provide additional services. Additional funds received by grant, donation or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other public or private source, for the above-stated purposes, may be used either in substitution for or in addition to the funds obtained from this Excess Levy.</p> <p>The Board reserves unto itself as the levying body, in its discretion, the right and authority to reduce the rates of this Excess Levy if increased property assessments result in funds in excess of the projected needs in any year specified in this Order in accordance with West Virginia Code §11-8-6g.</p> <p>The Board is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this Excess Levy and one additional year, the surplus, if any, of the above-stated purposes, plus excess collections due to increased assessed valuations for the enrichment, supplementation, operation, and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools of Clay County, as Board may determine from time to time, in its discretion.</p> <p>In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the amounts noted for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine, in its discretion, which one or more of the above-stated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year, and the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year, provided that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year.</p> <p>If a majority of the voters approve the proposed additional levies, the Board will not issue bonds in connection with the approval of such additional levies.</p> <p>The additional levy, in cents per \$100 of assessed value on each class of property, shall be on Class I property 13.00 cents; on Class II property 26.00 cents; on Class III property 52.00 cents; on Class IV property 52.00 cents.</p> <p>That the proposed years to which the additional rate of levies shall apply are the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028.</p> <p>INSTRUCTION TO VOTER</p> <p>Those favoring the additional levies, make a selection "FOR THE LEVIES"; and those against such additional levies, make a selection "AGAINST THE LEVIES".</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR THE LEVIES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST THE LEVIES</p> <p>CLAY COUNTY LIBRARY LEVY BALLOT</p> <p>Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2025; July 1, 2026; July 1, 2027; July 1, 2028 and July 1, 2029 for the purpose of providing operating money for the Clay County Library in the approximate amount of \$80,117 annually and \$400,585 during the term of the levy, according to the order of the Board of Education entered on the 23rd day of January 2024.</p> <p>That the additional rate of levy in cents per \$100 dollars of assessed valuation on each class of property shall be:</p> <p>Clay County Library</p> <p>Class I zero dollars and .94 cents</p> <p>Class II zero dollars and 1.88 cents</p> <p>Class III zero dollars and 3.76 cents</p> <p>Class IV zero dollars and 3.76 cents</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For the Levies</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Against the Levies</p> <p>Instructions to Voters:</p> <p>Those favoring the additional levies make a selection before "For the levies".</p> <p>Those against the levies make a selection before "Against the levies".</p> <p>VOTE BOTH SIDES</p>

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ORDER AND NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL SCHOOL LEVY TO THE VOTERS OF CLAY COUNTY

That at a regular meeting of the School Board of the County of Clay, State of West Virginia, held on the 23rd day January 2024, as provided by law, the following order was made and entered of record, to wit:

The Board of Education of Clay County, being of the opinion that the maximum levies for the current expenses authorized by Article 8, Chapter 11, of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, will not provide sufficient funds for the payment of current expenses of the Board of Education, including expenditures for the purpose or purposes hereinafter set forth, and that an election should be held to increase such levies under the provisions of Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11, as amended, it is hereby ordered:

1. That the purpose or purposes for which additional funds are needed is to provide payment of the expense of operating the Clay County Library and supporting its role in the education of Clay County. Funds will provide for the following expenses.
 - a. For the salary of the Library Director and such employees as needed for the operation of the library. 64%
 - b. For the general operating expenses of the library such as electric, gas, phone service, postal service, etc. 27%
 - c. For the annual purchase of new books and library materials as required by the West Virginia Library Commission. 7.5%
 - d. For the updating of library software/computer systems in order to work with the current software/computer programs at the State level. 1.5%
 - e. Other operating expenses as required.
2. In case the library would close for any reason, the funds will be used to re-establish the library service.
3. That the annual approximate amount for said purpose is \$80,117 after estimated Tax discounts, exonerations and delinquencies, and the total amount for five-year levy is \$400,585.
4. That the estimated separate and aggregate assessed valuation Of class of Taxable Property within the County of Clay is as follows:

Class I	\$0
Class II	\$126,973,769
Class III	\$158,115,872
Class IV	\$12,339,574
Total	\$297,429,215
5. That the proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars assessed valuation on each class of property is:

Clay County Library	zero dollars and .94 cents
Class II	zero dollars and 1.88 cents
Class III	zero dollars and 3.76 cents
Class IV	zero dollars and 3.76 cents
6. That the proposed years to which the additional levy shall apply are the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2025; July 1, 2026; July 1, 2027; July 1, 2028 and July 1, 2029.
7. That the Board of Education will not issue bonds upon approval of the proposed levy
8. That the question of such additional levy shall be submitted to a vote at an election to be held on the 14th day of May 2024.
9. That a notice calling such election shall be given by the publication of this Order at least once each week for two successive weeks next preceding said election in two newspapers of opposite politics and of a general circulation in the territory in which the election is held. If there is only one newspaper published in the county, said publication shall be made therein. All the provisions of the law concerning primary elections shall apply so far as they are practicable.
10. That the ballot to be used as such election shall be in form as follows:

CLAY COUNTY LIBRARY LEVY BALLOT

Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2025; July 1, 2026; July 1, 2027; July 1, 2028 and July 1, 2029 for the purpose of providing operating money for the Clay County Library in the approximate amount of \$80,117 annually and \$400,585 during the term of the levy, according to the order of the Board of Education entered on the 23rd day of January 2024.

