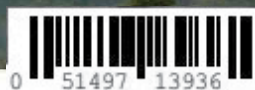




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Christmas Events in Clay this Saturday, Dec. 14

By Gary Lee Stuber

Clay County children will be delighted this coming Saturday, Dec. 14, when, thanks to the efforts of Clay Mayor Jason Hubbard, Casie Boggs, and Donna Salisbury of the Clay Family Resource Center there will be Christmas events free to all Clay County children.

Beginning at 3 p.m. they will get to meet Santa at the Clay Family Resource building for photos, popcorn, and a quality Christmas gift- one of the \$10,000 worth of STEM or STEAM gifts gathered to delight, educate, and entertain any and all children. Free to all Clay County children, Casie Boggs has orchestrated this Christmas adventure, a walkthrough with many 'Bethlehem stops' along the way. The walkthrough begins at the end of Clay near the old Pisgah Bridge and ends downtown at the IGA lot, from 4 to 6 p.m., called "A Journey to Bethlehem." It will culminate in Christmas Parade at 7 p.m. The parade will gather at the Clay County High school and involves the High School Band. They begin the march at 7 p.m. The events are free to participate.

The Clay County Commission has graciously consented to keep the courthouse open to let people get out of the weather or go to the bathroom during the events



Santa and Mrs. Claus will be around on Saturday before the Christmas Parade downtown.

just outside the front door. Area churches will be participating and vendors are encouraged to set up along the street.

Anyone wanting to know more or perhaps involve a float in the Christmas parade should call Casie at 304-993-6281. Please come celebrate Christmas this weekend with your neighbors in downtown Clay.

Clay County Boys and Girls Cross Country Team Members qualified for WV State Meet



The new board of education (left to right) Mike Mullins; Aaron Williams; Philip Dobbins, Superintendent; Phoebe Nichols, President; Brooke Jones, Vice President, and Lou Nutter.



Clay County High School Cross Country teammates (left to right) GirlsL Cheyanne Taylor, Abigail Grandon, and boys Andrew Tanner, Sawyer Dobbins, Trent Hinkle, Kane Nida, Kaden Fitzwater. Coach Ron Starcher at the podium.

By Gary Lee Stuber

One of the first actions at the regular Board of Education meeting was to recognize Coach Ron Starcher and the seven students who qualified for the WV State Cross Country Meet. For girls it was Cheyanne Taylor and Abigail Grandon. For boys it was Andrew Tanner, Sawyer Dobbins, Trent Hinkle, Kane Nida, and Kaden Fitzwater. Each student was acknowledged at the meeting with a certificate and was congratulated by the board.

"At the beginning of the year we outlined our expectation," Ron said at the meeting, clarifying that the program had not been in the top ten teams in over 10 years, "and we couldn't ask for a greater group of guys." He suggested the defeat of

Roane and Nicholas county teams set them on a course to be regional champions. "The boys finished as Number 11 just outside the top ten in the state. The two young ladies we have this evening also qualified for state performance, and If we had one more girl on our team, it would also have qualified."

He assured the audience, "These students showed up every day and did workouts over an hour long. They would run up hill behind Tudors Biscuit World and all the way the Maysel Park and back. And we would run grueling speed routes named after an alumni, Nicki Aleshire who was once a qualifier. They showed up every day to run some of the most stressful routes in West Virginia." Coach Starcher

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The CCHS theater cast performs the show *Charleston*.



Abigail Grandon, "Polly", and Eddy Metheney, "Buck", take a plane trip.

Charleston - The Roaring Twenties hits the CCHS stage

By Allen Hamrick

It was flappers, drama and romance with a pinch of a superiority complex as *Charleston - The Roaring Twenties* came to life on the CCHS stage last week. On Tuesday and Wednesday, 29 actors and actresses performed the comedy drama of stolen fake diamonds and life in the 20's. Students and parents were riveted to their seats as sinister up and coming mobsters attempted to steal the coveted diamond necklace worth alleged millions. The lead role of Polly Pepper was played impressively by Abigail Grandon to give life to a rebellious young girl who chose the flapper life as a means to

get what she wanted and ditch the status quo life that society dictated. Polly was chased by an equally haughty and self-important young Texan named Buck Wayne played by Eddy Metheney who brought arrogance to a new light.

It was youth rebellion at its finest as short dresses, short hair, heavily caked faces and wild flirting was the rule and not the exception. It was the roaring 20's and the CCHS theater group brought it to life with humor and drama. The ability to make those who know you see you as a different person is what separates good acting from great acting. All the cast did a great job - from the Zieg-

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Mustangs dominate the courts



Collin Elliott grabs two points after the steal. Allen Hamrick photo.

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Douglas Wayne Miller
Booked 12/4/24
Obstructing an officer, flee-
ing with reckless indifference

CLAY COUNTY



Jared Seth Blankenship
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NICHOLAS COUNTY



Jeremy Scott Wyant
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Circuit court Capias



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possession with intent



Patrick John Childers
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Delivery of a controlled
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Malinda Kay Garrett
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Conspiracy to commit drug
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commit a felony, possession
with intent

NICHOLAS COUNTY



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J.W. Shortridge
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Dalton Scott Strader
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Bond violation



Mark Andrew Strader
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Assault, possession of
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controlled substance, DUI
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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 month of 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.

