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### Parade Marshals



The 2021 Calhoun County Wood Festival Committee has announced that Chip and Janice Westfall are this year's Wood Festival parade marshals. Honored for their service to Calhoun County, they are life-long residents of the county and live at Mt. Zion. They are parents of two children, Casey and Scottie.

Chip is a graduate of Glenville State College and Marshall University. He is retired from the county commission.

Janice is a graduate of GSC and WVU. She was a former “Teacher of the Year” for Calhoun County Schools, and has continued post-retirement as a substitute teacher at Arnoldsburg and Pleasant Hill schools for the past 10 years.

They are both active members of Mt. Zion United Methodist Church. In their spare time, they enjoy traveling and walking many miles a week with their golden retrievers.

They operate a small farm, where they garden and currently have about 5,000 Christmas trees planted.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### Thursday, June 3

Grantsville Farmer's Market, Wayne Underwood Field, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

2021 Calhoun County Wood Festival opens in Grantsville, booths, 10 a.m.; opening ceremonies and introduction of 58th and 59th festival royalty, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, June 4

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, Grantsville Lions Club building, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

2021 Calhoun County Wood Festival continues in Grantsville, booths, 10 a.m.; Main St. Stage entertainment, 6 p.m.

Food giveaway, Brohard Community Building, 4 to 5 p.m.; sponsored by Strait Creek Baptist Church; social distancing required, stay in vehicle.

#### Saturday, June 5

2021 Calhoun County Wood Festival continues in Grantsville, 5K and Kids Run registration, (Continued on Page 2)

### Entertainment Begins Thursday Evening

### Davisson Brothers Highlights Saturday's Festival Line-Up

The 2021 Calhoun County Wood Festival opens in Grantsville on Thursday.

The event will be a combination of celebrations that began with the Wood Festival Pageants on Tuesday in the Calhoun County Park barn.

Among the pageants held were competitions and crownings of Queen Flora LVIII for 2020 and Queen Flora LIX for 2021,

since this year's CCHS seniors were not able to compete last year because of COVID-19.

Results of the pageants were not available at presstime.

On Thursday, booths open at 10 a.m., with opening ceremonies, introduction of royalty, and more at 7 p.m., and Bruce Jones and Friends entertaining at 7:45.

The festival continues

on Friday, with booths opening at 10 a.m., and entertainment on the Main St. Stage beginning at 6 p.m. with Sherry Wade, Karaoke, followed by 1980s tribute band Night Moves, and Nashville recording artist Chelsea Hicks.

Saturday's entertainment includes a 5K and Kids Run at 8 a.m. (registration begins at 7:30) and (Continued on Page 3)



Davisson Brothers Band - Saturday, 9 p.m., Main St. Stage



CCHS recognized its four highest honor graduates and those students' choices of honor teachers on May 25. Honor students are, left to right, first row, Summer Jones, valedictorian Jordan Yoak, Kaylin Parsons, and salutatorian Madison Gribble; second row, respective honor teachers, Kelsey Jett, Emily Ramezan, Rick Kinder and Scott Clarkson.

### Highest Honor Graduates Include Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Calhoun County High School held its 22nd annual High Honor Banquet on Tuesday, May 25.

The annual tradition was started by Greg Cartwright, with the Class of 2000. Seniors honored reached the highest levels of academic achievement among the Class of 2021.

This year's highest

honor graduates were Madison Gribble, Summer Jones, Kaylin Parsons and Jordan Yoak.

The students excelled academically and are active in both school and community activities.

In addition to recognizing the outstanding students, the event also acknowledged important

people in their academic careers, their parents and their honor teachers.

The honor teachers were Scott Clarkson, Kelsey Jett, Rick Kinder and Emily Ramezan.

The top students of the Calhoun County High School's Class of 2021 were announced on Wednesday, May 26.

Jordan Yoak earned the honor of valedictorian, and Madison Gribble earned salutatorian status.

#### Valedictorian

Jordan Lee Yoak, son of Eddie and Donna Yoak of Grantsville, is a decorated Eagle Scout, who has

an extensive record of community service.

He will attend West Virginia University at the Morgantown campus and plans to major in exercise physiology.

He received the HSTA tuition waiver and the WVU Top Scholar award.

He also received offers of scholarships from Glenville State College and Marshall University, but he looks forward to becoming a Mountaineer.

#### Salutatorian

Madison Gribble, daughter of Samantha

Justice and step-daughter of Jarrett Justice of Chloe, plans to attend Fordham University and major in psychology.

She was awarded the Ryan Underwood Scholarship. She also received a scholarship offer from Glenville State College.

### First COVID Death Reported

The Dept. of Health and Human Resources announced the first COVID-19 death of a Calhoun County resident last week, a 74-old woman.

DHHR also reported

that the county had three new cases in the past week, which moves the county's total to 369 cases.

COVID-19 cases in Calhoun and surrounding counties decreased from 66 last week to 38 in

the past seven days, the lowest since the week of Mar. 17-23.

In addition to Calhoun's cases were: Ritchie, 18; Braxton, 5; Wirt, 4; Roane, 4; Clay, 3; (Continued on Page 5)

### Town Election Is Tuesday

Grantsville Municipal Election will be held downstairs of the town office, with the entrance on Mill St., on Tuesday, June 8, from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Early voting in person will be held in the same location from Tuesday, June 1, to Saturday, June 5, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



# OBITUARIES

## DAVID RAY DRAKE

David Ray Drake, 53, of Lenoir, N.C., died Tuesday, May 25, 2021.

He was the son of Norma Hardway Drake and the late Lloyd Drake.

Surviving in addition to his mother are two brothers, Dwayne Drake and Donny Drake, both of Big Bend; one sister, Lynn Poling of Apex N.C.; four nieces and nephews; one great-nephew; and special friend and former wife, Erica Thorn of Elizabeth.

In sticking with his wishes, he will be cremated and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later time. Online condolences may be left at [www.greer-mcelveenfuneralhome.com](http://www.greer-mcelveenfuneralhome.com).



## DARRELL DEAN WOOD

Darrell Dean Wood, 73, of Shock, died Sunday, May 23, 2021, at W.Va. Caring Hospice Center, Elkins.

He was born in Calhoun County, the son of the late Denver and Molly Shaffer Wood. He was a graduate of Calhoun County High School and served in the United States Army. He retired from the National Guard with 22 years of service. He was employed with Gilmer County Board of Education and retired with 32 years of service.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Madeline Cottrill Wood; one son, Benjamin Wood; one sister, Charolette Wood of Orlando; two foster daughters, Debbie Mosley of Yuma, Ariz., and Ramona Wood of Athens, Ala.; two granddaughters, Starla and Casey Wood; three great-grandchildren; four step-grandsons; one step-granddaughter; three step-great-grandchildren; and two special friends, John Miller and Colin Hartshorn.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Gene and Harry Wood, and three infant sisters.

Services were held at Stump Funeral Home, Arnoldsburg, with Elder Larry Fisher officiating. Burial was in Collins Community Cemetery.

## IRA LEROY JARVIS

Ira Leroy Jarvis, 81, of Parkersburg, died Friday, May 28, 2021, at Camden Clark Medical Center.

He was born in Calhoun County, the son of the late Ruben and Gladys Fowler Jarvis. He retired from E.I. DuPont Washington Works, and was a member of Vienna Masonic Lodge.

Surviving are one son, Aaron C. Jarvis and wife Natisha of Williamstown.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Beverly Ruth Ann Jarvis.

Per Leroy's request, there will be no visitation. Private graveside service will be held at the convenience of the family.

## HELEN ARZANIA EDMAN

Helen Arzania Edman, 78, of Tanner, died Tuesday, May 25, 2021.

She was the daughter of the late Willie and Mae Suttle. She was a 1962 graduate of Tanner High School and attended Tanner Chapel.

Surviving are three children, Richard Edman of Tanner, Beth Settle of Elizabeth and Eric Edman of Mooresville, N.C.; 10 grandchildren, Jenny Edman, Stephen Settle, Tara Donley, Sarah Anderson, David Smith, Miriam Beall, Luke Smith, and Ricky, Lonnie and Carly Edman; 11 great-grandchildren, Wyatt, Amelia, Archer, Jacob, Savannah, Lila, Ava, Mia, Trenton, Hudson and Hayden; two sisters, Mary Roberts and JoAnn Mays; one brother, Paul Suttle; and special friends, Kenneth and Gladys Dykstra of Hewitt, N.J.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Virgil Warren Edman; one sister, Susan Perry; and one brother, William "Bud" Suttle.

Services will be held Friday, 11 a.m., at Tanner Chapel, with Rev. Alfred Hickman officiating. Burial will be in Roseville Cemetery, Tanner. Visitation will be held Thursday, 5 to 8 p.m., at Stump Funeral Home, Grantsville, and Friday, 10 to 11 a.m., at Tanner Chapel. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.stumpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.stumpfuneralhomes.com).

## JOHN PAUL SAMPSON

John Paul Sampson, 72, of Marion, Ind., died Monday, May 10, 2021.

He was born in Grantsville, the son of the late Harley and Levinia Wears Sampson. He was a 1966 graduate of Calhoun County High School and retired from General Tire & Rubber after several years of service.

Surviving are his wife, Loretta Sampson; one son, Charley Sampson of Marion; one grandson, Travis Sampson; one granddaughter, Alyson Niverson of Ocala, Fla.; two great-grandchildren, Aurora Niverson and Asher Niverson, both of Ocala; one sister, Doris Hope Moore of Sweetser; three sisters-in-law, Brenda Mace of Marion, Carol Swearinger of Grantsville and Cathy Booher of Sandyville; one brother-in-law, Shirley Cottrell of Amboy; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, George Mace and Charles Mace, and two sisters, Kay Cottrell and Marylue Cottrell.

Services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, Marion, with Pastor Robert Engle officiating.

