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Calhoun varsity player Mason Siwicki breaks a South Harrison press by using a screen by teammate Caden Jones (32) on Monday night. See story on the CCHS boys basketball team on Page 5.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, March 24

CCHS wrestling team competes at St. Marys, 6 p.m.

CCHS varsity girls basketball team plays at Doddridge County, 7 p.m.

Pool tournament, VFW Post 5959, 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 25

Welfare of Animals Group will be trapping stray and feral cats in Orma and Big Bend areas to have them spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and ear tipped.

Calhoun county commission special meeting, via Zoom, to lay the levy and approve contract with Software Systems, 3:30 p.m. Use Zoom ID 5936021621, password 1234.

CCHS varsity boys basketball team hosts Clay County, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 26

CCHS varsity girls basketball team hosts South Harrison, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 27

Shooting match at Upper West Fork Park, 10 a.m.

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Vaccinations Available To All Ages 16 And Up

During Monday’s briefing, Gov. Jim Justice announced that West Virginia will start offering COVID-19 vaccines to all state residents age 16 and older, beginning immediately.

“As we continue to lead the nation with our vaccine distribution, we do not want to let our foot off the gas,” said Justice. “I encourage all West Virginians to take advantage of this opportunity and get vaccinated.”

West Virginians who are age 65 and older will continue to be prioritized first, until all state residents in that age range who desire to receive the vaccine have been vaccinated.

“At the same time, we have got to get more and more West Virginians vaccinated, and now is our time,” said Justice. “Let’s go, West Virginia. Let’s get everyone in the state vaccinated. That’s our goal.”

Justice encouraged all West Virginians age 16 and older wishing to be vaccinated to pre-register at vaccinate.wv.gov or call the COVID-19 Vaccine Info Line, 1-833-734-0965.

Calhoun 1-of-21 On Increased Emphasis To Vaccinate 65+

On Friday, Gov. Jim Justice said, to ensure that every West Virginian age 65 and older, who wants a vaccine is being vaccinated, he has directed the Joint Interagency Task Force to set up three fixed-location clinics across the state to vaccinate West Virginians in this age range.

“If you’re 65 or older

and you can get to one of these three locations, we’ll get you vaccinated, even if you’re still on a waitlist,” said Justice.

“I’ve also directed our Task Force to make certain that we’re clearing out our pre-registration list, so that we do not miss anyone. We’re going to go back to the list and, if we’ve got to put a hundred people on telephones calling everybody, then that’s what we’ll do.”

Justice once again encouraged all West Virginians age 16 and older desiring to be vaccinated to pre-register at vaccinate.wv.gov or by calling 1-833-734-0965.

Vaccinations are currently available to all West Virginians age 50 and

older, education workers age 40-50, all West Virginians age 16 and older with qualifying pre-existing medical conditions, and all essential workers.

West Virginians who are age 65 and older will continue to be prioritized first, until all state residents in this age range who desire the vaccine have been vaccinated.

Any West Virginians age 65 and older who are still waiting on an appointment are urged to call the West Virginia Vaccine Info Line: 1-833-734-0965 to ensure that they are scheduled to be vaccinated. The info line is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and (Continued on Page 2)

Fairs And Festivals May Resume May 1

Gov. Jim Justice has announced that all fairs, festivals, and similar events will be allowed to resume, beginning Saturday, May 1.

“These events are part of the fabric of our state. We want them to go on,” said Justice. “I expect all these events to continue following all safety guidelines in order to keep West Virginians safe, if they choose to attend these

events.” Justice added that updated safety guidelines will be issued later this week on the West Virginia Strong--The Comeback page of the governor’s website.

“Unless there’s a real backslide with our numbers, we plan to have all of our fairs and festivals, as we try to get back to some level of normalcy,” said Justice.

Shooting Match, Music Set At Upper West Fork

Upper West Fork Park will sponsor a shooting match on Saturday, Mar. 27, from 10 a.m. until shooting is finished.

For \$15, you get a chance at five matches. The prizes are hams.

COVID protocols will be followed, with masks to be worn inside. The

kitchen will be open.

Music begins at 7 p.m. each Saturday, with a D.J. Admission is \$4.

On Apr. 10, music will be held outside, with the band on stage and seating under the pavilion.

Dixie Highway will perform. Admission will be \$5.

Circuit Court Dispositions

The following court dispositions occurred on Mar. 16, according to Nigel E. Jeffries, Calhoun County prosecutor:

Daniel Mark Johnson: Entry of plea. The defendant entered a plea of guilty to the felony offense driving on a suspended or revoked license for DUI third. The defendant faces an indeterminate sentence

of not less than one, nor more than three years of incarceration. Sentencing is scheduled for Thursday, May 6.

Brian Husk: Sentencing. The defendant was sentenced to a term of incarceration of not less than one, nor more than five years, to be served in a penitentiary, for the (Continued on Page 2)

Laughlin Schreckengost Receives Second Graduate Nursing Degree

Laura Laughlin Schreckengost, a 1990 graduate of Calhoun County High School, is also an alumnus of Sinclair College and Indiana Wesleyan University, and a Dec. 12 graduate of Northern Kentucky University.

She has been a registered nurse since 2001 and a family nurse practitioner in Dayton, Ohio, since 2015.

Her second post graduate degree as a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner will keep her working in the Dayton

metro area as a FNP/PMHNP, providing primary care, urgent care, occupational medicine, and mental health services.

She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau International, AANP, and ANCC. Her titles include RN, ADN, BSN, MSN, APRN, FNP-G, PMHNP-BC, and OAAAPN.

Laura is the daughter of Larry and Bonnie Laughlin of Arnoldsburg, and is married to Jimmie Schreckengost, also formerly of Calhoun County. They have one daughter,



Laura Laughlin
Schreckengost

Tasha, and two granddaughters, Riley and Addy, and one on the way.



The Calhoun County High School boys basketball team started its season last week with the following players on the roster: Left to right, Levi J. Morris, Joel Basnett, Caden Jones, Tyler Whited, Chase Blair, Mason Siwicki, Levi Walker, Gabe Waldron, Levi M. Morris, Dakota Quick, Owen Taylor, Ian Richards, Gage Bunner, Hayden Bajcar and Levi Richards. Information on first games of season on Page 5.

This Week In History

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

1921, 100 years ago

George Kirby, an excellent citizen of near Brooksville, was here last week looking after business interests.

Lynn S. Oles and Herbert Stump returned on Saturday from Pittsburgh, where they attended the auto shows.

Contractor O.C. Howard is moving his tools from the Ferrell No. 3 on Big Root to Godfrey L. Cabot’s location on the Ball farm on Bull River.

The Oles Garage recently sold and installed a fine washing machine for Mrs. Alice Fogle. It is of the Fairbanks-Morse make, and there is no better machinery. The agents will be glad to give a demonstration of the machine any time.

Capt. J.C. Williams, of the Steamer Violet, the Creston mail-boat, met with severe and painful injuries on Sunday that put him on the retired list temporarily. He was attempting to start up the engine at the Grantsville Mill, and in some manner, caught his left hand in such a manner as to mangle and bruise it severely. The injured member is getting along very nicely and it will only be a few days until Capt. Williams is able to get back to his work.

Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Todd of Spencer arrived here on Monday evening and will remain a few days looking over the new hotel property with a view of leasing and conducting it. They are experienced and efficient hotel people, having conducted hotels in several towns for many years. We have no doubt, if they can close with the hotel company, that the hotel will be made what it should be--the best in the Little Kanawha valley.

The building boom in South Grantsville is not on the decline by any means. New houses and buildings are going up right along, and many more will be started when good weather arrives. J.W. Taylor, Arnette Fockler and Joe Soles, all of the Hope offices, are contemplating the erection of residences in that section of town, and will likely start work on the same early in the Spring.

The first two named have perfectly legitimate uses for houses, but we cannot understand why Joe Soles is building. Probably, the young man has not fully taken us into his confidence, and it will develop that he has use for the residence.

1946, 75 years ago

A picture that was taken in what Ora Campbell calls the “good old days” is of the “Return,” a boat owned by Jake Huffman and Otis Smith, when it was tied up at the foot of Mill Street in Grantsville, approximately 60 years ago. The picture is the property of Arling Stutler of Toledo, Ohio, but Mr. Campbell was called upon to supply most of the information about it, since he is an old river boat man from way back, and once held license as chief engineer and pilot for boats on the Little Kanawha.

Freight was loaded on barges such as this, and pushed by the boat. Before the building of roads in the 1920s, just about all freight came to Calhoun County by boat and was unloaded and hauled away by wagon. Sorry, but no one so far has been able to identify any of the 21 persons in the picture.

This “Return,” according to Mr. Campbell, was one of two boats by that name owned by Smith and Huffman. This one, the first, was built by the Stump brothers, Wade, Oak and Bill, and sold to Smith and Huffman. The second “Return” was larger. Boats like this, he said, could make the 80-mile trip Parkersburg in a day, usually leaving Grantsville about noon and getting to Parkersburg about 11 p.m. The return trip was usually about the same duration, most of the way in slack water, and through a system of locks and dams. The time would vary, depending on the number of stops to be made and time spent in going through the locks. If there were several barges, a double lockage might be necessary, and this took more time.

In later years, this boat was tied up at Lock 5, about eight miles below Creston, and a tree fell across the deck. Then, in high water, the boat was swept downstream and broken up, the last of the “Return.”

There is one woman in the picture, on the upper deck in front of the pilot house, the last figure on the far right. Next to her are two children. In the very center of the picture, just back of the team of horses in front, a man holds a very small child. No doubt these were some of the prominent citizens of Grantsville at the time. It was probably taken about the same time of year as now, since leaves are off the trees, yet dress indicates a warm day, and one box is marked, “Seeds.”