Puzzle Answers

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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Super Crossword

Answers

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Excellence in attendance at Clay County Schools



Pictured is Shawn Krajieski's 1st Place students with Superintendent Philip Dobbins

Attendance in one of the three indicators of student achievement, along with grades and behavior. Students who attend well usually read better, make better grades and are less likely to be involved in disciplinary behavior. They also tend to do better on required testing.

The third school month is led in attendance by Shawn Krajieski's students at Clay County High School with an outstanding 97.49% average daily attendance. Second place goes to Joann Metheney's Preschool students at Clay Elementary, with an average of 95.11%.

Honorable mention goes to Stacy Marks's Pre-school students at Big Otter Elementary with a 94.91%; Patrick Black's students at Clay Middle School with 93.42%; Grithel Burns, Dustin Vaughan and Dillon Vaughan's 4th and 5th grade students at Big Otter Elementary at 94.34%; Joy Miller's foreign language students at Clay High School with 93.73%; Tonya Taylor's 1st grade students at Clay Elementary School with 93.52% and Doug Wayne's band students at Clay Middle School with 92.23%. Congratulations to all those students for their excellent attendance. Remember a day absent is a day of learning lost forever.

Mary Free Bed Partnering with Vandalia Health to Bring Expert Rehabilitation to West Virginia

Mary Free Bed is expanding its rehabilitation services to West Virginia with the announcement of a partnership with Vandalia Health at Charleston Area Medical Center (CAMC). Vandalia Health is headquartered in Charleston, WV, with locations in Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Vandalia Health has 1,530 beds in its system with more than 13,000 employees, 17 hospitals and over 190 locations.

The new partnership with Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation is located at Vandalia Health CAMC General Hospital in downtown Charleston, WV, and with its inpatient rehabilitation program. A joint operating agreement between the two organizations begins January 1, 2025, to start serving patients throughout West Virginia.

Currently, Vandalia Health has a 24-bed inpatient rehabilitation unit located at CAMC General Hospital. As part of the partnership, the two organizations will work together to build a new 50-bed rehabilitation hospital on the Vandalia Health CAMC General Hospital Campus.

The Mary Free Bed leadership team will manage the day-to-day operations, performance, processes and procedures, and work closely with Vandalia and CAMC leadership. This new partnership will help grow access to high quality rehabilitation services in West Virginia. The working collaboration will align clinical and operational practices as well as in-

crease clinical skills to better service more complex patients.

"CAMC's focus is always on how to best meet the needs of patients and our community," said Glenn Crotty Jr., MD, President and CEO, Charleston Area Medical Center and Executive Vice President of Vandalia Health. "We are excited to work together with Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation to enhance clinical expertise and patient experience in rehabilitation care in West Virginia."

Despite the geographical distance between the two organizations, their mission and values are closely intertwined. Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation and Vandalia Health both focus on patient-centered care, working to improve access, outcomes, and quality of life for all the communities they serve.

"In health care, alignment of mission and values is essential for successful partnerships," said Bruce Brasser, Chief Operating Officer at Mary Free Bed. "This collaboration represents a shared vision of expanding access to world-class rehabilitation care for those who need it most."

The joint operating agreement will be known as Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation at Vandalia Health CAMC General Hospital. It was developed out of a working relationship with the Mary Free Bed Advisory Group, which is dedicated to building national partnerships and consulting with organizations that share the same value and mission as Mary Free Bed.

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Driving My Old Car

By Joe Mazzella

When I was a young man I had a love-hate relationship with my car. I loved that I had a vehicle that could get me where I needed to go, but I hated just about everything else about it. First it was over 20 years old. It was the size of a tank and got about the same gas milage as one. It would sputter when I accelerated and backfire when I turned the engine off. It leaked and burned oil. The old tires blew out on more than one occasion. The radio tuned in mostly static and I only had one cassette tape to play in the player. The windshield wipers didn't work at all and I sometimes had to pull over in a heavy rain. My co-workers even teased me that they saw buzzards circling my car in the parking lot.

The only one who hated my car more than me was my Dad. He was a mechanic and kept the car going for years longer than it should have lasted. As soon as he fixed one thing, however, something else would break down. I could hear him swearing every time he had to work on it. Still, this old, rusty piece of junk was all I could afford at the time so I kept driving it praying it would hang on for one more day. Then finally one morning I turned it on, put it in gear, and the transmission fell out of it. That was the end of my old car and I was happy to see it go.

These days I hate to admit that I am starting to have the same feelings about my own body. I feel like a young soul driving an aging clunker around. My back hurts daily. My teeth, eyesight, memory, and energy aren't as good as they used to be. I am doing my best to eat right, exercise, and get enough sleep just to slow down the decay. But each day it gets a little older.

Yet, in the end I know these bodies we drive around aren't who we really are. We are the spirit within. We are beloved Children of God put here to live, learn, and love. And when our car does finally break down for good, we will be happy to let it go and return Home again.

