

What On Earth

Is Happening in the Clearfork Valley

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Term Limits

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Term limits, the number of consecutive terms that a public official can be in office, has become a heated issue lately. As you know the president is limited to two consecutive four years terms as well as the governors of each state and no term limits for congressmen and senators, but what about local county officials? Should there be term limits on all of our county officials: our county executive, our sheriff, and our county commissioners, etc.?

And what about our local non-profit board members? To find some answers I searched the web and found an article by Voices For Liberty, Arguments for and against term limits which I used in helping write this brief article.

The Clearfork Utility District Board members: Condi Maiden of White Oak and Walter Washam of Clairfield, with one empty position serve terms of 4 years, unsure about term limits. The board members of the Clearfork Community Institute: Ralph Teague of Eagan,, Walter Washam of Clairfield, Gail Huddleston of Eagan, Sharon Petro of Clairfield and James Hickman of Middlesboro, Kentucky, with two board member vacancies recently voted to have no term limits, so that they can remain on the board indefinitely-Can they do that??? Can they vote on anything without a full board?

What are the pros of having term limits? Some argue that:

Term limits ensure that members or officials cannot remain in power indefinitely.

Term limits prevent members or officials from holding life time positions.

Term limits act as automatic check on power, corruption and promote accountability.

A change of members brings new ideas and fresh energy and are less likely to be stagnant.

Term limits also lessen the opportunity for corruption and keeps members/officials from gaining too much power.

What are the cons of having term limits? Some argue that:

They prevent experienced members from continuing to serve and that this interferes with real progress.

They are not needed because members must be voted back in office and if they are not doing a good job that they will be voted out.

Term limits would give more power to bureaucrats and lobbyist.

Term limits are unconstitutional.

Should there be term limits for congressmen and senators? Should there also be term limits for our county officials and our non-profit board members? If we had no term limits on the presidency would we still be considered a democracy or a monarchy or possibly a dictatorship? I, for one, think that we should have term limits and lifetime term limits in place at all levels. What do you think?



Woodland's Second Annual Pie Fest

Come enjoy the a day of fun!

There will be activities (games, pie walk), live music, food, silent Auction (4 Disney World Day passes, Wonderworks tickets, and more), raffles, home made crafts, a quilt display and much more.

Free Admission

Pie Judging Contest

Two categories; 100% from scratch and home made filling (store bought crust)

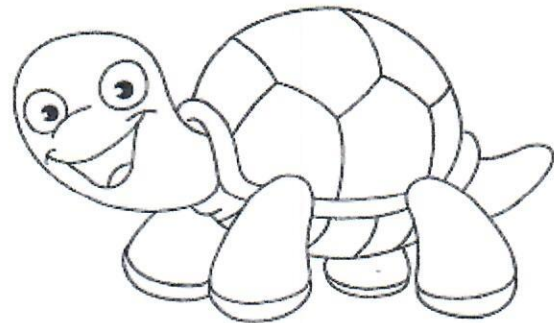
Saturday November 4th starting at 10am at CCI 170 Y Hollow Rd Eagan, TN

Hunter Safety Class

TWRA agent Brent Harrison held two hunter safety classes, one at the Jellico Rescue Squad on August 7-11th and the other at Clairfield School on August 14-18th. There was a total of 46 students, 26 at Clairfield and 20 at Jellico, that graduated the program. Students were taught the proper way to handle firearms in the field and home, as well as being given basic instruction in hunter responsibility, wildlife management, survival and first aid, field care of animals and knowledge of firearms and archery equipment. Also a thank you to the two volunteer instructors, Sharon Petro and Joe Hyden.

Advice from a turtle

- Come out of your shell
- Snap out of it
- Be well rounded
- Log time with friends
- Know when to stick your neck out
- Slow down
- Home is where your heart is



Inferno Haunted House

Friday October 20th and Saturday October 21st

7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Admission

\$3.00 or 2/\$5.00

Clairfield Elementary School will be
doing a concession stand

Clearfork Volunteer Fire Dept.

Halloween Party

Saturday October 28th beginning at 5:00 pm

At Gayle Huddleston's House

Please bring a covered dish

Games, food, spook house, hay rides, door prizes, T.V.
raffle

Going to be lots of FUN!!!

Thank You

We would like to thank Lowe's For assisting in acquiring the new gas grill at CCI.

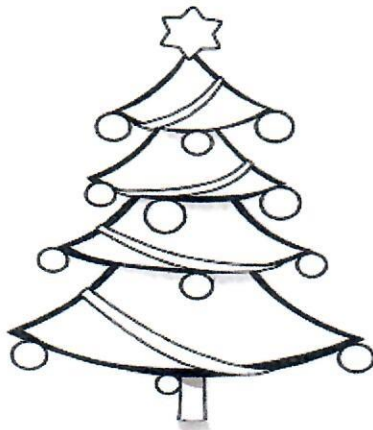
Outside is Cool, Claiborne County

Saturday October 14th 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

DeRoyal Campus Greenway 1753 S. Broad St., New Tazewell, TN

There will be outdoor activities stations, sports teams sign-ups, health screenings, nutrition and wellness information.

Open and free to the public.



Christmas Auction

Clearfork Volunteer Fire Dept

Friday November 24th at 6:00 pm

New and used decorations, Stocking stuffers, wrapping paper, toys/gifts and more.

All proceeds from the auction will be donated to Clearfork Volunteer Fire Dept.

The fire dept. will be selling food and drinks.

Christmas Parade

Saturday November 25th at 1pm

Parade will line up and start at Clairfield Elementary School

Please feel free to join in by decorating your float, car, truck, bike, motorcycle, animals, kids, etc.

Toys - Candy - Surprises

After the parade there will be a pot luck dinner held at the Clearfork Volunteer Fire Dept.

For more information about the Auction or the Parade please contact Gayle Huddleston at 423-784-6809

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Obituaries

Our condolences go out to the family of

"Gone from our sight but never from our hearts"

Community Calendar

COMMISSIONER MEETINGS

Claiborne County: 3rd Monday of the month in large court-room located on Main Street in Tazewell at 6:30 p.m.

Campbell County : Regular Business meeting on the 3rd Monday of the month.

CLEARFORK UTILITY BOARD MEETING 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00p.m

CLAIRFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT: meets on the 1st Monday of the month.

SENIOR BINGO Second and Fourth Monday of the

October

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--|--|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Clairfield Fall Festival 6-9 pm 7 | 7 Car Show at Clairfield School 3-6 pm \$10 entry fee |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
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