1971, 50 years ago

Takeover of existing sewer lines in the Town of Grantsville is part of the process of building a new system for collection and treatment of raw sewage now going into the Little Kanawha River.

Property owners in the corporation are being asked to sign an easement for existing lines, giving them over to the town for maintenance. “Nearly everyone in the town is glad to get rid of the obligation to maintain and repair existing sewer lines,” said mayor Orville Barnette, “since after giving them over to the town, they no longer have to hunt a repairman for broken sewers, and pay the repair bill; instead, they call on the town to do their repairs.”

The big problem, the mayor said, is just getting around to all the property owners to get their signatures. In most cases, it requires the signature of two persons, husband and wife. Barnette and councilman Euell Hoskins, Jr., are doing this work.

The easement is for that part of the existing sewer line after it leaves the individual property lines, the mayor said. Most of the town is now served by private sewer lines, and many of these lines will still be in use. The new line to be built is to be an interceptor line, picking up the raw sewage from various existing lines, plus sewage from new lines yet to be built, and taking all raw sewage through a treatment system. Water returned to the river after going through the treatment

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



Question: What is the origin of the phrase, “made from scratch?” Also, why is “fiddlesticks” used as a term of disgust? (Asked by a curious reader from cyberspace.)

Reply: “Scratch” is a well-used word. I found 33 entries in my dictionary, many of them being slang, such as when losing the cue ball in pool. “Made from scratch” implies that the food (like a cake) was made from individual ingredients (flour, eggs, sugar, etc.) rather than from pre-mixed ingredients (like cake mix in a box).

The phrase originated from sports, where at one time the starting line of a race would be a scratch line on the ground. The phrase has holdovers in some horse racing. A horse that “starts from scratch” starts at the starting line, as opposed to a horse with a handicap that starts from a position in front of the line.

So, “made from scratch” implies that you start at the beginning, or with the basics. No handicap (or cake mix).

Now, on to fiddlesticks. I had to go to my etymology friends on this one. These comments come from World Wide Words. At first, a “fiddlestick” was just a reference to a violin bow. The use of the word was first recorded in the fifteenth century, and in Shakespeare’s play, Henry IV, where there is a line which reads, “The devil rides on a fiddle-stick.”

Then, in a play by Sir Henry Wildair in 1701, we have a line that reads, “Golden pleasure! Golden fiddlesticks!” The phrase is a contemptuous remark in the play, and such usage continued to evolve into its current usage as a disparaging retort to mean something is nonsense or disgusting. (Such culture as here in the Curiosity Corner!)

That was a shorter one, so here is a helpful tidbit of information that I found the other day. I read that Dalmatian puppies are born without spots, so I checked into this and here’s what a breeder told me. The pups are born with spots, but you only see them when they are first born and when they are wet.

Once dry, their puppy white coat covers the spots. After about a week, the coat starts to drop out and the pigment, or spots, start to show. So, technically, they are born with spots that aren’t visible for a week or so. And now you know--the rest of the story. (My apologies to Paul Harvey.)

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): “Why not go out on a limb? Isn’t that where the fruit is?” --Frank Scully.

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.

plant will be 98% pure, Barnette said.

The town has received a federal grant to pay part of the cost of the new system, and a loan for the balance. The loan portion will be paid off by addition of a sewage charge to present water bills.

This charge is expected to be 115% of the present water bill alone. For example, a household with a \$3 water bill would have \$3.45 additional in sewage charges.

The town must do something about raw sewage, the mayor said. The town has been under orders for some time to stop polluting the waters of the Little Kanawha River. One measure proposed to force halting of this pollution is to fine towns that are not working on their sewage problems.

The State Health Dept., the mayor said, is considering fines that could be \$100 to \$1,000 per day for not treating raw sewage before it goes into the river. “This could be costly to the Town of Grantsville,” he said. “Besides, we want to comply with existing laws, and we want to have a cleaner river.”

The easements give the town the right to enter upon private property for the purpose of constructing, laying, maintaining, repairing and replacing sewer lines.

As of Wednesday of last week, town officials had already covered about 50 property owners and received notarized signatures on the easements. About 400 places are to be covered.

WAG In Orma, Big Bend

Welfare of Animals Group will be humanely trappingstrayandferalcats in the Orma and Big Bend areas on Thursday, Mar. 25, to have them spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and ear tipped (the universal sign that a cat has been part of a Trap-Neuter-Return program).

According to the news release, “We would appreciate if you would not put food out for them on Wednesday, Mar. 24, as we will be trapping on Mar. 25.

“Once the cats have recovered from anesthesia (at least 24 to 48 hours), we will return them to their exact location. They will be healthier, happier, and not reproducing and fighting. Thank you for your cooperation.

“So far, we have spayed and neutered 463 community cats (264 females and 199 males).

“Please keep your personal cats indoors or put a collar on them on Thursday, Mar. 25. If you have questions, call Linda Buchanan, 354-7506.”

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



On Mar. 28, 1870, the steamboat Mountain Boy was one of six steamboats that moved West Virginia’s capital from Wheeling to Charleston.



This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from Mar. 25-31 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia’s people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.



Mar. 25, 1878: Attorney General Armistead Abraham “Cousin Abe” Lilly was born at Jumping Branch, Summers County. He appealed the Virginia Debt Suit to the U.S. Supreme Court. When settled, it was estimated that Lilly had saved the state a large sum of money.

Mar. 26, 1851: Upshur County was created from parts of Randolph, Lewis and Barbour counties, with Buckhannon as the county seat.

Mar. 26, 1863: The state’s first constitution was overwhelmingly ratified by the voters by a majority of 28,321 to 572. The constitution was drafted during the state’s first Constitutional Convention at the federal custom house in Wheeling.

Mar. 26, 1920: Aviator Rose Agnes Rolls Cousins was born. She was the first black woman to become a solo pilot in the Civilian Pilot Training Program at West Virginia State College (now University).



Mar. 27, 1917: Statesman Cyrus Roberts Vance was born in Clarksburg. In 1977, President Carter tapped Vance as his secretary of state. In 1978, Vance was instrumental in the Camp David peace accord between Egypt and Israel, and in negotiating the Panama Canal Treaty.



Mar. 28, 1941: Musician Charlie McCoy was born in Oak Hill. One of the most significant harmonica players in

country music, his work can also be heard on rock ‘n’ roll albums. He was the musical director for the television program Hee Haw.

Mar. 28, 1870: State officials, with records and property, boarded a steamboat called Mountain Boy (shown below), one of six steamboats that moved West Virginia’s capital from Wheeling to Charleston.

Mar. 29, 1858: Clay County was created from parts of Nicholas and Braxton counties, and named for Henry Clay, U.S. senator from Kentucky.



Mar. 29, 1834: Henry Mason Mathews, the fifth governor of West Virginia, was born at Frankford, Greenbrier County. There were strikes and riots during much of his administration, including the national railroad strike of 1877, which began at Martinsburg.

Mar. 30, 1837: The Virginia legislature granted a charter to establish a private academy at West Liberty, north of Wheeling in Ohio County. The first class of 65 students met in the home of Rev. Nathan Shotwell in 1838. The school is now known as West Liberty State University.



Mar. 30, 1926: Actor, singer and game show host Peter Marshall was born Ralph Pierre Lacock in Wheeling. His career includes Broadway, television and over 5,000 episodes as host of The Hollywood Squares.

Mar. 31, 1919: Gov. John Jacob Cornwell signed legislation that created the West Virginia State Police. The governor appointed Jackson Arnold, grand-nephew of Gen. Thomas J. “Stonewall” Jackson, and former executive officer of the 1st West Virginia Infantry, as first superintendent.

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My Home Among the Hills

by Mellody Walburn



March is one of those months that is full of surprises, and I will admit that I love most of them. You just never know what each day will bring. Maybe that is why there are so many quotes and poems written about this month. One of my favorites is by Charles Dickens, and it is found in one of my favorite books:

“It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade.”

--Charles Dickens, Great Expectations
I couldn’t have said it better. This year, March came in like a lion, with lots of rain and flooding. Then, the sun came out and the temperatures warmed up, and the world started to come to life again. The grass started to grow, the trees along the river began to bud, and the spring peepers started singing their hearts out. It seemed like spring had arrived, but March is a fickle friend who had a few tricks up her sleeve.

Just as spring officially arrived with Daylight Saving Time to boot, the temperatures dropped and winter seemed to be hanging in there for just a little longer. Driving to school in the morning in the pitch dark, a coat was necessary, but usually by the time I left school, the sunshine and temperatures had improved enough that I no longer needed that coat. I have found layers to be the trick to handle March’s moods. This way, I am ready for whatever she throws my way.

Sometimes when I am writing these articles, I get off on a tangent and forget to include some things I meant to talk about. I did that a few weeks ago. I have always wanted to visit the career center to see what some of my students are up to part of the day. High school teachers were given the chance to visit Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center to see first hand all of the programs that are offered there. I was in the first group to go, and I had a great time.

From the time that we entered the building, we were kept busy visiting all of the different classrooms and hearing from the students and teachers what they do each day. We talked with students on their way to clinicals at the health department. We had a chance to see a variety of drones up close that students are learning to manipulate and navigate.

We saw students working on cars, welding, and building projects. We were even served a delicious chicken pot pie and a cappuccino by the culinary students. I was impressed with every single program, and can see why students look forward to going there every day.

While school has been keeping me pretty busy, I have managed to squeeze a few activities into my evenings. Dad was thrilled when I asked him to go to a girls’ basketball game with me. He loves sports, but the pandemic has deprived him of attending any games for a long time. He had a great time and was very impressed with how well our girls played. He is looking forward to attending more games with me in the future.

