PUBLIC AFFAIRS 3RD QUARTER 2023 JULY - SEPTEMBER WTUK FM/WFSR AM/WHLN AM

JULY

HARLAN WILL CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY WITH ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL. THE CELEBRATION KICKS OFF WITH THE RED, WHITE AND ZOOM 5K RUN THROUGH HARLAN. PARTICIPANTS OF ALL AGES CAN TACKLE THE 5-KILOMETER COURSE WINDING THROUGH HARLAN. AT 4 PM, THE EVENT WILL GO INTO HIGH GEAR WITH A TRADITIONAL STYLE FOURTH OF JULY PARADE THROUGH THE STREETS OF DOWNTOWN HARLAN. COME OUT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION.

THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF WTUK FM, WFSR AND WHLN AM WISHES EVERYONE A SAFE AND HAPPY 4TH OF JULY. DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE, KEEP WATER CLOSE WHEN PUTTING OFF FIRECRACKERS. WEAR LIFE JACKET BOATING AND DON'T GO EATING. COME FOURTH ON THE FIFTH SAFE.

THE HARLAN CITY COUNCIL MET IN A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING TO ADDRESS THE CITY'S BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. CITY OF HARLAN MAYOR JOE MEADORS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND BROUGHT UP SECOND READING OF THE BUDGET TO THE COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. THE COUNCIL APPROVED THE SECOND READING OF THE BUDGET WITH NO OPPOSITION. ACCORDING TO MEADORS, WORK ON SOME CITY SIDEWALKS WILL BEING ON JULY 11, STATING THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO REQUIRED SEVERAL WEEKS TO COMPLETE.

DURING GOVERNOR ANDY BESHEAR'S, VISIT TO HARLAN, HE ANNOUNCED \$250,000 TO RESURFACE ROADS AND RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR KINGDOM COME STATE PARK FOR CUMBERLAND. BESHEAR ALSO ANNOUNCED \$6 MILLION HAS BEEN SECURED FOR PROJECT IN HARLAN, AND HAS RECOMMENDED LYNCH BE AWARDED \$25,000 FOR WALK OF LEGENDS TRAIL MAINTENANCE. JOHNNIE TURNER, REPRESENTATIVE FROM HARLAN NOTED THE FUNDING AWARDED WILL HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE AREA.

7TH ANNUAL SUMMER UNDER THE STARS MOVIE JULY 7TH WILL BE THE FLINTSTONES. THE MOVIE WILL BEGIN ROUGHLY AT 9:00 PM ON THE COURTHOUSE LAWN IN DOWNTOWN HARLAN WITH POPCORN, HOTDOGS, DRINKS ALL SERVED FREE. HARLAN CHRISTIAN CHURCH IS SPONSORING THE EVENT AND EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

WITH FAMILIES DRIVING MORE OVER THE SUMMER, WE WANT TO REMIND PARENTS TO ENSURE THEIR CHILDREN ARE SAFE AND PROTECTED IN THE RIGHT CAR SEAT FOR THEIR AGE AND SIZE. IT'S OKAY TO THINK YOU KNOW THE RIGHT ANSWER, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO CAR SAFETY, IT'S BEST TO KNOW FOR SURE YOUR KIDS ARE IN THE RIGHT SEAT.

CROHN'S DISEASE AND ULCERATIVE COLITIS, KNOWN AS INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE OR IBD, ARE DANGEROUS FOR A PATIENT'S LONG-TERM HEALTH AND NEED CAREFUL MEDICAL MANAGEMENT. UNFORTUNATELY, COUNTLESS PEOPLE EXPERIENCE DELAYED DIAGNOSES BECAUSE THEY ARE UNAWARE OF IBD. EVEN THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH IBD, OFTEN SETTLE FOR NOT FEELING 100% BECAUSE THEY AREN'T AWARE OF NEWER TREATMENT. CONTACT YOUR PRIMARY CARE GIVER FOR UPDATE ON YOUR HEALTH.

