



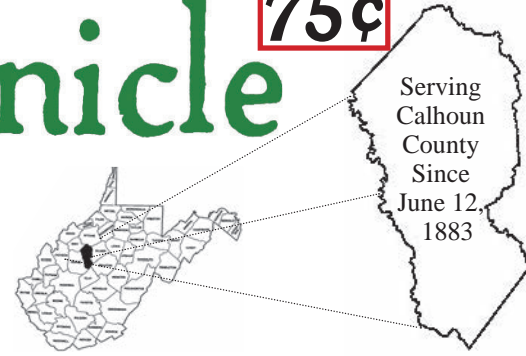
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Grand Jury Indicts 5

(Editor's Note: The return of an indictment by a Grand Jury indicates that a person has been charged formally by the State with the commission of a crime or crimes. It is an accusation. The U.S. Constitution provides that a person is presumed innocent until proven guilty by the State. Upon entering a plea of innocent, persons accused of a crime are entitled to a trial by a jury of their peers. The guilt or innocence of the accused is determined by a Petit Jury, not by means of an indictment by a Grand Jury.)

dicted on one count of third offense driving on a revoked license for DUI.

Michael Andrew Keeney II of Spencer was indicted on one count third offense DUI; third offense driving on a revoked license for DUI; and fleeing by means other than a vehicle.

Christopher Scott Lamp of Grantsville was indicted for one count conspiracy to deliver a controlled substance (methamphetamine); and one count delivery of a controlled substance (methamphetamine).

Jarred Lee Nicholas of Grantsville, was indicted on one count conspiracy to deliver a controlled substance (methamphetamine); one count delivery of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); one count possession with the intent to deliver a controlled substance (marijuana); and one count possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance (methamphetamine).

The Calhoun County Grand Jury returned indictments against five individuals during its January session. The following cases were presented by prosecutor Nigel Jeffries:

Darren Nicholas Parsons of Grantsville was indicted on one count of grand larceny.

John Fredrick Fisher of Arnoldsburg was in-

Calhoun Schools Lists Preschool, Kindergarten Enrollment Information

Calhoun County Universal Preschool has enrollment packets available for parents to get children enrolled into Pre-Kindergarten and for the 2021-22 school year.

Enrollment packets may be picked up at Arnoldsburg Elementary, Pleasant Hill School, or the Calhoun County board of education office during school hours.

Children who did not attend a PreK program last year, and will be attending kindergarten for the 2021-22 school year, may also pick up enrollment packets at each school.

All children who are four years old prior to July 1, 2021, are eligible to apply for enrollment.

Calhoun schools will conduct pre-registration on the following dates:

--Arnoldsburg Elementary, Wednesday, Mar. 3; call Jackie Allen, 655-8616, ext. 110, to schedule an appointment.

--Pleasant Hill School, Wednesday, Mar. 10; call Deb Goff, 354-6022, ext. 402, to schedule an appointment.

Registration fairs will be set up to assist families in getting the necessary

documentation for starting school. Developmental, hearing, vision, and dental screenings will be conducted at the fairs.

All children applying for school must have the following documents prior to the beginning of the 2021-22 school year:

--Certified Birth Certificate (Vital Statistics Certificate from Charleston only).

--Immunization Record.

--Preventative Health Screen with dental check and hemoglobin test (available through your physician).

--Pre-K Universal Application/Enrollment Packet.

--Proof of Income (W2, 1040, or proof of Government Assistance); Pre-K students only.

Completed preschool packets are due by the date of the registration fairs.

Any child, birth to three, thought to have developmental delays, is also eligible to be screened for possible services.

For information about this topic, call Bonnie Sands, 354-7011, ext. 317, or email bonnie.sands@k12.wv.us.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, Jan. 27

Free State COVID-19 screening, Minnie Hamilton annex building, 9 a.m. to noon.

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

Saturday, Jan. 30

Deadline to return applications in-person for Town of Grantsville election for mayor, recorder and five council members; town office, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 1

County commission meets as board of review and equalization, courthouse little courtroom, 9 a.m.; to discuss managed timberland.

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

Wednesday, Feb. 3

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

Thursday, Feb. 4

County commission meets as board of review and equalization, courthouse little courtroom, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 6

Shooting match, Upper West Fork Park, 10 a.m.; social distancing and masks are required.

Saturday Last Day For Candidates To Sign-Up For Town Election

Saturday is the last day for candidates to sign up for the Town of Grantsville's General Election.

Sign-ups through Tuesday morning were as follows:

Town Council: Cheryl Cheesbrew, Dorothy McCauley, Judy Powell, Linda Staton, William Villers.

Time To Get On A Waiting List? State Makes It Easier To Register

With West Virginia leading the nation in getting "shots in the arms" of nursing home residents, first responders, ages 80-plus, and now ages 65-and-up, the State is offering pre-registration for all who want the vaccine at 1-833-734-0965 or vaccinate.wv.gov (see Gov. Jim Justice's

update story below). You may want to get on a waiting list for the vaccination as soon as possible.

With COVID-19 cases showing a slight trend downward--not enough to stop wearing masks or practicing social distancing--the State has had less than a 1,000

cases on eight of the last 11 days.

Calhoun became the last county to reach 200 positive cases on Saturday. As of Tuesday, the county had 204 cases, 14 more than last week.

Webster (241) is the only other county under 300.

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Governor Announces Online COVID-19 Vaccine Pre-Registration System Launch

During Gov. Jim Justice's Monday briefing, he announced that West Virginia became the first state in the nation to launch an online COVID-19 vaccine pre-registration system, available to the public through vaccinate.wv.gov.

The new digital tool allows West Virginians to add themselves to a statewide list of people who are interested in being vaccinated, and will notify

those who sign up about the availability of vaccine doses to help streamline vaccination efforts.

As of 6 p.m. on Monday, more than 62,000 West Virginians had already signed up to be added to the pre-registration list.

"Once again, we're doing an outstanding job and leading the nation in our approach to get this vaccine rolled out," said Justice.

"I am excited to get

this system in place, and I truly hope it will be a big benefit to West Virginians, so that you're not sitting there, dialing and dialing, which is ridiculous, and I hate like crazy you've had to do that, so that we can continue to lead the nation in getting vaccines in arms."

West Virginians who currently qualify to be vaccinated and who are interested in doing so, can pre-register online or call the COVID-19 Vaccine Info Line, 1-833-734-0965, to get help pre-registering.

Users will get a message after registering to confirm that they are in the system, and will be sent updates regularly. The system sends texts, emails, and phone calls.

Vaccine Distribution

Justice also reported that West Virginia remains among the national leaders in the rate of COVID-19

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Vaccination Clinics For Ages 65 and Older

Gov. Jim Justice, W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources, and W.Va. Joint Interagency Task Force announced on Monday that COVID-19 vaccine clinics will be held this week across the State of West Virginia through Operation Save

Our Wisdom. The clinics are available for West Virginians who are 65 years of age and older.

The free vaccination clinics will be held in 17 counties, including those listed below (all listed clinics are full, but will utilize existing waitlists):

Residents from any county in West Virginia may access an appointment at any of the vaccination clinics listed, regardless of their county of residence.

West Virginians can now pre-register for a COVID-19 vaccine through the West Virginia COVID-19 Vaccine

Registration System at vaccinate.wv.gov.

All clinics require appointments and walk-ins will not be accepted.

The community vaccination clinic model will continue to be used each week and additional locations will be added as vaccine supply increases.

Thursday, Jan. 28:

Kanawha County, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Salvation Army, 301 Tennessee Ave., Charleston; by appointment only.

Harrison County, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Nathan Goff Armory, 5 Armory Road, Clarksburg; by appointment only.

Friday, Jan. 29:

Kanawha County, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Charleston Coliseum and Convention Center, 200 Civic Center Dr., Charleston; by appointment only.

For information on COVID-19 vaccination, visit vaccinate.wv.gov.

OBITUARIES

ADRIAN EUGENE SNIDER

Adrian Eugene Snider, 79, of Williamstown, died Sunday, Jan. 17, 2021, at Eagle Pointe, Parkersburg. He was born in Freed, the son of the late Icel Adrian Snider and Mildred Genevieve Eagle Snider. He was a truck driver for Marathon Corp. Previous to his four years at Eagle Pointe, he had been a resident of Cedar Grove Personal Care Home for six years. Surviving are three children, Bridgette Funk and Brent Snider, both of Elizabeth, and Brenda Snider of Mineral Wells; seven grandchildren, Mathew Taylor, Timothy Nestor, Wesley J. Ray, Icel McCray, Daniel McCray, Stephen McCray and David McCray; five great-grandchildren, Adrianna Taylor, Julie Taylor, Lacy Nestor, Tim Nestor and Harley Jane Nestor; his first wife and mother of his children, JoAnn Shock Snider; second wife, Pamela Smith Snider, and her son, Gary Bradley II; and one sister-in-law, Trudy Snider of Walker.

He was preceded in death by one brother, William Snider. Services were held at Kimes Funeral Home, Parkersburg, with Pastor John Vannoy officiating. Burial was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

CORA JENKINS HORNBECK HOLCOMB

Cora L. Jenkins Hornbeck Holcomb, 89, of Elizabeth, died Saturday, Jan. 16, 2021, at her home. She was born in Creston, the daughter of the late Herman and Mary Naomi Park Jenkins. She was a 1950 graduate of Wirt County High School and worked in a variety of jobs throughout her professional life, including as a CNA at Roane General Hospital and as a foster grandmother at Wirt County Primary Center. She was voted Homecoming Queen at Wirt Senior Citizens Center and was member of Elizabeth Baptist Church.

Surviving are three children, Linda Walker, Roger Hornbeck and Donald Hornbeck; nine grandchildren, Dan Brindo, Jon Brindo, James Brindo, Nicholas Hornbeck, Eric Hornbeck, Heather McGuire, Kyle Sears, Dawn Hornbeck and Lisa Wells; 18 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Gene Hornbeck and Bob Holcomb; one son, Mike Hornbeck; one daughter, Shelia Drake; and six siblings, Virginia, Rita, Athel, Dessie, Agnes and Letha.

