

Effects of the Tornado

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On March 2nd 2012 a horrible amount of destruction happened to the little town of Salyersville. Salyersville is located in Magoffin County. This was due to an EF2 tornado, which no one was prepared for, we always thought we was safe because of the hills that surrounded us, little did we know they couldn't protect us that night. The effects of the tornado that made a direct impact on me were the result of moving into a new house. And even having to spend two years in the old grade school building. Due to the damage brought on by the severe storm. Even now three years later the tornado that happened on that horrible day still affects me. By having to share the high school building with the high school students.

After the tornado hit everyone was trying to get into town and get supplies and various other items they needed. Many people just wanted to see what was left of the town they had spent their whole life in. Others tried to visit friends and family members since there was no real way to reach them, because various phone lines were down.

After the storm hit my family moved into a new house. Our house had been damaged by the strong winds, so we decided it would be best to move into the new house we bought weeks before. Moving into the new house meant new buses. I went from riding one bus

directly to and from school to three buses. One in the morning to take me to get on the bus that would take me to school. Then one in the evening to drop me off at another school to wait on the bus that would actually take me home. This was all very confusing at the time, to keep up with all the buses and to make sure I was on the right one. Even today I've learned and can handle the schedule better and ride with my sister in the mornings its still hard to manage. Even being in a new neighborhood which I new nobody or anything about.

At the time the tornado hit I was in the 5th grade, after the tornado destroyed our school. We had to move into the old grade school building, which was very old and to my surprise was still standing. There wasn't enough room for all the classes. There weren't enough classrooms to put all the classes in so my 5th grade classroom got split amongst the other two classrooms. The first day back to school me and several other students went to a different homeroom class. Which was all very new to me, it took awhile to adjust. I spent my whole 6th grade year at the old school while at that time S.G.S was being rebuilt slowly but surely. The 6th grade classrooms were trailers sitting behind the school because there was simply not enough room for us all in the main buildings. This made things a little harder, we were separated from the rest of the school and the walk from the main building to the back was hard it always seemed to crowded. That year they ended up changing

all of the bus schedules since there wasn't enough room for all of the buses to be in the parking lot at the same time, you had to ride one bus which at the time was 936 over to what use to be the middle school parking lot then you would get off and find your bus that would then take you home. This was very stressful and confusing to make sure you got on the right bus.

Even now the tornado still effects a lot of us, such as I never got to experience the actual middle school building which they eventually tore down. The middle school had to be combined with the high school students. Which the high school students weren't too happy to have to share they're building with what they consider as little kids. The teachers make sure we are separated from the high school students at all times to avoid possible conflicts. Sharing the building with the high school students is hard. We aren't aloud to be in the halls when they are which is almost 24/7. We have to schedule are bathroom breaks and other activities around the high school students schedules. By the time they get the new high school built I will be a sophomore.

In conclusion everyone was affected by the storm someway or another. In the time of need people banded together to help the ones in need. The ones who had lost everything to the terrible storm. It took awhile but we are finally on are feet many people have forgot the tornado but others like me still live in the effects of the horrible storm.