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WV green lights solar plant construction, advocates rally against rising utility bills



By Nadia Ramlagan

Residents in Nicholas and Clay counties could soon receive their electricity from a local solar plant, estimated to power around 90,000 homes in the region.

The Public Service Commission of West Virginia recently approved construction of the plant. According to a June 2024 survey from the Pew Research Center, one-third of respondents said a nearby solar development would help their local economy.

Gary Zuckett, executive director of the West Virginia Citizen Action Group, described the move as a win for the state and for the environment.

“West Virginia still generates about 89% of its electricity by burning fossil fuels, so any kind of new renewable energy is good news,” Zuckett asserted. “We have a lot of policymakers in the state that sort of lean into fossil energy as the only way to generate power.”

Deep Lake Energy Center filed an application earlier this year to construct a

150-megawatt solar electric generating plant on a former surface mine. According to the Commission, the company, a subsidiary of Shell New Energies U.S., estimated its capital investment would total \$386 million and produce more than 300 jobs during construction.

Zuckett added skyrocketing utility bills are a consequence of continued reliance on fossil fuels, adding coal-fired plants are an expensive way to produce electricity, second only to nuclear power. He pointed out West Virginia residents energy costs have doubled over the past decade and major regional utility companies like Appalachian Power are proposing more hikes, prompting a rally in downtown Charleston this week.

“We are having a rally to demonstrate our discontent with the ever rising electric rates here in the state of West Virginia,” Zuckett explained.

Research shows West Virginians’ average monthly residential bills more than doubled between 2002 and 2022, from about \$67 to \$142 per month.



Pictured is Donna, Director of the FRC

Clay County CERT Supports Family Resource Center with Essential Supplies for Food Giveaway

Clay County, WV CERT has mobilized its resource stockpile to support a food giveaway in the town of Clay. In a recent effort, CERT donated 50 tote bags to the Clay Family Resource Center (FRC). These bags will be used in the FRC’s food giveaways, helping to provide essential supplies to families in need.

The Clay Family Resource Center’s food giveaways are meaningful and impactful events, critical to meeting the needs of many families in our community. Clay County, WV CERT is committed to supporting the Family Resource Center and hopes that our contributions will enhance the well-being of our community.

WV Student Assessment Data Reviewed at August State Board Meeting

The West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) received a report on West Virginia’s annual assessment data during its meeting today in Charleston. The 2024 state summative assessment results including the West Virginia General Summative Assessment (WVGA) for grades 3-8, the SAT School Day for grade 11, and the West Virginia Alternative Summative Assessment for grades 3-8 and 11 were reported by the West Virginia Department of Education’s (WVDE) Office of Assessment.

The statewide assessments were administered to more than 95% of students in the grades designated above. There were slight gains in overall proficiency with increases since last year in English language arts (ELA) (44% to 45%) and math (35% to 36%). Science proficiency remained flat at 29%. Early learners made the most significant gains in reading.

The report showed progress in ELA with a 6% gain in third grade proficiency, and a 7% decrease in those who did not meet the standard compared to last year’s assessment. This is attributed, in part, to the passing of the Third Grade Success Act during the 2023 state legislative session and the WVDE’s Ready, Read, Write, West Virginia literacy initiative. With the rollout of the revised mathematics standards on July 1, 2024, and the adoption of new instructional materials at the county level, the WVDE will fully launch its Unite with Numeracy initiative this fall targeting math proficiency and success.

Last year marked changes in SAT School Day testing. All students took a digital version of the test and moved away from the fixed-form paper and pencil version previously available. Additionally, the testing time was shortened from four hours to approximately two hours.

The data reflects student proficiency approaching pre-Covid-19 levels, and the WVDE remains engaged with counties, schools, stakeholders and state leaders to support student academic success.

This year’s assessment data report can be found on the WVDE website and the ZoomWV dashboard.

CCHS Panthers scrimmage against the Mountaineers of Liberty Harrison



Aidon Brouillard buries the QB. Allen Hamrick photo.

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REGIONAL JAIL MUGSHOTS

BRAXTON COUNTY



Jeremy Thomas Allen
Booked 8/12/24
Fugitive from justice



Shaun Michael Bennett
Booked 8/12/24
Third license suspended/
revoked for DUI



James Robert Caltrider II
Booked 8/17/24
Destruction of property,
leaving the scene of an accident,
public intoxication,
DOR/DUI



Dustin Paul Hancock
Booked 8/16/24
Trespassing



Michael Vincent Anthony Wolfe
Booked 8/17/24
Petit larceny



Donna Elaine Carte
Booked 8/18/24
Grand larceny, receiving/
transferring stolen vehicle

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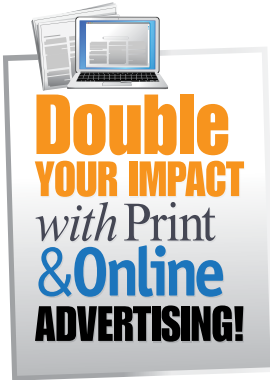
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Booked 8/17/24
Child neglect, DUI with
child, possession with intent



Brian Shawn Maciejewski
Booked 8/18/24
DUI causing personal injury



Connie Jean Rohaley
Booked 8/14/24
Possession of a controlled
substance, trespassing asked
to leave



PUBLIC NOTICES

Clay Roane Public Service District: Per motion passed on Feb. 15, 2024, the Board Meeting dates and times have changed to the following: Regular Board meetings shall be held each third Monday of every month at 6 p.m. via the online Zoom website. Except for the months of September and December which will be held in person at the office of Clay Roane PSD, same date and time.

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

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

OBITUARIES



Melissa J. Cummings-Salisbury

Melissa J. Cummings-Salisbury, 60, of Ivydale went to be with her Lord on Tuesday, August 13, 2024. She was at home surrounded by her family.

She was born June 26,

1964, in Oregon to the late Eugene Keiffer and Betty Jane Young Wright.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her four brothers, David Thomas, Johnny Sitzer, Dough Sitzer, and Mike Sitzer.

Melissa was full of life and had a good sense of humor. She loved kidding around and socializing with her family and friends. Her grandchildren were her world. The Kansas City Chiefs Football Team was her favorite team, and she enjoyed watching them on the television and in person in the stadiums. She enjoyed hiking in WV State Parks and going to the

beach with her family. She and her husband enjoyed spending time together riding their 4-wheeler and watching hummingbirds. She also recently started kayaking on the Elk River. Melissa had 23 years of service as a medical coder for CAMC. She was a graduate from West Virginia Junior College. She will be deeply missed.

Left to cherish her memories are her husband, Mark Salisbury; son, Joseph Cummings of Ivydale; daughter, Jessica (Jason) Welch of Frametown; grandchildren, Leighvi Cummings, Ashton Cummings, Merissa Welch, and Riley Welch; brothers,

Eugene (Cynthia) Marling and Frankie Adkins; sisters, Patricia Green, and Peggy (Brian) White; and several nieces and nephews.

In keeping with Melissa's wishes she will be cremated.