Private visitation and graveside service was held. Donations may be made payable to Mt. Pleasant Church and Cemetery Fund, Kimberly Villers, 288 Pleasant View Dr., Elizabeth, WV 26143.

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.

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ANN BRIGGS

Ann Briggs, 71, of Flatwoods, died Monday, Dec. 18, 2020, at Genesis HealthCare, Glenville. She was born in Spanish Fork, Utah, the daughter of George S. Briggs and Phyllis Myrtle Johnson. She worked as a computer consultant, which allowed her to travel across the United States and Europe. She was active in community service, especially in animal rescue and Central West Virginia Outreach Center.



Surviving are three siblings, Jane Briggs Rasmussen, Ellen Moulton and George S. Briggs, and members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Her wish to be cremated has been honored. Viewing services will be announced at a later time. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com.

DEBBIE MARKS

Debbie Marks, 59, of Parkersburg, died Saturday, Jan. 16, 2021, at Camden-Clark Medical Center, Parkersburg.

She was born in Williamson, the daughter of the late Thomas Evans and Vicy Smith.

Surviving are her husband of 36 years, Dexter Marks, Sr.; three sons, Anthony Marks, Finley Marks and Dexter Marks, Jr.; one daughter, Vicy Marks; six grandchildren, Peyton Ackley, Kyan Marks, Nevan Marks, Christopher Morton, Nicholas Morton and Ivory Marks; one biological sister, Janie Hall; and one chosen sister, Kim McKibben (friend).

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Sidney Evans, Bob Evans and Danny Evans, and two sisters, Dianne Gilman and Linda Kregie; and two children, Christopher Marks and Rebecca Marks.

Services were held at Stump Funeral Home, Grantsville. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Braxton County.

BETTY LOUISE STALNAKER

Betty Louise Stalnaker, 85, of Normantown, died Thursday, Jan. 21, 2021.

She was the daughter of the late Harl and Edith Moss. She was a homemaker.

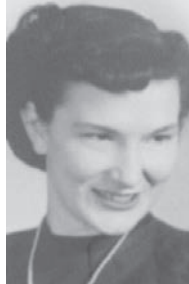
Surviving are three sons, Roger Stalnaker and wife Becky, Tony Stalnaker and wife Beverly, and Jerry Stalnaker and wife Rosie; four daughters, Paula Bennett and husband Tim, Cindy Collins and husband Doug, Elaine Moore and husband Tim, and Sue Moore and husband Terry; 15 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death on Sept. 13, 2012, by her husband of 57 years, Argene Neil Stalnaker, whom she married on Jan. 8, 1955; one daughter, Greta Radcliff; one son-in-law, Frank Radcliff; and one grandson, Jason Moore.

In keeping with Betty's wishes she will be cremated and there will be no services. The family requests donations be made to W.Va. Caring (Hospice), P.O. Box 760, Arthurdale, WV 26520. Words of comfort and fond memories may be extended to the family at www.roachfuneralhome.com.

PHYLLIS BELT

Phyllis G. Belt, 90, of Grove City, Ohio, died Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021, at Carriage Court of Grove City.



She was born in Grantsville, the daughter of the late Ralph and Ida Whipkey Nicholas.

Surviving are her three children, Jennifer Albert, Ray Belt, Jr., and Tina VanDyne; five grandchildren, Nicholas Albert, Valerie Nelson, Michael Neal, William Neal and Josh Peistrup; numerous great-grandchildren; five siblings, Cleston Nicholas, Charles Nicholas, Alta Mae Richards, Sandra Richter and Phillip Nicholas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond C. Belt, and two siblings, Colleen Burdette and Ralph Nicholas.

Honoring Phyllis' wishes, cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

FRANCES LANE

Frances M. Lane, 69, of Spencer, died Saturday, Jan. 23, 2021.

She was the daughter of the late Cecil and Wilma Sleeth Starcher and was a 1970 graduate of Calhoun County High School. She was a homemaker.



Surviving are two brothers, Robert "Bob" Starcher of Zanesville, Ohio, and Glen Starcher of Ripley; two sisters, Ruth Casto and Edie Miller, both of Spencer; special brother, Richard Bailey; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronnie Lane; one son, Stewart Lane; one sister, Mary Jane Bailey; and four brothers, Howard, Jerry, Bill and Webster Lee.

Services were held at Taylor-Vandale Funeral Home, Spencer, with Pastor Loren Price officiating. Per Fran's wishes, she will be cremated and a family burial will be held at a later date.

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

All of the bad weather that was forecast for our area last week never really materialized here. We had some snow, some rain, and some sloppy mud, but we are used to that.

This week's forecast is calling for a little snow (they were calling for significant accumulations earlier) and temperatures in the teens for the latter part of this week. We will see what we wind up getting.

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The Calhoun Banks' Grantsville office closed Tuesday and Wednesday for deep cleaning due to COVID-19. They planned to re-open on Thursday.

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I have lately been suffering from extreme vertigo upon getting out of bed in the mornings. If you have ever spun around in a circle until you were quite dizzy and unable to stand without falling down, that's me in the morning.

I still feel it somewhat throughout the day, but not nearly as severe.

My smart watch is not showing any major fluctuations in my blood pressure, heart rate, or blood oxygen levels, so I guess it is all in my head.

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Jeanne and I both have been getting calls from Mid-Ohio Valley Health Dept. about getting vaccinated at WVU-Parkersburg, but we have to remind them that, while we do want to remain on the waiting list for the vaccine, we do not want to leave a county with one of the least infected rates in West Virginia to travel to a county with a high rate of confirmed

cases to be inoculated from a disease that we may have just picked up by going out of the county to get vaccinated.

This whole situation is quite maddening. I really don't know how health care workers around the country, especially in areas where COVID-19 is running rampant, can cope with the overwhelming stress of the whole thing. It would render me insane very quickly.

Every one of the health care providers in this county, country, and around the world are to be commended for their hard work and dedication to their patients. They risk their lives everyday, and deserve much more than a pat on the back and a hearty cheer.

Once COVID-19 is under control, we should remember who it is that helped keep us alive to see that glorious day. Until then, we give our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you.

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Inauguration Day has come and gone and I have never seen so many smiles suddenly and spontaneously appear on the faces of folks who have, for the last four years, felt impending doom hanging over their heads.

A great weight has been lifted from the shoulders of the world and the country. I actually find myself able to sleep a little better, and I feel much less stressed out.

Now, if we can get COVID-19 better controlled, we will all be better off simply by going back to the everyday stresses associated with living just above the poverty line, if we are that lucky and industrious.

Board Of Equalization Meetings Start Monday

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The Calhoun county commission will meet as a Board of Review and Equalization, and review and examine the property books as presented by the assessor.

If citizens have questions concerning their tax assessment, they should attend one of the following meetings:

Monday, Feb. 1, 9 a.m., managed timberland.

Thursday, Feb. 4, 4 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 8, 11 a.m., oil and gas.

Friday, Feb. 12, 9 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 18, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 24, 3 p.m., action on timberland.

Because of restrictions during the pandemic, if you are planning to attend any of the meetings listed, call the county clerk's office, 354-6725, or the assessor's office, 354-

8 has been set aside to hear problems concerning oil and gas assessments. If you have problems with your oil and gas assessment, call the assessor's office to assure that the State Tax Dept. will have your file ready for the meeting.

All Board of Equalization meetings will be in person and via Zoom. Log in information for all meetings is: Meeting, #5936021621, password 1234; participate by phone, +13126266799 or +19292056099 (both are toll free).

If any person fails to apply for relief at these meetings, they will have waived their right to ask for correction in their assessment list for the current year, except on appeal to the circuit court.

New at Library

Calhoun County Library has the following new items:

Juvenile Fiction: Kondo & Kezumi Visit Giant Island, by David Goodner; Skunk and Badger, by Amy Timberlake; Shine, by Jessica Jung; Fly on the Wall, by Remy Lai; Before the Ever After, by Jacqueline Woodson; Millionaires for the Month, by Stacy McAnulty; Three Keys, by Kelly Yang; Spell Starter, by Elsie Chapman; A Rabbit's Tale, by Maryrose Wood.

Time To Get On A Waiting List--

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Increases (and total) of the surrounding county cases in the last week were as follows: Braxton (46, 730), Clay (31, 334), Gilmer (23, 559), Ritchie (38, 539), Roane (39, 446), and Wirt (19, 320).

Calhoun, which dropped from red to orange in the County Alert

System last week, has been gold since Sunday.

On Tuesday, there was one green county, three yellow, five gold, 29 orange, and 17 red.

Statewide positive cases are now at 116,978, with 1,928 deaths. West Virginia had 6,030 cases in the last week.

In the U.S., there have

been 25,863,648 cases, with 431,408 deaths. California, which has had over 300,000 cases each week lately, dropped to 160,000 in the past week, with a total of 3,175,972, nearly a million more than second place Texas, which has 2,251,634 cases.

Worldwide cases went over 100 million

on Tuesday, with 100,453,480, and 2,154,718 deaths.

According to DHHR, West Virginia has administered 169,227 of 179,900 (94.1%) first doses of vaccine, and have 43,648 people fully vaccinated with the 98,500 second doses received (44.3%).

This Week In History

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

1921, 100 years ago

The price of oil took a sudden drop on Saturday, coming down from \$6.10 to \$5.75 per barrel, or a slump of 35 cents. The decline was not altogether unlooked for, as lower grade oils have been dropping for some time, but, nevertheless, the announcement came as a disappointment to local oil men who had hoped that the former price would prevail.

The reduction on Saturday was the first for nearly a year. Pennsylvania crude reached the high water mark of \$6.10 on Mar. 2 of last year, following a steady advance for more than two years. In February, 1918, the price of oil was \$4. It is not expected that oil will reach the last named figure, although further decline may be expected. The highest price ever paid for oil was just after the Civil War in 1869, when it was quoted at \$7 per barrel.

The Filipino people are unanimous in their desire for independence. Whenever they are called upon to deposit their ballots, they have always satisfied this aspiration. At every session, before adjournment, their representatives in the Legislature reiterate their faith in the principles of liberty and the independence of the Filipino people.

