



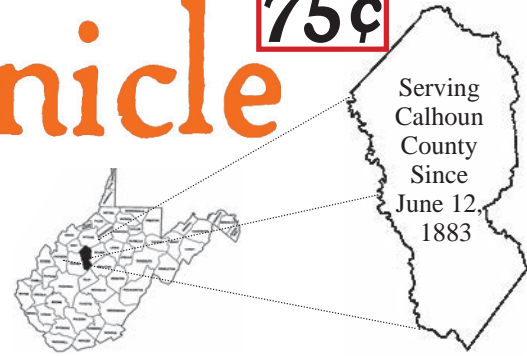
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Thursday, December 10, 2020

Free In-Home COVID-19 Testing



Saliva-based test kits are available all West Virginia residents. Any fees will be waived once a WV address is entered on the Vault Health site. In-home testing, and all other free testing options, can be found on the free testing tab on www.coronavirus.wv.gov.



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State Offers Free Mail-In Test Kit

The State of West Virginia is offering fast and accurate COVID-19 saliva testing, at no cost, to any person who feels that they need a test. Order your test from Vault at www.vaulthealth.com.

Log on for a virtual visit with a Vault test supervisor; they will show you how to collect your saliva sample. You must not eat, drink, smoke, or chew anything for 30 minutes before your testing session. Ship your sample to the lab using a prepaid UPS

package. Get your result 24 to 48 hours after your sample arrives at the lab. (Read other notes and frequently asked questions before you get started--shown on Page 5.)

Calhoun Adds 11 COVID-19 Cases In Week; Now Has 51 In Last Month

W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources has reported 11 additional cases of coronavirus in Calhoun County in the last week, bringing the last four weeks to 51, and the

accumulated total to 92. Calhoun and Webster (89) will be the last of 55 counties to reach 100 cases. Starting Wednesday, Dec. 9, Minnie Hamilton

Health System is offering free COVID-19 testing for walk-ins at its Grantsville clinic, Monday-Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Calhoun is shown as gold in Saturday afternoon's Education Map (see graphic on Page 10), which also has 11 counties

in red. Tuesday's DHHR announcement showed that Sunday's infection rate in the State was eight percent, the highest one day total since April. Every county in the State, except Summers, was listed in the red for infection rate on Tuesday.

Governor's Allocation Plan Listed for Vaccine

In his COVID-19 briefing on Friday, Gov. Jim Justice joined state health experts and leaders with the West Virginia National Guard to provide an overview of the state's initial allocation plan ahead of the upcoming arrival of the COVID-19 vaccine.

estimate, dependent upon approval by the FDA, and subject to change.

The governor announced that West Virginia plans to receive an initial allocation of approximately 60,000 doses of the Pfizer vaccine, with a weekly ordering cap of about 16,000 (changed to 16,575 on Monday).

As for the Moderna vaccine--the second one submitted to FDA for emergency use authorization--the targeted receipt date is expected about one week after the arrival of the Pfizer vaccine. West Virginia plans to receive (Continued on Page 2)

Justice announced that the targeted receipt date for the first doses of the Pfizer vaccine--which was the first vaccine submitted to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for emergency use authorization--is Tuesday, Dec. 15.

The governor pointed out that the date is an

Arthur Named WVASC Principal of the Year

Melanie Arthur, a 2001 CCHS graduate, has been named West Virginia Association of Student Council 2020-2021 Principal of the Year.

Arthur has been principal at Blennerhassett Middle School for four years, and was previously principal at Calhoun Middle/High School.

"I would like to thank Lisa Whitley for the nomination and everyone who voted for me to receive this award. I am so grateful for the recognition for my work as principal at Blennerhassett Middle School," said Arthur. "Winning this award

would not have been possible without the inspiring and dedicated colleagues I get to work with every day. This accomplishment is not something that I did alone, and there are many others who deserve to share in this award."

The association recognizes an outstanding high school and middle school principal every year at its annual fall conference, which was held virtually this year.

"The staff, parents, students, and community that we have at Blennerhassett work tirelessly every day," said Arthur. "I appreciate

them and all the support that they have given me. I would also like to thank my family for their continued support."

The mission of the association is to provide and coordinate programs about skills to develop positive student leaders. The association provides students with the opportunity to learn and develop leadership skills, practice those skills in a structured environment and reinforce their ability to lead in their respective schools.

Prior to her time at CM/HS, Arthur had teaching assignments in North Carolina and Virginia, and

stay safe and do not get out of your car.

Saturday, Dec. 12
Shooting match, unmodified 12-gauge shotgun (no scopes), Upper West Fork Park, 10 a.m.

Monday, Dec. 14
County commission meets in courthouse little courtroom and also virtually (using zoom), 9 a.m.; #5936021621, password, 1234; by phone, +13126266799 or +1929 2056099 (toll free).

Calhoun board of education meeting, board (Continued on Page 2)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, Dec. 9
Farmers to Families free food box pickup, CM/HS, CANCELED.

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

Thursday, Dec. 10
Deadline to return Angel Tree gifts to MHHS long term care unit.

Friday, Dec. 11
Free food giveaway, Brohard Community Building, sponsored by Strait Creek Baptist Church, 3 to 4 p.m.; follow signs,

MHHS CEO Offers Plan To Help With Roof Repairs

Town Offices Would Benefit

Grantsville town council heard a proposal from Minnie Hamilton Health System chief executive officer Steve Whited at Monday's 4 p.m. meeting.

With the town office buildings' roofs needing repairs, Whited said he had acquired an estimate from Faith Builders, the same firm that had repaired portions of the hospital roof.

The estimate of \$94,100 included all four sections of the town's Main St. buildings.

Whited said that MHHS would lease a 1,000 sq.ft. area of the basement for four years, and prepay the cost of \$18,000.

(At least at first, the storage would be used for personal protective equipment that the hospital is required to keep on hand.)

The remaining costs of re-doing the roofs, \$74,100, would come from Minnie Hamilton prepaying for utilities provided by the town to the hospital, which Whited estimated at approximately \$4,000 to \$5,000 per month.

If the council agreed, the hospital would pay the costs to the town in one check.

When the legality of water and sewer fees being used was questioned, Whited said that he hadn't realized that would be a problem, but he felt that other solutions would be possible.

The council agreed to study a proposal by Whited at the Jan. 4 meeting.

Among other items approved by council were the following:

--Third reading of a Proposed Funding Assistance Ordinance, not to exceed \$285,000, for the waste water project design.

--Third reading of a Bond Ordinance that will allow the selling of \$2,200,000 in bonds for the water project.

--Resolution, after the Second Public Meeting

Hearing, for Grantsville Community Development Block Grant Demolition Application (to fund tearing down the former Rainbow Hotel).

Estimates on the project came from Bosley's, \$175,000, and Empire, \$125,000, plus \$35,000 (\$160,000), with both estimates including funding of asbestos removal, if it was found in the structure. The application would be for approximately \$190,000.

The land would remain property of the present owner, but a lien against the property for the amount of demolition costs would be filed, and the property could not be sold for less than that amount, which funds would be returned to the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development.

--Resolution to decline the only bid for the water project.

Six companies had attended a pre-bid meeting, but only one company, Orders Construction, submitted a bid, which was a little over \$5,000,000. The bid was approximately \$2,000,000 over funding.

Project supervisors will seek additional funding (possibly including another \$500,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission, which has already agreed to funding of \$1,000,000).

It is hoped that the project will be re-bid in the Spring.

Council approved a resolution to seek additional funding for the project.

--COVID-19 policy/guidelines for town employees.

--Opening a new checking account for the town's sewer project.

--Approved the part-time hiring of Jeff Starcher on Jan. 1 to help with patrolling in the town.

--Source Water Protection Plan, updated and available for view in the town office.

--Payment of bills.

Adjournment was at 5:20 p.m. The next regular town meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 4, at 4 p.m.

