

Families and friends

Cowan travelers enjoy Florida, Pigeon Forge

By MARTHA WENNING

Hello, everyone — I am currently in Gulf Breeze, Florida, staying in an Airbnb house. Our son and daughter-in-law Greg and Erica rented the place for Greg’s birthday and invited us. Mike and I do not turn down invitations to travel. Our other two sons and daughters-in-law could not come this time, and they were

missed. We have had a fantastic time and still have more time here. We’ve spent two days at the beach, and I am sunburned. I think today we will stay at the house and enjoy the pool. We enjoyed eating at The Wharf in Pensacola one evening. Hank, the pup, has enjoyed the trip, but he doesn’t like it when we leave him at the house alone. We did take him to

a dog beach. I hope CAT is excited to see us when we get home. I’m sure he’s tired of us leaving all the time.

Cowan

This has been a great way to end summer and welcome autumn. The Feel Better List follows. When you have time, please send a prayer or positive thought to



Pictured here are most of the members of the Mountain Heritage Festival Committee. The members have worked for the past year to put together this year’s festival, and they are ready to help our community enjoy the rest of this week.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 867-8060, Renewal 7

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Deane Mining LLC, 12115 Visionary Way Suite 174, Fishers, IN 46038 has applied for renewal of a permit for a surface mining and reclamation operation affecting 19.78 acres located 0.3 miles west of Deane in Letcher County.

The operation is approximately 0.3 miles west from KY RT 7’s junction with KY RT 317 and located on Rockhouse Creek.

The operation is located on the Mayking U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Deane Mining LLC.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement’s Hazard Regional Office, 5565 Village Lane, Hazard, KY 41701.

Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, 2nd Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today’s date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 860-5426 New

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Deane Mining, LLC, 11000 Hwy 7 South, Kite, Kentucky 41828 applied for a new underground coal mining operation located 1.7 miles southeast of Hall in Knott County, Kentucky. The permit will add 43.14 acres of surface disturbance and will add 5,059 acres of underground mining making a total of 43.14 acres within the permit boundary. This acreage is located near the convergence of four (4) counties (Knott, Letcher, Pike and Floyd) and will underlie a portion of all four.

The permit area is approximately 1.5 miles southeast from KY Route 7’s junction with KY Route 1498 and located approximately 1.7 miles southeast of Hall, KY on an un-named tributary of Isaac Fork of Right Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Kite and Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 71/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Reserve Holdings, LLC. The operation will use the room and pillar method of underground mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Reclamation and Enforcement’s Hazard Regional Office, 556 Village Lane, Hazard, Kentucky 41701. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 300 Sower Blvd 2nd Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Read And Respond To Mountain Eagle Legals!

LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

The City of Jenkins, Kentucky, will accept sealed bids for the installation of hot mix asphalt paving materials on a unit-price, per-ton basis for the City’s street maintenance program.

Bids will be received at City Hall, 9409 Hwy 805, Jenkins, KY 41537, until 2 p.m. EST on Friday October 2, 2026.

Specifications may be obtained from City Hall during normal business hours or by calling 606.832.2141 or email CityofJenkins@gmail.com .

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any informalities.

CITY OF JENKINS, KENTUCKY
Todd DePriest, Mayor

those listed. If you know someone who is not listed, please remember that person, too. Thanks.

Linda Brown; Cassel Boggs; Opal Boggs; Donald Banks; Midge Banks; Sherry Brown; Mindy Dreffer; Freda Gross; Rebecca Henemyre; Kelsey Day; Kenny Harvey; Sue Harvey; Robert Sword; Barry Miles; Ron Lester; Connie Halcomb Sams; Rose Ballard; Brian Baker; Roger Sturgill; Johnny Napier; Janet Napier; Bob Fisher; Mike Harris; Betty Palmer; Freida Johnson; Bob Hall; Herbie Adams; Kevin Day; Patsy Adams; Jimmy Cook; Faye Cook; Dock Frazier; Jan Sexton; JoAnn Baker; David Lee Day; Cathy Hicks; Larry Mullins; Julie Boggs Holbrook; Daryl Boggs; Cindy Wenning; Kathy Fisher; Glennis Little; Ricky Lucas; Micca Watts; Becki Watkins; Jerry Adams; those in nursing homes and hospitals; and caregivers.

