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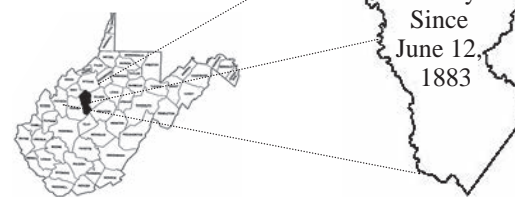
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### FREE

#### Thanksgiving Drive-Thru Community Dinner

Tuesday, Nov. 24, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CM/HS, front of school.

Free to the community. Do not need to be enrolled in school to receive a meal. Available while meals last.

Sponsored by Calhoun County Schools.

#### Farmers to Families Food Box Pickup

Tuesday, Nov. 24, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CM/HS, front of school

Free boxes of fresh produce, meat and dairy products for children and families in Calhoun County.

All are welcome, no income requirements. First come, first served. Remain in vehicle and be mindful of COVID-19 health and safety practices.

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### SPECIAL EVENTS

Tuesday, Nov. 24

Farmers to Families free food box pickup, CM/HS, front of school, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; all are welcome; sponsored by Save the Children and USDA.

Free Drive-Thru Community Thanksgiving meal, Calhoun Middle/High School, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., or while meals last.

Wednesday, Nov. 25

Grief/loss ministry,

Cornerstone Church, 527 Highland St., Grantsville, 5:30 p.m.; for information, call 354-0492.

Thursday, Nov. 26

THANKSGIVING.

Monday, Nov. 30

Continuation of Nov. 16 board of education meeting, Mt. Zion board office, 5:30 p.m.

Amnesty Day at Calhoun County Library; bring back overdue items and pay no late fees.

## Margin Stays the Same After Recount

According to county clerk Jean Simers, the recount for the Calhoun county commission race began at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19, the first date it could be held legally, and ended on Friday, Nov. 20, at 8 p.m.

All candidates for the office received a hand-delivered notice of the date and time of the recount by the sheriff's office on Friday, Nov. 13.

Simers said, "During

a recount, you must have teams of four people--two Democrats and two Republicans. The recount began with one team--Melissa Hixon and Pamela Gainer, Democrats, and Nikki Clark and Anita West, Republicans."

Two of the commission candidates, Craig Arthur and Matt Walker, were present during the entire process, along with the three county commissioners, the county clerk,

and on Thursday, Dot Underwood, a representative from the W.Va. Secretary of State's office.

In addition to Underwood, Roane county clerk Charlie White attended on Thursday.

The county clerk and commission attempted to make the recount as transparent as possible, with all proceedings available through Zoom.

Simers said, "The

team worked diligently to complete the recount, finishing at 8:00 on Friday evening. Although some of the precinct numbers changed, mainly because of provisional ballots, the totals remained (basically) the same."

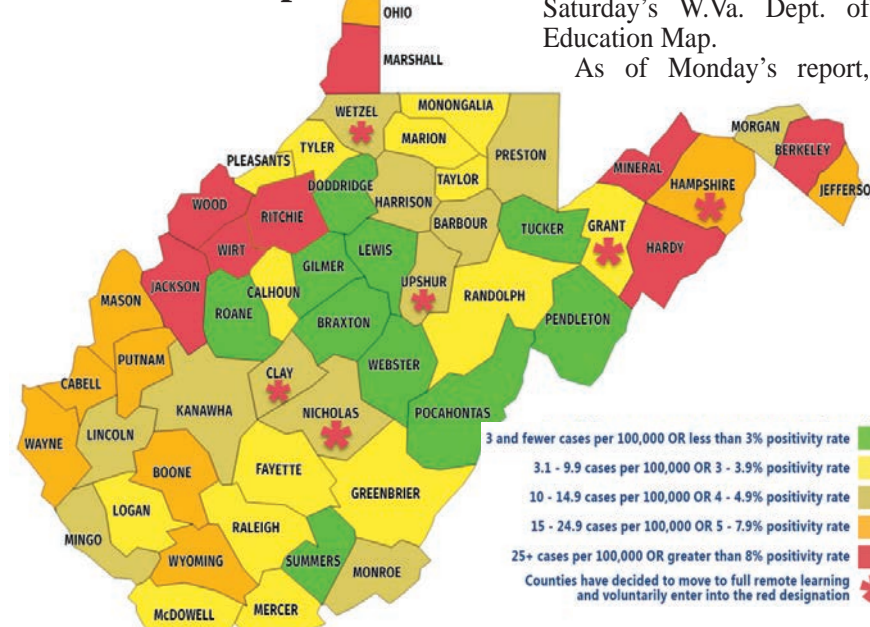
Matt Walker lost one vote, 1085 to 1084; Craig Arthur lost one vote, 1041 to 1040; and Rick Sampson lost three votes, 782 to 779.

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#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER

MATT WALKER	86	127	119	65	87	75	157	103	127	138	1084
RICK SAMPSON	65	101	94	60	94	73	49	59	83	101	779
CRAIG ARTHUR	107	91	123	68	96	94	155	82	116	108	1040

### Saturday, Nov. 21, Education Map



### Calhoun Goes Yellow On Education Map

the county has added 13 COVID-19 cases since last week, and now has had 57 positive cases since the pandemic began.

Calhoun is listed with a percent positivity of 3.20 and an infection rate of 18.09, leaving the status as yellow on a 14-day average.

Besides eight counties that were listed as red on Saturday, six other counties have decided to go to remote learning classes only.

Calhoun students are not scheduled to return to in-person classes until Monday, Dec. 7.

The Education Map determines which counties may hold in-person and blended instruction.

## GSC's Larry Baker Treasures Opportunity To Teach, Mentor

### Former CCHS Teacher Has Numerous Connections To Calhoun

According to Glenville State College, it has long been noted for its friendly campus; a haven full of smiles and fellowship.

In today's GSC landscape, there is no face any friendlier than that of long-time faculty member Larry Baker, who teaches math and science in the GSC Dept. of Education. He is Glenville's "Mr. Positivity."

"I honestly believe that there is a lot of good in this world, and that we are very blessed to be around a lot of great people here at GSC," said Baker. "When I come to work every day, there is a lot to smile about."

For Baker, it has always been about the students. With over 30 years of work in education, he continues to serve, working to see each individual that he works with reach their potential.

Baker is a native of Wood County. He attended Washington Elementary and followed that experience with his time at Blennerhassett Junior High School. He attended Parkersburg South High

School for grades 10-12, graduating in 1983.

During his days at both Blennerhassett and South, Baker participated in several sports, including football, basketball and baseball at BJHS.

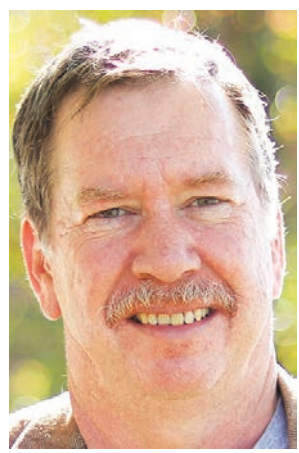
Once he got to South, he ran cross country and operated the lighting system in the auditorium for theater productions: "I loved everything I was involved in, and had a great group of friends, but cross country was a better fit for me once I got to high school."

Academically, Baker performed at a high level, and put a great deal of his focus on college math and college science. He worked on a track that would prepare him for college in those areas. This track eventually led him to GSC.

"My parents instilled that into me at an early age that I would be going to Glenville someday," said Baker. "They were proud GSC supporters and this college made a major difference in their lives."

Edward R. Baker was a 1959 graduate of GSC. He grew up in the Ritchie County community of Beatrice. He served a stint in the military, then attended Glenville on the G.I. Bill.

Larry's mom Patricia is also a Ritchie County



Larry Baker

native, from Brohard, a small community on the Ritchie-Calhoun-Wirt county line.

His dad taught at Harrisville High School for a period of time, and served a stint as a teacher at Hamilton Junior High, before establishing a long career at the DuPont Plant in Washington, W.Va.

His mother graduated from Camden Clark Memorial Hospital and was the third nurse hired when Calhoun General, now Minnie Hamilton Health System, opened.

Baker remained in Parkersburg for the first two years after his graduation from South. While attending West Virginia University at Parkersburg, he continued to log college credits while working several odd jobs in the county. During this time, he worked in a paint shop,

as a mechanic at a garage, and also at Parkersburg Post Office.

He was a GSC student in the mid-'80s, working toward eventually teaching math and science. He notes that it was a very special time to be a student at GSC, and he was active in many activities on campus. One of his most vivid memories was the historic flood in November of 1985.

"I will always remember how high the water was coming down Main Street," said Baker. "I can vividly remember being with Jerry Burkhammer going out in boats and getting people who were down on Main St., and how community members were lodged on campus, and so many people pulled together to help each other through that event."

Baker was an active member of the GSC community. He served on student council, was a resident assistant at Pickens Hall, president of Chi Beta Phi, and president of the Judicial Board.

He would student teach in the spring of 1988. During his time at GSC, he was classmates with several current GSC employees: Burkhammer, Dr. Kevin Cain, Dr. Kevin Evans, and Jesse Skiles. Burkhammer is cur-

rently the project director for Student Support Services, Cain is an associate professor of education, Evans is a professor of chemistry, and Skiles is director of athletics.

After Glenville, Baker was actively looking for employment, and five job openings were on the board for Kanawha County. He chose to accept the job at East Bank High School in the eastern end of the county, teaching science, computer science, and mathematics.

At the time of his hire, he was the youngest member of the EBHS faculty. He would remain at East Bank for 10 years, and during that time he served as the area technologist for Kanawha County Schools.

It was in the early '90s that he married his wife Vickie Fulks, a 1990 GSC graduate and a native of Millstone. Like Larry, Vickie's degree was in math and general science. She later certified in secondary physics (9-12), with a master's degree in early education.

"I have a lot of very fond memories of my time at East Bank," said Baker. "I loved it there . . . the people I worked with, the students, the community, the culture . . . it was a great experience. That area went through quite

a transformation during that time. I can remember periods of time, where you might lose up to 100 students in the district when a mine would shut down."

It was during his time at East Bank that the Bakers had a son, William Baker. After the 1999 school year, Larry was set to join the faculty at the new Riverside High School, the result of the consolidation of DuPont and East Bank high schools.

This is when fate intervened: "Vickie had said a few times that she was wanting to move home. I was happy at East Bank and hadn't really thought about it. I guess you can never underestimate the power of a country girl."

Baker soon got a call from Ron Blankenship in Calhoun County, asking if he would be interested in helping with the technology program for the county school system. Within the week, the young couple was heading back to Calhoun, with Larry as the county's director of technology.

His life took another turn two years later, when he interviewed at his alma mater, GSC. Through a very valuable contact, his former professor Dr. Joe Evans, Baker was able to secure a job with GSC

# OBITUARIES

## GEORGIA RIDDLE

Georgia Riddle, 93, of Lexington, S.C., died Monday, Nov. 16, 2020.

She was born in Tanner, the daughter of the late George Benton Riddle and Ada Merle Edman Riddle. She was a graduate of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Parkersburg, where she received her credentials as a registered nurse. She was a member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Lexington.

Surviving are one son, Rev. Dr. Patrick Wendell Riddle and wife Janet; twin granddaughters, Savannah Corbin and Mary Victoria; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wendell Riddle, a U.S. Navy veteran, whom she married in 1946; one brother, Samuel Newton Riddle, who was killed in action during World War II; his son, George Guy; and one sister, Eleanor Caroline Riddle.

Georgia's funeral was held at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, conducted by Rev. Jason T. Antley and Rev. Dr. Dennis R. Bolton. Visitation was held at Stump Funeral Home, Grantsville and burial was alongside Wendell in Roseville Cemetery, Gilmer County.

## ALICE PALMER RAMSEY

Alice J. Palmer Ramsey, 81, of Shinnston, formerly of Bowie, Md., died Friday, Nov. 6, 2020, at St. Barbara's Memorial Nursing Home.



She was born in Sand Ridge, the daughter of the late William David and Esta Poling Palmer. She graduated from Calhoun County High School. She and her sister Cora wrote and published a book called "It Happened in West Virginia." She was a member of Church of the Nazarene, Shinnston.