A gathering of family and friends will be held from 2 to 3 P.M. Saturday, August 24, 2024, at Roach Funeral Home, 708 Braxton Street, Gassaway.

Her family would like to give special thanks to the nurses at Kanawha Hospice.

Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at www.roachfuneralhome.com.

Robert "Keith" Duffield

Robert "Keith" Duffield, 72, of Duck passed away on Saturday, August 17, 2024, at Hospice Care at CAMC Memorial Hospital, Charleston, WV.

He was born on June 17,

1952, in Gassaway to the late Charles Duffield and Janice Drake Burkhamer.

Keith enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his family. He liked to watch all sports on tele-

vision, especially college football and Cincinnati Bengals football team.

In keeping with his wishes, he will be cremated and there will be no services. Inurnment

will be in the McCracken Cemetery.

Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at www.roachfuneralhome.com.

Puzzle Answers

Super Crossword

Answers

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Manchin announces \$1.8M for West Virginia healthcare programs

U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (I-WV), member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, announced \$1,871,134 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for the West Virginia State Department of Health and Human Resources. The funding will be used to bolster HIV prevention, expand medical coverage in rural areas and support telehealth training for pediatric mental healthcare providers.

"I'm pleased HHS is investing more than \$1.8 million into these critical healthcare programs," said Senator Manchin. "The investments announced today will support HIV prevention efforts, expand access to rural healthcare, and strengthen telehealth training for pediatric mental healthcare providers. As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee I will continue advocating for resources to ensure every West

Virginian has access to the medical care they need."

Individual awards listed:
-\$1,066,800 – West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. This funding will support HIV prevention and surveillance programs.

-\$634,631 – West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. This funding will support the Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility program, which helps Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs), emergency medical service (EMS) clinics and health professionals work together to increase quality of care.

-\$169,703 – West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources. This funding will support expanding the Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program, which educates and trains pediatric mental healthcare providers and primary care providers on telehealth and remote services.

Mission West Virginia's Bridge Program Yields Remarkable Results

Announcing academic outcomes for youth in foster or kinship care across West Virginia

For over 25 years, Mission West Virginia has been dedicated to serving the children and families of our state. Through various initiatives, we recruit foster families, provide life skills education to adolescents and teens, support kinship families, and offer academic mentoring to youth in foster or kinship care.

We are proud to announce that, over the past year, Mission West Virginia's Bridge Program provided intensive one-on-one academic mentoring to 339 high school students in foster or kinship care across five counties in West Virginia. Our comprehensive support efforts, focused on improving student attendance, behavior, grades, and post-secondary planning, have led to outstanding outcomes:

- 66% decrease in absences
- 89% decrease in suspensions
- 99.6% advancement to the next grade level

In West Virginia the average graduation rate for youth in foster care is 71%. We are thrilled to report a 98.6% graduation success rate among the students in our program this year, with over \$500,000 awarded in scholarships or funds for post-graduation careers. Every senior

in our program graduated with a clear plan for their future:

- Workforce: 23%
- Technical School: 23%
- Four-Year College: 47%
- Military: 5%
- Job Corps: 1%

Kelly Thompson, Executive Director of Mission West Virginia, stated, "These outcomes provide hope that success is possible with the right support. By offering foster children the opportunities and assistance they deserve, we empower them to shape their futures and contribute positively to our communities. Our commitment is stronger than ever to ensure that no child in foster care is left behind and that each one enters adulthood with hope for a better future."

These achievements would not have been possible without the generous support of our funders, who share our dedication to making a difference in the lives of youth in foster care.

To view the full report and learn more about this program, visit www.missionwv.org/mwvpublications. For more information on Mission West Virginia, contact us at mwv@missionwv.org or 304-562-0723.

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Our Daily Happiness

By Joe Mazzella

There is an old story about a man whose ship was lost at sea. He barely survived and drifted alone for many days on a raft. Finally he was spotted and rescued by another ship and taken aboard. Later when he was asked if he'd learned anything from the ordeal he went through he replied: "I have learned that if I can have enough food to eat and fresh water to drink that I will be deliriously happy for the rest of my life."

Most of us won't have to go through the terrible suffering that man did, but it would still be good if we could learn the lesson he did. I think there is a reason why Jesus, when He taught his disciples to pray, had them to only ask for "our daily bread." He didn't have them ask for gold, or land, or any kind of wealth. He didn't have them ask for security and for all of their future needs to be met, now. He had them to ask only for their "bread" for this day. Jesus knew that caring about our things and worrying about our future constantly would only separate us from Love and from God. And He knew that God knows our true needs better than we do.

We have been taught in this world that money and stuff equals happiness. But in truth, stuff and money only gives us momentary satisfaction. And after that all you are left with is work, and effort and concern to keep what you have or to acquire more. Our daily happiness like our daily bread is a gift from God. But we can only receive it when we open ourselves to it. We can only receive it when we release our cares and worries and have faith in God's Love for us.

God Loves us all so much. He delights in giving us our daily bread. He delights in giving us our daily happiness. But our hearts must be open to receive this gift. We have to release our cares about our things and our worries about the future. We have to free ourselves to accept God's Love for us. Then we will live in love ourselves and create happiness each new day.

So What If I'm Crazy?

Dr. James L. Snyder

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and her wonderful husband celebrate 53 years of marital bliss this year. What an accomplishment.

It doesn't seem possible that we have been married 53 years. After all, we don't look that old! At least she doesn't.

It's amazing how time flies; if you're like me, you don't even pay attention to it. Now that I'm just past the 70-year mark, things seem to be going faster than ever. I can wake up in the morning and it doesn't take long for me to be ready to go back to bed. Where does all this time go? I think I want a refund.

I have come to understand that no matter how things change, they always remain the same. Just because my age has changed doesn't mean anything else about me has changed. I am still the same person The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage married 53 years ago. I have no plans to change.

As far as I know, she hasn't changed either. And I am unanimous in that.

Down through the years of our marital Showboat adventure, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has often asked me, "What's wrong with you? Are you crazy or what?"

That hasn't changed since the beginning of our journey. I've been crazy from the beginning, and I still am, and I have no expectation of changing. If I'm going to change I would like to know what she means by the phrase "or what?"

The only thing that hasn't changed is my understanding of everything that The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage says. To this day, I do not know what her meaning of the word "crazy" is. When she asks me if I was crazy, I was not sure what she is asking. I just go along with her idea. What else can I do?

Looking back over my life, especially the 53 years of our marriage, I can see a few moments of me being crazy. But I don't see anything wrong with being crazy. In fact, being crazy has been the real fun in my life. Why can't I be crazy once in a while?

I'm sure my definition of crazy and her definition of crazy do not share the same dining room table.

For one, crazy means that I don't take things very seriously. That has been helpful down through the years, and I can verify that. It helps me to release stress.

Of course, I take many things in life seriously, but the ones that I don't take seriously are important to me. That is the area of my crazy-itis. I have a hard time picking which ones are crazy and which ones aren't.