## MARGARET ANN 'Peggy' OSBORN

Margaret Ann "Peggy" Osborn, 77, died Tuesday, May 25, 2021, at her family home in Calhoun County.

She was born in Maumee, Ohio, the daughter of the late John and Gertrude Hayes Perrin. She retired to her family retirement home in 2005, after running the family arts and crafts business in Ohio for 20 years.

Surviving are one brother, Jason Perrin and wife Rachel of West Virginia; one sister, Susan Barber of Ohio; three children, Faye Osborn and Anna Osborn, both of Calhoun County, and Russell Osborn and wife Tina of Carrollton, Tex.; five grandchildren, Randall Hutto of Texas, Sara Shipley-Spaulling of Ohio, and Jakob Hutson, Steven Hutson and Nicholas Rubel, all of West Virginia; seven great-grandchildren, Shelby Spaulling and Aubrey Spaulling, both of Ohio, Rylee Hutson of West Virginia, and Dominic Dundon, Tyler Hutto, Devin Hutto and Ian Hutto, all of Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Robert Joe "Bob" Osborn, in April, 2020.

In keeping with Peggy's wishes, she will be cremated and a celebration of life ceremony will be held at a later date. Condolences may be extended to the family at [www.roachfuneralhome.com](http://www.roachfuneralhome.com).

## DOROTHY LOUISE RICHARDS

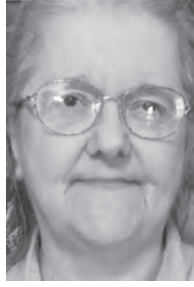
Dorothy Louise Richards, 74, died Saturday, May 22, 2021, at Ruby Memorial Hospital, Morgantown, after seven years of battling multiple illnesses.

She was born in Grantsville, the daughter of the late Freeman and Marva Holbert Richards. She was a homemaker and Christian and a member of Norman Ridge Fairview United Methodist Church.

Surviving are two daughters, Angela Dye and Patricia Richards; two sons, Darrell Richards and Billy J. Richards; three grandchildren, Elijah Dye, Aleah Dye and Luke Richards; three sisters, Jill Goodnight, Brenda Freed and Norma Stirling; two brothers, Denver Richards and Denzil Richards; several nieces and nephews; and special friend, Diane Wilson.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 41 years, Billy G. Richards, in 2008; two infant children, Carl Ray and Sherry Ann Richards; two sisters, Lola C. and Darline Richards; one brother, Dennis Richards; and several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

Private family service was held graveside at Hunt Cemetery, Norman Ridge, with nephew Robbie Wagoner as speaker.



## JAMES ANDREW HAROLD

James Andrew Harold, 54, of Chloe, died Friday, May 28, 2021.

He was the son of James and Georgia Duelley Harold.

Surviving are one brother, Larry Harold; two sisters, Rhonda Kapuncski and Lisa Marks; and several nieces and nephews.

Due to family wishes, there will be no services. Online condolences may be sent to [carlwilsonfuneralhome.com](http://carlwilsonfuneralhome.com).

# Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

Jeanne and I attended our first "social event," comprised of fully vaccinated people, since the beginning of the ongoing pandemic on Saturday.

While it was great to see friends face-to-face after more than a year of phone calls, I find that I am still very uncomfortable with this meeting of folks face-to-face without a mask.

It's as if I had trained myself to always be wearing a mask to protect myself, and who I am talking to, and it has become second nature.

It just feels like it might be too soon for us to begin to act as if the pandemic is over, like it will not have another surge of infections that causes us to mask-up and undergo self-isolation once again.

Don't get me wrong. I wish this pandemic had never happened and I want the entire world to be able to meet with others, converse face-to-face and freely hug our families and friends again, as we have always done.

It cannot help us to remain connected to improve the world when we have to stay apart to avoid either becoming infected or possibly spreading the virus.

Since some adults tend to act like spoiled children, perhaps we should tell them that they don't deserve a vaccination, so we aren't going to let them have any.

Maybe when told "no," they will insist that it is their absolute right to be vaccinated. Sometimes child psychology works just as well on adults.

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The squirrels have seen the corn, dried, and waiting right there on the cob, and they have thoroughly rejected it in favor of the tiny delicious sunflower seeds.

My campaign of hitting the squirrels in the behind with my slingshot had very limited success. The squirrels might stay away from the feeders for a very short while, 10 or maybe 20 minutes, but then they return to taunt me, even more severely interrupting my nap time.

I suppose my choices are extremely limited now as to what I can do about this squirrel problem. I can purchase

squirrel-proof feeders (awfully pricey), cause extreme pain or death to the poor little hungry critters (no longer in my nature), or just do what I most likely will end up doing, welcome them to the feeders.

I must admit that squirrels can be quite the comedians when they want you to think that they are cute enough to be granted access to your feeders. There are two squirrels, as of now, a larger one and a smaller one.

The larger one likes to hog the feeder until it has eaten its fill and stuffed its cheek pouches until not one more sunflower seed can be accommodated.

The larger one takes naps while lying in the feeder's seed tray. It is not intimidated by even the larger birds, like the red-bellied woodpecker or blue jays.

Unfortunately for the squirrels, I know that our feeders are training grounds for little owlets. I know that the barred owls spend some of their time in the spring and early summer perched on limbs adjacent to our feeders in the early morning light, teaching their young how to ambush breakfast before a day of sleep.

Until this year, only the birds were subject to these ambushes.

The squirrels will now have no one to blame but themselves. I really tried hard to dissuade them from hanging out at our bird feeders, but, for a squirrel, a free and tasty meal with mild repercussions is a win any day.

I also have no plans to dissuade the owls from visiting their feeders.

Well, folks, the Calhoun County Wood Festival is happening this week. I know that all of us have anxiously waited for this moment, and some of us worried it might never happen again.

The Spirit of Charlie Whipkey has evidently kept this celebration alive, and we will now see how well the festival is kickin'.

Enjoy the festivities. I hope to see you all tapping your toes to the entertainment being placed before us.

Welcome home, Wood Festival!

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

(Continued from Page 1) Market, Wayne Underwood Field, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Thursday, June 10**  
Grantsville Farmer's Market, Wayne Underwood Field, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Saturday, June 12**  
Democratic County Committee meeting, courthouse little courtroom, 2 p.m.

**Monday, June 7**  
Town council meets in Main St. office, 4 p.m.  
Mt. Zion Community Park meeting, 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, June 10**  
Grantsville Farmer's

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

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# This Week In History

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

## 1921, 100 years ago

One of the small sons of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Plant of Henrietta received injuries that resulted in the loss of one of his eyes while playing with a dynamite cap on Wednesday.

C.L. Offutt, who has been working day and night in the Lockney field, moving big boilers and such for the Hope, was a pleasant visitor in town over Tuesday night. He says that he did not know there was so much work in the world or he might have made different arrangements.

Thursday afternoon, a team made up of the officials of the local banks, aided by the post office force, took the local merchants on in a swift ball game and administered a sound drubbing to the peanut vendors. The game was fast and furious, but the merchants finally succumbed to the superior and artistic pitching of Ralph Morris of the Bank of Grantsville, the score being 14 to 6. The game was featured by many interesting sights, and all who attended got their money's worth.

Arrangements are being made to have other games this summer between the various business and professional interests. It shows a mighty fine spirit when all of the business places of the town will put up their shutters for an afternoon and get out and have some real fun. There should be at least one afternoon each week given over to some clean sport.

Some of the supporters of the merchants' team are openly charging that one or two of the players on their team had heavy financial notes falling due within the next few days, and were afraid to go their toes against the bankers, for they had in them "foobaewswwhat" to the full extent of the law.

One of the outstanding features of the Merchants-Bankers game was the sly and foxy base-stealing by cashier A.G. Miller of the Bank of Grantsville. Due credit should also be given merchant Jerome Francis for the astonishing base-running proclivities displayed by him.

When Cogar was put into the Parkersburg game, with the score standing something like umptysteen to two against Grantsville, some of the fans supporting the Grantsville team went to George Hays and Wheeler Chenoweth, who were here from Arnoldsburg to see the games, and told them that if they could influence Cogar to pull the local team out of the hole, Arnoldsburg could have the courthouse and the south wing of the high school. For a little while, along about the seventh inning, it began to look like the Grantsville boys were going to have to deliver.

The management of the banker's team has ordered a special princess uniform for vice president C.A. Jarvis. It is so constructed that the player's hands are not required to keep the trousers up, and he is able to use them for the purpose of catching or throwing the ball.

Loyalty to the home team is listed in the catalog of virtues, just under patriotism or love of country.

## 1946, 75 years ago

Knights of Pythias Lodge No. 202 of Cremo has been very active the past few months and is fast becoming one of the leading organizations of Calhoun County. Due to the war, this lodge had not been meeting in regular sessions. With some of the members in the armed services, and with shortages of tires and gasoline, regular meetings were abandoned until recent months.

This is the only K. of P. lodge in the county. It was organized some 30 years ago, and only a few of the charter members are still active. There are several former members of this lodge scattered throughout the county and they are especially invited to renew their membership.

Knights of Pythias was founded in Washington, D.C., Feb. 15, 1864, by Justus H. Rathbone and six companions. They adopted a constitution and a ritual. The first lodge was named Washington and the second, Franklin. A new constitution was adopted in 1868, when the governing body of the organization, the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias of the World, was created, to which grand lodges and governing bodies in several states are subordinate.

At the regular meeting of the Cremo lodge on Saturday night, degree work was given in all three ranks. Donald W. Maze was initiated into the rank of Page, Veon Riggs in the rank of Esquire, and Bernard Mills and Shirley Greathouse finished their degree work in the rank of Knight.

Members present at this meeting were: W.J. Sturm, Everett Basnett, Lonnie Gainer, J.T. Starcher, W.B. Starcher, Darrill Villers, L.R. Kerby, Bryan Ward, Eugene Duskey, S.T. Greathouse, H.B. Riggs, Harlan Starcher, Shirley Stutler and Olin J. Barrows.

