

Community Calendar

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Wednesday, May 7

The 2025 Lawrence County High School Art Show and Choir Follies will be held today, beginning at 6:30 p.m., at the Community Center beside the school, on Bulldog Lane, Louisa. Open to the public.

The Johnson County Livestock Club (open to 4-12 graders) will meet at the Johnson County Extension office, 826 F.M. Stafford Ave., Paintsville, at 6:30 p.m. Topic of meeting: Large Animals. 606-789-8101.

Thursday, May 8

Career Fair at Tolsia High School, #1 Rebel Drive, south of Fort Gay on Tolsia Highway, beginning at 8 a.m. For information, call 304-730-2046 or wcyrus@k12.wv.us.

Martin County Health Department will have a Diabetes education program every Thursday at 4 p.m., class is also offered virtually. Contact Lakean Meade for information or to sign-up at 606-298-7752.

Front Porch Pickin' is held every Thursday at 7 p.m., at the US 23 Country Music Highway Museum, 120 Stave Branch Rd., Paintsville. For information, call 606-297-7823.

Friday, May 9

The Facing Hunger Food Bank mobile pantry will be at the Louisa Freewill Baptist Church, 62 Southside Loop, 11 a.m.-noon. No income guidelines, open to everyone.

A 12-Steps with Jesus Recovery Program is held every Friday, beginning at 7 p.m., at New Life Outreach Church, 20 Cedar Heights Rd., Fort Gay, WV.

Spring Fest will be held in downtown Paintsville today and May 10. Local crafts vendors, food trucks and live entertainment along with a Kids Zone with free activities.

Saturday, May 10

Bridge Day will be Saturday, May 10, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Laurel Gorge Heritage Center in Sandy Hook. Multiple demonstrations during the event. Sponsored by Elliott County Tourism Council.

Sunday, May 11

Services will be held each week at 11 a.m., the Bartram Chapel Community Church, located south of Fort Gay (Tolsia Highway) turn at Paddle Creek exit onto old Mill Creek Road. Pastor Greg Caudill welcomes everyone.

Monday, May 12

The Lawrence County Transfer Station a/k/a county dump, 27 Poorhouse Road, Louisa, will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., for Lawrence County residents only. No non-residential or contractor solid waste accepted. Check in at the office at the LC Road Department at 27 Poorhouse Rd., before dumping.

The Lawrence County Public Library board will meet at noon, at the library, 102 W. Main St., Louisa. Open to the public. 606-638-4497.

Healthy Living with Diabetes Support Group will meet at 5 p.m., at the Lawrence County Extension office, 249 Industrial Park, Louisa. Light refreshments served. 606-673-9495 or 606-638-4389.

Tuesday, May 13

The Lawrence County Health Department, 1080 Meadowbrook Lane, Louisa, will offer immunizations, by appointments, Tuesday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Friday, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Call 606-638-4389.

The Louisa City Council will meet at 6 p.m., at city hall, 215 N. Main Cross St., Louisa. Open meeting. 606-638-4050.

The Lawrence County Extension District Board will meet at noon, at the Lawrence County Extension office, 249 Industrial Park Rd., Louisa.

Let's Taco-about Stroke cooking classes will be held today at the Floyd County Extension office, 3490 KY-321, Prestonsburg, 5-7 p.m.; and Tuesday, May 20, at Johnson County Extension office, 826 FM Stafford Ave., Paintsville, 5-7 p.m.

Each family attending will receive a \$25 Food City gift card. To pre-register, email hsamons@arh.org.

Miscellaneous

"Cooking through the Calendar 2025" will be held at the Lawrence County Extension office, 249 Industrial Park Rd., Louisa, Wednesday, May 14. Enjoy free cooking demonstrations and sampling. 606-673-9495.

The Martin County Fiscal Court will meet at 5 p.m., Thursday, May 15, in the courtroom on the second floor of the Martin County Government Center, Inez. Open meeting.

A community church service hosted by Webb Chapel Community Church will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 20, at Friendship House Chapel, 174 Everman St., Grayson. Everyone welcome. Special singing and preaching.



BLUEGRASS BIBLE BEAT

WHO SEEKS WHAT?