That the additional rate of levy in cents per \$100 dollars of assessed valuation on each class of property shall be:

Clay County Library	zero dollars and .94 cents
Class II	zero dollars and 1.88 cents
Class III	zero dollars and 3.76 cents
Class IV	zero dollars and 3.76 cents

For the levies

Against the levies

Instructions to Voters:

Those favoring the additional levies place an X in the square before "For the levies."

Those against the levies place and X in the square before "Against the levies."

The Board of Education of the County of Clay, State of West Virginia.

ATTEST:

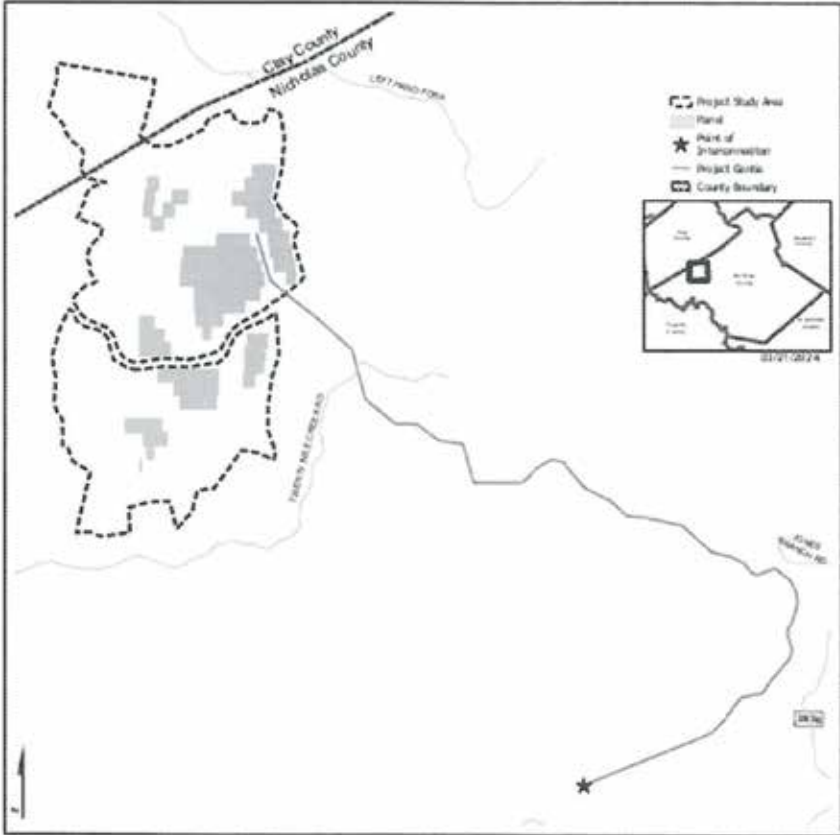
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0311-E- SCS-PW
 DEEP LAKE ENERGY CENTER, LLC
 Application for a Solar Siting Certificate to authorize the construction and operation of an exempt wholesale electric generating facility in Nicholas County and petition for waiver of transmission facilities information.

NOTICE OF FILING



On March 22, 2024, Deep Lake Energy Center, LLC (Applicant), filed an application for a Solar Siting Certificate pursuant to W. Va. Code §24-2-10(n) to authorize the construction and operation of an exempt wholesale electric generating facility in Nicholas and Clay Counties and for waiver of transmission facilities information. The application is on file with and available for public inspection at the Public Service Commission, 201 Brooks Street, in Charleston, West Virginia. Upon its completion, the Facility will be used by the Applicant to generate solar electricity exclusively for wholesale in the competitive wholesale market in West Virginia and other locations.

The Applicant is owned by Savion, LLC. The Applicant proposes to construct a 150 MW solar electric generating facility and certain ancillary facilities, including an interconnecting 138 kV transmission line approximately 5.9 miles in length to interconnect the Facility with an existing FirstEnergy kV transmission line in Nicholas County. The Facility is adjacent to a solar energy project under development by Nicolas County Solar Project, LLC, an affiliate of Applicant, that the Commission approved on November 4, 2022 in Case No. 22-0678-E-SCS-PW. The Applicant states that although a small portion of Clay County is included in the project boundary shown on the map above, as currently designed there will be no facilities constructed in Clay County and at this time no construction activity is anticipated to be undertaken in Clay County.

The Applicant estimates that construction of the Facility will cost in excess of \$386 million. The Applicant asserts that the Facility, including any associated transmission line(s) incidental to the Facility and operating below 200,000 volts, are not West Virginia jurisdictional utility services provided to the public, and there will be no impact to West Virginia ratepayers. Rates charged for electricity sold by the Facility will be subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

The Facility will be an exempt wholesale generator as defined under Section 32(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or other superseding federal law.