The Steamer Return, which for the past year has been running down in the Great Kanawha, has returned to her old love and will run between here and Parkersburg, making her first trip out of Parkersburg on Monday. Thereafter, she will leave here each Monday and Thursday mornings, and will leave Parkersburg each Tuesday and Friday afternoons for this place. She will carry passengers and through freight between the two points.

This service will be eagerly welcomed by local shippers, who are nearly exhausted by the sickening rates charged on freight under the present arrangements. With the new boat in the trade, the freight will be materially lessened and the wharfage at the Creston wharfboat will be entirely cut out. It will be necessary for local shippers to give the new boat their fullest patronage in order to keep it in the trade, as there is not any great amount of through freight shipped any longer, and it will take some time to build up the trade.

The Return will be commanded by Capt. I.S. Wright, a well-known local riverman, and Holly Barr, of this place, will have charge of the boat's office. Mr. Barr has been engaged as purser on the Ohio River boats for several years, having given up his occupation there to promote this enterprise. He has been here for the past few days and has received promises of heartiest support from all local shippers.

1946, 75 years ago

A veterans of Foreign Wars post is being organized for Calhoun County, and they welcome all you boys to join. The charter for the new post remains open until Feb. 23. At that time, the state commander, Chester Williams of Charleston, will visit here and install officers, who will be selected at that meeting.

A temporary organization has been set up to function until Feb. 23, consisting of William O. Umstead, commander; Bruce O. Ferrell, Jr., senior vice commander; Joseph Haught, adjutant; and Raymond Boggs, quartermaster.

Mr. Umstead said, "It is our aim and purpose to build a club house and we need your support. We desire and welcome the mothers, wives and sisters of all members to form an auxiliary to work and assist us to make this one of the leading organizations in the county. Any person who served honorably in the service of his country and who was issued or is entitled to wear a campaign badge or ribbon as authorized by the U.S. government is entitled to membership. The dues are \$5 to join and \$3 per year thereafter.

"There are but two great service organizations," Umstead pointed out. "The American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and you who served your country should join one or both organizations. We welcome you in the Veterans of Foreign Wars. This is a new post--the first that was ever organized in Calhoun County. Come on, comrades, and join with us."

1971, 50 years ago

Only three persons in the 18 to 21 year age group have registered to vote in Calhoun County since the change in voting age that was made by Congress.

County clerk Loyd Reed said that registration now for this age group was really of no necessity, since there is no election coming up this year in which they could vote. Most of those persons who have registered so far in the state, he said, would probably be age 21 anyway, before the next election, or be eligible to vote, even in the primary of 1972, if they will become 21 on or before the day of the next general election.

Under a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling, persons 18 years of age are eligible to vote in national elections; that is, vote for president and members of congress. Voting for state and local officials was left for states to regulate. This is one problem expected to come before the Legislature this year.

In the meantime, there is no reason to hurry and register, until the Legislature has had time to act, and perhaps have a ruling on state elections by the State Supreme Court.

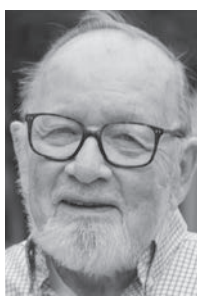
Courthouse Foyer Area Open

Although the courthouse has been closed to the public, it is open for business. County clerk Jean Simers said, "We have created an area in the foyer to allow customers to come into the courthouse because of cold weather. Every person must follow the governor's executive order and wear a mask.

"The only days the courthouse has been closed is for holidays and the four days in December because of possible COVID exposure." Every office has someone working who can answer your questions or complete your necessary paperwork. When you come, ring the buzzer and someone will be glad to assist.

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



Question: I've heard recently about people having infestations of bedbugs. Is this true, and if so, why is it happening? We used to never hear about bedbugs. (Asked by a critter-concerned, anonymous column reader.)

Reply: "Sleep tight and don't let the bedbugs bite," as the old saying goes. I've explained the "sleep tight" part in a previous column. In short, beds once had a rope lattice to support the mattress, and if you pulled the ropes "tight," the bed would be firmer for a better night's sleep. With regard to the "bedbug" part, yes, the blood-sucking bedbugs can bite with a vengeance.

We usually think of bedbugs inhabiting rundown (maybe dirty) living quarters, but hundreds of complaints about bedbugs have been made of higher end places, such as in condominiums and swanky hotels. Schools in New York and Ohio have been hit, and theatres and retail stores in New York City have had to shut down to deal with infestations.

The little pests are reddish-brown in color and about the size of a seedless watermelon seed (the tiny white ones), about 1/4 inch in length. They are wingless and flat, allowing them to get into small cracks and crevasses. Bedbugs are not known to spread disease, but they are a real nuisance.

They are nocturnal, crawling out to feed a few hours before daybreak. When they bite, an anesthetic is injected that makes it almost impossible to feel. Also, there is an anticoagulant that keeps the blood flowing for their five to ten minute meal that plumps them up.

Bedbugs are quite prolific. The female lays between 200 and 400 eggs at a time, which mature in about two months. Then, hundreds of bugs may come out for the nocturnal feeding.

The bite results in an itchy, red welt due to an allergic reaction to the bug's saliva. On a good feeding night, a number of welts may be found on one's body. Some people are known to have more severe reactions to the bites.

This column is getting a bit long (I always like to run a little shorter than Dear Abby), so we will continue with Bedbugs, Part II, next week.

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "A song without music is like H₂ without the O." --Ira Gershwint.

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.

Morrissey Has Security Tips With Tech Gifts

W.Va. attorney general Patrick Morrissey warns consumers to watch for identity theft, particularly after children receive digital devices for the holidays.

Many children may have received new electronics as holiday gifts. These gadgets provide broad access to the internet, which means every smartphone, tablet and gaming device poses an increased risk of identity theft by way of malicious apps and social networks.

"Parents should educate children about the risks associated with spending time online," said Morrissey. "Children may be excited to have received a high-tech toy this Christmas. These gifts can become a great form of entertainment, but it's important to not lose sight of basic safety measures."

Parents and guardians

may want to sit down with children and discuss the online dangers of talking to strangers and giving out personal information.

The tips include:
--Monitor social media use, even if children object.

--Lay down ground rules as a protective measure.

--Warn children that private information should not be shared.

--Caution children against downloading games or apps from third-party sites. It is also a good idea to have an adult approve any downloads.

--Maintain strict privacy settings on Facebook and other social networks.

Anyone who believes his or her child has been the victim of identity theft should contact the Consumer Protection Division, 1-800-368-8808 or www.wvago.gov.



This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from Jan. 28-Feb. 3 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Jan. 28, 1902: Miners Hospital No. One opened at Welch, with a young Dr. Henry Hatfield as president. The legislature had passed a law requiring the building of state hospitals for those engaged in dangerous occupations, and, eventually, three hospitals were built in different sections of the state.

Jan. 28, 1937: In a flood (shown below) that drove a million Ohio Valley residents from their homes, the Ohio River crested at Huntington at 69.45 feet, more than 19 feet above flood stage. By the time the water receded, five people were dead, and the city was in ruins.

Jan. 29, 1903: The rhododendron was designated the official state flower of West Virginia, after being recommended by the governor and voted on by students in public schools.

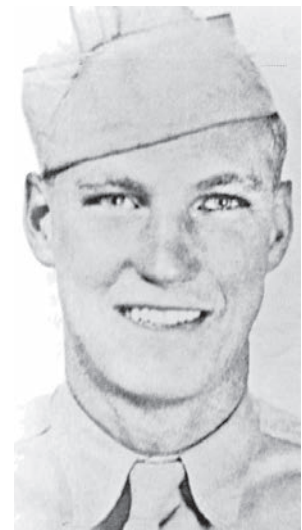
Jan. 30, 1818: Nicholas County was created by the Virginia legislature from parts of Greenbrier, Kanawha and Randolph counties. It was named for Wilson Cary Nicholas, a Virginia governor and U.S. senator who lived from 1761 to 1820.

Jan. 30, 1895: Mingo County was created from the southern part of Logan County. It is the youngest county in West Virginia.

Jan. 31, 1878: Educator William Woodson Trent was born in rural Nicholas County. He served as state superintendent of schools from 1933-1957.



Jan. 31, 1922: Movie and television actress Joanne Drue was born Joan Letitia Lacock in Logan. Her movie career included more than 40 films.



Jan. 31, 1945: Sgt. Jonah Edward Kelley of Mineral County was killed in action while leading his

squad against German positions during World War II. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his "superb courage."

Feb. 1, 1832: Education reformer Alexander Luark Wade was born. He reorganized rural Monongalia County schools to require progress through eight prescribed levels, with a graduating exercise and receipt of a diploma. His system worked so well, it was copied in other counties and states.



Feb. 1, 1901: Frank Buckles, the last known American veteran of World War I, was born in Missouri. He purchased a farm in Charles Town in 1954 and continued to live there until his death in 2011.



Feb. 2, 1908: Justice Marion Chambers was born in Huntington. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in the Iwo Jima campaign in February 1945.

Feb. 3, 1825: Confederate Gen. William Lowther Jackson was born in Clarksburg. He was one of at least three Southern officers to bear the nickname, "Mudwall."

Feb. 3, 1845: Gilmer County, located in the heart of West Virginia, was established from parts of Kanawha and Lewis counties. It was named for Thomas W. Gilmer, a governor of Virginia.

Feb. 3, 1923: Broadcast announcer Jack Fleming was born in Morgantown. He was the long-time "Voice of the Mountaineers."

Feb. 3, 1961: The West Virginia legislature passed a resolution to officially adopt "The West Virginia Hills" as an official state song. "The West Virginia Hills" is the best-known of four official state songs.

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My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



I can hardly believe that we are in the last week of January. As with most months, at times, the days seem to drag by, but the weeks fly. While January has been seasonally cold, I have been disappointed in the lack of accumulating snow. Yes, there have been plenty of days where snow flurries filled the air, but little to no snow reached the ground and stayed there. The only two exceptions were days that I had to go somewhere, and even then, the snow was a hazard on the roads, but didn't stick around long enough to be pretty.

