

CHURCH NEWS		COMMUNITY CALENDAR	
<p>Morehead First Church of God 576 Sunset Dr Morehead, Ky 40351 Sunday Morning In-Person Worship 10:45am masks are optional</p> <p>Clearfield Baptist Church 909 McBrayer Rd., Clearfield, KY Sunday School/Adult Bible Study at 10:00 am Worship Service at 11:00 am 606-691-4205 Everyone Welcomed</p> <p>Rock Fork Church of God Mt. Assembly 60 Zornes Road off KY route 799 in Morehead,KY Sunday Services 10:30am and 6:00pm Wednesday Services 6:00pm Pastor Josh Hawk (423) 489-1925 Everyone Welcome Facebook Rock Fork CGMA</p> <p>House of Prayer, Inc. 600 Whispering Oaks, Morehead, KY 40351 About ½ mile off Highway 801 North Service Times: Sunday School and Morning Worship, 10 a.m. Sunday Night Service, 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m. Senior Pastor Joe Cline Pastor Brian Adkins</p> <p>Morehead Church of the Nazarene Sunday School at 10am Sunday Morning Worship Service and Children's Church at 11am. Sunday Evening Service and Youth Service at 6pm.</p>	<p>Pastor Larry Compton. Everyone Welcome!</p> <p>The Morehead United Pentecostal Church is located at 1020 North Tolliver Road. Pastor Lloyd Dean and congregation invite you to attend. Contact 606-462-3500 or 606-784-9145 for more information.</p> <p>Morehead 7th Day Adventist Church Church starts at 9:30am Sabbath School at 11:00am 927 E. Main St. Morehead, KY 40351 Pastor Larry Findlay 423-552-1207</p> <p>Morehead United Methodist Church 227 W. Main Street Morehead, KY 40351 Sunday Morning Services 10:00 am Traditional & 11:15 am Contemporary & Traditional Services Pastor Chris Basil Check out our Facebook page: Morehead United Methodist Church www.moreheadumc.org Everyone is welcome!</p> <p>First Free Will Baptist Church 500 Bluestone Rd. Morehead, Ky 40351 Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Morning Worship 10:45am Sunday Evening and Youth Group 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Service 7pm.</p> <p>Lakeview Community Church 581 Cave Run Lake Rd., Salt Lick Rev. Eddie Dennison, Pastor</p>	<p>784-5457)</p> <p>Star Theater Events</p> <p>February 28 11:30 One World One Sky (Sesame Street) 1:30 Expanded View 3:30 Laser Beatles (Laser)</p> <p>Marh 14 11:30 Exploring New Horizons 1:30 Forces of Nature 3:30 Laser Lead Zepelin (Laser)</p>	<p>appointment or for more information, call 859-498-0231. Check out their website at www.postclinic.org</p> <p>Disabled American Veterans Chapter 143 Serving Bath, Fleming, Menifee, Montgomery, and Rowan Counties Meeting every 3rd Saturday of the months at 1 p.m. at the Salt Lick Fire Department</p>

COMMUNITY

A Tribute to Charles Mattox - Heaven is a lot like Kentucky

THE TREMBLING OF HEAVEN AND EARTH

Easter Sunday, April 6-7, 1862

Lt. Lot D. Young, a Nicholas County native and Confederate officer, stood in awe of his surroundings and marveled at what he beheld.

He was 20-years-old and was soon to enter his first military battle of the Great War For Southern Independence, as he and his fellow Confederate soldiers called their blossoming struggle that would forever be known as the American Civil War.

Young was an original charter member of the “Flat Rock Grays,” a Kentucky National Guard unit located in Nicholas County that formed two years prior to the Civil War. The unit would largely keep its same local roster, but would change the name of the unit to Company H, 4th Kentucky Regiment, Confederate States of America.

Lt. Young marveled as he looked out on the mass of soldiers that occupied the heights surrounding Pittsburgh Landing, near the Tennessee River. His unit was formed to one side of a small structure known as the Shiloh Church.

Young and his fellow Nicholas County neighbors would soon be entering into the first major battle of the war, which would become known as the Battle of Shiloh.

Young later said that his hair stood on ends to such a great degree when the enemy soldiers pointed their rifles at his company that it seemed as if his cap was being lifted off of his head.

He also wrote of using the bayonet.

“My, my; oh Lord; but the cold chills darted up and down my spinal column as I contemplated the use of the bayonet. Now if there is any scene upon the battle-field more exciting and more terrifying than the glimmer and glitter of a fixed bayonet in the hands of a desperate and determined enemy, pointed directly at your throat or your stomach, I have never seen it.”

Lt. Lot D. Young wrote those words several years after the war ended. The quote and others herein come from a book published by Young entitled “Reminiscences of a soldier of the Orphan Brigade.”

