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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 place 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.

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 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.

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 birth-day. 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 emer-

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.

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 incapaci-tated 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 com-mit a felony

CLAY COUNTY



Elvis Boswell Booked 2/16/25 Possession with intent



Isaac Edward Ferrebee Booked 2/10/25 Capias



Kaylie Shay Hamilton Booked 2/15/25 Capias

Irven Otto Brown

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by sisters Arbutus Brady, Audra Hopkins, Gerline Samples, and Myrtle Belle Arbogast, by brothers Den

vil, Glenvil, Ronald, Stanley (infant) and William (infant); by his grandson,

Allen, and great grandsons, Christian (infant) and Xyler

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

Irven Otto Brown, 94, of



Possession of a controlled substance, trespass on property other than structure or convey-ance, destruction of property, entering without breaking auto

Great Great Grandchildren. He was a U.S. Army Ko-

rean 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 expert

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 Ath-

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

Sunset Cemetery.
The family would like to thank Kanawha Hospice

and grandson, Alex Brown,

for their exceptional care these past few weeks.

may be sent to the family at www.carlwilsonfuneral-home.com. Wilson Smith

Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Brown

condolences

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letic Hall of Fame.

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

Vernon Maynor

of age of Mt. Nebo died Tuesday February

11,2025 in the Bowers Hospice House at Beck-

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 Lizemores Nazarene Church

mores Nazarene Church, the Lions Club and was

a former Boy Scout

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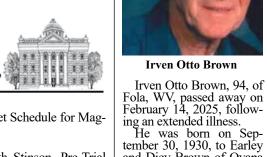


Jason Glen Moore Booked 2/11/25 Grand larceny, conspiracy



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

Courthouse



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

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. Ferrebee, Bench Trial, operator's license - driving while license suspended or revoked 01:30 PM, State v. Isaac Edward Ferrebee, Bench Trial, operator's license – driving while license suspended or re-

voked, failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance 01:30 PM, State v. Isaac Edward Ferrebee, Bench Trial,

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

unsafe and improperly equipped vehicles, driving suspend-01:30 PM, State v. Isaac Edward Ferrebee, 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

(infant).

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,

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 grandchildren 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

could stir up that day. Allen 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 community whether he knew them or not and without hesitation. Allen had a huge heart that loved fiercely and gave freely, and he will leave an unforgettable legacy behind for all who knew him.

grandsons, Creed, Ryker, Colt and Atlas, sisters

Wichita Falls, Texas Mary Elizabeth White-ley Mt. Lookout ley Mt. Lookout Kara Lynn Harper Brooklyn Zoey Hart both of Oak Island, North Carolina Sisters Erma Jean Cook Beckley

Surviving: Wife Avril Gay Cot-trill Maynor Daughters Alicia Ann

Griffin

Virginia Owen
Bonnie Lester
both of Suffolk, Virginia
Several Grandchildren, Great and Great-Great Grandchildren

Funeral services were conducted at noon on Saturday February 15th in the Waters Funeral Chapel at Summersville with Pastor John Bill Brown and Pastor Bill Brown and Pastor Wayne Litton. Burial, with military honors, will follow in the Sunset Cemetery at Bickmore. Friends called at the fu-

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

neral chapel one hour prior to the service on

Condolences: waters-funeralchapel.com

if there was any trouble he

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

Teresa McClain, Procious, 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 Wilson Smith Funeral Home, Clay, WV with Minister John R. Osborne officiat-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.carlwilsonfuneralhome.com

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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 communi-

ties 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 dollarfor-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

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

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Three Smiles

By Joe Mazzella

You see some amazing, beautiful, and wonderful things in this life, if you keep your eyes open. I saw one just the other day when I was shopping at the local grocery store to pick up a few odds and ends for my home. I had just turned the corner into an aisle with my shopping cart when I almost bumped into an elderly lady pushing hers. She was eighty years old if she was a day. What amazed me, though, was inside her cart was a baby in a car seat who couldn't have been more than a year old herself. I started talking with the lady and found out that she was babysitting not her granddaughter but her great-granddaughter. She told of how much joy the little angel was giving her days in these golden years of her life. I could see too the four generations of love flowing between them. Just before she left the great-grandmother reached down and tickled her baby. The baby girl laughed so joyfully that we both laughed

I looked at them and saw the two smiles on their faces. The baby's was toothless and shone from her chubby, cherub face. The old lady's was wrapped in deep wrinkles from a lifetime of living. Yet, they were both so lovely. And as I walked down the aisle I passed a mirrored display and realized that my own face was smiling

H. Jackson Brown wrote: "I've never seen a smiling face that was not beautiful." I have to say that I agree with him too. Smiles have a beauty and a power all their own. They are givers of love. They are conveyers of kindness. They are sharers of joy. They come naturally and easily. They are priceless yet cost us nothing. They connect us with ourselves and with each other. And each one brings us closer to Love, closer to Heaven, and closer to God.