Another Jingle Bell on the Tree

By Dr. James L. Snyder

Working in my office the other morning, I heard some rattling noises on the other side of the house. Being as busy as I was, I didn't take the time to find out what that noise was all about. When I'm working on a project, I like to stay on the project.

It was around lunchtime, and I was still hearing that noise. I decided to go into the kitchen and see what we were having for lunch, and as I did so, I noticed The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was in the living room setting up our Christmas tree.

She does this every year and is very good at it. Each year, she gets a new Jingle Bell and puts it near the top of the tree.

If Santa Claus was real (and I do not believe what my parents said about him), he would immediately recruit her to organize his Christmas. She could make his job so much easier.

I'm sure Santa Claus would be very grateful for all the work she could do for him. Of course, he would have to listen to her and do exactly what she says, or we would probably never see Santa Claus again.

I think he is so old that he would listen to her and do exactly what she says because he has done this work so long that he's just about worn out.

Sometimes, I think it would be really nice if there was a Santa Claus. Every year my parents would take me downtown where Santa Claus was, and I would sit on Santa's lap and tell him what I wanted for Christmas. I assured him I was a very good boy during the year.

The older I got the more suspicious I got of this man called Santa Claus. If he was real, he sure wasn't real to me.

Every year, as far as I can remember, I sat on his lap and told him that I wanted a pony for Christmas and nothing more. He always went through his "ho ho ho" act and I believed he was going to do it for me.

I remember getting up on Christmas day and running into the living room, where my parents had their Christmas tree surrounded by all the Christmas gifts. I looked around the tree then I got up and went to the back porch, looked out, and shouted to my parents, "Where is he? I can't see him."

Of course, my parents would say, "What you're talking about," and I always responded by saying, "Santa Claus promised me that he was going to bring me a pony. Now, where is that pony?"

The older I got, the more sophisticated my parents' response to that question was. Usually, it was something like, "Santa might have run out of ponies this year, so you'll have to wait until next year, and I'm sure he'll

bring one next year."

Christmas went by, and another Christmas went by, and another Christmas went by, and there was no sign of any pony with my name on it.

My parents were rather disappointed when I discovered that they had been lying to me all these years and there was no such thing as a Santa Claus. Santa Claus was just a character somebody made up.

I remember the last time I sat on Santa Claus's lap, I was 12 years old. By the time the next Christmas came around, I had turned 13, and I was now a teenager. As a teenager, I knew everything, and nobody could talk to me about anything.

I remember the conversation I had with my parents. I explained to them that there is no such thing as a Santa Claus, and then I asked them why they had lied to me all those years.

"I'm sorry, son," my mother said. "Everyone was saying that, so we joined the crowd. We just wanted you to have a wonderful Christmas."

So Santa Claus is not a real person. If he were, why do I have to spend so much money on Christmas presents?

I was thinking about this as I was eating lunch. There, the Christmas tree was in the process of being put together for Christmas. One of the routines at Christmas time was to buy a brand-new jingle Bell, usually at her favorite thrift store. As I was looking at the Christmas tree, I noticed there was a space near the top of the tree, but no jingle bell.

I looked at my wife and said, "My Dear, where is the new jingle Bell and why is there a big space on top of the Christmas tree?"

"I guess you never pay attention to what's going on around here, do you?" Then she laughed a good, merry laugh. "I cannot put the new jingle Bell on until the night before Christmas. That has been our tradition for many years, in case you haven't noticed. That space near the top of the tree is where the new jingle Bell goes this year."

I sure do love it when a plan comes together, even if it's not my plan.

A verse of scripture came to mind, 2 Thessalonians 2:15, "Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle."

Traditions are important, especially those grounded on the Word of God.

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Meet the 2024-25 West Virginia Folklife Apprenticeship Participants



Dural Miller (right) with his apprentice, Linesha Frith, at the Keep Your Faith Corporation farm on Charleston's West Side, where they grow fresh produce for the community. Photo courtesy of Linesha Frith.



Judy Van Gundy (right) with her apprentice, Andrea Brandon-Hennig, who holds materials used in making white oak baskets. Photo courtesy of Judy Van Gundy.

Ten pairs have been selected to participate in the 2024-25 West Virginia Folklife Apprenticeship Program. The program celebrates and supports traditional artists in passing on cultural knowledge, stories and techniques to their apprentices. This time-tested model of one-to-one study allows dedicated apprentices to learn from recognized experts in their traditional art forms and better understand their communities and history. Hosted biennially since 2016, the program has increased in size over four rounds. These 10 pairs from across the Mountain State are carrying on important traditions in old-time music, fiber arts, storytelling and more.

The ten participating pairs are as follows: Tim Bing (Cabell County) will teach clawhammer banjo playing to his apprentice, Edwin McCoy (Monroe County). Margaret Bruning and her apprentice, Nevada Tribble (both of Randolph County), will practice weaving and fiber art traditions. Richard Eddy will teach his apprentice, Katie McCoy (both of Monongalia County), how to repair fiddles. Bill Hairston (Kanawha County) will share storytelling techniques with his apprentice, Aristotle Jones (Monongalia County). Ginny Hawker (Randolph County) will study traditional unaccompanied Primitive Baptist hymn singing with her apprentice, Mary Linscheid (Monongalia County). Dural Miller will teach urban farming to his apprentice, Linesha Frith (both of Kanawha County). Nancy Nelson will train her apprentice and nephew, Kenneth "KD" Jones (both of Kanawha County), to make family candy recipes. Tay-

lor Runner and his apprentice, Annick Odom (both of Monongalia County), will practice square dance calling. Ben Townsend (Hampshire County) will work with his apprentice, Bodhi Gibbons-Guinn (Allegany County, Md.), on old-time fiddle styles and repertoire. Judy Van Gundy will share traditional Appalachian white oak basketry techniques with her apprentice, Andrea Brandon-Hennig (both of Randolph County).

