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A holistic approach to get WV kids on right back-to-school track



By Nadia Ramlagan

More than 263,000 West Virginia kids will soon return to school, and experts said it is crucial for parents to stay up-to-date with doctors' visits and set healthy habits for success in the new academic year.

Kelli Caseman, executive director of the group Think Kids West Virginia, said it is important to ensure children get enough sleep, which can be challenging when families have to be at bus stops early in the morning. She added parents should be aware the start of school can be a time of excitement for kids but also a source of stress and anxiety.

"One of the most important things that we can give them is our attention," Caseman recommended. "And to help kind of dismantle their concerns and promote resilience and self-confidence."

A 2023 Pew Research Center survey found four in 10 parents with children younger than 18 said they are either "extremely or very worried" they might struggle with anxiety or depression. Parents are now more concerned about their child's

mental health than physical threats or the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

Dr. Rhonda Randall, chief medical officer and executive vice president of United-Healthcare Employer and Individual, said annual well-child visits, often required for participation in school sports, offer a chance to discuss mental health with a pediatrician or family physician.

"They're also checking in on emotional and behavioral health needs and setting them up for success for the rest of the school year," Randall explained.

Caseman added good physical health starts at home. She encouraged parents to go over ways to reduce the spread of colds and flu with their child.

"The correct way to sneeze, washing your hands, the importance of not spreading germs," Caseman outlined. "Because, as we well know, that's when you see a lot of sickness in rural communities."

One recent study found spread of the flu during peak seasons caused around 9,000 school closures, affecting 4 million students nationwide between 2011 and 2022.

Clay County Schools 2024-25 Calendar

First day of school for students: Friday, Aug. 23 for K-12; Wednesday, Aug. 28 for Pre-K.

Last day of school for students: Friday, May 30 for K-11; Tuesday, May 13 for Pre-K.

Graduation is Saturday, May 24, at 10 a.m.

Open House Dates:

August 19: Clay County High School, 5 to 7 p.m.

August 20: Clay County Middle School, 5 to 7 p.m.

August 22: Big Otter Elementary, K-5th, 5 to 7 p.m.

August 22: Clay Elementary School, Pre-K to 5th, 5 to 7 p.m.

August 26: BOE, Pre-K, 5 to 7 p.m.

Parent Teacher Conferences:

BOE, CES, CCHS: October 29 and February 4, 5 to 7 p.m.

CCMS: September 19 and January 23, 5 to 7 p.m.

Holidays/Professional Learning Days (no school for students):

September 2: Labor Day

November 5: Election Day

November 11: Veteran's Day

January 1: New Year's Day

January 2: Professional Learning Day

January 20: MLK Jr. Day

April 18: Professional Learning Day

April 21: OS Day

May 26: Memorial Day

School Breaks:

Thanksgiving- November 25 to 29

Christmas- December 23 to January 2

Spring Break- March 24 to 28

Long Weekend- April 18 to 21

Faculty Senate and Teacher Leader Days – 3 Hour Early Dismissal:

September 13

October 11

November 15

December 20

January 17

February 21

March 14

April 17

Mar 16

2-Hour Early Dismissal: Friday,

September 20.

Calendar subject to change pending inclement weather

Mountain State Spotlight: West Virginians could get cheaper electricity under a new federal rule. The PSC doesn't like it

Last month, the West Virginia Public Service Commission denounced a federal transmission rule that would mitigate rising electricity costs and increase grid stability.

By Sarah Elbeshbishi

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In May, federal energy regulators issued a new rule to reduce electricity system gridlock, ensure energy reliability and lower power costs. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission labeled it "historic". The rule would make it easier for new power plants to get online, which will help the continued growth of renewable energy and help drive prices down. Experts have celebrated the move, calling it a "landmark" rule.

A month later, West Virginia's utility regulators denounced the FERC rule.

"The agency's action substantially undermines states' role in transmission planning, and will not result in just or reasonable rates," state Public Service Commission Chairman Charlotte Lane said in a press release.

But both FERC and experts have dismissed those concerns and said that the rule will address the current issues around how electricity is transferred, which has driven higher prices for ratepayers. The rule is likely to lower power costs for West Virginians by targeting transmission inefficiencies and adding new, cheaper sources of energy to the electric grid.

The PSC also noted in its press release that the rule coincides with the Biden administration's clean energy push and that — at the time of the ruling — FERC's two Democratic commissioners voted for the rule while sole Republican voted against it.

"What we've seen is the political backlash to the rule has been completely divorced from the merits of the rule," said Devin Hartman, director of energy and environmental policy at R Street Institute, a nonpartisan policy think tank.

Transmission refers to the moving of electricity, often over long distances and at high voltages, from power plants that generate it to distribution facilities closer to businesses and homes that use it.

The federal rule aims to address the current deficiencies in how transmission is planned and built, which have resulted in ballooning electricity prices across the country. Escalating rates have hit hard in West Virginia, as state regulators continue to rely on coal, which is becoming even more expensive and unable to compete with natural gas and renewable energy.

While once home to some of the lowest power rates in the country, West Virginia is now among a number of states that have seen significant jumps in electricity costs. Average monthly residential bills in the state more



PSC Chairman Charlotte Lane speaks to lawmakers last year. Photo by Will Price/WV Legislative Photography.

Average Monthly Electric Bill from 2002 to 2022

The average monthly power bill in West Virginia in 2022 has more than doubled since 2002. Starting in 2015, the state's electric bill surpassed the U.S. national average.