The Applicant will enter into an interconnection and operating agreement with PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., a regional transmission organization, which will govern the Facility's interconnection at the point shown on the map above. The Applicant, or the purchasers of the electricity generated by the Facility, will enter into transmission service agreements with the transmission owner to govern the transmission of the electricity across the transmission owner's facilities. Such transmission of electricity will be subject to the terms of the transmission owner's Open Access Transmission Tariff on file with the FERC.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene within 30 days following the date of this publication unless a later date is authorized by the Commission. Failure to timely intervene can affect your right to protest aspects of this Solar EWG siting certificate case for the Facility, or to participate in future proceedings. Letters of protest and comment may be filed at any time during processing of the application. All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or intervention. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All protests and interventions should be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public comments may also be filed online by clicking the "Formal Case" link at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm>.

In the absence of substantial protests within the thirty (30) day period, the Commission may waive formal hearing and grant the application based on the evidence submitted with said application and its review thereof.

DEEP LAKE ENERGY CENTER, LLC

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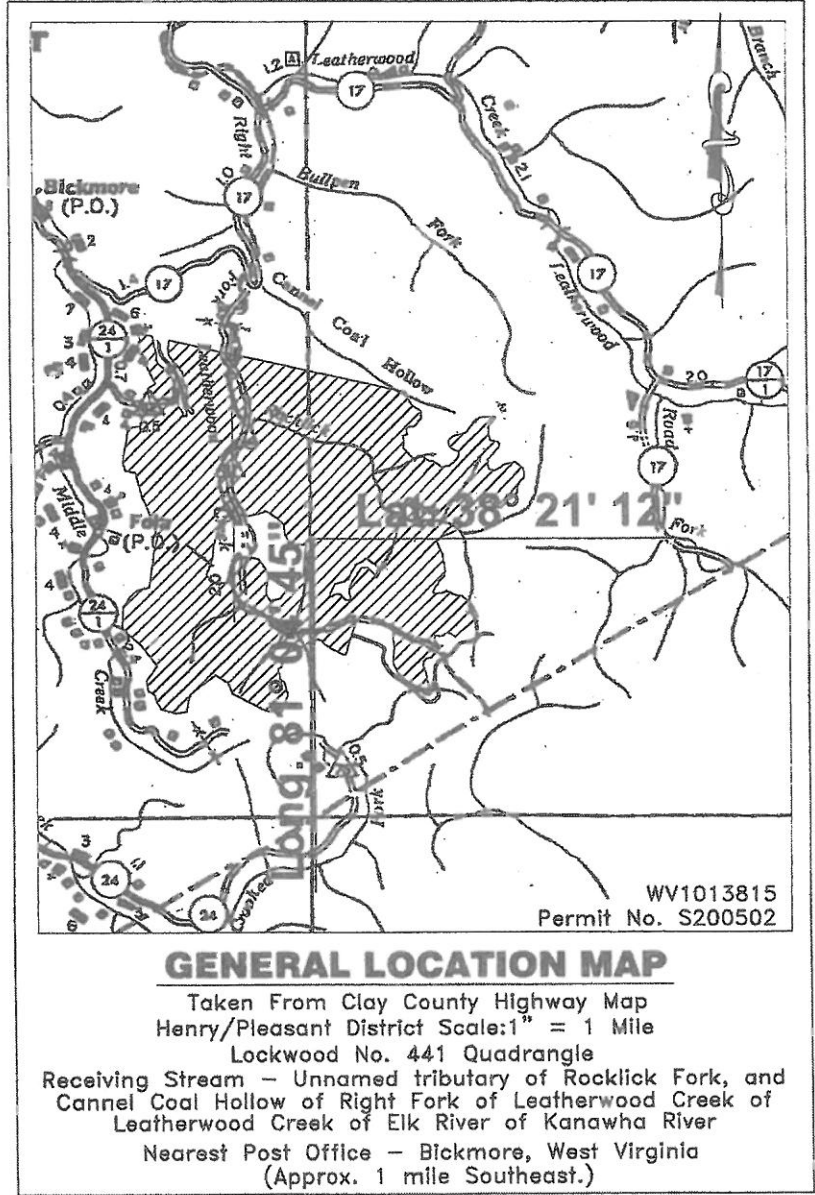
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Notice is hereby given that WV RECLAIM CO, LLC, 2122 LEATHERWOOD ROAD, BICKMORE, WV 25019 has submitted an application with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), 47 School Street, Suit 301, Philippi, WV 26416-1600 for a Phase I release on Permit Number S200502 Increment Number 1 issued for 1507.94 acres.

The permit is located in Henry/Pleasant District of Clay County, 1.0 miles southeast of Bickmore on unnamed tributary of Rocklick Fork, Rocklick Fork and Cannel Coal Hollow of Right Fork of Leatherwood Creek of Elk River.

WV RECLAIM CO, LLC completed backfilling and regrading on 6/1/2016 and is requesting release of 60 percent of the reclamation performance bond currently in the amount of \$825,920.00.

Written comments will be received at the DEP address above until 6/3/24, or thirty (30) days from date of **final publication**.



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PUBLIC TEST - VOTING EQUIPMENT

This is to notify the public that there will be a test conducted on the DS450 Tabulator, DS200 Tabulator and the ExpressVote Voter Terminals that will be used for the May 14, 2024 Primary Election, in Clay County, West Virginia. The test will be held on April 24, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the Clay County Clerk's Office.

