



WV Legislative Photography by Perry Bennett.

This Week In The House Of Delegates

For the week ending March 7, 2025 As the 60-day, regular legislative session nears the halfway point, members of the House of Delegates continue to use their new two-step committee process to discuss potential new laws as well as solutions to issues throughout the state that may not require a change to the law.

"This process requires us to take a long, hard look at an issue, and the byproduct is that everyone in the room ends up being educated in some way," said Deputy House Speaker Delegate David Kelly, R-Tyler. "You wouldn't have a lot of these discussions without having the specific bills introduced, but if we can walk away from a committee meeting with some area of agreement, that's a success to me."

Kelly spent time this week in the House Standing Committee on Health and Human Resources discussing a bill he sponsored, House Bill 2358. The measure would impose deadlines in certain circumstances for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to perform an autopsy and provide the autopsy report. Kelly said during his presentation of the bill that he understands the state's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner would say they need more money, and there is a national shortage of coroners, but West Virginia's county prosecutors also need to be able to conduct timely investigations when necessary. Kelly said right now it takes about eight months on average for an autopsy report to be completed and shared with prosecutors.

"It's hard to bring up shortcomings when you've learned just how shortstaffed they are," Kelly said after the meeting. "I am hopeful that another bill on the move to help entice more graduates to stay will help alleviate that issue."

Members of the House Education Committee advanced two bills this week, House Bill 2572 and House Bill 2595, which would establish some guardrails for the state's colleges and universities to best leverage Name, Image, Likeness opportunities for their student athletes. Members of the House overwhelmingly voted in favor of passing a bill to address elementary student behavior and teacher safety. House Bill 2515 passed the House by a vote of 92-4 this week, and it would establish the steps a teacher may take in an elementary school setting when it is determined a student's behavior is what has been carefully defined in the bill as violent, threatening, creates an unsafe learning environment or impedes other students' abilities to learn.

Clay County Clean-Up Event Scheduled for April 26

The Clay County Solid Waste Authority is excited to announce the upcoming Clay County Clean-Up event, scheduled for Saturday, April 26, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., or until the collection trucks are full. The event will take place across from Pierson's Lumber on Route 16, just below the Clay County Bus Garage.

Residents are encouraged to take part in this community effort to dispose of unwanted items properly.

Items Allowed for Drop-Off: Empty appliances (must be free of

trash) Air conditioners

Lawn mowers Car and ATV batteries

Small engines (must be drained of fluids)

Microwaves Furniture and mattresses TVs and electronics

Anything metal

Items NOT Allowed:

Propane tanks

Household trash

Vehicles

Contractor or business waste Important Guidelines:

Early drop-offs are strictly prohibited and may result in prosecution.

No businesses or contractors are permitted to participate.

Volunteers will be assisting with the event, but all participants must unload their own items into the provided trucks or dumpsters. Items that are not selfunloaded will not be accepted.

Additionally, tires will be accepted at Clay County High School during the clean-up event.

The Clay County Clean-Up is an excellent opportunity for residents to dispose of unwanted items and contribute to a cleaner, healthier community. For more information, please contact the Clay County Solid Waste Authority.

Gracelyn Mitchell named to Ohio University's Fall 2024 Provost's List

Ohio University College of Health Sciences and Professions student Gracelyn Mitchell of Bomont, WV has been named to Ohio's Fall 2024 Provost's List.

At the end of each semester, Ohio University's undergraduate students are evaluated based on their semester GPA and hours to determine placement on the President's List, Dean's List or Provost's List.

The Provost's List recognition is

shared with high-achieving, part-time undergraduate students who exemplify academic success. Qualifying students must possess a 3.5 or greater GPA and between 6 and 11.99 credit hours attempted for letter grades that are used to calculate GPA.

In fall semester 2024, approximately 1,900 of Ohio University's part-time undergraduate students qualified for the Provost's List. A complete listing is available online.

Mason Taylor named to Ohio

A total of 1,255 bills have been introduced in the House, and the last day to introduce bills is March 18. The House has passed 33 bills to the Senate for debate. The 60-day, regular legislative session ends at midnight April 12.

Bill to increase penalties could overpopulate WV prisons

By Mark Richardson

A bill pending in the West Virginia Legislature would increase the length of penalties for "serious" felony convictions, but critics have said it would contribute to prison overpopulation.

The state Senate passed Senate Bill 136 by an overwhelming margin last week. The House of Delegates has yet to consider the measure.

Kenneth Matthews, West Virginia economic justice associate for the American Friends Service Committee, said extending the minimum time prisoners must serve before a parole hearing would pack the prisons with more people waiting for a conditional release.

"Increasing penalties for offenses will create an increase in the prison population that's already overpopulated and create an increase in the aging (prison) population in the state, which is also overpopulated," Matthews outlined.

West Virginia's overall jail population in 2024 was about 11,000, with an incarceration rate of 674 per 100,000 residents, considerably higher than the national average of 614. According to the Prison Policy Initiative, the state's 10 regional jails were initially built to hold 2,883 people -- but they house more than 4,400 people on any given day. The bill's Republican backers, who have a legislative supermajority, said state law is not stern enough on serious offenders.

Matthews countered the numbers do not back up their position.

"West Virginia is already kind of tough on crime," Matthews pointed out. "We're not the lowest in terms of sentencing and penalties in the country or even in our area, and we're not like an outlier in terms of lower penalties for certain offenses."

He added proposed sentences of 40-60 years for murder before people are eligible for parole would significantly expand the number of older, less-dangerous members of the prison population.

"They have a geriatric wing there and they have actually instituted a job, called the orderly, where their whole job is to push individuals around on wheelchairs and take care of their needs throughout the facility," Matthews emphasized.

University's Fall 2024 Dean's List

Ohio University Scripps College of Communication student Mason Taylor of Indore, WV has been named to Ohio's Fall 2024 Dean's List.

The Dean's List recognizes undergraduate students who complete a particular semester with a GPA between 3.5 and 3.999 with a minimum of 12 credit hours attempted for letter grades that are used to calculate GPA.

In fall semester 2024, approximately 6,800 Ohio University undergraduate students qualified for the Dean's List. A complete listing is available online.

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CCHS football team participates in Read Across America week



CCHS football readers

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Charles Ray Crockett Jr. Booked 3/3/25 Receiving/transferring stolen goods <\$1,000, receiving/ transferring stolen vehicle



Dalton Antonio D'Angelo

Booked 3/8/25

Domestic assault, trespassing

asked to leave

Liberty Grace Dennison Booked 3/9/25 Obstructing an officer, alcohol to minors



Malinda Kay Garrett Booked 3/6/25 Bond violation

Michael Paul Knight

Booked 3/5/25

Home confinement violation



Christopher Dewayne Morris Booked 3/8/25 Possession of firearm, possession of stolen property, possession with intent



Brittany Jo Williams Booked 3/4/25 Negligent homicide

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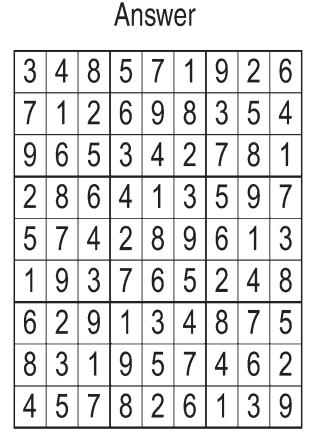
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Just A Moment Of Kindness

By Joe Mazzella

I have no idea why some stores make shelves so high that only a professional basketball player can reach them, but they do. I experienced one of them just the other day. I had just picked up some toothpaste and deodorant and was heading to the dog food aisle when I took a short cut through the toy section. That is when I saw them. A little girl was pointing to the top shelf where the stuffed animal she wanted was. Her Mother was trying to convince her to take one of the similar ones on the lower shelves but the little angel's heart was set on the one at the top. Mom was only five foot tall at the most and was about to explain that she just couldn't reach it. That is when I asked if I could try. Now my vertical leap was never much when I was younger and it has only gotten worse with age, but I jumped up as high as I could, hooked the toy with my finger and caught it on the way down. I handed it to the little girl who cheered and jumped up and down with joy. Her Mom smiled and thanked me and I gave her my warmest, "You're welcome."

I noticed something too as I started to walk away. I felt lighter. I felt better. I felt more like my true self. There was a smile on my face and a warmth in my heart. It was just a moment of kindness. It was just a second of love. Yet, it made my day and nourished my soul. For that moment I was who God wanted me to be.

I think the only way to truly receive love in this life is to give it away. The more love you share, the more love you have. The more love you give, the more love you receive. Jesus taught us all to Love God, to Love ourselves, and to Love our neighbors as ourselves. This love can be given too in a thousand different ways, in the littlest acts of kindness, even in rescuing a stuffed animal from the top shelf and putting it in the loving arms of a little girl.



Make Room For Laughter

By Dr. James L. Snyder

After about two months in recovery mode, I had an opportunity to go to the neighborhood Publix. It's been a long time since I've been in a store, and I was happy to get out of the house and give The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage a break.

While walking around, I noticed everybody seemed very sad. It looked like everybody was worried about something and had no solution.

There is something about me that makes me want to bring a smile to someone who is sad. I'm not always successful, but at least I try.

Walking around, I tried to think of what I could do to make somebody smile.

Maybe I could do something to make at least one person smile. I might not have a good prank, but how do I know until I try?

I approached an older couple pushing a cart and said, "Pardon me, do you know who I am?"

They both looked at me a little confused and shook their heads. The woman said, "No, I don't know who you are."

I smiled at them and replied, "That's great. I thought I was the only one who didn't know who I was. Thank you."

As I walked away, I heard them giggle and laugh. I heard the man say, "He sure was crazy." Then they laughed some more.

I was satisfied that I at least got someone to laugh. If you go through a whole day without laughing, you have wasted that day.

There are so many things that I laugh about that I rarely have a day or an hour in which I am not laughing at something or someone. I don't know how many people laugh at me, but I hope there are some.

I also noticed the store staff seemed rather stressed. The storewasoverlycrowdedwithcustomers, and particularly, the people at the checkout counter seemed rather stressed. I got what I was shopping for, went up to the checkout counter, and stood in line for several minutes, waiting for those in front of me to get fully processed. As I was waiting there, I was trying to think of what I could do to brighten up that young lady behind the checkout counter, who seemed quite stressed.

Then, an idea came to me. I laughed as I thought of it, and I didn't know if it was a good joke, but you never know until you process it, and I was in the processing mood at the time.

I grinned as I waited in line, and finally, my turn came. I looked at the lady behind the register and said, "There was a lady in the back of the store that told me

if I mentioned how nice you look today, you could give me a discount." Then I smiled, the biggest smile I had all day.

Looking at me, she said, "What?"

I knew she was under stress, so I repeated it to her and asked her what kind of discount I would get.

At first, she didn't know what to do and looked over her shoulder to see if anybody was watching her. Then she finally looked at me and said, "Sir, I'm new here and have never heard of that discount before, and I do not believe that I can do it for you today. I'm so sorry for the misunderstanding." Then, much to my surprise, she smiled. After all, that's all I wanted.

I thanked her for her service, smiled, and told her to have a great day.

As I walked out, I could hear some customers behind me giggling. They were talking, but I couldn't understand what they were saying. At least I got a couple of people to smile.