I also spent an evening at the history museum this past week. COVID-19 has really had an impact on this organization. We really hadn’t been in the building for any amount of time since November. We did manage to put together window displays at that time, but they hadn’t been changed since. There is still a lot of work to do, but we were able to get one window display taken down and a new one put in its place.

Some of you may recognize the red truck from our Christmas light display. We have repurposed it, and it is now the centerpiece for one of our spring windows. We plan to start on the other window this week. It feels good to have another piece of life starting to feel like normal again.

As hard as it is to believe, my fickle friend March will soon be saying goodbye and will be replaced by April. Spring will be in full bloom, and the days will just keep getting longer and longer.

Soon, we will be putting away our coats and turning off the heat for good. I, for one, am really looking forward to being able to spend more time outside. Hopefully, April will not play any tricks on us and will cooperate with my plans. I guess only time will tell.

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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)

Eva
We have plenty of good ice these warm days. I forgot to tell you I made a nice little fire board, which adds much to the grace of our little parlor. Also we have got a nice lounge up here. Prettier I think than the one down stairs. Could you have one at home. I wish you could. I should like right well to get Helen Young’s¹ letters. I have some nice paper & wrapper & might write her a nice letter. I have written Mother’s & yours awfully but in the greatest haste, but Floyd part of the time in my lap. What will Mrs H. Buntin² do?
A.E.S.

Amie wrote these two letters while living in Arnoldsburg. Amie, a Virginian, and her suitor, N.C. “Cal” Smith, disagreed about slavery. Calhoun County had been formed on Mar. 5, 1856.

Arnoldsburg
Friday morning
August 1st 1856
Dear Almira

In great haste I dropped a brief line to inform you that my Callie arrived last night. Came in a buggy with his mule. Of course I was rejoiced to see him. He brought me a nice book entitled the “Hidden Path” by Marion Harland. Perry is at home. He & Cal are talking down stairs on the best of terms. I think they are mutually pleased. George W. S. has gone to Elizabeth! Left here Wednesday morning in company with Mr Mallard.

I am getting along fine with my school, but five more weeks after this. Next week you may expect to get a long letter from me, & tell you anything you wish. I cannot particularize now. I have plenty of beaux, a good place for coqueting with them. Floyd is a great, fat fellow. Warrie is well. Kiss Amie for me. Cal had been sick, very sick for some time before he came from the east. He wrote to me. I did not get it.
Good bye. May you all be well & happy,
Amie E

P.S. Let no one see this.

Arnoldsburg
August 1856
Friend Cal.

Yours of the 19th inst. Was duly recd, and I take this pleasant evening to reply.

My sister reached home in safety on the 16th. She appeared happy to see home again, although she enjoyed her trip as much as I could possibly wish. And I assure you we are no less delighted to see her. I was very lonely indeed during her absence, yet not more than I had anticipated. Perry appeared to feel the desolation pervading each room even more sensibly than I did.

I am glad that you enjoyed yourself so well since we last met. You certainly have been pleasantly employed. Did “the flirtation” terminate in a broken heart on either side? But really, Mr Smith, you must forgive me for the light strain which I am addressing you, as I had quite forgotten I was venturing into the presence of one who possesses a long catalogue of complaints headed “bad treatment”.

Although I confess myself in a small degree culpable, yet I shall offer no apologies but merely trust you will “this first offence in pity spare”. Am I presumptuous? In thus presuming your “wild imagination” pictured a beautiful scene indeed, where all is “beauty in the eye, & music to the ear”.

If in this world there is a pleasure unmixed with bitterness, a “joy that bringeth no sorrow” it surely might be found in the spot you describe. Yet it is only imaginary, it may never be real. I fancy I see here the same “mighty river”, but wilderness & savage majesty reigns on its borders, & on either side rocky heights spring up, throwing shadows across its waters.

Rocky heights which seem fashioned by the mighty spirit manitho³. The hand of cultivation has not yet laid low the dark forests, & tamed the features of the landscape. Nor has the white steamer yet broken in upon the profound & awful solitude of ages. Here & there a rude cabin is seen perched among the mountain cliffs, its curling column of smoke mounting heavenward.

Is it possible you think I can regard the “peculiar institution” in the light in which my northern cousin does “a dark stain, blackening the beauty of our fair republic”, or that I am merely adopting the passive system of “what cant be cured must be endured”!

That some evils may arise from the existence of slavery I do not deny. Yet I think it is an institution in which the hand of Providence may be traced. In all ages appear to have been “servants subject to their masters”. Nor do I believe with Cousin Helen⁴ that we are incurring the displeasure of heaven in not bidding the bound to go free. Am I not a Virginian!

It is very late, ten at night, yet one word more before I close. You distract me still? Every doubting, you place no confidence in my truth. You deem me changeable, inconsistent, &c.

Cal, have I deserved this from you. Have I not always met you with a glad smile of welcome, which I told you more than my lips dared to. Perhaps you find your own heart inconsistent, & never dream of change in my friends.

Please excuse the many imperfections. Eva

¹HelenYoung,cousin of Amie, from New Albion.

²Harriet Buntin, wife of Lorenzo, daughter of Captain Gould (War of 1912). Her husband, Lorenzo Buntin, had recently died.

³Manitho was an Algonquian Indian Spirit (mass) with supernatural powers.

⁴Amie and Cal appear to have different views concerning slavery. Cousin Helen is Helen Young of New York State, with who Amie corresponded.

(Continued Next Week)

Senior Citizens Menu

Menu for the Senior Citizens Center (2% milk and margarine available daily):	Thursday, Apr. 1: ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, roll.
Thursday, Mar. 25: fish sandwich, bun, peas and carrots, fruit.	Friday, Apr. 2: Closed. 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.
Friday, Mar. 26: pork chop, dressing, brussels sprouts, fruit, and wheat bun.	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.
Monday, Mar. 29: northern beans, kraut, onions, apples, cornbread.	
Tuesday, Mar. 30: spaghetti with meat sauce, vegetables, fruit, roll.	
Wednesday, Mar. 31: cook’s choice.	

From the PSC

by Charlotte Lane,
Chairman of Public Service Commission

Could Texas Style Electric Problems Happen in West Virginia?

I have been asked recently if West Virginia could suffer the same kind of outages that Texas has. The short answer is no. I don’t want to minimize the difficulties that our fellow West Virginians have suffered because of outages caused by the recent ice storms.

Our outages in West Virginia were just as devastating to customers as the Texas outages, but the reasons for the outages were completely different. Southwestern West Virginia was the victim of two serious back-to-back ice storms that weighed down power lines and trees, causing widespread failure of electricity distribution lines.

The Texas outages were caused by an inability of the Texas power plants to generate sufficient electricity to meet the state’s needs.

There are several important differences between the reliability and resilience of the power supply in Texas and West Virginia, including transmission interconnection, the design and construction of power plants from the standpoint of unusually cold weather, and the reliability and certainty of generation fuel.

Texas has chosen to have a single state reliability area, with no significant transmission interconnection lines that would allow it to import power from neighboring states.

As opposed to Texas, most electric utilities outside of Texas not only have large interconnections between neighboring utilities, but also are part of large interconnected regional reliability systems.

West Virginia is part of a large interconnected transmission system that spans from the Atlantic coast as far west as Chicago. This large interconnected area allows power to be transported among a great number of utilities within the system.

In Texas, power plants are not designed to withstand significant and extended freezing conditions. This saved money on construction costs, but left the plants susceptible to freezing weather.

In West Virginia, our electric boiler and generation facilities are placed inside of protective structures. This allows winterization that protects feed lines, cooling water lines, pumps, and other freeze-sensitive equipment that is critical to the operation of steam-powered generators.

Generally speaking, power plants that can most readily be relied on to continue to generate if their fuel supply is interrupted are, in the order of reliability, starting with the most reliable: nuclear, coal, oil, natural gas, water, and solar/wind.

In West Virginia, coal-fired generation represents approximately 90% of the installed capacity, while natural gas represents approximately 8%. By contrast, Texas relies on the following generation fuel mix: 45.7% gas, 22.9% wind, 18% coal, 10.9% nuclear, 2.4% solar, and less than 1% hydro.

Rest assured, the Public Service Commission of West Virginia will continue to monitor and investigate distribution line reliability and resilience, but our state is not vulnerable to the same kind of massive outage catastrophe at the power plant level that Texas has endured.

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Lady Red Devils Win Three In Four Days

After a pair of losses last week, the Lady Red Devils fell from third to fourth in the Class A rankings.

The team bounced back with three impressive wins in four days last week, beginning on Mar. 17 with a 65-29 victory over visiting Braxton County.

Calhoun led 11-6 in the first period when Kaylin Parsons scored twice during a 10-0 run to end the eight-minutes with a 21-6 margin.

The Red Devils gave up a pair of quick baskets to start the second quarter, but Savannah Cunningham scored all of her nine points during a 15-2 run that provided a 36-13 halftime lead.

Joselynn Yeager's seven points in the third quarter, combined with a defense that allowed only one field goal, ran the score to 54-13, and the team coasted to victory in the fourth period.

Josie Montgomery had a game-high 18 points, while Yeager contributed 13 and Parsons had 10.

Parsons (8) and Yeager (7) led in rebounds, while Cunningham dished out eight assists.

At Clay County on Friday, Yeager scored six points as CCHS opened with a 16-8 quarter, and Montgomery's nine points in the second enabled the team to take a 30-15 halftime lead.

Montgomery dominated the third period, scoring 13 of her game-high 27 points, and the team allowed only four points while totaling 22.

The Lady Red Devils expanded the 52-19 margin in the fourth quarter, as Yeager scored six of her 14 points for a final score of 69-27.

Cunningham had 11 points and Montgomery (10) and Yeager (8) led

the team in rebounds.

The following day, Calhoun defeated Wirt County, 70-39.

