LITTLE BRUSHY SCHOOL
Rowan County, Kentucky

The Cora Wilson Stewart Moonlight School, formerly known as the Little Brushy School, was originally located on Kentucky Highway 32 eight miles north of Morehead in Rowan County. This building replaced two earlier school buildings on the site, both of which had been destroyed by fire. The original building dated back to the turn of the century.

This building was constructed in 1910 by William Jasper Johnson and Henry Perry. One point of interest is that Mr. Johnson's son was one of the first students to attend school in the new building. The building was erected during the administration of Superintendent Cora Wilson Stewart and used as one of the moonlight schools in Rowan County. Mr. Ferris Cooke, who had served as the teacher in the previous building which had burned in 1909, was the first teacher.

Under the administration of Superintendent Roy Cornett, an additional room was erected in 1936 and the school's first lunch program was introduced in 1941.

During the period of the late 1920's through the early 1940's the enrollment ranged from 40 to 60 students per year. One highlight during each school year was the annual pie supper. The students took great pride in clearing the grounds for the event because the money collected was used to hire a truck to transport them to the Morehead Fair. An annual occurrence was Doctor Evans' visit to the school to immunize the students. When the students would see Dr. Evans' car they would run through the door or jump out the window to "escape." The teacher would then have to go through the community to "collect" the students for their shots.

Because of the consolidation of the schools in that area of the county and construction of the Tildon Hogge School, the school was closed in 1963.

The "Little Brushy School" building was donated to Morehead State University by Mr. William Dailey, Morehead, Kentucky.