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Noah Collins signs with his family's support.



Noah, along with coaches, who have been a part of the journey.

Collins signs with the University of Charleston

By Allen Hamrick

It's not every day that an individual comes up through the ranks with the amount of dedication to their sports as Noah Collins. Noah has been entertaining the fans of Clay County with skills only obtained through hard work and a passion for the game ever since a football was placed in his hands. Not only did he excel at the sport of football, but he was also involved with baseball and basketball. However, football is what buttered the bread for Noah. His exploits will be well known for generations, and his skill at throwing threads, bombs, and scrambling is currently unmatched and may never be.

Along with being a part of the offense, he was also instrumental on defense. On defense, he got pounded and gave no quarter only to come out on offense and get the job done. Noah is much like the 70's football players who came out, did their job and didn't complain about the pain; he just went to work. Noah is a credit to his school and to his parents, Brian and Anissa Collins, who obviously instilled a strong work ethic and pride that only comes via love of God and the game

and a dedication to winning. Noah could be considered to be the top quarterback to ever wear a Panther jersey, and that's saying a lot. Noah has accumulated many awards and records. Fact is, he holds most all the QB records for passing and TD passes at the school. In his career, he threw 1048 times, completing 634 passes for 9689 yards and 112 touchdown passes. His many accomplishments didn't go unnoticed as he was named 1st team All State this past season.

What Collins has done for the sport of football can't be summed up by awards and records but by his spirit that will be remembered long after the awards have succumbed to the dust. His presence on and off the field and the lofty goals he has set for those that follow in his shoes is where his true gift lies as imitation is the finest form of flattery. He will indeed be a hard act to follow as the years roll by, and he will not be forgotten by those youth that build their skills to match his and aspire to be like him. We, the Clay County fans, wish Noah well at the University of Charleston; the Golden Eagles will be a better team because of his commitment to their future.

Clay County Commission Recognizes 100-Year-Old Veteran on his Birthday

By Gary Lee Stuber

The Clay County Commission met in regular session at 9 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 10, and the first item of the day was to recognize Charles Bird, the WWII veteran who got his Clay County High School diploma this past May, on his 100th birthday. Mr. Bird turned 100 years old on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, 2025. Charles is a Clay County icon whose memories of the Battle of the Bulge are legendary.

All three commissioners were in attendance. In regular business the commission approved bills, purchase orders, appointments, waivers and final settlements, erroneous assessments, and set a schedule of meeting dates and time for the 2025 Board of Review and Equalization. They approved the minutes of the previous meeting and made Dustin a three year appointment to the Board of the Clay County Business Development Authority. By his own admission this was the first time in the many years he has worked there that he was officially appointed. They approved a request by the Circuit Clerk to increase the pay for Aubrey Thomas and Michelle Bodkins working there from the Clerks budget.

The commission approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Clay County Middle School and the Clay County Commission that in the event of an emergency at the Middle School that the courthouse will serve as their emergency shelter.

If there was one detracting moment at the meeting it was that the Chief Deputy R.H. Thomas' request for funds to finish outfitting the new F-150 cruiser in the amount of \$8,300 was declined. Commissioner Schoolcraft cited that money was already spent out of the Sheriff's budget and that there were no more funds available. Deputy Thomas, who was present, noted that in the next couple of months that they would be getting another grant for another cruiser and that they would need money to outfit that cruiser as well.

Melissa O'Brien, the External Affairs Manager of Citinet, gave an update on the Broadband Project from Roane County through Clay County. She passed out a map showing the area affected, which begins in Clay County at Wallback, moves down Route 36 up Route 4 at Maysel and down Route 16 from Two Run to Dixie. Customers living within 1,000 feet of that route should be able to sign up on broadband. Her report included that bids were going out and should be back by April. By early summer, construction could begin.

Tonya Morris, the Director of Compliance for Jan-Care Diversified, gave a pitch to the commission to take over medical billing for the Clay County Ambulance authority, detailing how they could increase revenue by doing proper and thorough billing for the service. The commission listened and told her they would get back to her.

The commission approved a letter



The Clay County Commission recognized Charles Bird on his 100th birthday. From left to right are Commissioner David Schoolcraft, Commission President Joyce Johnson, and Commissioner Duane Legg, who awarded WWII veteran Charles Bird with a day of recognition. His daughter Donna Salsbury, far right, stands with him.



Tonya Morris, Director of Compliance for Jan-Care Diversified



Melissa O'Brien of CitiNet

of support for Clay County Health Department and Clay CERT. The Director noting that the spring soccer league was now accepting applications for the spring season which can be found on the soccer website or just by making contact with the Clay Health Department.

The next regular meeting of the Clay County Commission is 5 p.m. on Feb. 24.

This Week In The House Of Delegates



A snapshot of the House of Delegates from Feb. 13, 2025. WV Legislative Photography, photo by Perry Bennett.

For the week ending Feb. 14, 2025

Members of the West Virginia House of Delegates Committee on Government Organization learned on just the second of the 60-day regular legislative session how the body's new process for examining proposed legislation can help solve problems without passing a bill at all.