Free Testing

**Free COVID-19 Testing
Minnie Hamilton, Grantsville
Starting Wednesday, Dec. 9**

Walk-ins to the clinic,
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Melanie Arthur
File Photo

an administrative position in Chicago as curriculum coordinator for 10 schools, 800 teachers and 7,700 students.

OBITUARIES

PEARL MAE HEINEY

Pearl Mae Heiney, 95, of Glenville, died Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020, at Miletree Nursing Home, Spencer.

She was born in Gilmer County, the daughter of the late William and Ina Richards Simmons, and raised in Big Springs. She and her husband, Forrest Le Vere Heiney, operated F.L. Heiney Dairy, Leaf Bank, for 15 years, and a Quaker State station and grocery for 21 years. In later years, she enjoyed going to Gilmer Public Library. She spent the last three years with her daughter and son-in-law, Dianne and Bob Smith.

Surviving are one daughter, Shelia Dianne Smith and Robert Smith II; two brothers, Henry Simmons and Cecil Simmons; three grandchildren, Shawn Smith, Dawn Hymes and Kristina and Jesse Cecil; six great-grandchildren, Jevan Stanley and Jennifer Cone, Shayla Stanley, Tyler and Maddi Hymes, Turner Hymes, and Seneca and Isla Jane Cecil; and four-great-great-grandchildren, Easton, Adaline and Rowen Hymes and Paislei Carp.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Forrest Le Vere Heiney; son, Darrell Lee Heiney; sisters, Elodine, Nettie, Mettie, and Ernestina Simmons, Ruby Myers McHenry, Sara Cool, Erma Kline and Louise Spence; and brothers, Bearl, Eaarl, Orval and Eugene Simmons.

Services were private, with immediate family only, and burial in Betts Cemetery, with Rev. Ken Heiney officiating. A celebration of life will be held in the spring. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com.

GEORGIA BUTLER ATKINSON

Georgia Butler Atkinson, 88, of Spencer, died Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2020, at Miletree Center, Spencer.

She was born in Beech, the daughter of the late Roy and Martha Jane Lowers Butler. She had worked at Kellwood Co., and was a member of Clarence Community Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Diane Kyer of Spencer, Darlene Steele of Ripley and Gloria Vannoy of Reedy; one son, Eddie Atkinson of Parkersburg; sister and best friend, Stella Hall of Parkersburg; 10 grandchildren, Martha, Rodney, Shayla, Lydia, Jessi, Blaire, Baylee, Kristin, Micah and Caleb; seven great-grandchildren, Samantha, Cameron, Carter, Eli, Carson, Kenzie and Kyler; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Darris Edward Atkinson, on Apr. 17, 1959; five brothers, Ray Brannon, and Cliff, Delpha, Don and Nelson Butler; six sisters, Gae Smith, Lura "Dot" Webb, Rushie Oglesbee, Lear Wears, Virginia Parsons and Genevieve Butler; and one son-in-law, David Kyer.

Services were held at Taylor-Vandale Funeral Home, Spencer, with Pastor Shane Greathouse officiating. Burial was in Mt. Zion Cemetery.



DOY PARSONS

Doy Parsons, 87, of Grantsville, died Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020, at his home.

He was the son of the late Harrison and Agelotine Parsons.

Surviving are two sons, Roy Allen Parsons and James Parsons; two daughters, Kathy Kerby and Linda Holbert; and eight grandchildren, Brian Kerby, Stephanie Williams, Timmy Holbert, Crystal Holbert, Cody Parsons, Angelina Parsons, Brooklyn Parsons and Josh Parsons.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Violet Lenore Parsons; one son, William H. Parsons; five brothers, Jim, Home, Berlin, George and Roy; five sisters, Julie, Ulie, Caroline, Letha and Mary; and three grandchildren.

Graveside service was held at Hunt Cemetery, with Pastor Ed Easley officiating. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com.



BETTY JO BLAIR PARKS

Betty Jo Blair Parks, 83, formerly of Munday, died Sunday, Nov. 29, 2020, in Toledo, Ohio.

She was born in Big Springs, the daughter of the late Linse and Lula Cottrell Blair. She was a graduate of Calhoun County High School and had been employed as a factory worker, manager of shoe sales, and bookkeeper of her husband's drilling businesses in water and oil. She was involved in church activities at Full Gospel Lighthouse after retiring from their businesses and returning to Munday from Newark, Ohio.

Surviving are one daughter, Sherry Ashton of Sylvania, Ohio; one brother, Jim Blair of Munday; three grandchildren, Tara Rogers of Pataskala, Ohio, and Jason Good and Kyle Good, both of Munday; and four great-grandchildren, Quinn, Rylee and Owen Rogers and Emily Good.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Lawrence "Bud" Parks; one infant son, Terry Parks; and one infant brother, Eddy Blair.

Private family service will be conducted, with burial in Big Bend Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com.



PHILLIP GERWIG, JR.

Phillip S. Gerwig, Jr., 96, of Grantsville, died Thursday, Dec. 3, 2020.

He was born in Chapel, Braxton County, the son of the late Phillip and Mintie Long Gerwig. He married Pearl Beatrice Hart on July 23, 1945, and they relocated from West Virginia to Ohio, where they became owners of an Ashland gas station. In 1966, they purchased a Western Auto franchise in Kent, Ohio. In 1976, they relocated the business to Grantsville, and operated it until they retired.

Surviving are three children, Patricia "Sue" Gerwig, Thomas Gerwig and Janey Hudkins; 10 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Pearl Hart Gerwig; three brothers, Charles, Criss and Albert; and four sisters, Edna, Ida, Bernice and Edith.

Private family viewing will be held Thursday at Stump Funeral Home. Graveside service for family and friends will be held at Hart Cemetery, Clem, Braxton County, at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please donate to First Baptist's Calhoun County Food Pantry, P.O. Box 237, Grantsville, WV 26147. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS

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office, Mt. Zion, 5:30 p.m.; work session, 4:30.

Wednesday, Dec. 16

Calhoun County Solid Waste Authority meets at Cabot Recycling Station, 4 p.m.

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

Thursday, Dec. 17

Community Christmas Light display, Calhoun County Park, 6 to 9 p.m.; admission by donation.

Friday, Dec. 18

Deadline for submitting LIEAP energy assistance application; call 354-6118 for information.

Community Christmas Light display, Calhoun County Park, 6 to 9 p.m.; admission by donation.

Saturday, Dec. 19

Community Christmas Light display, Calhoun County Park, 6 to 9 p.m.; admission by donation.

Bingo, Grantsville Lions Club, 103 Stump St., 6 p.m.; ugly sweater contest and door prizes; COVID-19 guidelines will be in place.

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

The snow down deep in the holler lasted on the lee side of the hills through the weekend, but has now melted away.

There was a slight chance that we might get a little more snow the beginning of the week, but it was all for naught, as all that we got was a few snow squalls and some flurries.

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All of the birds at the feeder have been confused about this weather. They see a change coming and think, since the days are now so short, that a winter storm front is upon us. Then, it turns out that the weather is very windy and warmer, which is causing their confusion.

Soon the weather will, for the most part, settle into the usual pattern for winter that the birds are used to seeing.

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I had a "Mothman" moment on Saturday night. Shiloh and I walked down the driveway, like we always do, to shut off the generator, and I was walking with the porch lights showing me the way, until I got to the yard at the foot of the driveway.

My usual action is to turn on my superbright headlamp when I get to the bottom, just so I can check the perimeter for coyotes.

When I did this on Saturday night, the first thing I saw was a huge owl sitting on the top of our basketball backboard, spreading its wings to the maximum extent above its head. It then dropped from the top of the backboard and flew

by me within arm's reach before heading down the holler over the yard.

The reason I said it was my "Mothman" moment was because my heart stopped beating the instant I saw the bright red eyes and humongous wingspread in front of me, and it did not start beating again until I saw the bird fly past the house on its way down the holler and out of the yard.