THE HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE A CONTINUED EXPANSION OF THEIR ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) PROGRAM AT HARLAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL. IN ADDITION TO AP CALCULUS AB TAUGHT BY DR. KEVIN HARRIS, THEY ARE PLEASED TO NOW OFFER AP COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES AND AP COMPUTER SCIENCE A, EACH OF WHICH WILL BE TAUGHT BY MR. GARETT BOLIN. ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITIES ARE INVITED TO CONSIDER THESE COURSES TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS, ALSO BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE EXTENSIVE LISTING OF DUAL CREDIT CLASSED OFFERED. PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO TALK WITH THEIR CHILDREN ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF PURSUING THESE OPPORTUNITIES.

PEOPLE WHOSE VISION IS CHANGING DUE TO AGING OR OTHER HEALTH FACTORS CAN BENEFIT FROM SOLUTIONS THAT BLIND PEOPLE HAVE FOUND THROUGH OUT LIVED EXPERIENCE, BUT THESE INDIVIDUALS DO NOT CONSIDER THEMSELVES BLIND AND SIMPLY DON'T REACH OUT FOR HELP. BLINDNESS STILL CARRIES STIGMA AND IS VIEWED AS A TRAGEDY BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC. ANYONE WITH CHANGING VISION IS ENCOURAGED TO REACH OUT AND LEARN HOW THEY CAN CONTINUE TO WORK, PARENT, AND MORE BY GAINING SUPPORT AND LEARNING FROM OTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN WHERE THEY ARE. CONTACT YOUR OPTOMETRIST FOR AN EYE EXAMINATION.

OSTEOPOROSIS IS A MAJOR HEALTH THREAT FOR BOTH WOMEN AND MEN AS THEY ARE. ONE IN TWO WOMEN AND ONE IN FOUR MEN OVER THE AGE OF 50 WILL BREAK A BONE DUE TO OSTEOPOROSIS IN THEIR LIFETIME. OVER 2 MILLION PEOPLE SUFFER AN OSTEOPOROTIC FRACTURE EACH YEAR IN THE U.S. THE GOOD NEWS IS WE KNOW THE RISK FACTORS AND CAN DIAGNOSE OSTEOPOROSIS AND LOW BONE MASS ACCURATELY WITH A SAFE AND SIMPLE BONE DENSITY TEST. CALL YOUR PRIMARY DOCTOR AND GET APPOINTMENT FOR A BONE DENSITY TEST.

HAILSTORMS OFTEN LEAVE BEHIND UNTOLD NUMBERS OF PEOPLE LEFT WITH THE DAUNTING TASK OF REBUILDING THEIR HOMES. UNFORTUNATELY, AS REPAIRS BEGIN, DECEITFUL CONTRACTORS DESCEND ON THE REGION LOOKING TO MAKE A QUICK BUCK OFF VICTIMS. HOMEOWNERS, UNDERGOING THE STRESSES AND STRAINS COMMON AFTER THESE STORMS, OFTEN FALL PREY TO THESE WELL-REHEARSED, PREDATORY SCHEMES SLOWING THE RECOVERY PROCESS. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CONTRACTOR FRAUD, CONTACT TULLY LEHMAN, PHONE 925-758-0744 OR EMAIL tlehmnam@nicb.org.

WITH WARMER WEATHER WE START SEEING MORE MOTORCYCLES ON THE ROAD. UNFORTUNATELY, THE MORE MOTORCYCLES ON THE ROAD INCREASES THE CHANCE OF HAVING SOME TYPE OF INCIDENT OR ACCIDENT, THE MAJORITY OF THE TIME, SINCE THERE IS LESS TO KEEP MOTORCYCLE DRIVERS SAFE IN THE EVENT OF A COLLISION. REMEMBER, TO MAKE SURE YOU WEAR SOMETHING VISIBLE AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING, HELMETS AND OTHER GEAR. THE MAJORITY OF MOTORCYCLE CRASHES HAPPEN WHEN MOTORCYCLISTS ARE SIMPLY NOT SEEN. WHEN RIDING, BE SAFE AND WEAR PROTECTIVE GEAR.