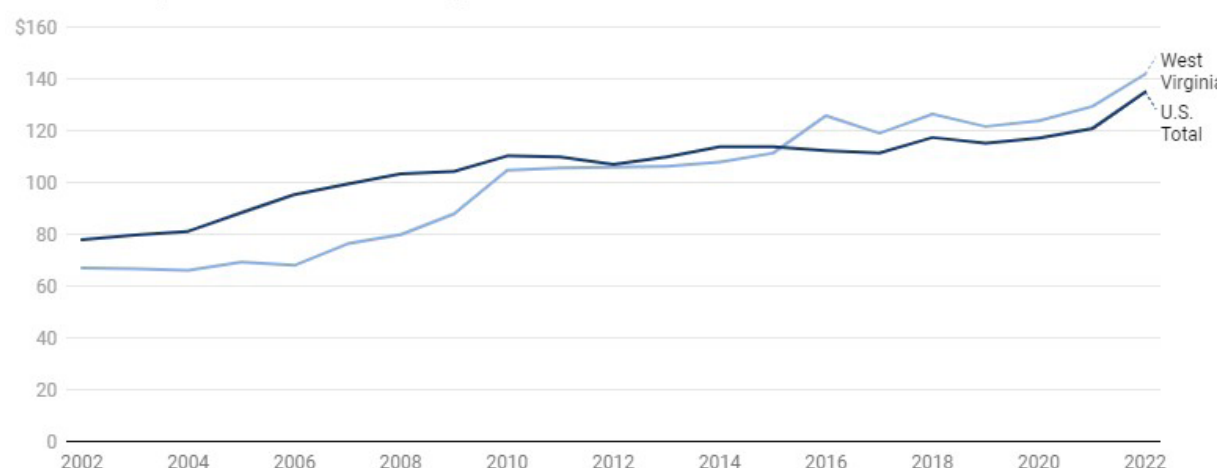


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than doubled between 2002 and 2022, from about \$67 to \$142, according to data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

PSC actions to continue the state's reliance on coal play a large role in the quickly rising power costs across

West Virginia, according to a 2024 energy report by Energy Innovation Policy & Technology, a nonpartisan energy research group.

In 2021, the PSC allowed utility companies to pass along the \$448 million cost of regulatory upgrades onto

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REGIONAL JAIL MUGSHOTS

NICHOLAS COUNTY



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Violation of bond



Mavin Timothy Campbell
Booked 8/9/24
Trespassing asked to leave



Jared Kyle Cruse
Booked 8/10/24
Improper registration, receiving or transferring stolen vehicle, receiving or transferring stolen goods, driving suspended



Stacy Allen Dillard
Booked 8/9/24
Domestic assault



Ronnal Lee Shrewsbury
Booked 8/11/24
Domestic battery

NICHOLAS COUNTY



Corey Allen Smith
Booked 8/9/24
Capias



Colleen Lee Woods
Booked 8/10/24
Possession with intent, possession of a controlled substance, driving off laned highway

CLAY COUNTY



Randall Glenn Brown
Booked 8/5/24
Failure to register as a sex offender



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BRAXTON COUNTY



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Booked 8/7/24
Violation of protective order



Cassandra Carol Smearman
Booked 8/9/24
Bailpiece

Courthouse News

Friday, August 23, 2024 Docket Schedule for Magistrate: Rider, Charles "Jeff"

09:30 AM, State v. Shane Curtis Winebrenner, Pre-Trial Hearing, speed limitations generally (country highway), no vehicle insurance

09:30 AM, State v. Shane Curtis Winebrenner, Pre-Trial Hearing, driving while license suspended or revoked

10:00 AM, State v. Patrick Craddock, Bench Trial, Operators license – driving while suspended or revoked for DUI, no proof of insurance, operate motor vehicle exempted from registration requirements during prohibited hours

10:30 AM, State v. Isaac Monroe Mullins, Pre-Trial Hearing, computer – transmitting threatening communication

11:00 AM, State v. Christopher David Pritt, Preliminary hearing, Controlled substance – manufacture, deliver, or possess with intent to deliver Schedule I, II, or III (2 counts), persons prohibited from possessing firearms

01:00 PM, State v. Bradley Joe Stone, Pre-Trial Hearing, Operators license – driving while suspended or revoked for DUI, fleeing or attempted to flee from law enforcement officer in vehicle

01:30 PM, State v. Daniel Eugene Vaughan, Bench Trial, Operators license – driving while suspended or revoked for DUI, unsafe and improperly equipped vehicles, seatbelt violation

02:00 PM, State v. Rosalie Julianna Hart, Bench Trial, Vehicle registration – failure to notify change or address or name, failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

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OBITUARY



Jerry Clyde Butcher

Jerry Clyde Butcher, of Maysel, West Virginia, went home to be with the Lord on August 3, 2024, at the age of 89.

Jerry was born on September 4, 1934, to Dow Dencil Butcher and Mona Gay Harold Butcher, in Maysel, West Virginia.

Jerry was preceded in death by his father, mother, and his wife of 66 years, Joretta Joy Butcher, and his daughter Ellen Joy Butcher; brother; Gary H. Butcher Sr. and his wife Joyce Ward Butcher.

He is survived by his sisters-in-law, Mary Helen Conrad Peterson of Tallmadge, OH and Ruth Ellen Walker of Watkinsville, Ga; his devoted friend and caregiver, Kim Haverstock of Canton, OH; nephew, Gary H. Butcher Jr. (Leshia) of Ivydale, WV; nieces,

Lisa Murphy (Rusty) of Dog Run, Connie (Frank) of Clay; great nieces, Claudia, Odessa, Stella, Elsie, Evie and Lucy; great nephews, Garren (Destiny), Luke (Erica), Ethan (Jamie) and David (Christina) many other nieces and nephews and friends. As well as his companion cat, Heidi.