FORM OF BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT

**Special Levy Election
to Authorize Additional Levies
According to the Order of The Board of Education
of the County of Clay Adopted and Entered on January 23, 2024**

Special election to authorize additional levies (the "Excess Levy") for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028, in the approximate average amount of \$1,107,988, annually, for the purpose of the payment of the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Clay (the "Board"), including for the purposes hereinafter set forth; all according to the Order of the Board entered on the 23rd day of January 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The purposes for which additional funds are needed during the term of this five year levy, and the approximate average annual amount for such purposes after due allowances for discounts, delinquencies, exonerations, uncollected taxes and shrinkage, subject to variation from year to year as set forth herein, are as follows:

<u>PURPOSES FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</u>	<u>AVERAGE ANNUAL AMOUNT FOR EACH PURPOSE</u>
<p>School Health, Safety, and Security, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment of two school security officers (one to service Clay High School and Clay Middle School and one to service Clay Elementary and Big Otter Elementary); • Installation of safe school entrances for Big Otter Elementary School, Clay Elementary School, and Clay Middle School; • Intruder locksets for all classroom doors; and panic alert systems; • Surveillance and communication upgrades, including security cameras and telephone and intercom systems; and/or • Accident and liability insurance. 	\$387,791
<p>Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Programs and Transportation, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain activity buses for August for fall sports and extracurricular activities, along main routes, to transport students for practices, competitions, and educational field trips; 	\$88,640

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay for buses to transport students to afterschool football, baseball, track and cross-country practice to Maysel Park and to Dundon; • Alleviate expenses incurred for national competitions by qualifying teams; • Pay for travel for Clay Middle School and Clay High School bands, chorus, choir and the arts to competitions; and/or • Offer free admittance for students, employees of Clay County Board of Education, and residents of Clay County with a school issued pass to attend regular home sporting events. 	
<p>Maintenance, Repair, and Improvement of School Buildings, Playgrounds, and Athletic Facilities, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground equipment at Clay Elementary School; • Outdoor basketball court at Big Otter Elementary; • Cost to improve and maintain athletic facilities including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funding source to turf Bradley Field; and/or ○ Improvements required by local, state, and federal agencies to ensure the safe and efficient operation of facilities; • Pay for repair and replacement of instruments for Clay Middle School and Clay High School bands; and/or • Custodial and maintenance supplies and equipment. 	\$177,279
<p>Support Student-Related Community Organizations and Agencies, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and keep the Clay Pool open, purchase of pool supplies, chemicals, water, sewage, maintenance and utilities; • Pay for water and electricity for Maysel Park usage for Clay High School baseball, Clay Middle School baseball, Clay County Youth baseball and Clay County Youth Football; • Clay County Health Department; • Clay County WVU Extension Office (4-H); and • Clay County Public Library. 	\$66,480
<p>Free Textbooks and Workbooks (including digital and electronic equivalents) for all students in preschool through twelfth grade, including but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required textbooks and tuition for Advanced Placement and dual credit courses at Clay High School; • Required textbooks for grades PreK-12; • Software to facilitate virtual school instruction; and/or 	\$110,799

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Software and licenses for supplemental programs. 	
Instructional Supplies, Materials and Equipment for the classroom teachers and students, including but not limited to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copiers, toner, paper, and contracts to service copy machines; • Replacement of iPads, laptops, mobile computer labs, and printers; and/or • Other electronic equipment for all students as needed. 	\$110,799
Establishment of a Permanent Improvement Fund to allow for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constructing new facilities; • Remodeling and major improvements to existing facilities; and/or • A contingency fund for inflation and other unforeseen costs. 	\$77,560
Contracted Services , including but not limited to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech, occupational, and physical therapy services for special education and qualifying students; • Required inspections; • Maintenance and Pest control; • Random drug testing and background checks; and/or • Legal services. 	\$88,640
Total:	\$1,107,988

As noted above, the amounts set forth above are the anticipated average annual amounts for each purpose. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The total amount necessary to carry out the above purposes over five fiscal years, after making reasonable allowances for discounts, delinquencies, exonerations, uncollected taxes and shrinkage, is \$5,539,940 or the average sum of \$1,107,988 annually. The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Clay County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amounts shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

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matching basis, to secure said additional funds or provide additional services. Additional funds received by grant, donation or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other public or private source, for the above-stated purposes, may be used either in substitution for or in addition to the funds obtained from this Excess Levy.

The Board reserves unto itself as the levying body, in its discretion, the right and authority to reduce the rates of this Excess Levy if increased property assessments result in funds in excess of the projected needs in any year specified in this Order in accordance with West Virginia Code §11-8-6g.

The Board is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this Excess Levy and one additional year, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the above amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, plus excess collections due to increased assessed valuations for the enrichment, supplementation, operation, and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools of Clay County, as Board may determine from time to time, in its discretion.

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If a majority of the voters approve the proposed additional levies, the Board will not issue bonds in connection with the approval of such additional levies.

The additional levy, in cents per \$100 of assessed value on each class of property, shall be on Class I property **13.00 cents**; on Class II property **26.00 cents**; on Class III property **52.00 cents**; on Class IV property **52.00 cents**.

That the proposed years to which the additional rate of levies shall apply are the fiscal years beginning **July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028**.