Driving home from the store, the traffic was rather congested. People were going home from work, and many were not very patient. There was a lot of horn blowing and some old guys screaming. I'm unsure how that solved their problem, but I guess they had no other option. They must have had a hard day at work.

I just smiled as they drove by, not knowing their story. Why can't people just learn how to smile? I looked at all of them as they went by and smiled as best I could.

A couple of drivers looked a little religious in my mind. I'm unsure what they were yelling at me, but one person pointed me to heaven. I smiled and was very appreciative. I nodded, affirming that I was planning to go to heaven. I noticed, though, that, being as religious as he was, he got his fingers mixed up and used the wrong finger to point to heaven.

Instead of being offended, I just smiled even got to the point of laughing. and My day was successful because I made about five people laugh and several others smile. That makes for a great day.

I couldn't help but think of one of my favorite Bible verses. "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones" (Proverbs 17:22).

Laughter is the best medicine we could possibly have. And, we never run out of this medicine no matter our circumstances. My goal is to share my medicine with as many people as possible.

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Home Country

Slim Randles

Willoughby breezed through the valley the other day. He lives in the capital city, but whips on through here about once a month, and each time he comes he has new things to sell.

"Do you suppose," said Bert, watching Willoughby's van pull into town, "he sells all of it each time and fills everyone's orders, or just doesn't sell any of it and has to try new things?"

If we were to ask him, of course, it would ruin the speculation, which is one of our favorite things to do around here. Willoughby, despite his advancing years, leaped out of the van and went into the Soup 'R Market to see Annette. Naturally, we followed.

"Say," Doc said, as we crossed the street, "wasn't Willoughby's hair brown the last time he was here? It's black today."

get fresh seafood here because of the distance, right? Well, now there's Simulated brand Seafood, all the flavor of the briny deep without any of the delicacy that makes it go bad on you."

She looked at him. "Simulated?"

"Just as good as the real thing. Yes, ma'am, I have simulated swordfish steaks, slightly sea bass, faux flounder, kinda crab, and our number one seller this week ... you ready for this? ... tah DAH Scarcely Scallops!"

"I don't know, Willoughby..." she said.

He sparkled right up to the challenge. We sipped on those sodas. This beat anything on TV.

Willoughby waved his arms in sheer excitement.

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"I believe you're right," Bert said.

Coal black. We could see that as we came in and bought sodas. Shoe polish, I think.

We settled back against the pop machine and prepared to enjoy the show.

Willoughby grinned and said, "I've got the latest and greatest thing going, Annette. You know how you can't

Annette said no to Willoughby, sending him on down the road to greener pastures. It's just as well. I'm holding out for Prit-Nr Prawns myself.

Brought to you by the novella, Whimsy Castle. Available on Amazon and good bookstores. I kept laughing when I was writing it. My granddaughter, Baelee Randles, painted the cover illustration.

West Virginia announces February revenue exceeds estimates by \$33.7M

In February, West Virginia's revenue collections of \$354.9 million exceeded projections by \$33.7 million. These results were primarily due to higher severance tax collections associated with cold weather-related natural gas prices and income tax refunds trailing projections.

"As we continue to address West Virginia's financial challenges, I'm pleased to see revenue exceed expectations for February," said Revenue Secretary Eric Nelson. "We will continue to work with the Governor's office and the Legislature to pass a balanced and forward-thinking 2026 budget that addresses these challenges."

February General Revenue Fund

February collections of \$354.9 million were \$33.7 million above estimate and more than 25% ahead of prior year February collections. Prior February collections were much lower due to one-time February tax refund payments to owners of business pass-through entities. Cumulative collections of \$3.509 billion are \$61.6 million above estimate and 2% below prior year receipts.

Details by major component follow:

February Personal Income Tax collections of nearly \$101.1 million were \$20.7 million above estimate and nearly 250% ahead of prior February collections. Cumulative income tax collections of more than \$1.399 billion are \$4 million above estimate and 2.6% below prior year receipts. Prior year receipts reflected the impact of more than \$127.7 million in tax refund payments. Refund payments for this February totaled roughly \$73 million or \$15 million below estimate. The new motor vehicle property tax credit contributed to a slowdown in return filings and refund claims to date in comparison with estimates. Cumulative collections of more than \$1.398 billion were \$3 million above estimate and 2.7% below prior year receipts. February Consumer Sales Tax collections of nearly

\$143.1 million were \$2.2 million below estimate and 0.7% ahead of last year. Cumulative collections of more than \$1.195 billion are \$5.3 million above estimate and 2.3% ahead of last year.

February Corporation Net Income Tax collections of nearly \$5.2 million were \$2.3 million above estimate but 20% below of prior year receipts. Cumulative collections of \$210.6 million were 13.6% lower than prior year receipts but \$39.6 million above estimate. Federal tax policy uncertainty was a factor in recent tax collection trends relative to estimate.

Severance Tax collections totaled \$45.7 million in February and \$193.2 million for the year-to-date. February collections were nearly \$17 million above the monthly estimate and 45.1% above prior year receipts. The monthly revenue gain was partially attributable to a bigger than usual carryover of collections due in late January to early February. In addition, an upward movement in natural gas prices related to winter heating needs was a contributing factor to the higher tax receipts. Year-to-date collections were still nearly \$43 million below estimate and 3.1% below prior year receipts. Low energy prices played a significant role in revenue decline over the past two years.

Tobacco Products Tax collections of nearly \$10 million were \$1.0 million below estimate in February and 14.6% below prior year receipts. Cumulative collections of \$94.1 million were \$7.6 million below estimate and 10% below prior year collections.

Interest Income totaled nearly \$12.2 million in February and more than \$133.7 million for the year-to-date. Cumulative collections were \$35.5 million above estimate but 13.9% below prior year collections. Interest income is trending lower over time with declining short-term interest rates.

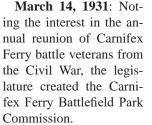
THIS WEEK IN West Virginia History

March 12, 1835: Marshall County was created from part of Ohio County. It was named for John Marshall, chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.



12, 1850: March Wheeling Hospital was chartered. During the Civil War, the institution was used as a general military hospital. The Sisters of Saint Joseph were hired as army nurses, treating wounded Union and Confederate soldiers side by side.

March 13, 2002: Herbalist and folk doctor Catfish Gray died in Huntington. Gray was known for his vast knowledge of traditional plant lore and for his quaint and engaging personality. At the height of the folklore revival of the 1970s, Gray was a frequent newspaper and television interview subject.







March 15, 1882: Union leader Frank Keeney was born on Cabin Creek, Kanawha County. Keeney, who went to work in the mines as a boy, became a rank-and-file leader during the Paint Creek-Cabin Creek Strike of 1912–13.

March 15, 1890: Architect Walter Martens was born in Illinois. After moving to Charleston, he won competitions to design prominent buildings across the state, including the current governor's mansion, which just turned 100 years old.



March 15, 1952: Governor Earl Ray Tomblin was born in Logan County. He was elected as a Democrat from Logan County to the House of Delegates in 1974, when he was only 22 years old and still a senior at West Virginia University.

March 16, **1906**: Country musician Buddy Starcher was born Oby Edgar Starcher near Ri-

pley. In 1946, Starcher cut his first recordings on Four Star, including his best-known composition, "I'll Still Write Your Name in the Sand," which became a hit in 1949.



March 16, 1922: WHD at West Virginia University received the first radio license in West Virginia.

March 17, 1837: Mercer County was created from parts of Giles and Tazewell counties and named for Hugh Mercer, a Revolutionary War general.

March 17, 1858: William Edwin Chilton was born in Coalsmouth, now St. Albans. A lawyer, U.S. senator and businessman, Chilton expanded

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Charleston's electric streetcar system and was publisher and editor of the Charleston Gazette.



March 17, 1891: West Virginia State University was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute by the legislature. It was one of 17 Black land-grant colleges established under the Second Morrill Act of 1890.

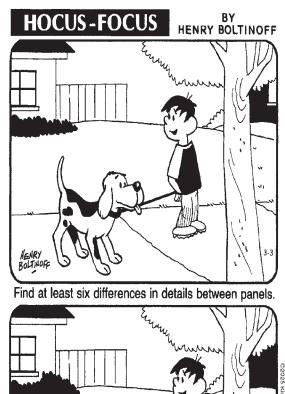
March 17, 1912: Athlete Joe Stydahar was born in Pennsylvania. A star in football and basketball at WVU, he was the first-round selection of the Chicago Bears in the first NFL draft of college players in 1936.

March 18, 1820: William Stevenson was born in Warren, Pennsylvania, but later moved to Wood County in western Virginia. In 1868, he was elected the third governor of West Virginia.



March 18, 1922: Athlete Frank "Gunner" Gatski was born in Farmington. Gatski played 11 years for the Cleveland Browns (1946-56) and one for the Detroit Lions (1957). He played in 10 championship games, eight on the winning side.

March 18, 1950: Actor Brad Dourif was born in Huntington. He is best known for his portrayal offbeat characters, of including Billy Bibbitt in One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest and Grima Wormtongue in Peter Jackson's Lord of the Rings trilogy.



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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: • •

Moderate A Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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THE WIDEN NEWS The people who think alike

should vote alike.

"DUNDON" RED ASH COAL

May 1958



73 MAKE HONOR ROLL Second Semester, 1957-58 First Grade: Mrs.Butcher "A" None "8" -----Sandra Frame Roger King Karen Marple Nancy Pinney Second Grade: Miss Graham "A" Danny Keen "B" Yvonne Hamilton Julia Acree Janet Tinney Second Grade: Mrs., Elliott "A" James Dorsey Michael Triplett "R" Donald Connor Patsy Adkins Linda Adkins Sandra McKinney Donna Gill Anita Woods Third Grade: " Miss Ashley "A" Benny Connor Steven Taylor Judith Gibson Linda Hamrick Naomi Hamrick Connie Henderson "B" Herby Gibson Jack Holcomb Johnny Houghton Sonja Eagle Bethel Frame Teresa Potasnik Lois Gill Fourth Grade: Mrs Brass "A" Linda Baughman Cecil Butcher Jr. Nancy Butcher Warren Donohue Molly Dorsey Robert Dorsey Ella Ruth Frame Walter George Sharon Jo Manning Lynn Kay Mullins Michael Truman Roscoe Wilson "B" Brenda Adkins Patty Connor Peggy Connor Jerry James Lois Keen David Marple Carol Miller -Carol Workman

Fifth Grader

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Clubs and Classes

Where all think alike, no one

thinks very much.

SECOND GRADE

We wish to thank our parents and friends who gave so generously to the P.T.A. contest. The proceeds from our proom alone totaled \$41.02 permitting us to win.

Our room received a \$10.00 prize and we purchased a large world globe with the prize money. May be say, "thanks again".

Susle Belle Graham

and Second Grade Students

JUDY LACORTE ELECTED

Judy LaCorte junior, was elected President of the Student Council for the year 1958-59, by a majority vote of the students of Widen High in an election held here Friday, April 25.

Ruby Lee Holcomb, junior, was elected Vice President and six members at large were elected by general vote. These are: Dawne Backus, Karca Donobue, Jane Gibson Dave Shaffer Judy Shaffer Joyce Workman.

The elections were preceded by a campaign program and a general assembly where candidates spoke for themselves and their colleague.