Josie Montgomery scored 16 of her game-high 31 points in the first quarter, as Calhoun took a 22-5 lead. Savannah Cunningham, with six of her 15 points in the second period, helped expand the margin to 40-12 by halftime.

Kaylin Parsons (8), Joselynn Yeager (7) and Madison Westfall (7) added another 22 points during the victory.

Montgomery, Yeager and Parsons had eight rebounds each, and Cunningham had 10 steals and eight assists.

A return match with Braxton on Monday was canceled by Braxton County Schools.

Through nine games, Montgomery is averaging 20.0 points per game, with Cunningham at 14.6 and Yeager at 9.3.

Over the three-game victory streak, the team is averaging 68 points, while giving up 32, a margin of 36 points.

The Lady Red Devils are scheduled to play at Doddridge on Wednesday at 7 p.m.; host South Harrison on Friday at 7:30; and play at Gilmer on Monday at 7:30.

Wednesday, Mar. 17
Braxton 6 7 4 12--29
Calhoun 21 15 18 11--65
 Calhoun varsity girls scoring: Josie Montgomery 7 2-4 18, Joselynn Yeager 6 1-1 13, Kaylin Parsons 5 0-0 10, Savannah Cunningham 4 1-1 9, Makayla Jones 3 0-1 6, Allison Stevens 2 0-0 5, Madison Westfall 1 0-0 2, Elle Hess 1 0-0 2, Trista Arnold 0 0-0 0, Jlynn Helmick 0 0-0 0, Ariety Hickman 0 0-0 0. Total 29 4-7 65. 3-pt.: Montgomery 2, Stevens 1. Rebounds: Parsons 8, Yeager 7, Montgomery 5, Westfall 4; assists: Cunningham 6, Montgomery 5, Westfall 4; steals: Cunningham 8, Montgomery 5, Yeager 5, Parsons 4; blocks: Parsons 3, Hess 2.
 Braxton:10 3-8 29. 3-pt.: 6.

Friday, Mar. 19
Calhoun 16 14 22 17--69
Clay 8 7 4 8--27
 Calhoun varsity girls scoring: Josie Montgomery 9 8-13 27, Joselynn Yeager 6 2-2 14, Savannah Cunningham 3 5-6 11, Kaylin Parsons 3 1-2 7, Elle Hess 3 0-0 6, Emily Dennison 1 0-1 2, Trista Arnold 1 0-0

2, Makayla Jones 0 0-0 0, Jlynn Helmick 0 0-0 0, Ariety Hickman 0 0-0 0, Allison Stevens 0 0-0 0, Madison Westfall 0 0-0 0. Total 26 16-24 69. 3-pt.: Montgomery 1. Rebounds: Montgomery 10, Yeager 8, Parsons 5; assists: Cunningham 2, Yeager 2; steals: Parsons 3.
 Clay: 13 1-4 27. 3-pt.: 0.

Saturday, Mar. 20
Wirt 5 7 18 9--39
Calhoun 22 18 16 14--70
 Calhoun varsity girls scoring: Josie Montgomery 14 1-1 31, Savannah Cunningham 5 5-6 15, Kaylin Parsons 3 2-2 8, Joselynn Yeager 3 1-3 7, Madison Westfall 3 0-0 7, Elle Hess 1 0-0 2, Emily Dennison 0 0-0 0, Trista Arnold 0 0-0 0, Makayla Jones 0 0-0 0, Jlynn Helmick 0 0-0 0, Ariety Hickman 0 0-0 0, Allison Stevens 0 0-0 0. Total 29 9-12 70. 3-pt.: Montgomery 2, Westfall 1. Rebounds: Montgomery 8, Yeager 8, Parsons 8, Jones 6, Hess 4; assists: Cunningham 8, Yeager 4; steals: Cunningham 10, Montgomery 7; blocks: Cunningham 2, Parsons 2, Yeager 2, Hess 2.
 Wirt:14 11-16 39. 3-pt.: 0.

Wrestlers Compete With Wirt, Madonna

The CCHS wrestling team met up with a team that has even fewer wrestlers than it has--and it resulted in the Red Devils' first dual win of the season.

Calhoun defeated Madonna, 42-12, and lost to host Wirt County, 42-24, on Saturday.

Madonna had only three wrestlers, and Nicholas County did not show up for the quad.

Between Calhoun's eight members and Wirt's seven wrestlers, the two teams only matched up in four weight classes.

Jett Sampson (106 lbs.) remained undefeated with a 7-0 record, while Grant Sterns (145) lost his first match and is now 6-1.

Calhoun is scheduled to wrestle Williamstown and Braxton at St. Marys on Wednesday at 6 p.m., and host Wahama and Doddridge at CM/HS on Saturday at 11 a.m.

Saturday, Mar. 20
Calhoun 42
Madonna 12
 106 lbs. - Jett Sampson, by forfeit
 113 lbs. - Double forfeit
 120 - Isaiah Boggs, by forfeit
 126 - Double forfeit
 132 - Jayden Hickman, by pin
 138 - Hunter Thacker, by forfeit
 145 - Grant Sterns, by forfeit
 152 - Double forfeit
 160 - Double forfeit
 171 - Forfeit
 182 - Ethan Jarvis, lost by pin
 195 - Drue Goad, by forfeit
 215 - Double forfeit
 285 - Levi Stump, by forfeit

Wirt 42 Calhoun 24
 106 - Jett Sampson, by forfeit

Calhoun County High School 2021 Wrestling Records				
Following are individual records, pins, and points earned by members of the CCHS wrestling team:				
Weight	Wrestler	Record	Pins	Points
106--	Jett Sampson	7-0	3	37
120--	Isaiah Boggs	1-6	0	6
132--	Jayden Hickman	2-5	2	12
138--	Hunter Thacker	5-2	2	27
152--	Grant Sterns	6-1	4	36
182--	Ethan Jarvis	0-6	0	0
195--	Drue Goad	5-2	0	30
285--	Levi Stump	4-3	0	24
	Others (including 24 forfeits)	0-24	0	0
	Total	30-49	11	172
Dual Record -- 1-6		Tournament Record -- 0-0		

2021 CCHS Varsity Girls Basketball Schedule
 March
 5 Cal. 62 Dodd. 43 W
 6 Cal. 67 Wirt 39..... W
 8 Cal. 56 South Harrison 36 W
 10 Cal. 65 Roane 39 W
 11 Cal. 55 Gilmer 76 L
 15 Cal. 35 Ritchie 42 ... L
 17 Cal. 65 Braxton 29 . W
 19 Cal. 69 Clay 27 W
 20 Cal. 70 Wirt 39 W
 24 Doddridge Co. . A 7:00
 26 So. Harrison* .. H 7:30
 29 Gilmer Co.* A 7:30
 31 LKC Placement ... TBA
 April
 1 Valley(Wetzel)* H 7:30
 3 Night of Champ. .. TBA
 5 Ritchie Co.* A 7:30
 8 Valley(Wetzel)* A 7:30
 *Most JV games at 5:45p.m.

JV Girls Results

Saturday, Mar. 20
Wirt JV 15 8 7 13--43
Calhoun 3 10 14 10--37
 Calhoun JV girls scoring: Trista Arnold 1 10-16 12, Emily Dennison 2 4-7 8, Allison Stevens 4 0-0 8, Elle Hess 2 0-0 4, Madison Westfall 1 0-0 3, Makayla Jones 1 0-0 2, Ariety Hickman 0 0-2 0. Total 11 14-25 37. 3-pt.: Westfall 1. Rebounds: Hickman 8, Dennison 7, Stevens 6, Jones 6, Westfall 5; assists: Arnold 4, Hess 2; steals: Arnold 5, Hess 3; blocks: Hess 2.
 Wirt JV: 15 7-12 43. 3-pt.: 6.

CCHS Varsity Boys' Season Underway

After COVID-19 protocols earlier in the season, the youthful and inexperienced CCHS varsity boys basketball team got its season underway on Mar. 16.

The team traveled to Roane County, losing to the Raiders, 77-36. Levi Walker led the team in scoring with 12 points.

On Friday, the team hosted Ritchie County, with the Rebels coming out on top, 61-34. Walker had 13 points and Gage Bunner had eight rebounds and four steals.

On Saturday, Calhoun played at Class AA second ranked Mann High School, losing 93-22.

On Monday, visiting South Harrison scored the first 18 points of the game and led 21-1 after the first period. The Hawks went on to win, 75-23. No other results were available at presstime.

Calhoun is scheduled to host Clay on Thursday at 7:30 p.m.; play at Doddridge on Saturday at 1 p.m.; and have a return match with Doddridge at home on Tuesday at 7:30.

Tuesday, Mar. 16
Calhoun 5 16 7 8--36
Roane 9 19 28 21--77
 Calhoun varsity boys scoring: Levi Walker 4 2-2 12, Chase Blair 4 0-0 10, Levi M. Morris 3 1-2 7, Joel Basnett 1 0-0 3, Caden Jones 1 0-0 2, Gage Bunner 0 1-2 1, Levi Richards 0 1-2 1, Mason Siwicki 0 0-1 0. Total 13 5-9 36. 3-pt.: Walker 2, Blair 2, Basnett 1.
 Roane 24 22-30 77.3-pt.: 7.

Friday, Mar. 19
Ritchie 22 10 7 22--61
Calhoun 8 11 6 9--34
 Calhoun varsity boys scoring: Levi Walker 4-9 2-2 13, Gage Bunner 4-10 1-5 9, Levi M. Morris 2-3 0-0 4, Joel Basnett 1-6 0-0 3, Owen Taylor 1-2 0-0 3, Caden Jones 1-1 0-2 2, Chase Blair 0-5 0-0 0, Tyler Whited 0-0 0-0 0, Levi Richards 0-0 0-0 0, Mason Siwicki 0-0 0-0

0, Ian Richards 0-1 0-0 0. Total 13-37 3-9 34. 3-pt.: Walker 3, Taylor 1, Basnett 1. Rebounds: Bunner 8, Jones 4; steals: Bunner 4. Ritchie 24-48 10-16 61. 3-pt.: 3.