INSTRUCTION TO VOTER

Those favoring the additional levies, mark in the square "FOR THE LEVIES"; and those against such additional levies, mark in the square "AGAINST THE LEVIES".

FOR THE LEVIES

AGAINST THE LEVIES

END OF FORM OF BALLOT

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Notice is hereby given that the following described tracts or lots of land in the County of CLAY have been certified by the Auditor of the State of West Virginia to G. Russell Rollyson, Jr., Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of said County, for sale at public auction. The lands will be offered for sale by the undersigned Deputy Commissioner at public auction in the Big Courtroom on the 7th day of May, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

Each tract or lot as described below, will be sold to the highest bidder. The payment for any tract or lot purchased at a sale shall be made by check or money order payable to the sheriff of the county and delivered before the close of business on the day of the sale. If any of said tracts or lots remain unsold after the auction, they will be subject to sale by the Deputy Commissioner without additional advertising or public auction. The deputy commissioner sale may include tracts or lots remaining unsold from a previous auction not required by law to be readvertised and described for this subsequent auction of those same tracts and lots. All sales are subject to the approval of the Auditor of the State of West Virginia.

CERT #	SOLD	TICKET	NAME	DESCRIPTION	DISTRICT	AMOUNT DUE
2023-C-000001	2022	1158	KING MIKI ETAL	1.75 AC WTS BUFFALO SUR	BUFFALO	\$681.66
2023-C-000003	2022	1104	JARVIS LESA S	0.37 AC STRANGE CRK SUR	BUFFALO	\$510.24
2023-C-000004	2022	1105	JARVIS LESA S	0.126 AC STRANGE CREEK SUR	BUFFALO	\$183.71
2023-C-000005	2022	1106	JARVIS LESA S	.662 AC STRANGE CREEK SUR	BUFFALO	\$505.83
2023-C-000006	2022	1107	JARVIS LESA S	4.542 AC STRANGE CREEK SUR	BUFFALO	\$187.64
2023-C-000007	2022	1108	JARVIS LESA SUE	.29 AC WTS OF DILLE RUN SUR	BUFFALO	\$188.61
2023-C-000010	2022	1110	JEFFREY ARTHUR DALE	LT 38 IVYDALE FEE 1/4 INT	BUFFALO	\$177.19
2023-C-000011	2022	1112	JEFFREY GARY A	LT 38 IVYDALE FEE 1/4 INT	BUFFALO	\$177.19
2023-C-000012	2022	1055	HOLMES DARRELL JR	LOT 5 TOWN OF WIDEN SUR	BUFFALO	\$186.67
2023-C-000013	2022	1056	HOLMES DARRELL JR	LOT 3 TOWN OF WIDEN SUR	BUFFALO	\$197.37
2023-C-000014	2022	1592	RAMSEY SHAWN	LOT 70 TOWN OF WIDEN SUR	BUFFALO	\$176.86
2023-C-000015	2022	2020	TURNER SARAH E HRS	45 AC WTS GROVES 1/2 INT O&G	BUFFALO	\$176.86
2023-C-000016	2022	2121	WILLIAMS LARRY ARNOLD	10 AC WTS BUFFALO MIN 1/2 OF 1/3 INT	BUFFALO	\$176.86
2023-C-000018	2022	4005	DAVIS JEFFERY A	16.25 AC WTS SANDY SUR & ROW	HENRY	\$514.62
2023-C-000019	2022	4006	DAVIS JEFFERY A	2 AC PT OF 16.25 AC WTS SANDY SUR (MH PARK)	HENRY	\$1,345.40
2023-C-000020	2022	4516	GILL MICHAEL A	2.15 AC WTS SANDY SUR	HENRY	\$421.75
2023-C-000021	2022	7515	WHITE PATRICIA	.559 AC WTS LAUREL SUR	HENRY	\$962.07
2023-C-000024	2022	4586	GRANT CARY J	1 AC WTS SANDY SUR	HENRY	\$204.29
2023-C-000025	2022	4587	GRANT CARY J	2 AC WTS SANDY SUR	HENRY	\$523.49
2023-C-000028	2022	6525	ROGERS J C HRS	20.5 AC WTS LAUREL SUR 2/6 INT	HENRY	\$229.12
2023-C-000029	2022	6538	ROGERS WILLIAM L	20.5 AC WTS LAUREL SUR 1/6 INT	HENRY	\$198.07
2023-C-000030	2022	6526	ROGERS J C HRS	20.75 AC WTS LAUREL SUR 2/6 INT	HENRY	\$231.06
2023-C-000031	2022	6539	ROGERS WILLIAM L	20.75 AC WTS LAUREL SUR 1/6 INT	HENRY	\$199.06
2023-C-000032	2022	5098	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	2 AC REED FORK SUR 2/8 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000034	2022	7571	WILLIS MELISSA	1/8 AC HORNERS FORK SUR 1/2 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000035	2022	3718	COLE LARRY W ETUX	.20 AC BIG LAUREL SUR	HENRY	\$534.12
2023-C-000036	2022	7572	WILLIS MELISSA	9 AC HORNERS FORK SUR 1/2 INT	HENRY	\$802.02
2023-C-000037	2022	3719	COLE LARRY W ETUX	4 RDS BIG LAUREL SUR	HENRY	\$182.65
2023-C-000038	2022	6222	PRITT DEBORAH & BOBBY R STONE	LOT LOWER TWO RUN SUR	HENRY	\$194.48
2023-C-000039	2022	4828	HARDMAN ZELMA KING	57.02 AC LOWER TWO RUN SUR 1/3 INT	HENRY	\$221.29
2023-C-000040	2022	4829	HARDMAN ZELMA KING	4.98 AC LOWER TWO RUN SUR 1/3 INT	HENRY	\$199.39