"I knew this was a possible effect of the new committee format, but I didn't expect to see it in action during our first meeting," said House Government Organization Committee Chairman Chris Phillips, R-Barbour. "I'm pleased we had designated time for the bill sponsor to explain what he was hoping to accomplish, then committee members who asked thoughtful questions and offered their own ideas but I'm especially happy the State Fire Marshal Ken Tyree was able to speak openly with us and agree to a solution that will work without changing the law."

The House began the first session of the 87th Legislature with six standing committees, with four subcommittees under the House Finance Committee and three subcommittees under all the other standing committees. When a bill is introduced, the Speaker will refer it to a standing committee or a subcommittee, and a standing committee can refer it to a subcommittee. If it's placed on an agenda, it must go through a hearing where the bill sponsor explains the bill's purpose. The hearing stage is also when members of the public may provide testimony along with written comments to be included with the bill's materials. The process is the same for both the subcommittee and the standing committee, so each bill has the potential for multiple hearings.

The Committee heard House Bill 2074 Thursday, which sponsor Jim Butler, R-Mason, explained was spurred by a specific issue with food booths at his local county fair. Butler explained how a fire inspector visited and said the block build-

ings that had been in place for at least 50 years all needed automatic fire suppression systems or the nonprofit vendors operating for fundraisers would have to shut down. The short-term solution was for the vendors to each accept written violations with instructions to correct the problem within a window of time, which now is approaching.

"In this instance, the day one discussion resulted in an agreement between committee members, the bill sponsor and the Fire Marshal that the underlying and over-restrictive requirement in the fire code will be amended in the rules process," Butler said. "This means the problem is solved without the need to advance the bill, and I'll certainly follow up to be sure that change occurs as expected, but I'm very pleased with this outcome."

"Any time we can solve a problem for our constituents it's a win, and doing so without endlessly amending state law is a bonus."

As Marshal Tyree explained to the committee members, the state fire code was written in 1979 and updated about 15 times since then, but he said he'd have no problem addressing Butler's narrow and limited exception under rule instead.

"If anyone has ever wondered how the West Virginia State Code could have become a patchwork of narrow nooks and crannies that may seem like they don't fit together, one simply has to live through a few legislative sessions," said House Speaker Roger Hanshaw, R-Clay. "This specific instance was not necessarily the grand challenges of the state that we know we must address, but this was a meaningful proposal nonetheless and I'm pleased that its abbreviated journey through the legislative process is a good thing."

A total of 377 bills have been introduced in the House, and the 60-day, regular legislative session ends at midnight April 12.

Kenzie Corwell crowned 2025 basketball homecoming queen



Principal Allen Tanner crowns Kenzie Corwell, Escort Noah Weaver crown bearer Oaklynn Lanham and escort Chase Moore. Her court also shown: top row from left to right are Gabriella Cottrell and Collin Lane, Dakota James and Bryton Champ, bottom row left to right are Savannah George and Michael Foster, Evelyn Young and Lucas Vance.

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BOOKED



REGIONAL JAIL MUGSHOTS

NICHOLAS COUNTY



Roger Lee Auxier III
Booked 2/17/25
Violation of protective order, stalking (harass/follow)



Zachary Bryan Clodfelter
Booked 2/16/25
Accessory after the fact



Tasha Anne Hanks
Booked 2/15/25
Improper display, driving suspended second offense, DUI, possession controlled substance



Howard Edward King III
Booked 2/16/25
Abuse or neglect of incapacitated adult, domestic battery, strangulation



Russell Lee Mullins
Booked 2/14/25
Capias, DVP violation



Mary Susan Spenia
Booked 2/16/25
Concealing of deceased human body, accessory after the fact, conspiracy to commit a felony

CLAY COUNTY



Elvis Boswell
Booked 2/16/25
Possession with intent



Isaac Edward Ferreebe
Booked 2/10/25
Capias



Kaylie Shay Hamilton
Booked 2/15/25
Capias



Benjamin Neil Conley
Booked 2/14/25
Possession of a controlled substance, trespass on property other than structure or conveyance, destruction of property, entering without breaking auto



Benjamin Erik Dean
Booked 2/16/25
Sexual assault in the second degree



Stephanie Michelle Furner
Booked 2/13/25
No insurance, permitting DUI, possession of controlled substance

BRAXTON COUNTY



Jason Glen Moore
Booked 2/11/25
Grand larceny, conspiracy



Mary Ellen Workman
Booked 2/13/25
Possession of a controlled substance, DUI first offense

Courthouse News



Wednesday, March 12, 2025 Docket Schedule for Magistrate Scott Bass

09:00 AM, State v. Maleyna Faith Stinson, Pre-Trial Hearing, expired motor vehicle registration, no proof of registration

09:30 AM, State v. David Ryan Stone, Pre-Trial Hearing, defective equipment, no seatbelt

09:30 AM, State v. David Ryan Stone, Pre-Trial Hearing, driving while license suspended or revoked, no insurance

11:30 AM, State v. Samuel Todd Murphy, Pre-Trial Hearing, persons prohibited from possessing firearms – convicted of crime punishable by more than 1 year, trespass on property other than structure or conveyance, hunt or fish without a license, hunting/trapping/fishing on lands of another, required attire for deer hunters