Ironically, I wrote the first paragraph of my article on Sunday morning and then stopped to watch church online. After lunch, I sat back down to continue writing and looked out my big bay window. To my surprise, snow was steadily falling. It isn't supposed to accumulate, but it sure is beautiful. I guess January was telling me to give her some grace.

I will admit that I have high hopes for February. I have lived here for almost eight years now, and in that time, February has rarely let me down. We will see if the streak continues. With the ability to teach remotely, snow days are a thing of the past, but that doesn't mean that I won't enjoy the call to stay at home and watch it snow as I work. Only time will tell if I get the chance.

This was a busy week at school. We are coming to the end of the first semester, so classes are wrapping up and semester exams will be this week. A lot of work was turned in over the past few days, so I was kept quite busy grading assignments and recording them in my gradebook. My honors English class has been writing a research paper that was due on Friday, so I am slowly making my way through them. In addition, I have been preparing my semester exams and planning for my second semester classes.

I am also in the middle of my own college class. This requires me to balance my time to the minute. Once I finish my school work, I have to get started on my assignments. I have completed three weeks and have four to go. While I am enjoying the class, I will be glad when it is over, and I can check acquiring the hours for my last recertification off my list.

I wanted to have this coursework out of the way before spring, because I know that I will be busy most weekends helping my family clean out my parents' house in Key. They have lived in their house my entire life, so this project will take some time. The hope is to put the house on the market as soon as possible, and this will be no easy feat.

On the positive side, after this weekend, the lake house has been packed up, cleaned, and put on the market to sell. Maricia and Andy made a trip up on Friday to bring back a load, and then I joined them for another trip back there on Saturday.

The Mlyneks brought back everything that we had packed up last weekend from upstairs, so Maricia and I cleaned the house, while Andy worked on packing up the basement. We wanted the place to look and smell nice, because our realtor had let us know that there was a showing scheduled for late in the afternoon.

We finished up about the same time, so after one last look around to make sure everything looked good and that we had everything, we said a little prayer for the next family who will enjoy the little lake house and hit the road home.

We made a quick stop at a Dairy Queen drive-through and made it home by 4:30. After unloading everything, the Mlyneks headed home and I got to work on my college project that was due on Sunday evening.

By the time that I turned out my light for the night, my project was complete and ready for one of my classmates to review. This meant that I could focus on writing this article and grading research papers on Sunday. Life is quite busy right now, but that's okay with me. As long as I take it one day at a time and keep checking tasks off my list, all will be well.

Before I know it, this college class will be finished, my second semester will be well underway, and spring will be knocking at the door. For now, I am going to send this article in, watch it snow for a while, and then get back to grading research papers.

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)

Tonight I expect to go to William Young's. I hope Mr. Burr¹ will get down by that time. Will you please send my magazine down whenever it comes. I have not seen a Weston Herald² since I came down. Have any of my rhymes yet appeared. If you would send a paper down occasionally I would gladly pay for it. There is a gentleman writes occasionally for it under the name of "Gilmer³". You can guess who it is.

(Amie is halfway through the school term at Upperville in Harrison County.)

May 22nd

Dear Mother

I did not get the opportunity to send this [May 7 letter] by G. Armstrong⁴. Will therefore send it by mail.

My trunk arrived safely, & I could not see that it was at all injured. I was pleased to see "my pen". Won't you send me a paper occasionally, when you do not write. I wish the girls on F.C. would write to me.

I hope you will not have so much to do as you have had. I was at Horeb church on Sunday. I rode preacher Young's horse. Martha Eib went with me. We brought a beau home with us, a bachelor. He wants a wife very much. If I wanted him I presume I could get him without the least trouble, but I will not have him.

Five weeks of my school⁵ are completed, & this is the second day of the sixth week. I had twenty four scholars yesterday, twenty to day.

I cannot tell anything how much my school will come to but this I know there are enough signed to come to over thirty dollars, & if I made no more, would that not do right well. I expect to make more however.

Write often if you please, I am well, am now in a hurry. George I presume will be here the last of this week. Will have to attend the election, I suppose before he comes. Do not share this.

In haste
Your daughter
Amie

I do not expect to scribble⁶ much for the paper untill I get through with my school. Could you not send my magazine by mail. George thinks it is no great thing.

(Amie turned 19 on May 29. She asks her sister whether she should return to Arnoldsburg or "lean upon the arm" of Lawyer Thompson.)

Upperville Harrison

June 3d. 1855

My Sister⁷

Having a very poor pen to day I thought I would address a few lines to you. Don't you think you deserve a letter? You must be pleased indeed with Arnoldsburg, since your thoughts cannot leave the delightful spot long enough to wing their way to Harrison [County].

Well, I almost think Mr. Silcott was correct in his assertion that I "would be soon a lone start," and for aught I know George⁸ may be the medium through which I shall lose my sister. Well I wish it would be so. I would like him much as a brother, for I highly esteem him.

I have been boarding last week at Mr. Eib's. Am here today. The family (excepting Mr. Eib, Manzia & Mary) are seated around the fire in the sitting room where I have sat nearly all day untill I came up to my room to use "my pen".

Oh! it is so cold today, yet it is June. Seven weeks of my school are finished & seem now like "a tale that is told". Six weeks more & I trust I shall be free. I have enjoyed myself very much the largest portion of the time.

I attended Sabbath school & prayer meeting last Sunday at the Presbyterian meeting house. (here Ellen⁹ has just come laughing in the room enveloped in the folds of a heavy winter shawl, but I will go on with my story).

¹Mr. Burr: Elbridge Burr, Jr., of French Creek, son of Martin Burr of New England. Once a suitor of Louisa, he lived in Harrison County in 1860 and was a carpenter by trade.

²Weston Herald: Successor newspaper to Weston Sentinel, which was established about 1847 by Benjamin Owen, an associate of Horace Greely. The newspaper burned in 1853, after which W.D. Tapp became editor. He sold the paper to F.D. Alfred, who changed the name to Weston Democrat. The Herald was pro-slave, pro-Democratic party. It continued until Union troops occupied Weston and confiscated the press.

³Gilmer: Possibly G.W. Silcott, J.H. French or Robert Jackson Ball.

⁴G. Armstrong: No information.

⁵Subscription schools usually lasted about 65 days, and the teachers pay was based on the number of days each student attended. Most of the pay came from the parents, and sometimes from the Literary Fund.

⁶Scribble: Amy wrote poetry which she sometimes sent to area newspapers for publication. She was always delighted when one of her poems appeared in print.

⁷This letter is to Amie's sister, Almira, who was staying with Louisa at the time.

⁸George Silcott visited Amie several times while she was teaching in Harrison County. Apparently, it was his belief that Almira would soon marry and leave Amie as the only unmarried sister. Amie and George grew apart while she was in Butler, Pa. George perhaps pursued Almira briefly, but apparently not very ardently.

⁹Ellen: Ellen Eib, presumed to be the daughter of Jacob.

(Continued Next Week)

Senior Citizens Menu

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

Thursday, Jan. 28: chicken, green beans, potatoes, fruit, bread.

Friday, Jan. 29: cook's choice.

Monday, Feb. 1: baked steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, juice, roll.

Tuesday, Feb. 2: chili with meat and beans, crackers, peanut butter sandwich.

Wednesday, Feb. 3: vegetable soup, blueberry crisp, crackers.

Thursday, Feb. 4: fish,

carrots, mac and cheese, fruit, bun.

Friday, Feb. 5: hotdog with meat sauce, baked beans, coleslaw.

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.

From the PSC

by Charlotte Lane,
Chairman of Public Service Commission

Deferred Payment Plans for Overdue Utility Bills

Many of our fellow West Virginians continue to suffer from the effects of the deadly COVID-19 pandemic. One of the most unfortunate lasting impacts is the devastation the pandemic has caused to our economy.

Far too many people continue to be unemployed or underemployed and continue to struggle to pay their bills. For those who find themselves in the unusual situation of falling behind on utility bills, there is a tool at your disposal, of which you should take advantage.

The Public Service Commission requires that customers, who have been notified that their service is scheduled to be terminated for non-payment, be given an opportunity to enter into a deferred payment agreement.

Customers who have accrued an uncontested outstanding balance that they are unable to pay, may request the utility put them on a deferred payment plan and allow them up to 12 months to get caught up on their bill.

This request must be made before the utility company discontinues their service. Once service has been disconnected, the company is not required to honor the request for a 12-month payment plan, and may require a substantial portion of the balance due be paid in order to restore service.

A deferred payment plan allows customers to pay off a large balance over time, as long as the customer makes the agreed upon payments as due each month.

Utilities are encouraged to work with customers in developing a reasonable payment plan. Once a deferred payment plan has been negotiated and agreed to, if the customer's financial condition changes significantly or the existing agreement results in hardship, then the utility is required to renegotiate it.

Customers should contact the Public Service Commission prior to their scheduled termination, if they need assistance in establishing a deferred payment agreement with their utility company.

Our staff will work with the utility and the customer in an attempt to resolve the situation.

Vaccine Center Opening Soon

WVU Medicine, United Hospital Center, in conjunction with Harrison County Health Dept. and Community Care of West Virginia, has planned a COVID-19 Community Vaccination Clinic at Meadowbrook Mall, near Clarksburg (in the space vacated by the Elder-Beerman clothing store, near Target).

The vaccination center, which will have an initial capability of 1,000 doses per day, will be ready for operation by the second week of February and can be open four to seven days per week.

As additional vaccine becomes available, dosing can expand. This will be the second mega site opened in West Virginia by WVU Medicine. The intent is to have infrastructure and a plan in place when the vaccine arrives.

The actual opening of the vaccination center will be dependent on the availability of the vaccine. When open, appointments can be made at the WVU Medicine COVID-19 vaccination web site, wvumedicine.org/info/vaccine/ or through the WVU Medicine COVID-19 phone line, 833-795-SHOT.

Widespread vaccination is believed to be a key measure in controlling community spread of COVID-19.

"UHC, Harrison County Health Dept., and CCWV recognize that working together, we can plan large-scale approaches to vaccinating the entire region quickly," said Michael C. Tillman, president and CEO of United Hospital Center. "We are prepared to respond, once enough vaccine becomes available for our region."