If I didn't know what it was, or if it had been one of our friends from Toledo, Ohio, there would now be a story of "The Fabled Night Owl of White Pine."

The owl was not done messing with me either. After shutting down the generator, Shiloh and I started back up the driveway, and what did we see?

You guessed it, the owl heading back up the holler to where it sits in the black walnut trees and hunts rodents in the pastures. It didn't frighten me that time.

* * * *

Okay folks, we can almost see the finish line. There is a vaccine coming within a few months for all of us. All that we have to do until the vaccine is readily available is survive.

We can survive if we do our part to minimize the spread of the virus. You all know what you must do. All that is left now is to do it.

We can all look back at this sometime in the future as one of the worst periods of time in our lives, but only if we make it.

Let's get this done for the future of our progeny.

Governor's Allocation--

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an initial allocation of approximately 26,000 doses of the Moderna vaccine, with a weekly ordering cap of about 3,000-5,000.

The governor noted that West Virginia's vaccine allocation may increase through the end of 2020. Vaccine estimates for 2021 are not yet available.

There will be a limited supply of the COVID-19 vaccine when it first becomes available, so the vaccine will be distributed in phases, based on risk for contracting COVID-19.

In accordance with U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, the first-available vaccine doses will be distributed to healthcare workers, long-term care facility staff and residents, individuals critical to community infrastructure, and emergency response, public health officials, and first responders.

There are over 100,000

West Virginians who fall into these categories.

The initial allocation of vaccines will be distributed to five hub locations with ultra-cold storage in West Virginia: Berkeley, Cabell, Greenbrier, Kanawha, and Monongalia counties.

Justice also announced that the plan involves eventually scaling up distribution through additional providers in West Virginia.

More than 500 potential sites have currently enrolled to help distribute vaccine doses, and the governor said that he will be pushing for even more providers, pharmacies, and more to enroll.

The supply of vaccine doses will continually increase in the weeks and months to follow. The governor said that his goal is for West Virginians to be able to easily get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as large quantities are available. When the vaccine is available in larger supply, it will become available to the general population.

The vaccines will require two doses. Justice said that it is extremely important to receive both doses of the vaccine, because, if only one vaccine is received, immunity cannot be guaranteed.

The vaccines are not interchangeable, meaning that if you receive the Pfizer product in the first shot, you need to receive Pfizer for the second shot.

Justice noted that numbers are subject to change and will be updated on a regular basis in future COVID-19 briefings. The governor will also announce any additional phases of distribution and additional groups that will receive the vaccine in future briefings.

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Vaccination Week Is Dec. 6-12

W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Public Health, is reminding residents that there is still time to get a flu shot. An annual flu vaccine can prevent and lessen the severity of influenza illnesses, reducing associated hospitalizations and deaths.

National Influenza Vaccination Week is Dec. 6-12.

"Since COVID-19 and flu can spread simultaneously, it is especially important for everyone six months of age and older to get a flu shot this season," said Dr. Ayne Amjad, state health officer and commissioner for DHHR's Bureau for Public Health. "The flu

shot helps protect you and your family, as well as residents among our most vulnerable populations."

Transmission of respiratory diseases, including flu and COVID-19, can be prevented by washing or sanitizing hands often, social distancing, wearing a mask, and staying home while sick.

"As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, we

must also be prepared for a severe influenza season," said Amjad. "Getting a flu shot this year will not only benefit individual recipients, but also help prevent health-care facilities from becoming overwhelmed this winter."

To locate a healthcare facility or pharmacy with flu vaccines, visit vaccinefinder.org.

Christmas Messages

The Calhoun Chronicle is once again extending an invitation to all individuals who want to send greetings to loved ones and friends.

Written greetings will be accepted for the Dec. 24 issue of the Chronicle and must be received by Thursday, Dec. 17.

Greetings (30-word maximum) will be used as space permits.

This Week In History

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

1920, 100 years ago

Grantsville's new picture show house was opened to the public on Saturday night, the first picture shown being "The Way of a Man With a Maid," featuring Bryant Washburn. A fair-sized crowd, considering the weather, was present.

The home for the picture show is a fine one. While it is not yet entirely finished, it is comfortable, and, when completed, will be one of the most modern and up-to-date buildings in the Little Kanawha Valley. Nothing but the very best pictures will be shown, it being the intention of manager Fred Hardman to bring the highest class productions that can be obtained.

There will be a show on Saturday night, Lillian Gish in "True Love Susie," a fine production and one that the patrons of the show will be glad to see. There will be no shows after Saturday night until the close of the Baptist revival, when a regular program made up of the best in pictures will be started, with a show every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday nights.

Sam Digman, a prominent farmer of near Mt. Zion, received severe injuries in an accident with a hay baler last Monday, which may result in the loss of one of his legs. Mr. Digman was bailing hay and was using his foot instead of a fork to crowd the hay into the baler. The plunger came back with terrific force and caught his foot, horribly mashing and mangling the flesh and bone.

Holly Griffith, the noted desperado who shot and killed constable Jeff Goff at Creston, and later on, a police officer at Gassaway the summer of 1915, and who terrorized this whole country while dodging the officers of the law, made his escape from the Moundsville penitentiary, where he was serving a life term. On Thursday night, Dec. 6.

Griffith entered the engine room of the power plant of the penitentiary, killed the engineer, wounded another and cut the belt that runs the dynamo for lights. In the darkness, he made good his escape and is now at large. Guards from the penitentiary and other officers are scouring the country in an effort to capture him.

1945, 75 years ago

The following letter was received by Mrs. P.P. Gunn from her son, Dale Gunn, PM 3/C, of the Navy: Kegoshima, Kyushu, Japan. December 10, 1945

Dear Mother:

I suppose you are wondering what has happened to me because I have not written to you for so long. I am at Kyushu, Japan, and have not had a chance to write. We have been operating with the Marines for the past several weeks. We have been going around to several of the little islands around Kyushu disarming the Japanese garrisons. We just got back yesterday from Tenaga Shima, a small island off Kyushu. We are supposed to leave tomorrow for Sasebo, about 150 miles down the coast. I hope how soon we get there. Our mail is supposed to be down there. We have not had any mail since we left Lingayen Gulf about two months ago.

The Japanese are all glad that the war is over, and they have been doing everything they can to help us out.

One island that we inspected two days ago didn't even know the war was over. When we started into the harbor, they all started into the hills. They thought we had come to invade the island. As soon as the Marines went in to the beach, the Japanese army officers came down to meet them waving a white flag and said they wanted to surrender the island. When the Marine major told them that the war was over, they were all so happy that they wanted to have a party for us, but we did not have time to stay for it. Most of the islands don't have very much armament on them. We usually notify them a few days ahead so that the Japanese police can get the equipment together. Then all we do is take the Marines to the island and they go in and get the equipment, then we either burn it or dump it into the ocean.

A few days ago we were inspecting an island, and that night, just before we left, a Jap boy swam out to the ship and slipped on without anybody seeing him. We found him just as we were getting ready to leave. He said he wanted to go to the mainland. There was not much left on the island for him after the B-29s visited them. We have been released from this duty now and we will probably go back to our old flotilla wherever they are. I think part of them have gone back to the Philippines.

I guess Forrest is back in the States by this time. Is he going to get a leave for Christmas? Is he going to get duty in the States until he is discharged, or does he know yet? I will have enough points to be discharged on Mar. 15, if the Navy keeps on discharging the same as they have been. I don't believe this ship is going back to the States for awhile, so I will probably be here in the Pacific until my time comes to get out.

How is Eloise getting along in school this winter? Some of the boys on the ship that didn't finish high school say that they are going back to school when they get out. I expect some of the boys back home will do the same thing.

Who is working for Dad in the store now? Now that the war is over, he should be able to get things to sell a lot easier.

I am about run down for this time, so I will close, hoping to find you all well.