Surviving are her husband, Oscar Ramsey, whom she married on Jan. 28, 1961; two daughters, Carole A. Rehm and Kenneth of Shinnston and Janeel R. James and David of, Sudlersville, Md.; four grandchildren, Wayne Ramsey, Kevin Connolly, Hannah James, and Sydonia Garrott and Patrick; two great-grandchildren, Nathan and Matthew; two sisters, Leora Mae Kalman of Taneytown, Md., and Lora Nell Hewitt of Jackson, Mich.; one brother-in-law, Rev John Foster of Cabot, Pa.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

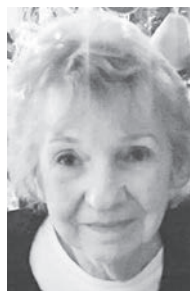
She was preceded in death by five sisters, Clara Belle Newell, Grace Palmer, Delma Ruth Kerby, Dola Palmer and Cora Foester, and one nephew, Robert Kerby.

Online condolences can be made at [Davisfuneralhomewv.com](http://Davisfuneralhomewv.com).

Obituaries of local interest are free and subject to editing for space, conciseness, and content, which includes direct descendants, their spouses, if clearly stated as such and are local residents, number of grandchildren, etc. Information must come from a funeral home. Memorials and obituaries are available as a paid advertisement.

## NORMA JEAN RUTHERFORD

Norma Jean Rutherford, 85, of Beechwood Acres, Glenville, died Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020.



She was born the youngest child of John B. and Rosa A. Stewart Willis. Although a homemaker most of her life, she was a nurse's aide in the early years, and also worked at Kinney Shoe Plant, Glenville. She had been under the care of W.Va. Caring since February 2020. She was a member of Glenville Community Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Marcia Drake of Buckhannon, Cindy Wilson and husband Randy of Glenville, and Teresa Rutherford of Niles, Ohio; one son, Chuck Rutherford and wife Crystal of Buckhannon; three grandsons, Brad Drake, Mitchell Greynolds and Bobby Bush; four granddaughters, Jenny Drake, Amanda Zachos, Ashley Smith and Cheyenne Higgins; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles W. Rutherford, whom she married on Dec. 15, 1957; one grandson, Joshua Dean Hanifan; and her siblings.

Her request for cremation will be honored. Grave-side committal service will be conducted Saturday, 2 p.m., at Moss Cemetery, Little Bull Run, Gilmer County, with her son-in-law, Randy Wilson, officiating. In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, masks and social distancing are requested, and hugs are discouraged for safety reasons. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.stumpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.stumpfuneralhomes.com).

## CHERYL ANN FIEDORCZYK

Cheryl Ann Fiedorczyk, 63, of Parkersburg, died Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, at Ruby Memorial Hospital.

She was born in Parkersburg, the daughter of the late Charles and Eloise Davis Cline. She taught for 39 years, earning multiple Golden Apple awards, retiring from Wood County Schools this fall, and previously teaching in Calhoun County Schools and Charleston County Schools, S.C. She was a member of Sigma, Sigma, Sigma sorority, AFT, and WVFT. She volunteered for humane societies in Parkersburg and Marietta.

Surviving are her husband of 38 years, Dan Fiedorczyk; two daughters, Leah and Ansley; and four grandchildren, Shaun, Braelyn, Cameron and Chloe.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Bob Cline, and one sister, Patti Milhoan.

Services were held at Leavitt Funeral Home, Parkersburg, with Pastor Kevin Church officiating.

## Calendar Available

A free calendar, sponsored by W.Va. Dept. of Environmental Protection's Adopt A Highway program, includes 12 pictures of West Virginia wildflowers growing naturally along state roadways or in Operation Wildflower beds.

The pictures were chosen from dozens of entries submitted by photographers from West Virginia and surrounding states.

To order a calendar, visit [dep.wv.gov/environmental-advocate/reap/ow/Pages/default.aspx](http://dep.wv.gov/environmental-advocate/reap/ow/Pages/default.aspx), call 1-800-322-5530, or email [dep.aah@wv.gov](mailto:dep.aah@wv.gov).

If you call and get voicemail, leave a message with your name and mailing address and you will be put on the order

list. Requests are limited to one calendar per household. West Virginia residents receive priority.

Adopt A Highway program is administered by WVDEP's Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan (REAP), which has a new motto, "Keeping West Virginia Clean and Green."

REAP was created in 2005 and strives to clean up West Virginia and rid the state of litter. The program empowers citizens to take ownership of their communities by providing technical, financial, and resource assistance in cleanup and recycling efforts.

Information is available at [dep.wv.gov/environmental-advocate/reap/Pages/default.aspx](http://dep.wv.gov/environmental-advocate/reap/Pages/default.aspx).

# Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

Thanksgiving is upon us, and I feel compelled to ask everyone how we would feel if any of our loved ones were to contract COVID-19 because of a family simply wanting to gather together to give thanks and enjoy each other's company for one day, just as we have always done.

There is simply too much risk involved to take the risk of infecting loved ones this year. If all goes well with the vaccines that are on the horizon, we can all gather together as a united country to give thanks when this pandemic has been relegated to the history books.

I am happy to report that I have been seeing many more people wearing facial coverings recently. For a while it seemed like less than 50% of folks going in or out of a store here in Calhoun County were covering their face, but now it may be as high as 90%. That number needs to be 100% until the pandemic is under some control.

I caught myself thinking, when the COVID-19 numbers were released last Sunday, that it wasn't as bad, as the numbers of new infections was "only" 880.

Anything over zero is a bad number. When this started, I was shocked when the numbers were in the teens for West Virginia. Now, we are seeing infections in the state numbering over 1,000. We need to do better at controlling this outbreak. Much, much better.

I now have a granddaughter and two great-grandsons in quarantine due to exposure to COVID-19 on a school bus. As much as we would like it to be otherwise, the virus is here and will not go away on its own.

All we can do for now is try to limit the spread in our county by abiding by the protocols that have been issued by state health officials and on the federal level. This is an expression of freedom for all America to perhaps live through this pandemic.

## Margin Stays the Same--

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"There has been a question of the placement of candidates on the official ballot. The ballot order is specified in law, with the first party on the ballot the party of the sitting president, followed by the parties that receive the most votes," said Simers.

"If you are an independent or no-party individual, your name must follow all other parties.

Also, we all need to pay very close attention to the information that we believe. I have heard people say some completely outrageous things about this virus and how it will be dealt with by government agencies, both state and federal.

As they say, "You are what you eat," and you also reflect what you believe. COVID-19 is a virus. It doesn't care about your political or religious beliefs. It cares not a whit about your financial state, rich, poor or in between. It is what it is, and if you do not show it respect and fear, it can kill you or a loved one.

\* \* \* \*  
We are in the midst of the annual week-long vacation here in Calhoun County--known as deer season.

Unlike in recent years, the crack of dawn came on Monday morning, accompanied by the boom of rifles, as hunters welcomed the daylight with their first shots of the day.

There are plenty of deer around this year, even though the coyotes probably harvest more deer in any given year than do two-legged hunters.

I guess for hunters, there is also the chance of bagging a bear, since the season for bear hunting is running concurrently with deer season.

\* \* \* \*  
Jeanne and I are planning a quiet Thanksgiving this year. It will be just the two of us, and we will connect with the family through Facebook and Messenger, so that we can all give thanks.

This will happen only if our internet allows, given that it is usually almost as fast as dial-up.

\* \* \* \*  
I know that this is going to be the most unusual Thanksgiving in our lifetime, but if we are very, very careful, and a vaccine works and is readily available, we will be able to give great thanks next November with all of our family and friends. Do your part. Show your love for family and friends. Wear a mask!

In Wood County, there was a no-party candidate for county commission, whose name was in the fifth position on the ballot, and in Wirt County, the no-party candidate for sheriff, who was placed in the fifth position on the ballot, actually won the race.

"If anyone would like to see the other counties' ballot, they are available in the county clerk's office."

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# This Week In History

The following reports are taken from *The Calhoun Chronicle* archives:

## 1920, 100 years ago

The many friends of Watt Stump will regret to learn that his eyes are giving him serious trouble again. For the past several years, he has been having more or less trouble with his eyesight, and last week it culminated in a Parkersburg optician telling him that the sight of one eye was gone and ulcers were forming on the good eye. He went on to a Cincinnati hospital, where an operation will be performed trying to save the good eye. Mrs. Stump, accompanied by Rev. J. Smith Dye, left Wednesday morning to be by his bedside. Mr. Stump's many friends around here hope to hear soon that he has found some relief from his afflictions. During it all, he has been mighty patient and cheerful, and we sincerely hope there will be a reward for his courage and optimism.

L.J. Morris, big boss of the Hope Boogerhole field, was a visitor here on Saturday. He formerly had a right vigorous case of electionitis, but is now able to sit up and take nourishment.

We are informed that Al Gunn of Mt. Zion has rented the Cook Barn at the corner of High and Court streets and will conduct a livery and feed stable here this winter. He will bring in eight head of horses. This will be a great help to the traveling public.

The post office at Dodrill has been re-established, with Doc Stump commissioned to read postal cards and lick stamps. This will be a great convenience to people living in that vicinity.

Godfrey L. Cabot has opened a business office in the Peoples Bank building to take care of his vast oil and gas interests in this county. The office is in charge of Superintendent J.G. Oles, with L.S. Peninger of Henrietta as bookkeeper.

The many friends of Charley Stump, the local liveryman and horse fancier, will be glad to know that he has about recovered from a serious blight that attacked him the night of Nov. 2. He is again able to be out and can be found at his livery stable near the mill, where he is taking care, as his custom, in his old-time accommodating and efficient manner. It is to be noted, however, that he uses the alleys and back streets, seldom venturing out on the main boulevards of the city.

## 1945, 75 years ago

Reports for the second six weeks period of Calhoun County High School reveal a substantial increase in the number of students making honor grades of an average of "B" or better in their major subjects.

The seniors, not to be outdone by the freshmen this time, tied with them for first place by having 15 students with honor grades. The sophomores came in second with 13 while the juniors trailed with six.

The total number on the honor roll, 49, represents an approximate gain of 25 percent over the first six week period. Those whose grades placed them on the roll of honor, with their point averages, are as follows:

Seniors: Mary Helen Hartshorn 3.75, Barbara Miller 3.50, Irene Naylor 3.50, Charles Offutt 3.50, Nancy Lou McDonald 3.50, Bernice Jarvis 3.25, Lila Lee Knight 3.25, Donald Smith 3.25, Marva Welsh 3.00, Colleen Nicholas 3.00, Norma Jean Miller 3.00, Mary Knight 3.00, Betty Jo Kelly 3.00, Mary Arnold 3.00, Eula Elliott 3.00.

Juniors: Joan Campbell 4.00, Patricia Westfall 3.50, Johnson Wilson 3.50, Murdayne Lynch 3.50, Betty Collins 3.00, Mildred Kerby 3.00.

Sophomores: William Ice 4.00, Myla Stump 3.75, Jean Garretson 3.75, Edna Dawson 3.50, Patricia Marshall 3.50, Lewis Villers 3.25, Doris Brannon 3.25, Mary Lou Phillips 3.25, Clarence Maze, Jr. 3.25, Irene Kendall 3.00, Larry Gainer 3.00, Doris Gainer 3.00, Erma Lee Ball 3.00.

Freshmen: Edna Whipkey 4.00, Joe Riddle 3.75, Carol Poling 3.75, Betty Yoak 3.50, Nila Lee Francis 3.50, Thelma Buck 3.50, Oleva Mae Fowler 3.50, Martha Wilson 3.25, Viola Mae Cain 3.25, Betty Fulks 3.25, Betty Riddle 3.25, Bonel Poling 3.25, Wyoma Cunningham 3.25, Mary Giles 3.00, Willa Lea Yoak 3.00.