## 1971, 50 years ago

Springtime is trout fishing time, or it was trout fishing time. As the years come and go, trout fishing becomes more and more a sport of the past, a pleasant memory, a thing of yesterday. Pollution from sewage, silt, roads and pesticides wipe out one after another.

The decline of trout fishing in the eastern U.S., one would think, would be the most rapid in the populous states. Surely a state such as West Virginia, 70 percent forested, a mountain state, would be a last refuge of the trout. West Virginia, we are told, is a land of clean streams. Yet the truth is that such highly industrialized states as Pennsylvania and New York have higher quality trout waters than West Virginia, but high quality trout waters here are almost nonexistent.

According to a 1969 report by the Division of Wildlife Resources of the W.Va. Dept. of Natural Resources, there are approximately 8,000 streams of undetermined mileage in West Virginia. Along these, approximately 7,580 miles contain a fishable population. Out of this, only 650 miles, or just a little over 8.5 percent are considered "trout waters." Of the total number of streams in the state, only 346 are considered quality streams and of these, 165 are stocked with trout in part of their course.

# CURIOSITY CORNER



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

**Question:** Why do people say "for Pete's sake?" (Asked by Sandy Wilson, Greenwood, S.C.)

**Reply:** My wife, Sandy, and I were talking one morning and I used the phrase, "for Pete's sake." She asked why I said that and wanted to know who Pete was. I didn't know myself, and Shazam!, I had another question for the Curiosity Corner!

In case you forgot, Shazam was the word, and the Wizard's name, that news reporter Bill Batson would say to be transformed into superhero Captain Marvel in the comic books. Gomer Pyle frequently used the exclamation, too, but was not transformed--but I digress!

The phrase, "for Pete's sake," is a euphemism for the phrase, "for God's sake," or "for Christ's sake." It comes from a time when these phrases were considered blasphemous. Remember, a euphemism is a mild, indirect or vague expression substituted for one thought to be offensive, harsh or blunt. So, instead of saying "for God's/Christ's sake," the Apostle Peter is substituted (Pete for short), and we have "for Pete's sake."

**Question:** Why do some people refer to their country as "motherland," and others as "fatherland?"

**Reply:** This parental naming tendency reflects people respectfully viewing the countries where they're born and live as nurturing parents. Russians commonly refer to Russia as "motherland," and Germans refer to Germany as "fatherland."

This parental connection is quite common. Other examples include Mother Earth, Mother Nature, and Father Time.

The United States, however, isn't so parental. We commonly refer to our country as the "homeland."

**C.P.S. (Curious Postscript):** "Curiosity is one of the permanent and certain characteristics of a vigorous mind." --Samuel Jackson.

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

## Davission Brothers--

(Continued from Page 1) booths opening at 9 a.m. Kids Day activities will be at 9:30.

The parade line-up is at 10:30, followed by the Grand Parade at 11:00, with parade marshals Chip and Janice Westfall.

The Wood Festival Car Show is from noon to 3 p.m. at Wayne Underwood Field (registration begins at 9 a.m.).

Splash and Dash Boat Race begins at 1 p.m. at the boat ramp on Russett Road, two miles East of Grantsville. Staging is at 12:30.

A cornhole tournament gets underway on Market St. at 2 p.m.

Main Street Stage entertainment begins at

noon, with Jeremy Fowler and his drum students, followed at 12:15 with Sammy Murphy and Friends.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

1:00, Heather Kutil, piano and vocals students; 2:00, Alice's guitar students; 2:15, Rick Falls, Bruce Jones and students, from Bear Fork;

3:15, Dr. Megan Darby and students from Glenville State College; 5:30, Dave Bush and Friends; 7:00, John Richards; and 8:00, Johnny Staats and Robert Shafer.

The featured act at 9 p.m. will be the Davission Brothers Band.

The Grand Fireworks Finale will be at 11 p.m.

## Governor's Updates

### Cash, Trucks, Scholarships Among Top Prizes For Vaccination Lottery

During last Thursday's briefing, Gov. Jim Justice announced that the State will soon be giving away a million-dollar grand prize, additional cash prizes, college scholarships, pick-up trucks, and more through a series of upcoming lottery drawings for West Virginians who have been vaccinated against COVID-19.

"There are going to be so many wonderful prizes that you can win, it will blow you away," said Justice. "We are going to make a few West Virginians millionaires before this is over. Some people will win trucks and scholarships, and on and on, but we've got to get you vaccinated first."

Justice said that the first lottery drawing will be held on West Virginia Day, June 20; the State's 158th birthday.

Specific details about the incentive package were still being finalized, although he added that all West Virginians who have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine will be eligible to enter to win one of the many prizes that will be made available:

"Not only are a bunch of people going to win all kinds of great stuff, but, by getting vaccinated, it'll protect your life and it'll protect your family and friends all around you."

The slogan for the program is "Save a life; change your life."

### Vaccinated Ages 16-35 Can Register For \$100 Savings Bond or Gift Card

Justice offered a reminder that online registration is open for his "Beat 588 . . . Bad," West Virginia Strong Vaccine Incentive Program.

All West Virginians ages 16-35 who have been

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# This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from June 3-9 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit [www.wvencyclopedia.org](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

Hugheston, Kanawha County. He was named West Virginia's first Historian Laureate in 2003.

June 6, 1989: During the Pittston strike, about 60 miners embarked on a four-day march from Logan County to Charleston, retracing the path of the 1921 Armed March on Logan.



June 3, 1856: Harriet B. Jones was born in Pennsylvania. After attending Wheeling Female College and graduating from Women's Medical College of Baltimore, she opened a private practice in Wheeling, becoming the first woman licensed to practice medicine in West Virginia.

June 3, 1861: The first land battle of the Civil War took place in Philippi. About 3,000 federal troops drove about 800 Confederates from the town.

June 3, 1861: A company of Confederate soldiers, known as the Logan Wildcats, was created at Logan Courthouse. The company, consisting of about 85 men, first saw action at the Battle of Scary Creek.

June 3, 1936: The first Strawberry Festival was held in Buckhannon. More than 6,000 spectators attended the festivities, which also included a parade of 30 princesses down Main Street.



June 4, 1975: Clark Kessinger died in St. Albans, Kanawha County. He was among the most prolific and influential fiddlers of the 20th century, and one of West Virginia's most important traditional musicians.

June 5, 1859: A great frost killed crops in the Preston County fields, which were replanted with hardy buckwheat, which was successful and became a staple crop, celebrated in the annual Buckwheat Festival in Kingwood.



June 6, 1919: Historian Otis Rice was born in



June 7, 1899: Congresswoman Elizabeth Kee was born in Radford, Va. She became West Virginia's first female member of Congress in 1951.



June 7, 1926: An explosion at a sand mining operation in Morgan County killed six men. Their deaths were the inspiration for the ballad, "The Miner's Doom."

June 8, 1893: Entrepreneur Donald F. Duncan was born. He was the founder of Duncan Yo-Yo Co. and Duncan Parking Meter Corp.



June 9, 1927: Karl Dewey Myers was named the state's first poet laureate by Gov. Howard Mason Gore, and held the post for 10 years.

June 9, 1957: T.D. Jakes was born in South Charleston. As a boy, he preached to imaginary congregations and carried a Bible to school, which earned him the nickname, "Bible Boy." He is the senior pastor at Potter's House, a non-denominational church in Dallas, Tex.

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# My Home Among the Hills

by Mellody Walburn



Wow, as weeks go, last week was a busy one, both at school and on the home front. I feel like I have been running at full speed and with all pistons firing, and I am ready to park my Jeep and just sit on the porch for a while.

As I sit to write this article, I have just said goodbye to family and friends who came to town to celebrate the beginning of summer and my niece Hannah's graduation from high school.

Throughout the week, I worked on splitting my time between getting ready for all of our company coming and staying, on top of my responsibilities at school. Semester exams took place this past week, so I had to make sure that all of my grading was complete and my exams created.

Students will be turning in their laptops this week, so all work had to be completed by last Friday. My grades are now finalized and ready for report cards.

In addition to my normal schoolwork, the high honors banquet was held. This event honors the seniors with the highest cumulative grade point averages and the teachers who assisted them in reaching that goal. Usually, this evening consists of a sit-down dinner served by the National Honor Society students, but COVID prevented that this year.

We were determined to still honor these students and teachers, so instead of dinner, we simply served three tasty types of cake and Sheryl Steven's delicious Christmas punch. Brandi Richards, the first high honor student to go on to be an honor teacher, was the keynote speaker, and the evening ended with a Power Point presentation featuring the students, and the presentation of certificates to both students and teachers. Superintendent Kelli Whytsell also presented the seniors with their cords and medallions for graduation.

Once that event was complete, I turned my attention to an exciting professional development opportunity that was scheduled for Wednesday. My co-teacher Ruby had lined up a friend of hers, who is a librarian, to talk to the English teachers about novels that we might want to consider teaching in our classes.

She introduced us to books about important relevant issues and to novels that featured many diverse cultures. She even sent us a list of books on topics that we requested. I can honestly say that this was one of the best professional development sessions that I have attended, and my book list has grown exponentially.

Thursday and Friday were spent tying up loose ends and beginning to clean and organize my classroom. There was also a lot of hustle and bustle in preparation for graduation. The weather definitely didn't cooperate, so after all of the work to prepare the football field and stands for graduation, the decision to move the ceremony inside was made on Friday afternoon.

My family and friends were scheduled to start arriving early Friday evening, so I was not able to attend graduation this year. My friend Tim and his wife Elizabeth arrived first with their three children. Once we got them settled in at my home among the hills, we headed down to my parents' house. We met up with Maricia and Andy, who brought along our nephew Michael and niece Hannah. We spent an enjoyable few hours together catching up before we headed home to put the kids to bed.