Jerry grew up in Maysel and graduated from Clay County High School in 1953. He served in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956. He was stationed in Pirmasens, Germany. Jerry married Joretta Joy Conrad on January 1, 1955. Joretta joined him in Germany until he completed his tour in the fall of 1956. They returned to the States that same year. Jerry attended West Virginia University, where he graduated in 1960 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. He also attended Harvard University's AMP program in 1978.

In 1960, Jerry became employed by The Good Year Tire and Rubber Company, based in Akron, Ohio. He started his career working in a management training program for Kelly Springfield in Cumberland, MD.

His career continued as follows, 1968, he was employed in Point Pleasant, WV as a Human Resource Manager. 1970-75, he was employed in Tyler, Texas as the Production Manager. 1975, he was employed in Cumberland, MD as the Production Manager. 1976, he was employed in Akron, Ohio as Assistant to the Executive Vice President of Good Year. 1976, he was employed in Logan, Ohio as the Plant Manager. 1978, he was employed in Akron, Ohio as the Director of Home Products. 1984, he was employed in Akron, Ohio as the Director of the North American Tire Plants, as Director of Asian manufacturing. 1986, he was appointed as director of Asian manufacturing. 1996, Jerry retired from Good Year.

Jerry was a member of The Mt. Tabor United Methodist Church of East Canton, Ohio. He was a Master Mason of 60 plus years, Shriner of 50 plus years, and Scottish Rite of over 50 years at the 32nd degree of Masonry.

Jerry and Joretta enjoyed the International Experience. They traveled to many parts of the world throughout his career and spent many vaca-

tions aboard.

After Jerry's retirement, he and Joretta moved to the country in Louisville, Ohio. They enjoyed living there for 20 some years. They enjoyed their home and enjoyed entertaining family and friends and going to church. Through the years, Joretta and Jerry also enjoyed their second home in Maysel, WV.

In September of 2023, Jerry and his cat, Heidi moved back to his hometown where he enjoyed family and friends, watching the birds and the deer. He spent the remainder of his days in his old home place in Maysel, WV. A special thanks to the Hospicecare workers and many health care givers and loved ones.

Jerry service was held on Friday, August 9, 2024 with a visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. at Wilson Smith Funeral Home, Clay, following with a graveside service at 12:00 p.m. at the Harold Cemetery on Uler Road, Newton WV.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.carlwilsonfuneralhome.com

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A Loving Forest

By Joe Mazzella

CRACK! BOOM! I sat up in my bed, my heart pounding in my chest, and a startled scream escaping my lips. I was a teenage boy and had been sleeping deeply a few seconds ago. The gentle rain that was falling when I went to sleep, however, had turned into a savage storm while I dreamed. The lightning strike that had just hit felt like it was right outside my window. It took me a long time to fall back asleep again.

The next day I walked out to a small spring about 50 yards from our home and saw where it had hit. It had wrapped itself around an Oak tree stripping off the bark and splitting the trunk. I felt bad for the tree knowing that it was done for. The next year, though, I noticed that the tree hadn't died. In fact, it had fresh, new, green leaves growing on it and the burnt bark was starting to grow back too. I was amazed at the resilience of this tree and couldn't believe that it had survived such damage.

Recently I was reading something that shed fresh light about that tree. It was a scientific study that showed that the forest floor is all interconnected. When one tree is damaged the other trees will share their own nutrients to keep it alive and growing through their root system. Reading this made me smile. I felt a renewed appreciation for the Earth and all of God's glorious creation. And I thanked God for this beautiful world we all live in.

Looking back at my own life I see that I have taken quite a few lightning strikes as well. Yet, through them all I have felt the love of those around me. I doubt the strongest tree could survive what each of us goes through in this life. Thankfully, we aren't alone. We are a part of a loving forest. And when one of us gets hurt, others are always there to help us heal. We aren't meant to stand alone. God wants us to be a part of a greater whole, one created in Love.

And That's the Way it Was

Dr. James L. Snyder

I've lived long enough to realize that things usually go their own way. I may want something to go one way, but eventually, it all boils down to going the other way.

That is no more true than when The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I travel somewhere. We usually use her Sissy Van, so I give her the honor of driving. After all, I sure don't want to drive a Sissy Van.

This month, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and Yours Truly will celebrate our 53rd year of marital bliss. I can't believe we've been married that long, but that's exactly what The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage told me. And she is never wrong—or at least, I never tell her when she is wrong.

Being married for 53 years is an accomplishment in today's world. Most people aren't married for 53 months. I can't believe all of the divorce and remarriage that I see in the world today.

If you're going to be a successful Hollywood movie star, you have to be married and divorced at least five times. My wife and I could never qualify as Hollywood celebrities, and that's just the way it is.

During our 53 years of marriage I can't remember any time we had a fight. We may have had one but I can't remember it. I don't believe in anger and fighting and stomping around mad. Some people get a thrill out of that, but I'm not some people.

The only difficulties we've had have been with broccoli and Apple Fritters. She loves broccoli, and I love Apple Fritters, and the two shall never sit at the same dinner table.

Just before we married, I told her how much I loved Apple Fritters. So I asked her rather bluntly, "When we get married will I be able to eat Apple Fritters?"

Looking at me with a smile, she said, "Oh, my dear. You can have an Apple Fritter every single day."

It wasn't until a couple of months ago that I reminded her of this.