The real difference between The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and me is that she takes everything seriously. I, on the other side of the room, don't take everything

seriously. Of course, there are sometimes, I must admit, I take the wrong thing not too seriously. That's what really gets me into trouble.

I always think of the Abe Lincoln joke, where his wife asks him, "Does this dress make me look fat?"

To be serious about that question is a lifesaver. However, not to be serious about that question can get a person into deep trouble. I know, I've been there.

One time, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage bought a new dress, brought it home, put it on, and came out to where I was sitting and asked me, "What do you think about this new dress of mine?"

I wasn't too serious at the moment, so I looked up at her and said, "I don't think I could wear that dress anywhere and get away with it."

Before I even finished that sentence, I knew I was in trouble.

"What?" she said, "You think you can wear one of my dresses?"

Throughout the years of our marital bliss, I have often dug a hole so deep that I could not get out, yet I still kept digging.

I thought I was just joking, but she did not think it was a joke.

Looking at her, I laughed and said, "Oh, my dear, I was just joking."

I thought I had gotten out of that hole, but was wrong.

"So," she said sarcastically, "you think my dresses are jokes."

It was at this level that I realized this wasn't very funny. I may be crazy, but this was not the time to be crazy. If only I could learn how to control being crazy.

I have tried through the years to work on my crazyitis, but I don't think I have worked hard enough because I have not seen any improvement on my side of the kitchen table.

My problem is that I don't hear very well. Actually, I do hear; I just am not listening. And boy, is there a difference there.

Our 53-year marital journey has been great. I credit that success to one of my favorite verses in the Bible. Amos 3:3, "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?"

Throughout our journey we have agreed on more things than we disagree. In fact, the longer we live together the less we seem to disagree. That's unity.

We are headed in the same direction although, sometimes I'm looking out the right window and she's looking out her left window. The destination is what really matters. And that we totally agree on.

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USDA and Reinvestment Fund Launch New Program to Increase Access to Healthy Foods in Underserved West Virginia Communities

Funding is Part of the Healthy Food Financing Initiative and Made Possible by President Biden's American Rescue Plan Act

USDA Rural Development and the Reinvestment Fund are launching a new program under the Healthy Food Financing Initiative (HFFI) that may soon increase access to fresh, nutritious meal options in West Virginia communities with limited access to grocery stores.

Food retailers and food retail suppliers are eligible to apply for \$60 million in loans, grants and technical assistance offered through the Food Access and Retail Expansion Fund (FARE Fund) to implement healthy food projects.

"Access to fresh, healthy food is something that no one, no matter where they live, should have to struggle with," said USDA RD West Virginia State Director Ryan Thorn. "This program helps increase access to healthy foods, opens new market opportunities for West Virginia farmers, stabilizes small and independent retailers, and creates good-paying jobs and economic opportunity in

low-income communities."

Loans of \$500,000 to \$5 million are available for activities like predevelopment, land acquisition, renovations and equipment purchases. Grants of up to \$250,000 can be used to support project management, equipment purchases, and construction.

The program also offers financing to support market and feasibility studies, business planning and store design for projects in their early stages.

Reinvestment Fund is the national fund manager for USDA, administering HFFI on behalf of USDA Rural Development. It raises capital; provides financial and technical assistance to regional, state and local partnerships; and helps fund projects to improve access to fresh, healthy foods in underserved areas.

To date, HFFI has awarded over \$25 million directly to food retail and food enterprise projects in 48 states, Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico. More than \$40 million has also been awarded to support 16 new and existing regional, state, and local food

financing programs through the HFFI Local and Regional Healthy Food Financing Partnerships Program launched in August 2023.

The FARE fund will be available for the next five years and is made possible by President Biden's American Rescue Plan Act. The following link can be used to check eligibility now and sign up to be notified when the program begins accepting applications: www.investinginfood.com/fare-fund.

USDA Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities, create jobs and improve the quality of life for millions of Americans in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural, tribal and high-poverty areas.

The Rural Data Gateway offers a user-friendly interface with more details on how and where these investments are impacting rural America.

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Apron how is missing; 2. Faucet is different; 3. Water drop from dish is moved; 4. Cabinet is wider; 5. Doormat is moved; 6. Glove is longer.

Super Crossword

CALLING FOR SILENCE

ACROSS

1 Human rights org.
5 Costa —
9 Scored two under par
15 Apparel
19 Stars and Stripes, e.g.
20 Big whoops
21 Louisiana cuisine style
22 French girlfriend
23 Places to buy salmon fillets and such
25 Everyday routine
26 Metal beam with two flanges
27 Brainpower stats
28 Actor Bana
29 Overnight delivery, say
31 Regret deeply
32 Nothin' at all
33 Lauder of perfumery
34 Shutter strip
35 Breathable gym bottoms
38 Actor Alan
40 Vaping devices
43 Some tech. inst. grads
44 Trio after G

46 They're like lay-ups, but farther from the basket
48 Father, to a tiny tot
51 Like some artificial body parts
54 A snake injecting venom, e.g.
55 Become too warm
58 Like a bass voice
60 Napoleonic marshal
61 Coin that was worth 12 pence
65 Purvey
69 Often-flexed arm muscles
70 Paint coat applied to rough plaster
71 Brand of snowmobiles
73 Snow glider
74 Informal name for a herding breed
76 Congregated
78 Concealed
79 City development area
80 Dangler on a garment in a store
85 Most modern

88 Harper of "Far North"
89 Top worn on a safari
91 Snooze
92 Epoch
94 Opera solos
95 Tomb-raiding Croft
97 Resembling a plate
103 Turner of the Washington Nationals
105 Check recipient
107 Tubular snack cake
108 Flat-fixing org.
109 Guard to keep something dry
112 Novelist Kingsley or Martin
113 "Despicable Me" villain
114 Very dry
115 Tiki bar drink
116 What nine answers in this puzzle suggest that you do twice?

118 Donate
119 Peeves
120 Les — (French for "some")
121 Emend

122 Tomahawks
123 Level
124 Indiana-to-Ohio direction
125 Witty types

DOWN

1 Validate
2 In-group
3 Maidens
4 "Yuck!"
5 Pep rally cheers
6 Excited response to "Who wants dessert?"
7 Police ride
8 Horse cousin
9 Beige shades
10 Sony record label
11 Be assisted
12 Bungled
13 "In the Valley of —" (2007 drama film)
14 Slaw sources
15 Cold Spanish soup
16 Eager desire
17 "Knives Out" director
18 Arctic hazard
24 Gut feeling
29 Pine product
30 — v. Ferguson (landmark court case)
36 Word after big, cold or soft
37 Albeit, in brief
39 For — (very cheaply)
41 Former rival of AT&T
42 Former Russ. state
45 First lady after Melania Trump
47 Move hastily
48 Lou formerly of CNN
49 Pop rocker
50 Rid of frost
51 Crank's cry
52 "Challenge accepted!"
53 Rum mixers
56 Clued in
57 Lion chaser?
59 Hope (for)
62 Opposite of 58-Across
63 "You Be —" (1986 Run-D.M.C. hit)
64 Avian abodes
65 Savors Earl Grey, say
66 Funny Murphy
67 Sacks in war
68 Balcony sections
71 Use stitches
72 Mattel man
74 Online biz
75 Torrid
76 Untidy states
77 Afr. country
80 Keglers' org.
81 Karel Capek sci-fi play
82 Question starter in old Memorex ads
83 Total shams
84 Plotting in math class
86 Walked in water
87 Dermis or Pen lead-in
90 Turncoat
92 Most pasty
93 Phantom
96 "Yes, cap'n!"
98 Reporter on "Parks and Recreation"
99 Buds from the hood
100 Multi-roof temple
101 Winged bug with pincers
102 Intimidates
104 Sportscaster Rashad
106 "Für —" (piano piece)
109 Chronicle
110 Grand — (annual race)
111 Clearheaded
116 "— pasa?"
117 Dawn drops

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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THE WIDEN NEWS



The people who think alike should vote alike.