Fill your days with smiles then. Let them flow from your loving soul and your happy heart. Share them with everyone you meet. And always know that God is smiling down on you too.

Home Country

Slim Randles

We all know that someone will find Jenkins's cabin. Someday. Oh, it's up there in those hills somewhere. We

It's become a friendly object of conjecture and speculation. No one living has seen it, as far as we know. Jenkins himself died quietly when he was on one of his infrequent trips to town for supplies. Funny guy, that

He worked in the city for years, mostly as a night watchman in a factory that made diapers. Didn't really enjoy people much, and told us many times how nice it

was to just be in the huge factory when it was quiet. Then one day he decided to move to the mountains and make pretty things out of leather. Once in a while he'd have his coffee at the counter at the Mule Barn, but often as not, he'd camp out on the edge of town for the two or three days it took him to sell his crafts and buy supplies. He'd smile and wave from his campsite, then he'd be gone one morning. We wouldn't see him again

Now and then someone would ask him where his cabin was, and he'd just point toward the mountains and say, "Up there." How far up there? "A ways." What was his cabin like? "Not too big." And so we came to regard the little cabin as an in-

triguing mystery, an object of local legend. After he died, several of the fellows tried to backtrack him to find the place, but Jenkins evidently didn't take the same trail each time, as though he wanted his quiet times protected from even a friendly visit from one of us. During his lifetime, we respected his wishes. In this country, a man has a perfect right to be a little strange. And, truth be known, we hold a certain admiration for those of us who hear different instructions. But there is something in the human spirit, also, that begs to have its mysteries solved. So now, several times each year, one or two of us will use the mystery of the lost cabin as an excuse to poke our noses into the nuances and seclusions of these hills. We play off our curiosity against our wishes to respect a man's privacy, even when he's gone.

We have yet to discover Jenkins's lost cabin. Maybe we never will. Maybe that wouldn't be such a bad thing,

Brought to you by Whimsy Castle, a love story about a boy and a roof. It's on Amazon and most of the others.

My Tok Doesn't Always Tik

Dr. James L. Snyder

Throughout my life, I have always lived on a schedule. Every day is devoted to certain tasks, and it has worked for me so far.

I know what day it is by what I am doing that day.

Unlike The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage, I cannot multitask. I have to do one thing at a time, which has to be on my schedule.

I am often impressed by my wife's ability to multitask. She can do a dozen things at once and get them accomplished the way they are supposed to be, but I have a hard time knowing what she is doing at any given time.

I plan my week in a very precise routine. I can only do one thing at a time, which must be on my schedule.

I schedule each week by assigning a particular project to each day. I spend one day doing my radio ministry, another doing my weekly column, and then several days working on my sermon for Sunday. I follow my routine very precisely each week.

Unfortunately, my schedule has been interrupted. I spent five days in the hospital and then over two weeks in bed recuperating from my health problem.

Being in the hospital is a very boring time. There is not much I can do because I have medical personnel coming in and out poking me with needles and all sorts of things. Just when I think I'm asleep someone comes.

Some even came in around 3 a.m., and unfortunately, I was not sleeping because how in the world can you sleep in a hospital with such a routine? I never knew what day it was and was so very con-

getting anything done. Now, I'm trying to get back on schedule. Boy, is this difficult. I guess it's because of my age I can't begin to pull everything back together again as quickly as I need

fused. One day was just like the other, and I was not

Every day of the week is identified by the project I'm working on. Now, I'm so confused that I have no idea what day it is or what I should be doing. I remember asking The Gracious Mistress of the Parson-

age one day, "What day is it today?" Looking at me with one of her grimaces, she said, 'What day would you like it to be?" Then she laughed and walked away.