The next day, my sister Mindy and her family arrived, and the weekend's festivities really got started. The weather wasn't great, but we made the most of my parents' back deck. We ate great food, played games, and even got a campfire in on Sunday night. It was great to be with family and friends again after such a long time, and we made the most of every minute.

On Monday, the weather was finally warm and sunny, so we spent our last few hours out in the sun playing yard games and eating up the rest of our food.

Everyone has headed home now, and after straightening up my parents' home, I am now back at my house doing laundry and straightening up the place. Summer vacation is just around the corner. I have this week with students and three more days with just teachers, and then Miss Walburn will pack up her classroom and leave the building for the summer. I am ready and eager for some time to rest, relax, and rejuvenate!

## Wood Festival Parade Registration

The Calhoun County Wood Festival parade will be held Saturday, June 5, at 11:30 a.m.

To register or for information, contact Tanya Cunningham, 786-7670 or protaxgirl@yahoo.com.

Give the following information when registering:

Name of organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of unit (check all that apply):

Truck    car    walkers    float    other

Something about organization (awards, titles, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

## 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)

The following letter is from Amie's mother, Anna L. Sexton.

July 5, 1858

Dear Amie,

I have written to Louisa and cannot write much more for lack of time. Can't tell how I can send this to the office now it rains and thunders. We have had many hard rains and thunders this summer.

G.W.S. came here one week ago last Saturday. We were glad to see him and hear from Arnoldsburg. He appeared quite anxious for Almira and I to go home with him, would if we could. He said if one of us could go, you could come home; when he left he thought that he would bring you home in two weeks.

I told him that I wished he would but I am afraid that it will turn out as it has with a certain other person who told W. when he was at Perrys that he could bring you home in two weeks from that time.

I understand how it is they both want to come. They think that will be the turning point in their destiny. G. don't like T. paying so much attention to you, says that he is uncultivated. Almira told him he did not think that you would have him. George said that he did not think you would now. I do not know nothing about T.

I like George very well as to some things but according to his own account I think that he will never be worth much. He told how much he spent when he was at Richmond. Now I do not think that a rich person is any happier than one in moderate circumstances yet I would like my girls to be in comfortable circumstances.

W. spoke well enough of T. but said that he thought more about getting money than anything else perhaps he heard some person so, now don't have a man that is wedded to his gold and don't care for anything, besides, you and P and Louisa are much better judges than I am as I have never seen or heard much about him.

There is gentlemen enough if you could find the right one. It is hard telling who would be best: you are young enough yet; I think much more about your recovering your health than anything.

Worthington was well pleased with his visit. Almira and I were well pleased to see him return and hear about you all. He thought you were better. I have been much in hopes that you would recover your health soon but now I feel almost discouraged since reading your letter today.

George said you worked too hard when the court set. I suppose you could not help it. I hope you will favor yourself as much as you can, take the medicine and--that it may cure you, nothing like good health.

How glad I shall be to have you at home again. Almira thanks Louisa much for that dress. She alters it a little and it sets well. She needed it. I thank Louisa for that ribbon. Almira will make me a bonnet. I have quite a nice black one. I thank you for that cap.

Virginia and Jane were pleased with their presents. The skirts are very nice. Emma Louisa and Lucy Eva laughed and jumped when they were told that cousin Amie sent those mits to them. I do not know when you will get your pay. I suppose never but thanks.

I thank you very much for being so good to write to me. You don't know how much good it always does me. I have no news to write, am in haste. I hope you will do all you can for your health.

Amie don't sew to much or read to much, walk a little and moderately often, retire as early as possible, get all the rest you can.

Do write. You know I feel so anxious about you and Louisa, may health and happiness ever be with you, your affectionate mother

Anne L. Sexton

PS I have not time to read this over. Excuse all mistakes.

**Amie, 22, denies it, but she is getting closer to being married.**

Arnoldsburg

July [9] 1858

Dear Mother

Last Sabbath I thought I should certainly have received a letter from home, but continued disappointment seems to be my lot. I am anxious to hear from you all, & much more anxious to see you all. We are all in our usual health. Louisa mends slowly, is very weak, does not sit up but a little.

But Napoleon French [son of Perry and Louisa, just turned one] is a very good boy. Scarcely ever crying, only when he is dressed. I do not like his first name, but he will go by the name French.

He is named for a brother of James Harvey French<sup>1</sup>'s. Napoleon French<sup>2</sup> was a member of the legislature when Perry was & Perry thinks more of him than almost any other gentleman of his acquaintance.

Last winter he was a member of the senate, & one day while Perry was in Richmond last winter, Perry remarked that he had a son called for the ex-governor Floyd.

<sup>1</sup>James Henry French, lawyer in Glenville, friend of Perry, suitor for Amie's affection; educated at Georgetown and University of Virginia; was captain of Co. D, 7th Reg., Va. Inf. (CSA). After Civil War, gave up practice of law and became a teacher. When Concord Normal School was organized, he became first principal.

<sup>2</sup>Napoleon B. French, member of Virginia General Assembly before Civil War, from Mercer Co. Delegate to Richmond Convention 1861 (Secessionist Convention). Originally opposed secession. During the war, he organized French's Battery Light Artillery; was later Capt. of Co. B, 30 Bat. Sharpshooters.

(Continued Next Week)

## Senior Citizens Menu

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

Thursday, June 3: sloppy joe, coleslaw, peas, fruit.

Friday, June 4: italian sausage, kraut, butter beans, fruit, cornbread.

Monday, June 7: fish, parsley noodles, mixed greens, fruit, tomato juice, wheat bread.

Tuesday, June 8: chili with beans, waldorf salad, crackers.

Wednesday, June 9: cook's choice.

Thursday, June 10: BBQ chicken, bun, pota-

toes, onions, green beans, pineapple.

Friday, June 11: ribs with onions and peppers, steamed vegetables, fruit, bun.

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

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

## From the PSC

by Charlotte Lane,

Chairman of Public Service Commission

### Assistance for Broadband Bills Available

Two new realities have become obvious in the past year. Our society has increasingly become much more dependent on internet service than ever before for school, work and shopping.

Due to the pandemic, many people who have never before had difficulties paying their bills have had to rely on assistance to make ends meet.

Now, there is help to make broadband services more affordable. I'm happy to tell you about the Emergency Broadband Benefit available through the Federal Communications Commission for a limited period of time.

The FCC's new Emergency Broadband Benefit provides a discount of up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households.

Those who qualify may also receive a one-time discount of \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer or tablet from participating providers, if they meet certain eligibility criteria. The program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

To qualify, the household must have a total household income that is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (\$17,388 for a family of four) or any member of the household qualifies for Lifeline benefits through participation in SNAP, Medicaid, SSI, Federal Public Housing Assistance or Veterans and Survivors Pension Benefits; experienced a substantial loss of income since Feb. 29, 2020, due to job loss or furlough and had a total household income in 2020 at or below \$99,000 for single filers and \$198,000 for joint filers;

Also, received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; received approval for benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program in the 2019-20 or 2020-21 school year; or meet the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income or COVID-19 program.

There are three ways to apply. You can contact your broadband provider and ask about their application process; visit [getemergencybroadband.org/](http://getemergencybroadband.org/) to find participating providers and/or apply online; or call 833-511-0311 to request a mail-in application.

I hope you will look into this exciting new program, a timely opportunity for many in the Mountain State.

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# Team In Regional On Wednesday Graduation Cuts Into LKC Track & Field Competition

The CCHS track and field team competed with a diminished squad on Friday, mainly due to the LKC Championships at Ritchie County being held on the same night as the Red Devil graduation.

Savannah Cunningham earned two fourth place and two sixth place finishes in her four running events, and earned 10 points, which gave the Calhoun girls a 10th place finish among 14 teams.

Cunningham missed being named an All-LKC performer by 1.5 points.

Dani Cunningham placed eighth in the high jump (four foot, six inches), which was a personal best, and broke the school record of four foot, two inches, that she had shared with five others.

The CCHS boys team failed to score during the LKC meet.

The Region IV Class A meet was scheduled Wednesday, 4:30 p.m., at Parkersburg South High School.

## Friday, May 28 LKC Championships at Ritchie County Girls

Team results: Williamstown 154, Doddridge Co. 111, Ritchie Co. 94, St. Marys 49, Tyler Consolidated 37, Parkersburg Catholic 22, South Harrison 20, Roane Co. 19, Wahama 17, Calhoun Co. 10 (10th of 14), Wirt Co. 8, Webster County 6, Clay Co. 6, Ravenswood 4.

Calhoun girls individual scoring: Savannah Cunningham 10.

Calhoun girls individual results:

100-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 4th of 28, 13.65.

200-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 6th of 25, 28.92.

400-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 4th of 21, 1:03.30.

800-meter run: Savannah Cunningham, 6th of 20, 2:43.71.

1600-meter run: Grace Vincent, 17th of 18, 7:33.28.

3200-meter run: Grace Vincent, 10th of 10, 18:00.48.

300-meter hurdles: Dani Cunningham, 13th of 18, 1:01.35.

High jump: Dani Cunningham, 8th of 13, 4-06.0; Grace Vincent, NH.

Long jump: Dani Cunningham, 11th of 16, 11-10.5.

## Boys

Team results: Doddridge Co. 179, Ritchie Co. 149, St. Marys 51, Williamstown 45, Tyler Consolidated 28, Roane Co. 22, Wahama 20, Clay Co. 19, South Harrison 13, Webster Co. 11, Wirt Co. 8, Braxton Co. 7, Gilmer Co. 5, Calhoun 0 (14th of 14).

Calhoun boys individual scoring: Anthony Schoo 3, Daniel Kargol 1, Levi J. Morris 1, Gabe Waldron 1.

Calhoun boys individual results:

100-meter dash: Gabe Waldron, 30th of 37, 13.91; Daniel Kargol, 32nd, 14.38; Kason Hupp, 36th, 16.94.