THE KAPACHAN FAMILY MINISTRIES WILL BE GIVING OUT FREE CLOTHES AND SCHOOLS AT KINGDOM STATE PARK, JULY 12, FROM 9:00 AM TO 2:30 PM. ANYONE IN NEED OF THESE ITEMS ARE WELCOME TO COME AND RECEIVE WHAT THEY NEED.

YOUNG PEOPLE KNOW THE DANGERS OF DRIVING DRUNK, BUT OFTEN IGNORE THE VOICE IN THEIR HEAD TELLING THEM IT'S NOT COOL TO DRIVE "BUZZED." TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR DECISIONS BEHIND THE WHEEL BY PLANNING AHEAD AND CATCH A SOBER RIDE WHEN NOT OKAY TO DRIVE.

THE COUNTDOWN FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IS UNDERWAY. STUDENTS WILL RETURN TO THEIR CLASSROOMS, IN AUGUST, WITH A LOT OF CHANGES ON THE WAY FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR. CONTACT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD AND BE AWARE OF ANY CHANGES FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

THE TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA, WILL HOT THEIR ANNUAL FALL TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, FROM 7 AM TO 2 PM. RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SELL THEIR GOODS IN A YARD SALE-TYPE SETTING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ONLY. NO COMMERCIAL VENDORS ARE ALLOWED. TO PARTICIPATE AND BE INCLUDED IN MARKETING, YARD SALE PERMITS MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURN IN PERSON TO ABINGDON TOWN HALL OR BY EMAIL TO CTHOMSON@abingdon-va.gov NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, AUGUST 4TH AT 6:00 PM.

INFLATION CONTINUES TO RISE ACROSS THE COUNTRY, LEAVING MILLIONS OF OLDER ADULTS WHO ARE LIVING ON FIXED INCOMES FACING TOUGH CHOICES; DO I PAY FOR FOOD, MEDICINE, OR RENT? FOR THOSE WHO ARE STRUGGLING TO MAKE ENDS MEET, THERE ARE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN BENEFIT PROGRAMS THAT CAN HELP - BUT FEW ELIGIBLE OLDER ADULTS KNOW THEY EXIST OR HOW TO APPLY. THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON AGING (NCOA), A TRUSTED NATIONAL NONPROFIT ADVOCATING FOR OLDER AMERICANS SINCE 1950, WANT TO CONNECT OLDER ADULTS TO BENEFITS THAT CAN HELP THEM PAY FOR FOOD AND OTHER DAILY ESSENTIALS SUCH AS PRESCRIPTIONS, UTILITIES, TRANSPORTATION, TAXES AND MORE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT JEAN VAN RYZIN AT 573-527-3944 OR Jean, vanryzin@ncoa.org

HARLAN DISTRICT AND BELL CIRCUIT JUDGESHIPS WILL BE ON THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER. HARLAN DISTRICT JUDGE SCOTT LISENBEE RESIGNED TO GO INTO PRIVATE PRACTICE AND BELL COUNTY CIRCUIT

JUDGE ROBERT COSTANZA IS RETIRING. THE POSITIONS WILL BE FILLED BY ELECTION RATHER THAN APPOINTMENT. PERSONS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN THE POSITION IN HARLAN COUNTY CAN FILE ANYTIME BEGINNING JULY 16 UNTIL 4 PM AUGUST 8. PERSONS INTERESTED IN BELL COUNTY CAN FILE BEGINNING AUGUST 3. AND UNTIL AUGUST 8 AT 4 PM.

HARLAN TOURISM WILL BE BRINGING SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT OF CITY IN AUGUST. THE TOURNAMENT IS NOW OPEN FOR TEAMS TO REGISTER. THE TOURNAMENT IS FOR ADULT PLAYERS ONLY FROM AGES 18 YEAR OLD AND OLDER. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE HARLAN CENTER AT 606-573-4156.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND SUMMER UNDER THE STARS FROM 9-11 PM AT THE COURTHOUSE LAWN, 129 1ST STREET, IN HARLAN, FRIDAY JULY 21, AND AUGUST 4.