If I had my way, today would be the day before I went into the hospital.

I had to spend some time searching my journal to figure out what I had been doing before I went into the hospital. The good thing is that I keep notes or I would be completely lost. I spent one whole day going through four years of journals to figure out what I was doing each day. I carefully

made notes and began understanding what I was doing Monday through Friday.

Going through these journals enabled me to figure out my schedule for the week. I usually don't spend much time figuring out what I'm doing; I just do it. I was getting close to the end of my research and was happy to work these out.

One morning, I got up and walked out to the kitchen, where The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was preparing breakfast. She looked at me and said, "So, what day is it for you?"

Looking at her I said, "Today is National Apple Frit-

I laughed and went to sit down in my chair, and then realized I didn't know what day it was. Now, what do I do? If I don't know what day it is, how will I know what I'm supposed to be doing today? It could be my old age, but I'm terrible at remember-

ing the day. If I don't know what day it is, how am I going to spend the day productively and what project I am going to be working on. The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage brought my

breakfast and a nice hot cup of coffee. Before walking away, she said, "Today is Wednesday, and it's the day you do your radio work." Then she went back into the Aha. That will solve my problem for today. I'll spend the morning doing my radio programs for the week. I

spend the day. Nothing is more satisfying than knowing what you're doing. Unlike The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage, I'm not multitasking because if I was, I would never get back to my schedule like I had it before. I cannot handle 100 tasks like my wife can. I can only handle one task

was kind of happy to hear that. Now I know how I will

I often think about what it would be like to multitask and juggle hundreds of tasks simultaneously. I wonder how much I could get done if I could do that. My Tok needs to Tik on time everyday.

Getting back to my regular schedule is a very relaxing thing for me.

I thought of a verse of scripture along this line. Ephesians 5:15-16, "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." Although the days are evil, each day I need to walk exactly in a way that honors God.

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Local economic development organization to host twelve childcare business workshops across nine counties in 2025

Advantage Valley, a nine-county regional economic development organization, will host twelve childcare start-up business workshops from March to November 2025, as part of its Fostering Advantages for Start-Ups & Entrepreneurial Resurgence in WV (FASTER WV)

The childcare business workshops, supported by grant funding from the Appalachian Regional Commission, will begin in Jackson County on March 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jackson County Development Authority Office, located at 167 Seneca Drive, Ripley, WV 25271.

These free workshops will provide valuable resources for individuals interested in starting a childcare facility-whether in their home or a larger center-or expanding their existing operations. Advantage Valley will host one session per month throughout 2025 across the nine counties it serves: Boone, Clay, Cabell, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Mason, Putnam, and Wayne.

"In the Advantage Valley region, studies indicate a childcare deficit of over 5,000 slots, affecting 32% of eligible children in our area," said Terrell Ellis, President and CEO of Advantage Valley. "Childcare access is a significant barrier to workforce participation. With the growing number of job opportunities, our role as an economic development organization is to provide resources for those interested in starting a childcare facility."

Each childcare business workshop will provide a comprehensive overview of key areas essential for starting a childcare business. Advantage Valley will lead the sessions, guiding participants through the business resources, technical assistance, and mini-grant opportunities available through the FASTER WV program.

Additionally, the West Virginia Small Business Development Center and Wonderschool, a private childcare development firm, will collaborate with Advantage Valley to share insights from Wonderschool's childcare start-up resources. These resources include business

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ups achieve long-term success. Other partners attending to support aspiring childcare business owners include local health departments, which will review the food and facility permitting process; local childcare resource and referral agencies, which will outline the first steps in establishing a childcare business and available professional development opportunities; and fire marshals, who will provide key safety guidance

for new childcare providers. The first series of childcare workshops, which are free to attend, will be held at the following locations:

- · Jackson County at 6:30 p.m. March 6th at Jackson County Development Authority - 167 Seneca Drive, Ripley WV 25271
- · Putnam County at 6:30 p.m. April 10th at Area 34 - 7093, 971 WV-34, Hurricane, WV 25526
- · Kanawha County at 6:30 p.m. May 6th at the Connect CCR&R Office (1 Players Club Dr, Charleston,

Those interested in attending the workshops can register for the free event on Eventbrite at https://www. eventbrite.com/o/advantage-valley-55321568063.