01:00 PM, State v. Jonathan Stewart Sparks, Pre-Trial Hearing, unlawful removal/injury to/destruction of property, obstruct law enforcement/probation/parole/court security/corrections officer with threats of hard

01:30 PM, State v. Isaac E. Ferreebe, Bench Trial, operator's license - driving while license suspended or revoked

01:30 PM, State v. Isaac Edward Ferreebe, Bench Trial, operator's license – driving while license suspended or revoked, failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance

01:30 PM, State v. Isaac Edward Ferreebe, Bench Trial, failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance, unsafe and improperly equipped vehicles

01:30 PM, State v. Isaac Edward Ferreebe, Bench Trial, unsafe and improperly equipped vehicles, driving suspended

01:30 PM, State v. Isaac Edward Ferreebe, Pre-Trial Hearing, obstruct law enforcement/probation/parole/court security/corrections officer with threats of harm, battery on government representatives/health care providers/utility workers/law enforcement/EMS

02:00 PM, State v. William Raymond West, Bench Trial, hunting of fishing on revoked license

Puzzle Answers

Weekly SUDOKU

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Super Crossword

Answers

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OBITUARIES



Irven Otto Brown

Irven Otto Brown, 94, of Fola, WV, passed away on February 14, 2025, following an extended illness.

He was born on September 30, 1930, to Earley and Dicy Brown of Ovapa and was preceded in death by sisters Arbutus Brady, Audra Hopkins, Gerline Samples, and Myrtle Belle Arbogast, by brothers Denvil, Glenvil, Ronald, Stanley (infant) and William (infant); by his grandson, Allen, and great grandsons, Christian (infant) and Xyler (infant).

He was a loving husband for 71 years to Greta (Legg) and devoted father to Grant (Sandy), Keith (Valerie), Paul (Carol), and special family Luther “PeeWee” (Martha) Nottingham. He had 15 Grandchildren, 23 Great Grandchildren, and 4

Great Great Grandchildren.

He was a U.S. Army Korean War Veteran; coach of little boys baseball; Scoutmaster of Troop 130; a member of the VFW; an EMT for Clay Ambulance Service; an employee for Clay County Schools as well as serving as a Board Member for several years; and he retired as a barber in Clay after nearly 60 years. He was a Member and Deacon of Fola Missionary Baptist Church.

For their support of Clay County football teams, he and his wife, Greta, were WCHS Hometown Heroes and inducted into the Clay County High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Services will be Saturday, February 22, 2025, at Fola Missionary Baptist Church, Fola, WV. Visitation from 1:00 to 2:00 pm. Funeral at 2:00 pm with Daniel Tanner officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Cemetery.

The family would like to thank Kanawha Hospice and grandson, Alex Brown, for their exceptional care these past few weeks.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.carlwilsonfuneralhome.com. Wilson Smith Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Brown family.



Vernon Maynor

VERNON LEE MAYNOR, 93 years of age of Mt. Nebo died Tuesday February 11, 2025 in the Bowers Hospice House at Beckley. He was the son of the late Homer Fairbanks and Annie Elmo Miller Maynor and was born at Sandlick July 8, 1931. Vernon was retired from C&P telephone company and served in the National Guard. He was a member of the Lize-mores Nazarene Church, the Lions Club and was a former Boy Scout Leader.

He was also preceded in death by one son Steven Lee Maynor and brother Wayne Maynor.

Surviving:

Wife Avril Gay Cot-trill Maynor
Daughters Alicia Ann Griffin
Wichita Falls, Texas
Mary Elizabeth White-ley
Mt. Lookout
Kara Lynn Harper
Brooklyn Zoey Hart
both of Oak Island, North Carolina
Sisters Erma Jean Cook
Beckley
Virginia Owen
Bonnie Lester
both of Suffolk, Virginia
Several Grandchil-dren, Great and Great-Great Grandchildren

Funeral services were conducted at noon on Saturday February 15th in the Waters Funeral Chapel at Summers-ville with Pastor John Bill Brown and Pastor Wayne Litton. Burial, with military honors, will follow in the Sunset Cemetery at Bickmore. Friends called at the fu-neral chapel one hour prior to the service on Saturday.

In lieu of flowers, donation can be made to Hospice of Southern West Virginia, 454 Cran-berry Drive, Beckley, WV 25801.

Condolences: waters-funeralchapel.com



Michael Ramsey

6/6/1961-2/12/2025, Michael “Allen” Ramsey, 63, of Bickmore, WV, entered into rest surrounded by the love of his family and close friends on February 12, 2025.

Allen was an entrepreneur who believed in family, hard work, and giving. He had multiple businesses for many years throughout the community where he lived. He had a passion for motorcycles, boats and especially antique cars because he got to share that hobby with his children. His children and grand-children were his proudest accomplishment. Every-where he went, he would tell stories about them and of how proud he was of them all and would check in on them daily. If you knew him, you know that he found great enjoyment in talking, mainly giving people he loved a hard time, all in the name of fun. He loved just showing up unannounced at businesses and homes to visit and see

if there was any trouble he could stir up that day. Al-len lived a giving life. If he saw a need he wanted to do what he could to meet that need and help. Over the years he has done so much to help those in the commu-nity whether he knew them or not and without hesita-tion. Allen had a huge heart that loved fiercely and gave freely, and he will leave an unforgettable legacy be-hind for all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his father, Gerald Lee Ramsey. Allen is survived by his mother, Wilma Jean Ramsey of Indore, his children, Britni Ramsey of Maysel, Cody Ramsey (Marissa) of Bickmore, Hailey Ramsey (Tristen) of Lizemores, 4 grandsons, Creed, Ryker, Colt and Atlas, sisters

Teresa McClain, Prociuous, Drema Thomas (Doug), Indore, several nieces and nephews and many lifelong friends, many of which he considered his brothers.