The West Virginia Folklife Apprenticeship Program is made possible with a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and is managed by the West Virginia Folklife Program, a project of the West Virginia Humanities Council. Follow @wvfolklife on social media, and visit wvfolklife.org to learn more about the West Virginia Folklife Apprenticeship Program. Learn more about the West Virginia Folklife Apprenticeship Program at https://wvfolklife.org/folklife-apprenticeship-program/. For more information on the West Virginia Folklife Program, visit wvfolklife.org and http://wvhumanities.org/programs/westvirginia-folklife-program/ or contact Jennie Williams at williams@wvhumanities.org or 304-346- 8500.

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thanked Superintendent Phil Dobbins who not only supported the teams but helped coach them for the last two years, on their way to the state meet.

All board members were present. They approved the Volunteer Commitment/Agreement application of Anatlia Williams, and Barry Curry at Clay High School. They accepted the resignation of Brenda Griffin McCutcheon as Extra-Mile Delivery Driver. They approved Anissa Collins as Afterschool Homebound Instructor. They approved Pamela Haynes as Cook II at Clay Elementary and Ashley Smith as Substitute Cook.

The Board signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Community Care of West Virginia to provide Mental Health Services to students from Clay Elementary, Clay Middle and Clay High School. And they ap-

proved a Resolution Urging the State of West Virginia to stabilize the Public Employee Insurance Agency (PEIA).

The Board also approved two In-State Extracurricular Overnight trips for the Clay County Wrestling Teams: The Winners Choice Wrestling Tournament in Fairmont, WV, January 10 and 11, 2025; and the WSAZ Wrestling Tournament in Huntington, WV, January 31-February 1, 2025.

The Board approved last month’s bills and adjourned for two executive meetings to conduct student expulsion hearings for two different students.

The next regular meeting of the BOE will be held on Tuesday Dec. 17, at 6 p.m. at Big Otter Elementary School.

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ACROSS

1 The United States' landmass, with "the"

9 Rafter's challenge

15 Shul scroll

20 Another similar thing

21 Barack and Michelle

22 Give the slip

23 Like babies who throw tantrums when you try to put diapers on them?

25 News outlets

26 RBI or ERA

27 Film lead-in to "Cop"

28 Photo —

29 More nimble

30 Trellis climber

32 Having a sore mouth from working long hours at a kissing booth?

36 Joint a sock often covers

39 Chipped in, in poker

40 Beckett title character

41 Intense fire used as an energy source?

46 Pie — mode

49 Abbr. on a road map

50 With 44-Down, decay of building timbers

51 Colon part

52 Communist Joseph

55 Egyptian god of the dead

57 Declaration while pointing at a group of workers on strike?

62 Scent sensor

63 George at Gettysburg

64 Airy melody

65 Statement when you're nearly ready to complete a collage?

72 The "A" of "A-Rod"

73 Depart

74 Air out

77 Mesmerizing horse movement?

83 Limb-bending muscle

85 Is theatrical

86 Pod item

87 Color grade

88 Actress Gasteyer

89 Tangle of hair

90 Inherent hanging-down position?

96 SeaWorld whale, once

100 Fake identity

101 Fuels (up)

102 "It won't hurt to snoop a little!"?

107 Body of eau in vinegar

108 Kind of acid

109 Debt note

110 Architect Saarinen

112 "Slung" food

116 St. — (Caribbean getaway)

117 Hassle of tracking down a missing retirement payment?

121 Vintage song

122 Stress

123 Spiritual self

124 Foundations

125 Peanut butter cup brand

126 Bread browners

DOWN

1 Cobra types

2 Castle ditch

3 Avenger Peel

4 Lizard, e.g.

5 British verb suffix

6 Indian dish

7 Height: Prefix

8 The whole —

9 King, in Caen

10 Belly muscles

11 Jean — (perfume brand)

12 Windows ad catchphrase

13 Language of Copenhagen, to locals

14 New jet in '68

15 Worked as an office sub

16 Carry too far

17 Howard Stern's area

18 "Bye, Brigitte"

19 Bodily pump

24 Conductor Georg

29 "Every seat sold" abbr.

31 "La Traviata" composer

33 Spy novelist Deighton

34 Shareable PC file

35 Vainglory

36 Chef's tie-on

37 "Untrue!"

