

SPORTS

FROM THE CREEKS AND THE PRIAR PATCH BY BOB SMITH

I never cease to be surprised by our ever changing world. Sometimes I will see a favorite mountain landscape or maybe it's just an old worn out cabin I haven't seen in a few long weeks. It seems like only yesterday I was crawling around in the brush with my two favorite cousins, trying to find places to get away from our six siblings. There were times we thought we were a little better than the rest of the gang and perhaps a bit more mature. Now there's a complex thought for you to dig into. Boys crawling around in the mud and the blood, the briars and weeds on our hands and faces to protect our secret places and our "intimacy." Much of this was the result of my dear aunt insisting that as older kids should be responsible for baby sitting or keeping up with six or eight crawling kids all night and most of the day.

Down in Southeastern Kentucky we had too little to keep an entertained and about the very best we could hope for from day to day was a fertilizer bag full of manure horses and pig excrement. Kids growing up in that period of our state's history usually had two choices. They either worked on the local small farms, or they would wind up with a lot of idle time on their hands. You could probably find a lot of "wasted" time on their account books, but I feel safe in saying that most of them worked whenever the opportunity presented itself. A lot of those old files from years gone by were firmly convinced that the idle hands of us mere mortals contained "the Devil's playground." Grandpa said he had a sneaky suspicion that my relationship with the old Devil might just be a little friendlier than he would have liked, at least some of the times. My grandfather loved a

mess of fish more than the average bear. There was a problem in that line of thinking, however. He couldn't catch his butt with both hands. That in itself was hard to fathom. He was about as "in tune" with nature as my fellow I ever knew. I always figured that he knew about anything there was about the Great Outdoors and its Occupants. I had spent the summer morning looking for arrowheads and any other Indian trinkets that had been uncovered by the plow that day. The best I could tell, this was about the third year my uncle had plowed up the little bottom to plant in corn. A couple of years before I had made the mistake of thinking the drainage around the small bottom might be the dump for it to be a good village site. Water was coming out of the head of the boiler almost surrounded by a patch of mosses. The water was gushing out of the ground. The elevation there at the head of Peardler's Fork was just about a few yards further downstream the creek took about a four-foot plunge to accommodate the waterfall that had powered the W.C. Hobbs watermill throughout the 1800s and until about 1910-1912, when the mill washed out. The upper eight feet of Peardler's Fork pours into the main stream, forty or fifty yards above where the creek took the four foot drop.

On this particular day I took a different approach to the little creek bottom. I had not paid attention to the situation in the three or four previous trips. Only a ledge or rock-rimmed waterfall on the lower end of the lake. It had been disturbed by several slabs a couple of years before when the coal people stripped the coal on the upper end. There was a little waterfall about four or five feet deep. The pool was

no more than 10 feet in diameter. The pool was quite isolated as it is still. The school of fish in the pool had no visible way in or out. Some of these fish were a foot long; the pool was about impossible to fish, but I had another idea on how to catch them.

"Mem, Dad, Aunt Helen and Uncle Jim were going to town Saturday morning and wouldn't be home until after lunch. I owed Grandpa a debt of fish and I intended to pay that debt. I had a minnow basket that was homemade and just a little larger than the store bought size. I was back at that waterfall fifteen minutes later with a trap filled with enthusiasm, although I knew there was a real possibility that the basket might get nothing more than minnows. The plan worked better than I imagined." I told Grandpa to get his sausage-grinder ready. He got all excited as he began testing a couple of big blingills and some bass that could have come out of a couple of farm ponds. There were several 10-12 inch white suckers in the basket and some big horny heads: "We were soon popping them in the skillet a top side got baked stove. I was scaling and he was gutting and washing them off. I know the horny heads had a great flavor and served four or five to fry whole. Grandpa was making poutines of some he had ground up to destroy the live boxes. He was soon smacking his chops and howling in a loud of baked beans with some bright red fried onions. There was enough fish in that one basket to put back to provide Grandpa with two stein meals later.

"Mem got home and asked, "What would you boys like for lunch," and Grandpa just smiled and said, "We went out for lunch."

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activities and they aren't going to break you up. Tourism is here. Instead of crying about tourist activities or lack of them, ease up on it. See what the first is all about. Tourism and Downtown Bestville always have something going on. Friday Night Cruisin' on Main gives us a monthly destination for the car crowd and music lovers. We are having live music at the new City Park in Bestville on a Main Street Market and organized activities are planned for kids. The various civic organizations and individuals are trying to make the quality of life better for Lee County. Did you enjoy the 4th of July fireworks show? A lot of places did worse. Like it or not, Lee County is becoming the Climbing Capital of the World. The hobby of sport is growing in leaps and bounds all around us. People are building additional rental cabins. Make plans for organized games and activities. Rest out your services. Learn ways to make it pay. Lee County is blossoming. We are blessed with the beauty that attracts tourists. Wildflowers, beautiful hardwood lumber, miles of scenic streams, waterfall and waterfalls, natural arches and other rock formations and various State Parks in the area beckon tourists to Kentucky. Add wildflowers which are more abundant here than anywhere else. They bloom from very early spring until the last frost of color in late fall. Newcomers will you find a more beautiful kaleidoscope of colors in late fall than the hardwoods of eastern Kentucky. Ravens is experimenting with a tourism train. It is Lee County's obligation to learn if the tourism train

theory is a sound one. It has worked in the past. Will it do so again in the future? The Tourism Train concept came into being in the 1890s. It worked well in the 1920s and 30s. Will it do so to make American greatness returns to these hills?