Joan Dawson of the Senior class has been a straight A honor student for the past four years and because of her excellent record she is not only the Valedictorian of the 1958 graduating class but will receive a complimentary one year subscription to The Readers Digest .

STUDENT COUNCIL.

Student Council pins were awarded on a basis of points carned for work done, offices held, and in-school and public conduct. Those winning their pins were Dave Hamrick, Judy LaCorte, Lillian Dodrill, Joan Truman Dawson, Helen - Ellis, Ruby Lee Holcomb, Ross Gibson Karen Donohue Lora Lou Wilson, Karen Mick, Jane Gibson, and Pat Manning.

FOURTH GRADE

The Fourth Grade made a good attendance record .this year. Those making perfect attendance were:

Linda Baughman Nancy Butcher Peggy Conner Michael Truman Roscoe. Wilson Daniel Wood Those making faithful attendance were:

> Chilton Adkins Patty Conner Frankie Donohue Warren Donohue Walter George David Marple Jesse'McClain Carol Workman

David Brown had made a perfect record for the past three, years and his fourth until he broke his leg. Better luck next time, David,

The class got a big thrill when party time came Thursday afternoon. Mr. Baer gave them permission to dance.

FOURTH GRADE MAKES GOOD ATTENDANCE RECORD

Ninth Month, 1957-58 Miss Ashley's third grade won the Attendance Banner for the 9th month with a percentage of 98. 62.

The 7th grade won for the High School with a percentage of 98.89. Congratulations 3rd and 7th graders:

Percentage Of Attendance Mr. Reynolds' .Grade 7 98.89 Miss Ashley ... Grade 3.... 98.62 Mr. Boggs ... Grade 8....98.58 Mrs. Butcher .Grade Miss Woods ... Grade 12.....98.29 Mr. Matheny .Grade 9....97.52 Miss Graham . Grade 2....96.96 Mr. Pinney .. Grade 10....96.96 Mr. Jackson ... Grade 5.... 96.96 Mrs. Griffith .Grade 11.... 96.91 Mrs. Reynolds Grade 6....96.01 Mrs. Bragg Grade 4..... 95.68

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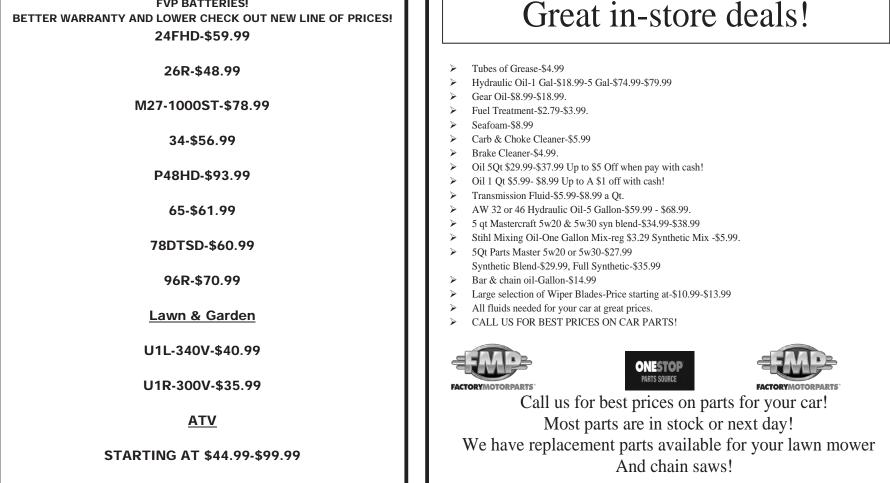
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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

TO: Amanda Kay Poland Respondent 1106 Shamrock Rd. Charleston, WV 25314 DOB: 11/2/1983

Magistrate Court Case No .: Family Court Civil Action No.: 25-DV-3

ORDER OF PUBLICATION (PROTECTIVE ORDER / HEARING DATE)

1. The object of this suit is to obtain protection from the Respondent. 2. The object of this publication by Class I legal advertisement is to notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-named Respondent from having contact with certain individuals. This Order may affect property and other rights of the Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order and Petition from the Circuit Clerk of the county listed above

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

It appearing by affidavit duly taken in this action that you could not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of the Petition and Order may be obtained at the Clay County, Circuit Clerk's office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER will remain in effect until April 3, 2025.

A Final Hearing is scheduled for the 3rd day of April, 2025, at 11:30 a.m., before the Clay County Family Court. Issued 2/28/25 at 3:45 p.m.

Parisa Hanshaw Circuit Clerk

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA THAT BEING THE JUVENILE COURT OF SAID COUNTY

EGA

Case Nos. 24-JA-36-37 IN RE: State v. S.Z.D., and Z.B., In the matter of S.Z.D., and Z.B., and the unknown whereabouts of Craig Allen Beeth, Adult Respondent Father of S.Z.D., and Jonathan Bartsch, Adult Respondent Father of Z.B. ORDER OF PUBLICATION

And

NOTICE OF ANSWER To: Craig Allen Beeth and Jonathan Bartsch.

(The object of this action is to notify the Adult Respondents of an abuse and neglect petition herein filed so that said Adult Respondents

may answer the same to protect their interest.) You are hereby notified that an abuse and neglect and/or abandonment petition has been filed with the Circuit Court of Clay County, West Virginia, on the 14th day of November 2024, and assigned Case Numbers 24-JA-36-37, wherein it is alleged that the Adult Respondent Mother of the Infant Respondents S.Z.D. (DOB: 10/31/11), and Z.B. (DOB: 12/13/13) is Tiffany Bevill, and that said Infant Respondents be placed in the custody of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, with said Infant Respondent remaining in the care, custody and control of the said Department since that time in accordance with WV Code §49-6-3. You are hereby notified that you have the right to answer said petition and you have the right to have counsel present at all stages of these proceedings and ALL PROCEEDINGS CAN RESULT IN THE PERMANENT TERMINATION OF CUS-TODIAL AND PARENTAL RIGHTS TO SAID INFANT CHILD.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the Adult Respondents, Craig Allen Beeth and Jonathan Bartsch, shall appear before the Honorable Judge Morton on the 20th day of March 2025, at 1:00 p.m., at the Clay County Courthouse, 246 Main Street, Clay, West Virginia, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against them at any time thereafter, and termination of your custodial and parental rights may be ordered by the Court.

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

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA DEPART-MENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES, CHILD PRO-TECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION

BY: Wayne King, Prosecuting Attorney Clay County, West Virginia Entered by the Clerk of said Court on the 25th day of February, 2025.

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NOTICE

I, along with James Dalton, Roy Echard, Anthony Frame, Tad Jackson, Noah McKim and Na-thaniel McKim have leased the property in Log Shoals that was formerly owned by Ivydale, LLC and is now owned by We-R-Farmers. Otter district map 16, parcels 23, 24, 25, 26 and map 20, parcel 18. Trespassing and hunting are strictly prohibited, and violators will be prosecuted. If you have any hunting gear on this property you have 30 days to remove it. Thanks for your understanding and co-operation. Log Shoals Hunting Club.



PUBLIC NOTICE OF BLASTING OPERATIONS

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EGA

THAT BEING THE JUVENILE COURT OF SAID COUNTY

In the matter of D.L.,C.T., K.T., S.T., X.N., and J.N., and the un-

known whereabouts of Brandon Lynn, Adult Respondent Father of D.L.

(The object of this action is to notify the Adult Respondent of an abuse

and neglect petition herein filed so that said Adult Respondent may

You are hereby notified that an abuse and neglect and/or abandon-

ment petition has been filed with the Circuit Court of Clay County,

West Virginia, on the 4th day of December 2024, and assigned Case

Numbers 24-JA-38-43, wherein it is alleged that the Adult Respondent

Mother of the Infant Respondents D.L. (DOB: 9/7/07), C.T. (DOB: 6/24/09, K.T. (DOB: 10/23/15), and S.T. (DOB: 6/4/18) is Lucretia

Truman, and the Adult Respondent Mother of the Infant Respondents

X.N. (DOB: 9/20/21), and J.N. (DOB: 6/13/23), is Breanna Neal and

that said Infant Respondents be placed in the custody of the West Vir-

ginia Department of Health and Human Resources, with said Infant

Respondent remaining in the care, custody and control of the said

Department since that time in accordance with WV Code §49-6-3. You are hereby notified that you have the right to answer said petition

and you have the right to have counsel present at all stages of these

proceedings and ALL PROCEEDINGS CAN RESULT IN THE PER-

MANENT TERMINATION OF CUSTODIAL AND PARENTAL

day of April 2025, at 9:35 a.m., at the Clay County Courthouse, 246 Main Street, Clay, West Virginia, otherwise judgment by default will

be taken against them at any time thereafter, and termination of your

cuit Clerk of Clay County, West Virginia at the Clay County Court-

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA DEPART-

MENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES. CHILD PRO-

BY: Wayne King, Prosecuting Attorney Clay County, West Virginia

A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the Office of the Cir-

custodial and parental rights may be ordered by the Court.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the Adult Respondent, Brandon Lynn, shall appear before the Honorable Judge Asbury on the 7th

Case Nos. 24-JA-38-43

IN RE: State v. D.L., C.T., K.T., S.T., X.N., and J.N.,

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE OF ANSWER

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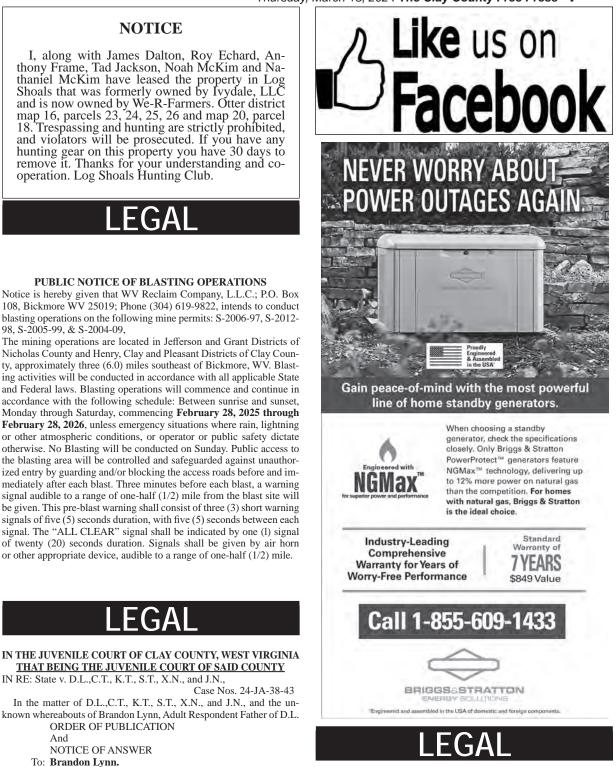
RIGHTS TO SAID INFANT CHILD.

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TECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION

And

To: Brandon Lynn.