THE WELL BEING RETREAT CENTER, 557 NARROWS ROAD, TAZEWELL, TENNESSEE, WILL BE HAVE DIFFERENT FORMS OF ENTERTAINMENT STARTING FRIDAY, JULY 21 THROUGH SATURDAY AUGUST 12. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT www.wellbeingrestreatcenter.org

THE GEARS & BEERS CRUISE WILL BE THURSDAY, JULY 27, FROM 6 TO 8 PM, ON 1ST STREET DOWNTOWN HARLAN IN FRONT OF THE COURTHOUSE. ALL CARS, TRUCKS, CLASSIC CARS, HOT RODS, RAT RODS, IMPORTS, ETC ALL WELCOME. EVENT IS SPONSORED BY HARLAN TOURISM AND HARLAN COUNTY BEER COMPANY. FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO WWW.HARLANTOURISM.COM.

THE HARLAN COUNTY FISCAL COURT WILL HAVE AN EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC, THURSDAY, JULY 27 FROM 10 AM TO 2 PM AT 210 E. CENTRAL STREET, IN HARLAN, EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EXPUNGEMENT PROCESS AND RECEIVE ASSISTANCE FROM COMMUNITY RESOURCES.

THE INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER DAY WILL BE SATURDAY, JULY 29, FROM 2PM TO 9PM, IN BENHAM. THERE WILL BE PARKING, INFLATABLES, ETC. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 606-848-5506.

THE HARLAN COUNTY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM IS HOSTING A BASKETBALL CAMP AT HARLAN COUNTY HIGH, TUESDAY AUGUST 1ST, WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2ND AND THURSDAY AUGUST 4TH, AT 10 AM TO 1 PM. REGISTRATION/SIGN-UPS WILL BEGIN AT 9 AM, TUESDAY AUGUST 1ST. THIS IS FOR GRADES 1ST-8TH THIS UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR.

HARLAN COUNTY BAND CAMP WILL BE AUGUST 7-11. ALL MEMBERS OF THE BAND WILL LEARN MUSIC AND HALFTIME ROUTINES.

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AUGUST

THE FOLLOWING DATES FOR HARLAN SCHOOL OPENINGS WILL BE: HARLAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL AND HARLAN CITY SCHOOLS, AUGUST 9TH, HARLAN COUNTY SCHOOLS AUGUST 16.

WITH SCHOOL STARTING, FOR THE NEW YEAR, BE CAREFULIN DRIVING WATCH FOR CHILDREN CROSSING THE STREETS, BE SURE TO STOP WHEN BUS HAS RED LIGHT ON AND MAKE SURE ALL CHILDREN ARE OFF THE ROAD BEFORE MOVING YOUR CAR. ALSO WATCH FOR SPEED LIMITS DURING SCHOOL TIMES AND OBEY SPEEDS, PROTECT OUR CHILDREN AND OBEY THE LAWS.

HARLAN COUNTY PEE-WEE FOOTBALL AND CHEER SIGN-UPS WILL BE AUGUST 3 FROM 6-8 AT HUFF PARK AND AUGUST 19 FROM 10-12 AT HUFF PARK. THE PROGRAM CONSISTS OF K-1-FLAG FOOTBALL, 2-3-PEE WEE FOOTBALL (FULL CONTACT) AND 4-5-JR. LEAGUE (HARLAN COUNTY STUDENTS ONLY) WITH CHEERLEADING FOR GRADES K-4. ALL PLAYERS AND CHEERLEADERS MUST HAVE AN UPDATED SPORTS PHYSICAL TO PARTICIPATE AND ALL COACHES MUST HAVE UPTO-DATE BACKGROUND CHECK. FOR ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT PHILLIP DOZIER AT 273-5603.