38 Maryland congressman — Mfume

39 Even a bit of

42 Taxing gp.

43 Mag bigwigs

44 See 50-Across

45 High degree

47 Falsification

48 Cookout pest

52 BBQ rod

53 Mosaic piece

54 On the go

56 Withdraw

57 — Aviv

58 Deli meat

59 Foofaraw

60 Model S car

61 Otherwise

63 Long skirt

66 Balm plant

67 Meshes

68 A fifth of fifty

69 D.C. donor

70 Abbr. on a road map

71 Dallasites or Houstonians

75 — word (single-occasion coinage)

76 Plate holders

77 Skirt edge

78 Diva Sumac

79 Broken bits of ceramic material

80 Tax doc. pro

81 House animal

82 Novelist Santha Rama —

83 Festivity

84 Pigeon perch

87 Males

90 Rapa — (Easter Island)

91 Solar beam

92 Frazier foe

93 Sheet fabric

94 Website visit unit

95 Pilot Amelia

97 Actress McDaniel of "Gone With the Wind"

98 Comes up

99 Nero's 2,100

102 Bigwig

103 Florida city

104 "Uncle!" crier, perhaps

105 Explorer — de León

106 Stratagems

107 Disney film of 2016

111 Nevada city

113 Highest point

114 — -Pei

115 Mama birds

117 Golf average

118 Ending for opal

119 Extra NBA periods

120 — Plaines

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THE WIDEN NEWS

The people who think alike
should vote alike.

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March 1958

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Velma Jo Wilson Weds Sgt. Napier

Miss Velma Jo Wilson and Sgt. Freddie Napier exchanged wedding vows in the San Mateo Chapel, Camp Pendleton, California at 2:00 P. M. March 7, 1958.

The Military double-ring ceremony was performed by Chaplain R. L. Roberts.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Wilson of Plains. She is a graduate of Plains High School and attended West Texas State College in Canyon.

Sgt. Napier of the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Napier of Widen, West Virginia and attended Widen High School.

The bride, given in marriage by Bill Osborne of Orange, Texas was attired in a white lace waltz-length dress over white taffeta. Her veil was crowned by a white pearl head piece. She wore a single strand of white pearls, and carried a bouquet of white carnations with silver streamers. She had an old penny in her shoe, her dress was new, the veil was borrowed and she wore a blue garter.

Her only attendant, Miss Ann Norris, of Alvin, Texas wore blue lace over taffeta and carried yellow daffodils.

J. H. Carr of Franklin, Texas served Sgt. Napier as best man.

The Military Honor Archway was formed by Corporals of 1st Regiment, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton.

COAL SHOW SLATED

FOR MAY 21-29

The Southern Appalachian Industrial Exhibits, the only event its kind held in the coal mining region of West Virginia-Virginia, will be held in Bluefield May 21 through 23. The show, which originated in 1934 with about 35 exhibits and an attendance of less than 10,000, has grown over the years until the last one, held in 1956 had exhibits by more than 325 firms and an attendance in excess of 80,000.



Carol Sue Mullins Weds David Groves

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Mullins of Dille announce the marriage of their daughter, Carol Sue, to Mr. David Groves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Groves of Summersville.

The home of the bride's parents was the scene of the wedding. For the occasion the bride was attired in an ice blue dress with black accessories and carried a lace covered Bible marked with pink carnations and stephanotis streamers. Mrs. Marguerite White, sister of the bride, was her Matron of Honor and the groom's brother, Leo Groves, served as best man. Rev. E. S. Wilson of Summersville performed the double ring ceremony.

A reception followed the ceremony with Mesdames Tom Green, Leo Lykins and Norval Keener serving. Mr. and Mrs. Groves are graduates of Nicholas County High School. Mrs. Groves attended Capital City Commercial College. She has a position with the law firm Spillman, Thomas, Battle & Klossmeyer. Mr. Groves is employed by the Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation of Ravenswood.

Both Mothers were attired in navy blue dresses with corsages of white gardenias. Out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. David White of Newall, W. Va., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Green of Charleston, W. Va., and Mr. and Mrs. George McCue of Belle, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Groves are residing at 50 Randolph Street Apartment F, Charleston, West Virginia.



Dr. Potter To Deliver Sermon

Dr. Truman W. Potter, of the Christ Church Methodist in Charleston, W. Va., will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon to the graduating seniors and their friends on May 11, 1958, in the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium.

Dr. Potter has chosen for his subject "Chain Reaction" and bases it on the scripture Mark 4: 30-32

Dr. Potter earned his A. B. degree at Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky. He received his B. D. from Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois. In 1936 he completed work on his M.A. at Northwestern University Evanston, Illinois.

In 1950 he was awarded a D.D. degree from Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota.

During world war II he was commissioned a Lieutenant Junior Grade in the Navy and served as Chaplain on home bases, on shipboard and in the Virgin Islands. During the war he advanced to Lieutenant Commander.

Dr. Potter has been very active in many fields, and has held many officers and honors in religious and civic organizations. He was preacher on Columbia's "Church of the Air" in 1955, and he conducted his own radio program on Station KWNO from 1951-54.

He is married to the former Geneva Owen McGuire, Wilmore, Kentucky and they reside at 2081 Nanawha Boulevard East Charleston West Virginia with their two sons, Robert and Truman.