When open, the center will be capable of administering vaccine to any West Virginian, in accordance with state guidelines.

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Governor Announces Online--

(Continued from Page 1) vaccine distribution and administration.

According to the latest vaccine numbers posted to the COVID-19 Dashboard on Monday morning, West Virginia now boasts a first dose administration rate of 106.4 percent.

"This is a hard number to believe," said Justice. "You'd say, 'Well, how in the world can you exceed 100 percent of what you've got?' Well, we're getting more doses out of the vials than what was originally anticipated."

West Virginia now has a second dose administration rate of 53.3 percent, which also ranks among the best such rates in the nation.

To-date, West Virginia has administered 166,358 first doses and 40,258 second doses, totaling 206,616 doses administered overall statewide.

"I congratulate our healthcare workers, the National Guard, the DHHR, everybody that's had to listen to me scream, jump up and down, and do everything in the world, but really and truly, it's working," said Justice. "I thank you so much for all the great work you've done."

The governor announced that free vaccination clinics for all West Virginians age 65 and older will be held in

17 counties across the state this week, through operation "Save Our Wisdom" (see separate story in this issue).

There have been 73,751 individuals in the 65 and older population in West Virginia who have chosen to get vaccinated, and 8,968 who are fully vaccinated.

Qualifying residents from any county in West Virginia may access an appointment at any vaccination clinic with availability, regardless of their county of residence.

Many clinics are full at this time and are utilizing waitlists. All clinics require appointments and walk-ins will not be accepted.

The governor also offered a reminder of his recent announcement that the community vaccination clinic model will be expanded to serve all 55 counties in West Virginia by Monday, Feb. 1. Counties will receive a number of vaccine doses based on their population and be allocated the same amount every week.

Justice also took time to announce that West Virginia's success with COVID-19 vaccine distribution continues to garner the attention of national news outlets, including The New York Times, which published a front-page story on Monday,

titled, "How West Virginia Became a U.S. Leader in Vaccine Rollout," by Sarah Mervosh.

"West Virginia, we continue to lead the nation in every way" said Justice. "Everybody knows just how great West Virginia is doing. All I can say is, pour it on West Virginia; keep doing it."

Case Numbers

Justice reported that the current number of active cases in the state is 24,365, down from 25,737 as of the governor's previous COVID-19 briefing last Thursday.

Number of daily active cases in West Virginia has now decreased for nine straight days.

The governor added that the statewide rate of COVID-19 transmission --known as Rt--remained at 0.87 Monday morning, tied for the fourth-best such rate of any state in the country.

The number of active hospitalizations is now 597 patients, down from 638 last Thursday, with 151 of those patients currently in ICU.

Amnesty Days

Amnesty days at Calhoun County Library will be held on Monday, Feb. 1, and Thursday, Feb. 18. Bring back overdue items and pay no fines.

CCHS Teams Scheduled To Open Season In March

CCHS athletic director Jeremy Johnson said on Monday that he was looking for two more varsity girls basketball games before posting schedules on the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission's website.

Early season games for the Red Devils, according

to other schools, show the varsity boys playing at Doddridge County on Friday, Mar. 5.

The varsity girls host Gilmer County on Wednesday, Mar. 3, and host Doddridge on Mar. 5.

The earliest match found for the Red Devil wrestling team was a

planned quad at Wirt County on Saturday, Mar. 20.

The teams are allowed to start practicing on Monday, Feb. 15, as long as the county is not red on the weekend prior to that day, according to the W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources' County Alert System.

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5260 Leading Creek Road | 23 Acres +/- | 2003 Mobile Home | **\$59,500**

Leading Creek Road | 60 Acres +/- | 1/2 Minerals | Reported **FREE GAS** | Perfect Hunting Camp fronting on creek | **\$69,500**

1349 Big Root Road | 100 Acres +/- | 3BR - 2BA | 2000 Sq.Ft. | Pond | **ULTIMATE PROPERTY!** | **\$299,000**

UNDER CONTRACT

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**

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UNDER CONTRACT

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**

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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!**

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821 Reedyville Road | **\$115,000 UNDER CONTRACT**

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**

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NOTE OF THANKS
The family of Ruth Ellen Bell wishes to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone for sending cards, flowers, memorials and food. Your prayers, calls, visits and presence at the services were greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Rev. Ken Heiney, Stump Funeral Home, Tammy Cunningham, Kenny Goodnight, Oakie and Barb Norman, Michal Cowan, Larry Burrows and Dom Spada. Thank you all and God Bless.

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Welfare of Animals Group (WAG) can assist low-income Calhoun County homes with 50% of their cat or dog'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.

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke
Phone 275-3578



Rev. Craig Blankenship brought the message at Burning Springs M.E. Church.

The Creston area experienced snow on Monday, but, of course, it is winter.

Dillon Matthew Campbell, 23, died. He was the son of Gerald Brent Campbell and the grandson of Gerald and Phyllis Rader Campbell.

Cora Holcomb, 89, of Elizabeth, died. Her father, Herman Jenkins, stayed with Herman "Jocko" dePue in later years, and many knew her brother, Athel Jenkins, and sisters, Dessie Jenkins and Agnes Marks. Her daughter, Lynn, worked in the Wirt County sheriff's office for several years. Her son, Mike Hornbeck, died from rabies.

Freddie Bush continues to haul logs and hay from the local area.

The comely Kim called on her mother Wilma Mowrey and came down with a migraine.

Barb Wright is being visited by the shingles.

Nancy Engelke consulted with her medical team.

Folks are reminded that next month the W.Va. Legislature is back in session. It was reported that, well, you know, because of the virus, local folks will not be allowed to go down and visit with them.

It remains to be seen if the lobbyists will likewise be banned from "working with" "our" elected representatives. Some say that there will be bold actions taken, "Down at the Mouth of Elk."

One can hope that they pass school choice legislation, decimate the state board of education and their army of hangers on, eliminate common core by whatever name, abolish "new math," and have teachers teach from Ray's Arithmetic, McGuffey Readers, etc., so that West Virginia's youth can compete in the world.

The legislature could modernize the collection of severance taxes requiring state (and mineral owner) access to the real meters on the Marcellus and Utica wells, and quit punishing the state citizens to help enrichen the out-of-state and foreign firms that are producing our resources.

Also, the legislature could join the class action suits against the big producers, which have been shown to be cheating on taxes, both severance and county ad valorem, as well as on volumes and prices of gas, natural gas liquids, etc.

Along those lines, after the Tawney case showed that a Rockefeller company had cheated the state and the various counties out of \$millions in taxes, someone decided not to collect the shorted taxes.

Some years back, the wife of a famous tax cheat stated, "Only little people pay taxes."

One would hope that our representatives do not change the tax laws so that assets held by large out-of-state firms becomes tax exempt, with the tax burden being shifted to home and farm owners.

Already, the "utility" companies get a huge tax break, paying about 11% of what regular taxpayers would be expected to pay,

and the wind farm boys get to pay tax on salvage value--what a deal for the connected.

In New York, which has now lost one million jobs over the lockdowns, testing for "gifted and talented" students must come to an end, because it is "unfair," as the results do not reflect "diversity."

Under the Paris Climate Accords that America is once again subject to, there is a requirement that schools teach the U.N. "climate change curriculum" and teach students "how to protest the government."

The new rules will cause U.S. factories to close and allow for more factories in communist China.

The Federal Reserve joined the international Climate Network for Greening in preparation for the Great Reset and then "build back better."

The fellow with the \$7,000 Rolex watch, who says that he is just an ordinary "Joe," undid the previous executive order that lowered American drug prices to the level that drugs are sold in other nations.

Seems that for decades, U.S. citizens paid more, and that money was used, in part, to grease the ruling elite in the deep state that now is back in charge.

Since one cannot talk about election fraud, although Hillary talked about such for four years, one must conclude that the fraud was real and that the "new crew" was not really elected, but "selected."

To back all this up, Mrs. Pelosi had 25,000 National Guard and regular Army folks on hand to make it all look like a coup. It is now understood that many of the troops are to stay in D.C. to "protect against the peasants."

One reader apparently thought that Pierre Delecto, Smiley Carmichaels and Sen. McVain were prominent democrats. Can't win them all.

Gasoline, which recently could be purchased for \$1.80/gal., has now risen in some places to \$2.50.

Price of local Pennsylvania grade crude oil, which is used for lubricants, cosmetics and chemicals is \$51.27/bbl., with condensate, \$31.27, Marcellus and Utica light, \$42.27, and medium, \$51.27.

Canada had invested \$billion on the Keystone XL pipeline to move Athabaska tar sand crude to Texas, and on day one the old fellow who has to have big writing on his teleprompter, axed the project, infuriating the Canadian prime minister, since he needed votes from Alberta to keep his office, after scandals involving communist China, etc.

The green new deal is to transfer wealth from those who work to those who won't, but it is to do away with oil and gas, and all that is made from petroleum.

Communities that rely on oil and gas should take a tour of cities and towns that once relied on coal to see the result.

One might try visiting Richwood, Widen, Jenkinjones, Anawalt, Ury, Iaeger, Bluefield, Matoaka and Welch for starters.

Energy Assistance

W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources has announced that applications for the Emergency Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) will be accepted through Friday, Jan. 29, or until funds are exhausted.

The federally-funded program assists eligible state residents who have a termination notice in paying their home heating bills.

Eligibility for LIEAP benefits is based on income, household size and whether the household is responsible for paying its heating bill.

To qualify, households must meet all program guidelines, which include an applicant's annual income being at or below 60 percent of the State Median Income.

In situations where a heating emergency exists, applicants must be seen by a Dept. of Health and Human Resources worker.

The maximum allowable gross income levels for Emergency LIEAP Fiscal Year 2021 are listed below:

Household size (gross monthly allowable income): 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 person (add \$594).

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

Applications are available online at www.wv.gov path.org and may also be obtained at the local Dept. of Health and Human Resources office, 85 Industrial Park Road, East of Grantsville. For information, call 354-6118.

Completed applications should be delivered or mailed to the DHHR office located in the applicant's county of residence.