200-meter dash: Gabe Waldron, 27th of 35, 28.19.

1600-meter run: Anthony Schoo, 18th of 30, 5:26.79; Daniel Kargol, 27th, 6:03.82.

3200-meter run: Anthony Schoo, 7th of 20, 11:32.07; Daniel Kargol, 14th, 12:53.05.

Long jump: Gabe Waldron, 16th of 19, 14:01.25; Kason Hupp, 17th, 11:00.5; Anthony Schoo, foul.

## 2021 CCHS Track and Field Schedule and Results

April  
17 at Roane

Girls (6th of 8)  
Boys (6th of 7)  
20 at Roane

Girls (5th of 8)  
Boys (7th of 7)  
27 at Roane

Girls (3rd of 4)  
Boys (3rd of 5)

May  
4 at Roane

Girls (7th of 7)  
Boys (6th of 6)

15 at Panther Invitational  
Girls (3rd of 7)  
Boys (T5th of 7)

22 at Laidley, Class A  
Girls (5th of 9)  
Boys (7th of 8)

28 LKC Championships  
at Ritchie  
Girls (10th of 14)  
Boys (14th of 14)

June  
2 at Region IV, Class A  
at Parkersburg  
South, 4:30 p.m.

10 at States

## Spay/Neuter

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

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For information or to make an appointment, call 354-7042. Donations of dry cat food are greatly appreciated, and can be dropped off at Calhoun County Library, Grantsville.

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

## Poker Run

Creston Community Building's Summer Poker Run will be held on Saturday, June 26, starting at the building at 340 Ann's Run Road, Creston.

Registration is from 9 a.m. to noon, with a \$10 entry fee. Payout is: 1st place, 30%; 2nd, 10%; and 3rd, 10% of the door.

There will also be door prizes and 50/50 drawing. Kitchen will be open for purchase of breakfast and dinner items. For information, call 275-3578 or 275-0003.

## New at Library

The Calhoun Library has the following new items: Adult Fiction: The Country Guesthouse, by Robyn Carr; The Push, by Ashley Audrain; The Four Winds, by Kristin Hannah; The Lost Apothecary, by Sarah Penner; Pieces of Happiness, by Anne Ostby.

## Vaccine Doses Administered Into Arms of W.Va. Residents

Key Metric	Doses	Population	Percentage
65 + Fully Vaccinated ....	272,075	367,011	74.1%
65 + At Least One Dose	307,924	367,011	83.9%
12 + Fully Vaccinated ....	738,574	1,557,837	47.4%
12 + At Least One Dose	915,137	1,557,837	58.7%
Fully Vaccinated .....	738,574	1,792,147	41.2%
At Least One Dose .....	915,137	1,792,147	51.1%

Data Source: CDC

Updated 10:00 a.m. - 6/1/2021

Individuals counted are West Virginia residents vaccinated in-state or out-of-state through State Allocations, Federal Pharmacy Program, Federal FQHC Program, and Federal Entities.

## First COVID Death Reported--

(Continued from Page 1) 444; Webster, 507; and with 2,797 deaths, including 1,504 new cases and 22 deaths in the past week.

Calhoun remained green on the DHHR's county alert system map. The percent positivity for Calhoun is now at 0.68, with infection rate at 3.01.

Calhoun's 369 cases remains the lowest in the West Virginia cases on the year total 161,858, followed by Wirt, the year total 161,858, week.

## Governor's Updates

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fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are able to register online to receive either a \$100 savings bond or a \$100 gift card.

The \$100 incentive is retroactive, meaning that all West Virginians ages 16-35 who have received the COVID-19 vaccine at any point are eligible.

Since registration first opened, 20,527 registrations have been submitted.

these individuals until June 20.

Face coverings must still be worn where required by federal law. Additionally, any private business or school system can still require individuals to wear a face covering.

As part of the governor's "Call to Arms" vaccine initiative, State COVID-19 pandemic response leaders have set goals of vaccinating 65% of all eligible West Virginians, 75% of age 50 and older, and 85% of age 65 and older, with at least one dose by West Virginia's 158th birthday on June 20, the same day that the governor plans to lift the Statewide Indoor Face Covering Requirement for all residents.

According to CDC, authorized vaccines in the U.S. are highly effective at protecting vaccinated people against symptomatic and severe COVID-19.

Additionally, a growing body of evidence suggests that fully vaccinated people are less likely to have asymptomatic infection or transmit COVID-19 to others.

## Face Covering Requirement Lifted For Fully Vaccinated

Justice modified West Virginia's face covering requirement to align with updated CDC guidance, which says that anyone who is fully vaccinated can participate in indoor and outdoor activities without wearing a mask or physically distancing, regardless of crowd size.

The lifting of the face covering requirement only applies to those who have been fully vaccinated; meaning that at least two weeks have elapsed since the administration of a second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or that at least two weeks have elapsed since the administration of a first dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

The Statewide Indoor Face Covering Requirement is still in effect for all West Virginians who are not yet fully vaccinated, and will remain in effect for

## Find A Vaccine Near You

COVID-19 vaccinations are now available to all West Virginians ages 12 and older.

All West Virginians interested in being vaccinated are urged to visit [Vaccinate.wv.gov](http://Vaccinate.wv.gov) or call the West

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## Schedule of Events

### Thursday, June 3, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. Booths Open  
Main Street
- 6:00 p.m. Meet and Greet
- 7:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies,  
Presentation of  
Pageant Royalty,  
Crowning of  
Mr. and Miss  
Woodchuck,  
Presentation of  
Charlie Whipkey  
Spirit of the  
Wood Festival Award  
Calhoun County High  
School Dance Team
- 7:45 p.m. Bruce Jones  
and Friends



2019 WOOD FESTIVAL ROYALTY, left to right, Miss Tween Wood Festival, Emily Casto; Miss Teen Wood Festival, Jenna Milliron; Queen Flora LVII, Megan Harding; Junior Miss Wood Festival, Lacy Hicks; and Miss Wood Festival Queen, Chloe Bailey.

### Friday, June 4, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. Booths Open  
Main Street Stage
- 6:00 p.m. Sherry Wade, Karaoke
- 7:30 p.m. "Night Moves"  
'80s Tribute Band
- 9:00 p.m. Nashville Recording  
Artist, Calhoun's  
own Chelsea Hicks

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# Calhoun County Wood Festival



## Schedule of Events

Saturday, June 5, 2021

Main Street

- 7:30 a.m. Registration for 5K and Kids Run
- 8:00 a.m. Calhoun County Wood Festival 5K and Kids Run, sponsored by Minnie Hamilton Health System and State Farm Insurance
- 9:00 a.m. Registration for Wood Festival Car Show, Wayne Underwood Field
- 9:00 a.m. Booths Open
- 9:30 a.m. Kids Day activities, hosted by First Baptist Church, Grantsville
- 10:30 a.m. Wood Festival Grand Parade line-up begins
- 11:30 a.m. Calhoun County Wood Festival Grand Parade
- 12 - 3 p.m. Wood Festival Car Show, Wayne Underwood Field
- 12:30 p.m. Staging at boat ramp for Calhoun County Wood Festival Splash and Dash Boat Race (anything that floats), Russett Road, 2 miles East of Grantsville on Rt. 7
- 1:00 p.m. Wood Festival Splash and Dash Boat Race

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# Schedule of Events

## Saturday, June 5, 2021

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2:00 p.m. Cornhole Tournament,  
Market Street

Main Street Stage

Entertainment, hosted by Alice's Attic

12:00 p.m. Jeremy Fowler and his  
Drum Students

12:15 p.m. Sammy Murphy  
and Friends

1:00 p.m. Heather Kutil, Piano  
and Vocal Students

2:00 p.m. Alice's Guitar Students

2:15 p.m. Rick Falls, Bruce Jones  
and Students  
from Bear Fork

3:15 p.m. Dr. Megan Darby and  
Students from GSC

5:30 p.m. Dave Bush and Friends

7:00 p.m. John Richards

8:00 p.m. Johnny Staats and  
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9:00 p.m. Davisson Brothers Band

10:30 p.m. Grand Fireworks Finale,  
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# Annual Calhoun County Wood Festival!



# 97th Commencement Held Friday In Gym

The Calhoun County High School Class of 2021 commencement ceremony was held in the gymnasium on Friday, May 28, with 59 graduates.

After the National Anthem, Alma Mater, and Processional were performed by the CM/HS band, invocation was given by Ronnie "Dakota" Laughlin.

Welcoming remarks for the 97th commencement were delivered by CM/HS principal Anita Stephenson, followed by the salutatory address by Madison Gribble and the

valedictory address by Jordan Yoak.

After presentation of the class by Stephenson, superintendent Kelli Whytsell accepted the Class of 2021, and board president Jenna Jett presented the diplomas.

Benediction was given by Hannah Johnson and ending remarks were presented by Stephenson.

Also listed in the program were ushers Josie Montgomery and Anne Pingley; seating ushers, Emily Anderson, Trista Arnold, Katey Bever, Elijah Dickey, Jaelyn

Jett, Pepper McCormick, Hannah Muniz and Lindsey Schoolcraft.

Senior class officers were Kaylin Parsons, president; Madison Gribble, vice president; Tavia Fowler, secretary; Summer Jones, treasurer; Alexandria Lipscomb, historian; and Jordan Yoak and Levi Walker, representatives.

Senior class sponsors were Anntwinette Fox, Kelsey Jett and Jo Lynn Wilson. Special sponsors were Wendy Batton, Emily Ramezan and Holly Wilson.