"Don't you remember," I said, "that you said I could have an Apple Fritter every single day?"

Laughing, she looked at me and thoughtfully said, "How many single days have you had since you were married?"

It took me a little while to understand what she was saying. That's just the way it was, so get used to it, I said to myself.

After being married as long as I have, I understand you don't always get everything you want. That's just not the way life works.

As a teenager, I thought I could get everything I wanted. After all, the commercial said, "You deserve a break today." You can always believe a commercial.

Last month, I celebrated my 73rd birthday, and as I look back on my life, the one thing I'm grateful for is that I didn't get everything I thought I deserved. Oh boy, what would my life be like today if that really happened?

I had just graduated high school at 18 and thought I could have anything and everything I wanted. Thinking about it, if I had everything today that I always wanted when I was 18, I would be in bad shape right now. I sure am glad I'm not 18. In fact, I'm really glad I am as old as I am.

Today, I wouldn't have the energy to do what I was doing 50 years ago. I'm just glad I can do what I am doing now at this age.

The other night, while relaxing in the living room watching TV, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I were reminiscing about our family. We started 53 years ago, when all we had was each other.

Now, after 53 years of being together, we have three children, nine grandchildren, and this year, we acquired three great-grandchildren.

Both of us sat back in our chairs, sighed deeply, and smiled. In reality, we had everything that we need.

I was sitting in my office the other day and looking around at all of my books. I must confess that I am a bookaholic. When I retired, we added an office to our house so I could accommodate all of my books.

So, with 15 children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and around 8,500 books in my library, what else is there to enjoy in life?

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has a craft room at the other end of the house. Her craft room and my study are not very compatible except when she's in her room, and I'm in mine. Oh, the wonderful sounds of silence.

As I get older, I'm beginning to appreciate what I have. I have some friends who are always bemoaning what they don't have. I feel sorry for them, but I can't relate to them.

I see what I have in front of me and I am one happy geezer.

While thinking about this, a verse of scripture came to mind. "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things" (1 Corinthians 13:11).

Reflecting on my life there is nothing I can change. I'm not sure what I would change if I could. What I can do is focus on the present. I can change going forward by acting like an adult.

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SPOTLIGHT

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West Virginia ratepayers to keep three coal plants open.

But this new FERC rule could help address the state's surging power rates.

The rule will require transmission operators, including utility companies, to produce a regional plan that identifies the long-term needs over 20 years and update the plan at least once every five years. Operators will also be required to conduct cost-benefit analyses to ensure reasonable rates for customers.

"Getting these new, cheaper forms of electricity, more broadly distributed and able to be taken advantage of by West Virginia is going to stem the flow of cost increases or, in the long-term, lower electricity rates for the state," said Mike Becher, an attorney for Appalachian Mountain Advocates.

Currently, transmission is being built with no required cost-benefit tests, competitive bidding processes or regulatory oversight, which has created the prime conditions for significant cost increases. But this new rule addresses all those issues and puts a focus on regional transmission projects instead of local ones, which are currently being overbuilt.

The annual amount spent on electric transmission by utility companies from 2000 to 2019 increased by more than \$30 billion, according to the EIA. Of the \$40 billion utilities spent on transmission in 2019, more than half of it was invested in new transmission.

Following the federal ruling, West Virginia utility

regulators asked FERC to revisit the rule in an 18-page filing. FERC denied the requests to revisit the rule last month. Days afterwards, the PSC and the Ohio Public Utilities Commission's Office of the Federal Energy Advocate filed a petition requesting a review of the rule with the 6th U.S. Circuit of Appeals.

In their filing, the PSC argued the rule would make West Virginians unfairly pay for projects driven by other states' decarbonization policies. However, the rule addresses cost concerns, stating that customers are only required to pay for what they benefit from.

West Virginia is part of the PJM, which operates the electric grid and plans the movement of electricity to meet demand across 13 states in the Mid-Atlantic region.

And while states like West Virginia are not prioritizing decarbonization or renewable energy sources, their policies still drive a need for more transmission, according to Claire Wayner, senior associate at RMI, a nonpartisan energy research group.

"We're seeing states like West Virginia point to clean energy policies as if they're different from other state policies. But West Virginia and other, kind of, non-clean energy states in PJM, they also have policies that are driving demand for more transmission," Wayner said. "So really, the benefit of regional long-term planning is meeting all state policies, not just the clean energy ones, in a least-cost manner."

PROPERTY FOR SALE

This is a notice offering four (4) property lots for sale, approximately 2.5 miles down the Hartland access road to Elkhurst, WV.

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Beginning at the Goff Run Substation off of US Rt's 33 and 119 east of Spencer West Virginia in Roane County. The line runs in a southeasterly direction crossing near CR 5/14 Daniels Run, CR 40 Slate Rd, CR 36/1, CR 48/3 Kaufman Rd, CR 48 Otto Rd, CR 48/2 Chambers Fork, CR 50/5 Clover Rd, CR 50 Keffer Hill, and CR 2/5 Linden Rd where the line taps into the Linden Road Substation. The line continues in a southeast direction crossing CR 27 Linden Bright Rd, and continues into Calhoun County near CR 20/8 Sang Run Rd, crossing CR 20/9 Big Run Rd, CR 1/5, Beech Fork, White Oak Rd, CR 17/2, and CR 28 Mud Fork Rd. The line then enters into Clay County crossing CR 38/1 W Fork Rd, CR 38 Clinic Dr, SR 16, Interstate 79 and Big Otter Creek, CR 19 Ossia Rd, Deadfall Run Rd, CR 16/2 Otterlick Rd, James Dunfield Rd, SR 4 Duck Rd, the Elk River, CR 11 Widen Ridge Rd, CR 11/4 Lantz Rd, Rock Camp Rd, CR 15/2 Swandale Rd, CR 52 Rush Camp, Buffalo Creek, and CR 15/4 Taylor Fork Rd. The line then enters Nicholas County and runs along Turkey Creek, crossing CR 19/26 Spruce Run Rd and US Rt 19, terminating at the Powell Mountain Substation off CR 19/41 Hookersville Rd north of Muddlety West Virginia.