Mailing the application to any other office or a utility company may delay the receipt by DHHR and prohibit processing the application.

Shooting Match

Upper West Fork Park will have a shooting match at the park on Saturday, Feb. 6, at 10 a.m.

All marksmen who have an unmodified 12-gauge shotgun (no scopes) and would like to compete for a turkey or ham, are invited.

Admission for shooters is \$15, which entitles you to one shot in five classes. The park furnishes the shells. Rules are on the parks Facebook page.

Social distancing and masks are required. Concessions will be available from the park's kitchen.

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(2019-S-00000134 - Calhoun County - CHRISTINE A JARVIS)
To: OCCUPANT, ALL OF THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, CREDITORS, ASSIGNS OR OTHER SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF TERRY BOGGS, AND ALL PARTIES ENTITLED TO PAY TAXES ON SAID REAL ESTATE, TERRY BOGGS, 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.

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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.	\$ 831.10
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$ 0.00
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.	\$ 1,304.57
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

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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.	\$ 877.38
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$ 0.00
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Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to March 31, 2021.	\$ 390.68
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Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to March 31, 2021.	\$ 128.25
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--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.

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 Jan. 18
(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	7.0
Nov. 23	41,114	992,396	667	4.0	5.0
Nov. 30	47,842	1,083,114	735	4.2	6.5
Dec. 7	56,128	1,170,569	841	4.6	7.4
Dec. 14	64,394	1,256,936	978	4.9	10.3
Dec. 21	73,337	1,323,134	1,129	5.3	10.7
Dec. 28	81,436	1,375,189	1,263	5.6	11.3
Jan. 4	91,886	1,456,969	1,396	5.9	13.8
Jan. 11	102,282	1,552,279	1,594	6.2	10.1
Jan. 18	109,809	1,652,096	1,784	6.2	6.8
Jan. 19	110,820	1,663,838	1,815	6.2	8.1
Jan. 20	111,677	1,673,110	1,836	6.3	6.0
Jan. 21	112,617	1,688,764	1,849	6.3	5.4
Jan. 22	113,615	1,706,794	1,856	6.2	7.0
Jan. 23	114,752	1,716,599	1,872	6.3	7.7
Jan. 24	115,307	1,722,440	1,895	6.3	9.4
Jan. 25	115,839	1,726,886	1,899	6.3	7.0
Jan. 26	116,978	1,740,277	1,928	6.3	6.9

*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 (1,080), Berkeley (8,630), Boone (1,391), Braxton (730), Brooke (1,861), Cabell (6,849), Calhoun (204), Clay (334), Doddridge (395), Fayette (2,321), Gilmer (559), Grant (959), Greenbrier (2,178), Hampshire (1,332), Hancock (2,417), Hardy (1,173), Harrison (4,320), Jackson (1,560), Jefferson (3,223), Kanawha (10,791), Lewis (802), Lincoln (1,112), Logan (2,297), Marion (3,199), Marshall (2,694), Mason (1,499), McDowell (1,198), Mercer (3,831), Mineral (2,441), Mingo (1,875), Monongalia (6,871), Monroe (862), Morgan (854), Nicholas (1,016), Ohio (3,293), Pendleton (533), Pleasants (761), Pocahontas (548), Preston (2,378), Putnam (3,735), Raleigh (3,994), Randolph (2,132), Ritchie (539), Roane (446), Summers (652), Taylor (975), Tucker (442), Tyler (550), Upshur (1,435), Wayne (2,283), Webster (241), Wetzel (973), Wirt (320), Wood (6,377), Wyoming (1,513); Calhoun was 53rd of 55 counties to record a case; Calhoun and Webster were last counties to hit 100 positive cases, Dec. 10; Calhoun last county to reach 200 positive cases, Jan. 23.

In United States: Each Monday since Mar. 16, plus daily since Jan. 18 (last daily list in July 30 issue):

	Positive	Deaths	In World: Positive	Deaths
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. 23	12,503,161	262,729	59,149,784	1,397,182
Nov. 30	13,755,039	273,130	63,236,339	1,468,737
Dec. 7	15,169,648	288,984	67,575,555	1,545,613
Dec. 14	16,741,470	306,464	72,825,966	1,622,887
Dec. 21	18,269,959	324,869	77,327,038	1,703,811
Dec. 28	19,579,987	341,187	81,293,122	1,775,977
Jan. 4	21,115,036	360,088	85,657,601	1,855,055
Jan. 11	22,935,762	383,460	90,877,749	1,947,321
Jan. 18	24,483,901	407,216	95,643,391	2,043,595
Jan. 19	24,628,584	408,628	96,177,061	2,054,507
Jan. 20	24,810,979	411,534	96,813,297	2,071,114
Jan. 21	25,009,280	416,114	97,524,577	2,088,991
Jan. 22	25,200,539	420,363	98,292,078	2,105,704
Jan. 23	25,394,822	424,230	98,912,432	2,120,844
Jan. 24	25,576,823	427,662	99,494,819	2,134,178
Jan. 25	25,705,299	429,511	99,917,297	2,142,799
Jan. 26	25,863,648	431,408	100,453,480	2,154,718

Cases by states and territories: California 3,175,972, Texas 2,251,634, Florida 1,649,449, New York 1,341,359, Illinois 1,104,763, Georgia 866,911, Ohio 864,322, Pennsylvania 812,098, Arizona 727,895, North Carolina 718,812, Tennessee 708,727, New Jersey 666,951, Indiana 613,228, Michigan 596,746, Wisconsin 581,377, Massachusetts 500,037, Virginia 478,619, Missouri 462,759, Minnesota 455,783, Alabama 443,009, South Carolina 421,417, Colorado 386,285, Louisiana 385,942, Oklahoma 374,853, Kentucky 346,138, Maryland 343,138, Utah 336,405, Iowa 313,496, Washington 300,198, Arkansas 284,066, Nevada 271,897, Kansas 271,394, Mississippi 265,146, Connecticut 237,815, Nebraska 187,147, New Mexico 169,205, Idaho 159,506, Oregon 138,168, West Virginia 115,839, Rhode Island 111,754, South Dakota 107,180, North Dakota 96,874, Montana 91,816, Puerto Rico 91,596, Delaware 75,191, New Hampshire 62,337, Alaska 53,315, Wyoming 50,898, Maine 37,046, D.C. 35,305, Hawaii 25,379, Vermont 11,165; West Virginia was last state to record a case.

Who Can End This Pandemic?

by Christopher Martin, MD

You are probably getting very tired of the necessary measures used to limit the spread of COVID-19: mask wearing; hand washing; physical distancing measures, which include routinely keeping a distance of at least six feet; quarantining, if you have been exposed and isolating when sick.

Everyone's life has been disrupted by COVID-19, many lives have been taken from us, and you are wondering when this will ever end.

Our experience in addressing this pandemic has taught us many important lessons. One is that each of these control measures is only as successful as the degree to which large numbers of people in our community consistently practice them. The more people who wear masks, the harder it is for the virus to spread.

We now have a new tool, which may prove to be the most powerful of them all--vaccination. It's through vaccination that we successfully eradicated two infectious diseases from our planet, smallpox and a disease of cattle called rinderpest. We are extremely close to doing so very soon for a third, polio.

We don't have to ever worry about smallpox again, because it is gone forever. One of the reasons vaccination is such a powerful tool is that we leave the remembering to our immune system, not our brains.

By introducing the instructions for an outer part of the virus through the vaccine, we "teach" our immune system to recognize the virus as foreign and eliminate it, so it does not cause disease.

Unlike relying on our brains, which have to remember to practice all the other measures, all the time, once our immune system learns through vaccination, it doesn't forget.

Like the other tools, vaccines will only be effective in stopping the pandemic if enough of us choose to get vaccinated. Some hesitate because of the speed of development of the vaccines.

It feels to them like, under pressures of a pandemic, this was rushed. After all, vaccines until now have taken many years to develop.

Were corners cut? No.

The COVID-19 vaccines were studied in clinical trials with the same number of people followed for the same length of time in the same ways as vaccines we currently give our children.

They became available so fast by doing steps at the same time that were previously done one after another.

Millions of doses of vaccines were manufactured while the clinical trials were still under way. A financial risk was taken, but not a safety risk.

The vaccines have both been shown to be not only safe, but highly effective--up to 95% effective after the second dose, exceeding our hopes.

If enough of us choose to be vaccinated, the virus will not be able to circulate from one person to another, and, if the virus cannot get into people, it cannot reproduce, and it will die out.

Who has the power to end this pandemic? The answer is that you do.

(Christopher Martin, MD, MSc, is a professor in the WVU Schools of Public Health and Medicine and currently serves on the West Virginia COVID-19 Vaccine Medical Advisory Group.)

News from Social Security

by Bryan Warga

Social Security Manager, Parkersburg

Three Ways To Fight Scammers

Scammers are always finding new ways to steal your money and personal information by exploiting your fears. The most effective way to defeat scammers is to know how to identify scams and to ignore suspicious calls and emails.

One common tactic scammers use is posing as federal agents and other law enforcement. They may claim your Social Security number is linked to a crime. They may even threaten to arrest you, if you do not comply with their instructions. Here are three things you can do:

--Hang up right away or do not reply to the email. Never give personal information, money, or retail gift cards.

--Report the scam at oig.ssa.gov immediately to Social Security's law enforcement team at the Office of the Inspector General.

--You should continue to remain vigilant of phone calls when someone says there's a problem with your Social Security number or your benefits. If you owe money to Social Security, we will mail you a letter explaining your rights, payment options, and information about appealing.

There are a few ways you can identify a scam call or email: Remember that we will never: Threaten you with benefit suspension, arrest, or other legal action unless you pay a fine or fee. Promise a benefit increase or other assistance in exchange for payment. Require payment by retail gift card, cash, wire transfer, internet currency, or prepaid debit card. Demand secrecy from you in handling a Social Security-related problem. Send official letters or reports containing personally identifiable information via email.