Saturday, Mar. 20
Calhoun 6 7 2 7--22
Mann 38 25 23 7--93
 Calhoun varsity boys scoring: Levi Walker 3-12 0-0 8, Gage Bunner 3-8 1-1 7, Mason Siwicki 1-1 0-0 3, Levi M. Morris 1-7 0-0 2, Owen Taylor 1-3 0-0 2, Joel Basnett 0-1 0-0 0, Caden Jones 0-3 0-0 0, Chase Blair 0-4 0-0 0, Tyler Whited 0-1 0-0 0, Levi Richards 0-0 0-0 0, Ian Richards 0-0 0-0 0. Total 9-40 1-1 22. 3-pt.: Walker 2, Siwicki 1. Rebounds: Bunner 7, Walker 7; Bunner 2, Walker 2.
 Mann 36-73 9-17. 3-pt.: 12.

Monday, Mar. 22
So. Har. 21 11 22 21--75
Calhoun 1 6 6 10--23
 No other information received by presstime.

JV Boys Results

Tuesday, Mar. 16
Calhoun JV 27
Roane JV 67
 Calhoun JV leading scorer: Mason Siwicki 8.
 No other information received.

2021 CCHS Varsity Boys Basketball Schedule
 March
 16 Cal. 36 Roane 77 L
 19 Cal. 34 Ritchie 61 L
 20 Cal. 22 Mann 93 L
 22 Cal. 23 So. Har. 75 ... L
 23 Braxton Co.* ... A 7:30
 25 Clay Co.* H 7:30
 27 Doddridge* A 1:00
 30 Doddridge* H 7:30
 31 Gilmer Co.* A 7:30
 April
 1 So. Harrison* .. A 7:30
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3. Professional Development: Knowledge of work. Job-related training. Attend in-service meetings. Work

toward self-improvements.

Qualifications: 1. High School graduate or equivalent. 2. Negative drug and alcohol screening test results. 3. Must be free of physical limitations and able to perform all job duties. 4. Satisfactory background investigation including C.I.B. check. 5. Minimum Class "B" CDL with P and S endorsements. 6. Successful completion of the W.Va. State Competency Test for each classification and/or demonstrate understanding of the basic qualifications for each classification as outlined in West Virginia Code, §18A-4-8. Candidates holding certification in any area will be considered as duly certified. 7. Completion of a recognized apprenticeship as an automotive technician, full journeyman status as an automotive technician, ASA certification or a minimum of four years' applicable work experience of any equivalent combination of experience and training. 8. Experience in repair and maintenance of heavy duty and diesel vehicles and special vehicular equipment. 9. Demonstrate the ability to diagnose and repair vehicle malfunctions with or without the use of engine specific software programs. 10. Ability to communicate with staff, peers and students. 11. Ability to understand job functions in relationship to school district needs. 12. Ability to work under pressure. 13. Ability to maintain accurate bus repair and other records. 14. Must be certified or become certified to perform W.Va. State vehicle inspections for County owned vehicles. 15. Proficient at diagnostic software.

Specific duties include, but are not limited to, the following activities: 1. Diagnose and repair mechanical, electrical and diesel engine defects in buses and other automotive equipment by using electronic computer based diagnostic equipment. 2. Overhaul and rebuild diesel engines and components, transmissions, differentials, brake systems and other major components by repair and replacements

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CLASSIFIEDS--

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of parts. 3. Perform general tune-ups, utilizing diagnostic equipment. 4. Make roadside repairs, as required. 5. Repair and replace seats, glass, sheet metal, latches and other body components and assemblies. 6. Change oil and filters: install antifreeze and snow chains; repair tires; adjust brakes; lubricate chassis, wheel bearings and other assemblies, as required. 7. Perform all required preventive maintenance and regular bus safety inspections. 8. Operate batter chargers, compressions gauges, torque wrenches, welding equipment, grinders, reamers, timing lamps, hoists, jacks, presses, air wrenches, small lathes, spark plug testers and other equipment for performing repair and maintenance of motor vehicles. 9. Assist in cleaning and organizing the shop, parts room and other maintenance facilities. 10. Complete vehicle maintenance forms and records. 11. Perform any other related activity as assigned by the Director of Support Services or Superintendent. Length Of Employment: 230 days.

Salary: Pay Grade G. Employment Term: 2021-2022 School Year.

Receipt Of Application: March 30, 2021 - 3:00 p.m. Applications To: Superintendent of Schools, Calhoun County Schools, 540 Alan B. Mollohan Drive, Mt. Zion, WV 26151; Email: kwhytsel@k12.wv.us.

As required by federal law and regulations, the Calhoun County Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, marital status, disability, age and national origin in employment and in the administration of any of its education programs or activities. Inquiries may be referred to Title IX Coordinator, Calhoun County Board of Education, 540 Alan B. Mollohan Drive, Mount Zion, WV 26151; phone 304-354-7011; to the Elimination of Sex Discrimination Program Coordinator, 304-558-7864; or the U.S. Department of Education's Director of the Office of Civil Rights, 215-596-6795. 1tc/3/25

Personals

WANTED -- Shapely lady, employed, attractive, lonely, non-smoking/non-drinking, with nice figure, for girlfriend in Calhoun County. Woman send photo, phone, address to Emory King, 4167 Yellow Creek Road, Big Bend, WV 26136. Woman have car, computer, and house. 4tp/3/11-4/1

Medical

APPLYING for Social Security Disability or appealing a denied claim? Call Bill Gordon & Assoc. Our case managers simplify the process and work hard to help with your case. Call 1-844-448-0317 for free consultation. Local attorneys nationwide [Mail: 2420 N. St. NW, Washington, D.C. Office: Broward Co., Fla. (TX/NM Bar.]] swc

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Job Wanted

JOB WANTED -- Mailing letters from home, for a company. Write to: Emory King, 4167 Yellow Creek Road, Big Bend, WV 26136. 4tp/3/11-4/8

Internet/TV

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Unclaimed

WEST VIRGINIA State Treasury Unclaimed Property -- Bi-Weekly online auctions. New listings bi-weekly. Gold coins, jewelry, coins, watches, currency and collectibles. www.LSAuctions.com. Burgess 7878. swc

Miscellaneous

HANDS On The River Massage, Geraldine Gardner, LMT, 3422 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston, W.Va. Call 304-541-9139 for an appointment. swc

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TRUSTEES' SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

2267 Bull River Road, Grantsville, WV 26147

In a Deed of Trust dated April 30, 2009, and duly recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Calhoun County, West Virginia, in Deed of Trust Book 154, at page 21 Robert L. Fitzwater and Ruth L. Fitzwater did convey unto Richard or David Pill, Trustee, certain real property. The beneficial holder of that Deed of Trust has elected to appoint Terra Abstract Trustee West Virginia, Inc. as substitute trustees by a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office. Default having occurred under the Deed of Trust and the beneficial holder having instructed the undersigned Trustees to foreclose, this real property will be sold at public auction at the front door of the Calhoun County Courthouse, Main St., Grantsville, West Virginia 26147 on:

April 22, 2021

At 12:00 PM

The property for sale as described by the Deed of Trust is as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron rebar, 1/2" x 36", set near West Virginia Secondary Route No. 35/17; thence running S 30 16' W. crossing and recrossing West Virginia Secondary Route No. 35/17 961 feet to an iron rebar 1/2" x 36" set; thence N 37 2' W, recrossing said secondary route, 823.26 feet, passing a 1/2" x 36" rebar set at 223. 7 feet to an iron pipe at the corner of Lot E; thence N. 80 E. 995.39 feet to the place of beginning, containing 8.02 acres, more or less.

Being the same premises as conveyed in Deed from Robert L. Fitzwater recorded 02/21/2006 in Book 218, page 321 in said County and State.

Commonly known as: 2267 Bull River Road, Grantsville, WV 26147

Tax Id: 05-04-60.4

The purchaser will take the property subject to all exceptions, reservations, rights of way, easements, conditions, covenants, restrictions, leases and other servitudes of record, if any, pertaining to said real property.

The purchaser will be responsible for paying any transfer stamp, excise taxes, and recording costs associated with recording the Trustee's Deed into their name.

The purchaser will be responsible for paying any unpaid property taxes owed to the Sheriff of Calhoun County prior to or following the sale directly to the Sheriff.

The purchaser will take the property subject to any deed of trust, judgment, lien, and any other encumbrance having priority over the deed of trust referred to herein.

The purchaser will take the property subject to any deed of trust, judgment, lien, and any other encumbrance that is junior ("junior claims") to this Deed of Trust and to which sufficient notice was not given. In that case, unless such right to notice is waived, the chain of title shall not merge with this Deed of Trust as to those unnoticed deeds of trust, judgments, liens, and other encumbrances and will be subject to a further noticed and published sale under this Deed of Trust pursuant to W.Va. Code 38-1-4, in which bidding shall resume at the last highest bid given. In the event of a surplus of such sale, the mortgagors and noticed junior lienholders are hereby on notice that if such surplus is less than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00), then the Substitute Trustee will disburse those proceeds to the most senior interest holder as it sees fit, unless an objection is made in writing.

The Trustees do not guarantee or represent that the boundaries described above are accurate, are not encroached upon, or that any particular structure located on the property is contained within the described boundaries. The property is therefore sold subject to an accurate survey at purchaser's expense.