Jordan Yoak  
2021 Valedictorian



Madison Gribble  
2021 Salutatorian

## SENIOR CLASS OF 2021

- Levi James Allen
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- Luke Allen Basnett
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- Kaleb Michael Cain
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- Patrick Ryan Carpenter
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- Mycheal Allen Edgell
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- Madison Nichole Gribble
- Brandon Isaiah Hacker
- McKenna Alexis Heiney
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- Shyanna Leigh Jeffrey
- Hannah Belle Johnson
- Summer Nicole Jones
- Christopher Shawn Dennie Kendall
- Marissa Deann King
- Linda Joan Lamb
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- Philine Catherine Lippmann
- Alexandrya Delrea Lipscomb

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- Meaghan Ivy McCumbers
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- Hailey Ann Metz
- Sarah Elizabeth Morris
- Kaylin Elizabeth Parsons
- Madison Anne Perry
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- Rhiana Shae Radcliff
- Levi Taylor Richards
- Carter Riley Ritchie
- Emily Elizabeth Sears
- Logan Ryan Smith
- Hailey Morgan Staton
- Briar Rogan Stehman
- Isabella Rose Stump
- Nicholas Tyler Sturms
- Jaden Lee Swearingen
- Samantha Rae Tanner
- Marissa Niccle Taylor
- Monique Skylah Nicolette Taylor
- Ryan Seth Wagoner
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- Dominick Aaron Whipkey
- Lacy Jolynn Whytsell
- Trinity Lea Yeager
- Abigail Marie Yoak
- Jordan Lee Yoak

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- ⊕ Mu Alpha Theta
- ◆ CTE Completers
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- ▲ HSTA
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## Democrats To Meet

All registered Democrats in Calhoun County are invited to the Democratic County Committee meeting on Saturday, June 12, at 2 p.m., in the little courtroom of the courthouse. It is called by County Democratic Executive Committee chairperson Deirdre Purdy.

It will be an organization meeting for the Democratic Executive Committee. Full committee consists of a Democratic man and a woman from all five magisterial districts in the county.

Volunteers are welcome and elections will be held, if necessary. A secretary

and treasurer will be selected.

The current executive committee members are: Gary Knight, District 3 (formerly Center); Jacob McCumbers, District 4 (formerly Lee); Burl Simers, District 2 (formerly Sherman); and Deirdre Purdy, District 5 (formerly Washington).

The meeting will be an opportunity for Democrats in the county to meet one another and to share appreciation of the governance of the current administration.

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

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

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

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

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

**839 Lovada Road** | 25 Acres +/- | **UNDER CONTRACT**

**UNDER CONTRACT**

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

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

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

**FARMS**

**821 Reedyville Road** | 155 Acres +/- | **SALE PENDING \$100,000**

**SALE PENDING**

**STARTER HOMES**

**22 Poplar Lane** (off of Pine Creek) | 4 Acres +/- | 2 or 3 BR - 1 BA | 2 Car 2 Story Detached Garage, Wood Working Shop, and Cellar | **\$69,500 MAKE AN OFFER**

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

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**SALE PENDING**

**3143 N. Calhoun Hwy** | 5 BR - 3 BA | 1.51 Acres +/- | 2 Garages | **FREE GAS!** | **\$324,900**

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4tc/5/27-6/17

**Sales**

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1tc/6/3

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2tp/6/3-10

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**LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE**

CITYNET WEST VIRGINIA, LLC,  
a public utility, Bridgeport, Harrison County.  
Petition for consent and approval to be  
designated as an eligible telecommunications  
carrier and request for expedited consideration.

**NOTICE OF ETC STATUS**

On February 8, 2021, Citynet West Virginia, LLC, a public telecommunications utility, applied to the Public Service Commission, pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, as amended, for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) in certain areas of Barbour, Calhoun, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Marion, Marshall, Monongalia, Pocahontas, Randolph, Roane, Tucker, Taylor, Tyler, Webster, Wirt, Wetzel, and Wood counties to obtain Federal Universal Service Fund (USF) support for providing certain telephony services. Citynet meets all the necessary qualifications to be designated as an ETC under the Act. The services that Citynet will offer will increase the choices available to low-income telecommunications consumers.

According to federal guidelines, a carrier seeking ETC status must advertise on a regular basis in media targeted to a general residential market throughout its service areas and in a manner substantially similar to the media that the serving incumbent local exchange carrier advertises in the particular service area.

On May 6, 2021, the Commission granted the Citynet Petition. Citynet will provide these services under its approved trade name(s).

This notice is being provided in accordance with Commission requirements and is not for the purpose of seeking public comment or protest.

CITYNET WEST VIRGINIA, LLC

**Broomstick**

Anyone who has family or friends buried in Broomstick Cemetery, please help us continue to keep the cemetery mowed and looking nice. All donations are appreciated. You can send donations to Broomstick Cemetery Fund, Linda Blankenship, P.O. Box 13, Grantsville, WV 26147.

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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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3736 N. Calhoun Hwy., Grantsville - 3 BR, bath, LR, DR, gas fireplace, kitchen with appliances, .24 of an acre. Priced to sell, \$39,900.

12235 S. Calhoun Hwy., Arnoldsburg - 6.74 acres, more or less, with 3 to 4 BR, bath, kitchen, fenced yard, city utilities, \$109,900.

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**UNDER CONTRACT**

304-613-5041 - 304-354-9464  
karensrealestateagent@gmail.com  
**WE NEED PROPERTIES!**

**Arnoldsburg Community Yard Sale, June 10-11**

Arnoldsburg Community Yard Sale will be held at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg, on Thursday, June 10, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Friday, June 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with Basket Bingo at 6 p.m.

**Food Giveaway**

Food giveaway will be held at Brohard Community Building on Friday, June 4, from 4 to 5 p.m. It is sponsored by Strait Creek Baptist Church. For information, call Shelly Murphy, 354-6739.

If picking up food for someone else, you must wait until everyone else has gone through the line for their first time, so that no one is left out.

675-6435 or visit http://dorranceinfo.com/WV. swc

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**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**GENERAL ELECTION**  
**Town of Grantsville, West Virginia**  
**June 8, 2021**

To vote for a candidate mark an "X" in the square opposite to and at the left of the name.

In order to cast a WRITE-IN vote, you may write the name and office of the candidate in any location on the front side of this ballot.

**FOR MAYOR (Vote For ONE)**

DEREK L. VILLERS

ROBERT PETROVSKY

**FOR RECORDER (Vote For ONE)**

TIMOTHY G. DAVIS

**FOR CITY COUNCIL (Vote For Not More Than FIVE)**

DOROTHY A. MCCAULEY

CHERYL CHEESBREW

LINDA STATON

WILLIAM (BILL) VILLERS

JUDY POWELL

Grantsville Municipal Election will be held downstairs of the town office, with the entrance on Mill St., on Tuesday, June 8, from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Early voting period is Wednesday, May 26, to Saturday, June 5.

Early voting in person will be held in the same location from Wednesday, May 26, to Saturday, May 29, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and from Tuesday, June 1, to Saturday, June 5, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

The undersigned Clerk of the County Commission of Calhoun County does hereby give NOTICE that, pursuant to the provisions of West Virginia Code §44-1-4(b), there has been filed and there is pending before me and the said County Commission an Affidavit for ancillary administration of West Virginia real estate without the appointment of any personal representative and does state as follows:

Decedent	Decedent's Address	Date of Death	Date of Affidavit
Robert Dale Smith, Jr.	23303 Lorain Rd. Apt. 306 North Olmsted, OH 44070	September 11, 2020	May 3, 2021

Name of Person Filing Affidavit	Address	Relation to Decedent	Date of First Publication
Vickey Butera	23040 Summerland Ave. North Olmsted, OH 44070	Sister	May 5, 2021

The decedent died owning real estate situate in the State of West Virginia. As reported in the affidavit filed herein, (a) the decedent has left no will as far as is known; (b) no will of the decedent has been presented or probated in this State or in any other jurisdiction; and (c) more than sixty days have passed since the death of the decedent and no personal representative or administrator of the decedent's estate has been otherwise appointed in the State of West Virginia for any proper purpose.

Any interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this State must file a written objection with the County Commission whose address is 363 Main Street; PO Box 230; Grantsville, WV 26147; within sixty (60) days after the date of first publication or thirty (30) days of service of this Notice upon such interested person filing the Notice, whichever is later.

Notice is given that if an objection is not timely filed, the objection is barred and that the Ancillary Administration of the West Virginia real estate of the above decedent shall be deemed final and complete in accordance with the provisions of law.

Enter this 5th day of May, 2021.

*Jean Simers*  
Clerk of the County Commission  
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**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

Notice is hereby given that proceedings in the following estates are pending before the County Commission of Calhoun County, West Virginia, at the Courthouse in the City of Grantsville, West Virginia;

Decedent	Personal Representative	Address
George A. Sauer, Sr.	George A. Sauer, Jr.	454 Oriole Dr., Shoek, WV 26638
Carolyn H. Collins	Herbert G. Collins	3453 Tarpon Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32277

JUNE 2, 2021

Notice is hereby given that the preceding estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Calhoun County Clerk's office at 363 Main Street, PO Box 230, GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA 26147. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provision of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue of jurisdiction of the commission, shall file notice of an objection with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

Any person interested in filing claims against an estate shown below must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code, 44-2 and 44-3. All persons having claims against one or more of the estate(s) shown above, whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims, with the voucher thereof, legally verified, to the Clerk of the Calhoun County Commission at Calhoun County Clerk's Office at 363 Main Street, PO Box 230, GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA 26147 on or before **AUGUST 2, 2021**. Otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate(s). All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear on or before said day to examine said claims and otherwise protect their interests.