FASHION SHOW, AUGUST 3RD AT HARLAN CIVIC CENTER, 201 S. MAIN STREET, HARLAN, KENTUCKY. VENDORS HOG HEAVEN PIT BBQ AND SOUTHERN GRIND MOBILE COFFEE ALONG WITH MUSIC BY BRIANNA HOWARD AND PERFORMANCES BY 606 DANCERS WITH DJ MARK LAWSON. VENDORS WILL START AT 4 PM AND SHOW AT 5 PM. FOR MORE INFORMATION, FOLLOW HOT OFF THE PRESS FACEBOOK.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3RD, EVERYONE IS ASK TO ATTEND MEETING AT 5:30 PM IN THE HARLAN COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE, 210 E. CENTER STREET #111, HARLAN. THIS WILL BE A PUBLIC MEETING AND COMMENTS ON THE LGE/KY CASE.

FOOD CITY STARBUCKS GRAND OPENING/RIBBON CUTTING FOR THE NEW STARBUCKS CAFE, LOCATED INSIDE THE FOOD CITY IN WHITESBURG, KY WILL BE HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023, AT 9 AM. CUSTOMERS CAN USE THE STARBUCKS APP TO ORDER AHEAD.

THE CREECH REUNION WILL BE HELD AUGUST 13, AT THE PINE MOUNTAIN SETTLEMENT. LUNCH WILL BE AT 12:00. FAMILY, FRIENDS AND EVERYONE IS INVITED. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT SUE CREECH AT 273-0045.

SLOW PITCH SHOWDOWN CO-ED TOURNAMENT WILL BE AUGUST 19TH AT HUFF PARK. TEAMS MUST RESERVE SPOT BY AUGUST 14TH. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT TIERRA 606-573-4156 OR VISIT WWW.HARLANTOURISM.COM. TEAMS MUST BE COMPOSTED OF ADULTS 18 AND OLDER. EACH ROUND IS WIN OR 1 HOUR 15 MINUTES PLAYTIME.

THE COUNTRY MUSIC HIGHWAY TRIBUTE SHOW, PRESENTED BY DOUBLE KWIK, HAS ANNOUNCED ITS LINEUP FOR THE WHITESBURG SHOW. THE EVENT WILL BE HELD IN DOWNTOWN WHITESBURG ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, AT THE MOUNTAIN HERITAGE PARK. IT WILL ALSO FEATURE FOOD TRUCKS AND ARTISANS AND CRAFTERS FROM ACROSS EASTERN KENTUCKY. THE COUNTRY MUSIC HIGHWAY TRIBUTE SHOW IS PRESENTED BY DOUBLE KWIK AND SPONSORED BY KENTUCKY TOURISM; ADDICTION RECOVERY CARE; KENTUCKY POWER; WHITAKER BANK; BACKROADS OF APPALACHIA; FOOTHILLS COMMUNICATIONS; THACKER GRIBSBY COMMUNICATIONS; TVS CABLE AND ALE-8-ONE, FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.cmtributesshow.com.

OPEN HOUSE, MEET THE TEACHERS AND LEARN ABOUT CLASSROOM, WILL BE HELD AT THE FOLLOWING: MONDAY, AUGUST 14, FROM 4-6 PM, CAWOOD ELEMENTARY AND JAMES A. CAWOOD ELEMENTARY AND CUMBERLAND ELEMENTARY FROM 5-8 PM, WALLINS ELEMENTARY FROM 5-7 PM. TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, BLACK MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY, ROSSPOINT ELEMENTARY AND GREEN HILL ELEMENTARY FROM 4-6 PM WITH EVARTS ELEMENTARY FROM 3-5 PM. THERE WILL BE SNACKS AND GOODIES FOR ALL.

THE SUMMER MONTHS ALLOW US TO RELISH IN THE WARM WEATHER AND ENJOY THE BEAUTY OF THE SEASON. UNFORTUNATELY, THE SUMMER IS ALSO A TIME WHEN WE MUST CONTEND WITH AN UNDENIABLE UPTICK IN PEST ACTIVITY THAT CAN PUT A DAMPER ON OUR FUN, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, PUT OUR HEALTH AT RISK. RODENTS AND COCKROACHES CAN CONTAMINATE FOOD, SPREAD BACTERIA AND CAN ALSO TRIGGER ASTHMA AND ALLERGY SYMPTOMS. MOSQUITOES AND TICKS ARE ALSO A MAJOR HEALTH CONCERN AS THEY CAN TRANSMIT SERIOUS DISEASES SUCH AS WEST NILE VIRUS, LYME DISEASE AND MORE. ENJOY THE SUMMER, BUT BE CAREFUL. IT IN DOUBLE ABOUT A BITE, CHECK WITH YOUR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER.