2023-C-000041	2022	3568	CARPENTER REGINA-DI-ANNA	LOT LOWER BUTLER TWO RUN SUR	HENRY	\$243.36
2023-C-000043	2022	6480	RHODES LISA R ETAL	LTS 121-122 E HARTLAND SUR	HENRY	\$366.50
2023-C-000044	2022	5099	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	130 AC REED FORK MIN 9/32 INT	HENRY	\$182.75
2023-C-000045	2022	5100	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	210 AC REED FORK MIN 9/32 INT	HENRY	\$234.21
2023-C-000046	2022	5101	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	30 AC REED FORK MIN 9/64 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000047	2022	5102	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	51 AC REED FORK MIN 9/32 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000048	2022	5103	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	50 AC REED FORK MIN 45/384 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000049	2022	5104	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	110 AC REED FORK MIN 9/65 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000050	2022	5105	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	26 AC REED FORK MIN 9/384 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000051	2022	5106	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	100 AC REED FORK MIN 9/64 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000052	2022	5107	JONES SHARON L FAMILY TRUST	35 AC REED FORK MIN 45/385 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
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2023-C-000055	2022	4893	HICKS WALTER	75 AC WTS BIG LAUREL MIN 1/6 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000057	2022	6931	STAPLES ROBERT W ETAL REVOCABLE TRUST	11 1/3 AC WTS WHETSTONE O&G 1/3 OF 1/2 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000058	2022	7636	YOUNG DONLEY S JR ETAL	78.75 AC WTS LAUREL O&G DONOHUE TR 1/10 OF 1/2 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000061	2022	7503	WHEELER JEFFREY SMITH	140 AC WTS SANDY O&G 1/2 OF 3.64% INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000062	2022	7628	YOUNG DONLEY S	250 AC GRANNIES CRK MIN 1/10 OF 42/512 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000063	2022	7629	YOUNG DONLEY S	31.5 LILLY FORK O&G 1/10 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000064	2022	7630	YOUNG DONLEY S	13 AC WTS LAUREL MIN 1/10 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
2023-C-000065	2022	7631	YOUNG DONLEY S	250 AC GRANNIES CRK MIN 1/10 OF 21/512 INT	HENRY	\$179.85
2023-C-000066	2022	7632	YOUNG DONLEY S	62.5 JOE SPRUCE KNOB O&G 1/10 INT	HENRY	\$176.86
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2023-C-000082	2022	8481	BOGGS BRENT ETAL	100 AC RUSH FORK O&G 1/4 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER	\$176.86
2023-C-000083	2022	11829	STARCHER ROSCOE	54 AC WEST FORK O&G 1/32 INT	OTTER	\$176.86
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2023-C-000086	2022	13072	BOWEN KATHLEEN SCHOONOVER	18 AC WTS BEECHY SUR 3/12 INT	PLEASANT	\$225.50
2023-C-000087	2022	16126	YOUNG GARNET M	2 AC BIG SYC SUR 1/10 INT	PLEASANT	\$176.86
2023-C-000088	2022	13801	FRYE VERNON MITCHELL ETUX	79.85 AC MIDDLE CREEK SUR	PLEASANT	\$857.56
2023-C-000089	2022	13958	HFP LLC	119.35 AC S S ELK SUR	PLEASANT	\$1,657.02
2023-C-000091	2022	15473	SAMUELS WILLIAM E	LOT MID CRK SUR	PLEASANT	\$952.75
2023-C-000093	2022	14681	MOORE FRANKLIN D JR ETAL	13.59 AC BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$724.44
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2023-C-000148	2022	13317	CLEMMONS PAUL	1804 AC SYC & BELL CRK O&G 1/2 OF 1/4 OF 1/2 INT	PLEASANT	\$211.46
2023-C-000151	2022	16774	BURDETTE C ARTHUR	4 AC WTS ELK FEE 1/4 OF 1/2 INT	UNION	\$176.86
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2023-C-000157	2022	19222	YOUNG ROBERT D	45 AC WTS PORTER SUR 1/5 INT	UNION	\$258.49
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2023-C-000166	2022	18009	LIPSCOMB DONNA M	11,840 SQ FT N S ELK SUR	UNION	\$488.12
2023-C-000168	2022	19226	YOUNG ROBERT D	45 AC PORTER CREEK MIN (COAL OUT) 1/10 INT	UNION	\$176.86

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CLAY COUNTY

In The Matter of Petition of Name Change of
 J.M. Civil Action No. 24-P-10
 Current Name J.M. Judge Alsop
 To
 New Name J.M.P.