Settlement of the estate(s) of the preceding named decedent(s) will proceed with or without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

Jean Simers, Clerk  
Calhoun County Commission  
Class II Legal

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**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

The undersigned Clerk of the County Commission of Calhoun County does hereby give NOTICE that, pursuant to the provisions of West Virginia Code §41-5-13(b), there has been filed and there is pending before me and the said County Commission an Affidavit for ancillary administration of West Virginia real estate without the appointment of any personal representative and does state as follows:

Decedent	Decedent's Address	Date of Death	Date of Will
Charles Dewayne Kendall	3411 Huntsburger Drive Barberton, OH 44203	August 10, 2020	August 6, 2019

Name of Person Filing Affidavit	Address	Relation to Decedent	Date of First Publication
Ronald A. Kendall	3811 Summit Road Norton, OH, 44203	Son	June 2, 2021

Any interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this State must file a written objection with the County Commission whose address is 363 Main Street; PO Box 230; Grantsville, WV 26147; within sixty (60) days after the date of first publication or thirty (30) days of service of this Notice upon such interested person filing the Notice, whichever is later.

Notice is given that if an objection is not timely filed, the objection is barred and that the Ancillary Administration of the West Virginia real estate of the above decedent shall be deemed final and complete in accordance with the provisions of law.

Enter this 2nd day of June, 2021.

*Jean Simers*  
Clerk of the County Commission  
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**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,  
CALHOUN COUNTY, to wit:

In accordance with West Virginia Code §11-8-12, as amended, the Calhoun County Board of Education proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the 2022 fiscal year, and doth 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:

**GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ 2,319,880
Other local sources	2,500
State Sources:	
State aid to schools	5,108,684
Other unrestricted: Retirement & PEIA	2,343,162
Federal Sources:	
Unrestricted	
Miscellaneous Sources	
Total estimated revenues	9,774,226
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	223,515
Estimated beginning balance	362,250
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources, and beginning balance	\$ 10,359,991
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	
Instruction	\$ 5,094,882
Supporting services:	
Students	288,940
Instructional staff	1,480
Central administration	291,880
School administration	712,140
Central services	311,510
Operation and maintenance of facilities	1,275,350
Student transportation	1,303,209
Food services	
Community services	82,161
Capital outlay	79,000
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	
Interest and fiscal charges	
Total estimated expenditures	9,440,552
Estimated transfers and other financing uses	359,929
Estimated budgetary reserves	559,510
Total estimated revenues, other financing uses, and reserves	\$ 10,359,991

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**GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ -
Other local sources	3,000
State Sources:	
State aid to schools	870,368
Other unrestricted: Retirement & PEIA	347,253
Federal Sources:	
Unrestricted	
Miscellaneous Sources	
Total estimated revenues	1,220,621
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	-
Estimated beginning balance	171,353
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources, and beginning balance	\$ 1,391,974
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	
Instruction	\$ 767,040
Supporting services:	
Students	-
Instructional staff	-
Central administration	283,688
School administration	3,700
Central services	4,150
Operation and maintenance of facilities	231,112
Student transportation	60
Food services	
Community services	-
Capital outlay	-
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	
Interest and fiscal charges	
Total estimated expenditures	1,289,750
Estimated transfers and other financing uses	760
Estimated budgetary reserves	101,464
Total estimated revenues, other financing uses, and reserves	\$ 1,391,974

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

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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:

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ 1,700
State sources:	
State aid to schools	357,069
Other	
Federal sources	
State aid to schools	1,872,056
Miscellaneous sources	
Total estimated revenues	2,230,825
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	36,414
Estimated beginning balance	760,170
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources, and beginning balance	\$ 3,027,409
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	
Instruction	\$ 969,437
Supporting services:	
Students	231,550
Instructional staff	141,300
Central administration	23,990
School administration	
Business	
Operation and maintenance of facilities	
Student transportation	
Food services	
Community services	1,061,132
Capital outlay	

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Debt service:	
Principal retirement	
Interest and fiscal charges	
Total estimated expenditures	2,427,409
Total reserved special projects	600,000
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 3,027,409

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ -
State sources:	
State aid to schools	113,044
Other	
Federal sources	
Miscellaneous sources	
Total estimated revenues	113,044
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	5,152
Estimated beginning balance	105,000
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources, and beginning balance	\$ 223,196
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	
Instruction	\$ 118,196
Supporting services:	
Students	
Instructional staff	
Central administration	
School administration	
Business	
Operation and maintenance of facilities	
Student transportation	
Food services	
Community services	
Capital outlay	
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	
Interest and fiscal charges	
Total estimated expenditures	118,196
Total reserved special projects	105,000
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 223,196

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

**FEDERAL STIMULUS AND STABILIZATION FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ -
State sources:	
State aid to schools	
Other	
Federal sources	
State aid to schools	66,230
Miscellaneous sources	
Total estimated revenues	66,230
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	
Estimated beginning balance	
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources, and beginning balance	\$ 66,230
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	
Instruction	\$ -
Supporting services:	
Students	
Instructional staff	
Central administration	
School administration	
Business	
Operation and maintenance of facilities	66,230
Student transportation	
Food services	
Community services	
Capital outlay	
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	
Interest and fiscal charges	
Total estimated expenditures	66,230
Total reserved special projects	
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 66,230

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ -
Other Financing Sources - SBA	995,279
Miscellaneous sources	
Total estimated revenues	995,279
Estimated transfers in and other financing uses	
Estimated beginning balance	
Total estimated revenues, transfers and beginning balance	\$ 995,279
Estimated expenditures:	
Capital projects	
Capital projects	\$ 995,279
Total estimated expenditures	995,279
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 995,279

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

**PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ -
Other local sources	
Miscellaneous sources	
Total estimated revenues	
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	100,000
Estimated beginning balance	
Total estimated revenues, transfers and beginning balance	\$ 100,000
Estimated expenditures:	
Capital projects	
Capital projects	\$ 100,000
Total estimated expenditures	100,000
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 100,000

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,  
Calhoun County, to wit:

I, Kelli J. Whytsell, Secretary of the Calhoun County Board of Education, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the proposed budget being considered for adoption by the board of education on the 26th day of May, 2021.

*Kelli J. Whytsell*  
Secretary of the Board of Education

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**Governor's Updates**

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Virginia Vaccine Info line, 1-833-734-0965, which is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

At the direction of the governor, West Virginia continues to expand vaccine access in innovative new ways, including setting up vaccination sites at several high-traffic locations across the state, offering vaccines through senior organizations, collaborating with hospitals and healthcare facilities to vaccinate patients, communicating vaccination information with younger West Virginians through social media and streaming services, and more.

West Virginians can visit [vaccines.gov](http://vaccines.gov) for assistance in locating and securing an appointment at a federal pharmacy partner.

The Joint Interagency Task Force on COVID-19 vaccines continues to ask manufacturers and businesses across the state to increase vaccine access for employees and their families by reaching out to JIATF to organize vaccination clinics at their facilities.

Church leaders are urged to contact JIATF for help organizing vaccination clinics for interested members of their congregations.

Anyone interested in organizing one of these vaccination clinics is asked to contact the Vaccine Info line, 1-833-734-0965.

**WIC Program**

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) nutrition program is a supplemental food program for pregnant, postpartum, or breastfeeding women, and infants and children up to age five.

WIC provides food, breastfeeding support and nutrition education to families in Calhoun County. To apply for the program or to receive information, call the local office, 354-6898, or the main office in Parkersburg, 428-3688.

WIC clinic is located at 300 Mill St., Grantsville, and is available each Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for appointments by phone.

Call the office, 354-6898, if you have an appointment or a question about benefits.



WEST VIRGINIA CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Statistics:

In West Virginia (condensed dashboard) Each Monday since Mar. 16, 2020, plus last seven week days (last complete daily list July 30, 2020, issue):

Table with 6 columns: Date, Positive Cases, Negative Cases, Deaths, Percentage Positive, Daily Accum. Positive. Data spans from Mar 16 to June 1, 2021.

\*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.

^Includes 34 COVID-19 deaths reported through death certificates.

^162 deaths removed, as the death certificates did not officially list COVID-19 as the cause of death.

Cases by county (case confirmed by lab test/probable case): Barbour (1,498), Berkeley (12,694), Boone (2,165), Braxton (975), Brooke (2,227), Cabell (8,804), Calhoun (369), Clay (539), Doddridge (625), Fayette (3,516), Gilmer (874), Grant (1,294), Greenbrier (2,860), Hampshire (1,907), Hancock (2,838), Hardy (1,553), Harrison (6,027), Jackson (2,207), Jefferson (4,762), Kanawha (15,331), Lewis (1,266), Lincoln (1,551), Logan (3,220), Marion (4,567), Marshall (3,519), Mason (2,037), McDowell (1,597), Mercer (5,064), Mineral (2,925), Mingo (2,691), Monongalia (9,347), Monroe (1,176), Morgan (1,221), Nicholas (1,855), Ohio (4,286), Pendleton (712), Pleasants (955), Pocahontas (678), Preston (2,941), Putnam (5,287), Raleigh (6,971), Randolph (2,775), Ritchie (751), Roane (650), Summers (840), Taylor (1,254), Tucker (543), Tyler (737), Upshur (1,935), Wayne (3,167), Webster (531), Wetzel (1,378), Wirt (448), Wood (7,892), Wyoming (2,026); Calhoun was 53rd of 55 counties to record a case; Calhoun and Webster last counties to hit 100 positive cases, Dec. 10; Calhoun last county to 200 positive cases, Jan. 23; last to reach 300 positive cases, May 6. Calhoun's first COVID-19 death reported on May 26 as 74-year-old woman.

In United States: In World: Each Monday since Mar. 16, 2020, plus last nine days since July 28, 2020 (last daily list in July 30 issue):

Table with 4 columns: Date, Positive Cases, Deaths, Positive Deaths. Data spans from Mar 16 to June 1, 2021.