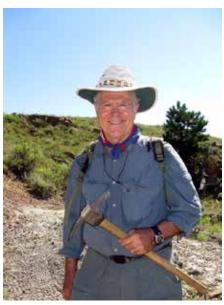
"These workshops will help those interested in starting a childcare business what the first steps are and what contacts they need to have to start," said Ellis. "We understand taking that leap to be an entrepreneur can be intimidating. We want those who are considering starting a childcare business to know Advantage Valley and these other organizations are here to support their success."

Additional workshops will be held in the following counties Boone County (June 17th), Lincoln County (July 24th), Clay County (August 12th), Wayne County (September 18th), Cabell County (October 2nd), and Mason County (November 1st). Additional information will be provided on the future workshops at www.advantagevalley.com.



THIS WEEK IN West Virginia History

Feb. 19, 1908: Orval Elijah Brown was born near Lizemores in Clay County. Brown, a free-spirited individual, gained notoriety as the "Clay County Wild Man" during the Great Depression for his untamed physical appearance, which included a flowing beard and the wearing of little more than a self-made loincloth.



Feb. 19, 1943: Author Homer Hickam was born in Coalwood, McDowell County. Hickam's second book, Rocket Boys: A Memoir, was published in 1998 and became a runaway bestseller.

Feb. 20, 1875: The legislature approved a bill to move the state capital back to Wheeling.

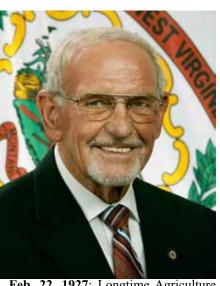
Feb. 20, 1995: The legislature voted to make the Golden Delicious apple the official state fruit.



Feb. 21, 1895: Bluefield Colored Institute was established by the legislature to prepare Black West Virginians for the teaching profession. After several name changes, the school became Bluefield State College in 1943 and achieved university status in 2022.

Feb. 21, 1913: Workers' compensation passed the legislature, modeled on the German system Governor Hatfield had studied in the Ruhr Valley coalfields.

Feb. 21, 1940: Former Governor Gaston Caperton was born in Charleston. Caperton defeated incumbent Arch Moore to become the state's 31st governor.



Feb. 22, 1927: Longtime Agriculture Commissioner Gus R. Douglass was born in Mason County. Douglass, a Democrat, was first elected commissioner in 1964. Reelected nine times, Douglass was the longest serving agricultural commissioner in the country.

Feb. 22, 2018: 33,000 schoolteachers and service personnel walked off the job over wages and health benefits. The strike drew national attention, and teachers in five other states organized work

Feb. 23, 1867: Lincoln County was formed from Boone, Cabell, Kanawha and Putnam counties. The county was named for Abraham Lincoln.

Feb. 23, 1905: The first USSWest Virginia was commissioned. The armored cruiser was renamed the USS Huntington in 1916 to allow the transfer of the original name to a newly authorized battle-



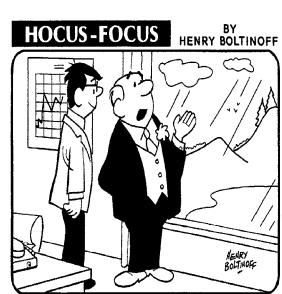
Feb. 23, 1945: Harrison County native "Woody" Williams distinguished himself during the Battle of Iwo Jima by neutralizing seven concrete pillboxes. This act of heroism earned Williams the Medal of

Feb. 24, 1918: Judge Kenneth Keller "K. K." Hall was born at Greenview, Boone County. Hall spent 47 years on the state and federal benches.

Feb. 24, 1928: Doctor Donald L. Rasmussen was born in Colorado. After coming to work at Miners Memorial Hospital in Beckley, he became a driving force in the passage of state and federal black lung legislation.

Feb. 25, 1903: An armed posse ambushed striking miners in their homes in the village of Stanaford near Beckley. Six miners were killed; federal judge B. F. Keller exonerated the posse.

Feb. 25, 1911: Newspaperman Jim Comstock was born in Richwood. In 1957, he founded the West Virginia Hillbilly, a weekly newspaper that circulated inside and outside the state.