## 1970, 50 years ago

The total and estimated deer kill for Calhoun County during the first week of the season was 73, according to Lt. Paul Stover of Parkersburg and Officer Albert Jennings of Fayette County, who are working in this area in the absence of W.G. Gainer, the resident officer, who is on sick leave at this time. Jennings said this was a reasonable number, considering the fact that hunting pressure in the county has been very light. There are three checking stations in the county at which deer may be checked: Bob Morgan's Esso, Grantsville, Alton Altizer's Grocery, Arnoldsburg, and Holbert's Store, Big Bend.

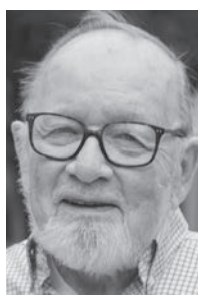
In respect to field tagging, the law requires that each person killing a deer in the wild shall immediately after removing the entrails, but in any event, within one hour and before transporting or removing the carcass in any manner from where it was killed, complete and attach a game tag supplied with his license before delivering said deer to an official checking station. Persons not required to have a license may make their own tags, giving name and address, date, county, time and locality of kill.

There have been eight prosecutions in the county for hunting violations during the first week, but no hunting accidents have been reported. "Let's keep it safe," the officers say, "Don't imagine a pair of antlers on your buddy's backside. Be sure of what you see before you shoot!"

Checked so far at Holbert's Store are these: Joe A. Cain, Big Bend, 6 pt.; Hershel A. Jeffery, Annamoriah, 4 pt.; Wayne Riggs, Mt. Zion, 3 pt.; James Jones, Nobe, 14 pt.; John Cheesbrew, Grantsville, 8 pt.; Jim Jones, Big Bend, 8 pt.; Dermal Smith, Grantsville, spike; William Bartlett, Huntington, 8 pt.; Dwight L. Meadows, Akron, Ohio, 6 pt.; Archie J. Rose, Munday, 6 pt.; Dorcy Wilson, Munday, 7 pt.; William G. Marks,

# CURIOSITY CORNER

by Dr. Jerry D. Wilson,  
Emeritus Professor of Physics,  
Lander University



**Question:** Most South American countries are Spanish-speaking, yet Brazilians speak Portuguese. Why is this? (Asked by a column reader whose Spanish wasn't any good in Brazil.)

**Reply:** Brazil is the largest country in South America and is the only Portuguese-speaking country in the Americas. It is the world's fifth largest country, both in geography and in population.

The reason that Brazilians speak Portuguese is because Brazil was colonized by Portugal, but the history is a bit more complex. In the 15th century, Spain and Portugal were the "big guns." Columbus had discovered America for Spain, while Portugal was advancing along the African coast. This led to a dispute on how to divide newly discovered lands.

In 1493, the Spanish-born Pope Alexander VI (the head of the Holy Roman Empire) decreed that all lands west and south of the meridian line 100 leagues (about 300 miles) of the Cape Verde Islands (off the west coast of Africa) should belong to Spain. Portugal and its lands were not mentioned. This meridian runs down the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.

The Portuguese King John II was not pleased with this arrangement.

He entered into negotiations with King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain, and signed a treaty in 1494 moving the dividing meridian 370 leagues (about 1,100 miles) from the Cape Verde Islands, with Spain claiming lands on the west side and Portugal claiming lands on the east side. With this new line, however, Portugal got a big chunk of real estate on the east side of that line, which included Brazil. The Portuguese explorer Pedro Cabral landed there and claimed it for Portugal.

**Question:** The term "24/7" is used a lot these days. Isn't this relatively new? (Asked by a 'round-the-clock column reader.)

**Reply:** As you probably know, 24/7 stands for "24 hours a day, 7 days a week." It is used in reference to something that is available at all times without much interruption. Although its origins are not known for certain, one of the first uses of the phrase was in a popular song named "24/7" in 1989 by Dino Esposito. The first lines of the chorus were, "I think about you all the time . . . 24/7 babe."

**C.P.S.** (Curious Postscript): "Fear is that little dark room where negatives are developed." --Michael Pritchard

Curious about something? Send your questions to Dr. Jerry D. Wilson, College of Science and Mathematics, Lander University, Greenwood, SC 29649, go to [www.curiosity-corner.net](http://www.curiosity-corner.net), or email [jerry@curiosity-corner.net](mailto:jerry@curiosity-corner.net). Selected questions will appear in the Curiosity Corner.

## Emotion Helpline

Are you or your loved ones feeling anxious, overwhelmed or emotionally exhausted?

First Choice Services has launched a 24/7 emotional strength help-line called HELP304 to help navigate these uncertain and unprecedented times.

Available via phone, text, or online chat, professional crisis counselors are trained to listen and help you find the way forward with stress management strategies, as well as community resources and referrals. Talk to someone who cares and can help.

Call the helpline via phone or text at 877-HELP304 (877-435-7304) or online chat at [www.help304.com](http://www.help304.com).

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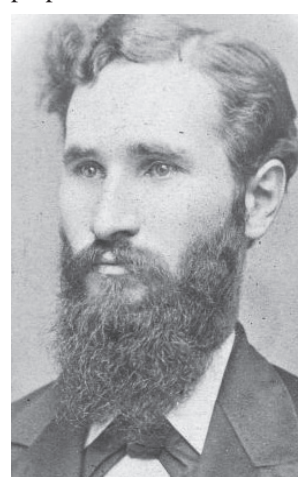


# This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from Nov. 26-Dec. 2 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit [www.wvencyclopedia.org](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

Nov. 26, 1952: A fire on the evening before Thanksgiving at Huntington State Hospital killed 14 patients, with three more patients later dying from their injuries. Huntington State Hospital is known today as Mildred Mitchell-Bateman Hospital.

Nov. 26, 1861: The Constitutional Convention of 1861-63 was convened in Wheeling. The convention provided the foundation for state government in preparation for statehood.



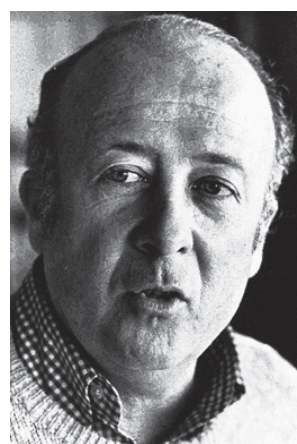
Nov. 27, 1933: Daniel Boardman Purinton, faculty member and president of West Virginia University, died. He was an early and strong supporter of co-education.

Nov. 28, 1864: In a local skirmish north of Moorefield, Rosser's Confederate cavalry and McNeill's Rangers rebuffed a raid by Union Col. R.E. Fleming and spared the South Branch Valley from destruction. The battlefields are part of the Middle South Branch Valley rural historic district.



Nov. 29, 1921: The actress Dagmar was born

Virginia Ruth Egnor in Logan County. Her acting career took off in 1950 when she was hired to be on NBC's "Broadway Open House," the network's first late-night television show.



Nov. 29, 2001: Writer John Knowles died in Florida. Born in Fairmont, he attained literary fame in 1959 with his first novel, "A Separate Peace."

Nov. 30, 1796: Brooke County was established under an act of the General Assembly of Virginia. It was formed from part of Ohio County and named in honor of Robert Brooke, governor of Virginia.

Dec. 1, 1797: Journalist and politician John S. Gallaher was born in Martinsburg. He owned or managed several Whig newspapers and was instrumental in establishing the free school system in Virginia. He played a prominent role in having early railroads routed through the Eastern Panhandle.

Dec. 2, 1859: John Brown was hanged at Charles Town in Jefferson County. Maj. Thomas J. Jackson, later nicknamed "Stonewall," was among those commanding the Virginia forces standing guard at the execution of the abolitionist who led the raid at Harpers Ferry.

Dec. 2, 1933: The Charles Town Race Track (shown below) opened shortly after West Virginia legalized racing and parimutuel betting. The Jefferson County complex contained 22 buildings and included 12 stables.

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Charles Town Race Track opened on Dec. 2, 1933.

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## Holiday Scammers: Always Naughty, Never Nice

With more people shopping online comes more opportunities for scammers to hook shoppers: they set up fake websites and run online campaigns. The goal? To steal payment information, your identity, or to load malicious software on your device to steal usernames and passwords.

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## My Home Among the Hills

by Mellody Walburn



It was a pretty quiet week at my home among the hills. I went nowhere, so I tried to keep busy with school work and house work. It's amazing what you can find to do when you have lots of time on your hands. It was the perfect week to get some tasks completed and to count my blessings.

My first task was to rearrange my bedroom. In the summertime, my bed is located on the inside wall away from the air-conditioner. In the winter, I move it back to the outside wall away from the gas heater. Moving the bed also requires me to move my side table, cedar chest, and overstuffed chair. Moving all of this furniture also requires me to sweep and dust. It is amazing how much dust can accumulate in a room that I only sleep in. While I was rearranging and cleaning, I also dusted the ceiling fan and washed my sheets.

My upstairs bathroom is still torn up, so I worked on moving some of my daily necessities down to the first-floor bathroom. I am a creature of habit, so changing my normal routine will take some getting used to, but I am getting used to doing my hair and putting on my make-up in the mirror down there.

I took some time off from rearranging and organizing to work on lesson plans and grading papers. I have learned that I can only look at a screen for so long before my head starts to hurt, so I work for a while, and then I do something else. I think I may need to get my glasses changed soon. I find myself squinting, even when I am wearing my glasses.

When it came time for a break, I decided that I needed some fresh air. I headed outside to tend to my little, feathered friends. I wanted to put up a few more bird feeders and a couple of suet cakes. I really enjoy watching the birds come and visit my feeders. I now have a few more places for them to stop by and say hello. I may even have to buy myself a bird book, so that I can identify what kind of birds they are.

Next, I turned my attention to covering the pontoon boat for the winter. I ordered a boat cover a while back, and it came this week. It took me a bit of time, but eventually I got the cover on and secured. I think I may need to make some adjustments if heavy snow is ever predicted, but until then, it should be good to go.

My last project was to bring all of my Christmas decorations down from the attic. It will be the last time that I do that. Now that my basement is clean, I will store my decorations down there from now on. They will be a lot easier to put away and to access throughout the year. On Sunday, I took down my fall decorations and put them in the basement. Then, I started putting up my Christmas tree. I still have a long way to go, but I got a good start, and it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at my home among the hills.

This coming week, I plan to spend some time counting my blessings. It would be easy in a year like this one to focus on the negatives. Heaven knows, it's not been a year that many people will look back on with great fondness. Still, in the midst of all this chaos, there are always blessings to be found. My students and I focused on them, as we kept our gratitude journals this month.

When my students would start to tell me they couldn't think of anything else to be grateful for, I would ask them questions to help them see the many blessings that they might be taking for granted. We started with our health. Everyone of us woke up that morning, we opened our eyes and saw the world around us. We climbed out of bed using our arms and legs. We could hear, taste, smell and feel. There were many days before COVID 19 that I took my health for granted. Each healthy day that I have is a blessing.

We next focused on the fact that we woke up in a house that had electricity and running water that was safe to drink. We had clothes in our closet and food in our fridge and cupboards. We could walk out our door and not be afraid. All of these were blessings that we often overlooked.

As the weeks progressed, my students needed less prompting. They began to look for the blessings, which was exactly the point of the assignment. I will be looking for my blessings this week; I encourage you to join me.

## Amie Sexton Silcott Letter Collection

(The following is a copyrighted series of letters accumulated by the late Hunter Armentrout and published in The Calhoun Chronicle in 2007. Most of the writing is by Amie Evaline Sexton Silcott, who provides a history of the people and places in and around Calhoun County, Arnoldsburg in particular, during the mid-1800s.)

(Continued From Last Week)

Henry Taylor<sup>1</sup> was very sociable indeed. Perry & George were both gone. I cannot tell you how much difference there may be between him & some other gentlemen on F.C., yet I know that I am not particularly concerned whether there is any difference or not. You must keep tavern when you get a pike<sup>2</sup> past you, that is, private entertainment, as Perry does.

I do want to see Grandma very much. Louisa often speaks of her. Give our love to her, also to Virginia. Perry was much pleased with Virginia & says she has a beautiful child. Dear little Emma. Kiss her twenty times for me.