GRACE TAKA MARRIES

Mr. Harry K. Taka, Manager of the Widen Club House, has announced the marriage of his second daughter, Miss Grace Taka of Shingu, Japan to Mr. Tetsushi Ota of Ota, Japan.

The marriage took place March 11, 1958 at the Shingu Temple at Shingu.

Miss Taka has been living in Japan for several years and is employed as a flower arrangement instructor. Mr. Ota is a high school instructor in Japan.

Widen Woman's Club Elect New Officers

The regular monthly meeting of the Widen Woman's Club was held at the Legion Hall Thursday, April 3, 1958. Miss Hazel Baughman, President, presided at the business meeting. Mrs. Scott Williams gave a very interesting report of the Woman's Club State Convention which was held at the Greenbrier Hotel White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, March 13-15, 1958.

An election of officers was held and the following were elected to serve for the next two years. Mrs. Cecil Butcher President; Mrs. Lloyd Butcher, Jr., 1st Vice President; Mrs. Robert Manning 2nd Vice President and Mrs. Ronald Brown Recording Secretary.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses—Mrs. G. D. Craft, Chairman; Mr. John Henley, Mrs. William Patton and Mrs. I. J. Dunlap. Table decorations were in keeping with the Easter Season. The following members were present: Miss Hazel Baughman Miss Tressie Bailes and Miss Leola Mick; Mesdames Harold L. Beattie, Ronald Brown, Lloyd Butcher, Jr., Cecil Butcher, Robert Osborne, Eugene Frame, Robert Manning, Joe LaCorte, Walker Henderson Farrell Henderson, Melvin Conner, Scott Williams, D. F. McMillon, Jr., D. F. McMillon, Paul Donohue, Marvin Shaffer, J. B. Wood and Darrell Wood.

NOTICE

Watch Channel 3, WSAZ—TV Saturday, May 3, 1958, for Widen's School Band. They will be in the parade of the West Virginia State Band Festival.

ARBOR DAY OBSERVED

Shrub and flower planting ceremonies planned for Arbor Day had to be postponed until April 16 because of bad weather. Immediately after school on Wednesday, April 16, 1958 the Brownie Scouts and the Intermediate Girl Scouts joined forces to plant several shrubs and flowers on the creek bank around the new store building. Forsythia, Pussy-Willows and other shrubs were planted.

Brownie leaders are Mrs. Robert Manning and Mrs. Ronald Brown.

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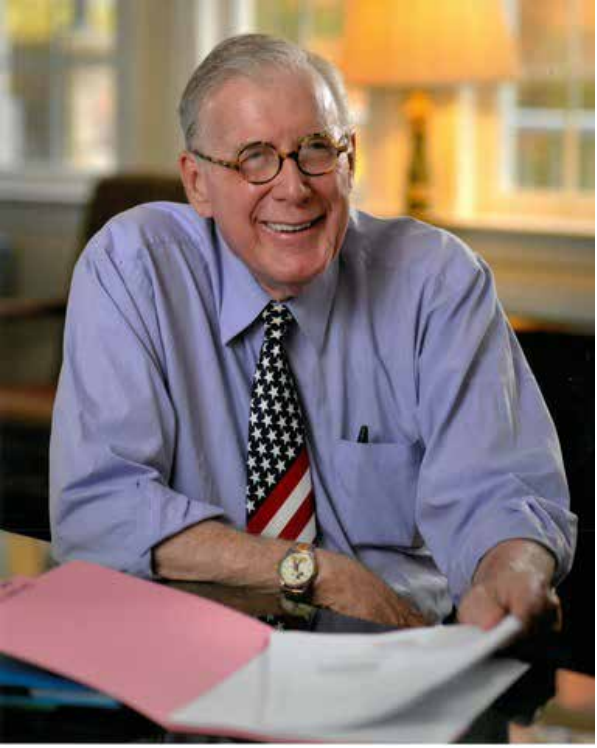
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THIS WEEK IN West Virginia History

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.

Dec. 11, 1905: “Pare” Lorentz, known as “FDR’s filmmaker,” was born in Clarksburg. In 1933, Lorentz created *The Roosevelt Year: 1933*, a pictorial review of

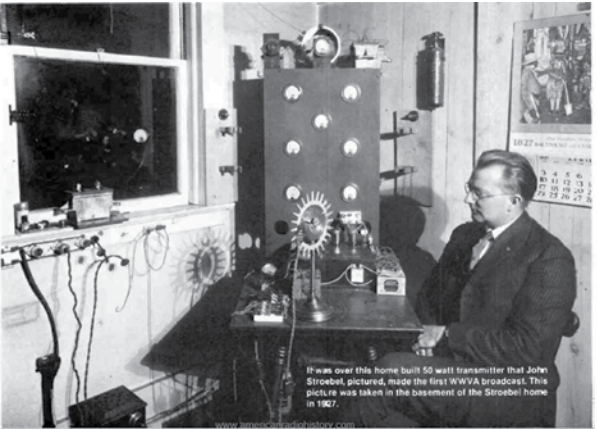


FDR’s first year in the White House.

Dec. 12, 1931: Attorney George Daugherty, better known as the comic singer, storyteller, and songwriter “The Earl of Elkview,” was born upstairs over a Manington silent movie house.