Legal Notice of Publication Change of Name

Order of Publication Circuit Court of Clay County West Virginia

Notice is hereby that on the 20th day of May 2024, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, Petitioner Evelyn Petry has applied by Petition to the Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia, for the entry of an order by said Court, Changing name of J.M. to J.M.P., at which time any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office.

ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 1st day of April 2024.

Christina Hanshaw
Circuit Clerk

LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CLAY COUNTY

In The Matter of Petition of Name Change of
 Evelyn F. Petry Civil Action No. 24-P-11
 Current Name Evelyn F. Petry Judge Alsop
 To
 New Name Evelyn Kayde Petry

Legal Notice of Publication Change of Name

Order of Publication Circuit Court of Clay County West Virginia

Notice is hereby that on the 20th day of May 2024, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, Petitioner Evelyn F. Petry has applied by Petition to the Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia, for the entry of an order by said Court, Changing name of Evelyn F. Petry to Evelyn Kayde Petry, at which time any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office.

ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court this 1st day of April 2024.

Christina Hanshaw
Circuit Clerk

LEGAL

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Civil Action No.: 24-D-16
PETITIONER, RESPONDENT,
TABITHA LUCAS JONATHAN LUCAS
ORDER OF PUBLICATION

THE OBJECT OF THIS SUIT IS TO OBTAIN A PETITION FOR DIVORCE:

It appearing by affidavit filed in this action that JONATHAN LUCAS may or may not be a resident of the State of West Virginia or had an unknown address. It is hereby ordered that JONATHAN LUCAS appear for a PETITION FOR DIVORCE hearing on MAY 9, 2024 at 11:30 a.m., including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition for DIVORCE filed in this action. If you fail to appear, a judgement 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.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY



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NO Scheduled Services
At This Time

BELL CREEK PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
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Thursday Night 7:00 PM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
with Services After
Sunday Night 7:00 PM
Pastor: Lee Holiday
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Preaching from K.J.V. Bible
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Morning 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening 7:00 PM
Thursday Evening 7:00 PM

BETHEL COMMUNITY CHURCH, Porter Creek Road, Bomont, WV
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 7:30 PM
Thursday Night Service 7:30 PM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Junior Davis

BICKMORE BAPTIST CHURCH located at Bickmore on Fola Road
Sunday School 9:45 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
Wednesday evening services 7:00 PM
Pastor: Ralph D. Lane

BIG OTTER BAPTIST CHURCH OF IVYDALE
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday prayer service and Bible Study 6:30 PM
Pastor: Danny Richardson

BIG UNION BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:15 AM
Worship Service 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening Service 1st, 3rd and 4th
Sundays Preaching 6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 PM
2nd Sunday Communion Service 6:00 PM
Pastor: Pete Shaffer

BLUE KNOB CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
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Worship Service 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 PM
Radio Broadcast, Sunday Morning 9:00 AM. WCWV Summersville
Everyone Welcome **Pastor: Doug Newell IV**

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**

C

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

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Sunday Evening Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
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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

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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Night Preaching 7:00 PM
Wednesday Worship 7:00 PM
Everyone welcome.
Pastor: George Stickland

COLD SPRINGS GOSPEL TABERNACLE, Upper Falling Rock, Clay County
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM
Sunday School 11:30 AM
Sunday Evening Service 7:30 PM
Tuesday Evenings 7:30 PM
Teachings from the King James Bible
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Darris Barker

CORNERSTONE INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH, Rt. 3, Newton
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Prayer Service/Discovery Clubs 7:00 PM
Pastor: Roy Huffman

E

ELK RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Saturday Night 7:00 PM
Pastor: Brace 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
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Bomont, WV
Sunday Service 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Nick Bird
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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

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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
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Pastor: Rev. David Smith
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Sunday Service 10:00 AM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Friday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Dean Rogers

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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

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Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
Wednesday evening 7:00 PM
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Pastor: James R. Paxton

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Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:00 PM
Wednesday BYF 7:00 PM.
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Pastor: Larry Skaggs

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Sunday Class 11:00-12:30
Preaching Lunch 12:30-1:30 PM
Wednesday Service 6:30-7:30 PM
Everyone welcome!

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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Worship Service 11:00 AM
Everyone Welcome!
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Pastor: Freddie Elliott

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Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Evening Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday (BYF) 7:00 PM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM

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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM

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Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Sunday Night 7:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
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Sunday Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Services 7:00 PM

LICKFORK BAPTIST CHURCH
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Wednesday 7:00 PM
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM
Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: David McLaughlin

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We invite you to come and worship with us.
Thursday Evening 7:00 PM
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Pastor: Cecil Lee

LIZEMORE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Sunday School 10-11:00 AM
Church Service 11-12 Noon
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Robert Thomas

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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

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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

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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.

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O'BRIEN ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching after Sunday School. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM
Pastor: James L. Balsler

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Sunday School 10:30 AM
Sunday School on the 2nd Sunday is at 10:00 AM
Wednesday 7:00 PM
Phone 304-587-2955
Pastors: Cindy & Roger Dunlap

OTTERLICK COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 6:00 PM
Bible Study Thursday 6:00 PM
Pastor: Gene Copen

OTTERVALE ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching every Sunday, except 5th, 11:00 AM
Prayer Meeting Tuesday Evening
Pastor: Rev. Rick Sams

PEOPLES COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
Take time out for Jesus, he took time out for you.
Pastor: Freddie Schoolcraft

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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

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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.
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:15 AM
Bible Study 2nd, 4th, 5th
Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Pastor: David Walker

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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

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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!
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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.
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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

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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

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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
PME 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!