The Trustees reserve the right to adjourn the sale, for a time, or from time to time, by announcement at the time and place of sale described above or any adjournment thereof. Such adjournment will be noticed by posting a notice at the front door of the county courthouse or where such notices are traditionally posted at the county courthouse. Such notice will include the date and time when such sale will reconvene.

The Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids for any reason.

The Trustees make no representations as to the condition of the property. The property will be sold in "AS IS" condition.

The Trustees make no representations as to whether the property is occupied. The purchaser is responsible for gaining access and possession of the property. Trustees shall be under no duty to cause any existing tenant or person occupying the subject property to vacate said property.

The purchaser may assign its rights prior to the delivery of the trustee's deed by a signed request in writing to the trustee; the assignee of the purchaser shall be bound by all terms and conditions applicable to the purchaser.

The Trustees will deliver a trustees' deed to the purchaser without any covenant or warranty (express or implied) in the form prescribed by W. Va. Code §38-1-6. The Trustees make no representations and warranties about the title of the real estate to be conveyed. If the Trustees are unable to convey insurable or marketable title to purchaser for any reason, purchaser's sole remedy is return of deposit.

TERMS OF SALE: Purchaser must bring \$17,000 cash in hand at the time of sale as a deposit in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made payable to "Stem & Eisenberg Mid-Atlantic, PC, counsel for Terra Abstract." Those appearing without their deposit will not be allowed to bid. The balance of the successful purchaser's bid must be proffered in cash within 30 days of the date of the sale. Purchaser shall pay for transfer stamps and recording fees. Additional terms of sale may be announced prior to the sale.

Terra Abstract Trustee West Virginia, Inc.
9920 Franklin Square Drive, Suite 100
Baltimore, MD 21236
(410) 635-5127, (443) 815-3931
www.sterneisenberg.com

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FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

MUNICIPALITY OF GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code §11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

REVENUE SOURCE

Unassigned Fund Balance	\$	31,188	
Property Taxes - Current Expense		51,417	
Gas & Oil Severance Tax		900	
Excise Tax on Utilities		10,000	
Business and Occupation Tax		25,000	
Fines, Fees & Court Costs		4,000	
Licenses		300	
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)		11,000	
Municipal Service Fees		43,000	
Rents, Royalties, and Concessions		21,000	
Gaming Income		9,600	
Video Lottery (LVL)		240	
Miscellaneous Revenues		500	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)	\$	208,145	
COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND			
REVENUE SOURCE			
Assigned Fund Balance	\$	7,680	
Coal Severance Tax		1,200	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND)	\$	8,880	

	General Fund	Coal Severance Fund
ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES		
Mayor's Office	6,000	-
City Council	7,500	-
Recorder's Office	7,200	-
City Attorney	2,000	-
City Auditor	5,500	-
Regional Development Authority	215	-
City Hall	76,100	8,880
Police Department	60,000	-
Streets and Highways	23,630	-
Street Lights	17,000	-
Signs and Signals	1,000	-
Snow Removal	2,000	-
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$ 208,145	\$ 8,880

MUNICIPALITY OF GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

Regular Current Expense Levy

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

	Certificate of Valuation Assessed ValueLevy for Tax Purposes	Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
CLASS I			
Personal Property	\$ 0	12.50	\$ 0
Public Utility	0		0
Total Class I	\$ 0		\$ 0
CLASS II			
Real Estate	\$ 3,239,140	25.00	\$ 8,098
Personal Property	0		0
Total Class II	\$ 3,239,140		\$ 8,098
CLASS IV			
Real Estate	\$ 4,743,400	50.00	\$ 23,717
Personal Property	2,966,086		14,830
Public Utility	1,942,025		9,710
Total Class IV	\$ 9,651,511		\$ 48,257
Total Value & Projected Revenue	\$ 12,890,651		\$ 56,355
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes	5.00%		2,818
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate)	2.00%		1,071
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)			0
Total Projected Property Tax Collection			\$ 52,466
Less Assessor Valuation Fund	2.00%		1,049
(Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)			
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes			\$ 51,417

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF

MUNICIPALITY OF

Calhoun

GRANTSVILLE

I, Elizabeth Stirling, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 9th day of March, 2021.

Elizabeth Stirling
(Signature)
Recorder
(Official Title of Recording Officer)

Do you want government taking more control?



Elected officials are looking to make big changes

The West Virginia Legislature is considering taking Calhoun County legal ads and public notices out of the Calhoun Chronicle & Grantsville News and onto a state government-controlled website in Charleston.

- Delinquent tax lists
- Property sales
- Election ballots
- Voting changes
- Tax increases
- Project bids
- Family court
- Government budgets
- Government financial statements
- Zoning changes and other public notices

Contact your legislator today and tell them you want your legal ads and public notices in the Calhoun Chronicle & Grantsville News:

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(304) 340-3210

roger.hanshaw@wvhouse.gov

KEEP YOUR LEGAL ADS IN CALHOUN COUNTY



Testing Locations

Statewide testing/collection locations have been announced, including Minnie Hamilton Health System, Grantsville, which is offering no cost to the patient testing for walk-ins at the clinic, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Call 354-9244 or 354-9704.

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

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

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

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, 2020, plus daily since Mar. 1, 2021
(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. 25	115,839	1,726,886	1,899	6.3	7.3
Feb. 1	121,425	1,805,255	2,028	6.3	5.6
Feb. 8	125,106	1,874,189	2,131	6.3	5.2
Feb. 15	127,889	1,937,676	2,212	6.2	3.4
Feb. 22	129,854	1,989,304	2,263	6.1	3.9
Mar. 1	132,048	2,049,939	2,300	6.1	2.8
Mar. 8	133,627	2,108,010	2,325	6.0	2.9
Mar. 15	135,678	2,166,014	2,531	5.9	3.7
Mar. 16	136,019	2,175,181	2,546	5.9	3.1
Mar. 17	136,334	2,184,401	2,565	5.9	4.0
Mar. 18	136,716	2,193,571	2,570	5.9	3.4

Mar. 19	137,092	2,204,281	2,600	5.9	3.5
Mar. 20	137,478	2,216,561	2,600	5.8	4.8
Mar. 21	137,826	2,221,870	2,606	5.8	5.2
Mar. 22	138,102	2,226,309	2,612	5.8	3.5
Mar. 23	138,429	2,235,361	2,613	5.8	3.6

*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.
~Includes 168 COVID-19 related deaths that were not properly reported to DHHR.

Cases by county (case confirmed by lab test/probable case): Barbour (1,310), Berkeley (10,291), Boone (1,706), Braxton (818), Brooke (2,049), Cabell (8,228), Calhoun (238), Clay (386), Doddridge (507), Fayette (2,893), Gilmer (728), Grant (1,155), Greenbrier (2,464), Hampshire (1,586), Hancock (2,610), Hardy (1,352), Harrison (5,065), Jackson (1,742), Jefferson (3,864), Kanawha (12,675), Lewis (1,074), Lincoln (1,333), Logan (2,906), Marion (3,854), Marshall (3,147), Mason (1,839), McDowell (1,401), Mercer (4,334), Mineral (2,619), Mingo (2,246), Monongalia (8,467), Monroe (1,003), Morgan (968), Nicholas (1,341), Ohio (3,767), Pendleton (641), Pleasants (817), Pocahontas (607), Preston (2,672), Putnam (4,432), Raleigh (5,205), Randolph (2,440), Ritchie (636), Roane (509), Summers (715), Taylor (1,127), Tucker (513), Tyler (651), Upshur (1,749), Wayne (2,688), Webster (422), Wetzel (1,136), Wirt (365), Wood (7,343), Wyoming (1,795); 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: In World:
Each Monday since Mar. 16, 2020, plus daily since Mar. 1, 2021
(last daily list in July 30 issue):

	Positive	Deaths	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. 25	25,705,299	429,511	99,917,297	2,142,799
Feb. 1	26,769,038	452,291	103,672,035	2,241,682
Feb. 8	27,612,687	474,939	106,820,574	2,330,766
Feb. 15	28,262,355	497,175	109,513,357	2,415,073
Feb. 22	28,767,835	511,302	112,093,051	2,481,796
Mar. 1	29,257,069	525,780	114,831,775	2,546,832
Mar. 8	29,697,348	537,846	117,595,004	2,608,913
Mar. 15	30,081,831	547,235	120,572,533	2,669,041
Mar. 16	30,139,457	548,014	120,960,893	2,676,891
Mar. 17	30,234,015	549,434	121,471,151	2,686,767
Mar. 18	30,297,583	550,699	122,021,244	2,697,087
Mar. 19	30,360,639	552,475	122,567,182	2,707,629
Mar. 20	30,427,991	554,119	123,088,748	2,717,652
Mar. 21	30,483,458	554,885	123,609,772	2,725,620
Mar. 22	30,523,015	555,324	124,021,225	2,731,200
Mar. 23	30,580,072	556,003	124,481,805	2,740,004

Cases by states and territories: California 3,642,663, Texas 2,757,552, Florida 2,011,211, New York 1,785,565, Illinois 1,222,992, Georgia 1,046,382, Ohio 1,001,194, Pennsylvania 990,150, North Carolina 898,102, New Jersey 869,037, Arizona 836,737, Tennessee 801,645, Michigan 696,838, Indiana 678,416, Wisconsin 629,787, Massachusetts 615,874, Virginia 605,967, Missouri 575,562, South Carolina 542,203, Alabama 511,779, Minnesota 506,376, Colorado 450,934, Louisiana 441,066, Oklahoma 435,450, Kentucky 421,121, Maryland 400,705, Utah 381,788, Washington 355,986, Iowa 345,940, Arkansas 328,707, Mississippi 302,932, Kansas 301,898, Nevada 301,334, Connecticut 299,667, Nebraska 206,571, New Mexico 189,893, Idaho 177,760, Oregon 161,706, West Virginia 138,102, Rhode Island 134,039, South Dakota 115,972, Puerto Rico 104,743, Montana 103,098, North Dakota 101,701, Delaware 92,429, New Hampshire 80,750, Alaska 61,435, Wyoming 55,730, Maine 48,642, D.C. 43,383, Hawaii 29,198, Vermont 17,839; West Virginia was last state to record a case.

LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CALHOUN COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA
IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF:
JACOB WILLIAM MIKLOS Case No: 21-P-4
TO
JACOB WILLIAM MORRIS

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that JACOB WILLIAM MIKLOS will come before the Honorable ANITA H. ASHLEY, Judge of the Circuit Court of Calhoun County, West Virginia, in the Calhoun County Courthouse, Grantsville, West Virginia, on the 7th day of APRIL at 10:30 a.m. of said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and Petition said Circuit Court of Calhoun County, West Virginia, for an order changing the name of JACOB WILLIAM MIKLOS to JACOB WILLIAM MORRIS, pursuant to Article 5 of the Code of West Virginia of West Virginia of 1931, as amended.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court on the 15th day of March 2021.

Sandra L. Hamilton
Calhoun County Circuit Court Clerk

Governor’s Updates

Unemployment Income Tax Exemption

During Friday’s briefing, Gov. Jim Justice announced that he has submitted a bill to the Legislature to exempt the first \$10,200 of unemployment benefits received last year by West Virginians from the state income tax for the 2020 tax filing year.

“Some other states are requiring their people to pay taxes on the unemployment that they received as a result of the pandemic,” said Justice. “We’re not going to do that in West Virginia. We need to stand rock solid with all of our fellow West Virginians who had to endure some really tough times over the past year.”

Over 197,000 West Virginians received some amount of unemployment benefits in 2020.

“It is a huge tax break for people who are really struggling, through no fault of their own,” said Justice. “We absolutely can and should do this.”

The exemption follows the recent federal tax code changes made on Mar. 11.

Investigation Into Death Data

Justice announced that DHHR has discovered that another 20 COVID-19-related deaths were not properly reported by various healthcare facilities across the state.

This is in addition to the 165 improperly reported COVID-19-related deaths the governor announced last week.

As a result, Justice said that he is now ordering a “complete investigation” into the reason why these deaths have not properly been reported:

“This is absolutely unacceptable to me. We are going to flip every rock to where we can absolutely, without question, pinpoint where the shortcomings are. If it’s in my house--the DHHR--it will not be a good day.

“We will do what is necessary with a swift correction. If it falls with our nursing homes or our hospitals, we will try in every way we possibly can to correct that as well. We are disrespecting great West Virginians and there’s no excuse for that.

“Yesterday, the governor of Kentucky announced that he had 604 unreported deaths. So it’s a problem that’s affecting others, not just West Virginia, but that doesn’t make it any better. West Virginia has always led the way, and I want West Virginia to be that shining star all the time.

“I will always be just what I have been from day one, and that is completely transparent. I will absolutely get to the bottom of the ‘why,’ because there is no excuse.”

All School Employees Who Wanted Vaccine

Justice said that all West Virginia school employees who wanted a vaccine have now been vaccinated.

“I am very happy to announce this,” said Justice. “Because we opened up our prioritization to essential workers of all ages, we were able to offer vaccinations to all school employees.”

“Gov. Justice put a very, very aggressive timetable on prioritizing educators. I don’t know that everybody even realizes just how aggressive that timetable was,” said State superintendent of schools Clayton Burch.

“We just found that we’re now up over 38,000 vaccines, and that means everybody who asked for one--whether you’re a teacher, service personnel, a substitute teacher, a coach, and so on in our public and non-public schools--got a vaccine. It’s just an amazing feat.”

Justice and Burch took time to remind everyone involved in the West Virginia school system to remain cautious and vigilant by wearing their masks, practicing social distancing and good hygiene, and following all other safety protocols.

“It is clear that, when safety guidelines are followed, we see a reduction in outbreaks and cases in our schools. This is really important, especially when you are outside of school, participating in extracurricular activities with your friends and families,” said Justice.

“COVID-19 never takes a day off. So I will tell all of our school employees and teachers; it is not time to let our guard down. We must stay vigilant and keep following the guidelines until we beat this virus.”

Vaccine Distribution Update

Justice reported that West Virginia has now successfully administered 709,830 doses, after receiving a total allotment of 737,730 doses from the federal government to date; an overall administration rate of 96.2%.

West Virginia currently boasts a first dose administration rate of 102.2%, which exceeds 100% due to extra doses being extracted from vials of the vaccine, and a second dose administration rate of 87.7%.

First doses: 441,903 administered, 432,240 allotted.

Second doses: 267,927 administered, 305,490 allotted.

To date, 221,739 West Virginians age 65 and older have chosen to be vaccinated, including 150,487 who are now fully vaccinated.

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke
Phone 275-3578

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

The M.E. church in Elizabeth also had the first service in the church since the 15-day lockdown (last year) to prevent a spike in hospitalization from the virus.

The Big Eared One had given the facility in China \$7 million of U.S. tax dollars for “advance of function” research, which is taking “wild” viruses and modifying them so that they will infect and transmit among humans.

Kim Shanahan visited Wilma Mowrey.

Debbie Griffin felt bad on Saturday, and ended up spending the night at Camden Clark Medical Center.

Local residents are adjusting their biological clocks to deal with the government mandated “fast time.”

The state road is working to repair the damage done by the flood to CR 9, Ann’s Run Road, along the West Fork of the Little Kanawha River, just outside of Creston. It is hoped that the repairs will hold.

The Calhoun tree trimming crew didn’t get the big dead ash tree on Rt. 5 in the Big or Knight Bend before the Annamoriah bridge.

If the dead tree fell back when Helma Slider and “Doc” McCune worked at the state road, those two men, known for the work ethic and brawn, could not have cleaned the road without equipment.

Maybe the crew was putting the culvert back in CR 12/3 that fell over the hill, and making travel very difficult on that road.

Some perhaps well-meaning, but obviously very misguided members of the W.Va. legislature, meeting down at the Mouth of Elk, are pushing



HR 3, which would allow for a constitutional amendment that would abolish the 1933 Taxation Limitation Amendment that restricts the taxes that can be placed on owner occupied homes and farmland.

Real estate developers have salivated for years about raising taxes so high on farmland that the owners would have to sell, as they have done in other states.

The latest “story” is, well don’t you know, business won’t come to West Virginia because they have to pay taxes on “their inventory” and equipment.

The fractionation plant in Doddridge County must be \$7 billion and Blue Racer in Marshall County is now more than \$4 billion.

One also might do well to check out the amount of personal property tax duPont presently pays in Wood County.

To shift that tax burden to West Virginia residents is very, very wrong. The reason folks won’t come is, in large part, because professional people do not want their children to live where the education system is so bad, and refuses to improve.

With a bad education system, West Virginia youth will not be qualified to claim the top jobs at new factories and facilities.

Chemists and engineers need a good math background, and Broadway Joe’s little wife’s common core math makes sure state youth are denied.

One local woman, after taking her pandemic vaccine, became very ill and had dry heaves.

A well-known Elizabeth resident got to spend the night in the hospital in Parkersburg, although most seem to not have had problems.

Many fear that “our betters” are going to force the vaccine on all, even though such would be a constitutional violation.

James Perloff’s book, “Covid-19 and the Agendas to Come, Red Pilled,” addresses the vaccines and those who are involved with them, especially Bill Gates, who wants a vaccine to sterilize most of the world, since his pappy was a director of Planned Parenthood, the abortion parlor firm.

Gates had folks vaccinated in Africa for

diseases and “there were problems,” but he is rich and, you know, he means well.

Gates funded the Moderna company, and Dr. Fauci sent a dengue vaccine to the Philippines in 2014 and hundreds died.

One also might want to check out the 1976 swine flu vaccine and how all that worked out.

Dr. Fauci was unhappy when Sen. Rand Paul, who is a doctor, asked him hard questions about masks. Thou shalt not ask

“god” hard questions, and then noted that those who have protection must still wear masks for theatre.

The Creston food pantry had a giveaway on Friday that included 1,000 lbs. of potatoes.

I visited with Charles Russell at Minnie Hamilton and got to see and talk with Arnold “Johnny” Miller.

Folks at the extended care unit noted that they have a desperate need for more CNAs.

Jonquils and daffodils are in their glory, buds are

swelling, birds are singing, and, in the evening, many can listen to Eine Kleine Nachtmusik performed by the amphibian orchestra, perhaps led by Kermit, who probably is very worried that he will be the next to be banned by the cancel culture zealots. One fellow noted that his ramps are up.

Price of local Pennsylvania grade crude oil dropped to \$60.42/bbl., with condensate, \$40.42, Marcellus and Utica light, \$51.42, and medium, \$60.42.

From the W.Va. House of Delegates

(for the week ending Mar. 19)

As of Friday, 1,290 bills have been introduced to the House of Delegates. Of those bills, 97 have passed and advanced to the Senate. With about three weeks left in the regular legislative session, more collaboration with the Senate is taking place to complete legislation that makes West Virginia the easy choice for families and businesses to relocate and remain.

Leadership in the House of Delegates expects to originate an Alternative Personal Income Tax Reduction Plan in the Finance Committee in the coming week.

The first bill to be introduced in the House of Delegates has become law. House Bill 2001, which creates the country’s first Jumpstart Savings Plan, was designed by State treasurer Riley Moore. The plan will provide a tax-advantaged savings account for West Virginians who want to enter a vocation or trade to help cover startup costs, equipment, certifications and licenses needed to enter vocational trades.