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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.

Aug. 14, 1894: Entertainer Ada Beatrice Queen Victoria Louise Virginia "Bricktop" Smith was born at Alderson. She performed in Paris in the 1920s and opened her own clubs, the Music Box and Bricktop's, a favorite hangout of songwriter Cole Porter.

Aug. 14, 1943: Astronaut Jon Andrew McBride was born in Charleston. McBride became an astronaut in 1979 and piloted the space shuttle *Challenger* on an eight-day mission in 1984.



Aug. 15, 1867: The

cornerstone was laid for the Fairmont Branch Normal School (now Fairmont State University).

Aug. 15, 1906: The Niagara Movement began a five-day meeting at Storer College in Harpers Ferry. The organization was founded in 1905 by a group of Black intellectuals, including W. E. B. Du Bois.

Aug. 15, 1946: The first FM radio station in the state, WCFC of Beckley, began regular programming.



Aug. 16, 1851: William Hope "Coin" Harvey was born in Buffalo, Putnam County. Harvey, a social

reformer, was nominated for president of the United States by the Liberty Party in 1932.



Aug. 16, 1913: Helen Holt was born in Illinois. In 1957, Governor Cecil Underwood appointed her to fill the secretary of state's unexpired term, making her the first woman to hold statewide office in West Virginia.

Aug. 17, 1944: Staff Sergeant Stanley Bender of Fayette County earned the Medal of Honor in southern France. Bender rushed through intense

machine gun fire and grenades, and knocked out two German machine guns with rifle fire. His actions inspired the rest of his company to take out a German roadblock, kill 37 enemy soldiers, and take 26 prisoners.



Aug. 17, 1946: Old-time musician Dwight Diller was born in Rand but spent most of his life in Pocahontas County, documenting, teaching, and performing traditional music. He died in 2023.

Aug. 17, 1976: The National Mine Health and Safety Academy opened at Beaver, near Beckley. The academy, located on a 76-acre campus, is the world's largest educational institution devoted solely to safety and health

in mining.

Aug. 18, 1885: Artemus Ward Cox was born on a farm at Red Knob, Roane County. In 1914, Cox bought the George Ort Department Store on Capitol Street in Charleston. That store became the first in a chain of 21 A. W. Cox stores in West Virginia, Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky.



Aug. 19, 1863: Union cavalry under Brigadier General William W. Averell destroyed the Confederate saltpeter works near Franklin.

Aug. 19, 1997: Fiddler Curly Ray Cline died. Born in Logan County, Cline was a member of the Lonesome Pine Fiddlers and Ralph Stanley's

Clinch Mountain Boys.

Aug. 20, 1851: The oldest statue in West Virginia, a nine-foot wood carving of Patrick Henry, was dedicated at the county courthouse in Morgantown.

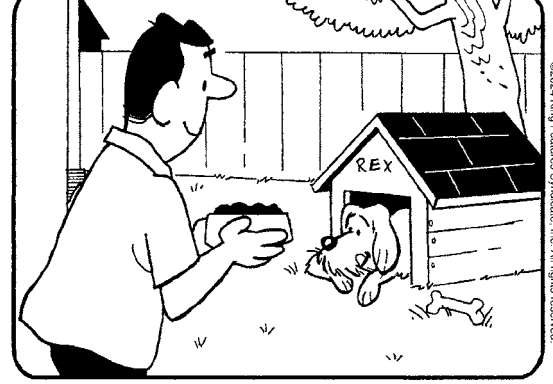
Aug. 20, 2004: Eldora Bolyard Nuzum died in Elkins. While working for the *Grafton Sentinel* in 1946, she became the first female editor of a daily newspaper in West Virginia. For three decades, she was editor of the *Elkins Inter-Mountain*.



HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Shingles are different. 2. Bowl of shirt is larger. 3. Doghouse opening is different. 4. Bottom of shirt is different. 5. Paw is moved. 6. Finger is moved.