Funeral Services were held at 1:00 pm, Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at Wil-son Smith Funeral Home, Clay, WV with Minister John R. Osborne officiat-ing. Visitation was one hour prior to the service from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm at the funeral home. Burial followed in the Legends Cemetery, 115 Grassy Fork Road, Lizemores, WV.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.carlwilsonfuneral-home.com

Wilson Smith Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Ramsey Fam-ily.

Breaking the Cycle: Why WV Must Prioritize Local Food and Health

Facing what our new Governor describes as a “massive deficit” in our state budget, I can’t help but notice that Medicaid and PEIA are among the primary causes. This raises an important question. What could we have done over the past few decades to reduce these expenses? The answer is simple - promote healthier outcomes through better diet and nutrition. Healthcare professionals have long advised us to eat healthier, and national discussions increasingly emphasize the importance of fresh fruits and vegetables over processed foods. Yet, here in West Virginia, we’ve often ignored the ounce of prevention, only to pay the price for the pound of cure. For decades, we’ve taken the cheaper, short-term path by relying on processed foods. That’s earned us another ranking at the bottom.

The WVDA, primarily through our WV Grown Program, consistently advocates for increasing the number of local foods in our diets while shortening the distance between the farm and table, thus improving our health. We see food as medicine. Growing more food here in West Virginia is good for the environment, good for our health, and good for the economy. For years, we have requested funding for the WV Grown program. Why? Funding for the program can exponentially increase its reach and effectiveness. Connecting West Virginians to our agricultural producers gives them the power to choose local, whether that be from a farmers’ market or straight from the farm. The WV Grown Program supports our local communities to shorten the distance to your dinner table. Money spent locally helps grow our economy. It also reduces the number of processed foods in our diet and leads to healthier lives. The program, to date, has improved the bottom line for many West Virginia agribusinesses. Helping these rural businesses grow improves the quality of life for those communities. Improved communities result in better education outcomes, recreation, and health. Funding WV Grown means supporting local communities economically and culturally. Now is the time to put real dollars behind this program and ensure our farmers, producers, and communities reap the benefits.

The USDA SNAP Stretch program has been a tremen-

dous asset to West Virginians, allowing SNAP/EBT customers to double the value of their benefits. When shoppers use their SNAP/EBT card at participating markets, retailers, and farm stands, they receive an immediate dollar-for-dollar match to spend on fresh fruits and vegetables. A minimal amount of stable state funding would be a huge win for our senior population, and the funding will be an income multiplier for producers selling at farmers markets to our seniors. SNAP Stretch goes hand in hand with the FARMacy (food as medicine) programs gaining popularity and providing healthier outcomes to those living in food deserts that rely on dollar stores and gas stations for their meals.

Fresh foods do contribute to healthier outcomes. The closer we grow our food to the consumer the safer and healthier we are. Growing food locally adds to food security and supply stability. During COVID we saw food shortages, not because food was scarce, but rather the supply chains were disrupted. These disruptions are now an opportunity for West Virginia to move forward. Here in West Virginia, we have a huge food gap. That gap is an opportunity for growing our local economy. All of our neighboring states invest in their food systems. Some of those states use tobacco settlement funds, while others use legislative financial appropriations. It makes no difference to me how financial assistance is made available, but if we want a different outcome, then we need to try something different to improve our health.

West Virginia has a chance to break the cycle of poor health and improve our historically low public health rankings. By investing in local agriculture, we’re not just feeding our families, we’re building a healthier, more prosperous future for our state. Key steps toward this goal include insisting the Fresh Food Act is enforced, funding WV Grown, and improving the implementation of USDA food assistance programs.

A small investment in West Virginia agriculture will return big dividends.

Kent A. Leonhardt
West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture



THE WIDEN NEWS

The people who think alike
should vote alike.

"DUNDON"
RED ASH COAL

Where all think alike, no one
thinks very much.



May 1958

Widen Woman's Club Anniversary Dinner



Members attending the Anniversary Dinner of the Widen Woman's Club are pictured above. Left to right, front row — Miss Tremble Balles, Mrs. L. J. Dunlap, Miss Hazel Baughman, outgoing president Mrs. Cecil Butcher, incoming president and Mrs. Eugene Taylor.

Second row, left to right — Mrs. DeForrest McMillion, Jr., Mrs. Carmel Ramsey, Miss Leola Mick and Mrs. Walker Henderson.

Third row, left to right — Mrs. Richard Shelton, Mrs. Richard Mahaling, Mrs. Noble Conner, Mrs. D. L. McMillion, Mrs. Robert Manning, Mrs. Lloyd Butcher, Jr., Mrs. Wealthy Johnson and Mrs. William Patton.