House speaker Roger Hanshaw said, “I couldn’t be prouder to see this meaningful piece of legislation become law. We’ve said all session long that no one education model fits all, and this is a tangible boost into the workforce for that wide swath of people who might not fit in the box of a four-year college degree.”

House Bill 2368, known as “Mylissa Smith’s Law,” creating patient visitation privileges, was read a first time in the House of Delegates, and could be up for a vote this week. Smith was a hospice nurse in Kanawha County who died from COVID after spending nearly a month alone in the hospital. The bill would require visitors to comply with all applicable procedures already established by the health care entity, while establishing guidelines for the frequency of allowable visitation.

Del. Dean Jeffries is the lead sponsor of the bill, and he said it’s an issue that he’s heard about from many constituents this year.

“This is a human rights bill that would give patients access to family members, clergy or hospice in a time when we’ve had restrictions during a pandemic,” said Jeffries.

Senate Bill 42, which has been called the “Zombie Property Remediation Act of 2021,” has completed legislation. This measure would establish a process for counties and municipalities to step in and foreclose on vacant and abandoned properties, then take over the deed. The need for this bill has been seen throughout West Virginia, as properties are sold for back taxes in a public auction, but when a new owner realizes remediating the property will cost more than the property is worth, they let it go again, and the property becomes worse as the cycle repeats.

“Cities and counties now have another tool at their disposal to petition the sale of properties deemed unsafe, dangerous or detrimental to the public safety to encourage additional development,” said Del. Ben Queen, chairman of the Small Business and Economic Development Committee. “Rather than watch these properties sit empty in our communities, this will now allow more economic development at the local level.”

Delegates Heather Tully and John Doyle took the opportunity to share information about the St. Patrick’s Day holiday.

Energy Assistance Deadline Is Apr. 30

W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources has announced that applications for the Emergency Low Income Energy Assistance Program (ELIEAP) will be accepted through Friday, Apr. 30, or until funds are exhausted.

The federally-funded program assists eligible state residents in paying their home heating bills.

To be eligible for ELIEAP, a past-due bill or termination notice is required. Eligibility is also based on income, household size, and whether the household is responsible for paying its heating bill.

Households must also meet all program guidelines, which include an applicant’s annual income being at or below 60 percent of the State Medium Income.

Any income received from Social Security or the Veterans Administration will be excluded.

The maximum allow-

able gross income levels for ELIEAP Fiscal Year 2021 are listed below:

Household size (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 (add \$594).

Applications for ELIEAP may be obtained at local DHHR offices. Due to COVID-19, the face-to-face interview requirement has been waived.

Completed applications may be mailed or hand-delivered to the DHHR office. The Calhoun office is located at 85 Industrial Park Road, East of Grantsville, WV 26127. For information, call 354-6118.

Pool Tournament

VFW Post 5959 hosts a pool tournament each Wednesday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

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.

KEEPING THE FAITH IN CALHOUN COUNTY

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.

Cremo 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.

Stinson Grocery

Route 16 South 304-655-8165
Monday - Saturday 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Drive-thru window for your convenience

HOLBERT’S STORE

“One Stop Shopping”
Route 5, Big Bend, WV
Marathon Gas, Groceries,
Hardware and Sporting Goods
Hours: Monday - Saturday 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

J & B Drug Store

Main Street, Grantsville
Your Good Neighbor Pharmacy
354-7737
Print your photos on our Easy to Use Photo Kiosk!



Jim and Karen Yoak welcome new members Michael and Cheryl Plato of Pine Creek to the Grantsville Lions Club. They were inducted at the Mar. 8 meeting. At the right is Lions member Robert Bonar.



Calhoun's Gage Bunner (23) reaches for a rebound on Monday night during the Red Devils' home game with South Harrison.

LETTER BOX

A recent addition to my Beetle Bailey comic strip collection shows Beetle driving Sarge through the woods, dodging trees till he finally crashes. Of course, Sarge expresses his "comic book French," and Beetle responds, "But look at all the trees I missed!"

That about sums up this past year. Another on-time addition recycled, in keeping with Judy Wolfram's "Waste-Not" standards, shows Miss Buxley sent by the Colonel's wife, with soap and water to wash out Sarge's mouth.

The Chronicle's recent lists gave me food for thought. It would seem, among registered voters, many who were not registered Republicans voted with us in the last election.

The list of new businesses is amazing, and leaves me wondering what was the newest business--but everybody except me knew about "The Farm House" here in Arnoldsburg that has been added to my list of places to walk to one of these days.

Absolutely not least are pictures of children. Just as the Chronicle connects with others in the county, the children connect us with future generations.

God Bless everyone!
Linda Crawford

Gold Rush Continues Until Apr. 3

Gov. Jim Justice has announced that the West Virginia Gold Rush trout program has returned this year, bigger and better than ever, with 12 days of trout stockings and more opportunities for anglers to win prizes through Saturday, Apr. 3.

"Every year, through our incredible Gold Rush program, more and more people are discovering the thrill of fishing in West Virginia's pristine waters, surrounded by the awe-inspiring nature we are blessed to enjoy in one of the most beautiful places on Earth," said Justice.

W.Va. Division of Natural Resources will

stock 50,000 golden rainbow trout through Apr. 3 in more than 60 lakes and streams, including waters in or near 15 state parks and forests.

Stocking locations and details about Gold Rush can be found at GoldRushWV.com. Stockings are performed in addition to regularly scheduled trout stockings.

WVDNR is increasing the number of prizes for catching a tagged trout. This year, 100 trout will receive a special numbered tag, which can be entered to win one of four prizes.

The grand prize is a three-night cabin stay at Blackwater Falls State

State Tax Filing Deadline Is Now May 17

Gov. Jim Justice has announced that he has directed the W.Va. Tax Dept. to extend the West Virginia income tax filing and payment deadline until Monday, May 17.

It now corresponds with the federal government's recent tax filing extension to the same date.

Individual taxpayers do not need to file any forms or call the Tax Dept. to qualify for this extension.

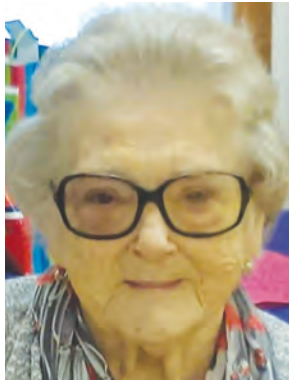
This relief does not apply to estimated tax payments that are due on Apr. 15. Taxes must be paid as taxpayers earn or receive income during the year, either through withholding or estimated tax payments.

In general, estimated tax payments are made quarterly to the W.Va. Tax Dept. by people whose income isn't subject to income tax withholding, including self-employment income, interest, dividends, alimony, or rental income.

Most taxpayers automatically have their taxes withheld from their paychecks and submitted to the Tax Dept. by their employer.

Information will be available on the Tax Dept.'s website.

90th Birthday



Greta "Irene" Conrad will celebrate her 90th birthday on Sunday, Apr. 4.

A card shower is being held in her honor. Cards may be sent to her at: Irene Conrad, 186 Hospital Dr., MHHS Long Term Care, Room #306, Grantsville, WV 26147.

She was born on Apr. 4, 1931, in Calhoun County, the daughter of Hamilton "Keith" and Rosie Richards Kendall. She married Pete Conrad in 1949 and he died in 1980.

She has two daughters, Barb Conrad of Oak Hill and Janet Heiney of Stumptown; four grandchildren, April Hinkle of Canvas, Andrea Brogan of Summersville, Keith Heiney of Letart and Jessica Snodgrass of Grantsville; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The family wrote: "Since we can't be together

To celebrate the day,
Let's celebrate
In a different way.
If you'd like,
Please mail a card,
And as they arrive
Day by day,
She'll feel your love
From far away!

Join the family in wishing our Mom and Grandma a very happy 90th birthday, and see if we can get her up to 90 birthday cards!"

Lions Club Bingo

Lions Club bingo will be held in the Lions Club Building, 103 Stump St., Grantsville, on the first and third Saturdays of each month at 6 p.m. Masks and social distancing are required.

On Saturday, Apr. 3, door prizes will be given away during Easter Bingo.

Check Conditions

Check forecast, traffic, and road conditions by visiting wv511.org before heading out.

State Vaccination Clinics, Mar. 24-26

COVID-19 vaccine clinics will be held this week. Pre-registration is open. All West Virginians over the age of 16 are encouraged to pre-register through the West Virginia COVID-19 Vaccine Registration System.

Vaccine supplies are limited, so pre-registration does not mean immediate access to a vaccine. Pre-registration offers West Virginians the opportunity to receive updates on vaccine availability and be offered an appointment when vaccine supplies allow.

The State's driving principles for COVID-19 vaccinations are to build community immunity in West Virginia by protecting the most vulnerable, reducing deaths, reducing hospitalizations and maintaining access to critical services such as acute care.

Walk-ins will not be accepted. Clinics in this area include:

Wednesday, Mar. 24

Clay County, 8:30 a.m.

to 1:30 p.m., Clay County High School, 1 Panther Dr., Clay.

Roane County, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., City of Spencer Armory, 207 E. Main St., Spencer.

Wirt County, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Coplin Health Systems, 483 Court St., Elizabeth.

Thursday, Mar. 25

Braxton County, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Gassaway Baptist Church, 56 Beall Dr., Gassaway.

Calhoun County, 9 a.m. to noon, Calhoun Middle/High School, front loop, 50 Underwood Circle, Mt. Zion.

Ritchie County, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Ritchie County 4-H Camp, 4-H Camp Road, Harrisville

Roane County, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., City of Spencer Armory, 207 E. Main St., Spencer.

Friday, Mar. 26

Gilmer County, 8:30 to 10 a.m., Gilmer County Health Dept., 809 Medical Dr., Suite 3, Glenville.

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