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Where all think alike, no one thinks very much.

February 1958

Mr. J. G. Bradley Addresses Widen PTA

Mr. J. G. Bradley, President of Elk River Coal and Lumber Company addressed members of the Widen PTA Monday night, February 17, 1958 in the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium. Mr. Bradley spoke briefly about the history of Widen High School, he stressed the need for a good relationship between parents and teachers and also expressed his belief that young people need to be kept busy.

Mr. Bradley said that he had built the new community Building in Widen to supply the growing need for activity for young people in Widen because he believes that children engaged in constructive activity are less likely to become juvenile delinquents.

Charlotte Jean Frame Weds

Charles, Sonny, Vaughan

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Frame of Morris, West Virginia announce the marriage of their daughter, Charlotte Jean, to Mr. Charles H. (Sonny) Vaughan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everette Vaughan of Maysel, West Virginia.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Ernest Hammack of Widen, W. Va., at his home on the evening of January 23, 1958.

Charlotte Jean is a graduate of Summersville High School and is presently employed as a clerk in the Elk River Coal and Lumber Company Store at Dille, W. Va.

Sonny attended Widen High School and has recently been discharged from the U. S. Navy. He is now employed by the Elk River Coal and Lumber Company in the Maintenance Department.

The young couple are at home to their many friends at Number 7 Roane Street, Widen, W. Va.

VISITS IN MEXICO CITY

Swandale Mill Superintendent E. D. and Mrs. Currence enjoyed the first real vacation they have had in twenty years, spending it in and around Mexico City while visiting his brother, Dr. Troy M. Currence, who is in Mexico this winter on a research expedition for the University of Minnesota.

ELK RIVER EMPLOYEES

ON SICK LIST

The men below are away from their respective jobs on account of illness.

H. C. Johnson underwent surgery at the Charleston General Hospital, but is now at home recuperating. John Henley also underwent surgery but will resume his duties shortly.

Howard Bragg is under the doctor's care but is being treated at home. Edgar Donohue has returned home from the Charleston General Hospital where he underwent major surgery. Theodore Johnson is again in the hospital after having spent several weeks at home. Perry Houghton is at Charleston General Hospital, under observation. Wade Dodrill is convalescing at his home on Wilson Ridge. Lanty Facemire is still in very serious condition at the Sutton Hospital.

Gerald Butcher is still at the Charleston General Hospital. Richard Manning underwent major surgery and is still a patient at the Charleston General Hospital. Ophie Hall is convalescing at home after a diabetic attack.

Gene George Visits Parents In St. Louis

E. C. George of the Widen office spent a week in St. Louis, Mo., the forepart of February, visiting his parents who recently returned from an eleven months' trip to Asiatic Turkey, where the elder Mr. George was working as an instructor in the use of heavy construction machinery and equipment for road-building and mining. They spent three weeks on the return trip to this country, visiting one week each in Switzerland and in England and Scotland with relatives. They used air travel both ways.

All three of the George children managed to get to St. Louis at the same time on this trip, marking the first time the whole family had been together since the spring of 1946 and only the second time in nearly twenty years. The others in the family are Gene's sister, Marjorie Wilson, who is office manager for an insurance agency in Clayton, Mo., and his brother Albert, who is personnel director and assistant superintendent of the New Jersey Zinc Company plant at Depue, Illinois. The particular occasion for the homecoming of the George children was their mother's birthday on February 6.

St. Louis was in the grip of a real cold spell, just as is West Virginia, according to Gene, with temperatures ranging from 5 to 20 above zero daily, with lots of snow and ice on the ground. He reports that his visit was very enjoyable and restful in the company of his family, made especially so by the fact that his father retired from active business the first of this year and is presently engaged only in the preparation of technical papers to be presented to meetings of the AIME in St. Louis and New York this month.

The brilliant display of northern lights seen in Widen on the night of February 10 was also visible in St. Louis, casting bright red flashes over much of the sky and creating the impression that the Chicago fire was having a reproduction in the Mound City.

New Members Join Widen Boy Scouts

Boy Scout Troop 111, in Widen has recently had several new members come into the organization who have brought more life and pep into the group than has been seen in the past few years. Most recent additions are Mike and Bob Miller; Casey Jones; Johnny Matheny; T. G. Griffith; Eugene and Charles Johnson; and Roger Strickland. The first four are Widen youths and the latter four are from Dille. All but Jones and Matheny have completed their tenderfoot tests and are making good progress toward second class. The advent of the newcomers has sparked the initiative of some of the older troop members. Skippy George, troop scribe, has now completed his first class work and some merit badges, while Ronald James, senior patrol leader, finished his second class and with Jack Wilson is going right ahead toward first class. George, James, and Tommy Napier are serving as chiefs for the three local dens of Cub Scouts.

Instrumental in bringing the Dille boys to the Widen troop and active in seeing to it that they have transportation to meetings has been Ted Griffith, former Neighborhood Commissioner for scouts in this area. In addition, Ted has started the troop on learning the Morse code; the bugaboo that keeps many youths from attaining first class status if there is no advisor familiar with the code who is also willing to spend the many hours necessary to drill it into their heads along with all the school work they have to remember at the same time.

At the Buffalo District Annual Dinner held in Clay last month, Widen Scoutmaster Gene George was presented the Scouter's Key, an award in recognition of his ten years' service to scouting at Widen.

CARELESSNESS CAUSES MANY CALAMITIES

"Who threw that snowball?" Would you like to put someone's eye out? Of course not. But a lot of students are trying very hard to do so. It's pretty easily done, especially if the person you are throwing at doesn't know it. If you see someone throw a snowball at you, nine times out of ten you can dodge it. But it really hurts to get hit in the face with a snowball and the unexpected impact on the eye may cause permanent damage. Would you want to go through life knowing you had caused someone to lose the sight in one eye because for one moment you were thoughtless and careless?

ENCOURAGING NEWS

FROM OLD FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Naaman Myers of 930 14th St. S. E., in Massillon, Ohio (Swandale) write to say: "Would you please send us the Widen News. We would appreciate it very much. We always like to know what is happening back home."