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A FREE FOOD BOX WILL GIVEN FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, FROM 1-3 PM AT LOYALL METHODIST CHURCH.

THERE WILL BE A BAKE SALE SEPTEMBER 1 AT CASH SAVER FROM 9 AM UNTIL SOLD OUT. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO STOP BY AND GET THE DELICIOUS BAKED GOODS.

THE HARLAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL BOARD LOWERS PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR. THE BOARD MEMBERS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO LOWER PROPERTY TAXES DURING THE AUGUST MEETING FROM 52.8 CENTS, TO THE NEW LOWER RATE OF 52.1 CENTER. THE NEW RATE IS PROJECTED TO BE AMONG THE LOWEST IN

THE COMMONWEALTH FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, EVARTS PUBLIC LIBRARY, HARLAN STREET WILL HAVE STORYTIME AT 4 PM FOR EVERYONE THAT WISHES TO ALTEND.

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SEPTEMBER

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, IS THE LAST BIG HOLIDAY BEFORE AUTUMN. WTUK FM, WHLN AND WFRS AM, WISHES EVERYONE A SAFE HOLIDAY. IF ON THE LAKE, BE SURE TO WEAR A LIFE JACKET AND BE SAFE BOATING, FISHING, SKING AND OBEYING THE SAFETY RULES. ALSO DO NOT DRINK AND DRIVE...JUST HAVE A SAFE FREE HOLIDAY.

THE WATER LANTERN FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD AT KINGDROM COME STATE PARK, SEPTEMBER 9 FROM 7:30 PM TO 10:00 PM. THERE WILL BE FLOATING LANTERNS, FLYING WISH PAPER AND FLOATING TEA LIGHT. ALSO A LAKESIDE PRAYER SERVICE. FREE HOT DOGS AND MUSIC. COME JOIN THE LIGHT THE WATER IN A WAY YOU WILL NEVER FORGET.

TOTZ REUNION WILL BE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, AT BENHAM SHELTER. MARK YOUR CALENDAR BECAUSE THERE WILL BE NO LETTER REMINDERS. BRING YOUR FAVORITE MAIN DISH AND DESSERT AND ALSO THINGS FOR RAFFLE.

THE HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD A SPECIAL MEETING, DISCUSSING ITEMS INCLUDING SPEECH AND LANGUAGE SERVICES AT EVARTS ELEMENTARY. BOARD CHAIRMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER, SUPERINTENDENT BRENT ROARK THEN CALLED ON EXCEPTIONAL CHILD INSTRUCTOR, JENNIFER BROCK, TO BRING THE BOARD UP TO SPEED ON THE CONTRACT FOR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE SERVICES. THE BOARD PASSED A MOTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ILLUMIL TO PROVIDE SPEECH THERAPY SERVICES AT EVARTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, THE BOARD ALSO CONSIDERED SHORTENED SCHOOL DAYS AND WEEKS FOR SOME SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS. IN OTHER BOARD ACTIVITY, A CONTRACT FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY/ATHLETIC SUPPORT FOR HARLAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL; A TRIP FOR KCEOC JACES PRE-SCHOOL TO ARROW B. RANCH IN JONESVILLE, VIRGINIA AND CUMBERLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S TRIP TO LMU TO PARTICIPATE IN GEAR UP PROGRAMS.

RADIUM GIRLS WILL BE PERFORMING AT HARLAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 30. IT WILL BE AN-ALL DAY FESTIVAL FEATURING PERFORMANCES FROM ACROSS EASTERN KENTUCKY. PERFORMANCE BEGINS AT 9 AM. ADMISSION IS FREE AND EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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