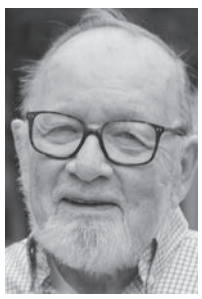
--Dale

1970, 50 years ago

John Kimble says that Michael Stump, the founder of the Stump family in this section, is buried in a cemetery near his home at Stumptown. The grave is marked by a specially made monument in the shape of a large stump, even complete with hatchet marks. This monument was made in Kentucky, transported most of the way here by water, and dedicated at a day when many of the Stump clan gathered at the site, coming from miles around, mostly by horse and buggy. Each member of the Stump family was assessed ten cents to

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



Question: This fall, the lake in our development had a foul odor. What causes this? (Asked by a concerned, anonymous lake dweller, of Greenwood, S.C.)

Reply: Most likely, it is just nature taking its course, which occurs in lakes and large ponds. First, let's look at a little lake water characteristics and dynamics.

In the summer, when swimming and standing neck deep in a lake, you have undoubtedly noticed that the water at your feet is cooler than the surface, and even more so at greater depths. This is because the sun warms the surface, and warm water (being less dense) "floats" on the cooler, denser water beneath.

Now, fast forward to fall and cold weather. As the surface water cools, it becomes denser and sinks. Over time and with increased cooling, a descending "column" of water occurs with the displaced water ascending, setting up a thermal cycle. This cycle may reach the bottom of the lake, depending on its depth and the temperature of the weather.

During the summer, organic material (such as leaves, grass, weeds and animal waste) settles to the lake bottom, creating thick layers of decaying "muck." Bacterial action produces muck decay, but with lake bottoms being depleted of oxygen, there is no common aerobic (requiring oxygen) bacteria. Therefore, anaerobic (without oxygen) bacteria take over, which produce gasses such as methane and hydrogen sulfide (which smells like rotten eggs) during the decaying process.

When the thermal water cycle extends deep enough to disturb the muck settled at the bottom, the lake "turns over." That is, the bottom anaerobic layer rises to the top, bringing the foul-smelling odors with it. This smell is sometimes mistaken for a sewage leak.

Depending on the lake and changing weather conditions, these "turnovers" can occur at other times of the year, such as in spring.

Curious Science Bonus: I pointed out that because the density of lake water increases with temperature, it becomes heavier and sinks. What would happen if the water cooling and density increase occurred down to zero degrees Celsius (freezing)? With freezing point at the lowest level, the lake would start to freeze at the bottom, but we all know that lakes freeze at the top, so what is wrong here?

Nothing. Just another little-known quirk of nature. Water has a strange characteristic of a maximum density of four degrees Celsius. This means that the density of water increases down to four degrees Celsius, but decreases from four degrees Celsius to zero degrees Celsius, and water cooled at the lake's surface in this range does not sink. So, when cooled to zero degrees Celsius and below, the lake water freezes from the top down, which is better for aquatic life (and ice skating).

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "The best way to get odors out of the kitchen: eat out!" --Phyllis Diller.

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, or email jerry@curiosity-corner.net. Selected questions will appear in the Curiosity Corner.

Waste Not/Want Not

by Judy Wolfram

This Christmas will be unlike any other for most people, but us "old folks" remember a few from World War II.

I thought that this month I would give you a Christmas list to follow:

C -- Count your blessings. You will be surprised how many you really have.

H -- Happy to be at home with family.

R -- Reach out to friends and family by phone or any other device you use.

I -- It's good that you are well and able to enjoy the day. Be grateful.

S -- Six feet apart when in a closed-in space.

T -- 'Tis the season. Remember the reason.

M -- Mask-Mask-Mask when anywhere but home.

A -- Always wash your hands. It can't hurt.

S -- Stay happy and healthy by obeying the rules. Six-feet, mask, wash hands.

Merry Christmas to our readers!

pay for the monument.

Mr. Kimble says that there are still a few people still living who attended the dedication, and urges that some of these write down the history of the monument and remembrances of the dedication day. Who remembers this?

One of the things studied by the Calhoun Planning Commission is the suitability of land in the area for development, especially for housing. The study showed that the Big Springs-Snyder Ridge area of the county had the largest number of best sites for development in the county. After the water system is completed in that area, you can expect to see it all grow. What a public water supply does for an area is shown by the growth in the Mt. Zion area. Now another area is getting a public water supply, and with many good building sites, watch it grow.

An added attraction is that the Pleasant Hill Public Service District serving this area will have eight-inch water lines, and will have fire hydrants.

Angel Tree

Gifts for the Minnie Hamilton Health System's Angel Tree need to be returned by Thursday, Dec. 10, to the long term care unit. Call Cheryl Cain, activity coordinator, 354-9700, ext. 5165, for information.

This Week In West Virginia History



Wreckage of the Silver Bridge at Pt. Pleasant, which collapsed on Dec. 15, 1967, killing 46 people.

The following events happened from Dec. 10-16 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.



Dec. 10, 1841: Logan County preacher "Uncle Dyke" Garrett was born on Big Creek. His greatest fame was for converting and baptizing Devil Anse Hatfield in Main Island Creek in 1911.

Dec. 10, 1949: The first class of 20 cadets graduated from West Virginia State Police Academy in Institute. The State Police purchased property for the academy on a hilltop overlooking Institute from Kanawha County for about \$3,200. Construction began in 1948 and the building was completed the next year.



Dec. 11, 1905: "Pare" Lorentz, known as "FDR's filmmaker," was born in Clarksburg. In 1933, Lorentz created "The Roosevelt Year: 1933," a pictorial review of FDR's first year in the White House.



Dec. 12, 1942: Internationally known jazz pianist and recording artist Bob Thompson was born in Jamaica, Queens, N.Y. He studied music at West Virginia State College (now University) and is the house pianist on the Mountain Stage radio program.

Dec. 13, 1861: The Battle of Allegheny Mountain, one of the bloodiest conflicts of the Civil War's first year, took place in Pocahontas County.

Dec. 13, 1926: Wheel-

ing radio station WWVA-AM began broadcasting. The 50-watt station operated from the basement of John Stroebel's house for most of its first year. He was a physics teacher and wireless pioneer.

Dec. 14, 1910: The accidental death of a Chesapeake & Ohio engineer near St. Albans led to the popular train song, "Billy Richardson's Last Ride."

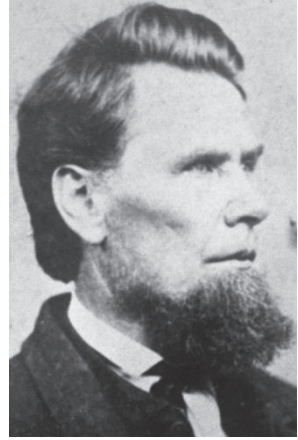


Dec. 14, 1857: Coal operator Justus Collins was born. He owned coal mines at Glen Jean and Whipple. The octagonal Whipple company store survives today as a local landmark.

Dec. 15, 1879: Roman Catholic Bishop John Joseph Swint was born in Pickens. He was responsible for the building of many religious institutions in the Diocese of Wheeling (now the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston).

Dec. 15, 1967: The Silver Bridge at Pt. Pleasant collapsed, killing 46 people. It was built by the American Bridge Co. of Pittsburgh and opened to traffic on May 19, 1928. The accident led to the passage of legislation for a national bridge inspection and safety program.

Dec. 15, 1972: An explosion at a Weirton Steel coke plant on Browns Island killed 19 men and injured 10 others. It was the worst industrial accident in Weirton's history.



Dec. 16, 1893: Alexander Martin died at the age of 71 in Greencastle, Ind. He was the first president of the Agricultural College of West Virginia, which was renamed West Virginia University at his recommendation in 1868.

e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia is a project of the W.Va. Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25301; 304-346-8500 or www.wvencyclopedia.org.

State Offers Free Test Kit

(See additional information on front page)

A FEW NOTES BEFORE YOU START

This at-home saliva test is offered at no cost from the State of West Virginia, and you will not be asked for your credit card information. If the system does ask you for payment, this is an error; close your browser and try again.