Freda Keen Kyser (Roy) "In your paper you have an article 'Away-From-Homers.' I am away from home but we believe the paper would bring home (Widen) to Chicago. I know my friends up here would enjoy reading about my home town. He (Roy) has accepted Widen as his home and all my friends in Widen as his friends and we would like to get Widen News..."

Jimmy Triplett's sister, Mrs. Don Benson, Norwalk, Ohio says "I won't delay a thank you longer for something I enjoy immensely (Widen News). I read it from cover to cover the minute I receive it. The PICTORIAL is swell. To see husbands and wives of people I went to school with but have never met!"

Mrs. Maude Mick, Winchester, Mass. (Alton Houghton's Auntie) "I like the Widen News that was sent to me by one of your friends."

Little Talks With Big Thoughts

The noble tree is gone. Grass grows over the spot. But by the very barrenness, we miss our tree. Then one morning we awoke to see a beautiful Snow Ball bush in full bloom, seemingly growing out of the old stump.

How like unto life it seemed. For each of us has a barren spot in our life. Time heals, but does not fill it. Then unbeknown to us springs a newness of life—Perhaps love, friendship, or the joy of a new creative interest.

God in His own way knows how to fill this void. It is up to us to nurture His fulfillment.

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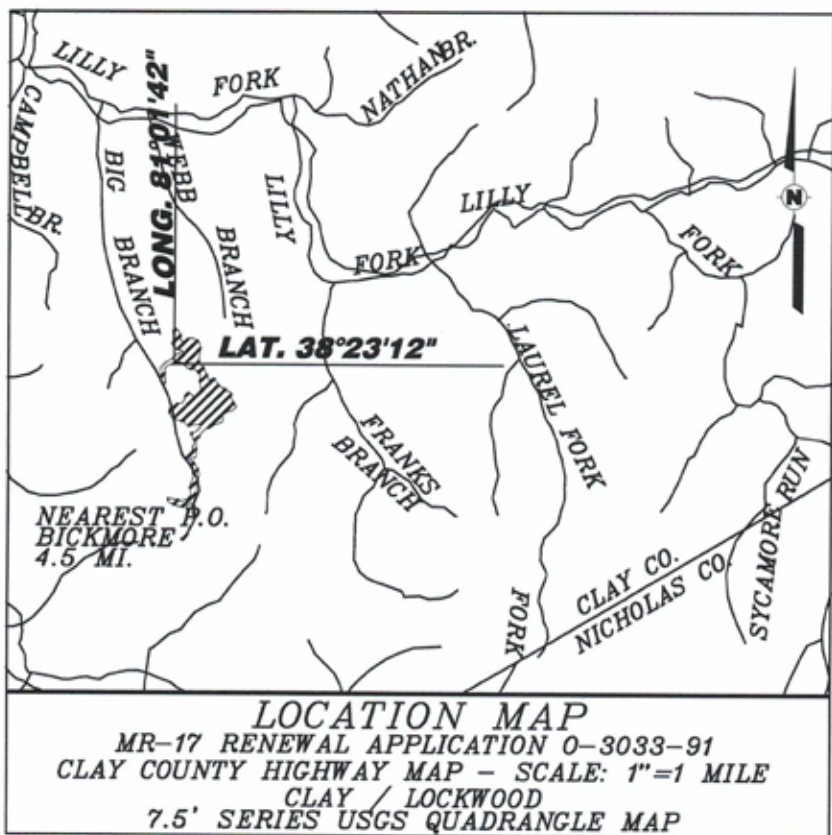
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Notice is hereby given that WV RECLAIM CO, LLC, 2122 LEATHERWOOD ROAD, BICKMORE, WV 25019 has submitted an application with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), 47 School Street, Suit 301, Philippi, WV 26416-1600 for a Phase 1 release on Permit Number O303391 issued for 68.65 acres.

The permit is located in Henry District of Clay County, 4.5 miles northeast of Bickmore on Big Branch and an unnamed tributary of Franks Branch of Lilly Fork of Buffalo Creek of Elk River.

WV RECLAIM CO, LLC completed backfilling and regrading on 3/31/2023 and is requesting release of 60 percent of the reclamation performance bond currently in the amount of \$69,000.00.

Written comments will be received at the DEP address above until 9/23/24, or thirty (30) days from date of final publication.



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Tariff Form No. 8-C
(Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C))

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Hope Gas, Inc. (the "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 all of its customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Boone, Braxton, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Harrison, Jackson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mingo, Monongalia, Nicholas, Pleasants, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Taylor, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood and Wyoming.

The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2024, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will decrease revenues approximately \$33.1 million annually, a decrease of 16.63%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

| HOPE GAS, INC. - PROPOSED | | |
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| TYPE OF CUSTOMER | \$ INCREASE/ (DECREASE) | % INCREASE/ (DECREASE) |
| Residential Sales (Rate Class RS) | (\$13.69) | (13.60%) |
| Small Commercial Sales (Rate Class SGS) | (\$56.59) | (16.83%) |
| Small Commercial Transport (Rate Class SGS) 1/ | \$0.18 | 0.02% |
| Large Commercial Sales (Rate Class LCS) | (\$3,170.49) | (24.59%) |
| Large Commercial Transport (Rate Class LCS) 1/ | \$2.65 | 0.03% |
| Industrial Sales (Rate Class LCI-D & LCI-DS) | (\$6,104.96) | (25.85%) |
| Resale Sales (Rate Class WS) | (\$8,352.21) | (22.93%) |
| Daily Balancing for Transport | \$17.22 | 3.84% |

1/ To account for an increase in standby rate.

| FORMER PEOPLES GAS WV - PROPOSED | | |
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| TYPE OF CUSTOMER | \$ INCREASE/ (DECREASE) | % INCREASE/ (DECREASE) |
| General Service - Residential Sales | (\$24.09) | (23.03%) |
| General Service - Commercial Sales | (\$121.62) | (25.70%) |
| Industrial Service - Sales | (\$1,683.61) | (31.59%) |
| Swing Service Charge for Transport | (\$39.32) | (18.63%) |

| FORMER SOUTHERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY - PROPOSED | | |
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| TYPE OF CUSTOMER | \$ INCREASE/ (DECREASE) | % INCREASE/ (DECREASE) |
| General Service - Residential Sales | (\$15.01) | (20.91%) |
| General Service - Commercial Sales | (\$73.78) | (26.84%) |

| FORMER STANDARD/BAZZLE GAS COMPANY - PROPOSED | | |
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| TYPE OF CUSTOMER | \$ INCREASE/ (DECREASE) | % INCREASE/ (DECREASE) |
| General Domestic - Residential Sales | (\$5.33) | (7.22%) |
| Commercial Service - Sales | (\$22.23) | (11.02%) |

Resale customers of the Company include Consumers Gas Utility Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company - Northern Division (Lumberport), Mountaineer Gas Co., and Cardinal Natural Gas Company - Northern Division (Blacksville).

The decreases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes. 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 (increase or decrease) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase or decrease 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 Morgantown office of the Company, 781 Chestnut Ridge Road, Suite 100, Morgantown, West Virginia.