Super Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Big name in health insurance
 - 6 2010 Apple debut
 - 10 Love to excess, with "on"
 - 14 "Get lost!"
 - 19 Park for mobile campers
 - 20 Reuben offerer
 - 21 "Bejabbers!"
 - 22 Sycophant
 - 23 Welcome words to a job applicant
 - 25 House badly in need of repairs
 - 27 Bake-off dish
 - 28 Yoko of art
 - 29 Floor layers
 - 30 Active Sicilian volcano
 - 31 Tampa Bay Rays' stadium
 - 36 Org. for some ex-GIs
 - 38 Tijuana Mr.
 - 39 Makeup of Hawaii
 - 40 Yellow-orange fruit
 - 44 Bed for sushi
 - 47 —'wester
 - 48 Fish feature
 - 50 Prefix with botany
 - 51 Dean of Truman's Cabinet
 - 54 Agreed-upon time
 - 57 Hitter Gehrig
 - 58 African land
 - 60 Phonies
 - 61 Pre-U queue
 - 62 Liberalism
 - 67 Low-key "Hey!"
 - 70 Ram hard
 - 71 Winter hrs. in D.C.
 - 72 Haifa citizens
 - 76 "Doggone it!"
 - 77 Additional plateful
 - 79 Lupino of "High Sierra"
 - 81 Trifled (with)
 - 84 Purposes
 - 85 D.C. ballplayer
 - 86 Certain role-playing game organizer
 - 91 Gives, as duties
 - 94 Spanish national hero
 - 95 Part of ENT
 - 96 Ar-tee linkup
 - 97 Dandy dudes
 - 98 Dismissive facial reaction
 - 100 One — (long odds)
 - 102 Delta rival, once
 - 106 Gallic pal
 - 107 Spread on "Bonanza"
 - 111 End-of-workweek cry
 - 114 Formulas of belief
 - 116 LA-to-IL dir.
 - 117 "Kitchy-kitchy- —!"
 - 118 Appliance that cooks batter
 - 120 In advance ... or where nine key words in this puzzle might appear
 - 124 Whether by land —
 - 125 With 112-Down, she had a "Tootsie" role
 - 126 Sheik, e.g.
 - 127 One of the Osmonds
 - 128 Smelting waste
 - 129 Deputy: Abbr.
 - 130 "Doggone it!"
 - 131 1998 Apple debuts
- DOWN**
- 1 Underground vaults
 - 2 Afrique's Côte d'—
 - 3 Attach using paste
 - 4 Fish-fowl link
 - 5 Devoured
 - 6 "Let It Go" singer
 - 7 Italian beer brand
 - 8 British beer
 - 9 Pulled off
 - 10 Disobeys
 - 11 "Darby — and the Little People"
 - 12 Levied
 - 13 Broadway singer Linda
 - 14 "Disco" cartoon guy
 - 15 Manage, as a problem
 - 16 Engrossed
 - 17 City in Yemen
 - 18 Gore Vidal's Breckinridge
 - 24 Ad —
 - 26 Reply to an invite
 - 29 Traffic snarl
 - 32 Skin opening
 - 33 Pupil locale
 - 34 Really rail at
 - 35 Dud
 - 37 Mr. Flintstone
 - 40 Feed the kiddy
 - 41 Chuckling with glee
 - 42 Big burden
 - 43 Civil wrong
 - 45 Attending
 - 46 Ratify
 - 48 Royal decree
 - 49 Writing fluid
 - 51 Swiss peaks
 - 52 "Neat!"
 - 53 Luau entertainment
 - 55 Departing for
 - 56 Potent coffee
 - 59 Language akin to Thai
 - 63 "— bad boy!"
 - 64 Bronze metal
 - 65 West Yorkshire city
 - 66 Key near F1
 - 68 Mineo of film
 - 69 Month no. 9
 - 72 SSNs, e.g.
 - 73 Paper bundle
 - 74 — instant (very quickly)
 - 75 Some NCOs
 - 77 Scorch
 - 78 Baby's bottle
 - 79 Nation, to Luc
 - 80 "— noted"
 - 82 "The — lama, he's a priest"
 - 83 Sumac of song
 - 87 World's tallest creatures
 - 88 Ancient Dead Sea region
 - 89 Takes care of
 - 90 Punta del —
 - 92 San Antonio hoopster
 - 93 "Insecure" co-star Rae
 - 99 Dog pests
 - 100 Part of the conspiracy
 - 101 Diet-friendly, maybe
 - 103 Turkey's capital
 - 104 Like sacred images
 - 105 — Scholar
 - 107 French for "fathers"
 - 108 Bad smells
 - 109 Uppity types
 - 110 — Lingus
 - 111 Having length and width but not depth, for short
 - 112 See
 - 125-Across
 - 113 "In case it's true ..."
 - 115 Poet Dove
 - 119 Part of UNLV
 - 120 Watering hole
 - 121 Notable period of time
 - 122 Former big record co.
 - 123 Easter entree

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Former Widen Principal Becomes President of University of Maine

The Trustees of the University of Maine, Orono, Maine, have announced the appointment of Lloyd H. Elliott, 39, Executive Assistant to the President at Cornell University, as its ninth president.

Dr. Elliott will succeed Dr. Arthur A. Hauck, who has served for nearly 24 years as president of Maine's State University.

Raymond H. Fogler, president of the Board of Trustees, said that Dr. Elliott will begin his new duties on July 1. President Hauck, who will be 65 on February 10, announced last June that he would be retiring in February. Since that time, a committee of trustees and faculty has conducted an extensive search to find the right man to succeed President Hauck.

"Dr. Elliott has the background and qualifications we need for the challenging position of president of the University of Maine," Fogler said. "We feel sure he will bring the forward-looking leadership we are going to need as the University increases in size and service during the years ahead."

Dr. Elliott was born in Clay County, West Virginia on May 21, 1918. He was a student at the West Virginia Institute of Technology in 1934-35 and received his A.B. at Glenville State College, Glenville, West Virginia in 1937. His major work was in English.

Dr. Elliott received his M.A. from West Virginia University in 1939. His major work was in the field of education and his minor work was in English and History.

In 1948, Dr. Elliott was awarded the Ed. D. by the University of Colorado. His major work was in the field of School Administration, his minor work was in the fields of Public Administration, Curriculum, and Secondary Education. He wrote his dissertation on "The Effects of Birth Rate on Public School Enrollment and the Need for Teachers, 1948-1960."

Dr. Elliott began his career in education as a teacher of language arts in the elementary grades and high school at Widen, West Virginia in 1937. He served as principal of the Widen School System from 1939 to 1942.