Our Three Forks Historical Center Old Tractor and Antique Engine Show is scheduled for Saturday, August 10th. We are changing our mission this year. We have previously opened only on Saturday. The Museum will be opened for much of the day Friday also. Some exhibitors have suggested the possibility of letting exhibitors' camp out with their tractors and old engines Friday night. We will have an Open House Friday beginning around 5 p.m. Visitors may park their rigs and visit the museum. At 5 p.m. We will light the fire pit and begin roasting hot dogs and mini-meatloaves and chocolate bars for 25 cents. We have chairs and tables, but bring a lawn chair. At 7 p.m. the Kentucky Hummies will present Kevin Hardesty as Daniel Boone, the first Kentuckian from our gazette. The Kentucky Chautauqua is a first for Lee County in modern times. Chautauqua's were popular in the 1890s and 1920s. The Kentucky Chautauqua script is by Ho List. At the conclusion of the performance local musicians, Hilroy Bickers, may close out the evening with some picking and grunting. There is no charge for Friday's activities. The Chautauqua is sponsored by the Kentucky County Tourism Commission. The Commission on Main will be moved to the Museum with the same rules as usual as perkins to dash plaques, Furness Martel tables and etc. There is no charge for the Friday activities, but contributions are always accepted.

Saturday will begin fairly early with the setup of tractors and old engines.

Concessions will be available Saturday. Free dash plaques. Freshly ground meal will be available. Customarily the tractors usually motor a 5 p.m. run down Main Street. At that time the Fish Fry will begin. It is the main fundraiser for the year for the Museum.

The cost of the meal is \$8 for adults and \$6 for kids 10 and under. The price includes fish, hotbuttered, French fries, cole slaw and baked beans, a drink and a dessert are included in the cost of the meal. Carryouts will be available. During the course of the weekend we will be selling chances on a very nice Henry Lever action rifle in a 357 or 38 special. We will also have a number of very nice items for a Silent Auction. Look them over and leave a bid on them. The drawings will be held around 6 p.m.

The Antique Tractor and Old Engine Show/Fish Fry is sponsored by Citizens Bank and Trust of Jackson and Bestville. The proceeds for the Show is furnished by Jackson Newsweek and Bestville. Provide an Funer Home Newsweek text.

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26th READIFEST

WHEN: FRIDAY, August 2, 2019
TIME: 8:30AM-2:30PM
WHERE: Lee Co. Elementary

Readifest is open to ALL students enrolled in grades K-5 in Lee County Public Schools. Please line up at the P.O. Door. Students will receive:

- FREE BACKPACKS, SHOES, T-SHIRTS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES!
- There will be free snacks while students are waiting in line but please bring water to drink!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL FAMILY RESOURCE AT 606-288-2288

NOTICE OF TARIFF FILING OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. TO REVISE ITS ACCELERATED MAIN REPLACEMENT PROGRAM UNDER TARIFF AND AUTHORIZED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

Pursuant to the Public Service Commission's regulation 897 KAR 5-011, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") gives notice that a tariff filing will be made with the Public Service Commission on July 29, 2019 seeking approval to strip and rewire its Accelerated Main Replacement Program ("AMRP") Rider Tariff as its Safety Modification and Replacement Program ("SMRP") Rider Tariff and provide for the installation of a two-year enhanced project to improve system. Columbia does not propose any immediate change in rates, however, rates could change in the future. The proposed and proposed rates per month are shown below. There is no change in the average customer bill.

Rate Schedule	Present Rate	Proposed Rate	Change in Rate
Rate CRO, Rate SVOTS - Residential Service	\$3.32	\$3.32	\$0.00 / 0%
Rate CRO, Rate GDR, Rate SVOTS - Commercial or Industrial Service	\$12.40	\$12.40	\$0.00 / 0%
Rate Schedule TUG, Rate TUGS	\$103.34	\$103.34	\$0.00 / 0%
Rate IS, Rate DSF, Rate SAS	\$649.39	\$649.39	\$0.00 / 0%

1 - Including customer subject to Free Provision of Rate Schedule IS

If Columbia's tariff is accepted, Columbia will be authorized to construct necessary improvements for its safety and reliability of its low pressure gas piping system to the benefit of Columbia's customers and the general public. In the future, Columbia may propose other projects for installation under Rider 54022 subject to the review of the Public Service Commission. The revised tariff will go into effect August 24, 2019, or sooner if approved by the Public Service Commission. The proposed revisions in this notice are for rates, terms and conditions proposed by Columbia, but the Public Service Commission may order rates, terms and conditions that differ from those contained in this notice.