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 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 increases or 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 the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, Post Office Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323, with copies to Daniel M. Taylor, Jr., Hope Gas, Inc., 781 Chestnut Ridge Road, Suite 100, Morgantown, WV 26505 and Kurt L. Krieger, Post Office Box 1588, Charleston, WV 25326-1588. 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, Post Office Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 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 license 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 deferral, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com.

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

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Tariff Form No. 8
(RULE 23)

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES WITH PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES

NOTICE is hereby given that Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company ("the Companies"), public utilities, have filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, a tariff containing increased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing electric service to approximately 460,921 customers in cities, towns, villages, unincorporated municipalities, and rural areas in their service territories in the counties of Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Clay, Fayette, Greenbrier, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monroe, Nicholas, Ohio, Putnam, Raleigh, Roane, Summers, Wayne, Wetzel, and Wyoming.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective September 1, 2024, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will produce approximately \$265,149,391 annually in additional revenue, an increase of 15.40 percent. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

| | (\$) INCREASE | (%) INCREASE |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Residential | \$28.72 | 17.61% |
| Commercial | \$60.41 | 14.53% |
| Industrial | \$34,321 | 13.16% |
| Resale | N/A | N/A |
| Other | \$1.39 | 12.76% |

Resale customers of Appalachian Power Company include Old Dominion Electric Cooperative, City of Radford, Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative, City of Salem, Kingsport Power Company, Black Diamond Power Company and Virginia Tech Electric. The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene prior to September 3, 2024, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your right to participate in the proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. Anyone desiring to protest should file a written or electronic protest at any time up to the start of the evidentiary hearing. Customers may also make verbal protest at any of the public comment hearings scheduled in this case. (Notice of the evidentiary hearing and public comment hearing dates and locations will appear in future newspaper publications). All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or intervention. All protests and interventions should be addressed to:

The Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia
P.O. Box 812
Charleston, West Virginia 25323

A complete copy of this tariff, 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 office of the Companies: 200 Association Drive, Charleston, WV 25311. A copy of this tariff is also available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents on the website of the Companies

www.appalachianpower.com/account/bills/rates/APCORatesTariffsWV.aspx

Any customer wishing to receive a reduced-size copy of the tariff can telephone toll-free 800-982-4237, request such a copy and provide the necessary mailing information, and a copy will be mailed to the customer. A copy of this tariff is also available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

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CLAY COUNTY SCHOOLS PROVIDE MEALS TO STUDENTS AT NO COST

Clay, WV - Students in Clay County will have the opportunity to eat a no-cost breakfast and lunch at school through the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program. The CEP was enacted as a result of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act and provides universal meal service to children in high-poverty areas.

The CEP serves as an alternative to collecting, approving and verifying household eligibility applications for free- and reduced-price eligible students in high-poverty Local Education Agencies (LEAs). If at least 40 percent of a school's student population is directly certified for free meal benefits, the entire school qualifies for the option.

"I am proud that Clay County Schools will be participating in the CEP program to help meet a crucial need for many students in our county," said the Superintendent of Clay County Schools. "We know academic achievement increases when our students are well-fed and ready to learn, and we must provide secure and reliable access to nutritious meals so all students have a chance to achieve at the highest level possible."

Clay County expects to have all six schools participate in the CEP. The program allows our school system to feed nearly 1,700 students each day.

The 2017 Feeding America: Map the Meal Gap data reports high levels of food insecurity and hunger across the country. In West Virginia, more than 14 percent of residents, and over 79,000 children, live in food insecure households.

For more information, contact Jared Fitzwater, Director of Student Services, at (304) 587-4266.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0289-E-P
APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY, and
WHEELING POWER COMPANY,
public utilities.

Petition to Update the MRBC Rates
Currently in Effect

REVISED NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company (the Companies), public utilities, have, on March 15, 2024, filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a Petition to update the Modified Rate Base Cost (MRBC) surcharge revenues. The Public Service Commission's June 30, 2021 Order in Case No. 20-1012-E-P required the Companies to file an annual MRBC update in March of 2022, 2023, and 2024. If approved, the increased rates will apply to electric service to approximately 460,774 customers in the counties of Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Clay, Fayette, Greenbrier, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monroe, Nicholas, Ohio, Putnam, Raleigh, Roane, Summers, Wayne, Wetzel, and Wyoming.

The Companies propose to recover total incremental revenue requirements for certain rate base increases added between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023. The proposed increased rates and charges will produce approximately \$32.2 million annually in additional revenue, an increase of 1.82% over revenue at current rate and usage levels. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

| | (\$) INCREASE | (%) INCREASE | Avg. Monthly kWh |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
| Residential | \$ 4.11 | 2.42% | 1,000 |
| Residential | \$ 4.59 | 2.39% | 1,150 |
| Commercial | \$ 7.39 | 1.74% | 3,491 |
| Industrial | \$ 3,635.30 | 1.40% | 3,570,241 |
| Special Contract ¹ | \$ 8,532.52 | 1.59% | 7,868,548 |
| Other | \$ 0.23 | 1.39% | 108 |

¹ Excludes Special Contract customers who are billed standard tariff rates.

The increases requested vary by customer class and customer usage level. Individual customers may receive an increase that is greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this Petition. Any increase in rates will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. The Public Service Commission has scheduled an evidentiary hearing on Monday, August 20, 2024, immediately following the close of the hearing in Case No. 24-0332-E-P in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, Public Service Commission Building, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene by 5:30 p.m., 2024. Failure to intervene timely can affect your right to participate in the proceeding. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or intervention. All protests and interventions should be addressed to: The Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. A complete copy of this tariff, as well as a representative of the Companies to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following office of the Companies: 200 Association Drive, Charleston, 25311. A copy of this tariff is also available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents on the website of the Companies: www.appalachianpower.com/account/bills/rates/APCORatesTariffsWV.aspx

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APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF WEST VIRGINIA
CHARLESTON**

CASE NO. 24-0687-E-P

BLACK DIAMOND POWER COMPANY,
Application for a consolidated purchased power surcharge

NOTICE OF FILING FOR CHANGE IN RATES

On August 12, 2024, Black Diamond Power Company (Black Diamond) applied for revised consolidated purchased power rates, effective December 1, 2024. This proceeding is designed to consolidate the various elements of purchasing power into a single annual Commission review. Black Diamond has requested a purchased power surcharge of \$0.1700419 per kWh. The total proposed surcharge would result in a total annual revenue increase of approximately \$2,334,911. Black Diamond also stated that it has accumulated a total under-collected balance of \$1,675,836 for its consolidated purchased power costs.