Dec. 12, 1942: Internationally known jazz pianist and recording artist Bob Thompson was born in Jamaica, Queens, New York. He studied music at West Virginia State College (now University) and is the house pianist for the *Mountain Stage* radio program.

Dec. 12, 1953: Chuck Yeager set a speed record by flying two-and-a-half times the speed of sound in a



Bell X-1A. Yeager, who grew up in Hamlin, had broken the sound barrier six years earlier on Oct. 14, 1947.

Dec. 13, 1861: The Battle of Allegheny Mountain, one of the bloodiest conflicts of the Civil War’s first year, took place in Pocahontas County.

Dec. 13, 1926: Wheeling radio station WWVA-AM began broadcasting. The 50-watt station operated from the basement of John Stroebel’s house for most of its first year. Stroebel was a physics teacher and wireless pioneer.

Dec. 14, 1910: The accidental death of a Chesapeake & Ohio Railway engineer near St. Albans led to the popular train song “Billy Richardson’s Last Ride.”



Dec. 14, 1857: Coal operator Justus Collins was born. He owned mines at Glen Jean and Whipple, and the octagonal Whipple company store survives today as a local landmark.

Dec. 15, 1879: Roman Catholic Bishop John Joseph Swint was born in Pickens. He was responsible for building many religious institutions in the Diocese of Wheeling (now the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston).

Dec. 15, 1953: Blacksmith Jeff Fetty was born in Spencer and later graduated from Spencer High School. In 2012, he was named one of the world’s top metal designers by the International Metal Design Annual—becoming only the sixth American to receive the honor.

Dec. 15, 1967: The Silver Bridge at Point Pleasant collapsed, killing 46 people. The Silver Bridge was opened to traffic on May 19, 1928. The accident led to the passage of legislation for a national bridge inspection and safety program.

Dec. 15, 1972: An explosion at a Weirton Steel coke plant on Browns Island killed 19 men and injured 10 others. It was the worst industrial accident in Weirton’s history.

Dec. 16, 1893: Alexander Martin died at the age of 71 in Greencastle, Indiana. Martin was the first presi-

dent of the Agricultural College of West Virginia, which was renamed West Virginia University at his recommendation in 1868.



Dec. 16, 1897: The last public hanging in West Virginia occurred in Ripley. John F. Morgan had been convicted of murdering Chloe Greene and two of her three children in the Grass Lick area of Jackson County.

Dec. 17, 1957: The J. L. Stifel & Sons calico plant at Wheeling closed. For most of its history, Stifel & Sons produced indigo-dyed prints and drills for clothing manufacturers. At its peak, the plant produced 3.5 million yards of cloth per month.



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6:00 PM
Wednesday 7:30 PM
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Preaching 11:00 AM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Saturday Night 7:00 PM
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Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening 6:00 PM
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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM
Wednesday Adults Bible Study
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PM
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Wednesday Night Service
7:00 PM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Night Service
6:00 PM
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Preaching 11:00 AM
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CHARLESTON

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girls to the Duke and Duchess, and words can't describe some of the events that unfolded. Those in attendance left the auditorium discussing and laughing about their favorite parts.

Congratulations go out to those involved. Tara Tanner did a crack up job as the director along with light and sound by McKenzie Osborne and set design overseen by Jada Adkins. The CCHS Theater group will have a spring performance, and you will not want to miss it... as an added bonus, the show comes with dinner. The CCHS

stage is alive because of the CCHS Thespians. We look forward to the spring to see what they come up with next. I assure you, it will be good. Theater is an experience for the players and the audience to escape everyday life, become absorbed with the story and the characters and forget problems outside the doors. Theater can promote education and instill confidence by provoking thought and communication. Mrs. Tanner has compiled a great group that has done just that and will bring whatever story they are given to life.



L-R Ariel Dobbins as Wanda, Presley Shamblin as Lydia and Cora Weaver as Roberta



L-R Noah Weaver "Cheater" and Alex Davison "Muggs" portray mobsters in search of The Ice Garden.



Polly Pepper followers



The Ziegfeld girls dance line

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IN RE: NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW AND EQUALIZATION FOR THE YEAR 2025

Notice is hereby given that the County Commission of Clay County, West Virginia will meet as a Board of Review and Equalization on the 3rd day of February, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Commission Courtroom located at 246 Main Street, Clay, WV and will continue in session thereafter from time to time until the work of the review and equalization is deemed by said Board of Review is completed.

All persons having business before said Board of Review pertaining to equalization of taxpayer's property taxes are respectfully invited to attend said session. You may call 304-587-4259 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday for an appointment or the schedule of meetings.

APPROVED: NOVEMBER 25, 2024

[Signature] PRESIDENT
CLAY COUNTY COMMISSION

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

THAT BEING THE JUVENILE COURT OF SAID COUNTY

IN RE: State v S.Z.D. and Z.B. Case Nos. 23-JA-36-37
In the matter of S.Z.D. and Z.B., and the unknown whereabouts of Tiffany D. Bevill, Adult Respondent Mother of said Infants, Craig Allen Beeth, Adult Respondent Father of S.Z.D., John Dozer, Adult Respondent Psychological Father of S.Z.D., and Johnathan Bartsch, Adult Respondent Father of Z.B.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
And
NOTICE OF ANSWER
To: **Tiffany D. Bevill, Craig Allen Beeth, John Dozer, and Johnathan Bartsch.**

(The object of this action is to notify the Adult Respondents of an abuse and neglect petition herein filed so that said Adult Respondents may answer the same to protect their interest).