During World War II, Dr. Elliott served on active duty as a Lieutenant Commander in the United States Naval Reserve.

In 1946, he became a Teaching Assistant at the University of Colorado. A year later, he was named Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Boulder, Colorado. During the summer of 1948, he was visiting professor of School Administration at the University of Texas.

Dr. Elliott went to Cornell University in 1948 as an Assistant Professor. He was named an Associate Professor in 1950. He taught Rural Education, Curriculum and Secondary Education.

He was named Director on the Summer Session at Cornell in 1953, and, a year later, received appointment as Professor of Educational Administration.

In 1955, he was appointed Assistant-Director of the School of Education and to the Provost and also Acting at Cornell. Dr. Elliott was named Executive Assistant to the President in 1956 and he has held this position to the present time.

On several occasions, Dr. Elliott has been called on to serve as a consultant on educational matters. He has served as consultant on curriculum for the United States Air Force Special Staff School, Craig Air Force Base, Alabama; consultant on curriculum for the State Survey of Public Education in North Carolina; and as consultant for Junior High School Education in Kingsport, Tennessee. He was Regional Coordinator for the State Department Program on readjustment of Public Education in New York.

Dr. Elliott is a member of many education associations including the American Association of School Administrators, the American Association of University Professors, the National Society for the Study of Education, and the National Education Association.

He is the author of a number of publications and articles, particularly for educational journals.

He has been a member of the Board of the First Presbyterian Church of Ithaca, New York, during recent years.

Dr. Elliott is married and has two children, Lloyd Gene Elliott, a senior at Ithaca High School; and Patricia Ann Elliott, sixth grade student at Cayuga Heights School, Ithaca.

Dr. Elliott has issued the following statement:

"While it is with reluctance that we leave Cornell and Ithaca, Mrs. Elliott and I are looking forward with great interest to becoming members of the family of the University of Maine.

"I have been impressed with the interest shown by the citizens of Maine in their State University, of the progress that has been made at the University and of the prospects for the future. It is an honor to be invited to have a part in the future of the University and the State, and I accept with both enthusiasm and humility."

CONGRATULATIONS!

Mr. H. L. Beattie, vice President of Elk River Coal and Lumber Company, congratulates Mrs. Pearle D. Williams and Mr. Victor B. Shingler for their excellent editing of the Widen News and the Widen News Pictorial.

Mrs. Williams and Mr. Shingler have been filling in for Mr. H. C. Johnson during his illness.

FRED SMITH SPEAKS TO WIDEN ROTARY

At the regular weekly meeting of the Widen Rotary Club Thursday evening, February 6, 1958, Mr. Fred Smith, Principal of the Clay County High School was guest speaker. Mr. Smith's very interesting talk was made in conjunction with the 91st anniversary of the University of West Virginia. He elaborated on the necessity of a good university in our state. He discussed the opportunities offered at the New Medical School at the University and also the New Dental School which will be opened this fall.

Mr. C. E. Irvin, member of The Clay County High School Faculty was also a guest of the Widen Rotary Club at this meeting.

Buffaloes' Homecoming Queen Crowned At Widen



Miss Helen Ellis was crowned Homecoming Queen in half-time ceremonies at a game held between Widen High School and Burnsville High School on the night of February 7, 1958, by Captain Albert King. Miss Ellis is shown above with her attendants. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Ellis of Braxton Street and is a member of the Senior Class.

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Appalachian Power encourages eligible customers to apply for assistance with their energy costs

Appalachian Power wants customers to be aware of federal funds available to assist with energy costs.

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) are federal grants that can help income-eligible customers reduce their electric bills at select times throughout the year.

Appalachian Power customers in Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia can contact their state LIHEAP or LIEAP agency to determine eligibility and apply. State-specific programs and resources are available at the links below.

“Both LIHEAP and LIEAP are impactful programs that can help customers who need it most,” said Appalachian Power President & COO Aaron Walker. “We encourage those who may be eligible for the programs to learn more about their benefits and apply.”

Tennessee: LIHEAP provides assistance with electric bills to qualifying customers in Tennessee. Customers can view more information on the Tennessee Housing Development Agency’s website.

Virginia: Utility bill assistance is available to qualifying customers through LIHEAP in Virginia. Cooling Assistance is one component of LIHEAP in

Virginia that can help cover cooling-related energy costs. Applications for Cooling Assistance are accepted until August 15. Customers can view more information on Virginia CommonHelp’s website.

West Virginia: The LIEAP Emergency Repair and Replacement Program is available to qualifying homeowners in limited circumstances where there is a life-threatening crisis related to a broken heating/cooling system. Utility bill assistance is not available through LIEAP during the summer months. Customers can view more information on <https://dhhr.wv.gov/bfa/programs/Pages/LIEAP.aspx> for utility assistance available in West Virginia.

Availability will vary based on funding allowance and application deadlines. Applicants must meet certain income, household and other requirements to be eligible.

Appalachian Power customers may also be eligible for other forms of payment assistance. The company’s Payment Assistance webpage shows customers how they may be able to receive a payment extension, establish a payment arrangement, participate in state and federal programs and more.

Periods of extreme weather – such as the summer

months – can increase a customer’s energy usage and bills. Appalachian Power’s Average Monthly Payment (AMP) program allows customers to receive stable bills throughout the year.

“We want to work with our customers to find what option will benefit them most,” said Walker. “We recognize that every situation is unique, and we’re here to discuss the options and resources you may have.”

Appalachian Power customers who have questions about bill payments can visit AppalachianPower.com/Assistance or contact the company directly.