The average monthly bill for customers will be changed as follows:

| | (\$) INCREASE | (%) INCREASE | Usage KWH Avg. | Usage KV Avg. |
|---|---------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Residential All Div. | \$41.29 | 29.71% | 834 | |
| Med. Commercial Sophia | \$137.01 | 29.35% | 2,767 | 11.77 |
| Med. Commercial Clay | \$137.01 | 29.52% | 2,767 | 11.77 |
| Med. Commercial Mullens | \$137.01 | 31.52% | 2,767 | 11.77 |
| Large Commercial (No Customers) | | | | |
| Street Lighting Ali Divs. 7000L | \$3.71 | 22.72% | 75 | |
| Street Lighting All Divs. 21000L | \$8.67 | 29.95% | 175 | |
| Outdoor Lighting Sophia & Mullens 7000L | \$3.71 | 22.96% | 75 | |
| Outdoor Lighting Clay 7000L | \$3.71 | 23.30% | 75 | |
| Outdoor Lighting Ali Divs. 21000L | \$8.67 | 30.21% | 175 | |

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated classes, individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested increased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any change in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

This procedure for revising consolidated purchased power rates is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers of Black Diamond based exclusively on the costs of purchased power. Consequently, protests 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 increases and to participate in future proceedings. Request to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. All protests and intervention should be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. The public may also file comments electronically and review the Black Diamond proposals online at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/>.

Black Diamond Power Company

Notice of Ancillary Filing without any Administration to Creditors, Distributees & Legatees

Notice is hereby given that the following foreign will or affidavit of heirs has been filed in the Clay County Clerk's Office at P.O. Box 190, 246 Main Street, Clay, WV 25043, and no appointment or administration is being made pursuant to the provisions of West Virginia Code 44-1-14b. An interested person(s) objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this state must file a statement with the Clay County Commission through the County Clerk's Office at the address listed above within 60 days after the date of first publication or 30 days of service of the Commission upon receiving any timely objection there-to shall schedule a hearing or hearings thereon and order relief, if any. It considers proper including, but not limited to, an order directing that full and complete ancillary administration of the estate of the nonresident decedent be made in this state.

First Publication Date: Thursday, August 22, 2024

ESTATE NAME: VIRGINIA LEE WHITMER
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on August 12, 2024

Sheila Stone
Sheila Stone
Clerk of the Clay County Commission

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. 21, 1861: Confederate troops under General John B. Floyd crossed the Gauley River at Carnifex Ferry, Nicholas County, and began to entrench their position. It was the beginning of what became known as the Battle of Keslers Cross Lanes.



Aug. 21, 1915: Singer Ann Baker was born in Pennsylvania. She later operated a popular Charleston nightclub, The Shalamar, and became known as "Charleston's First Lady of Jazz."

Aug. 22, 1872: Following the Constitutional Convention of 1872, the West Virginia electorate ratified a new state constitution by a vote of 42,344 to 37,777. In the same election, voters rejected a controversial convention proposition that would have prohibited Black citizens from holding public office.

Aug. 23, 1965: Sylvia Mathews Bur-

well was born in Hinton. She was U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services (2014-17) under President Obama before serving as American University's first woman president (2017-24).

Aug. 23, 1970: The Mormon Church established its first "stake," or congrega-



tion, in West Virginia. The stake was organized in Charleston with a membership of nearly 4,000 people.

Aug. 24, 1918: Louis Bennett Jr. died of injuries sustained when his plane was shot down by German anti-aircraft fire. Bennett, with 12 combat kills, was West Virginia's only World War I fighter ace.

Aug. 24, 1947: Joe Manchin III was born in Fairmont. He served in both houses of the legislature and as secretary of state before becoming the 34th governor in 2005. In 2010, he ran successfully for the late Robert C. Byrd's U.S. Senate seat and stepped down as governor. In 2023, he announced he would retire from the Senate at the end of his term in 2025.

August 25, 1903: Soprano Susanne

Fisher was born in Sutton. Fisher was the first West Virginian to sing at the Metropolitan Opera.



Aug. 25, 1921: Miners began to arrive at Blair Mountain near the border of Logan and Boone counties. Sheriff Don Chafin, a hated symbol of anti-unionism in southern West Virginia, met them with a combined force of deputies, mine guards, civilian volunteers and others.

Aug. 25, 2000: The Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope was dedicated. It is the world's largest fully steerable radio telescope.



Aug. 26, 1863: Union and Confederate forces collided in what became known as the Battle of White Sulphur Springs. The next morning, with ammunition nearly depleted, Union General William Averell retreated to his base without accomplishing any of his objectives.



Aug. 26, 1918: Mathematician Katherine Johnson was born in White Sulphur Springs. For 33 years, Johnson worked for NASA, making calculations for manned space flights, including the Apollo 11 moon landing. In 2015, she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Aug. 27, 1902: Mary McClain was born Mary Smith in Huntington. McClain was a blues legend who performed at Carnegie Hall, the White House, the Apollo Theatre, and the Cotton Club.



Lawmakers and Community Invited to Honor Lives Touched by Cancer

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) invites the community to join a heartfelt event honoring the countless lives touched by cancer during our Lights of Hope display at the Capitol building courtyard. On Monday, August 26, Lights of Hope bags will be displayed to remember those who have faced cancer, whether as survivors, fighters, or in memoriam.

The toll of tobacco on West Virginia is far too significant, so 430 Lights of Hope bags will be displayed representing the 4,300 West Virginians adults who die each year from smoking-related cancers. Along with the bags, smaller versions of billboards calling on lawmakers to increase funding for tobacco prevention that can be seen around the state will be displayed.

When: Monday, August 26, 2024, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: Capitol Courtyard, West Virginia State Capitol

Admission: Free and open to the public

This special evening will provide an opportunity for reflection, support, and unity as we illuminate the night with personalized Lights of Hope bags. Each Lights of Hope symbolizes the strength, hope, and memories of those touched by cancer. Attendees are encouraged to donate and decorate a Lights of Hope bag with names, messages or artwork to honor their loved ones.

Lights of Hope is ACS CAN's signature fundraising event, dedicated to honoring those who have been touched by cancer and remembering those we've lost through the decoration and display of a Lights of Hope bag in their honor or memory. Funds raised through Lights of Hope help fuel our work to make cancer a top priority for public officials and candidates at the federal, state, and local levels.

About ACS CAN:

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) makes cancer a top priority for policymakers at every level of government. ACS CAN empowers volunteers across the country to make their voices heard to influence evidence-based public policy change that improves the lives of people with cancer and their families. We believe everyone should have a fair and just opportunity to prevent, find, treat, and survive cancer. Since 2001, as the American Cancer Society's nonprofit, nonpartisan advocacy affiliate, ACS CAN has successfully advocated for billions of dollars in cancer research funding, expanded access to quality affordable health care, and advanced proven tobacco control measures. We're more determined than ever to stand together with our volunteers to end cancer as we know it, for everyone. Join the fight by visiting www.fightcancer.org.

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Pastor: Michael L. Holcomb, Sr.