College News

Glenville State

The names of Calhoun County students who attained the Glenville State College President's and Provost's honor rolls for the Fall 2020 semester have been announced as follows:


President's Honor Roll (4.0 grade point average): Jacob Petry, Mackenzie Petry, Shannon Waldron, Shauna Yeager and Carissa Yoak, all of Grantsville.

Provost's Honor Roll (3.5 to 3.9 grade point average): Reagan Lynch and Zane Vineyard, both of Arnoldsburg; Jenna Milliron of Big Springs; Tavia Fowler, Taylor Garrett and Brooklyn Parsons, all of Grantsville; and Alisha Fulks of Millstone.



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Nutrition Assistance Expands; EBT Benefit Increases By 15%

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture has announced several efforts to expand nutrition assistance to hard-hit families across the country due to the coronavirus pandemic, including increasing the Pandemic-EBT benefit by approximately 15%, providing more money for low-income families and millions of children missing meals due to school closures.

In response to the national emergency, USDA is looking at ways to increase Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits to all participants, especially lowest-income households and those struggling to afford a healthy diet for their families.

As a part of the end of year COVID relief package, Congress bolstered food assistance programs, including boosting monthly SNAP benefits by 15% and provided new funding for food banks and school and childcare meals.

USDA is committed to implementing these changes, but the measures alone will not solve the food hardship that so many Americans are ex-

periencing. According to USDA, some 29 million adults and as many as 12 million children live in households struggling to afford food. The numbers continue to worsen each month.

USDA is committed to working with states and supporting governors, school districts, food banks, and other key partners, to deploy food assistance to struggling families, children, seniors and people with disabilities.

The efforts announced are shown below:

--P-EBT Benefit Increase: Established under Families First Coronavirus Response Act passed by Congress in March, the Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) connects low-income families with kids with food dollars equivalent to the value of the meals missed due to COVID-related school and childcare closures.

To date, the program has capped P-EBT benefit amounts at \$5.86 per child per school day, and many households have had trouble claiming benefits. USDA will increase the current daily benefit

amount by approximately 15% to tackle the serious problem of child food insecurity during this school year when need is greatest.

--SNAP Emergency Allotments to States: USDA will begin working with the Dept. of Justice to review its authority to allow states to provide extra SNAP benefits through Emergency Allotments to the lowest-income households.

Last spring, Congress passed emergency increases to SNAP benefits to help address food insecurity during the pandemic. Those benefit increases have not been made available to the lowest-income households who make up 37% of SNAP households.

Increasing SNAP benefits will not only help families most in need, but it is also a critical and effective form of economic stimulus.

A recent USDA study found that in a slow economy, "\$1 billion in new SNAP benefits would lead to an increase of \$1.54 billion in Gross Domestic Product--54% above and beyond the new benefits."

--Revising the Thrifty Food Plan Per 2018 Farm Bill: Some 43 million Americans count on SNAP to help put food on the table.

USDA's Thrifty Food Plan, the basis for determining SNAP benefits, is out-of-date with the economic realities most struggling households face when trying to buy and prepare healthy food.

As a result, the benefits may fall short of what a healthy, adequate diet costs for many households today, especially in high cost of living areas. As directed by the 2018 Farm Bill, USDA will begin the process of revising the Thrifty Food Plan to better reflect the cost of a healthy basic diet today. USDA believes federal nutrition programs and benefits should support a basic healthy diet.

Gas Prices

West Virginia gas prices have fallen 1.5 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.34/gal. on Monday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 1,154 stations.

Gas prices in West Virginia were 24.4 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 15.8 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

According to Gas Buddy price reports, the cheapest station in West Virginia is priced at \$2.07, while the most expensive is \$2.49, a difference of 42.0 cents per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 1.1 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.40.

The national average is up 14.4 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 12.6 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

Gasoline prices in West Virginia and the national average going back 10 years:

Jan. 25, 2020: \$2.49/gal. (U.S. aver.: \$2.52).
 Jan. 25, 2019: \$2.26 (U.S.: \$2.28).
 Jan. 25, 2018: \$2.60 (U.S.: \$2.57).
 Jan. 25, 2017: \$2.32 (U.S.: \$2.29).
 Jan. 25, 2016: \$1.83 (U.S. Average: \$1.82).
 Jan. 25, 2015: \$2.13 (U.S.: \$2.02).
 Jan. 25, 2014: \$3.34 (U.S.: \$3.28).
 Jan. 25, 2013: \$3.48 (U.S.: \$3.33).
 Jan. 25, 2012: \$3.48 (U.S.: \$3.38).
 Jan. 25, 2011: \$3.16 (U.S.: \$3.09).

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:

Pittsburgh: \$2.72, up 4.9 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.68.
 Charleston: \$2.33, down 2.2 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.35.
 Virginia: \$2.31, up 1 cent per gallon from last week's \$2.30.

"Finally, after several weeks of sharply rising gas prices, the pace of price increases has slowed significantly in recent days as prices are now largely caught up to oil's increases as of late," said

Housing Development Fund Announces New Program To Help W.Va. Renters

Gov. Jim Justice and the West Virginia Housing Development Fund have announced the creation of a new program that will help renters and landlords impacted by COVID-19.

When it opens for applications, the Mountaineer Rental Assistance Program will offer direct financial assistance to renters who have lost their job, had their income reduced, or suffered a significant cost or financial hardship because of the pandemic.

"First and foremost, I want to thank our federal partners for allocating these funds to West Virginia," said Justice. "This funding is going to be such a blessing to so many hardworking West Virginians who so desperately need it, and I am proud of all the work that the Housing Development Fund has done to get this program off the ground."

W.Va. Housing Development Fund stresses that the program is not yet open for applications. Check the fund's website, www.wvhdf.com, for updates.

Fund officials expect additional guidance on the rental assistance program in the coming days. Funds from the U.S. Treasury are expected to be advanced to the state in late January.

According to program guidelines, funding will be reserved for individuals who have qualified for unemployment benefits or who have experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship due

directly or indirectly to the coronavirus outbreak, are at risk of being homeless, have been served an eviction notice, or are living in unhealthy conditions.

"Safe, stable housing is vital, if we are ever to return to some sense of normalcy" said fund executive director Erica Boggess. "The Mountaineer Rental Assistance Program will provide much-needed relief. We stand ready with Gov. Justice to help and do all we can for West Virginians impacted by this pandemic."

Some important points about the program include:

--The program is for renter households with incomes no more than 80 percent of area median income (AMI).

--Landlords and owners may apply on behalf of tenants meeting the eligibility requirements, so long as the tenant co-signs the application, the landlord provides documentation to the tenant, and the payments are used to satisfy the tenant's rental obligation to the owner.

--Priority will be given to households with incomes of no more than 50 percent of AMI and to households in which one or more household member is unemployed and has been unemployed for 90 days.


The fund will update its website, www.wvhdf.com, with more information about the rental assistance program as it becomes available. For information, call 1-866-623-6284.

Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy.

"While the national average remains at its highest level since the pandemic, increases are likely to slow down in the immediate short-term, unless and until

oil prices see renewed momentum."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices, and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. GasBuddy data is accessible at FuelInsights. GasBuddy.com.



Call for nominations

The West Virginia Press Association is now accepting nominations for the **WVPA's Hall of Fame, Class of 2021**

The written nomination must include a brief biographical sketch.

Nomination details at wvpress.org
 Submit nominations by March 1, 2021
 Email to **Don Smith, donsmit@wvpress.org**
 or by mail to **WV Press Association**
3422 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston, WV 25302

KEEPING THE FAITH IN CALHOUN COUNTY

Churches are listed alphabetically

Albert's Chapel U.M.C.
 Sand Ridge - 354-6217
 Pastor: David Weaver
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11:15 p.m.

Arnoldsburg Community Church
 Arnoldsburg
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Evening Worship 7 p.m.
 Wed.: Worship 7 p.m.

Beech U.M.C.
 Arnoldsburg - 354-6277
 Pastor: Rick Metheny
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Thurs.: Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Beech Valley U.M.C.
 Big Springs
 Pastor: Rick Metheny
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
 Preaching 1st and 3rd Sunday

Bethlehem Baptist Church
 East of Grantsville - 354-7519
 Pastor: Jim Lynch
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Brooksville Baptist Church
 Big Bend - 354-6967
 Pastor: Matt Sanders
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Check ahead to see if your church is meeting.

Chapel Baptist Church
 Nobe - 354-6747
 Interim Pastor: Harold Francis
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6 p.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 7 p.m.
 Dinner - 4th Sunday 6 p.m.

Chestnut Grove Baptist Church
 White Pine Rd - Latonia
 Pastor: Vane Bush
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship: 11 a.m.
 Wed.: Worship 7 p.m.

Community Baptist Church
 Grantsville
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 p.m.

Cornerstone Praise & Worship
 527 Highland St., Grantsville
 Pastor: Kevin Church
 Sun.: Breakfast 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 6 p.m.

Cremona Community Church
 Rowels Run - 354-7394
 Sat.: Preaching 7 p.m.
 Sunday 10 a.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 7 p.m.

Enon Baptist Church
 Grantsville
 Pastor: John Vannoy
 Sun.: Worship 9:45 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
 Bible Study 6 p.m.

Fairview Freewill Memorial Church
 1182 Lower Nicut Rd., Chloe
 Pastor: Tom Law - 354-6685
 Sunday Worship: 6 p.m.

First Baptist Church
 High St., Grantsville - 354-7574
 Pastor: Ron Chesser
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6 p.m.
 Bible Study 7 p.m.

Full Gospel Lighthouse
 Big Bend
 Pastor: Mike Doherty
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Evening 6:30 p.m.
 Wed: Worship 7 p.m.
 Sat: Worship 7 p.m.

Hur Community Church
 Hur, W.Va.
 Sun.: Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Knotts Memorial U.M.C.
 Grantsville
 Pastor: Rick Metheny
 Jerry Malona, Assoc. Pastor
 Morning Worship 10 a.m.
 preaching and Sunday School
 Evening Worship 7 p.m.
 (2nd/4th at MHHS)
 1st-3rd Wed.-Worship 7:p.m.