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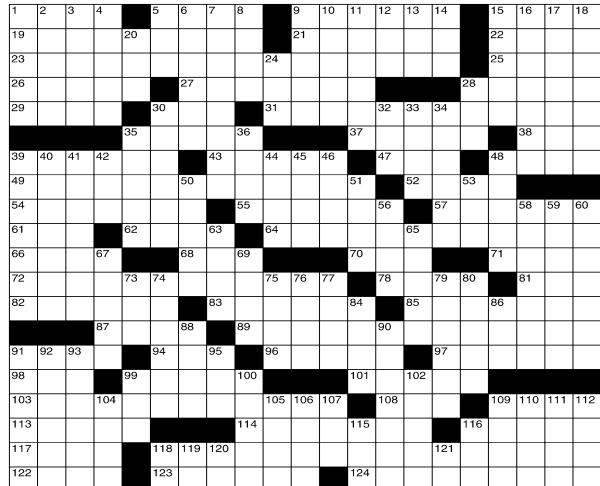
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THE WIDEN NEWS

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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 Tremie 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 Manuing, Mrs. Noble Conner, Mrs. D. L. MoMillion, Mrs. Bobert Manning, Mrs. Lloyd Butcher, Jr., Mrs. Wealthy Johnson and Mrs. William

Back row, left to right - Mrs. Charles Wilson, Mrs. Paul Desphue, Mrs. Ronald Brown, Mrs. Joe LaCorte, Mrs. Russell Parsons, Mrs. Bob Dagle, Mrs. Adam Roberts, Mrs. E. D. Moyers, Mrs. H. L. Beattle, Mrs. Joseph Potasnik, 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 devotions. 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 Gazzaway Woman's Club. Mrs. Harold L. Beattle 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 Harel 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, Récording 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 Hen-

Civic: Mrs. E. D. Moyers, chairman; Mrs. Harold L. Beattle, Mrs. Joe LaCorfe.

Pinance: Miss Hazel Baughman, Chairman; Mrs. Robert Manning. Mrs. Scott Williams.

Devotional Leader: Mrs. Paul

·Historian: Mrs. DeForrest Mc-Million, 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 Chel Harry K. Taka and his staff.

The Dinner Committee Mrs. Richard Manning; Chairman, Mrs. Robert Manning, Mrs. Ronald Brown, Mrs. Joe La Corte, 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 and 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 anual 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

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. Rets Faye Tyree of Hookersville, and Mrs. Norma Dixon and Mrs. Helen Hellms, 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 resldence Friday evening and to the church at service time. Services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Middle Run Baptist Churchwith 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

SERVICES HELD MAY 7 FOR JOHN E. ADKINS

JOHN EVERETTE ADKINSservices 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 lvydale, 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. Ciclian 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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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 thttp://www.psc.state.wv.us.scriptsonline comments/ default.com by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and WHEELING POWER COMPANY

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:

	\$ Increase	% Increase
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

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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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

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

TRACT ONE: Beginning at a sycamore stump, near the road, and running thence S. 64 $1/2^{\circ}$ 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. 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

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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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Tuesday Night 6:00 PM Thursday Night 6:00 PM Sunday Morning 10:00 AM PM Pastor: Lee Holiday (304) 632-1135

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH of Adonijah. Preaching from K.J.V. Bible Sunday School 10:00 AM Sunday Morning 11:00 AM Sunday Evening 7:00 PM Thursday Evening 7:00 PM

BETHEL COMMUNITY CHURCH, Porter Creek Road, Bomont, WV

Sunday School 10:00 AM Sunday Night Service 7:30 PM Thursday Night Service 7:30 PM Everyone welcome! Pastor: Junior Davis

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

Pastor: Ralph D. Lane

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

BIG UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM Sunday Evening Service 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays Preaching 6:00 PM

Wednesday Night Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 PM 2nd Sunday Communion Service 6:00 PM

Pastor: Pete Shaffer

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

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Service 11:00 AM Sunday Evening Service 6:00 PM Radio Broadcast, Sunday Morning 9:00 AM. WCWV

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Sunday School 10:00 AM Pastor: Thurman Sizemore

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Sangamore Rd.,Bentree, WV Sunday School 10:00 AM Sunday Evening Service 7:00 PM

Wednesday Service 7:00 PM Come and worship the Lord

Everyone Welcome! Pastor: Michael L. Holcomb, Sr. CLAY COMMUNITY

CHURCH

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

CLAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 AM

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

CLENDENIN UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH 10:00 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Preaching

6:00 PM Wednesday 7:30 PM Pastor: Fred Walker

CLIO COMMUNITY

CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 AM

Sunday Night Preaching 7:00 Wednesday Worship

7:00 PM Everyone welcome. Pastor: George Stickland

COLD SPRINGS GOSPEL TABERNACLE, Upper Fall-

ing Rock, Clay County Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM

Sunday Evening Service Tuesday Evenings 7:30 PM Teachings from the King

James Bible Everyone welcome!