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Claim Deadline: Monday, May 5, 2025

APPOINTMENT DATE 01/02/2025 ESTATE NAME: NORMAN L JOHNSON EXECUTRIX AVIS M JOHNSON 5086 WIDEN RIDGE RD DUCK WV 25063-9484 APPOINTMENT DATE01/15/205 ESTATE NAME: DAVID JOE TOWNSEND ADMINISTRATRIX CATHY TOWNSEND-ESTEP PO BOX 1063 ELKVIEW WV 25071-1063

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 02/26/205 Sheila Stone

County Clerk Entered by the Clerk of said Court on the 25th day of February, 2025. Clay County Boy 100 PO



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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by deed of trust dated the 24th day of April, 1992, signed by Emily K. Dobbins and Paul D. Dobbins, wife and husband, to John Musgrave, Trustee, which said deed of trust is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Clay, West Virginia, in Trust Deed Book 74 at page 545, and Golden & Amos, PLLC, Trustee having been requested so to do by the Secured Creditor, and default having been made under the terms and conditions of said deed of trust, and the provisions in said deed of trust concerning acceleration having been complied with by the Secured Creditor and present holder of the note, said Trustee will sell at public auction at 2:45 o'clock p.m. on the 20th DAY OF MARCH 2025

at the front doors of the Courthouse in Clay County in Clay, West Virginia, the following described real estate located in the District of Union County of Clay, State of West Virginia as follows:

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the waters of the Elk River, in Union District, Clay County, West Virginia, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a 1/2 inch iron rod set in a line of the Dorthy Cummings tract as described in Deed Book No. 151, at page 160, a corner to Hobert Cummings and the parent tract; thence with the Dorothy Cummings tract N-28-00-E 214-5' to a 1/2" iron rod set; thence N-8-00-E 400.0' to a 1/2" iron rod set 15' south of the center of Secondary 13/1; thence leaving the Dorothy Cummings tract and with a line 15' south of the center of said Secondary 13/1, S-73-34-E 49.0' to a point; thence S-88-00 E 46.5' to a point; thence N-76-14-E 161.1' to a 1/2" iron rod set in a line of the Hobert Cummings tract; thence with the same, S-6-20-W 400.0' to a stone found; thence S-59-48 W 419.1 to the place of beginning containing 2.77 acres, more or less.

Any of the property constructed, improved or purchases with the loan will be personally occupied and used by borrower and not rented or leased, unless the Government gives written consent otherwise.

The mortgagor and mortgagee agree that any ranges, refrigerators, or carpeting purchased or financed in a whole or part, with loan funds will be considered and construed as part of the property covered by the mortgage

It is the intention of this notice to sell the secured property by proper description as was intended to be transferred and conveyed in the aforesaid deed of trust.

The above described real estate is reported to have a mailing address of:

Rt 1, Box 64, Procious, WV 25164

TERMS OF SALE: Cash in hand on day of sale or within 30 days of date of sale upon terms to be agreed upon between Trustee and successful bidder, time being of the essence; payment for unpaid real estate taxes to be assumed by the purchaser. The Trustee does not warrant title or fitness to this property; it is being purchased as is; this is a buyer beware sale and any buyer is advised to retain counsel before the sale. If there is any part of the process of sale which is found to be objectionable, the Trustee reserves the right to cancel the sale. No purchaser should take possession or make improvements in the premises until the Trustee deed is delivered or recorded. A third party purchaser at sale will be required to pay the purchase price plus all recording and transfer fees.

Trustee at sale is under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

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.

The party(ies) secured by the Deed of Trust reserve the right to purchase the property at such sale. If the purchaser at sale is unable to complete the terms of purchase within 30 days, the Trustee reserves the right to transfer the property to the next highest bidder.

Any sale hereunder may be adjourned from time to time without any notice other than oral proclamation at the time and place appointed for this sale or by posting of a notice of same. Should the Trustee not appear at the time appointed for the sale and there is no notice posted of a continuance please contact the office of the Trustee to make further inquiry. Any sale may be conducted or adjourned by the designated agent or attorney of the Trustee. The undersigned is fully vested with the authority to sell said property as Trustee by instrument of record. Some Trustee sales may be conducted by a servicer required Auction Company. In that event, the auctioneer will be acting under an "Auction Services Agreement."

Should any party have any inquires, objections to the sale or protests regarding the sale, or requests regarding the sale, please notify the trustee below by one of the means of communications set forth below. GOLDEN & AMOS, PLLC, TRUSTEE

543 Fifth Street, P.O. Box 81 Parkersburg, WV 26102 Telephone (304) 485-3851 Fax (304) 485-0261 E-mail: timamos@goldenamos.com Our business hours are 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM On weekdays - not including holidays



PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0956-E-IDS APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and WHEELING POWER COMPANY,

> Application for a approval for Written Plan for the Construction of Utility Infrastructure at two West Virginia Pursuant to W.Va. Code § 24-2-1n.

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company (the Companies), public utilities, have, on December 30, 2024, filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a Petition to update their Business Ready Sites Program (BRSP) surcharge rates, per W.Va. Code \$24-2-1n and the Commission's May 16, 2024 Order in Case No. 23-0956-E-IDS, If approved, the increased rates will apply to electric service to the Companies' customers in cities, towns, villages, unincorporated municipalities, and rural areas in the counties of Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Clay, Fayette, Greenbrier, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monroe, Nicholas, Ohio, Putnam, Raleigh, Roane, Summers, Wayne, Wetzel, and Wyoming. The Companies propose to increase BRSP rates by approximately \$1.37 million for the period June 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026. If approved, the average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	\$ INCREASE	% INCREASE
Residential (1,000 kWh)	\$0.16	0.09%
Residential (1,150 kWh)	\$0.18	0.09%
Commercial	\$0.35	0.08%
Industrial	\$107.26	0.04%
Special Contract ⁶	\$244.94	0.05%
Other	\$0.01	0.02%

⁶Excludes Special Contract customers who are billed standard tariff rates

Attachment

The increases shown are based on the averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive an increase that is greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this Petition. Any increase in rates will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission.

The Commission set a procedural schedule, including a hearing date on the Application that will begin at 9:30 a.m. on May 22, 2025, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Petition is on file with and available for public inspection at the Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia, and is available online at the Commission website (www.psc.state.wv.us). Anyone desiring to intervene or protest should file a written request to intervene or protest no later than twenty (20) days following the date of this notice, unless such period is otherwise modified by Commission Order. Failure to timely intervene or protest can affect your right to participate in or protest aspects of this proceeding. All requests to intervene or protest should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene or protest and comply with the rules set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All requests to intervene and protests should state the case name and number and be addressed to the Executive Secretary at the address listed above.

In the absence of substantial protest received within twenty (20) days of the issuance of this notice, the Commission may waive formal hearing and grant the Petition based on the Commission's review of the filings in this case.

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and WHEELING POWER COMPANY

<u>LEGAL</u>

Notice is hereby given that the following described tracts or lots of land in the County of CLAY have been certified by the Auditor of the State of West Virginia to Christal G. Perry, Deputy Commissioner of **Delinquent** and Nonentered Lands of said County, for sale at public auction. The lands will be offered for sale by the undersigned Deputy Commissioner at public auction in the Clay County Courthouse - County Commission Room on the 10th of April, 2025 at 9:00 AM.

Each tract or lot as described below, will be sold to the highest bidder. The payment for any tract or lot purchased at a sale shall be made by check or money order payable to the sheriff of the county and delivered before the close of business on the day of the sale. If any of said tracts or lots remain unsold after the auction, they will be subject to sale by the Deputy Commissioner without additional advertising or public auction. The deputy commissioner sale may include tracts or lots remaining unsold from a previous auction not required by law to be readvertised and described for this subsequent auction of those same tracts and lots. All sales are subject to the approval of the Auditor of the State of West Virginia.