Sarah<sup>3</sup> has another daughter, a month old. Nancy<sup>4</sup> sends word to Lovina [Young] that she is as bad as ever & a little worse, & I think that is about the truth. & now last, but not least, we would all return our thanks for the excellent cheese you sent us. Warrie is standing by me now & I know he is doubly grateful. I believe, if possible, he likes it better than at Grandma's. Louisa sends her thanks, & I offer mine. I have written this miserably, but I trust you will excuse me. So not show this to any one. Do write me a long letter soon Mother, & forgive me for my nonsense.

In truth & love  
Your dutiful daughter  
Amie E. Sexton

22d [April, 1853]

Dear Mother

Do please write me a long letter soon. If not convenient to write by Perry, write the first mail. Although I am always happy to receive letter from any of my friends, yet my mother's letters have the preference. & although I have to laugh sometimes at your great dislike to my living in Gilmer, yet I hope you will soon become reconciled. Don't talk to Perry as though you thought I was going to live in Gilmer, excepting with him. George told me that Worthington promised to meet him in Weston, I think on the eighth of May. I should be very happy to have him come to Arnoldsburg. Yet he must not expect me to return with him. Good bye.

Amie Eva

(Amie Visits California.)

Arnoldsburg

July 31st 1853

Dear Brother Freeman

As I was quietly seated this morning in an easy chair, deeply engaged in "Godey's Lady's book", some newspapers were handed to me. & one was the Western obs[erver]<sup>5</sup>. I had only seen two copies before for several months, & with feeling of deep pleasure I commenced perusing the papers printed in my own county. It reminded me of the hills & dales of Upshur, & of the many kind friends, some of whose names were recorded in the paper. But deeply was I disappointed as I searched eagerly in every page & corner for some production [unfinished].

[Written on back of letter]

ARTICLE OF SCHOOL<sup>6</sup>

An article of Agreement between Amie E. Sexton, Teacher of the one part, and Subscribers of the other part. Amie E. Sexton proposes and agrees if sufficient encouragement of Scholars to teach a School of one quarter or sixty five days in the James Arnold house, of Reading, Writing, Geography, English Grammar, Arithmetic, &c. And use her exertions for the benefit of her Employers & the improvement of her Scholars; and Subscriber on their part agree to pay the said Teacher for her Services Two Dollars per Scholar, except what is paid by the School Commissioner.

School to commence the Second Monday in May.

Subscribers Names

<sup>1</sup>Henry Taylor is from Upshur County; married Amie's cousin, Lovina Young, daughter of Festus. They lived on Lynch Run, Gilmer County. He was a Virginian and the New Englanders did not like to mix socially with the Virginians.

<sup>2</sup>pike: Buckhannon and Little Kanawha Turnpike, which was proposed to go through French Creek.

<sup>3</sup>Sarah: probably Sarah J. Ruddle of Glenville, wife of Steven Ruddle, hotel keeper. Child was probably Mary.

<sup>4</sup>Nancy: Unable to identify, probably a slave, but not certain.

<sup>5</sup>Western Observer, printed in Weston, pro slavery, shut down by Union Army at beginning of Civil War. Amie had sent one of her "rhymes" to the publisher, and was anxious to see it in print.

<sup>6</sup>Article of School: Also on the back of the unfinished letter to her brother, Freeman, is a poem copied from Godey's Lady's Book. At the bottom, upside down of letter to Freeman, is a poem by Amie called "Conscioness and Resolve," dated Aug. 7, 1853, Arnoldsburg, Gilmer Co., Va. Amie was not one to waste paper.

(Continued Next Week)

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## Senior Citizens Menu

Menu for the Senior Citizens Center (2% milk and margarine available daily):

Thursday and Friday, Nov. 26-27: closed for Thanksgiving.

Monday, Nov. 30: hot-dogs with sauce, onions, baked beans, fruit.

Tuesday, Dec. 1: seasoned pinto beans, onions chopped, greens, mandarin oranges, cornbread.

Wednesday, Dec. 2: seasoned oven baked chicken, peas and carrots, spinach, mixed fruit, whole wheat bread.

Thursday, Dec. 3:

baked beans and wieners, potatoes, greens.

Friday, Dec. 4: cheesy potato soup, peaches, broccoli, crackers.

Suggested donation scale for meals: Individual monthly income, \$700 or less, \$1.25 per meal; \$701 to \$800, \$1.50; \$801 to \$900, \$1.75; \$901 or above, \$2. Guests under age 60, \$5.25.

You may drive-by and pick-up meals from 11 to 11:30 a.m., Monday-Friday, by calling Calhoun County Committee on Aging, 354-7017, to be placed on a list.

## Senior Legal Aid

Deb Miller, JD,

W.Va. Senior

Legal Aid Volunteer

For many, there comes a time when it seems appropriate to make plans for future funeral needs.

In West Virginia, it is legal for family to handle funerals and burials at home, but most people choose to work with a licensed funeral director to create their funeral and burial or cremation plans.

After establishing your budget, selecting the funeral options you want, based on the funeral home's itemized list of services, items and costs, is the next step.

Pre-paying for the funeral/burial/cremation services that you feel are important is an option that locks in today's costs via a pre-need funeral contract. Paying now means the funeral home cannot charge more for what it will handle later.

There are multiple methods for paying for a funeral in advance: buying or transferring life insurance; placing funds in the W.Va. Pre-Need Funeral Trust (by a lump sum or in installments); or depositing money into a special interest-bearing account, as allowed under West Virginia Code sec. 47-14-1, et seq.

Using an existing life insurance policy to cover the costs involves making an assignment to the funeral home for all or part of a policy's future proceeds. Another option is to take out a new policy for this specific purpose.

Funeral home staff are trained and licensed in making pre-need insurance sales. They are required to attend a yearly seminar to stay current in this area.

Depositing money into the W.Va. Pre-Need Funeral Trust, Inc., is an alternative way to fund a pre-need funeral contract.

The funds in the trust are invested, so check on the type of investments, history of return, and fees before deciding.

It is important to note that the funds held in this funeral trust are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. or any federal or state agency.

The option of using a special purpose interest-bearing account held by

a financial institution can work also. Confirm that the company is reputable and pays a fair interest rate.

Once completed, a copy of the pre-need contract must be given to you and sent to the W.Va. Attorney General's office.

Reporting by the funeral home to the attorney general on all of the pre-need contracts in its custody, regardless of the type of funding, is required every two years.

Any complaints about a pre-need contract can be made to the attorney general's office, 800-368-8808, or online, [www.agov.wv.gov](http://www.agov.wv.gov).

Information from the attorney general on pre-need planning can be found at [ago.wv.gov/consumerprotection/Documents/Preneed%20Funeral%20Tri-Fold.pdf](http://ago.wv.gov/consumerprotection/Documents/Preneed%20Funeral%20Tri-Fold.pdf).

If appropriate, the pre-need contract can be transferred to a different funeral home, as long as the second funeral home agrees to the terms of the contract.

Some choose to have no funeral and instead donate their body to science through the Human Gift Registry. There is one associated with each of the three medical schools in the state: Marshall University, W.Va. School of Osteopathic Medicine, and W.Va. University. Information is available online for each medical school.

Preparing your own obituary can be a good idea to make sure that the people, events and accomplishments you think should be included will be.

Making all of the arrangements that you feel are appropriate will assure that your wishes will be honored, and your family won't have to figure everything out at a very sad time.

Pre-planning can be especially important for people who have partners or other important people in their lives, who are not related to them by blood, legal adoption, or legal marriage.

Help with legal issues is available from W.Va. Senior Legal Aid at no cost to residents of the state, age 60 and over. Call 800-229-5068 to speak with the staff attorney.

## MINE SAFETY AGENCY

Accepting Exam Applications for Safety Instructors

The West Virginia Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety is accepting exam applications for positions of safety instructor. Applicants must have a minimum of five years of experience in the position for which they plan to test.

Exam applications are available online at <https://minesafety.wv.gov/BCMHS.html> or at any MHS&T regional office and the Coal Board office

Completed applications must be mailed to the address below and received by 4 p.m. Wednesday, January 13, 2021.

WV Board of Coal Mine Health & Safety  
106 Dee Drive, Charleston, WV 25311  
ATTN: Safety Inspectors Exam

Testing will be administered January 19 and 20, 2021, at the West Virginia Training and Conference Center - Pocahontas  
431 Rutherford Right Way in Julian WV, 25529.

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**Courtney Ridge Road | 1 mile from Elizabeth, Wirt County | 56 Acres +/- | \$59,500**

**2314 Sassafras Ridge Road | House and 17 Acres +/- | PRICE REDUCED \$59,500**

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**1551 Pine Creek Road | 2.55 Acres +/- | 3 BR - 2 BA | 2,100 Sq. Ft. | Outdoor Wood Furnace | PRIVATE CREEK SIDE SETTING! | PRICE REDUCED \$109,500**

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2tp/11/26-12/3

**Personals**

WANTED -- Grantsville, attractive, intelligent, shapely lady, 28-40s, with nice figure, for relationship. Woman send photo, phone, address to Emory King, 4167 Yellow Creek Road, Big Bend, WV 26136. She must have a computer. We make crafts to sell. 354-6688.  
4tp/11/19-12/10

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GIVE THE GIFT of Delicious Oranges fresh from the grove! Four unique varieties. Twenty delicious oranges. Limited time offer. Only \$19.99 (\$5.99 s/h per box). Call Hale Groves, 1-855-548-0380. Mention item #487 and code HMVH-N203 or visit [www.halegroves.com/A12205](http://www.halegroves.com/A12205). swc

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(2019-S-0000097 - Calhoun County - PERKINS PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC)  
 To: ANY AND ALL, EACH AND EVERY, OTHER PERSON, ENTITY, HEIR, ASSIGN, DEVISEE, SPOUSE, SUCCESSOR, CREDITOR, JUDGMENT LIEN HOLDER, GRANTEE, FIDUCIARY, CLAIMANT, SURFACE OWNER, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, OIL, GAS AND MINERAL OWNER, ASSIGNEE, OR LESSEE WHO OWNS, CLAIMS TO OWN OR POSSESSES AN INTEREST IN AND TO THAT CERTAIN LOT, TRACT OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE SAID TO CONTAIN 16.48 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SITUATE ON THE WATERS OF LAUREL CREEK OF THE LITTLE KANAWHA RIVER, IN SHERMAN DISTRICT, CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, WHICH ENTITLES SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY TO THE RIGHT TO REDEEM THE REAL ESTATE AS PROVIDED UNDER LAW, DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP C/O SHANNON ZAKAIB, DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP, DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP ATTENTION: TAMMIE L. WILSON, AGENT FOR NOTICE OF PROCESS, TAMMIE L. WILSON, MS, INCORPORATOR FOR DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, SHANNON R. HEINEY, INCORPORATOR FOR DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, SHANNON R. HEINEY-ZAKAIB, PRESIDENT OF DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, KRISTIN COTTRELL, SECRETARY OF DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, LIENHOLDER AGAINST DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, LIENHOLDER AGAINST DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, HOLDER OF A FEDERAL TAX LIEN AGAINST DREAMHOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FIELD COLLECTION AREA OFFICE, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

You will take notice that PERKINS PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2019-S-0000097, LAUREL 16.48 AC SUR, located in SHERMAN, which was returned delinquent in the name of DREAM HOME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Calhoun County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 8th day of November, 2019, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2021, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2021, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2021.	\$	533.95
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2021.	\$	435.15
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2020, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	907.80
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	427.50
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable Jeff Starcher, Sheriff and Treasurer of Calhoun County.</b>	\$	2,304.40
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.</b>	\$	35.00

You may redeem any time before March 31, 2021, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TOWN OF GRANTSVILLE BOND ORDINANCE

A public hearing will be held on the following-entitled Ordinance at a regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Grantsville (the "Town") to be held on Monday, December 7, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., at Town Hall, Grantsville, West Virginia, and at such hearing any person interested may appear before the Council and present protests, and all protests and suggestions shall be heard by the Council and it shall then take such actions as it shall deem proper in the premises upon an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONS, BETTLEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC WATERWORKS FACILITIES OF THE TOWN OF GRANTSVILLE, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED THEREOF, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE TOWN OF GRANTSVILLE OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,200,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE) IN ONE OR MORE SERIES; DEFINING AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING GENERALLY FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE HOLDER OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

The above-entitled Ordinance was approved by the Council on November 2, 2020. The above-quoted title of the Ordinance describes generally the contents thereof and the purposes of the Series 2020 A Bonds contemplated thereby. The Town contemplates the issuance of the Series 2020 A Bonds described in the Ordinance. The proceeds of the Series 2020 A Bonds will be used to (i) to pay a portion the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public water system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) to pay costs of issuance and related costs. The Series 2020 A Bonds are payable solely from revenues to be derived from the ownership and operation of the system of the Town. No taxes may at any time be levied for the payment of the Series 2020 A Bonds or the interest thereon.

