

PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE
Commonwealth of
Kentucky
Letcher District Court
Case# 24-P-167

In re:
the estate of:
LARRY WILLIAMS
deceased

NOTICE
Pursuant to KRS
424.340 notice is
hereby given that Susie
Williams was on
12 day of March, 2026
appointed Administra-
trix of the deceased,
late of Letcher County,
and all persons hav-
ing claims against
said estate shall pre-
sent same, verified,
according to law, to
Administratrix at her
present address, 632
Premier Subdivision,
Jenkins, KY 41537 not
later than the 12 day of
Sept., 2026.
Mike Watts, Clerk
By: Melissa Claar
Deputy Clerk
(3-18-1p)

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Commonwealth of
Kentucky
Letcher District Court
Case# 26-P-54

In re:
the estate of:
LONDON DWAYNE
LUCAS,
A minor

NOTICE OF
APPOINTMENT
OF GUARDIAN
Pursuant to KRS
424.340 notice is here-
by given that Charity
Niece was, on the 11
day of March, 2026
appointed Guardian
of the estate of Landon
Dwayne Lucas, of this
county, and all per-
sons having claims
against said estate
shall present same,
verified, according to
law, to said Guard-
ian at her present ad-
dress, 150 Wildflower
Lane, Thornton, KY
41855, not later than
the 11 day of Septem-
ber, 2026.
Mike Watts, Clerk

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By: Melissa Claar
Deputy Clerk
(3-18-1p)

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Commonwealth of
Kentucky
Letcher District Court
Case# 26-P-57

In re:
the estate of:
BOBBY G. HALL
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NOTICE
Pursuant to KRS
424.340 notice is
hereby given that Tina
F. Mullins was on 11
day of March, 2026
appointed Administra-
trix of the deceased,
late of Letcher County,
and all persons having
claims against said
estate shall present
same, verified, accord-
ing to law, to Adminis-
tratrix at her present
address, 5450 Thorn-
ton Rd., Thornton, KY
41855 not later than
the 11 day of Sept.,
2026.
Mike Watts, Clerk
By: Melissa Claar
Deputy Clerk
(3-18-1p)

LEGAL NOTICE
I, BRADLEY M.
PARKE, a duly li-
censed attorney
practicing in Letcher
County, Kentucky,
have been appointed
by the Letcher Circuit
Court as Warning Or-
der Attorney for the
Defendant(s) in a civil
action. The Defendant
in said action are the
Unknown Spouse of
Jo Ann Shepherd, if
any; the same being in
Letcher Circuit Court,
Civil Action No. 26-
CI-00078 (Whitaker
Bank, Inc. vs. Jo Ann
Shepherd, et al.).
Notice is hereby given
to aforementioned
Defendant. Their
failure to respond to
the Plaintiff's Com-
plaint within 50 days
of my appointment on
March 6, 2026 could

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result in a default judg-
ment being entered
against them. Any-
one with knowledge
of the whereabouts
of said Defendant, if
any, should contact my
office as listed below.
BRADLEY M. PARKE
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 217
Hindman, Kentucky
41822
(606) 309-9464
(3-18-1b)

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given
that James R. Tanner
Hesterberg has been
appointed Warning Or-
der Attorney in Letcher
Circuit case no. 26-
CI-00016, to notify
Continental Land Co.,
LLC., of the pending
litigation. Failure to re-
spond to the pending
litigation could result
in adverse legal action
being entered against
you, including default
judgment. For more
information, contact
the warning order at-
torney at (606) 313-
1133 or email tanner@
hesterbergglaw.com.
(3-18-1b)

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given
that James R. Tanner
Hesterberg has been
appointed Warning Or-
der Attorney in Letcher
Circuit case no. 26-
CI-00023, to notify King-
dom Coal, LLC., NS
Private Equity, LLC.,
Scotsman Enterprises,
LLC., Rare Elements
of The World, LLC. of
the pending litigation.
Failure to respond to
the pending litigation
could result in ad-
verse legal action be-
ing entered against
you, including default
judgment. For more
information, contact
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hesterbergglaw.com.
(3-18-1b)

Recall: rice products might contain glass

By MATILDA CHARLES

A recent food recall for one manufacturer includes a list of fried rice, ramen and dumping products that is 23 pages long. The list covers lot numbers and production dates going back many months. With 50 items per page, that comes to 1,100 items. The problem? They all might have glass in them.

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The additional concern? They were sold under several brand names, including as the house brand for two big chains. One of those alone has a recall for over 30 million pounds of the rice products.

But there's more. We also have a BBQ sauce with undeclared allergens, the cat food without enough vitamin B1, dog treats with salmonella and cottage cheese that contains milk that wasn't pasteurized.