Back row, left to right — Mrs. Charles Wilson, Mrs. Paul Donohue, Mrs. Ronald Brown, Mrs. Joe LaCorte, Mrs. Russell Parsons, Mrs. Bob Dagle, Mrs. Adam Roberts, Mrs. E. D. Moyers, Mrs. H. L. Beattie, Mrs. Joseph Polanski, Mrs. Marvin Shaffer, Mrs. Farrell Henderson and Mrs. Melvin Conner.

New Officers Installed At Anniversary Dinner By Widen Woman's Club

The Anniversary Dinner of the Widen Woman's Club was held at the Widen Club House, on Tuesday Evening, May 6, 1958 at 6:30 P.M. Mrs. Lucille Butcher, devotional leader gave the devotion. Miss Hazel Baughman, Club President, introduced officers and guests. Mrs. Leo Hillyard of Gassaway, W. Va., sang two very beautiful selections accompanied at the piano by Mrs. McMillion of the Gassaway Woman's Club. Mrs. Harold L. Beattie introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Nunely B. Snedegar of Elkins, W. Va. Mrs. Snedegar made a very interesting and educational talk, her subject being, "Your Family and Mine."

Mrs. Scott Williams, treasurer, presented the outgoing president, Miss Hazel Baughman, with a lovely gift from the club. Mrs. John Henley, past president of the club installed the following new officers who will serve for a period of two years. Mrs. Cecil Butcher, President; Mrs. Lloyd Butcher, Jr., 1st Vice President; Mrs. Robert Manning, 2nd Vice President; Mrs. Ronald Brown, Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Cecil Butcher newly installed president announced the appointment of the following chairmen and committees:

Program and Year Book: Mrs. Herbert C. Johnson, Chairman. Mrs. G. D. Craft, Mrs. John Henley.

Civic: Mrs. E. D. Moyers, chairman; Mrs. Harold L. Beattie, Mrs. Joe LaCorte.

Finance: Miss Hazel Baughman. Chairman: Mrs. Robert Manning. Mrs. Scott Williams.

Devotional Leader: Mrs. Paul Donohue.

Historian: Mrs. DeForrest McMillion, Jr.

Publicity: Miss Hazel Baughman. Membership: Mrs. Melvin Conner.

Mrs. Harry Wright from the Gassaway Woman's Club and Mrs. Theodore Griffith, Jr. from Dille, W. Va. were also guests. Forty members and guests enjoyed a very delicious dinner prepared by Chef Harry K. Taka and his staff.

The Dinner Committee was Mrs. Richard Manning; Chairman, Mrs. Robert Manning, Mrs. Ronald Brown, Mrs. Joe LaCorte, Mrs. Charles Morris.

WIDEN BAPTIST BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS JUNE 2

The Annual Widen Baptist Bible School will begin June 2, 1958 and end June 13, 1958 according to Supervisor, Mrs. John Talbert. All boys and girls are invited to attend who are five years of age and entering school this fall and all other children through high school age. Those under five may attend if accompanied by a parent.

ROTARY PRESENTS AWARD

On the night of May 15, 1958, during commencement exercises of the 1958 graduating class of the Widen High School, Mr. Harold E. Dawson, on behalf of the Widen Rotary Club, presented the annual award of that club to Joan Truman Dawson. This award was not only for scholarship, but for citizenship and character as well.

SERVICES HELD FOR MARVIN A. SHAFFER

Mr. Marvin A. Shaffer, 52, of Widen, W. Va. died May 7, 1958 at the Charleston General Hospital. Mr. Shaffer had been a patient there for several days but seemingly was improving when death came suddenly and unexpectedly.

He was a member of the Widen Baptist Church. Surviving are his wife, Vera; a son, Harry of Widen; two daughters, Judith and Terry both at home; a brother, Howard of Widen; two sisters, Mrs. Macel Griffith of Georgia and Mrs. Minney Godby of Ashbury; three half-sisters, Mrs. Reta Faye Tyree of Hookersville, and Mrs. Norma Dixon and Mrs. Helen Hellma, both of Rainelle; three half-brothers, Victor Murphy of Mt. Nebo, Paul of Rupert and Glen of Summersville. The body was taken from Bartlett mortuary in Gassaway to the residence Friday evening and to the church at service time. Services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Middle Run Baptist Church with Rev. Ed Hunt officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Shaffer was an employee of the Elk River Coal and Lumber Company at Widen, W. Va., at the time of his death and had been employed there for almost 34 years.

SERVICES HELD MAY 7 FOR JOHN E. ADKINS

JOHN EVERETTE ADKINS—services were held at 11 A.M. Wednesday, May 7, 1958, in the Pleasant Dale Baptist Church, with Rev. N. G. Frame of Swandale and Rev. James J. Rogers of Ivydale, officiating. Burial was in the Adkins Cemetery at Enoch, West Virginia.

Mr. Adkins, 39, of Enoch, West Va., was killed instantaneously by a roof fall on the night of May 5. He was a loading machine operator and had been employed by the company for four years.