A certified copy of the above-entitled Ordinance is on file with the Council at the office of the Clerk for review by interested parties during regular office hours.

Following the public hearing, the Council intends to enact the Ordinance upon final reading. A second public hearing will be held on the following-entitled Ordinance at a regular meeting of the Council of the Town to be held on Monday, December 7, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., at Town Hall, Grantsville, West Virginia, and at such hearing any person interested may appear before the Council and present protests, and all protests and suggestions shall be heard by the Council and it shall then take such actions as it shall deem proper in the premises upon an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DESIGN AND OTHER PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE ADDITIONS, BETTLEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC WASTEWATER FACILITIES OF THE TOWN OF GRANTSVILLE, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THROUGH THE ACCEPTANCE BY THE TOWN OF FUNDING ASSISTANCE IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$285,000 THROUGH THE WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH FUNDING; APPROVING, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE FUNDING ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH FUNDING ASSISTANCE.

The above-entitled Ordinance was approved by the Council on November 2, 2020. The above-quoted title of the Ordinance describes generally the contents thereof and the purposes of the Funding Assistance contemplated thereby. The Town contemplates the issuance of the Funding Assistance described in the Ordinance. The proceeds of the Funding Assistance will be used to (i) pay a portion the costs of design and other pre-construction services for certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public wastewater system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) pay certain costs of issuance of the Funding Assistance and related costs. The Funding Assistance is provided through a principal forgiveness loan, which shall be deemed forgiven on the 30th day of June in the fiscal year in which they were advanced. No taxes may at any time be levied for the payment of the Funding Assistance.

A certified copy of the above-entitled Ordinance is on file with the Council at the office of the Clerk for review by interested parties during regular office hours.

Following the public hearing, the Council intends to enact the Ordinance upon final reading. Dated: November 12, 2020.

/s/ Pamela Davis  
Clerk

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(2019-S-00000104 - Calhoun County - PERKINS PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC)  
 To: ANY AND ALL, EACH AND EVERY, OTHER PERSON, ENTITY, HEIR, ASSIGN, DEVISEE, SPOUSE, SUCCESSOR, CREDITOR, JUDGMENT LIEN HOLDER, GRANTEE, FIDUCIARY, CLAIMANT, SURFACE OWNER, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, OIL, GAS AND MINERAL OWNER, ASSIGNEE OR LESSEE WHO OWNS, CLAIMS TO OWN OR POSSESSES AN INTEREST IN AND TO THAT CERTAIN LOT, TRACT OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE SAID TO CONTAIN 7/8 ACRES, SITUATE ON SYCAMORE, IN SHERMAN DISTRICT, CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, WHICH ENTITLES SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY TO THE RIGHT TO REDEEM THE REAL ESTATE AS PROVIDED UNDER LAW, WHITE HALL HEIRS C/O MARY SUSAN BARNES, JEFFREY R SAR-RATORI, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

You will take notice that PERKINS PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2019-S-0000104, 1/2 7/8 SYCAMORE, located in SHERMAN, which was returned delinquent in the name of HALL WHITE HRS, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Calhoun County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 8th day of November, 2019, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2021, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2021, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2021.	\$	111.59
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2021.	\$	16.82
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2020, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	220.74
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	85.50
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable Jeff Starcher, Sheriff and Treasurer of Calhoun County.</b>	\$	434.65
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.</b>	\$	35.00

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**NOTICE TO REDEEM**

(2019-S-00000109 - Calhoun County - PERKINS PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC)  
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You will take notice that PERKINS PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2019-S-0000109, 1/15 INT 20 AC BULL RIVER, located in SHERMAN, which was returned delinquent in the name of JOHNSON HOMER S, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Calhoun County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 8th day of November, 2019, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2021, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2021, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2021.	\$	100.32
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2021.	\$	6.02
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2020, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	261.30
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	256.50
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable Jeff Starcher, Sheriff and Treasurer of Calhoun County.</b>	\$	624.14
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.</b>	\$	35.00

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**Safe Digging**

Call 8-1-1 before digging; it's the law.

Although excavation damage is the leading cause of serious pipeline incidents, it is easily preventable with one call.

With construction season in full swing, Dominion Energy West Virginia reminds homeowners and excavating contractors to dig safely and comply with state law by calling WV811, toll free, at 8-1-1 or 1-800-245-4848 before excavating. You can also get information by going to [www.WV811.com](http://www.WV811.com)

To prevent potential injuries from accidental utility line dig-ins, state law requires customers and contractors to call WV811 at least two working days before digging. Third-party damage is the leading cause of accidents involving utility lines.

WV811 will alert Dominion Energy West Virginia and other parti-

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CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC NOTICE

The Calhoun County Commission will hold a virtual public meeting via Microsoft Teams on December 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. The public can participate by calling 1-304-988-5703 and using conference ID: 458 256 807#. If you wish to participate via computer please email [luke.peters@moveitc.org](mailto:luke.peters@moveitc.org) and a meeting link will be provided. The public will be asked to provide their name to be recorded for an attendance record. Written comments can be submitted for 14 days prior to the meeting to the email above or to the Calhoun County Clerk's attention at the Calhoun County Courthouse, PO Box 230, Grantsville, WV 26147.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive public input and comment on the Community Development, Recreation, Demolition, Broadband internet, and Covid 19 recovery needs of Calhoun County. Needs identified in this assessment may be addressed through the Community Development Block Grant programs for Broadband, Infrastructure, or HUD Cares Act funding. Particular emphasis will be given to the needs of low and moderate-income residents.

cipating utilities of customer and contractor plans to dig. WV811 will ask these utilities to mark the approximate location of their underground gas lines and utility cables, so that customers won't find them by accident.

Also, for safety's sake, customers and contractors should only dig around utility lines by hand.

If you do come in contact with a pipeline or

smell natural gas (though natural gas is odorless in nature, mercaptan, a non-toxic chemical odorant that smells like rotten eggs, is often added to make it easier to identify), be alert and follow these steps:

--Stop work and evacuate to a safe distance.

--Alert everyone on the premises.

--Do not strike a match; use a telephone; operate engines and motors; or switch on/off appliances, lights, or even a flashlight in the area where you smell gas. These items can produce a spark that might ignite.

--Once safe, call 911 if there is blowing gas.

--Call the emergency number provided by the natural gas operators in

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 To: ANY AND ALL, EACH AND EVERY, OTHER PERSON, ENTITY, HEIR, ASSIGN, DEVISEE, SPOUSE, SUCCESSOR, CREDITOR, JUDGMENT LIEN HOLDER, GRANTEE, FIDUCIARY, CLAIMANT, SURFACE OWNER, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, OIL, GAS AND MINERAL OWNER, ASSIGNEE, OR LESSEE WHO OWNS, CLAIMS TO OWN OR POSSESSES AN INTEREST IN AND TO THAT CERTAIN LOT, TRACT OR PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE SAID TO CONTAIN 25 ACRES, SITUATE ON TRIPPLETT RUN, IN SHERIDAN DISTRICT, CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, WHICH ENTITLES SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY TO THE RIGHT TO REDEEM THE REAL ESTATE AS PROVIDED UNDER LAW, TIMOTHY HOLBERT (SURFACE OWNER), CRYSTAL MARKS (SURFACE OWNER), PHILLIP SHIMER, STACEY CATHERWOOD (CO-OGM OWNER), DONALD SHIMER (CO-OGM OWNER), MADELINE PRATHER (CO-OGM OWNER), VICKIE ANDERSON (CO-OGM OWNER), BARBARA BUTCHER (CO-OGM OWNER), LOIS ANN BURTON (CO-OGM OWNER), MARGARET JONES (CO-OGM OWNER), KAREN LOUISE BUTCHER (CO-OGM OWNER), or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

You will take notice that PERKINS PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2019-S-0000089, 25 TRIPPLETT RUN OGM 1/24 INT, located in SHERIDAN, which was returned delinquent in the name of SHIMER PHILLIP, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Calhoun County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 8th day of November, 2019, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after April 1, 2021, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, March 31, 2021, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to March 31, 2021.	\$	100.32
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2021.	\$	6.02
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2020, following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	321.36
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$	605.25
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to <b>The Honorable Jeff Starcher, Sheriff and Treasurer of Calhoun County.</b>	\$	1,032.95
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your area: DEWV customers call 800-934-3187.

--Do not try to put out a gas-burning fire unless there is threat to life.

--Do not operate any of the gas company's valves.

For natural gas safety information, visit [www.dominionenergy.com/safety/call-before-you-dig](http://www.dominionenergy.com/safety/call-before-you-dig)

or [www.WV811.com](http://www.WV811.com).

Calhoun and Surrounding Counties:	Total	Since	Since
	Cases	Oct. 6	Nov. 3
Calhoun	57	16	20
Braxton	99	84	22
Clay	104	62	39
Gilmer	186	130	122
Ritchie	128	87	67
Roane	148	82	32
Wirt	90	58	31

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF  
CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	General	Coal Severance Tax	E911	County Excess Levy	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Taxes:						
Ad valorem property taxes	\$ 1,069,026	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 352,375	\$ --	\$ 1,421,401
Alcoholic beverages tax	84	--	--	--	--	84
Gas and oil severance tax	40,581	--	--	--	--	40,581
Other taxes	37,023	--	--	--	48,904	85,927
Coal severance tax	--	23,262	--	--	--	23,262
Licenses and permits	3,825	--	--	--	8,495	12,320
Intergovernmental:						
Federal	17,778	--	--	--	100,000	117,778
State	2,076	--	--	--	--	2,076
Local	12,050	--	--	--	--	12,050
Charges for services	86,701	--	560,587	--	117,175	764,463
Fines and forfeits	--	--	--	5,422	850	6,272
Interest and investment earnings	52	--	--	--	161	213
Refunds	380,533	--	--	--	--	380,533
Miscellaneous	41,319	--	24,335	--	11,071	76,725
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>1,691,048</b>	<b>23,262</b>	<b>584,922</b>	<b>357,797</b>	<b>286,656</b>	<b>2,943,685</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Current:						
General government	1,097,764	23,510	--	--	70,167	1,191,441
Public safety	945,815	--	121,184	316,166	69,098	1,452,263
Health and sanitation	2,440	--	--	--	--	2,440
Social services	19,200	--	--	--	--	19,200
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>2,065,219</b>	<b>23,510</b>	<b>121,184</b>	<b>316,166</b>	<b>139,265</b>	<b>2,665,344</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	( 374,171)	( 248)	463,738	41,631	147,391	278,341
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>						
Transfers in	438,572	--	--	--	--	438,572
Transfers (out)	--	--	( 298,942)	( 35,995)	( 103,635)	( 438,572)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>438,572</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>( 298,942)</b>	<b>( 35,995)</b>	<b>( 103,635)</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances</b>	<b>64,401</b>	<b>( 248)</b>	<b>164,796</b>	<b>5,636</b>	<b>43,756</b>	<b>278,341</b>
Fund balances - beginning	229,002	311	305,594	5,446	157,852	698,205
Fund balances - ending	\$ 293,403	\$ 63	\$ 470,390	\$ 11,082	\$ 201,608	\$ 976,546

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**Cooking Fire Safe  
On Thanksgiving**

According to the State Fire Marshal's office, the worldwide pandemic is keeping many people indoors this year, and cooking at home has risen dramatically.

Statistics show that Thanksgiving is already the peak day nationwide for home cooking fires. With more people expected to be cooking at home this Thanksgiving, fires may increase.