YOU WILL NEED AN EMAIL ADDRESS

Each test needs a unique email address and Vault account. If you use your email to order a test for yourself, you will need to create another account with a separate email to order a test for your child (or other family member). To order multiple tests, you must complete one request and then return to this page to begin the next request.

A PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED

Vault requires a photo ID so that the test super-

visor can confirm the identity of the person taking the test on the Zoom call.

Any photo ID will work, whether it is government-issued or from your place of work or school.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT AT-HOME SALIVA TESTING

HOW DO I GET A TEST?

To request a home saliva test kit, click Order a Test at www.vaulthealth.com/checkout/f6f9a0f76bbe4833a4b120ac29d4aeb2.

You will be asked to give more information about the person who needs the test, including their name, phone number, and birth date. The test will be sent to you at no cost.

DO I NEED TO ENTER MY CREDIT CARD INFORMATION?

No. At-home saliva tests are offered at zero cost for all West Virginians. If the website asks for your credit card, close out your browser and try again in an incognito browser.

DO I REALLY NEED AN EMAIL ADDRESS FOR EACH OF MY CHILDREN AND FAMILY?

Currently, a unique email address and account is required for each person who needs a test. This may mean that you have to create a new email for each of your minor children and household family members.

There are many options for free email accounts that you can use just for the purpose of creating a Vault account and receiving results, like Gmail, Yahoo! Mail, and iCloud Mail.

WILL VAULT SHIP TO A P.O. BOX?

No. UPS cannot ship COVID-19 test kits to a P.O. Box address.

I GOT MY TEST IN THE MAIL. WHAT DO I DO NEXT?

Download Zoom to connect with a testing supervisor. Then log into Vault's virtual waiting room anytime during their testing hours. You must not eat, drink, smoke, or chew anything for 30 minutes before your

testing session. Hours of operation for test supervision are:

Sunday-Thursday: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

After you have collected your saliva, ship your test kit to the lab using the prepaid UPS package.

CAN I TAKE THIS TEST WITHOUT DOING A ZOOM CALL WITH A VAULT TEST SUPERVISOR?

No. In order to get your results, you must collect your saliva sample while being observed by a Vault test supervisor.

DO I NEED TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A TEST SUPERVISOR TO COLLECT MY SAMPLE AT HOME?

Just log into Vault's virtual waiting room anytime during their testing hours. No appointment is needed.

CAN I DO AN AT-HOME SALIVA TEST MORE THAN ONCE?

Yes. You can order another test if you experience symptoms or have concerns about exposure from someone else.

SHOULD I TAKE THE TEST RIGHT AWAY, OR SAVE IT?

You should take the test right away, even if you do not have symptoms. There is no reason to save your test for later; you can simply request another one if you need it.

IS MY DNA COLLECTED DURING THIS TEST?

No. The only purpose of a COVID-19 test is to determine whether you are infected.

DO I NEED TO PUT MY SALIVA SAMPLE IN THE FRIDGE?

No. Temperature will not affect the accuracy of your test.

CAN I USE USPS OR FEDEX TO SEND MY SAMPLE TO THE LAB?

No, you must use UPS. Use this UPS locator tool to find a convenient UPS drop off point for your sample.

Do not drop your sample at a pharmacy UPS drop box--only use a UPS physical location or UPS direct drop box.

LIEAP Assist

W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources began mailing applications for Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) on Monday to those who received LIEAP this past season.

If determined eligible, a one-time payment will be issued to the Public Service Commission-regulated heating vendor indicated on the application. If the household heats with bulk fuel, i.e., wood, coal or liquefied petroleum gas, the payment will be mailed to the individual.

Individuals can return the application by U.S. Mail to their local office, DHHR, Calhoun Office, 85 Industrial Park Road, Grantsville, WV 26147, or complete it online at www.wvpath.org.

Applications must be returned by Friday, Dec. 18. For information, call 354-6118.

The maximum allowable gross income levels for LIEAP Federal Fiscal Year 2021 are as follows:

Household size (gross monthly income limit): 1 person (\$1,931), 2 (\$2,525), 3 (\$3,119), 4 (\$3,713), 5 (\$4,307), 6 (\$4,901), 7 (\$5,495), 8 (\$6,089), 9 (\$6,683), 10 (\$7,277), each additional (add \$594).

Households whose countable income exceeds the maximum amount are not eligible; however, some types of income may be excluded for LIEAP.

Lions Club Bingo

Grantsville Lions Club will have bingo on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 6 p.m. There will be an ugly sweater contest and door prizes will be given out. COVID mandates will be in place.

Top Entries Are 5-3

With two games not played, it only took a 5-3 record to win Week 4 of the Mini Football Prognostication Contest.

In the tie breaker, William Duskey predicted that Notre Dame would defeat Syracuse, 53-10, 19 points from the exact winning score of 45-21. He edged out Jennifer Hartz, who guessed that Notre Dame would win, 27-7, 32 points off.

Duskey, who also took the contest lead, wins a \$10 gift certificate from Grantsville Foodland.

Finishing at 4-4 were Alice Cottrell and Michael Hardman.

After four weeks, the following contestants have compiled the best records: William Duskey, 25-7; Richard Dowell and Michael Hardman, 24-8; Levi Ferrell, Mike Propst, Angie Slider and Brenton Slider, 22-10.

Entry for Week 5 of the Mini Football Prognostication Contest is on page five. Weekly winners receive a \$10 gift certificate from Grantsville Foodland. The contestant with the best accumulated record after seven weeks will receive a \$25 gift certificate from Foodland.

Glennville State Begins Wrestling Program

Glennville State first-year head wrestling coach Dylan Cottrell has announced that Cole Houser has been ranked 15th in two preseason wrestling polls for the 2020-21 season.

This is the inaugural season for wrestling at GSC as a NCAA Division II member. The college's last wrestling program was discontinued in 1974. They are set to begin competition in 2021.

Houser, a junior, and Urbana University transfer, wrestles at 157 lbs. The rankings are by The Open Mat, NCAA DII preseason national rankings and by FloWrestling.

"Cole has been a great leader for our program from the second he stepped on campus at GSC. We are excited for him and this program having a nationally ranked wrestler year one in multiple preseason polls, and truly expect him to climb

through the rankings this season," said Cottrell.

The 14-man roster includes 5'8, 143 lb. freshman Jesse Kargol, a Calhoun County High School graduate.

The complete 2020-21 wrestling schedule will be announced in the near future on GSCPioneers.com.

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.

Hunting/Fishing

Gov. Jim Justice has announced that West Virginians can purchase their 2021 hunting and fishing licenses, and be entered into a prize drawing.

Anyone who purchases a 2021 Class X, Class XJ, Class XP, Class X3 or Class XP3 license in December will automatically be entered to win one of two grand prizes of a free lifetime license, one of four vacation getaways at a West Virginia state park, or one of eight W.Va. Division of Natural Resources' gift bags.

The governor also thanked West Virginians who have registered for organ donation when purchasing their hunting and fishing licenses in the past year.

Dec. 11 will mark the one-year anniversary of the state's partnership with CORE (Center for Organ Recovery & Information).

The partnership between W.Va. Division of Natural Resources and CORE has allowed more than 25,000 West Virginians to register for organ donation when they purchase a hunting and fishing license.

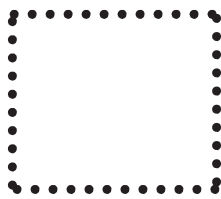
Chronicle Christmas Contest

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.

Entry forms should be sent to: The Calhoun Chronicle, P.O. Box 400, Grantsville, WV 26147.

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____



CONTEST RULES
Submit entries on official form only. May be deposited at Grantsville Foodland Deli or Chronicle office by 4 p.m. on Friday. A tie breaker will be used only in the event of a tie. Decisions of sports department are final. Only one entry per person.