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

CLAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 AM
Worship 11:00 AM.
Everyone is Welcome!
Pastor: Wilma Dobbins

CLENDENIN UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
10:00 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Preaching
6:00 PM
Wednesday 7:30 PM
Pastor: Fred Walker

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

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

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

ELK RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Saturday Night 7:00 PM
Pastor: Brace Cook

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FAIRVIEW BAPTIST TEMPLE
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
Wednesday 7:00 PM
Pastor: Bret Wiley

FAITH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Dutch Ridge Laurel Road
Sunday Service 6:00 PM
Tuesday Service 6:00 PM
Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: Brother B. J. Evans
Associate **Pastor: Lee Roy Anderson**

FAITH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Bomont, WV
Sunday Service 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Nick Bird
Phone 304-548-6665

FLAT FORK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 PM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:30 AM
Pastor: Chris Johnson

FOLA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Adults Bible Study & Kids for Christ 7:00 PM
Pastor: Daniel Tanner

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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
Located on Rt. 119 at the mouth of Gabe. All Sunday night services begin at 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Rev. David Smith

GROVES CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday Service 10:00 AM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Friday Service 7:00 PM
Pastor: Dean Rogers

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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

HOUSE OF PRAYER
Hansford Fork Rd, Maysel, WV (off Rt. 36)
Pentecostal/Full Gospel
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
Wednesday evening 7:00 PM
Pastor: (304) 587-2996 (home), (304) 587-2703 (church)
Pastor: James R. Paxton

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IDA BAPTIST CHURCH
Bentree
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:00 PM
Wednesday BYF 7:00 PM.
All ages welcome. Also have crafts, etc., all children welcome.
Pastor: Larry Skaggs

INDORE BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday Worship 10:00 AM
Sunday Class 11:00-12:30
Preaching Lunch 12:30-1:30 PM
Wednesday Service 6:30-7:30 PM
Everyone welcome!

IVYDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Worship Service 11:00
Everyone Welcome!
304-395-9990
Pastor: Freddie Elliott

J

JODIE BAPTIST CHURCH
Come Worship with Us!
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Evening Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday (BYF) 7:00 PM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM

JOHNSON CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
Vineyard Ridge
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM

JUBILEE MOUNTAIN CHURCH
103 Main Street, Clay, WV 25043
Sunday 10:00 A.M. - 12 noon
For more info call 304-587-4779
Pastor: David Davis

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LAUREL FORK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH of Adonijah
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Sunday Night 7:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Youth Meeting 7:00 PM

LEATHERWOOD FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Services 7:00 PM

LIBERTY ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday Night: Bible Study/Prayer Meeting and Youth Group 7:00 PM **Pastor: John Barnhouse**

LICKFORK BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 10:00 every
Sunday Morning
Sunday Night Services 7:00 PM
Wednesday 7:00 PM
Come worship with us!
Pastor: Herb Vance

LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Mark Dudley
Phone 304-286-5909

LITTLE LAUREL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM
Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: David McLaughlin

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

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

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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

NEWTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Adult Choir Practice Sun. 9 AM
Sunday School 9:45 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Prayer Meet-

ing & Bible Study 7:00PM
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

OVAPA METHODIST CHURCH
Preaching every Sunday at 9:45 PM
Sunday School 10:30 AM
Sunday School on the 2nd Sunday is at 10:00 AM
Wednesday 7:00 PM
Phone 304-587-2955
Pastors: Cindy & Roger Dunlap

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

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

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

PISGAH FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Bible Study & preaching 6:00 PM
Pastor: Dennis Vance

PLEASANT DALE BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching Sunday 11:00 AM
Wednesday night Bible Study 7:00 PM
Saturday Night Preaching
Pastor: Wayne Litton

PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening 6:30 PM
Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Wayne Smith

PROCIIOUS COMMUNITY CHURCH
Welcomes You!
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:15 AM
Bible Study 2nd, 4th, 5th
Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Pastor: David Walker

QUEEN SHOALS F.G.C. CHURCH
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Sunday Night 7:00 PM
Thursday Night 7:00 PM
Everyone Welcome!
Pastor: Scott Means

RISEN LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH at Maysel
Sunday Liturgy 8:30 AM followed by Religious Education 9:30 AM
Wednesday Liturgy 6:00 PM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Father Matheus Ro SVD
Pastoral Associates: Father Dominijus Boak SVD

ROGERS FORK BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Saturday Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM
Sunday Worship 7:00 PM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Delbert McKenzie

RUSH FORK COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 2nd & 4th Sunday 11:00 AM
Every 1st and 3rd Sunday Singing or Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday Prayer Service & Bible Study 7:00 PM
Come see us in church.
Pastor: Harry Dobbins

SANGAMORE BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Morning 11:00 AM
Sunday Night 6:00 PM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
Come and worship the Lord with us!
Phone: (304) 587-7410
Pastor: Jerry Hanshaw

STRANGE CREEK CHURCH
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Preaching 10:30 AM
Sunday School 11:00 AM
Thursday Service 7:00 PM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Jason Belt

THE AMERICAN CHAPEL AT ELKHURST
Saturday Services 7:00 PM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Pastor: Hiram Lewis

TRINITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 AM
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Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Clifford Samples

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LIZEMORES
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Service 6:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
PMEveryone welcome
Pastor: Don Dobbins

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VALLEY RIDGE CHURCH
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Bible Study Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
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WALLBACK METHODIST CHURCH
Preaching 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 9:45 AM
Bible Study Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM
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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
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Sunday Night 6:30 PM
Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Pastor: Rev. Mike Hall

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Pastor: Randy Tinney

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Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
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Panthers are getting primed for opener on August 30

By Allen Hamrick

This past Saturday, the 2024 Panther football team hosted Liberty High School in an all out scrimmage. Both teams brought a bucket full of guts, grit and attitude to the gridiron for some much needed physical pounding. Tense nerves and emotion filled the air as the teams warmed up and the Mountaineers came in to show the Panthers what they were made of. There were big hits on both sides of the coin.

The Panther defense was all over the field, and it looks like they will put up some good defense this season on the line and backfield. Only time will tell, though. The Panther defense hasn't lost their taste for pigskin it appears, and when the games start, it will be dinner time. Offense looked a little shaky on the start but got some of the bugs out.

Noah Collins will be back at the helm after a banner season last year, and it looks like his arm still has the powder. The running game will be interesting to see who gets the handoffs this season. The Panthers have some good runners with the ability to get the ball down the field and do so fast. The line was a bit underweight in comparison, with the exception of a couple players, but it made no difference most of the time. The speed of the Panther line gave them the ability to get into the backfield on a lot of the plays. The whole Panther team played very well, and the season is looking bright. As playing time went on, the Panthers only got better.

There were a few mishaps, but all in all, it was a good look at what they needed to work on before the season opener with Midland Trail on August 30, game



The Panther defense pushes for the backfield.

time 7:30 PM. The Panthers will mix it up again with Shady Spring on their turf this Friday night at 5:30 PM. It is a new year and a new attitude, and the

Panthers are geared up and will be in top condition come game day. So paint those faces and drop some tail gates; it's time once again for Panther Football.



Noah Collins scrambles out of the backfield.



Ayden Brown gets in some running time.



The Panther offense sets up a play.



Kohan Ramsey looks for the end zone.



Panther JV sees what they can get done.

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