Unattended cooking is by far the leading contributing factor in cooking fires and fire deaths, and cooking equipment was involved in almost half of all reported home fires and injuries. It is also the second-leading cause of home fire deaths.

You can protect your home and family from being an unfortunate statistic this Thanksgiving by following this advice from the National Fire Protection Association:

--Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stove top, so you can keep an eye on the food. If you are sleepy or consuming alcohol, do not use cooking appliances and equipment.

--Stay in the home when cooking your turkey, and check on it frequently.

--Keep children at least three feet away from the stove when it is being operated to prevent burn injuries.

--Grease and water do not mix. If a fire occurs, put the fire out by either sliding a lid over it to smother the flames or by using a fire extinguisher.

--Be sure that electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer, mixer, etc., are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.

--Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children. Store them up high, in a locked cabinet.

--Never leave children alone in a room with a lit candle.

--Make sure you have working smoke alarms in your home by testing them regularly (by pushing the test button), changing the battery in them where possible, and replacing them at least every 10 years.

The state fire marshal and staff hope by following these tips, individuals and families can stay safe this holiday season.

**Prevent Suicide**

W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources reports that the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, 1-800-273-TALK, is partnering with First Choice Services, a non-profit organization based in Charleston, to answer calls from West Virginians and offer assistance during their time of need.

Calls to 1-800-273-TALK will be answered 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All call line staff have received training in applied suicide intervention skills, the gold standard in screening and assisting suicidal callers.

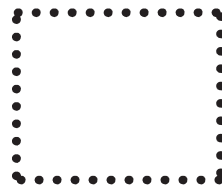
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Find the Christmas image shown below in this issue of The Calhoun Chronicle and you could win



**\$75, \$50 or \$25**

When you find the image, clip it and paste it into the box below, and return your entry to the Chronicle office or mail to: The Calhoun Chronicle, P.O. Box 400, Grantsville, WV 26147. All entries must be received by December 12, 2020. Limit one entry per week.



All submissions received will be entered in a drawing and winners will be announced in the December 17 issue.

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**CRISIS**

Suicide Prevention  
Disaster Assistance  
Domestic Violence

**EDUCATION**

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Testing & Support  
Certification

**BASIC NEEDS**

Transportation  
Financial Assistance  
Household Goods

**TRANSITION**

Veterans  
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**AGING +  
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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF  
CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2020**

	Primary Government
	Governmental Activities
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 998,304
Receivables:	
Taxes	87,400
Total current assets	<u>1,085,704</u>
Capital assets:	
Nondepreciable:	
Land	30,000
Depreciable:	
Buildings and improvements	1,052,781
Contents	231,259
Machinery and equipment	494,937
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>( 1,359,129)</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>449,848</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,535,552</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>	
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	107,079
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	<u>40,871</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>147,950</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current liabilities payable	
from current assets:	
Accounts payable	40,739
Compensated absences payable	3,879
Net pension liability	146,161
Net OPEB liability	<u>333,279</u>
Total liabilities	<u>524,058</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS</b>	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	204,315
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	<u>116,953</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>321,268</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	449,848
Unrestricted	<u>388,328</u>
Total net position	<u>838,176</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE -  
ASSESSOR'S VALUATION FUND  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts Budget Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Other taxes	\$ 42,452	\$ 42,452	\$ 46,576	\$ 4,124
Map sales	1,068	1,068	2,400	1,332
Interest	--	--	161	161
Total revenues	<u>43,520</u>	<u>43,520</u>	<u>49,137</u>	<u>5,617</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
Current:				
General government	18,720	33,098	20,284	12,814
Capital outlay	16,000	32,000	--	32,000
Total expenditures	<u>34,720</u>	<u>65,098</u>	<u>20,284</u>	<u>44,814</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>8,800</u>	<u>( 21,578)</u>	<u>28,853</u>	<u>50,431</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Transfers (out)	<u>( 48,800)</u>	<u>( 48,800)</u>	<u>( 41,882)</u>	<u>6,918</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>( 48,800)</u>	<u>( 48,800)</u>	<u>( 41,882)</u>	<u>6,918</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>( 40,000)</u>	<u>( 70,378)</u>	<u>( 13,029)</u>	<u>57,349</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>40,000</u>	<u>70,378</u>	<u>70,378</u>	<u>--</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 57,349</u>	<u>\$ 57,349</u>

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO  
THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 278,341
Capital outlays are reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds. In the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount of depreciation expense charged during the year. (Note IV.C.)	( 42,572)
County pension contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when made. However, they are reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position because the reported net pension liability is measured a year before the County's report date. Pension expense, which is the change in the net pension liability adjusted for changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, is reported in the Statement of Activities.	
County pension contributions: (Note V)	89,875
Pension expense Note V	( 65,947)
County OPEB contributions: (Note V)	32,928
OPEB expense Note V	39,183
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. This is the difference between prior and current year deferred revenues.(Note II)	5,324
Prior year deferred revenues:	(63,095)
Current year deferred revenues:	68,419
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. (Note )	( 3,879)
Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 333,253</u>

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2020**

Total fund balances on the governmental fund's balance sheet	\$ 976,546
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the funds. (Note IV.C.)	449,848
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions and deferred charges or credits on debt refunding are applicable to future reporting periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	
Deferred outflow- Changes in employer portion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of pension expense (Note V)	7,355
Deferred outflow- Changes in employer portion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of OPEB expense (Note V)	5,966
Deferred outflow- Net difference between expected and actual experience pension (Note V)	9,849
Deferred outflow- Net difference between expected and actual experience OPEB (Note V)	1,895
Deferred outflow- Reallocation of OPT-Out Employer change in proportionate share OPEB	82
Deferred outflow - Employer contributions to pension plan after measurement date (Note V)	89,875
Deferred outflow - Employer contributions to OPEB plan after measurement date (Note V)	32,928
Deferred inflow- Changes in employer portion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of pension expense (Note V)	( 26,913)
Deferred inflow- Changes in employer portion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of OPEB expense (Note V)	( 83,396)
Deferred inflow - Net difference between projected and actual earning on pension plan investments (Note V)	( 45,052)
Deferred inflow- Net difference between expected and actual experience (Note V)	( 21,395)
Deferred inflow- Net difference between expected and actual experience OPEB (Note V)	( 5,490)
Deferred inflow - Changes in assumptions (Note V)	( 23,593)
Deferred inflow - Changes in assumptions OPEB (Note V)	( 67,592)
Deferred inflow - Differences between expected and actual non-investment experience - OPEB	( 38,870)
Deferred inflow- Reallocation of OPT-Out Employer change in proportionate share OPEB	( 8,967)
Certain revenues are not available to fund current year expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. (Note IV.B.)	68,419
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. - Net Pension Liability	( 483,319)
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 838,176</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts Budget Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Taxes:				
Coal severance tax	\$ 10,000	10,000	\$ 23,262	\$ 13,262
Total revenues	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>23,262</u>	<u>13,262</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
General government	15,000	10,311	23,510	( 13,199)
Total expenditures	<u>15,000</u>	<u>10,311</u>	<u>23,510</u>	<u>( 13,199)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>( 5,000)</u>	<u>( 311)</u>	<u>( 248)</u>	<u>63</u>
Fund balance - beginning	<u>5,000</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>--</u>
Fund balance - ending	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 63</u>	<u>\$ 63</u>

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
June 30, 2020**

<b>ASSETS</b>		Agency Funds
Non-pooled cash		\$ 168,784
Total assets		<u>\$ 168,784</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Due to: other governments		168,784
Total liabilities		<u>\$ 168,784</u>

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**Spay/Neuter**

Welfare of Animals Group (WAG) can assist low-income Calhoun County homes with 50% of their pet's spay/neuter fee.

It is cheaper to spay a pet than to pay the costs of caring for one litter of puppies or kittens.

Donations of dry cat food are greatly appreciated, and can be dropped off at Calhoun County Library, Grantsville.

For information or to make an appointment, call 354-7042.

The program is funded in part by The Bernard McDonough Foundation, The Oakland Foundation, and W.Va. Dept. of Agriculture.

**Shooting Match**

Upper West Fork Park will have a shooting match on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 10 a.m.

Bring your favorite unmodified 12-gauge shotgun (no scopes) to the park and compete.

Prizes are turkeys, pork loins, hams, and hamburger (10 lb.). Bear Fork Shooting Club rules apply, as well as social distancing and masks inside. Cost is \$15 per shooter. Concessions will be available.

**Amnesty Day**

Amnesty day at Calhoun County Library will be held on Monday, Nov. 30.

**Angel Tree**

Minnie Hamilton is sponsoring an "Angel Tree," located on the wall outside the long term care unit. There will be one angel per resident, with their wishes listed on the back of the angel. The public is invited to sponsor one of these angels.

Gifts need to be returned by Thursday, Dec. 10, to the long term care unit. For info or to adopt a resident Call Cheryl Cain, activity coordinator, 354-9700, ext. 5165.

**Courthouse Closed**

The courthouse will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of Thanksgiving.

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF  
CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Modified Accrual Basis	Adjustments Budget Basis	Actual Amounts Budget Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final				
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Taxes:						
Ad valorem property taxes	\$ 1,001,447	1,001,447	\$ 1,069,026	\$ (3,520)	\$ 1,065,506	\$ 64,059
Alcoholic beverages tax	100	100	84	--	84	(16)
Gas and oil severance tax	45,000	45,000	40,581	--	40,581	(4,419)
Other taxes	15,000	15,000	37,023	--	37,023	22,023
Licenses and permits	5,200	5,200	3,825	--	3,825	(1,375)
Intergovernmental:						
Federal	--	--	17,778	--	17,778	17,778
State	75,000	322,013	2,076	--	2,076	(319,937)
Local	--	--	12,050	--	12,050	12,050
Charges for services	81,600	81,600	86,701	--	86,701	5,101
Interest and investment earnings	10,000	10,000	52	(1)	51	(9,949)
Refunds	--	--	380,533	--	380,533	380,533
Miscellaneous	52,800	53,400	41,319	--	41,319	(12,081)
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>1,286,147</b>	<b>1,533,760</b>	<b>1,691,048</b>	<b>(3,521)</b>	<b>1,687,527</b>	<b>153,767</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Current:						
General government	1,104,238	1,510,289	1,097,764	263,111	1,360,875	149,414
Public safety	1,046,299	1,104,980	945,815	6,302	952,117	152,863
Health and sanitation	2,440	2,440	2,440	--	2,440	--
Social services	19,200	19,200	19,200	--	19,200	--
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>2,172,177</b>	<b>2,636,909</b>	<b>2,065,219</b>	<b>269,413</b>	<b>2,334,632</b>	<b>302,277</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(886,030)	(1,103,149)	(374,171)	(272,934)	(647,105)	456,044
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>						
Transfers in	861,030	876,290	438,572	25,000	463,572	(412,718)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>861,030</b>	<b>876,290</b>	<b>438,572</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<b>463,572</b>	<b>(412,718)</b>
<b>Net change in fund balance</b>	<b>(25,000)</b>	<b>(226,859)</b>	<b>64,401</b>	<b>(247,934)</b>	<b>(183,533)</b>	<b>43,326</b>
Fund balance - beginning	25,000	226,859	229,002	1,983	227,019	160
Fund balance - ending	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 293,403	\$ (245,951)	\$ 43,486	\$ 43,486

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
June 30, 2020**

	General	Coal Severance Tax	E911	County Excess Levy	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>						
<b>Current:</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 318,489	\$ 63	\$ 470,390	\$ 6,220	\$ 203,142	\$ 998,304
Receivables:						
Taxes	66,530	--	--	20,870	--	87,400
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 385,019</b>	<b>\$ 63</b>	<b>\$ 470,390</b>	<b>\$ 27,090</b>	<b>\$ 203,142</b>	<b>\$ 1,085,704</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Accounts payable	39,205	--	--	--	1,534	40,739
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>39,205</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1,534</b>	<b>40,739</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows:</b>						
Unavailable revenue - taxes	52,411	--	--	16,008	--	68,419
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>52,411</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>16,008</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>68,419</b>
<b>Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resource</b>	<b>91,616</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>16,008</b>	<b>1,534</b>	<b>109,158</b>
<b>Fund balances:</b>						
Restricted	--	--	470,390	11,082	201,608	683,080
Assigned	--	63	--	--	--	63
Unassigned	293,403	--	--	--	--	293,403
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>293,403</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>470,390</b>	<b>11,082</b>	<b>201,608</b>	<b>976,546</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 385,019</b>	<b>\$ 63</b>	<b>\$ 470,390</b>	<b>\$ 27,090</b>	<b>\$ 203,142</b>	<b>\$ 1,085,704</b>

**CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

Functions / Programs	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenues or Changes in Net Position
	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government Governmental Activities	
<b>Primary government:</b>					
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 1,145,496	\$ 770,735	\$ 114,126	\$ --	\$ (260,635)
Public safety	1,447,587	--	17,778	--	(1,429,809)
Health and sanitation	2,440	--	--	--	(2,440)
Culture and recreation	1,033	--	--	--	(1,033)
Social services	19,200	--	--	--	(19,200)
<b>Total governmental activities</b>	<b>2,615,756</b>	<b>770,735</b>	<b>131,904</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>(1,713,117)</b>
<b>Total primary government</b>	<b>\$ 2,615,756</b>	<b>\$ 770,735</b>	<b>\$ 131,904</b>	<b>\$ --</b>	<b>(1,713,117)</b>
General revenues:					
Ad valorem property taxes					1,426,725
Alcoholic beverages tax					84
Gas and oil severance tax					40,581
Other taxes					85,927
Coal severance tax					23,262
Licenses and permits					12,320
Unrestricted investment earnings					213
Refunds					380,533
Miscellaneous					76,725
<b>Total general revenues</b>					<b>2,046,370</b>
<b>Change in net position</b>					<b>333,253</b>
<b>Net position - beginning</b>					<b>504,923</b>
<b>Net position - ending</b>					<b>\$ 838,176</b>

# Governor's Updates

## Vaccine Distribution Planning Continues

Following Friday, Nov. 20's announcement by pharmaceutical company Pfizer that it is seeking emergency use authorization by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for its new COVID-19 vaccine, Gov. Jim Justice announced that state officials in West Virginia have been preparing for months and are ready to implement an efficient vaccine distribution plan the moment that a vaccine is approved.

"Pfizer has reported that their vaccine has shown in excess of 94 percent effectiveness in their trials," said Justice. "Once the FDA approves the emergency authorization, the vaccine will be distributed very quickly."

"Our Vaccine Advisory Council has been working on this since August. The National Guard has been heading this up, doing incredible work led by Gen. Hoyer and his people. As soon as this vaccine is available, we will absolutely be ready to distribute it in West Virginia."

Last month, Justice announced that state officials had completed and submitted West Virginia's COVID-19 Vaccination Plan to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for review and approval.

"The vaccine plan that we submitted to the CDC is ready to be implemented the very second we receive doses of the vaccine in our state," said Justice. "The most vulnerable will be vaccinated first, but until that vaccine is in our hands, what is our best defense? It is, without question, to wear our masks and keep our distance."

Earlier, Justice had also celebrated early reports on another COVID-19 vaccine, currently being developed by biotech company Moderna, which indicated that the vaccine appears to be 94.5% effective, according to preliminary data from its ongoing study.

## New Interactive Online Map Of Free Testing Sites

Also on Friday, Justice announced that a new online map of all free COVID-19 testing locations across West Virginia has been launched on the state's COVID-19 website.

"This map will provide real-time access to all available testing sites," said Justice. "I encourage all West Virginians to use this resource to find a location for yourself and for your loved ones to get tested."

Users can filter the map by type of testing site, including daily testing events, recurring testing events, and pharmacy testing locations.

Each location is marked on the map with a pin. After finding a testing location nearby, users are able to click on the pin for more information about that particular testing site, including the specific location and timeframe during which testing will be held.

## Executive Order For Additional Testing

Justice also announced that, one week after issuing an executive order requiring that all doctors, nurses, staff and employees working at nursing homes and assisted living facilities throughout the state be tested for COVID-19 twice a week, asymptomatic positive cases have been found in 11 such facilities across West Virginia.

"This thing can run through a nursing home or an associated living facility, and kill like nobody's business, we know that," said Justice. "Since last Friday, we have found asymptomatic cases in 11 of these locations."

"That's 11 potential outbreaks we prevented from turning into really bad situations. That's good work by a lot of people there."

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# Creston News

by Alvin Engelke  
Phone 275-3578



Rev. Craig Blankenship brought the message at Burning Springs M.E. Church and served Holy Communion.

Wilma Mowrey's daughter Kim Shanahan's father-in-law died in Fairmont.

It is now the annual madness known as fire-arms deer season, when everyone and their brother is out and about looking for the big trophy buck.

For the last few days, the roads have been hot with pickups hauling trailers with side-by-sides (and a few four-wheelers), mostly with Ohio tags. Obviously, a significant percentage of the residents of the State of Ohio are in West Virginia hunting or at least spending time at the camp.

With consequences of the virus, many need the tasty venison so that there will be meat on the table.

Friday was the food pantry and it was said that they ran out of food.

The proposed national lockdown has caused fear to spread and folks are stocking up on food, toilet paper, and other essentials that "our rulers" might decide to curtail supply during the lockdown, which the elderly gentleman said would happen "to control the virus."

The new motto was "build back better," and wouldn't you know, it is the motto of Klaus Schwab of the World Economic Forum, who wants to shut down the world, and then have "The Great Reset" that will be under the auspices of a world government that will provide technological advancement, social inclusion, ecological sustainability, and the promise of longevity or even immortality.

The "boy ruler" of Canada said that we will have "economic systems that actually address global challenges like extreme poverty, inequality and climate change."

It was noted that the World Economic Forum's great reset (which has no place for nations, especially the United States of America) will look a lot like China, with its "social credit" surveillance and control, totalitarianism, and the belief that its neo-racism is based on the idea that the Han Chinese are a "master race."

Those who hate America and all that have prospered because of freedom are said to be ecstatic over the globalist plans.

Warren Buffet's new company has announced that Hastings Station, the big fractionation plant at Pine Grove, will be back up and running on Nov. 25, the day before Thanksgiving, the holiday that Dr. Fauci and his ilk say we should not celebrate "to stop the spread of the virus."

It would seem obvious that the lockdowns will certainly cause lots of small businesses to fail,

casting thousands of citizens out of work.

Locally, the "health nazis" have threatened financial ruin to those who would dare question their so-called authority, although the W.Va. Attorney General said to count him out of the threats and bullying.

There is one official dogma and no variance is allowed. Only certain drugs work, and cheaper, older remedies are not to be mentioned, even while people die because the drug was denied.

Only certain doctors are allowed to speak and others are to be banned, tarred, feathered, and run out of town for not following the "party line."

Dr. Roger Hodgkinson noted: "There is absolutely nothing that can be done to contain this virus, other than protection of older, more vulnerable people."

Some of the Wood County officials came down with the contagion and got to "vacation" where breakfast is served in bed.

North East Natural Energy, a small firm that had been drilling dry Marcellus wells in Monongalia County, announced that it has received additional funding to drill more wells. The Rockefeller company, Chevron, formerly known as Standard Oil of California, has asked Biden to make a deal for the family with the Marxist dictator of Venezuela to protect the family assets there.

If all of the U.S. coal, oil and natural gas is shut down "to stop global warming" or to enact the "green new deal," America will have to get fuel and raw materials to provide the items that the nation needs from somewhere.

Antero won a suit in the W.Va. Supreme Court against the W.Va. State Tax Dept. over "direct use exemption to the consumer sales and service tax."

Ralph Blair, who farms down at Belleville, noted that his combine laid down, and he purchased one "new to him," but now it won't start.

Mild weather continues locally, with some roses still blooming. One local fellow was looking at his pepper plants and found a non-frozen sweet pepper down in the grass.

Some tom cats have been out visiting the ladies. There are lots of new calves, but under the "green new deal," cattle are to be banned "because they pollute."

The waterline fellows shut down for Thanksgiving week.

Mary Newton, Cooter and Sis Marks, J.P., A.C., Thomas and Marybeth Marks called at Creston Space Dock.

Nancy Engelke has been on the puny list.

Price of local Pennsylvania grade crude rose to \$41.15/bbl., with condensate, \$21.15, Marcellus and Utica light, \$32.15, and medium, \$41.15.

## WEST VIRGINIA CORONAVIRUS UPDATE



### Testing Locations

Statewide testing/collection locations have been announced, including Minnie Hamilton Health System, Grantsville, which is testing if you meet screening criteria based upon CDC recommendations. Call 354-9244 or 354-9704.

Other nearby locations include:  
--Community Care of Clay, 122 Center St., Clay; hours, Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sat.-Sun., 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; call 587-7301.

--Clay County Health Dept., 452 Main St., Clay; hours, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call 587-4269; pre-screening is done by phone before receiving a test.

--Minnie Hamilton Health System, Glenville office, Waco Center, 921 Mineral Road, Suite 101, Glenville; hours, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; testing if you meet screening criteria based upon CDC recommendations; call 462-7322 or 462-3407.

--WVU Medicine Braxton County Memorial Hospital, 100 Hoyleman Drive, Gassaway; hours, Mon.-Sun., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call 364-5156.

It is recommended that you seek testing only when you begin exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. To report your symptoms and be directed to one of the available testing sites, contact your primary care doctor or a designated hotline for your area.

Most sites require a physician's order before testing.

### Statistics:

In West Virginia (condensed dashboard) Each Monday since Mar. 16, plus daily since Nov. 16 (last complete daily list in July 30 issue):

	Positive Cases	Negative Cases	Deaths	Percentage Positive	Accum. Daily
Mar. 16	0	80	0		
Mar. 23	20	610	0	2.7	2.7
Mar. 30	145	3,682	1	4.4	6.0
Apr. 6	345	9,595	3	3.5	4.2
Apr. 13	626	16,029	9	3.8	8.0
Apr. 20	902	21,253	24	4.1	3.6
Apr. 27	1,063	41,976	36	2.5	3.4
May 4	1,206	52,033	50	2.3	1.6
May 11	1,366	62,103	54	2.2	1.1
May 18	1,491	74,544	67	2.0	0.6
May 25	1,774	84,551	72	2.1	1.2
June 1	2,017	96,078	75	2.1	1.5
June 8	2,153	111,382	84	1.9	1.0
June 15	2,298	129,577	88	1.7	2.1
June 22	2,552	148,561	89	1.7	1.2
June 29	2,849	165,233	93	1.7	1.4
July 6	3,356	184,108	95	1.8	4.2
July 13	4,259	203,850	96	2.0	2.1
July 20	5,080	228,410	100	2.2	1.4
July 27	5,999	257,670	106	2.3	2.6
Aug. 3	6,973	287,929	117	2.4	2.5
Aug. 10	7,754	319,132	141	2.4	2.5
Aug. 17	8,632	352,037	160	2.4	2.1
Aug. 24	9,312	389,167	179	2.3	2.2
Aug. 31	10,250	425,613	214	2.4	6.8
Sept. 7	11,575	449,983	247	2.5	7.0
Sept. 14	12,820	474,894	275	2.6	4.3
Sept. 21	14,171	505,004	312	2.7	5.1
Sept. 28	15,512	537,332	337	2.8	4.2
Oct. 5	16,742	579,298	361	2.8	4.3
Oct. 12	18,281	620,540	385	2.9	4.7
Oct. 19	20,293	666,732	399	3.0	3.1
Oct. 26	22,223	712,744	424	3.0	3.7
Nov. 2	25,235	767,240	458	3.2	4.6
Nov. 9	28,805	825,485	530+	3.4	5.8
Nov. 16	34,460	900,375	585	3.7	6.8
Nov. 17	35,324	907,854	598	3.7	5.6
Nov. 18	36,277	919,651	612	3.8	5.7
Nov. 19	37,399	935,495	623	3.8	5.1
Nov. 20	38,480	951,080	639	3.9	4.6
Nov. 21	39,598	968,438	658	3.9	5.4
Nov. 22	40,478	981,305	662	4.0	4.0
Nov. 23	41,114	992,396	667	4.0	3.8

\*Laboratory duplicate results removed.  
# In alignment with updated definitions, statistics include probable cases that are individuals who have symptoms and either serologic (antibody) or epidemiologic (a link to a confirmed case) evidence of disease, but no confirmatory test.  
+Office of Epidemiology and Prevention Services added 27 deaths from Vital Registration Office.