Mini Football Prognostication contest

Pick the most winners and win

\$10 Grocery Certificate
From Grantsville Foodland

Contestant with the most correct picks after seven weeks will be the overall winner of \$25.

Circle the winning team: **ENTRY DEADLINE IS 4 P.M. ON FRIDAY**
Deposit at Foodland Deli or Chronicle office.

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Coastal Carolina -- Troy

Charlotte -- Marshall

Oklahoma -- West Virginia

Dallas -- Cincinnati

Denver -- Carolina

Pittsburgh -- Buffalo

Tie Breaker Score

Alabama _____ Arkansas _____

Name _____

Phone _____



BE SAFE AND GOOD LUCK HUNTERS!

DEAL OF THE WEEK

Hog Knob | 2 Acres +/- | Hillside property | **NEW PRICE of \$5,000. YES, IT IS REALLY \$5,000!**

HUNTING PROPERTY

Big Root Road | 82 Acres +/- | Great hunting acreage with possible **FREE GAS** | **\$89,500**

2282 Hog Knob Road | 54 Acres +/- | 2BR - 1BA | **CABIN IN THE WOODS!** | **FREE GAS!** | **\$89,500**

Nicut, Timber and Land | 237 Acres +/- | **INVESTMENT TIMBER!** | **\$250,000**

5260 Leading Creek Road | 23 Acres +/- | 2003 Mobile Home | **\$69,500**

Leading Creek Road | 60 Acres +/- | 1/2 Minerals | **Reported FREE GAS** | Perfect Hunting Camp fronting on creek | **\$79,500**

1349 Big Root Road | 110 Acres +/- | 3BR - 2BA | 2,000 Sq. Ft. | Pond | **ULTIMATE PROPERTY!** | This rare piece of real estate that offers so many desirable features in one setting. This farm has been used as a family recreation getaway but now is available as a primary residence and working farm. Offering a good balance of mountain ridges, flat bottom-land and meadows, the farm provides privacy, sustainability, beauty and abundant recreation to the next owner. **\$299,000**

2291 Lower Nicut Road | 52 Acres +/- | **CABIN W/ FREE GAS!** | **\$99,500**

4654 North Calhoun Highway | 3 BR - 1 BA | 2 Car Garage | If this sounds interesting then add 22 acres that fronts North Calhoun Highway and Road Fork to make it more appealing. **Only \$55,000**

Stinson | 88 Acres +/- | Recently Surveyed, **REPORTED FREE GAS**, four wheel drive access, get away from it all, prime social distancing spot! | **\$99,500**

Little Rowels Run | 50 Acres +/- | Near Creston, great spot for a hunting camp, recently surveyed. | **\$49,900 MAKE AN OFFER!**

Little Kanawha River | 10 Acres +/- | **NEW PRICE! Now only \$19,500!**

Lemuels Run | Ideal home site 23 acres of stream front property with electric reported free gas on the property. 2 miles from Route 5 on Lemuels Run. **Priced at \$39,400**

Bear Fork | Hunting and Timberland Acreage | 225 Acres +/- | **\$300,000**

Rush Run | Hunting Land | 70 Acres +/- | **\$75,000**

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**

Rt. 16 North of Grantsville | 20 Acres +/- | Mobile Home Site w/ Utilities | **\$25,000**

Kight-Ward Road | 24 Acres +/- | **\$34,500**

839 Lovada Road | 5 Acres +/- | Two Houses! | **\$89,500**

Stumptown/Bear Fork | 95 Acres +/- | **\$95,000 - MAKE AN OFFER**

3 Miles out of Grantsville Little Kanawha Hwy E | 11 Acres +/- | **\$25,000 LAND CONTRACT**

Jakes Fork | 49 Acres +/- | **\$49,000**

Sycamore | 44 Acres +/- | **\$49,000 UNDER CONTRACT!**

FARMS

821 Reedyville Road | 155 Acres +/- | Farm House | **\$225,000**

STARTER HOMES

22 Poplar Lane (off of Pine Creek) | 4 Acres +/- | 2 or 3 BR - 1BA | 2 Car 2 Story Detached Garage, Wood Working Shop, and Cellar | **\$79,500**

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**

12176 W. Little Kanawha Highway | 2-3 BR - 1BA | Riverfront Property | Detached Garage | **\$65,000**

1685 Ripley Road | 1 Acre +/- | 3 BR - 2 BA | Log Home | Backup Solar Power | 3 Outbuildings | **\$98,500**

4 BEDROOMS +

407 High Street | 4 BR - 3 BA | 2 Master Suites | Central Heating and Cooling | **BEAUTIFUL HISTORIC HOME HIDDEN IN THE MIDDLE OF GRANTSVILLE** | **\$130,000 RECENTLY REDUCED!**

204 Roxel Lane | 2.98 Acres +/- | 4 BR - 2 BA | 2,466 Sq. Ft. | Large Attached Garage | **HIGH IN THE HILLS WITH A GREAT VIEW OVERLOOKING THE TOWN OF GRANTSVILLE** | **\$180,000**

2418 Sassafras Ridge Road | House with 4 bedrooms sitting on 3 Acres +/- | **\$65,000 PRICE REDUCED!**

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY

58 Hays Street | Ideal for the home mechanic. Large House and connected garage. Located on two very big town lots. | **\$40,000**

848 Laurel Run Road | Rosedale | 3 BR 2 BATH 1998 Skyline. Used for a summer visits only has never been lived in full time. | **\$49,500 UNDER CONTRACT!**

2798 Russett Road | **FIXER UPPER** and 1 Acre +/- | **\$19,500 SALE PENDING!**

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

103 Cobb Loop Road | Clendenin | Auto Repair Shop and Towing Business fully equipped and ready to start working. Two lifts, tire changing station, and much more! | **\$199,000**

POSSIBLE OWNER FINANCING

306 Sand Ridge Road | 3BR - 1BA | **\$65,000 SOLD!**

Sycamore | Home Site | 3 Acres +/- | **\$10,000** | **REPORTED FREE GAS!**

2715 Sassafras Ridge Road | 3 BR House, City Water, and 5.69 acres +/- | **\$65,000 PRICE REDUCED!** **\$49,500**



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Bring Classifieds to the Chronicle office or mail to Box 400, Grantsville, WV 26147. Classifieds Ads must be paid in advance. Classifieds are \$3 plus 10¢ a word after 20 words.

Vehicle Bids

The Calhoun County Commission will sell to the highest bidder the following vehicle on Monday, Dec. 14, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. on the courthouse steps:

1997 Buick Lesabre
The vehicle will be sold in as-is condition with a minimum bid of \$100. Terms are cash on day of sale. Contact the Calhoun County Sheriff's office for information about the vehicle. The vehicle is currently at the E911 center at Mt. Zion for anyone wishing to inspect.

2tc/12/3-10

For Rent

FOR RENT -- 3 bedroom mobile home, 14'x70' with 12'x16' factory utility addition, 2 baths with tub shower, central heat and air, 12'x12' covered front porch, 4'x8' covered back porch, well water and septic system. No pets. no smoker preferred. Located at Millstone on Rts. 33-119, 1/2 mile from Rt. 16 intersection East, on right. \$450 deposit, \$450 per month. 304-354-6020.

2tp/12/10-17

Eddie's

EDDIE'S Variety Shop -- 2 large jewelry boxes, cedar chest, Dale Earnhardt memorabilia, comic books, knives, Christmas and fall arrangements, wreaths, monument sprays. Lots of other items too numerous to mention. Come on down, behind the J&B Drug Store.

2tp/12/10-17

Personals

WANTED -- Grantsville, attractive, intelligent, shapey 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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Miscellaneous

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Social Security Update

by Kimberly Stephens, Public Affairs Specialist

We announced a new option on Sept. 3 for people awaiting a hearing. In addition to telephone hearings, we will begin offering claimants the option to participate in an online video hearing using the Microsoft Teams platform.