VALLEY RIDGE CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Bible Study Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
Everyone is welcome to attend.

V

WALLBACK METHODIST CHURCH
Preaching 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 9:45 AM
Bible Study Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM
Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Rev. Stewart Cottrell

WALNUT GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Preaching 1st & 3rd Sundays 11:00 AM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Pastor: (304) 332-5503
Pastor: Jimmy Adkins

WALNUT MEMORIAL CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 10:00 AM
Thursday Evening Service 7:30 PM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Lester Tanner

WHITE PILGRIM METHODIST CHURCH
Preaching Sunday 9:45 AM
Sunday School 11:00 AM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Paul Coon

WHITESTAR TABERNACLE CHURCH
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!
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Rt. 4, 1/4 miles below Maysel on the left
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
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Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
Come worship the Lord with us!
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Pastor: Jerry Hanshaw





Natalie Tanner runs the 100 meter hurdles.



McKinley Mahan runs the 4x800.



Marissa Atha competes in the 1600 meter run.

CCMS track places second at Roane

By Allen Hamrick

It was time to burn some sneakers Saturday as the Mustang boys and girls competed at Roane County. Six teams participated in the event with the very tough Point Pleasant track team in the house. It was a windy day, and runners were hit in the face with heavy wind gusts at one turn and wind aided in others. At least it wasn't raining.

The Mustangs, as a whole team, came in second overall behind first place Point Pleasant. The Mustangs had some outstanding performances on both the Lady Mustang and the Mustang teams. Natalie Tanner once again proved she is the one to beat in the hurdles placing first in the 100 meter hurdles and, for her first time, she placed first in the high jump. This was quite a feat due to the fact she had never competed in the event before this meet.

Other stand outs were McKinley Mahan placing 1st in the 800 meter run and Marissa Atha killing it in the long distance placing first in both the 1600 meter and the 3200 meter runs. The 4x200 relay team placed 2nd, the 4x800 placed 1st and the 4x60 shuttle hurdles placed 1st, as well. Brooke Cliver placed 2nd overall in the shot put and 4th in the discus on her first meet of the season. The boys did a good job as well. Jackson Stricker set a new school record in the pole vault hitting 5' 6". The 4x200 relay team placed 2nd, the 4x400 was 3rd, the 4x800 also took 3rd and the 4x60 team took 2nd in the shuttle hurdles. Canaan Payton took 3rd in the 100 meter hurdles and Cole Boggs took 3rd in the 200 meter hurdles. Eli Hill was 2nd in the boys' discus and Caleb Robinson was 3rd.

The Mustang track team is working hard to put CCMS track at the top of the food chain. They will be back in action at Roane on April 20. Go Mustangs!



Andrew Tanner burns the earth in the 400.



Eli Hill competes in the shot put.



Canaan Payton runs the 100 meter hurdles.

Mustangs squeeze past Trail

By Allen Hamrick

The CCMS boys' baseball team was both on the road and at home this week squashing the competition. The Mustangs have set the diamond on fire with some excellent technical/physical baseball and have racked up seven wins with no losses. Simply put, this is one of the best teams to hit the field for the Mustangs in a while. The talent on the team would lend itself to believe that this could be the year they bring home the gold, but there is a lot of baseball yet to play.

Over the past week, the Mustangs set their sights on the Yellow Jackets of Spencer Middle. It was a good game for the Mustangs as they met little resistance towards the win. When the dust settled, it was the Mustangs over the Yellow Jackets 7-2. Then Midland Trail blew into town on a perfect night for baseball. Both teams looked as though talent wouldn't be a problem and neither would be the action.

The Mustangs sent ace pitcher, and I do mean ace pitcher, Pierce Adkins to the mound to try and put down any offense Midland Trail might muster. Pierce went to work with some English that didn't come from a cracker box. Those pitches kept the Trail players guessing and strik-

ing. By the time he was done, he set down 15 batters while allowing just one hit and one run. Trail didn't score until the top of the seventh inning when they started off with a hit and looked like they were going to make a comeback.

The Mustangs got their runs early in the 3rd inning on some wild throws and heads up base running. They piled the bases with runners and had their sights set on blowing up the score board, but Trail shut them down. In the top of the 7th inning, Trail had one on base who eventually scored. Pierce got busy and was setting batters down but walked a batter who decided to try and steal 2nd. This was a mistake; the pitch came in perfect for the gun arm of catcher Joel Elliot to fire the perfect throw to 2nd and ended the chance for a Trail comeback.

It was a good game to watch, and now the season gets even a little tougher as the Mustangs travel to play the Blue Devils of George Washington on Tuesday. It should be a great game. A win here would set in motion a momentum that any other team would have a hard time stopping. If you want to see some good three up, three down baseball, come to a Mustang game as they try to win it all. Go Mustangs!



Lathan Brown digs up the grounder at 2nd.



Cooper Collins gets the lead runner out at 2nd.



Devin Griffin is safe at 2nd after steal.

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