Leatherbark Community Church
 Leatherbark
 Pastor: Phil Lawrence
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Louisa Chapel U.M.C.
 Arnoldsburg - 655-8245
 Pastor: Shelly Mace
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Milo Church
 Milo
 Pastor: John Meadows
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 2nd & 4th Sunday
 7 p.m. 1st & 3rd Sunday

Minnora U.M.C.
 Minnora
 Pastor: Tim Hickman
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.

Mt. Zion U.M.C.
 Mt. Zion
 Pastor: David Weaver
 Sun.: Sunday School 9 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10 a.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 7 p.m.

Mud Fork Church
 Stinson - 655-7509
 Pastor: John Fowler
 Sun.: Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wed.: Worship 7 p.m.

New Life Baptist Fellowship
 Arnoldsburg - 655-8108
 Pastor: Mark Dudley
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.

New Testament Baptist Church
 Big Springs on Rt. 16
 Pastor: Jim Lough
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Afternoon Service 1 p.m.

Orma U.M.C.
 Orma - 354-7365
 Pastor: Tim Hickman
 Sun.: Worship 10 a.m.
 Sunday School 11 a.m.

Pleasant Hill U.M.C.
 Pleasant Hill - 354-6277
 Pastor: Rick Metheny
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Bible Study 5:30 p.m.

Prosperity Baptist Church
 Leading Creek Road
 Pastor: Ken Heiney
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 p.m.

Rush Run Baptist Church
 Stumptown
 Pastor: John Vannoy
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 7 p.m.

Spruce Hollow Church
 Yellow Creek
 Pastor: Carroll McCauley
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6 p.m.
 Wed.: Worship & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Stoney Point New Hope Church
 Altizer Road
 Pastor: Garry Bowen
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.

Sycamore Baptist Church
 Mt. Zion - 655-7207
 Pastor: Kenneth Gene Satterfield
 Sun.: Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 6 p.m.

Victory Baptist Church
 2037 South Calhoun Hwy.
 Grantsville - 354-7780
 Pastor: Steven Carter
 Sun.: Sun. School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Evening 6 p.m.
 Wed.: Bible Study 7 p.m.
 Youth/Family Ministry

Walnut Grove Community Church
 Barnes Run
 Pastor: Rev. Clark Samples
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6 p.m.
 Wed.: Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Walnut Memorial Church
 Chloe
 Pastor: Lester Tanner
 Sun.: Worship 10 a.m.
 Sunday School 11:30 a.m.

Walker U.M.C.
 Chloe
 Pastor: Tim Hickman
 Sun.: Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.

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Glenville State Student Authors Publish Environmental Essays

The Glenville State College Dept. of Language and Literature has announced the publication of "A Rational Species: Essays on the Environment."

The book is a collaborative work created by students in Melissa Gish's Spring 2020 semester research writing course.

The 16 contributing writers included 2019 Calhoun County High School graduate Brogan Richards.

The students conducted research on a variety of environmental topics, wrote essays, and submitted their work for publication.

Dr. Rico Gazal, professor of forestry in the Dept. of Land Resources, wrote an introduction for the book. Gish, an associate professor of English, produced the book and submitted it for publication in both paperback and e-book formats.

The collection of essays explores a variety of environmental challenges that the planet and its inhabitants are currently facing, including pollution, deforestation, poaching, and the effects of climate change.

"From endangered species, such as the Grauer's gorilla and the leatherback sea turtle, to entire ecosystems under threat on land and in the sea, the range of topics in this book takes readers around the globe, from the Arctic tundra to the Australian Outback, and from mountaintops to the ocean floor," said Gish.

"Combining scientific inquiry with passionate

optimism, the student essays explain not only the dangers of various environmental problems on Earth, but also the value of potential solutions.

"I wanted the class to have the experience of contributing to the body of research and knowledge that the public relies on to make informed decisions about caring for our environment and participating in combating the effects of climate change.

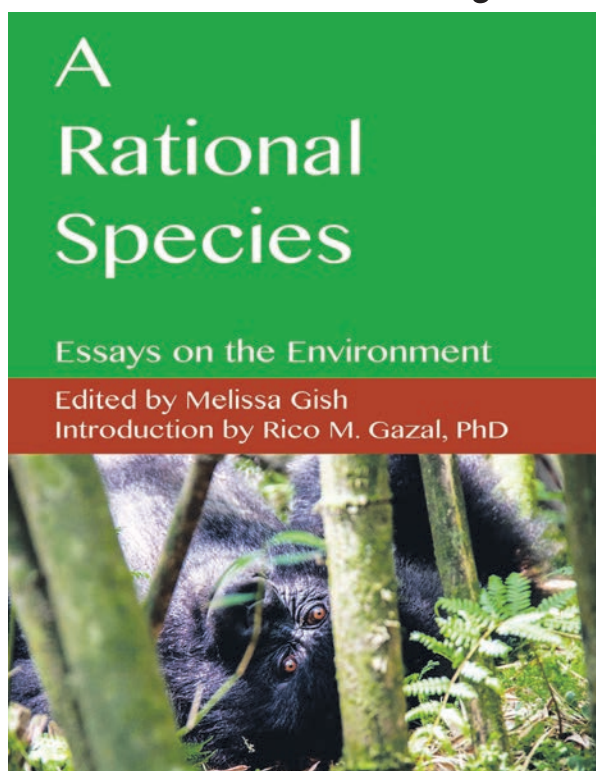
"I hoped that guiding students along the path to publication would inspire them to continue reading, researching, and sharing important information about the future of our global environment. They did a great job on their projects, and I'm very proud of them."

Working in cooperation with the GSC Foundation, the student authors will be donating all of the proceeds from the sale of "A Rational Species" to the Wildlife Conservation Society.

Students first nominated several environmental organizations to receive their support and then voted, agreeing to support the WCS, a non-governmental organization headquartered at the Bronx Zoo in New York City. It aims to conserve the world's largest wild places in 14 priority regions.

WCS is at work on some 500 projects in more than 60 nations around the world that are intended to help protect both wildlife and the wild places in which they live.

The organization en-



deavors to protect 25 percent of the world's biodiversity--from the gorillas of Africa and the tigers of Asia, to macaws in South America and the sharks, whales and turtles traveling through the planet's seas.

WCS's Melanesia Program focuses on conservation in Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu. In collaboration with the Madagascar Ministry of Environment and Forests, WCS launched a program to create the nearly one-million-acre Makira Forest Protected Area.

WCS partnered with the carbon-reduction platform, Cool Effect, to allow users to fund ongoing carbon-reduction projects directly supporting the Makira Natural Park.

WCS has actively worked in conflict areas, such as Afghanistan, South

Sudan, and Myanmar, where agreements on wildlife resources have contributed to peace and stability.

The book is available from Amazon in paperback format (www.amazon.com/dp/1953033008) and e-book format (www.amazon.com/dp/B08MCNFF92). The e-book version is also available on Google Play.

Businesses

The secretary of state's office has announced business statistics for 2020, including the following for Calhoun County:

Number of businesses on Jan. 1, 2020: 173; Number of new businesses: 30; Number of businesses lost: 23; Total businesses on Dec. 31, 2020: 180; Growth/Decline: 4.05% Growth.

WVU Extension News

by Brandy Brabham, WVU Extension Agent

Master Gardener Course Online

Did you have a tough gardening season in 2020? Enjoy learning more about gardening and working with others? Interested in sharing your gardening knowledge with others?

If you answered "yes" to these questions, the Extension Master Gardener course conducted by West Virginia University Extension Service might be just the program for you.

It provides gardeners with the opportunity to improve their horticultural knowledge and skills, and then share their experience with the public through organized volunteer activities.

Applications for the course are being accepted through Tuesday, Feb. 16. What is different about this course? Instead of needing at least 10 approved applicants to offer the course locally, this course can accept one or two trainees, or up to 40, because it's taught online across the state with other Extension Master Gardener trainees.

A course fee of \$30 is needed to cover the cost of the electronic manual and \$75 to receive a printed copy of the horticultural manual each participant receives.

The local West Central Extension Master Gardener Association is offering scholarships to participants interested in taking the course.

Classes will be on Thursdays from Feb. 18 to June 10, meeting online from 6 to 9 p.m.

Topics to be covered include: insect, weed and disease identification and management, turfgrass and lawn care, herbs, plant science, plant propagation, pest control, soil health, indoor plants, pruning, grafting, vegetable gardening, tree fruits, small fruits, landscaping, herbs pollinators, wildlife management, woody ornamentals, and native and invasive species.

Applications are available at the WVU-Roane County Extension office. For an application or information about the course or the scholarships, 927-0975 or email brandy.brabham@mail.wvu.edu.

Extension Master Gardeners are volunteers for West Virginia University. To qualify, you must complete 40 hours of horticultural training, and in return, volunteer 40 hours of time.

The basic pre-requisites include an approved application, reference check, familiarity with gardening, and a commitment to return 40 hours of volunteer service.

Once you have completed the course, I will help provide direction for your volunteer work. Examples of volunteer activities include the following:

Teaching garden classes; working with groups, such as 4-H, horticulture therapy groups and community gardeners; staffing garden clinics and displays; using your special talents, such as writing and photography to benefit others; answering phone inquiries on horticultural topics; providing talents in gardening educational activities; giving school-age or group presentations; and landscaping, gardening and beautification projects for the community.

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Calhoun County Library has some exciting news --introducing Dial-a-story! Children and adults of all ages can enjoy story time on the phone, with no internet required. The library will be adding chapter books for adults and children soon. Call 1-866-985-1223 to listen to the stories.

College scholarships available for 2021

Interested in being a journalist or working in the media industry?

The West Virginia Press Association Foundation is accepting student applications for 2021 West Virginia Press Association Scholarships.

If awarded, the WVPF provides scholarships to West Virginia residents to a West Virginia college or university for up to \$1,000. Programs are open to journalism majors and students in related fields such as business management, human resources, advertising, social media and marketing, with preference given to students in at least their sophomore year of college.

Application deadline is Jan. 29, 2021.
Applications may be downloaded from wvpress.org

For information or to have the applications mailed, contact Executive Director **Don Smith** at donsmith@wvpress.org, at 304-342-1011 or write to: WV Press Association Foundation, 3422 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston, WV, 25302.

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