Beginning this month, we will send special notices that explain hearing options during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our mailing will include a form where the claimant can agree to a telephone hearing, online video hearing, or both.

This new, free service will allow claimants and their representatives to participate in the hearing

from anywhere they have access to a camera-enabled smartphone, tablet, or computer, and access to the internet.

The stable and secure online platform allows the administrative law judge to see and interact with claimants and their representatives, just like an in-person hearing, while maintaining privacy. Other hearing witnesses, such as medical or vocational experts, may participate by phone only.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of finding new ways to serve the public," said Social Security commissioner Andrew Saul. "For over a decade, the agency has used video hearings to get applicants

their hearing decisions sooner.

"This advancement builds on that effort, making it easier and more convenient to attend a hearing remotely, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"To continue to ensure all participants' safety, we expect online video hearings and telephone hearings will be the only two hearing options for the foreseeable future."

Read the latest news about online video hearings at www.ssa.gov/appeals/hearing_options.html. If you have questions about hearings during the COVID-19 pandemic, visit the Coronavirus web page at www.ssa.gov/coronavirus/.

Grant Deadline

The W.Va. Humanities Council has announced its upcoming Feb. 1 grant deadline for three categories:

Major grants, which are awarded twice a year for projects requesting up to \$20,000; Fellowships of \$3,000, which are awarded annually for scholarly research projects; and Mini-grants, which are awarded four times a year for projects requesting \$1,500 or less.

The council is the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and serves West Virginia through grants and direct programs in the humanities.

A variety of matching grants are offered by the Humanities Council year-round to nonprofit organizations in West Virginia that support educational programming.

Complete descriptions of grant applications due Feb. 1:

--Major grants. The category supports public programs, including, but not limited to, lectures, school projects, symposia, panel discussions, reading and discussion series, exhibits, re-enactments, and conferences. Major grant proposals may request up to \$20,000. Applicants must allow 12 weeks between the deadline and the start of the project.

--Fellowships. Stipends of \$3,000 are awarded once a year to West Virginia college and university humanities faculty and independent scholars for research and writing projects. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, the study of interpretive archaeology; the history, theory, and criticism of the arts; ethics; history; jurisprudence; modern and classical languages; linguistics; literature; philosophy; comparative religion; and philosophical and historical approaches to the social sciences.

--Mini-grants. Support small projects, single events, lectures, small museum exhibits and brochures, consultation needs, and planning for more complex projects. Throughout 2021, the council is especially interested in mini-grant projects addressing the Battle of Blair Mountain centennial. Mini-grant deadlines are Feb. 1, Apr. 1, June 1, and Oct. 1 for projects requesting \$1,500 or less. Applicants must allow six weeks between the deadline and the start of the project.

For information about the grants program contact grants administrator Erin Riebe, 346-8500 or at riebe@wvhumanities.org. Grant guidelines and applications are also available at www.wvhumanities.org

Application Deadline For Coronavirus Food Assistance Program Is Dec. 11 For Producers

Roane/Calhoun County USDA Farm Service Agency executive director Lisa J. Delaney reminds farmers and ranchers that the deadline to apply for the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2 (CFAP 2) is Dec. 11.

The program provides direct financial relief to producers due to market disruptions and associated costs because of COVID-19.

"Most of the crops and livestock raised in West Virginia, including many of them raised in our area, are eligible commodities for this program," said Delaney. "If you haven't already applied or contacted our office to learn more about the program, now is the time to do so. Our staff will help you through the application process."

Row crops, livestock, dairy, specialty crops, aquaculture and more all are eligible for the CFAP 2. Producers may visit farmers.gov/cfap and click on "Eligible Commodities Finder" to review eligible commodities and learn about the payment structure for each.

CFAP 2 is a separate program from the first iteration of the program (CFAP 1), and interested producers must complete a new application to be eligible for payment for CFAP 2.

Producers may call 927-1022, ext. 2, for guidance on the process to complete an application. Producers

may also visit farmers.gov/cfap and access the online application portal or learn about other application options.

A call center is also available for producers who would like additional one-on-one support with the CFAP 2 application process. Call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer assistance.

All USDA Service Centers are open for business, including those that restrict in-person visits or require appointments. All visitors wishing to conduct business with FSA, Natural Resources Conservation Service, or any other service center agency should call ahead and schedule an appointment.

Service Centers that are open for appointments will pre-screen visitors based on health concerns or recent travel, and visitors must adhere to social distancing guidelines. Visitors are also required to wear a face covering during their appointment. Information can be found at farmers.gov/coronavirus.

Free Food

Free food giveaway will be held on Friday, Dec. 11, 3 to 4 p.m., at Brohard Community Building, sponsored by Strait Creek Baptist Church. Please follow signs. Stay safe and do not get out of your car.

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Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Jeff Starcher, Sheriff and Treasurer of Calhoun County.	\$ 1,032.95
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$ 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
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 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114
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 Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until January 12, 2021 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
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*These are projects on which any contractor with a Category "W" Prequalification Rating may be eligible to bid.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. All bidders holding valid bidding proposals will be notified of such deferment, delay or postponement and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

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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 - Poca Room
 431 Running Right Way in Julian WV, 25529.

Maps class for safety instructors - 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, January 19
 Safety exam - 8 a.m. Wednesday, January 20

For additional information, contact the Coal Board office at (304) 205-4120.

Struggling to Deal with Holiday Stress During a Pandemic?

According to First Choice Services, along with celebration and joy, another aspect of the holiday season looms large for many people: stress and anxiety. The "holiday blues" is a well-known phenomenon that may be amplified this year by pandemic stress.

A recent study from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control shows a significant increase in anxiety, depression, suicidal thoughts, and alcohol abuse during the pandemic.

In West Virginia, overdoses are again on the rise. Data shows a similar escalation in rates of depression and anxiety. Now that many people are faced with unemployment, the loss of loved ones, or

spending Christmas alone, the emotional toll could be enormous.

Connecting people with resources is more critical than ever, and fortunately, West Virginia has many helplines to assist with this.

First Choice Services, which operates several helplines, will have staff available throughout the holiday, with many programs operating 24/7, including Christmas Day. Available services include:

HELP304

Those dealing with anxiety, depression, or COVID-related stress call talk directly to a crisis counselor for free, 24/7. No appointments are necessary. A weekly

online support group is also available. Call 1-877-HELP-304, text 1-877-4357-304, or visit www.HELP304.com for online chat.

HELP4WV

Those seeking referrals for mental health or addiction treatment can reach a helpline specialist 24/7. Specialists are trained to provide information and assist with referrals.

Most callers are able to receive treatment within 24 hours of their initial call.

Children's crisis services and peer recovery coaching is also available. Call 1-844-HELP-4WV, text 1-844-435-7498, or visit www.HELP4WV.com for online chat.

1800GAMBLER

During the pandemic, limited video lottery has had record revenues. Sports betting via a mobile app is now legally available and heavily advertised.

This 24/7 helpline offers free, private help for those who are struggling with problem gambling. Telehealth appointments and online support groups are also available. Call 1-800-GAMBLER or visit 1800GAMBLER.net for online chat.

Suicide Lifeline

Depression and thoughts of suicide have risen during the pandemic. The lifeline is answered by trained, caring professionals, who are ready to listen and help

support callers experiencing suicidal thoughts or emotional crises. This line can be reached 24/7 by calling 1-800-273-TALK.

211

Record unemployment has forced many to seek financial assistance to pay their bills or feed their families. First Choice Services partners with the United Ways of West Virginia to offer a 24/7 helpline for those seeking information about local resources to assist with many different emergency needs. Call 211 or 1-833-848-9905, or text your zip code to 898211, or visit WV211.org for online chat.

Tobacco Quitline

Despite the dangers of COVID, which largely affects the lungs, there is no evidence that smoking or vaping rates are declining. According to the American Lung Association, West Virginia has the highest rate of smoking in the country.