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CERT # 2024-C-000001 2024-C-000003		TICKET 1157		14 AC IVYDALE SUR 196/768 INT	BUFFALO BUFFALO	AMOUNT DUE \$194.45 \$552.06
2024-C-000003 2024-C-000004 2024-C-000005	2023	234 1075	BEASLEY DONNA HAMRICK	2.68 AC WTS SAND FORK (2 H) SUR	BUFFALO BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$634.30 \$221.38
2024-C-000005 2024-C-000006 2024-C-000007	2023 2023 2023	1075 1076 667	JACKSON ROBERT L	.50 AC FLAT FORK SUR 1 88 AC POCK CAMP SUP	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$210.13 \$331.97
2024-C-000007 2024-C-000008 2024-C-000009	2023 2023 2023	2033 381	TURNER L D HRS	45 AC WTS GROVES FEE (1/2 0&G OUT) 1.83 AC WTS BIFEALO SUR	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$659.04 \$559.15
2024-C-000000 2024-C-000010 2024-C-000011	2023 2023 2023	1013 283	HICKMAN JACK M BOZZI CONNIE CEASE	2.75 AC STRANGE CREEK SUR 1/4 INT LOT STRANGE CREEK SUR	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$291.95 \$291.95 \$520.86
2024-C-000011 2024-C-000012 2024-C-000013	2023 2023 2023	205 207 1819	ASBURY LOIS G SIMONS DAKOTA T ETAL	4 AC & ROW WTS BUFFALO SUR 50 AC WTS BUFFALO SUR	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$452.87 \$181.03
2024-C-000013 2024-C-000014 2024-C-000015	2023 2023 2023	1101 844	KNIGHT WILLIAM F KESSLER RUSSELL G BEASLEY DONNA HAMRICK JACKSON ROBERT L JACKSON ROBERT L DEEMS CHARLES FORD TURNER L D HRS CANFIELD JAMES F II HICKMAN JACK M BOZZI CONNIE CEASE ASBURY LOIS G SIMONS DAKOTA T ETAL JEFFREY ROGER LEE GIBSON BERTHA KING MITCHELL H KING MITCHELL H SALVATION A DMW CHARLESTON A BEA	DESCRIPTION 14 AC IVYDALE SUR 196/768 INT 16.57 AC WTS GROVES SUR 2.68 AC WTS SAND FORK (2 H) SUR 5 AC FLAT FORK SUR .50 AC FLAT FORK SUR 1.88 AC ROCK CAMP SUR 45 AC WTS GROVES FEE (1/2 0&G OUT) 1.83 AC WTS BUFFALO SUR 2.75 AC STRANGE CREEK SUR 1/4 INT LOT STRANGE CREEK SUR 4 AC & ROW WTS BUFFALO SUR .50 AC WTS BUFFALO SUR LT 38 IVYDALE FEE 1/4 INT 312 AC STRANGE CREEK 1/4 INT MIN COAL OUT 18.75 AC S ELK 0 & DOC DUD MIN L/2 OF L/2 DIT LEES COAL	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$177.89 \$202.15
2024-C-000015 2024-C-000016 2024-C-000017	2023 2023 2023	1149 1145	KING MITCHELL H KING MITCHEL H	18.75 AC S S ELK O&G 167 AC WTS BUFFALO & DOG RUN MIN 1/2 OF 1/2 INT LESS COAL	BUFFALO	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000017 2024-C-000018 2024-C-000019	2023 2023 2023	1696 1146	SALVATION ARMY CHARLESTON AREA KING MITCHEL H	167 AC WTS BUFFALO & DOG RUN MIN 1/2 OF 1/2 INT 50 AC WTS BUFFALO & DOG RUN MIN 1/2 OF 1/2 INT LESS COAL	BUFFALO	\$177.52 \$194.45 \$177.52
2024-C-000019 2024-C-000020 2024-C-000021	2023 2023 2023	1697 1147	SALVATION ARMY CHARLESTON AREA KING MITCHEL H	50 AC WTS BUFFALO & DOG RUN COAL 1/2 INT 50 AC DOG RUN MIN (LESS COAL) 1/2 NT	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000022 2024-C-000023	2023 2023	1698 1699	CALVATION ADVOLOUADI DOTONI ADDA	CALCING DUBLICOLULI/2 DIT	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$177.52 \$178.21
2024-C-000024 2024-C-000025	2023 2023	1148 1700	KING MITCHEL H SALVATION ARMY CHARLESTON AREA	70 AC DOG RUN MIN 1/2 OF 1/2 INT LESS COAL 70 AC DOG RUN COAL 1/2 INT	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000026 2024-C-000027	2023 2023	268 254	BOARD JANNETTE BIRD ANNA JEAN	39 AC SAND FORK MIN 1/4 OF 1/6 INT 10 AC WTS BUFFALO MIN 1/2 OF 1/3 INT	BUFFALO BUFFALO	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000028 2024-C-000029	2023 2023	217 2608	BAILEY LOUISE HANSHAW EVA FAYE WHITE HRS	7 AC STRANGE CREEK MIN 1/8 OF 1/2 INT LOT CHESTNUT STREET SUR 1/2 OF 1/7 OF 1/2 INT	BUFFALO CLAY CORP	\$177.52 \$180.65
2024-C-000030 2024-C-000032	2023 2023	2569 5265	FARRAR ROBERT KOCH DAYMON ETUX	LOTS 16-17-18 BF STEP ADDN SUR 3.44 AC WTS SANDY SUR	CLAY CORP HENRY	\$930.53 \$281.86
2024-C-000033 2024-C-000034	2023 2023	3020 4713	ADKINS LARRY K GRUBB VAUGHN GAROLD JR	68.2 AC GRANNIES CREEK SUR 91.5 AC WTS LAUREL SUR 1/4 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$907.28 \$350.62
2024-C-000035 2024-C-000036	2023 2023	4879 4714	HAYNES PATRICIA GRUBB VAUGHN GAROLD JR	2.6 AC WTS LAUREL SUR LESS ROW 100 SQ RDS WTS LAUREL SUR	HENRY HENRY	\$949.89 \$174.65
2024-C-000037 2024-C-000038	2023 2023	4107 2998	DOBBINS VIRGINIA ADKINS ANDY SR ETUX	2 AC TWISTABOUT SUR (2H) .157 AC WTS LAUREL SUR	HENRY HENRY	\$502.18 \$183.41
2024-C-000039 2024-C-000040	2023 2023	2999 5907	ADKINS ANDY SR ETUX MURDOCK MARY SUE	LOTS WTS BIG LAUREL SUR LOT MAYSEL SUR	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$178.14
2024-C-000041 2024-C-000042	2023 2023	5908 3462	MURDOCK MARY SUE BULLARD GARY HUSTON	50 AC DOG RUN COAL 1/2 INT 50 AC DOG RUN COAL 1/2 INT 70 AC DOG RUN COAL 1/2 INT 70 AC DOG RUN COAL 1/2 INT 39 AC SAND FORK MIN 1/4 OF 1/2 INT LESS COAL 70 AC WTS BUFFALO MIN 1/4 OF 1/6 INT 10 AC WTS BUFFALO MIN 1/2 OF 1/3 INT 7 AC STRANGE CREEK MIN 1/8 OF 1/2 INT LOT CHESTNUT STREET SUR 1/2 OF 1/7 OF 1/2 INT LOTS 16-17-18 BF STEP ADDN SUR 3.44 AC WTS SANDY SUR 68.2 AC GRANNIES CREEK SUR 91.5 AC WTS LAUREL SUR 1/4 INT 2.6 AC WTS LAUREL SUR LESS ROW 100 SQ RDS WTS LAUREL SUR 2 AC TWISTABOUT SUR (2H) .157 AC WTS LAUREL SUR LOTS WTS BIG LAUREL SUR LOT MAYSEL SUR 1 AC MAYSEL SUR 1 AC MAYSEL SUR (T) LOT WTS LAUREL SUR LOT .06 AC WTS LAUREL SUR LOT LOWER TWO RUN SUR 63 AC LOWER TWO RUN SUR 1/8 & 1/7 OF 1/8 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$578.20 \$756.56
2024-C-000043 2024-C-000044	2023 2023	3463 3464	BULLARD GARY HUSTON BULLARD GARY HUSTON	LOT .06 AC WTS LAUREL SUR LOT LOWER TWO RUN SUR	HENRY HENRY	\$208.94 \$325.72
2024-C-000045 2024-C-000046	2023 2023	5225 5471	KING JIMMY MCCLUNG VIRGIL R	63 AC LOWER TWO RUN SUR 1/8 & 1/7 OF 1/8 INT 8.83 AC WTS BUFFALO FEE	HENRY HENRY	\$171.93 \$476.22
2024-C-000047 2024-C-000048	2023 2023	5342 4810	LEGG DENNIS HAMRICK MATTHEW	.74 AC WTS BUFFALO SUR .27 AC WTS DOG RUN SUR LIFE EST COLEMAN HAMRICK ETAL		\$192.65 \$178.14
2024-C-000049 2024-C-000050	2023 2023	4811 4945	HAMRICK MATTHEW HOLCOMB DEWEY HRS	.70 AC WTS DOG RUN SUR LIFE EST MILDRED HAMRICK PT LT 2 REED ADD SUR 1/4 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$450.94 \$177.52
2024-C-000051 2024-C-000052	2023 2023	6019 3460	OHIO VALLEY UNIVERSITY INC BULLARD EDITH HRS	76.75 AC WTS OTTER COAL (LESS C B METHANE) 62.5 AC SANDY MIN 1/24 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000053 2024-C-000054	2023 2023	3534	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS	250 AC GRANNIES CRK MIN 1/10 OF 42/512 INT 31.5 AC LILLY FORK O&G 1/10 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000055 2024-C-000056	2023 2023	3535 3536	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS	13 AC WTS LAUREL MIN 1/10 INT 250 AC GRANNIES CRK MIN 1/10 OF 21/512 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000057 2024-C-000058	2023 2023	3537 3538	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS	62.5 AC JOE SPRING KNOB O&G 1/10 INT 12.5 AC TWO RUN O&G 1/10 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000059 2024-C-000060	2023 2023	3539 3540	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS	50 AC WTS LAUREL O&G 1/10 OF 1/5 INT 111 AC WTS LAUREL O&G 1/10 OF 2/12 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000061 2024-C-000062	2023 2023	3814 3815	CONNER CHESSIE C HRS CONNER CHESSIE C HRS	42 AC WTS BUFFALO O&G 3/8 OF 1/2 INT 41 AC N S ELK O&G 3/8 OF 1/4 INT 72 HS CDN DE CONCOLOGICAL OF 1/2 OF 1/2 DE	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$181.14
2024-C-000063 2024-C-000064 2024-C-000065	2023 2023	7549 7550	WHITE LAUREN REV LIVING TRUST WHITE LAUREN REV LIVING TRUST	72 AC GRANNIES CRK 0&G 1/3 OF 1/3 OF 1/8 INT 82 AC WTS LAUREL 0&G 1/3 OF 1/3 OF 2/8 INT 22 AC DEDUGED WID (4/0 G C C ULT 7/0 OF 1/4 B 1/2 OF 1/4 DIT	HENRY HENRY	\$174.89 \$174.89
2024-C-000065 2024-C-000066 2024-C-000067	2023 2023 2023	4423 5104 4424	FRAME F J HRS JEFFERS DORIS K ETAL FRAME F J HRS	32 AC REDHSE MIN (1/2 O&G OUT) 7/8 OF 1/4 & 1/2 OF 1/4 INT 32 AC REDHOUSE MIN (1/2 O&G OUT) 1/8 OF 1/4 INT 40 AC LILL AUBEL MIN 7/8 OF 1/2 OF 1/4 INT	HENRY HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000067 2024-C-000068 2024-C-000069	2023 2023 2023	4424 5105 4425	JEFFERS DORIS K ETAL FRAME F J HRS	40 AC LIL LAUREL MIN 7/8 OF 1/2 OF 1/4 INT 40 AC LIL LAUREL MIN 1/8 OF 1/2 OF 1/4 INT 25 AC HAYES TWO RUN MIN (1/4 O&G OUT) 7/8 OF 1/4 & 1/2 OF	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000009 2024-C-000070 2024-C-000071	2023 2023 2023	5106 4426	JEFFERS DORIS K ETAL FRAME F J HRS	25 AC HAYES TWO RUN MIN (1/4 0&G 0UT) 1/8 OF 1/4 & 1/2 OF 26 AC HAYES TWO RUN MIN (1/4 0&G 0UT) 1/8 OF 1/4 INT 36 AC HAYES TWO RUN 0&G 7/8 OF 1/2 OF 1/4 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000071 2024-C-000072 2024-C-000073	2023 2023 2023	4420 5107 4786	JEFFERS DORIS K ETAL HALL O L HRS	36 AC HAYES TWO RUN 0&G 1/8 OF 1/2 OF 1/4 INT 36 AC HAYES TWO RUN 0&G 1/8 OF 1/2 OF 1/4 INT 649 AC WTS BUFFALO COAL 2/3 OF 2/5 & 1/2 OF 1/3 OF 2/5 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$205.65
2024-C-000073 2024-C-000074 2024-C-000075	2023 2023 2023	5086 3406	JARVIS JOHN K BREEDLOVE-COOK SHELLY	649 AC WTS BUFFALO COAL 2/3 OF 2/3 W 1/2 OF 1/3 OF 2/3 INT 649 AC WTS BUFFALO COAL 1/2 OF 1/3 OF 2/5 INT LOTS 21-23-25 E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/2 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000076 2024-C-000077	2023 2023 2023	5752 5737	MOORE ROBERT MOORE GREGORY	LOTS 21-23-25 E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/2 INT LOTS 21-23-25 E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/2 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000078 2024-C-000078	2023 2023 2023	5757 3407	MOORE TONY BREEDLOVE-COOK SHELLY	LOTS 21-23-25 E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/2 INT 4.5 AC E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/2 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000080 2024-C-000081	2023 2023	5753 5738	MOORE ROBERT MOORE GREGORY	4.5 AC E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/2 INT 4.5 AC E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/2 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000082 2024-C-000083		5758 3541	MOORE TONY CALLISON GEORGIA Y HRS	4.5 AC E HARTLAND MIN (C OUT) 1/2 INT 78.75 AC WTS LAUREL 0&G DONOHUE TR 1/10 OF 1/2 INT	HENRY HENRY	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000084 2024-C-000085	2023 2023	7620 7276	WILSON J F HRS TRIPLETT LEE HRS	100 AC WTS BUFFALO O&G 1/2 INT 64 AC WTS BUFFALO MIN COAL OUT	HENRY HENRY	\$189.06 \$197.14
2024-C-000086 2024-C-000087	2023 2023	11505 11506	ROBINSON MARVIN ROBINSON MARVIN	28.21 AC WTS WEST FORK 1/2 INTEREST 9.36 AC WTS WEST FORK 1/2 INTEREST	OTTER OTTER	\$238.70 \$770.61
2024-C-000088 2024-C-000089	2023 2023	10245 8418	JACKSON DOUGLAS ETUX BAILE TERESA LYNN BOWERS	2 AC MOORE FORK OTTER SUR 85 AC WTS OTTER FEE LESS O&G 1/8 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$172.89 \$278.36
2024-C-000090 2024-C-000091	2023 2023	9049 11336	COLE MICHAEL ALLEN PETTIT TODD	64.5 AC WTS OTTER FEE 3 AC WTS O'BRION SUR (M)	OTTER OTTER	\$888.06 \$652.47
2024-C-000092 2024-C-000093	2023 2023	10552 10553	MARCHAL ROBERT J MARCHAL THEODORS J	1213/ CONTRACTOR OF THE CLID 1/2 DIF	OTTER OTTER	\$194.44 \$194.44