Any corporation, association, or person may within thirty (30) days after the date of mailing this notice of the proposed rate change, submit a written request to intervene to the Public Service Commission, 411 Sewer Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40621, for the purpose of presenting evidence for its request and including the status and interest of the party, if the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of the notice, the Commission may hear and decide on the tariff filing.

Written comments regarding this tariff filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its web site at <http://psc.ky.gov> or mailed to the Public Service Commission at 411 Sewer Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40621.

Copies of Columbia's tariff filing may be obtained or viewed at no charge from Columbia at 2001 Mercer Road, Lexington, Kentucky or online at www.columbiagas.com. The tariff filing and all documents filed with the Public Service Commission may also be viewed at the Public Service Commission's office at 411 Sewer Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or downloaded at the Public Service Commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>.

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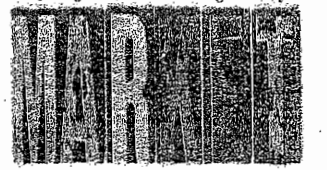
How long has it been since people here have been able to trust our Federal government? Some folks will tell you that they have not been able to trust Uncle Sam since the break-in at the Watergate Hotel and the Nixon "residential" resignation. "Nope," say others. "We haven't been able to trust the government since the Warren Commission brought that racket of bilgewater about the magic bullet hitting Kennedy three times, Texas Governor Connally came and it still didn't have a mark on it when it fell out of Jack Kennedy's clothes on his operating table in Dallas." "That's what happened. I was right there when it happened," said Mc Clintock of Henryville. He later announced to the world President Kennedy was dead.

For me it was back there in the 50s when Revolutionary Fidel Castro came across the radio waves and he was admitting to being a flunky for the Russians. He previously claimed he was working for us. The really big announcement came about twenty minutes later. The country had been peacefully scored out of its pajamas by a number of "vampire" sightings. A couple of dead kid ladies out on the coast claimed they were actually stalked by creatures that

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NOTICE OF TARIFF FILING OF COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY, INC. TO REVERSE ITS ACCELERATED MAIN REPLACEMENT PROGRAM UNDER TARIFF AND AUTHORIZED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

Pursuant to the Public Service Commission's regulation 807 KAR 10.011, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") gives notice that a tariff filing will be made with the Public Service Commission on August 29, 2019 seeking approval to revise and reauthorize its Accelerated Main Replacement Program ("AMRP") under Tariff as its Safety Modification and Replacement Program ("SMRP") Rate Tariff and provide for the installation of a two-year enhancement project to improve program status. Columbia does not propose any immediate change in rates, however, rates could change in the future. The present and proposed rates per month are shown below. There is no change in the average residential bill.

Rate Schedule	Present Rate	Proposed Rate	Change in Rate
Rate GSR, Rate SVOTS - Residential Service	\$13.31	\$13.32	\$0.00 / 0%
Rate GCO, Rate GCL, Rate FVOTC - Commercial or Industrial Service	\$12.40	\$12.40	\$0.00 / 0%
Rate Schedule IIS, Rate RIDS	\$103.34	\$103.34	\$0.00 / 0%
Rate IS, Rate DSV, Rate SAS <small>(Excluding customers subject to Rate Provision of Rate Schedule IS)</small>	\$649.39	\$649.39	\$0.00 / 0%

If Columbia's tariff is accepted, Columbia will be authorized to implement necessary improvements for the safety and reliability of its gas pressure operating systems to the benefit of Columbia's customers and the general public. In the future, Columbia may propose other projects for installation under Rate SMRP, subject to the review of the Public Service Commission. The revised tariff will go into effect August 24, 2019, or sooner if approved by the Public Service Commission. The proposed revisions in this notice are the rates, terms and conditions proposed by Columbia, but the Public Service Commission may order rates, terms and conditions that differ from those contained in this notice.

Any corporation, association, or person may within thirty (30) days after the date of filing this notice of the proposed rate change, submit a written request to intervene to the Public Service Commission, 211 Sewer Boulevard, P.O. Box 611, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, establishing the grounds for the request and including the dates and content of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication or mailing of the notice, the Commission may take final action on the tariff filing.

Written comments regarding this tariff filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its web site at <http://ps.com> or mailed to the Public Service Commission at 211 Sewer Boulevard, P.O. Box 611, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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Financial Aid Tip of the Month
by Tim Ballard

A good admissions essay may mean more financial aid for college.

Some colleges, especially private schools, require an essay as part of the admissions process for college freshmen. That essay may also help when it comes to paying for college, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

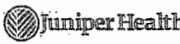
Generally, the more exclusive the college, the more important the essay may be in admissions and financial aid decisions.

Essays let schools learn more about students by giving them a chance to set themselves apart from other applicants.

Students should put time and effort into an admissions essay. Schools that require a written essay want students who can express themselves clearly, using proper spelling, grammar and punctuation. It may take several drafts to get it right, but the essay needs to be well written and free of errors. Students should have a teacher, school counselor or parent review the essay before submitting it to the college.

Some schools let students submit non-traditional essays such as poems, song lyrics or videos. That lets students show their creativity.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's student financial aid programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). Its sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC), offers low-cost Advantage Loans to help students and parents pay for col-



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