The Quitline offers free nicotine replacement therapy (medication, gum, lozenges) and expert advice from Quitline coaches. Help is available Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sat.-Sun., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., by calling 1-800-QUIT-

NOW, texting 304-583-4010, or visiting WVTobaccoQuitline.com for online chat, or to complete online enrollment.

W.Va. Navigator

Massive job loss means many have lost their employer-based health insurance. Open enrollment for marketplace health insurance closes Dec. 15. The W.Va. Navigator program offers free, expert assistance choosing a plan.

Typically, 86% of callers qualify for a financial subsidy to purchase insurance, and navigators can also enroll callers in W.Va. Medicaid, if they qualify. Help is available 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mon.-Fri. Call 1-844-WV-CARES or visit WVNavigator.com for online chat.

Jobs & Hope

Finding employment during a pandemic can be difficult, but this service can help. Callers are connected to a specialist who links them with education, training, and employment.

Special emphasis is placed on assisting those in recovery who have barriers to employment. This line can be reached 24/7 by calling 1-833-784-1385 or by visiting JobsAndHope.WV.gov.

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Commissioners Agenda Announced For Dec. 14

Calhoun county commission has announced the following agenda for Monday's 9 a.m. meeting in the courthouse little courtroom (also by Zoom #5936021621, password, 1234; by phone, +13126266799 or +19292056099, both toll free):

- Call to order.
- Pledge of Allegiance.
- Approve minutes: Nov. 9.
- Delegations/requests: Luke Peters, ARC grant.
- Reports: E-911, LEPC and OES; ambulance service; Wood Festival; CRI; Calhoun County Park; 4-H programs; FRN; home confinement; sheriff; Little Kanawha Area Development Corp.; broadband committee, Horst Motz.
- New business: Set dates for Board of Equalization meetings; Covid-19 personnel policy discussion.
- Old business: COVID-19 barriers for courthouse offices.
- COVID-19 grant.
- Personnel items.
- Appointments to boards and authorities.
- Grants, contracts, ap-

- lications and resolutions.
- Erroneous tax assessments/consolidations.
- Fiduciary items.
- Financial items: In-house budget transfer #3; budget transfer #4.
- Invoices paid, need to be approved.
- Invoices to be approved.
- Financial statements: September, October, and November; county financial statement FY20.
- Bonds, wills, settlements and orders.
- Executive session.
- Adjournment: Next meeting is Monday, Jan. 11.

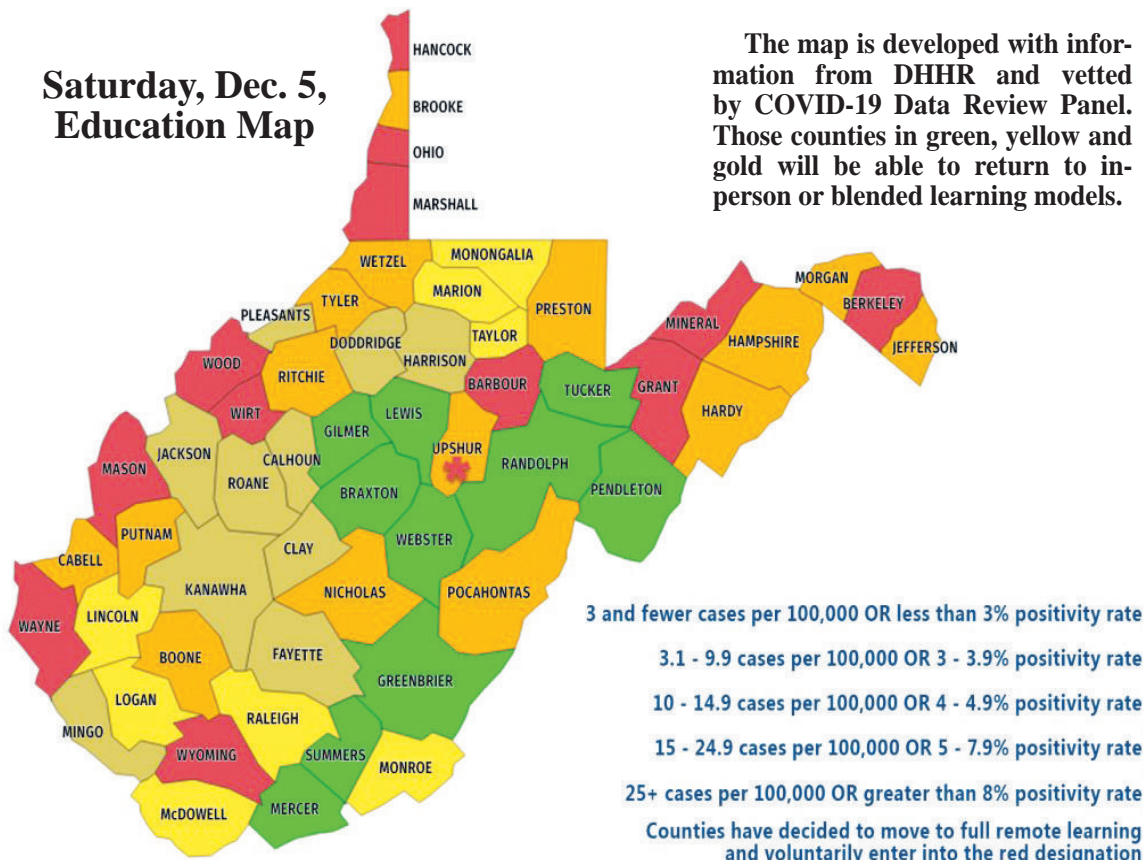
Hur Church

The Hur Community Church is closed until further notice due to the virus. It will be open for funerals and weddings. For information, call Eula Murphy, 354-6971.

Solid Waste

Calhoun County Solid Waste Authority will have its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 4 p.m., at Cabot Recycling Station.

Saturday, Dec. 5, Education Map



IOGAWV, WVONGA Complete Merger

Members of the Independent Oil and Gas Association of West Virginia (IOGAWV) and West Virginia Oil and Natural Gas Association (WVONGA) have voted to merge into one organization--Gas and Oil Association of West Virginia (GO-WV). "The natural gas in-

dustry and our state are stronger today than they were yesterday," said IOGAWV board president Ben Sullivan. "With the merger of these two great associations, the industry is better positioned now to advocate for public policy that will help grow this vital industry.

"We also have a singularly focused voice when it comes to publicizing our industry's positive economic and environmental impact on this state, region and nation.

"As our individual member companies are doing with their businesses, GO-WV will create operational efficiencies and savings at a time where commodity prices are depressed."

With the merger approved, a newly formed GO-WV board will work over the next few months to craft a new brand, consolidate offices, and identify its agenda for the upcoming 2021 legislative session. IOGAWV executive director Charlie Burd will now become GO-WV's executive director.

The industry employs thousands in West Virginia and is responsible for more than \$4 billion in state severance and property

tax revenue since 2008. "West Virginia is blessed with enough gas for generations into the future," said Burd. "This region helps provide natural gas to powerplants, and manufacturing facilities,

and fertilizer to our farmers. Natural gas also is Earth's cleanest burning fossil fuel. It provides affordable energy, reduces carbon dioxide emissions, and helps to create local manufacturing jobs."

American Red Cross Give Blood or Plasma

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Your donation could save a life!

Gov. Jim Justice has announced that all across the nation, there is still a shortage of plasma and blood:

"The White House Coronavirus Task Force urged me, and all the other governors on the call, to urge our citizens to go out and give blood, especially if you have recovered from COVID."

Those fully recovered from a verified COVID-19 diagnosis may have plasma in their blood containing COVID-19 antibodies that can attack the virus. The plasma is being evaluated as a possible treatment for currently ill COVID-19 patients.

"I encourage all 32,000 West Virginians who have recovered from COVID-19 and who meet the requirements to consider donating their plasma to this important effort," said Justice.

For information, visit redcross.org or call the American Red Cross offices, 340-3650.

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