2024-C-000094 2024-C-000095	2023 2023	10564 11201	MARSH CHARLENE I ETAL NICHOLS BILLIE J	131X50X144X50 N S ELK SUR 1/2 IN1 131X50X144X50 N S ELK SUR 1/2 INT 16 SQ RDS N S ELK SUR PT LOT 12 OTTER TOWN SUR 69.2 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/8 INTEREST 50 AC BARBER LOW GAP O&G 7/8 OF 1/5 INT 34 AC WEST FORK MIN 1/5 OF 1/4 INT 34 AC WEST FORK MIN 1/5 OF 1/4 INT 67 AC WTS STINSON MIN 1/5 OF 1/16 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$478.38 \$654.82
2024-C-000096 2024-C-000097	2023 2023	8438 8439	BARBER HOWARD HRS BARBER HOWARD HRS	69.2 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/8 INTEREST 50 AC BARBER LOW GAP O&G 7/8 OF 1/5 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000098 2024-C-000099	2023 2023	8623 8711	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS JEAN	34 AC WEST FORK MIN 1/5 OF 1/4 INT 34 AC WEST FORK MIN 1/5 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000100 2024-C-000101		8624 8712	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS JEAN	67 AC WTS STINSON MIN 1/5 OF 1/16 INT 67 AC WTS STINSON MIN 1/5 OF 1/16 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000102 2024-C-000103	2023	8625 8713	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS JEAN	400 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/5 OF 1/8 INT 400 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/5 OF 1/8 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000104 2024-C-000105	2023	8626 8714	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS JEAN	67 AC WTS STINSON MIN 1/5 OF 1/16 INT 400 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/5 OF 1/8 INT 400 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/5 OF 1/8 INT 41 AC WTS STINSON COAL 1/5 OF 1/4 INT 41 AC WTS STINSON COAL 1/5 OF 1/4 INT 30 5 AC WTS STINSON COAL 1/5 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000106 2024-C-000107		8627 8715	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS JEAN	30.5 AC WTS STINSON COAL 1/5 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000108 2024-C-000109 2024 C 000110	2023 2023 2023	8628 8629 8630	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS CAIL	6 LOTS UNDERWOOD LAND O&G 1/16 OF 7/8 INT 100 AC WTS OTTER ROSE TR O&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 110 5 AC SANDY O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTEP	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000110 2024-C-000111 2024-C-000112	2023 2023 2023	8630 8631 8632	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	110.5 AC SANDY O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 23 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 50 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000112 2024-C-000113 2024-C-000114	2023 2023 2023	8632 8517 8633	BOGGS BRENT ETAL BOGGS GAIL	47.5 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/4 OF 1/2 INT 47.5 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000114 2024-C-000115 2024-C-000116	2023 2023 2023	8634 8635	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	10.5 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 0F 1/2 INT 51 AC R L NICHOLS TR 0&G 1/16 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000117 2024-C-000117 2024-C-000118	2023 2023 2023	8636 8637	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	10 AC WTS W FK O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 8 AC WTS WEST FORK O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000119 2024-C-000120	2023 2023	8638 8639	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	23 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 50 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 47.5 AC WTS W FK O&G 1/4 OF 1/2 INT 47.5 AC WTS W FK O&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 10.5 AC WTS W FK O&G 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 51 AC R L NICHOLS TR O&G 1/16 INT 10 AC WTS W FK O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 8 AC WTS WEST FORK O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 17.5 AC WTS OTTER MOSS O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 4.5 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 74 AC WTS STINSON O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000121 2024-C-000122	2023 2023	8640 8641	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	74 AC WTS STINSON O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 46 AC UNDERWOOD LAND O&G 1/16 OF 7/8 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000123 2024-C-000124	2023 2023	8642 8643	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	17.5 AC WTS OTTER MOSS O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 4.5 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 74 AC WTS STINSON O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 46 AC UNDERWOOD LAND O&G 1/16 OF 7/8 INT 3 AC UNDERWOOD LAND O&G 1/16 OF 7/8 INT LOTS 26-27-28 IVYDALE MIN 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 64 AC WTS OTTER COAL 1/16 INT 100 AC WTS STINSON O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000125 2024-C-000126	2023 2023	8644 8645	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	LOTS 26-27-28 IVYDALE MIN 1/16 OF 1/2 INT 64 AC WTS OTTER COAL 1/16 INT 100 AC WTS STINSON 0&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 100 AC RUSH FORK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 30 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/3 OF 1/4 INT 12 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/3 OF 1/4 INT 106 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 INT 106 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 INT 24.5 AC OTTER LICK 0&G 1/16 INT 22 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/3 OF 1/2 INT 5.5 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/3 OF 1/2 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000127 2024-C-000128	2023 2023	8646 8647	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	100 AC RUSH FORK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT 30 AC WTS W FK 0&G 1/16 OF 1/3 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000129 2024-C-000130	2023 2023	8648 8519	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS BRENT ETAL	12 AC WTS W FK O&G 1/16 OF 1/3 OF 1/8 INT 106 AC WTS W FK O&G 1/16 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000131 2024-C-000132 2024 C 000122	2023 2023	8649 8650	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	100 AC W1S W FK O&G 1/16 OF 1/3 OF 1/4 INT 24.5 AC OTTER LICK O&G 1/16 INT 22 AC WTS W FK OR CHI / CPU / CPU / CPU / CPU	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000133 2024-C-000134 2024 C 000135	2023 2023 2023	8651 8652 12040	BOGGS GAIL TAVI OR ROBBI DENIGE ET L		OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000135 2024-C-000136 2024 C 000127	2023 2023 2022	12049 8653	TAY LOK KOBIN DENISE ETAL BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	24.5 AC WTS OTTER MIN 1/2 INTEREST 67.7 AC BIG OTTER MIN 1/4 INT 140.5 AC WTS OTTER & SANDY OSC 1/8 DITEREST	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000137 2024-C-000138 2024 C 000120	2023 2023 2022	8654 8655 8656	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	110.5 AC WTS OTTER & SANDY O&G 1/8 INTEREST 78 AC RICHARDSON FORK O&G 1/16 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000139 2024-C-000140 2024 C 000141	2023 2023 2023	8656 8657 8658	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS CAIL	14 AC OTTER MIN 1/4 INT 139.39 AC RICHARDSON FK O&G 1/16 INT 27 AC RUSH FORK O&G 1/16 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000141 2024-C-000142 2024-C-000143	2023 2023 2023	8658 8659 8660	BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL	27 AC RUSH FORK O&G 1/16 INT 212 AC RUSH FORK O&G 1/16 INT 85 AC RUSH FORK O&G 1/16 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000143 2024-C-000144 2024-C-000145	2023 2023 2023	8660 9669 9751	EBERHART CATHY B	55 AC WTS SANDY O&G 1/7 OF 1/2 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000145 2024-C-000146 2024-C-000147	2023	9751 10375 11543	BOGGS JEAN BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL BOGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL BOGGS GAIL B	1 AC WEST FORK MIN 84.5 AC N S ELK MIN 1/2 OF 2/6 INT LESS COAL 84.5 AC N S ELK COAL 2/6 INT 62.5 AC N S ELK MIN 1/2 OF 1/10 INT LESS COAL 62.5 AC N S ELK COAL 1/10 INT	OTTER OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000147 2024-C-000148 2024-C-000149	2023	10376 11544	KING MITCHEL H SALVATION ARMY CHARLESTON AREA	62.5 AC N S ELK COAL 2/0 INT 62.5 AC N S ELK MIN 1/2 OF 1/10 INT LESS COAL 62.5 AC N S ELK COAL 1/10 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000149 2024-C-000150 2024-C-000151	2023	10377 11545	KING MITCHEL H SALVATION ARMY CHARLESTON AREA	26 AC N S ELK MIN 1/2 OF 1/10 INT LESS COAL 26 AC N S ELK COAL 1/10 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52 \$177.52
2024-C-000152 2024-C-000153	2023 2023	10378 10379	KING MITCHEL H KING MITCHEL H	10.75 AC N S ELK MIN 1/2 OF 1/10 INT 5 AC STINSON MIN 1/2 OF 1/10 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52
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2024-C-000154	2023	10380	KING MITCHEL H	39.5 AC STINSON MIN COAL OUT 1/2 OF 1/20 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000155 2024-C-000156	2023 2023	10381 10382	KING MITCHEL H KING MITCHEL H	5.25 AC STINSON MIN 1/2 OF 1/2 INT 39 AC STINSON O&G 1/2 OF 1/20 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52				
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2024-C-000159 2024-C-000160	2023 2023	10385 10386	KING MITCHEL H KING MITCHEL H	5.5 AC STINSON MIN 1/2 OF 1/10 INT 11 AC STINSON MIN 1/2 OF 1/10 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000100 2024-C-000161	2023	10380	KNOTTS FRENCH	173 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/9 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000162	2023	10394	KNOTTS FRENCH	20.5 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/9 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000163 2024-C-000164	2023 2023	10395 10396	KNOTTS FRENCH KNOTTS FRENCH	2 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/9 INT 18 AC WTS OTTER O&G 1/9 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000104 2024-C-000165	2023	10538	MAGOUN BESSIE MAE	13 AC W13 011EK 0&0 1/9 IN1 13 AC NS ELK MIN 1/6 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000166	2023	10628	MCCRACKEN EVERETT	46 AC WTS O'BRION MIN 1/12 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000167 2024-C-000168	2023 2023	10629 10630	MCCRACKEN EVERETT MCCRACKEN EVERETT	39 WTS O'BRION MIN 1/12 INT 80 AC WTS O'BRION MIN COAL OUT1/12 OF 1/5 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000108 2024-C-000169	2023	10030	LUCAS MARY E	137 AC WTS OTTER MIN COAL OUT 1/2 OF 1/11 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000170	2023	10518	LUCAS MARY E	41 AC BUTLER FORK O&G 1/2 OF 1/11 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000171 2024-C-000172	2023 2023	10519 11013	LUCAS MARY E MOLLOHAN JENNINGS	10.5 AC BUTLER FORK MIN COAL OUT 1/2 OF 1/11 INT 54 AC WTS STINSON MIN 1/6 OF 1/2 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000172 2024-C-000173	2023	11013	MOLLOHAN JENNINGS	3 AC WTS STINSON 0&G 1/6 OF 1/2 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000174	2023	11236	NOTTINGHAM MARILYN J	137 AC WTS OTTER MIN (COAL OUT) 1/11 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000175 2024-C-000176		11237 11238	NOTTINGHAM MARILYN J NOTTINGHAM MARILYN J	41 AC BUTLER FORK O&G 1/11 INT 10.5 AC BUTLER FORK MIN COAL OUT 1/11 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000170 2024-C-000177		11238	PIEDMONT LLC	21 AC WTS STINSON MIN	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000178		11710	SIRK VIRGINIA L	80 AC DUCK CREEK O&G 1/3 OF 1/5 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000179 2024-C-000180	2023 2023	11711 9918	SIRK VIRGINIA L GOODEN DARREN BLAINE	80 AC DUCK CREEK COAL 1/3 OF 1/5 OF 1/2 INT 100 AC STINSON MIN 1/9 & 1/36 INT	OTTER OTTER	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000180 2024-C-000181	2023	8662	BOGGS GAIL L	44 AC WTS WEST FORK O&G 1/16 OF 1/4 INT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000183	2023	11513	ROGERS SHIRLEY A	64.81 AC WTS STINSON MIN 3/4 MIN OUT	OTTER	\$177.52				