It's not only food items that are currently on recall lists. We have baby monitors that can catch fire while charging, the bath foam that can forcefully eject pieces (three injuries so far) when opened and the metal wire grill brushes that can break off and attach to the grill or food.

Vehicles aren't being left out. Ford is recalling transit vehicles because the brake pedal can come apart and fail. (Free inspection and repair, however.) Certain 2025-2026 Subaru vehicles are being recalled due to fuel leak, which can cause a fire. (Again, there's a free repair.) BMW has damaged air conditioning wire harnesses, which can cause a fire. Kia Telluride, which has power front seats, are recalled because they might not restrain occupants in a crash.

To find the list of rice products that might contain glass, go to www.fsis.usda.gov/recalls. At this writing, there is a banner across the top of the page, and it's classified as a Class I (High) recall.

Make it a weekly habit to take a look at recall sites, such as www.fsis.usda.gov (food), fda.gov

(food and drugs), www.cpsc.gov/recalls (consumer products) and www.recalls.gov (a variety of products, food and medicine). Keep an

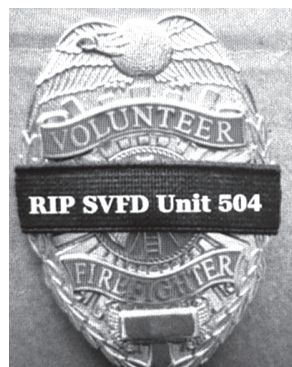
eye on vehicle recalls at www.nhtsa.gov/recalls (you'll need your VIN). Stay safe!
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Gary "Redbird" Mullins was volunteer fireman

Longtime Sandlick Fire Dept. volunteer Gary "Redbird" Mullins, 62, passed away March 9 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington.

A resident of Sandlick, he was a son of the late Demis and Thelma Sue Shephard Mullins.

Surviving are his wife, Jenny Sizemore Mullins; a brother, Demis Mullins Jr. and wife Mary of Sandlick; a sister, Darlene Elswick and husband Randy of Sandlick; two nephews: James Mullins and wife Amanda and Austin Sizemore; two nieces: Ashley Martin and husband Willis and Francis Pease and husband Tommy; great-niece Lillie Martin; three great-nephews,



Gavin Martin, Hunter Pease and Colton Mullins; brother-in-law Tony Sizemore; sister-in-law Anna Sizemore; and best friends Donald "Duck" Mullins and Ronnie Ritchie.

Funeral services were held March 12 at Letcher Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Mullins Cemetery at Sandlick.

Linda Carolyn Eldridge buried at Mill Branch

Linda Carolyn Eldridge, 65, of Blackey, passed away March 11 at the Greg and Noreen Wells Hospice Center in Hazard.

She was the daughter of the late Matthew "Boss" Slone and Margie Bell Slone.

She is survived by her husband of 49 years, Bruce Eldridge; children James Eldridge and wife Sara, Rebecca Bailey and husband Charles, Tim Eldridge and wife Lexy, Chris Cole, Leah Eldridge and Matthew Eldridge. Also surviving are brothers Kenneth Slone and Billy Slone and wife Deana; grandchildren Ellie Eldridge, Sophie Eldridge, Marissa Bailey, Awyrne Eldridge and Maleigha Bailey; and two special friends, Mar-



LINDA CAROLYN ELDRIDGE shall Ison and Brandy Caudill.

Linda was preceded in death by a grandson, Matthew Bailey.

Funeral services were held March 14 at the Blackey Pentecostal Church. Burial was in the Eldridge Cemetery at Mill Branch.

Letcher Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Funeral services held for Clifford Gilbert, 68

Funeral services for Clifford Gilbert, 68, of Linefork, were held March 15 at the Kingdom Come Old Regular Baptist Church. Burial was in the family cemetery at Linefork.

A son of Lillian Akemon of Linefork and the late Sam Gilbert, he died March 12 at his residence.

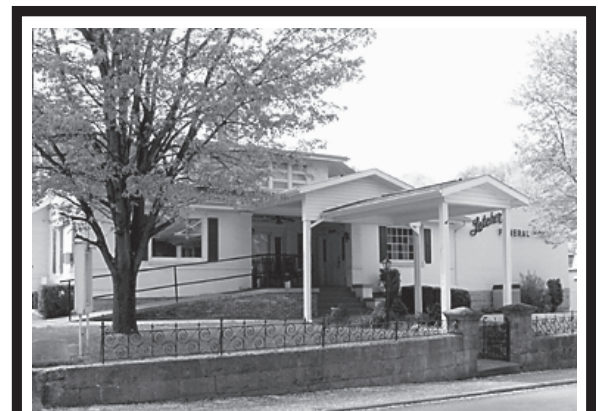
Surviving in addition to his mother are his wife, Lesia Roark Gilbert; son John Christopher Gilbert and wife Kendra of Linefork; daughter Melissa Rose Ison and husband Mickey Dale of Linefork; brother Sam Gilbert and wife Kaye of Kingscreek; sisters Henrietta Howard and husband Andy of Greasy Creek and Tootie Roark and husband Roy David of Hallie; and two grandchildren, Brandon



CLIFFORD GILBERT Jo Gilbert and Maliyah Rose Ison.