The Fields sisters took a trip to Pigeon Forge for a few days. They went into the mountains and saw a bear and an elk. They had a relaxing time. Those enjoying the trip were Juanita Caudill of Little Cowan, Janet Napier of Little Cowan, Helen Roberts of Cowan, Libby Honeycutt of Whitesburg and Ella Caudill of Ice.

Our nephew Scott Wenning of Lima, Ohio, came in Monday. We went to Pine Mountain Grill for lunch while he was here, and John Campbell of Little Cowan joined us. It was a wonderful visit, and we appreciated Scott

taking the time to come see us.

John Campbell killed a copperhead on his porch one evening. I have always heard they travel in pairs, but he saw only one.

I attended a Mountain Heritage Festival meeting last week. The committee is ready to help everyone have a fabulous and fun time at this week’s festival.

There are two quotes for the week. The first is from F. Scott Fitzgerald’s The Great Gatsby: “Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall.” The second is attributed to Heather Stillfusen: “Autumn is the season that teaches us that change can be beautiful.”

If you have any news, photos or birthdays to share, please email me at

CowanNews@aol.com. Thank you.

Have a fabulous week. Enjoy the Mountain Heritage Festival and visit with people you haven’t seen for a while. Be kind to everyone you meet, and help keep our county clean.

Reunion set

It’s time for the George Poppy Day reunion. It will take place at the Kingscreek Fire Department on Saturday, October 17. Dinner will be held at 1 p.m. with meat, drinks and paper products provided. Those attending should bring side dishes and desserts. Auction items will be appreciated. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Sandie Ison at 634-0932.

Searching For JOHNNY RAY (JESS) VANOVER



The brothers and sisters of Johnny Ray (Jess) Vanover

are searching for him to reconnect.

Call 606-253-9585

PUBLIC NOTICE Letcher County 2023 Unmined Coal Tax Collection Schedule

2% Discount
Face Amount
5% Penalty
21% Penalty

October 1, 2026 – November 1, 2026
November 2, 2026 – December 31, 2026
January 1, 2027 – January 31, 2027
February 1, 2027 – April 15, 2027

RATES
20 words or less
\$8.00 a week
10 cents for every word over 20
Deadline
12 noon on Friday
Call (606) 633-2252

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2.85± ACRES AT MAYKING LOOP — With barn and fencing for lease. Rental application required, and 1-year lease. \$100 per month. 859-333-2758. (9-2-ufnb)

FOR RENT

FOR RENT — 1-, 2-, AND 3-bedroom apartments beside Croucher Service Center. For more information call 606-633-9930, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday. References required. (3-23-ufnb)

2-BEDROOM APT FOR RENT — At Isom. \$650/month, first/last and deposit due up front. No smoking, no pets. Must be drug-free. Reference required. 606-633-4110. (7-3-ufnb)

HEALTH

DENTAL INSURANCE — Call Physicians Mutual Insurance Co. for details. Not just a discount plan, real coverage for 350 procedures. 877-231-9398, or http://www.dental50plus.com/mtn. Ad# 6118. (4-5-ufn)

CHRONIC PAIN? — Call us to see if your private insurer covers a TENS Unit. Why not relieve your pain at home? Comfort. Convenience. Complete Medical Solutions. Call 1-866-456-1118. (4-5-ufn)

MISCELLANEOUS

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS — Unable to work? Denied benefits? We can help! Win or pay nothing! Contact Bill Gordon & Associates at 1-855-849-6780 to start your application today! (4-5-ufn)

MISCELLANEOUS

ACORN STAIRLIFTS — The affordable solution to your stairs! Limited time — \$250 off your Stairlift purchase! Buy direct and save. Please call 1-844-836-7871 for Free DVD and brochure. (4-5-ufn)

THINKING OF BUYING A NEW — Or used car? Call to get current promotional pricing and local dealer incentives for free. No hassle. No obligation. Call 888-510-6402. (4-5-ufn)

HAVE 10K IN DEBT? — National Debt Relief is rated A- Plus with the BBB. You could be debt free in 24-48 months. Call 1-888-203-8999 now for a free debt evaluation. (4-5-ufn)

SWITCH TO DIRECTV — Lock in 2-year price guarantee (\$50/month) with AT&T Wireless. Over 145 channels, plus popular movie networks for three months, no cost! Call 1-844-801-9924. (4-5-ufn)

SERVICES

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TREE TRIMMING — OR REMOVAL. 35+ years of experience. Free estimates. Fully insured. Also, pressure washing available. 606-785-5128, or 606-497-6918, or 606-276-9377.