Mr. Adkins was married to the former Esther Kyle, who survives him. Also surviving are six children, all at home: Albert Benton 11, Chilton Lee 9, Patsy Ann 8, Jimmy Dale 6, Donny Lee 4, and Judy Lynn 7 mos. His mother, Mrs. Ruth Adkins. Three sisters, Mrs. Earl Hamrick of Harrison, Mrs. Clellan Belt of Swandale, and Mrs. Dencil Adkins of Dundon. Six brothers, George, Vernon, Tom, Sterling and Elvin all of Enoch and Orval (Bob) of Strange Creek.

The body was taken from the Clay Funeral Home in Clay to the residence at 5 P. M. Tuesday, May 6, and to the Church at service time.

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- 2013 Chevrolet Equinox Gray in color serial number 2GNALDEK5D641850 picked up Pack Fork, WV
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF WEST VIRGINIA
CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0670-E-D
APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
WHEELING POWER COMPANY
Application to change depreciation rates.
NOTICE OF HEARING
On August 2, 2024, Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company (the Companies) filed an application to change depreciation rates pursuant to Rule 20 of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, 150 C.S.R., Series 1 (Procedural Rules) (Application). In order to comply with the requirements of Procedural Rule 20, the Companies filed a Depreciation Study, Depreciation Study Workpapers, and Dismantlement Studies. The Companies filed their witnesses' direct testimony on September 3, 2024.

The Commission set a procedural schedule, including an evidentiary hearing on the Application that will begin at 9:30 a.m. on April 9, 2025 and continuing April 10, 2025 if necessary, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. The Commission may cancel the hearing for good cause shown. Interested persons intending to attend the hearing should monitor the web docket.

The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments should state the case name and number and be addressed to the Commission Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public comments may also be filed online a http://www.psc.state.wv.us.scripts/online_comments/default.com by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
WHEELING POWER COMPANY

LEGAL

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF WEST VIRGINIA
CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0895-PWD-30B
GAULEY RIVER PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT
Rule 30B application to pass through increased costs of purchased water from Kanawha Falls Public Service District to Gauley River Public Service District's customers.
NOTICE OF FILING
NOTICE is hereby given that Gauley River Public Service District (District), a public utility, filed a request to pass through increased purchased water costs from the Kanawha Falls Public Service District (Kanawha Falls) to the District's customers. The Commission approved a rate increase for Kanawha Falls for all service rendered on and after December 24, 2024 in Case No. 24-0566-PWD-19A. Kanawha Falls has an approved resale rate of \$5.33 per thousand gallons, reflecting an increase of \$0.50 per thousand gallons, or 10.35% from the prior resale rate of \$4.83 per thousand gallons.

Commission Staff reviewed the District's application and recommended that the Commission approve Staff Recommended Rates effective on an interim basis for all service rendered on and after February 5, 2025. By Order issued February 5, 2025, the Commission approved the Staff Recommended Rates on an interim basis, that increased rates by \$0.48 per thousand gallons metered water usage. The Commission also approved the Staff proposed leak adjustment rate of \$9.70 per thousand gallons of metered water usage.

The average monthly bill increase will be changed as follows over current rates under:

	<u>\$ Increase</u>	<u>% Increase</u>
Residential	\$1.34	2.18%
Commercial	\$0.91	1.48%
Industrial	\$7.92	2.55%
Public authorities	\$135.70	2.91%
Wilderness PSD	\$169.58	7.16%

The 30B procedure is designed to provide for a change in rates and charges in order to produce additional revenue sufficient, but no more than sufficient, to offset the increased cost for water purchased by the utility. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of the cost offset and the method by which it is calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty (20) 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. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. All protests and interventions should be addressed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

GAULEY RIVER PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

LEGAL

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

The undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him by that certain Deed of Trust, dated June 24, 2008, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Clay County, West Virginia, in Document No. 35448, in Book No. 119, at Page 929, Syamantaka Detamore and Jessica Taylor did convey unto Norman L Folwell, Esq., Trustee(s), certain real property described in said Deed of Trust; and the beneficiary has elected to appoint Seneca Trustees, Inc., as Substitute Trustee; and default having been made under the aforementioned Deed of Trust, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been instructed by The Huntington National Bank to foreclose thereunder, will offer for sale at public auction at the front door of the Clay County Courthouse in Clay, West Virginia, on

April 1, 2025 at 9:45 AM

the following described real estate, together with its improvements, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in 05 - Pleasant District, Clay County, West Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All of the surface only of the following two contiguous tracts of land situate on the headwaters of Pack Fork of Big Sycamore Creek, Pleasant District, Clay County, West Virginia, bounded and described as follows:

TRACT ONE: Beginning at a sycamore stump, near the road, and running thence S. 64 1/2° W. 74 poles to a gum on top of mountain; N. 25° W. 94 poles to a sourwood; N. ____° E. ____ poles to a gum; N. 81° E. 105 poles to a set stone near said Pack Fork and at county road; thence with said road poles to place of beginning, containing forty-five (45) acres, more or less.