Appalachian Power has 1.1 million customers in Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee (as AEP Appalachian Power). It is part of American Electric Power which is focused on building a smarter energy infrastructure and delivering new technologies and custom energy solutions. AEP’s approximately 16,000 employees operate and maintain the nation’s largest electricity transmission system and more than 225,000 miles of distribution lines to efficiently deliver safe, reliable power to nearly 5.6 million customers in 11 states. AEP is also one of the nation’s largest electricity producers, with nearly 29,000 megawatts of diverse generating capacity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY, a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming.

The proposed changes in rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2024, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will decrease revenue approximately \$38,675,000 annually, a decrease of approximately 25.4%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY who purchase their gas from MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY will be changed as follows:

	DECREASE	DECREASE
Residential	\$ 10.85	12.24%
Commercial	\$ 50.62	14.85%
Industrial	\$ 763.20	15.12%
Resale	\$ 1,703.30	19.86%

Resale customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY include Canaan valley Gas Company, Cardinal Natural Gas Company, Consumers Gas Utility Company, Hope Gas, Inc., Megan Oil and Gas Company, and City of Philippi.

The decreases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive a decrease greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive decreases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested decreased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing.

This filing also contains proposed changes to MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY’S rate components for customers that purchase their gas from an alternative supplier/marketer and purchase only transportation services including MDFQ, Storage Balancing Fee, Firm Standby Fee, and Fuel Retention Percentage from MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY. These transportation service rates are applicable to customers that voluntarily elect to subscribe to transportation service. The proposed changes to the rate components are as follows:

Rate Component	Current	Proposed
MDFQ	\$ 12.424	\$ 12.952
Storage Balancing Fee	\$ 0.470	\$ 0.483
Firm Standby Fee	\$ 1.751	\$ 1.833
Fuel Retention	3.5%	4.0%

Any change in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. If a hearing is conducted, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:

Mountaineer Gas Company Office
• 501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Rule 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate adjustments and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the

Commission’s rules on intervention set forth in the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure. All interventions must be mailed or hand-delivered and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Protests may be filed online through the Commission website using the “Submit a Comment” link or may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until September 10, 2024 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call	Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
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Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractor’s licence is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code. All contractors submitting bids on project(s) must include one of the following forms properly executed with each proposal: Proposal Guaranty Bond, Cashier’s Check, or Certified Check for \$500.00 or 5% of the total bid, whichever is greater.

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

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

Treasurer Moore announces \$3.1 million of unclaimed property returned during July

“Top 10” Month Kicks of New Fiscal Year of Returning Funds

State Treasurer Riley Moore today announced his Office’s Unclaimed Property Division returned more than \$3.1 million worth of funds to individuals, businesses and other organizations during the month of July.

“July was the tenth-highest month for returns in our program’s history,” Treasurer Moore said. “Typically July is one of our lighter months for returns, due to processing pauses required as we close the books on the old fiscal year and transition to the new one, so this \$3.1 million month is an exceptionally strong amount of returns for this time of year.”

The Unclaimed Property Division returned a total of \$3,120,509 paid out across 1,565 claims during July, which was the first month of the state’s 2025 Fiscal Year. This is on top of another record-breaking \$28 million returned over the last fiscal year.

While the Office is returning money at the fastest pace in state history, it’s also receiving new claims at a near-record pace too. The State Treasurer’s Office now has nearly \$436 million worth of listings in its database.

For more information or to search and see if the Unclaimed Property Division is holding any funds for you, visit www.WVUnclaimedProperty.gov.

What is Unclaimed Property?
Unclaimed property can include finan-

cial accounts or items of value in which the owner has not initiated any activity for one year or longer. Common examples include unpaid life insurance benefits, forgotten bank accounts and unused rebate cards. (While the title includes the word “property,” it does not however include real estate.)

West Virginia’s unclaimed property laws protect the public by ensuring money and property owed to them is returned to them, rather than remaining permanently with financial institutions, business associations, governments and other entities. The Treasurer seeks to reunite the unclaimed property, including uncashed paychecks, stocks, or safe deposit box contents, with its owner.

Nationwide, nearly 33 million people in the United States – one in every 10 – are estimated to have unclaimed property available for them to claim.

How Can I Find Unclaimed Property in My Name?

West Virginians searching for lost financial assets can go to www.WVUnclaimedProperty.gov. In addition to finding property, the website will also help you track a claim.

A demonstration of how to use the Unclaimed Property search site is available on the Treasury’s YouTube page, at: <https://youtu.be/K09yQ7YNKIE>.

To search for lost financial assets outside West Virginia, visit www.MissingMoney.com.

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August 2024 - The Clay County LEPC must provide public notices at least annually. Each LEPC must publish notice in local newspapers that the emergency response plan, material safety data sheets, first aid, and medical treatment procedures, inventory forms and follow-up emergency notices which have been submitted to the LEPC are available to the public for review. The Annual Public Notice submission should contain the date of publication. Please see the Clay County LEPC website for more information-www.claycountylepcwv.org.

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The Clay County Board of Health approved a new environmental health permit fee schedule on July 11, 2024, at a regularly scheduled Board of Health meeting. This schedule is available for review and open for public comments from July 16, 2024, until August 15, 2024, at www.cchdvw.org. All comments need to be submitted in writing and received by August 15, 2024, at the Clay County Health Department, Attn: Angela Brown, 452 Main Street, Clay, WV 25043-0036. Please see www.cchdvw.org to review a copy of the fee schedule or call 304-587-4269 for a copy emailed to you or for additional information.