MONROE’S ELECTRIC — CERTIFIED ELECTRICIAN. Any electrical or household need. 606-634-2048. (2-10-ufnben)

NOTICE OF ENFORCEMENT OF LIEN FOR DELINQUENT LAND TAXES BY ACTION IN REM

Public Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of August, 2026, the City of Jenkins of Letcher County, Kentucky, filed a Petition, being Action Number 26-CI-00223, in the Circuit Court of Letcher County, Kentucky, at Whitesburg, for the enforcement of liens for delinquent land taxes against the real estate situated in such city, all as described in said petition. The object of said suit is to obtain from the court a judgment enforcing the city’s tax and other liens against such real estate and ordering the sale of such real estate for the satisfaction of said liens thereon (except right of redemption in favor of the United States of America if any), including principal, interest, penalties, and costs. Such action is brought against the real estate only and no personal judgment shall be entered therein. The count number assigned by the city to each parcel of real estate, a description of each such parcel by street address and the property valuation administrator’s tax parcel number (City of Jenkins, Block 9, Subdivision 4, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7), a statement of the total principal amount of all delinquent city tax bills against each such parcel of real estate, all of which, as to each parcel, is more fully set out and mentioned by count in the aforesaid petition, and the name of any taxing authority or person of record owning or holding any tax bill or claiming any right, title, or interest in or to, or lien upon, any such parcel of real estate as set out in the petition, are respectively as follows: Kelly Johnson, Map No. 053-70-15-002.00 House No. 878, Approx. Taxes \$186.92; Billy Wells, Map No. 053-70-15-003.00, Approx. Taxes \$405.04, House No. 879; Bryson Bentley and Mary Ellen Bentley, Map No. 053-70-15-004.00, Approx. Taxes \$198.29, House No. 720; Bonnie Hale, Map No. 053-70-15-005.00, Approx. Taxes \$264.77, House Nos. 718-719; Willard Johnson, Map No. 053-70-15-006.00, Approx. Taxes \$529.62, House Nos. 716-717; Willard Johnson and Kelly Johnson, Map No. 053-70-15-007.00, Approx. Taxes \$186.92, House Nos. 714-715; and Bryson Bentley and Mary Ellen Bentley, Map No. 053-70-15-008.00, Approx. Taxes \$198.29, House Nos. 712-713. The total principal amounts of delinquent taxes set out in this notice do not include the lawful interest, penalties, and costs which have accrued against the respective parcels of real estate.

Any person or taxing authority owning or holding any tax bill or claiming any right, title, or interest in or to, or lien upon, any such parcel of real estate must file an answer to such suit in the office of the Circuit Court Clerk of Letcher County in Kentucky, and a copy of such answer with the City of Jenkins in accordance with the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure, on or before the 20th day of being served, and in such answer shall set forth in detail the nature and the amount of such interest and any defense or objection to the enforcement of the tax liens, or any affirmative relief he or it may be entitled to assert with respect thereto. Any person having any right, title, or interest in or to, or lien upon, any parcel of such real estate may have the City’s claims against such parcel dismissed from the action by paying all of the sums mentioned therein to the City of Jenkins including principal, interest, penalties, and costs then due, at any time prior to the enforcement sale of such real estate by the master commissioner. In the event of failure to answer on or before the date herein fixed as the last day for filing answer in the suit, by any person having the right to answer, such person shall be forever barred and foreclosed as to any defense or objection he might have to the enforcement of such liens for delinquent taxes and the judgment of enforcement may be taken by default. Redemption may be made for a period of sixty (60) days after the Master Commissioner’s enforcement sale, if the sale price is less than the parcel’s current assessed value as certified by the Department of Revenue. Each such person having any right, title, or interest in or to, or any lien upon, any such parcel of real estate described in the petition so failing to answer or redeem, as aforesaid, shall be forever barred and foreclosed of any right, title, or interest in or to, or lien upon, or any equity of redemption in said real estate.

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