Clifford was preceded in death by his stepfather, Henry Akemon, and sisters Vickie Lynn Baker and Margie Samalene Gibson.

Letcher Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.



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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 867-7040
Renewal 1

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Coking Coal, LLC, 633 Callahan Ave. Appalachia, VA24216, has applied for renewal for a "Haul Road Only" permit located in Letcher County. The operation disturbs 56.50 surface acres.

The operation is located 2.10 miles southeast from US 119's junction with KY 806 and 1.92 miles southwest of Eolia and located on Franks Creek of Letcher County. The operation is located on the Whitesburg and Appalachia U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The Latitude is 37-01-38 and Longitude is 82-48-17. The surface area is owned by ACIN, LLC.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Hazard Regional Office, 556 Village Lane, Hazard KY 41702. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE

Application Number: 867-5391, Am. #2

In accordance with Federal Regulations, 30 CFR 715.19, and State Regulation, 405 KAR 16:120, Section 3, Public Notice of Blasting Schedule, Mark Energy, LLC, P.O. Box 283, Whitesburg, KY 41858, Phone: (865) 769-9094, shall conduct blasting operations on its 133.34-acre permit located in Letcher County approximately 1.27 miles northwest of Line Fork. The latitude is 37 01' 47". The longitude is 82 59' 37".

These blasting operations will begin within 30 days of issuance of the permit and will be conducted Monday through Saturday from sunrise to sunset. This schedule will be in effect within thirty (30) days of issuance of the permit. No blasting will be conducted during regular church hours on Sunday morning or Wednesday evening.

Control of blasting area will be maintained by blocking haul/access Road 1 as shown in the permit application to the area 10 minutes prior to the blast. Post detonation access to the blasting area will be allowed only after an inspection determines that no hazards exist. The following is a list of the blasting signals.

WARNING SIGNAL - A one (1) minute series of long blasts from a siren five (5) minutes prior to the blast signal.

BLAST SIGNAL - A series of short blasts from a siren one (1) minute prior to the shot.

ALL CLEAR SIGNAL - A prolonged blast from a siren following the inspection of the blast area. These blast signals will be audible within 1/2 mile of the point of blast.

Blasting may be conducted at times different from those announced in the blasting schedule when emergency situations arise where rain, lightning or other atmospheric conditions or the safety of the operation or the public requires unscheduled detonation. In the event of an emergency should arise, the aforementioned precautions will be followed. Contact the Hazard Regional Office at 556 Village Lane, Hazard KY, 41702, (502)-764-1146.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 867-7042,
Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that 4th Gen Fuels, LLC, PO Box 298, Grays Knob, Kentucky 40829, has applied for renewal of a permit for a haul road only mining and reclamation operation affecting 50.93 acres located 1.6 miles southwest of the community of Oven Fork in Letcher County.

The proposed operation area is approximately 5.0 mile southwest of the junction US 119 and Kentucky 806 in Roberts Branch and located 0.4 miles south of the Poor Fork of the Cumberland River. The Latitude is 37o 1' 45.8"N. The Longitude is 82o 51' 42.6"W.

The operation is located on the Whitesburg U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will be for a haul road and mine management area to facilitate an adjacent permitted surface mining operation. The surface area is owned by ACIN, LLC.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Hazard Regional Office, 556 Village Lane, PO Box 851, Hazard, Kentucky 41702. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 300 Sower Blvd. 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.

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Trivia test

By FIFI RODRIGUEZ

1. MOVIES: Who is the director of the Oscar-winning movie "Parasite"?
2. FOOD & DRINK: What is miso?
3. LITERATURE: What are the names of the romantic couple in "Wuthering Heights"?
4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which city's nickname is "Pearl of the Orient"?
5. HISTORY: In what year were the first modern Olympic Games held?
6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Before becoming president, Barack Obama served as a senator from which state?
7. GEOGRAPHY: Which peninsula is the largest in the world?
8. MYTHOLOGY: Who is the Greek god of war?
9. MUSIC: Who composed the opera "The Ring of Nibelung"?
10. ACRONYMS: In computer emails, what does the acronym "CC" stand for?

- Answers
1. Bong Joon Ho.
 2. Fermented soybean paste.
 3. Heathcliff and Catherine.
 4. Manila, Philippines.
 5. 1896 in Greece.
 6. Illinois.
 7. Arabian Peninsula.
 8. Ares.
 9. Richard Wagner.
 10. Carbon Copy (once used in typewriters).
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