2024-C-000184 2024-C-000185	2023 2023	14595 16120	MCINTYRE GOLDIE BOGGS	2.18 AC S S ELK SU TOD TIMOTHY W MCINTYRE	PLEASANT	\$277.34 \$283.75				
2024-C-000185 2024-C-000186	2023	16120	WILLIAMS GARY WILLIAMS GARY	2.29 AC S S ELK (LOT 18) SUR 2.10 AC SS ELK (LOT 20) SUR	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$285.75 \$189.82				
2024-C-000187	2023	13289	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HEIRS	2.18 AC S S ELK SU 10D HIMOTHY WINCLIVITKE 2.29 AC S S ELK (LOT 18) SUR 2.10 AC SS ELK (LOT 20) SUR 2 AC BIG SYC SUR 1/10 INT 1 AC MID CRK SUR 1/4 INT LOT WTS MIDDLE CREEK SUR 1/2 INT (3H) 3.79 AC LITTLE SYC SUR 2 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR 1 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR 1 AC WTS SYC SUR LOT ADONIJAH SUR LOT ADONIJAH SUR 2 AC MIDDLE CREEK SUR 1/2 INT LOT BIG SYC SUR 1 AC BIG SYC SUR LOT 18 WTS SYC SUR (5.38) 3.50 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$177.52				
2024-C-000188	2023	13116	BREEDLOVE-COOK SHELLY	1 AC MID CRK SUR 1/4 INT	PLEASANT	\$188.04				
2024-C-000189 2024-C-000190	2023 2023	14748 14733	MOORE ROBERT MOORE GREGORY	1 AC MID CRK SUR 1/4 INT 1 AC MID CRK SUR 1/4 INT	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$188.04 \$188.04				
2024-C-000190 2024-C-000191	2023	14752	MOORE TONY	1 AC MID CRK SUR 1/4 INT	PLEASANT	\$188.04				
2024-C-000192	2023	13784	FIELDS CONNIE	LOT WTS MIDDLE CREEK SUR 1/2 INT (3H)	PLEASANT	\$231.98				
2024-C-000193 2024-C-000194	2023 2023	15497 15493	ROGERS JOHN C SR ETUX ROGERS JOHN	3.79 AC LITTLE SYC SUR 2 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$239.09 \$186.74				
2024-C-000194 2024-C-000195	2023	15493	ROGERS JOHN ETAL	1 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$184.58				
2024-C-000196	2023	13290	CAMPBELL DAVID M	12 AC WTS SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$495.18				
2024-C-000197	2023	15489	ROGERS DIMPLE	LOT ADONIJAH SUR	PLEASANT	\$242.19				
2024-C-000198 2024-C-000199	2023 2023	15494 14691	ROGERS JOHN MILLER WILLIAM GEORGE	LOT ADONIJAH SUR 2 AC MIDDLE CREEK SUR 1/2 INT	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$184.44 \$171.74				
2024-C-000200	2023	15492	ROGERS DIMPLE ETAL	LOT BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$214.73				
2024-C-000201		15495	ROGERS JOHN	1 AC BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$307.43				
2024-C-000202 2024-C-000203		15122 15123	NOTTINGHAM SAMUEL HRS NOTTINGHAM SAMUEL HRS	LOT 18 WTS SYC SUR (5.38) 3 50 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$223.70 \$390.00				
2024-C-000204		15123	NOTTINGHAM SAMUEL HRS	125 AC BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$1,499.52				
2024-C-000205		16138	WOODS TRAVIS ETAL	2.5 AC MID CREEK SUR	PLEASANT	\$437.73				
2024-C-000206 2024-C-000207		16139 13645	WOODS TRAVIS ETAL	1.5 AC MID CREEK SUR	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$269.38 \$439.25				
2024-C-000207 2024-C-000208		13645	DUFFIELD DANIEL ETAL	1.36 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR & ROW	PLEASANT	\$174.04				
2024-C-000209	2023	13647	DUFFIELD DANIEL P	10 AC WTS SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$274.49				
2024-C-000211		13607	NOTTINGHAM SAMUEL HRS NOTTINGHAM SAMUEL HRS WOODS TRAVIS ETAL DUFFIELD DANIEL ETAL DUFFIELD DANIEL ETAL DUFFIELD DANIEL P DORSEY CURTIS R ETAL BIRD DOW W ATHA JARED ETUX ROGERS DIMPLE FACEMYERS DOROTHY BROWN GARY ETAL ROGERS JOHN TACKETT ANTHONY N ETUX ELSWICK RUSSELL HOLCOMB ORDY ETUX	33.25 AC BIG SYC FEE	PLEASANT	\$375.16				
2024-C-000212 2024-C-000213		13005 12874	ATHA JARED ETUX	1 61 AC SYC FEE	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$190.33 \$406.66				
2024-C-000214		15490	ROGERS DIMPLE	LOT BIG SYC SUR (T)	PLEASANT	\$386.63				
2024-C-000215		15491	ROGERS DIMPLE	1 AC BIG SYC SUR	PLEASANT	\$519.07				
2024-C-000216 2024-C-000217		13773 13145	FACEMYERS DORUTHY BROWN GARY FTAI	46.25 AC W1S SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/8 INT	PLEASANT PLEASANT	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000217 2024-C-000218		15496	ROGERS JOHN	1 AC WTS BIG SYC MIN	PLEASANT	\$177.52				
2024-C-000219		19000	TACKETT ANTHONY N ETUX	.50 AC & ROW N S ELK SUR	UNION	\$314.55				
2024-C-000221 2024-C-000222		17405 17829	ELSWICK RUSSELL	LOT N S ELK SUR	UNION UNION	\$472.62 \$304.32				
2024-C-000222 2024-C-000223		17829	ELSWICK RUSSELL HOLCOMB ORDY ETUX ELSWICK RUSSELL HOLCOMB ORDY ETUX ANDERSON DUSTIN BURDETTE CHARLES E SR COULTER CRYSTAL D ETVIR MYERS IUSTIN	.50 AC N S ELK SUR	UNION	\$304.52 \$421.59				
2024-C-000224	2023	17830	HOLCOMB ORDY ETUX	LOT N S ELK SUR	UNION	\$612.77				
2024-C-000225 2024-C-000226	2023	16566	ANDERSON DUSTIN	1 AC N S ELK SUR	UNION	\$938.37				
2024-C-000228 2024-C-000227		16825 17126	COULTER CRYSTAL D ETVIR	4 AC WIS ELK FEE 1/4 OF 1/2 INT 1.8 AC N S ELK SUR	UNION UNION	\$177.52 \$533.41				
2024-C-000228	2023	10401	MYERS JUSTIN	LOT 9 VAUGHN LAND SUR	UNION	\$370.62				
2024-C-000229 2024 C 000231		19225	WILLIAMS JEFFERY L ETAL	23.15 AC N S ELK SUR	UNION	\$678.66 \$594.49				
2024-C-000231 2024-C-000232	2023	17724 16890	HALL SHARON G CALLISON JOHNNIE P	.52 AC LOT QUEEN SHOALS SUR	UNION UNION	\$594.49 \$212.42				
2024-C-000233	2023	18063	LIGHT LARRY	.50 AC QUEEN SHOALS SUR	UNION	\$575.90				
2024-C-000234		17876	LIGHT LARRY JARVIS CHARLES W ETUX DUFFIELD BILLY J DUFFIELD BILLY J DAVIS ALEXANDER B C CONNER CHESSIE HRS CONNER CHESSIE HRS CONNER CHESSIE HRS CONNER CHESSIE HRS EVANS PATRICIA ANN ETAL	1.071 AC N S ELK SUR	UNION	\$508.80 \$422.84				
2024-C-000235 2024-C-000236		17297 17298	DUFFIELD BILLY J	.50 AC JACKS BEND SUK	UNION UNION	\$433.84 \$266.49				
2024-C-000237	2023	17200	DAVIS ALEXANDER B C	1 AC FALLING ROCK SUR	UNION	\$280.93				
2024-C-000238		17068	CONNER CHESSIE HRS	53 AC LIL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT	UNION	\$312.74				
2024-C-000239 2024-C-000240		17069 17070	CONNER CHESSIE HKS	0 AC LIL S I C SUK 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 36 AC LIL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT	UNION UNION	\$180.98 \$274.00				
2024-C-000241	2023	17070	CONNER CHESSIE HRS	5 AC LIL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT	UNION	\$180.58				
2024-C-000242	2023	17476	EVANS PATRICIA ANN ETAL ROGERS JOHN C SR ETUX	1 AC WTS PORTER SUR	UNION	\$569.13				
2024-C-000243 2024-C-000244	2023 2023	18652 18653	ROGERS JOHN C SR ETUX ROGERS JOHN CLINTON	19.08 AC BLUE CREEK & SYC SUR LOT LITTLE SYC AMORE SUR	UNION UNION	\$379.74 \$425.41				
2024-C-000244 2024-C-000245	2023	18474	PATRICIA LINEBERRY EST	53 AC LITTLE SYCAMORE SUR 1/4 INT	UNION	\$349.65				
2024-C-000246	2023	18648	ROGERS CONNIE	2 AC LITTLE SYCAMORE SUR 1/2 INT	UNION	\$221.13				
2024-C-000247 2024-C-000248	2023 2023	18655 18651	ROGERS JOHN CLINTON JR ROGERS JOHN	 I AC BIG SYC SUR LOT 18 WTS SYC SUR (5.38) 3.50 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR 125 AC BIG SYC SUR 2.5 AC MID CREEK SUR 9.4C WTS BIG SYC SUR 1.36 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR & ROW 10 AC WTS BIG SYC SUR & ROW 10 AC WTS SYC SUR 3.25 AC BIG SYC FEE 5.04 C SYC SUR (1) 1.4C BIG SYC SUR (1) 1.4C BIG SYC SUR (1) 1.4C BIG SYC SUR 46.25 AC WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 15 ACS WTS BIG SYC MIN 1/3 OF 1/144 INT MIN 16 AC NS ELK SUR 50 AC NS ELK SUR 10 T N S ELK SUR 10 T N S ELK SUR 10 T AC N S ELK SUR 10 T QUEEN SHOALS SUR 10 T AC N S ELK SUR 10 T AC N S ELK SUR 10 AC PUEEN SHOALS SUR 10 AC ACKS BEND SUR 10 AC ALL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 INT 10 AC LL SYC FEE 3/8 OF 5/8 IN	UNION UNION	\$221.13 \$399.47				
2024-C-000248 2024-C-000249	2023	18654	ROGERS JOHN ROGERS JOHN CLINTON	28 AC WTS LITTLE SYCAMORE SUR	UNION	\$456.95				
2024-C-000250	2023	17926	KEENER RENFORD M JR	5.3 AC QUEEN SHOALS 1/7 OF 1/7 INT MIN	UNION	\$177.52				
2024-C-000251 2024-C-000252	2023 2023	17925 16885	KEENER RENFORD CALLISON GEORGIA Y HRS	227.603 AC BIRCH RUN 1/7 OF 1/7 MIN COAL OUT 45 AC PORTER CREEK MIN (COAL OUT) 1/10 INT 165 AC PORTERS CREEK MIN 1/10 OF 1/2 INT	UNION UNION	\$237.65 \$177.52				
2024-C-000253	2023	16885	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HRS CALLISON GEORGIA Y HRS	165 AC PORTERS CREEK MIN (COAL OUT) 1/10 INT	UNION	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000254	2023	16887	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HRS	130 AC PORTER CREEK MIN (COAL OUT) 1/10 INT	UNION	\$177.52				
2024-C-000255 2024-C-000256	2023	16888	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HRS	43 AC PORTERS CREEK MIN (COAL OUT) 1/10 INT	UNION UNION	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000256 2024-C-000257	2023 2023	16889 16633	CALLISON GEORGIA Y HRS BARNES ELIZABETH C	239 AC PORTERS CREEK MIN 1/10 OF 1/24 INT 238 WTS QU SHOALS O&G 12.50% OF 2739/15000 INT	UNION UNION	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000258	2023	16634	BARNES ELIZABETH C	1276.06 AC WTS QUEEN SH O&G 12.50% OF 2739/15000 INT	UNION	\$177.52				
2024-C-000259	2023	17975	KING MITCHEL H	31.5 AC QUEEN SHOALS MIN 1/2 OF 1/7 INT	UNION	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000260 2024-C-000261	2023 2023	17976 17977	KING MITCHEL H KING MITCHEL H	1.5 AC QUEEN SHOALS MIN 1/2 OF 1/7 INT 4 AC QUEEN SHOALS MIN 1/2 OF 1/7 INT	UNION UNION	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000262	2023	17980	KING MITCHELL H	57.5 AC TWISTABOUT MIN 1/2 OF 1/2 OF 1/5 INT	UNION	\$177.52				
2024-C-000263	2023	18700	SALVATION ARMY CHARLESTON AREA	118 AC WTS QUEEN SHOALS COAL 5/10 INT	UNION	\$182.98				
2024-C-000264 2024-C-000265	2023 2023	16737 16738	BOARD JANNETTE BOARD JANNETTE	6 AC WTS PORTER MIN 1/4 OF 1/6 INT 78 AC WTS PORTER MIN (C OUT) 1/4 OF 1/6 OF 1/2 INT	UNION UNION	\$177.52 \$177.52				
2024-C-000266	2023	19229	WILMINK ROBERT J	101.15 AC N S ELK O&G (SWARTZ) 87.85715% INT	UNION	\$207.14				
2024-C-000267	2023	17987	KNIGHT WILLIAM F	10 AC QUEEN SHOALS MIN	UNION	\$180.24				