Cases by county (case confirmed by lab test/probable case): Barbour (355), Berkeley (2,727), Boone (585), Braxton (99), Brooke (543), Cabell (2,575), Calhoun (57), Clay (104), Doddridge (109), Fayette (1056), Gilmer (186), Grant (291), Greenbrier (396), Hampshire (277), Hancock (528), Hardy (203), Harrison (1,096), Jackson (666), Jefferson (1,181), Kanawha (5,235), Lewis (219), Lincoln (387), Logan (997), Marion (732), Marshall (1,047), Mason (349),

McDowell (573), Mercer (1,227), Mineral (1,009), Mingo (926), Monongalia (3,058), Monroe (330), Morgan (234), Nicholas (303), Ohio (1,329), Pendleton (97), Pleasants (73), Pocahontas (102), Preston (472), Putnam (1,675), Raleigh (1,415), Randolph (629), Ritchie (128), Roane (148), Summers (258), Taylor (266), Tucker (105), Tyler (126), Upshur (444), Wayne (915), Webster (52), Wetzel (374), Wirt (90), Wood (2,141), Wyoming (615); Calhoun was 53rd of 55 counties to record a case.

	Positive	Deaths	Positive	Deaths
In United States:				
Each Monday since Mar. 16, plus daily since Nov. 16 (last daily list in July 30 issue):				
Mar. 16	4,661	87	181,580	7,138
Mar. 23	41,708	555	372,563	16,381
Mar. 30	164,610	3,170	800,049	38,714
Apr. 6	337,925	9,664	1,289,819	70,624
Apr. 13	563,604	22,204	1,876,605	116,306
Apr. 20	772,863	41,206	2,436,156	166,862
Apr. 27	987,916	55,425	3,014,808	207,904
May 4	1,191,025	68,679	3,593,168	249,116
May 11	1,369,943	80,846	4,217,019	284,708
May 18	1,529,291	91,005	4,789,640	317,268
May 25	1,688,739	99,356	5,482,990	347,162
June 1	1,839,119	106,241	6,246,733	374,380
June 8	2,008,303	112,477	7,073,722	406,644
June 15	2,162,864	117,865	7,976,688	436,174
June 22	2,357,323	122,359	9,030,598	471,267
June 29	2,637,909	128,452	10,234,889	505,144
July 6	2,985,897	132,610	11,547,801	537,580
July 13	3,415,664	137,797	13,029,430	572,472
July 20	3,899,358	143,310	14,621,890	609,764
July 27	4,373,561	149,856	16,429,464	653,266
Aug. 3	4,815,776	158,376	18,225,967	693,767
Aug. 10	5,201,064	165,620	20,024,316	734,947
Aug. 17	5,569,520	173,143	21,855,892	774,007
Aug. 24	5,875,939	180,618	23,612,102	814,085
Aug. 31	6,175,600	187,232	25,417,858	852,100
Sept. 7	6,462,189	193,259	27,314,299	894,508
Sept. 14	6,711,385	198,562	29,204,096	929,892
Sept. 21	7,005,893	204,126	31,283,634	966,342
Sept. 28	7,321,465	209,454	33,332,536	1,003,542
Oct. 5	7,638,596	214,629	35,438,001	1,043,327
Oct. 12	7,993,215	219,708	37,792,825	1,082,930
Oct. 19	8,388,013	224,732	40,312,905	1,119,890
Oct. 26	8,890,481	230,512	43,383,433	1,160,977
Nov. 2	9,478,422	236,505	46,884,907	1,207,526
Nov. 9	10,295,890	243,797	50,840,003	1,264,835
Nov. 16	11,374,574	251,935	54,938,150	1,327,847
Nov. 17	11,545,775	252,792	55,553,329	1,336,623
Nov. 18	11,698,280	254,315	56,122,722	1,347,749
Nov. 19	11,910,996	256,730	56,930,717	1,361,882
Nov. 20	12,078,961	258,433	57,445,652	1,370,408
Nov. 21	12,287,642	260,427	58,093,285	1,381,801
Nov. 22	12,459,481	261,843	58,679,246	1,390,236
Nov. 23	12,503,161	262,729	59,149,784	1,397,182

Cases by states and territories: Texas 1,132,071, California 1,109,913, Florida 931,827, Illinois 656,298, New York 596,214, Georgia 446,804, Wisconsin 372,219, Ohio 351,419, North Carolina 336,775, Tennessee 335,887, Michigan 329,021, Pennsylvania 313,358, New Jersey 306,007, Indiana 295,357, Arizona 295,334, Missouri 276,919, Minnesota 270,157, Alabama 232,506, Louisiana 220,192, Virginia 217,796, Iowa 210,494, South Carolina 206,295, Massachusetts 204,155, Colorado 194,679, Maryland 182,139, Oklahoma 174,330, Utah 173,979, Kentucky 155,908, Arkansas 143,821, Mississippi 143,180, Washington 141,260, Kansas 137,066, Nevada 133,888, Nebraska 113,029, Connecticut 101,469, Idaho 90,834, New Mexico 79,440, South Dakota 73,065, North Dakota 72,683, Oregon 63,668, Montana 55,680, Rhode Island 48,001, Puerto Rico 47,459, West Virginia 40,478, Delaware 31,808, Wyoming 28,169, Alaska 27,224, D.C. 20,151, Hawaii 17,361, New Hampshire 17,315, Maine 10,359, Vermont 3,629; West Virginia was last state to record a case.

### Calhoun County Library

The Calhoun County Library is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday-Friday. Wifi will continue to be open. No password is needed. Wednesday hours will change beginning Nov. 4 to 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The number of patrons will be limited to four at a time. No extended stays or social gatherings will be permitted. Patrons may be asked to leave after 15 minutes, if others are waiting to enter the building. All computer sessions will be limited. Wifi will be available, but inside library time is limited. Library patrons must maintain social distancing of at least six feet at all times. If you feel sick, stay home. Children are permitted with parent supervision.

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### New at Calhoun County Library

Calhoun County Library has the following new items:

Juvenile Fiction: Rise of Zombert, by Kara LaReau; The Radium Girls, by Kate Moore; How to Disappear Completely, by Ali Standish.

Juvenile Non-Fiction: A More Perfect Union, by Maestro; Alpha Maniacs, Builders of 26 Wonders of the Word, by Paul Fleischman.

Biography: She Come By It Natural, by Sarah Smarsh; Fauja Singh Keeps Going, by Simran Jeet Singh; Greenlights, by Matthew McConaughey.

Children's: The Chicken Who Couldn't, by Jan Thomas; Click, Clack, Good Night, by Doreen Cronin; We Will Rock Our Classmates, by Ryan T. Higgins; The Barnabus Project, by The Fan Brothers; Spacebot, by Mike Twohy; Robobaby, by David Wiesner; Jules vs. the Ocean, by Jessie Sima; Bedhead, by Margie Palatini; Fairy Tale Pets, by Tracey Corderoy; Mella's Box, by Hannah Marie Povroznik; The Bookstore Cat, by Cylin Busby; See the Cat, by David LaRochelle.



**Best in Language Arts:** left to right, first row, Halely Prusack, Harper Walker, Samuel Snider, Khloe Cobbett, Jackson Snider, Vada Barnhart; second row, Bayleigh Carper, Cameron Cottrill, Brylee Rowe and Klynn Keith.

### Little Kanawha Valley Christian School Announces Term 1 Awards

(In addition to awards published last week.)



**Best in Penmanship:** left to right, Henry Barnhart, Marky Plumby, Nyla Walker, Clara Barnhart and Vada Barnhart.



**Top Spellers:** left to right, Nyla Walker, Eli Kinder, Braidin Ferrell and Brodyn Rowe.



**Most Improved:** left to right, Eli Ferrell, Braidin Ferrell, Josiah Ferrell-McAbee and Alexis Blair.



**Top Historians:** left to right, first row, Braidin Ferrell, Jude Walker, Klynn Keith; second row, Bryn Carter and Hallie Mace.

### W.Va. Caring Hospice To Light Up A Life

Even though this year has been very challenging, W.Va. Caring has its Light Up a Life celebration in a socially distanced way. Instead of the trees and tree lighting ceremonies, "your tree will become our tree."



You will still be able to remember loved ones who have passed, honor those living, and those who might be spending their holidays alone.

All ornaments will be mailed directly to you or those you have gifted that could use a little "light" in their life. Light Up a Life will run throughout the holidays.

For the past 37 years, the Light Up a Life campaign is one of W.Va. Caring's traditions to raise money for the non-profit hospice organization's patient care fund that makes care possible for people who have life-limiting illnesses, but are unable to pay for services.

"Light Up a Life is a tradition and it's one of W.Va. Caring's biggest fund raisers of the year. It's the perfect way to celebrate one's life and give back to support another.

By supporting the event, you are paying end-of-life care forward, making a huge difference in the lives of your families, friends and neighbors.

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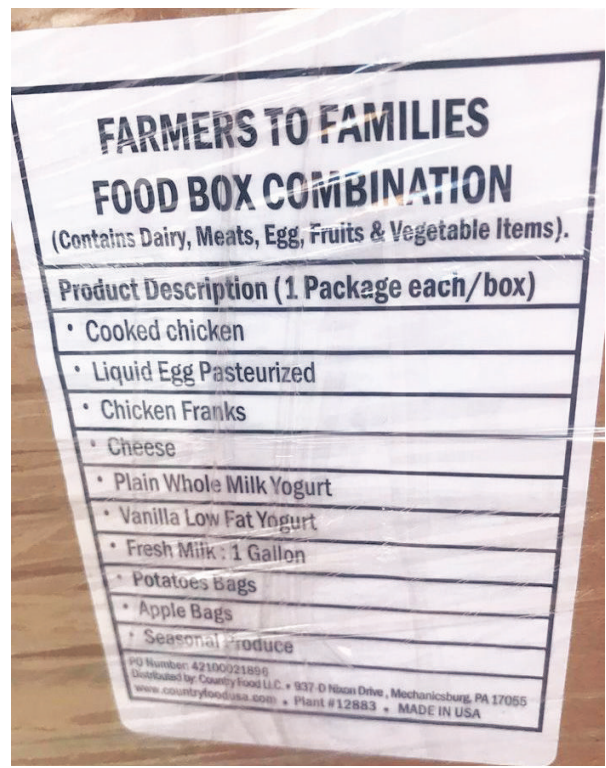
proceeds stay locally in the region to help patients and families receive expert care, according to Cynthia Woodyard, vice president of Public Affairs.

Featured this year is a hand-made elegant, porcelain ornament. It is a hollow-cast, boughs of holly with a candle that glows when a mini-light is placed inside.

The porcelain ornament is \$35 and the classic glass heart ornament is \$20. All ornaments will be mailed to your loved ones on your list. In addition, there will be a tribute wall on the website that will include the names that are honored.

If you do not want to place an order, donations are welcomed. All proceeds benefit W.Va. Caring, the non-profit, hospice serving North Central West Virginia since 1983. Online ordering is available at [wvcaring.org](http://wvcaring.org). Brochures are available for regular mail ordering.

If you have questions, call Kim Riley, 864-0884, ext. 206, or email [kriley@wvcaring.org](mailto:kriley@wvcaring.org).



### Calhoun County Schools Distributes Food Boxes

According to the Calhoun County Schools' Facebook, 1,300 boxes of free food were given out on Tuesday, Nov. 17, through a partnership Save the Children organization and U.S. Dept. of Agriculture.

Jeanne Bennett-Yoak said, "It is such a blessing to live and work with the outstanding folks in our community."

"Thank you so much to all our employees and volunteers for making today a success."

Another Farmers to Families Food Box Pickup was planned on Tuesday, Nov. 24, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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