You are hereby notified that an abuse and neglect and/or abandonment petition has been filed with the Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia, on the 14th day of November 2024, and assigned Case Numbers 23-JA-36-37, wherein it is alleged that the Adult Respondent Mother of the Infant Respondents S.Z.D. (DOB: 10/31/11), and Z.B. (DOB: 12/13/13), is Tiffany Bevill, and that said Infant Respondents be placed in the custody of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, with said Infant Respondents remaining in the care, custody and control of the said Department since that time in accordance with WV Code §49-6-3. You are hereby notified that you have the right to answer said petition and you have the right to have counsel present at all stages of these proceedings and ALL PROCEEDINGS CAN RESULT IN THE PERMANENT TERMINATION OF CUSTODIAL AND PARENTAL RIGHTS TO SAID INFANT CHILD.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the Adult Respondents, Tiffany D. Bevill, Craig Allen Beeth, John Dozer, and Johnathan Bartsch, shall appear before the Honorable Jack Alsop on the **11th day of December, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the Clay County Courthouse, 246 Main Street, Clay, West Virginia, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against them at any time thereafter, and termination of your custodial and parental rights may be ordered by the Court.

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Clay County, West Virginia, at the Clay County Courthouse, Clay, West Virginia.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES, CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION.

BY: Wayne King, Prosecuting Attorney, Clay County, West Virginia.
Entered by the Clerk of said Court on the 5th day of December 2024.

[Signature]
Circuit Clerk

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In accordance with Chapter 11, Article 3, Section 2a of the Code of West Virginia, I am notifying all real property and personal property owners of Clay County that for Tax Year 2025, all real property and personal property will be assessed at 60% of its current market value. This may or may not result in a general increase in the assessed value of your property.

Should you have any questions concerning the assessment of your real or personal property, you may contact this office at 587-4258, or you may come in the office and we will review your appraisal with you.

If, after a review with this office, you disagree with the appraisal of your property you may appeal the valuation to the Clay County Commission sitting as a Board of Review and Equalization, during the month of February.

Teresa Davis
Assessor of Clay County

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0854-E-42T
APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
WHEELING POWER COMPANY

Rule 42T tariff filing to increase rates and charges.

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 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. This filing is a replacement of Case No. 24-0669-E-42T that was dismissed by the Commission on September 18, 2024. The rates, tolls, and charges proposed in this filing are in lieu of, and NOT in addition to, those proposed in the dismissed Case No. 24-0669-E-42T.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective December 1, 2024, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will produce approximately \$250,493,835 annually in additional revenue, an increase of 14.12 percent. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$27.15	16.16%
Commercial	\$57.09	14.04%
Industrial	\$32,385	11.63%
Resale	N/A	N/A
Other	\$1.33	12.01%

A residential customer using 1,000 kWh would experience a monthly increase over current rates of \$23.74 or 13.54%.

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. Resale rates are subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and are not affected by this West Virginia jurisdictional rate filing. The increases shown are based on the 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 January 31, 2025. 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 prior to the start of the evidentiary hearing. Customers may also make verbal protest at a public comment hearing 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 the 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, WV 25311. A copy of the tariff is also available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents on the website of the Companies www.appalachian-power.com/account/bills/rates/APCORates/TariffsWV.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 the 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.

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
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Mustangs dominate the courts



Canaan Payton gets two the hard way.



John Paxton looks for two from the corner.



Holden Winebrenner sets up defense.

By Allen Hamrick

The Mustangs basketball team was at home against Richwood while the Lady Mustangs were on the road in Richwood this past week. Both games would prove to be great season openers. The boys hit the floor, and talk about speed, they had it. They had a little bit of a rough time getting the ball to fall in the basket early in the first period but soon started getting their sights lined up. As the seconds ticked off, the boys got better acquainted with their game plan and worked the courts the way they needed to. Defense stepped up and got some rebounds and steals while battling in no man's land under the hoops. The Mustangs will definitely be in the hunt for the net in each game they play this year; it promises to be an exciting season. In the end the boys scored at will and the game ended with the score, Mustangs 54 Richwood 36.

The Lady Mustangs started the season running and pounding; it was an all out Madison Square Garden style of in your face fight every second of the game. The Lady Mustangs came into this game to continue their exhibition style of basketball and give the fans their money's worth. The Lady Mustangs played text book basketball on offense and defense. It was obvious that the Lady Mustangs were not taking anything from the game and left it all on the court. Offensively, the Lady Mustangs had a serious air force strike team. There isn't a player on the team that isn't a threat when they shoot.

A high five goes out to the Lady Mustangs for bringing home the win. The season looks bright for the Lady Mustangs. If Coach Atha and Assistant Coach Ramsey can keep this fiery pace going, who knows maybe a record season? Keep it up Lady Mustangs!



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