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Jesus's Sermon On The Mount distinguished true religion from false. To that holy end, the Lord began by highlighting the traits and desires His disciples bear. He did so in the Beatitudes, highlighting brokenness; mournfulness; meekness; and hungering and thirsting for righteousness, etc. (Matthew 5:3-11). So, right off the bat, Jesus emphasized that that true disciples yearn for righteousness. (Matthew 5:6). He continued, telling us that the ungodly seek material things, (Matthew 6:32); but that those who follow Him "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness." (Matthew 6:33). But Jesus's call that His followers seek God and His righteous presented nothing new.

The Old Testament, beginning to end, urges we seek God. Deuteronomy 4:29 says we will find The Lord if we seek Him with all our heart and soul. The Psalmist wrote: "Blessed are they that seek Him with a whole heart." (Psalms 119:2). Zephaniah said, "Seek ye The Lord." (Zeph. 2:3). Nowhere does God's Word say that we should seek signs, wonders, or miracles. Yet many do, and they're in very bad company.

The first person in the New Testament to seek a sign or a miracle? Satan. In Matthew 4:3, Satan said to Jesus: "If you're the Son of God, turn these rocks into bread." Jesus's reply? "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4:4). In effect: "Go read the Bible!" Luke 16's rich man in hell likewise prayed for a sign to his five living brothers. (Luke 16:28). Abraham

gave the same answer Jesus gave Satan: let your brothers go hear "Moses and the prophets," i.e., go read the Bible because it's plenty enough. (II Timothy 3:16-17).

Throughout the New Testament, only wicked, blasphemous mockers sought signs. For example, soldiers blindfolded Jesus and hit Him in the face, saying "Prophecy, who is it that smote Thee?" (Luke 22:64). As Jesus suffered on the cross, those standing by mocked Him, saying: "Let Him save Himself, if He be Christ." (Luke 23:35). At least twice during His earthly ministry, Jesus warned "a wicked and adulterous generation seeks a sign." (Matthew 12:29). In Matthew 16:4, when religious folks came "tempting Him that He would show them a sign from heaven," (Matthew 16:1), Jesus repeated Matthew 12:29, and "He left and departed them." (Matthew 16:4). Despite all these ominous examples of who seeks signs and what happens, countless millions still seek signs today. To that unholy end, they seek miracles; assorted supernatural phenomena; prophecies; material wealth—everything but the kingdom of God and His righteousness. What drives sign-seekers? Unbelief and selfishness. Unbelief because the Bible's not enough for them. Selfish because they seek things from God for personal gain, supposing such gain is godliness. Bible says they're "destitute of the truth." (I Timothy 6:5).

Of such people, Jesus said, "In vain they do worship Me." (Matthew 15:9).

Anybody want a sign? Here's one: God raised Jesus from the dead!

Church Spotlight

Eastside Freewill Baptist Church



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The Eastside Freewill Baptist Church, 6100 Main Street, Thelma, has services every Sunday, beginning with Sunday School at 10 am., with worship services at 11 a.m. Pastor Bubby Davis welcomes everyone to all services. For more information, call 606-305-5689.

NOTE: If you would like to have your church featured in the "SPOTLIGHT" please e-mail information relating to services and location and a photo of the church to: brenda@thebigsandynews.com.

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24TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT – FILED ELECTRONICALLY
LAWRENCE CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION NO. 24-CI-108**

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC **PLAINTIFF**

VS: **NOTICE OF SALE**

CLARA L. SMITH AND WILLIAM B. SMITH **DEFENDANTS**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Lawrence Circuit Court entered the 14th day of October, 2024, in the above cause, for the sum of \$82,681.79, with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale just inside the front door of the old Lawrence County Courthouse, 122 S. Main Cross Street, in Louisa, Lawrence County, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder on May 15, 2025 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., upon the terms set forth below, the following property, to wit:

Owner: Clara Smith & William Smith
Address: 3110 Highway 1715, Martha, KY 41159
PVA Map No.: 006-00-00-037.02

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of ten (10%) percent of the purchase price with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above-described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Lawrence County Court Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

This 10th day of April, 2025.

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