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Any of the aforesaid tracts or lots may be redeemed by any person entitled to pay the taxes thereon at any time prior to the sale by payment to the Deputy Commissioner of the total amount of taxes, interest, and charges thereon up to date of redemption. Lands listed above as escheated or waste and unappropriated lands may not be redeemed. Payments must be received prior to the close of business the day prior to the land sale. Pre-registration while not required is strongly recommended and may be completed at the following link: https://www.wvsao.gov/CountyCollections/Registrations

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 24-0789-G-PC HOPE GAS, INC.

Petition to abandon facilities

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING On October 1, 2024, Hope Gas, Inc. (Hope), a public utility, filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a Petition for prior consent and approval to abandon approximately 1,068 miles of pipelines and related facilities, or "Red Lines." On January 15, 2025, Hope filed an Amendment to its Petition stating that Diversified Midstream LLC had agreed to non-binding terms to acquire all of the Red Lines from Hope.

The Red Lines proposed to be abandoned are located in the counties of Barbour, Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Jackson, Kanawha, Lewis, Marion, Mason, Monongalia, Pleasants, Ritchie, Roane, Taylor, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel, Wirt, and Wood. The Red Lines and locations are identified in the Petition, which is on file and available for public inspection at the Commission's offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia, and on the Commission's website, www.psc.state.wv.us.

Hope maintains that from Hope's perspective the pipelines can no longer provide safe, reliable, and economical gas service to the farm-tap customers or are in jeopardy of being unable to continue providing service. The pipelines are no longer necessary or useful to Hope's provision of service to Hope customers and are uneconomical to continue to operate, maintain, or replace. Hope estimates that the cost to operate and maintain the pipelines will far exceed \$10 million per year, and replacing the lines with new plastic pipelines will cost over \$600 million. Hope does not seek a rate increase in this proceeding.

A hearing will be held by the Public Service Commission, which will begin at 9:30 a.m. on May 14, 2025, 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.

Anyone desiring to protest the relief requested by Hope may file a written protest or request to intervene in Case No. 24-0789-G-PC, online, through the Commission website using the "Submit a Comment" link, by mail addressed to: Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at P.O. Box 812, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia 25323, or may appear at the hearing.

Anyone desiring to protest the relief requested by Hope may file a written protest or request to intervene that briefly states the reason for the protest or request to intervene. Requests to intervene must comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and must be filed within ten (10) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. The Commission will receive public comments throughout the entirety of the proceeding. All written comments and requests to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public comments may also be filed online at htt ://www.sc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm by clicking the 'Formal Case" link. HOPE GAS, INC

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Season ends for wrestling and basketball; spring sports set to begin

By Allen Hamrick

The CCHS Panthers' season came to an end this past week as they took on Scott in the first game of the regional tournament. This would turn out to be a tough game for the Panthers as Scott is one of the top AA basketball teams in the state. Scott came out fast and started putting points on the boards and the Panthers were holding their own, but it just got out of hand. The Panthers were moving quickly but having some trouble handing the ball over to Scott. Both teams were fast and had plenty of looks at the basket, but Scott was getting more in the hoop. At the end of the first half, the score stood at 34-42 with Scott having the advantage. When the second half started, Scott opened up the back forty and started hitting threes across the fence consistently. The Panthers had a tough time returning the favor. In the end, it was Scott over the Panthers 99-60. Don't let this score fool you because in this game, and for the entire season, the Panthers fought every game with full intensity and all out high speed, in your face basketball, and you can't ask for more than that. Every game was well worth the money, and for most of each game, the action set you on the edge of your seat. It may not have been a winning season for the Panthers, but keep in mind this is a rebuild season with new sheriff in town - head coach Justin Holcomb. This Panther team will get better and better, and within a couple of years, will be at the top of the food chain on the courts once again. Top shots in the game were Collin Elliott with 17 points and Noah Collins with 12.

The season has ended for the CCHS wrestling team, too. The boys travelled to Huntington to take part in the

State Wrestling Championship this past weekend. Three wrestlers from CCHS competed in the annual event. It was to be a tough competition for the Panthers and for most who wrestled. This year it seemed that every wrestler was made of the same salt and to get through each round was like wrestling for your life. The team - Blake Coleman, Caiden Bryant and Christian Bryant - all had a good showing and racked up some wins. The CCHS wrestlers had a good tournament and finished their season on a high note by getting to the big dance in Huntington. It may have not been the outcome they hoped for but a good run none the less.

With these seasons ending, indoor sports have come to a close, and it can only mean one thing - outdoor sports, spring, warm weather, fishing, and yes, baseball and softball. The shoals in the mighty Elk River will turn to small jaw heaven and bend the poles of the fisherman who will line the banks. Baseball and softball are gearing up, as well, with both the CCHS and CCMS holding tryouts and picking teams. There is some real talent in this year's teams all around the diamond, and it will be a great season to be sure. Track practices at both schools are well underway, and team selection is all but finished with meets coming up soon. Clay County will indeed be the place for spring and summer action, and there will be lots to do to get us out of those winter time blues. So, shake the spiders out of those lawn chairs, put batteries in the boom box, and clean the mold out of the coolers, you don't want to miss all the opportunities this county has to offer. No excuses, the great outdoors of Clay County are heating up.



Joel Elliott top shot for the Panthers.

CCHS football team participates in Read Across America week

By Allen Hamrick

One of the most anticipated events for schools across the country is Dr. Seuss week, held this year from March 2nd to March 6th. This encompasses Read Across America week that began on the birthday of the famous children's book author Dr. Seuss. The week has been full of action in schools here, there and everywhere. People from all walks of life donated their time to read to students in the elementary schools. This movement not only enriches the lives of the youth but also the reader as they bring to life the written word where faraway adventures that only exist in dreams become a reality. Readers are encouraged to show youth that reading is not only educational but has benefits that outweigh any boredom or mundaneness. Reading formulates a person into an improved thinker, an enhanced visionary, an imaginative writer and a resourceful mind. A person's vocabulary produces more than just conjunctions, verbs and nouns but puts it all together into meaning and purpose. Where else can a person sail the seven seas with pirates, battle monsters from another galaxy or understand the world through a bear's eyes? Where else can you learn the history of the world and live a life through the eyes of characters from wagon trains of the old west to the pyramids and ancient civilizations that have been all but lost to time? Places that now exist only in written pages of books as old as thousands of years to much more recent times. The fact is that there is no one, no matter who you are, that hasn't been moved by the distant horizon. All have unexplained realistic dreams and thoughts that plague our souls searching and wishing for a different life. Books offer people a way out, a chance to be and a chance to jump into a world of wonder and answer the probabilities of the question, "What if." In past history, the only people who had the chance to read were the rich and educated, and the skill was limited to very few people. As the years progressed, poets, dreamers, creative minds and ordinary folks learned to read and write, and the world has become what it is today. Theodor Seuss Geisel, also known by his pen name Dr. Seuss, wrote many children's books that were typically wrote as creative as possible to stir young minds into the belief that anything is possible from the absurd to common nature. Read Across America week provides opportunity to sit under a tree and read a book, something all people can enjoy regardless of age. There is a story for everyone to read whether your genre is history, romance, adventure, Sci-Fi, horror, war, etc. There is a book for everything and about any topic. For our youth, Read Across America is a vital week that instills positive habits by stimulating the mind. Some of the CCHS football team traveled to Big Otter Elementary this past week to



Football players are introduced to students.

get into some reading time with the students. They were well received by the school and did a great job reading. Afterward, the coaches had some pep talk conversation with the kids followed by a presentation of state awards to the three athletes who made the All State team: Noah Collins 1st team All State, Jacoby Nichols 1st team All State and Joel Elliott 2nd Team All State Honorable Mention. Other readers included Ayden Brown, Jaxon Brown, Blake Coleman, and James

Grose who were all WV AA Honorable Mention. It was a good week for the students around the county, and as Dr Seuss said as he rode out of sight, "The more you read, the more you know, the more places you'll go."