Pastor: Darris Barker CORNERSTONE

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Sunday Night Service 7:00

Wednesday Prayer Service/ Discovery Clubs 7:00 PM Pastor: Roy Huffman

ELK RIVER BAPTIST **CHURCH**

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

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST

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

FAITH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Dutch Ridge Laurel Road Sunday Service 6:00 PM Tuesday Service 6:00 PM Everyone Welcome! Pastor: Brother B. J. Evans

Associate Pastor: Lee Roy Anderson

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Bomont, WV Sunday Service 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM Wednesday Service 7:00 PM

Pastor: Nick Bird Phone 304-548-6665

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Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 PM Sunday School 10:00 AM Sunday Worship 11:30 AM Pastor: Chris Johnson

FOLA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 AM Preaching 11:00 AM Sunday Night Service 7:00 PM Wednesday Adults Bible Study & Kids for Christ 7:00 PM

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GAULEY BRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor: Daniel Tanner

Sunday School 9:45 AM Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM Junior BYF/Senior BYF

6:00 PM Sunday Evening Worship 7:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM

Wednesday Kids/Chilren/ Youth 7:00 PM GOSPEL LIGHT

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Sunday Sunday 10:30 AM Sunday Night Preaching 6:00

Pastor: Michael Jackson

HARTLAND COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH Wednesday Night Service

7:00 PM Sunday School 10:00 AM

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM Sunday Night Service 6:00 PM

Pastor: Jeremy Holcomb

HORNERS FORK MISSIONARY BAPTIST **CHURCH** Sunday School 10:00 AM

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM Wednesday Evening Youth 7:00 PM

Pastor: Joe Dawson HOUSE OF PRAYER

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Pastor: James R. Paxton

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Pastor: Larry Skaggs

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Worship Service 11:00 Everyone Welcome! 304-395-9990 Pastor: Freddie Elliott

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Sunday School 10:00 AM Preaching 10:00 every Sunday Morning Sunday Night Services 7:00 PM

Wednesday 7:00 PM Come worship with us! Pastor: Herb Vance

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Pastor: Mark Dudley Phone 304-286-5909

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CENTER We invite you to come and worship with us. Thursday Evening 7:00 PM

Sunday Morning 10:00 AM

Pastor: Cecil Lee LIZEMORE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Night 6:00 PM Monday Night Service 6:00 PM

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 6:00 PM Everyone welcome! MAYSEL MISSIONARY

BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM Everyone Welcome Pastor: Jim Hamrick

MIDDLE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 AM Sunday Worship 11:00 AM Sunday Night 6:00 PM Wednesday Night 7:00 PM Pastor: John Osborne

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Everyone welcome!

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Sunday School 11:00 AM Preaching, Prayer Meeting Wednesday at 7:30 PM

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BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 AM Sunday Service 11:00 AM Sunday Night 7:00 PM Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM

Please join us in Praise! Pastor: Gary Walker

NEWTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 AM Preaching every Sunday

11:00 AM Pastor: Kenneth Boggs NEWTON BAPTIST CHURCH

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

ing & Bible Study 7:00PM Pastor: Darius Walker Pastor Emeritus: Ron Fisher NOAH'S ARK FULL

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Evening Pastor: Rev. Rick Sams

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Pastor: Scott Means

9:30 AM

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Wednesday Liturgy 6:00 PM Everyone welcome! Pastor: Father Matheus Ro

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Pastor: Delbert McKenzie

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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.

Pastor: Clifford Samples

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Pastor: (304) 332-5503

Pastor: Jimmy Adkins

WALNUT MEMORIAL CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 AM

Thursday Evening Service 7:30 PM Everyone welcome!

Preaching 10:00 AM

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

6:00 PM

6:00 PM

CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 AM Preaching 11:00 AM Sunday Night Service

Wednesday Night Service

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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 with14. 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 CWVAC free throw competition. Congratulations

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