TRACT TWO: Beginning at a cut stone, corner of Arie J. Baker and H. A. Walkers heirs; thence due East 56 poles to a marked hickory on top of mountain; S. 32° W. ____ poles to set rock; thence in a western course and straight line to a set stone at country road; thence with country road to place of beginning, containing fourteen (14) acres, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed unto Syamanataka Detamore and Jessica Taylor by Deed dated March 22, 2007, filed for record on April 2, 2007, in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Clay County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 199, at Page 1146. Also being the same property conveyed unto Larry Lane Taylor and Mary Elaine Taylor by Deed dated June 1, 1982, of record in the aforesaid Clerks office in Deed Book 132, at page 436.

At the time of the execution of the Deed of Trust, this property was reported to have an address of: 1447 Pack Fork Road, Lizemores, WV 25125.

The referenced real estate will be conveyed with no covenants of warranty, and subject to all covenants, restrictions, easements, rights of way and reservations which may be a matter of record in the aforesaid Clerk's Office or visible upon the ground, all prior liens and encumbrances, including, without limitation, liens for real estate taxes, incinerator, sanitary and sewer charges. The purchasers at the sale shall be responsible for paying the recording costs and also the tax on the privilege of transferring real property (the cost of the tax stamp to be affixed to the deed). The purchasers shall be responsible for payment of all real estate taxes.

The subject property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. The Substitute Trustee shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

TERMS: \$8000.00 in cash and/or certified funds as deposit at the time of sale with the balance due and payable within 30 days of the day of sale.

FEDERAL TAX LIEN: In the event that there are Federal Tax Liens against the property, the United States would have the right to redeem the property within a period of 120 days from the date of such sale or the period allowable for redemption under local law, whichever is longer.

Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the Trustee may postpone the sale by public announcement at the time and place designated or by posting a notice of the same, and act by agent in the execution of the sale. The parties secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale.

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Secretary of State Kris Warner Reports 1,301 New WV Business Registrations for January of 2025

The WV Secretary of State's Office registered 1,301 new businesses statewide during the month of January according to Secretary of State Kris Warner.

Clay County led the state in the percentage of new business growth with a total of seven new business registrations, a 2.63% increase. The Secretary of State's Business Division reported that Gilmer, Jefferson, Braxton and Raleigh County also experienced notable growth during the month.

Top five counties in new business growth:

1. Clay County - 2.63% growth
2. Gilmer County - 2.04% growth
3. Jefferson County - 1.80% growth

4. Braxton County - 1.80% growth
5. Raleigh County - 1.67% growth

Counties that led the state in total businesses registered in January include Kanawha, Monongalia, Berkeley, Jefferson and Raleigh.

Top five counties in total businesses registered:

1. Kanawha County - 136 new registrations
2. Monongalia County - 127 new registrations
3. Berkeley County - 122 new registrations
4. Jefferson County - 85 new registrations
5. Raleigh County - 82 new registrations

Statewide, West Virginia registered 13,676 new businesses in the previous 12-month period, from February 1, 2024, to January 31, 2025. Raleigh County led all 55 counties with a 18.59% growth rate during the one-year timespan. To review county-by-county growth, visit our Business Statistics Database.

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Thursday Evening 7:00 PM

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Sunday Night Service
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Worship Service 11:00 AM
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3rd and 4th
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Bible Study 7:00 PM
2nd Sunday Communion
Service 6:00 PM
Pastor: Pete Shaffer

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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM Everyone
is Welcome!

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Service 11:00 AM Sunday
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Worship 11:00 AM.
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Sunday Night Preaching 7:00
PM
Wednesday Worship
7:00 PM
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10:00 AM
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Sunday Night Service 7:00
PM
Wednesday Prayer Service/
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Pastor: Roy Huffman

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**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

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Sunday Worship 11:30 AM
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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
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PM
Pastor: Michael Jackson

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7:00 PM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Night Service
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Sunday Night Service
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Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Sunday Night 7:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00 PM
Youth Meeting 7:00 PM

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

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Preaching 11:00 AM
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Sunday Night 6:00 PM
Monday Night Service
6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Prayer
Meeting/Bible Study 6:00 PM
Everyone welcome!

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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Worship Service 11:00 AM
Everyone Welcome
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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

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Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Preaching 7:00 PM
Wednesday Prayer Meeting

Everyone welcome!

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Service 10:00 AM Sunday
School 11:00 AM Sunday
Night 6:00 PM Wednesday
Night & Jr.

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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. Balser

**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 our 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

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

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**RISEN LORD CATHOLIC
CHURCH** at Maysel
Sunday Liturgy 8:30 AM fol-
lowed 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



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

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**THE AMERICAN CHAPEL
AT ELKHURST**
Saturday Services 7:00 PM
Sunday School 10:00 AM

Pastor: Hiram Lewis

**TRINITY MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Sunday Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Service
7:00 PM.
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Clifford Samples

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**UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF LIZEMORES**
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Service 6:00 PM
Wednesday Service 7:00
PMEveryone welcome
Pastor: Don Dobbins

**UNITY GOSPEL
TABERNACLE**
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Sunday Night 6:00 PM
Wednesday Prayer Service
7:00 PM
Everyone welcome!