On the first day of the Battle of Shiloh, the Confederates won an enormously lopsided victory, and nearly pushed the Union soldiers into the river.

Young recorded the triumphant moment as the day's hostilities ended as he and the soldiers with him unleashed that famous cry that would become known throughout time simply as “The Rebel Yell.”

“Why, we made the very Heaven and earth tremble with our triumphant shouts. And... the routed enemy trembled also,” Young wrote in his publication.

Finally, and mercifully, the battle ended as dusk fell across the field of battle.

“The Hornets Nest” and “The Peach Orchard” would be names of hostile bits of the Shiloh landscape that would also be remembered throughout time during the battle, and they marked the apex of the violence that swirled around the Shiloh Church.

The screams of the wounded filled the night air on the first night, and while many of the wounded cried out for water, surely God heard their pitiful wails, for the heavens opened up and a torrent of rain fell upon both armies.

Lightning flashes revealed vultures feasting among the dead, who remained on the battlefield between the two armies.

The second day saw a massive re-enforcement effort by the Union army, and the Confederates suffered terribly on that second day, with the Orphan Brigade holding the line at dusk until all of the other units could safely retreat. The horrific losses endured by the Orphans were unimaginable.

The Orphan Brigade was so named according to some accounts, because they were forced from their own state of Kentucky and were thus Orphans.

The dead and dying were so numerous on the Shiloh battlefield that General Ulysses S. Grant, who commanded the Union forces, would later record that a man could walk in any direction a great distance from the center of the battlefield stepping on the bodies of the dead without their boots ever touching the ground, such was the intensity and fury of the violence.

Young could never bring himself to speak publicly of the carnage he witnessed that God-awful second day and his publication only briefly mentions the waste of human life.

“I might speak more in detail of this last day's bloody work and describe more at length many of the horrible sights witnessed and the terrible suffering of our wounded in their transfer to Corinth during the next three days over almost im-

passable roads - the most horrible the mind could possibly picture, exposed to the almost continuous downpour of rain and the awful, awful sadness that filled our hearts in the loss of so many of our comrades, kinsmen and school-fellow friends and the further deep humiliation of final defeat, but the story would be too horrible and sad to elaborate.”

The death toll speaks volumes.

There were1, 700 soldiers killed on the Union side, and as many on the Confederate side, and over 8,000 wounded on each side for a staggering casualty count of 20,000. Each army also had thousands taken prisoner and missing in action.

Young actively served the Confederate cause until near the very end of the war, when he was severely wounded while assisting a dying friend at the Battle of Jonesboro in Georgia. After convalescing for six months in several hospitals, he returned to his beloved Kentucky on crutches after the war ended, and after slowly healing his mind, body and soul, he became a very prominent Nicholas County farmer.

In 1866, Young married Belle Davis, and the couple had five children.

Young died April 3, 1926. He was buried in Carlisle with the flags of both the United States and Confederate States of America in his hands. Civil War veterans from both sides served as honorary pallbearers such was the magnitude of their respect for this honorable man.

If the Good Lord is willing, dear reader, we will learn more about Lt. Young's exploits during the war in future columns.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Bradley Prichard of Kimley-Horn has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to permit a proposed 2-acre commercial project adjacent to North Fork Triplett Creek. The site is located at the existing Walmart off Flemingsburg Road in Morehead, KY, approximately half a mile north of Interstate 64. Any comments or objections can be submitted via email to: DOWFloodplain@ky.gov Kentucky Division of Water, Floodplain Management Section, 300 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601. Call 502-564-3410 with questions.

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Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that Armstrong and McHugh, 137 East 1st Street, Morehead, KY 40351 has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to a new building addition to be constructed at the rear of the existing building at the same FFE of this existing building with additional parking and utilities. The property is located at 137 East 1st Street which is along East 1st Street between S Wilson Ave and Carey Ave which is near Triplett Creek. Any comments or objections can be submitted via email to: DOWFloodplain@ky.gov Kentucky Division of Water, Floodplain Management Section, 300 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601. Call 502-564-3410 with questions.

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FEBRUARY 3RD, 10TH, 17TH, & 24TH FROM 10A.M. TO 4P.M.

JIM WILL BE AT ROSS DRUG (125 FOXGLOVE DR. #1, MT. STERLNG, KY)
FEBRUARY 12TH, 19TH, & 26TH FROM 10A.M. TO 4P.M.

JIM WILL BE AT MED SAVE (136 JESSICA LANE, OLIVE HILL, KY)
FEBRUARY 6TH, 13TH, 20TH, & 27TH FROM 10 A.M. TO 4P.M.

JIM WILL BE AT MED SAVE (131 S. Malone Blvd., Ste. E, Grayson, KY)
FEBRUARY 9TH & 23RD FROM 10 A.M. TO 4P.M.