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

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**WALLBACK
METHODIST CHURCH**
Preaching 1st, 3rd, 5th Sun-
days 9:45 AM
Bible Study Wednesday Eve-
ning 7:00 PM
Everyone welcome.
Pastor: Rev. Stewart Cottrell

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

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

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

**WHITESTAR
TABERNACLE CHURCH**
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Sunday Night 6:30 PM
Wednesday Night 6:30 PM
Pastor: Rev. Mike Hall

**WIDEN BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School 10:00 AM
Preaching 11:00 AM
Sunday Night Service
6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Service
6:00 PM
Everyone welcome!
Pastor: Randy Tinney

**WINGS OF DELIVERANCE
APOSTOLIC
PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**
Rt. 4, 1/4 miles below
Maysel on the left
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Sunday Night 6:00 PM
Wednesday Night 7:00 PM
Come worship the Lord with
us!
Phone: (304) 587-7410
Pastor: Jerry Hanshaw



Panthers clobber Lumberjacks

By Allen Hamrick
Friday night was homecoming night for the Panthers, and the boys were to battle Richwood in front of the queen and her court. The game went well for the Panthers as they rolled over the Lumberjacks. In the first period they scored 23 points, and the Lumberjacks could not match them net for net. The Panthers won the game in front of the home crowd 66-35. Noah Collins was top shot with 18 points followed close by Joel Elliott with 14. Earlier in the week, the Panthers had a rough time with both Braxton and Roane, dropping both games in the loss bucket. With the season coming to a close the Panthers will have a three game home stretch to close out the season going up against Poca, Calhoun, and Wahama. Come out and catch a game as they attempt to earn their way to the state competition.
Friday evening was also royalty time, a time for the princess from each class to grace the court with their presence. It was also time to crown the CCHS basketball homecoming queen for 2025. This year's queen had poise and grace that caused her to be chosen by her peers as their queen. Kenzie Corwell, daughter of Trey and Sabrina Corwell, was crowned as the 2025 CCHS queen. Kenzie is well deserving of the title of CCHS Homecoming Queen. She was escorted by Noah Weaver along with crown bearer Oaklynn Lanham and her escort Chase Moore. Corwell's court consisted of freshman princess Gabriella Cottrell escorted by Collin Lane, sophomore princess Dakota James escorted by Bryton Champ, junior princess Savannah George escorted by Michael Foster and senior princess Evelyn Young escorted by Lucas Vance. Congratulation to Queen Corwell, her court, class representatives and flag bearers.



Noah Collins hits the short jumper.



Joel Elliott hits the spin jumper.

Wrestling season ends at CCMS



Cade Hamrick gets the take down.

By Allen Hamrick
Saturday was the final hoorah for the Mustang wrestling program this season as they participated in the Mona Lisa of wrestling tournaments, the middle school LKC Championship. The Mustangs have been in the hunt all season at tournaments and gave fans a reason to watch. This tournament would pit all the finest middle school programs in the region and all those at the top of the food chain. It was some of the most dramatic wrestling we have seen all season as wrestlers butted heads. The CCHS gym was packed as the wrestling



Jacob Morris works on a take-down.

began. It was to be a race at the end for a team championship. Matches would become critical mass and determine the final team score. In the end, the Mustangs did well but not as good as they had hoped. Williamstown



Tilyr Bird hits the slam take down.

was the champions followed by Ravenswood at 2nd and Spencer at 3rd. Congratulations to the coaches and the wrestlers for a great season. The Mustangs will be back in late fall and ready to hit the mats.

Season ends for the Lady Mustangs

By Allen Hamrick
If you were one of the fortunate ones to have watched the Lady Mustangs and the Lady Knights of Braxton this past Monday night, you would have been subjected to some of the extreme highs and lows that come with a tournament of this intensity. Some may say, "Ahhh, it's just a middle school tournament," but it had all the action of a WNBA Final, maybe even a little more. Fans from both sides filled the bleachers, and the noise was deafening. The Lady Mustangs represented Clay Middle to the highest level in this game. The Lady Knights beat the Lady Mustangs twice in the regular season and were there to do it again. But, it would prove to be a hard road and a bloody road. Talk about heart pounding, sit on the edge of your seat game - this was definitely it. The Lady Mustangs held their own early in the game and were up by one at the start of the second half. That was dashed as the shooting wheels fell off the wagon for the Lady Mustangs and gave the Lady Knights a chance to take the lead in the 2nd half. It was one of those defensive battles that will be talked about over bleachers for some time.
There is a lot to say about this game, and then again, not a lot to say. The Lady Mustangs had as hard a time getting a shot through the net as you do putting a smoke ring in your pocket. The Lady Knights had a distinct advantage in height, but the girls fought hard the whole game and have nothing to be ashamed of. The Lady Knights took a lead by the third, and the final score of the game was Lady Mustangs 28, Lady Knights 36. The Lady Mustangs had a whale of a year and have some of the best fans in the world, and they proved that on this night. Autumn Rapp and Vanessa Cleavenger were awarded All Conference, and Ma-



L-R Marissa Atha - All Tournament, Free Throw Champ; Autumn Rapp and Vanessa Cleavenger - All Conference.

rissa Atha received the All Tournament award and won the CWWAC free throw competition. Congratulations

to all the Lady Mustangs and their coaches for an outstanding season.