Cases by states and territories: California 3,789,330, Texas 2,953,255, Florida 2,320,818, New York 2,101,875, Illinois 1,381,579, Pennsylvania 1,203,685, Georgia 1,123,604, Ohio 1,101,923, New Jersey 1,016,332, North Carolina 1,001,154, Michigan 991,941, Arizona 881,450, Tennessee 862,401, Indiana 743,696, Massachusetts 706,945, Virginia 675,538, Wisconsin 674,003, Missouri 606,480, Minnesota 601,384, South Carolina 593,092, Alabama 543,405, Colorado 542,889, Louisiana 470,685, Maryland 459,894, Kentucky 458,275, Oklahoma 452,777, Washington 435,849, Utah 406,027, Iowa 371,404, Connecticut 347,341, Arkansas 341,351, Nevada 323,748, Mississippi 317,713, Kansas 315,331, Nebraska 223,368, New Mexico 202,821, Oregon 201,260, Idaho 192,012, West Virginia 161,287, Rhode Island 151,743, Puerto Rico 138,690, South Dakota 124,162, Montana 111,829, North Dakota 109,944, Delaware 108,821, New Hampshire 98,726, Alaska 70,208, Maine 67,787, Wyoming 60,144, D.C. 48,898, Hawaii 36,246, Vermont 24,220; West Virginia was last state to record a case.

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke Phone 275-3578



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

A flagpole with an American flag has been installed at the dePue graveyard at Creston. Several people have made the trip to the resting places of their loved ones to place flowers on the graves, some using fresh flowers and others using plastic.

Cemeteries, locally and elsewhere, were mowed and trimmed for the Decoration Day weekend.

Others came in to ride their four-wheelers and side-by-sides, have barbecues, thin the fish, etc. Some spent a rainy weekend camping in a tent.

Art Buchanan, 68, of Cairo, died. He was the son of Clairmont "Whitey" and Juanita Owens Buchanan and a grandson of Lou Owens, a sister of Emma and Mildred Lynch, Basil, Bob, George, Jim and Dorr.

The Creston ATV poker run will be held Saturday, June 26. Mark the calendar.

The Calhoun road crew mowed the grass along Rt. 5 from Grantsville to Creston.

Barb Wright still has kidney stones and is scheduled for another treatment this week.

Former Creston resident Terry Grim has been a patient in a hospital. He ran the road grader for the Wirt state road crew and was the expert on making one hot mix patches level.

The postal service announced that "first class" postage is to go from 55 cents to 58 cents later in the summer. According to reports, the post office is actively spying on Americans who do not follow "the party line."

Some older residents recall when one could mail a letter for three cents, and since the 60 cent price likely is soon, it is easy to figure that, thanks to inflation (and ineptitude), money is now worth just 1/20th of its former value.

Oil and gas companies that pay rentals and royalties based on 1900 prices should take note, not that they care since they "own our leaders."

Steve Loudin has been having chariot trouble.

There was a fire at the Ergon oil refinery at Congo in Hancock County. Ergon is the buyer of much of the local Pennsylvania grade crude oil. Apparently, the fire was not devastating.

Another big shot at First Energy was fired over his involvement in the \$61 million bribe to the Ohio legislature to

give the company \$bilions to support their non-profitable nuclear power plants.

The Ohio legislature is at it again, pushing a forced pooling bill, just like the one John Kelley wanted for West Virginia that might pay a 6% royalty on forced tracts. As they say, "Money talks." Why bother representing the interests of the state and its citizens?

Two gainfully unemployed fellers decided to go fishing "at the Point." They were not careful, and a vehicle almost became habitat for aquatic organisms.

Tulip trees are in bloom, and the local area received a very good rain that soaked into the ground. The amphibians were ecstatic, with tree frogs (toads) singing, regular frogs also singing, and toads trilling while meeting with the ladies in water holes. The weather turned cooler after being hot.

There will be a Folk Festival in Glenville from June 17-20.

The impaired fellow, who is supposed to be in charge, said that we would have electric cars, and to make it happen, we would import the metals and such from China, who he said would "own us" by 2035.

Obviously, their \$1.5 billion investment in the son a few years back paid off big time for them.

In 2017, Dr. Fauci predicted that a pandemic would happen. One might wonder how he knew. Perhaps he is a necromancer.

Ted Grim spent some time at his place in Creston. Sonny Burdette was among those calling on him. They were talking poker run routes. Sonny has a new set of wheels that he wants to try out.

Rusty Hutson's Diversified Gas and Oil has now changed its name to Diversified Energy.

After buying 60,000 wells in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky and Virginia, he purchased wells in the Cotton Valley/Haynesville field, and now the Barnett shale in Texas.

It was in the Barnett that the technology to get the gas and oil out of very tight shales was perfected. Key Bank is involved in his finance.

Griff's Wrecker Service was busy in and around Creston over the weekend.

Price of local Pennsylvania grade crude is \$65.32/bbl., with condensate, \$45.32, Marcellus and Utica light, \$56.32, and medium, \$65.32.

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# Students, Staff Recognized At Board Meeting

The following were recognized during a special Calhoun County board of education meeting on Wednesday, May 26, at 5:30 p.m.:

--School-Based Health Center, Trudi Anderson, Colleen Goodrich, Mandi Johnson, Brandi Grogg.

--Emily Anderson, W.Va. Girls Rise Up; Miss Majorette of West Virginia.

--Jaelyn Jett, 2021 HOBY; 2020 National History Day, Best Project in West Virginia.

--Aislin Summers, 2021 HOBY; W.Va. Governor's School for the Arts/Vocal Performing Arts.

--Jacob Toney, spotlighted in Keeping ConnectED, WVDE.

--Christeena Craddock, 2021 Naval Academy Virtual STEM Program.

--Pepper McCormick, Elected as 2021-22 State TSA President.

--Pepper McCormick, Nicholas Rubel, Tori Arnold, Kyla Jean Lovejoy, W.Va. Technology Student Association's Virtual State Conference.

--Career Center awarded 3rd place in Outstanding School, Level II/High School Division TSA, Virginia McCormick, advisor.

--Adrianna Brannon, 6th place, Carpentry, SkillsUSA State Conference.

--Jaden Swearingen, 5th, Auto, SkillsUSA.

--Kaylin Parsons, 2nd, Silver Medalist, Medical Terminology, SkillsUSA.

--Young Writers, Mercy Starcher, Jacob Gumm, Kelbie Johnson, Dagan Gainer-Pittman, Amelia Cain, Hoyt Helmick, Abby Kruzan, Abby White.

--Jett Sampson, 6th place, Class AA-A State Wrestling Tournament.

--CCHS basketball team, Class A State tournament: Savannah Cun-

ningham, Josie Montgomery, Kaylin Parsons, Ella Hess, Joselynn Yeager, Allison Stevens, Madison Westfall, Trista Arnold, Ariety Hickman, Makayla Jones, Emily Dennison, Jlynn Helmic, Coaches Kevin Boak and Paul Parsons.

After a break for refreshments and photos, the board recessed for a proposed budget hearing and discussion.

The special meeting reconvened and the board approved the budget adoption for fiscal year 2021-22.

The board also approved a bid received for Titan LED Lights for \$201,368.56.

Personnel items approved included the following:

--Resignations: extra-curricular, Joshua Johnson, assistant varsity football coach; Whitney Butler, CMS cheerleading coach.

--Employment: service, Robert Posey, multi-classified, mechanic; Rita Holcomb, custodian III, CM/HS.

--Summer School: Beth Stull, Christina Jones, Tiffany Oldham, Darlene Ulderich, Brenda Morgan, substitute cooks, CM/HS; Erica Falls, multi-classified aide II/supervisory aide/bus, specialized health care procedures, AES; Brittney Carter, guidance counselor, county-wide; M. Loretta Smith (CM/HS), Lou Richards (PHS), Brittany Parsons (AES), Community in Service facilitators.

The board entered into an executive session for superintendent evaluation at 7:27 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the board of education will be held on Monday, June 14, 5:30 p.m., at the Mt. Zion board office.



Left to right, Brandi Grogg, Mandi Johnson, Trudi Anderson and Colleen Goodrich.



Left to right, advisor Virginia McCormick, Pepper McCormick, Tori Arnold and Kyla Jean Lovejoy.



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## Lions Bingo

Grantsville Lions Club will sponsor Wood Festival Bingo through Saturday, June 5, with set up near the courthouse. Hours will depend on the number of players. COVID-19 guidelines will be followed. Funds go to Lions Sight Program.

## Pancake/Sausage

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be held Friday, June 4, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Grantsville Lions Club building. Cost of meal is \$6. All proceeds will benefit community projects. Delivery will be available. For info, call Karen Yoak, 580-6205.

## Owen Taylor Wins Essay Contest

Calhoun Middle/High School student Owen Taylor was selected as the Elk River Chapter, NSDAR, winner in the American History Essay Contest during the 2019-2020 school year.

Because of the pandemic, Taylor was presented with a medal and certificate in May.

Students in 5th and 8th grades wrote an essay describing the experiences that a passenger may have had on the Mayflower voyage, as an optional activity at CMS.

Nine fifth graders and nine eighth graders participated in the contest.

Taylor's essay won on the 8th grade level and also placed 3rd on the state level through the WVDAR.

Fifth grade participants included Madison Cunningham, Cooper Morris, Clay Allison, Summer Rogers, Brylee Breneman, Laney Arnold, Raylee Cunningham, Jewel Nichols and Khloe Chancey.

Other eighth grade participants included Mia Houchin, Mackenzie Bailey, Mattea Miller, Emily Dennison, Jaiden Francis, Emily Anderson, Tessa Slider and Landon Bennett.

Social Studies teacher Daniel Cosgrove distributed the certificates before school ended.

Taylor received two certificates, a medal and a monetary gift from Elk River Daughters of the American Revolution, a women's service organi-



Owen Taylor

zation, whose purpose is to promote patriotism, education and historic preservation.

For information about DAR in Gassaway, email Ruth Mooney, Regent, dar.mooney765@yahoo.com.



Emily Anderson



Kelbie Johnson

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## Music

Bluegrass, gospel and country music will be held at the Lions Club building in Grantsville on Fridays at 6 p.m. There will be food and a 50/50 drawing. Everyone is welcome. For information, call Madeline Yoak, 354-7610.

## Jude Walker Qualifies For National Tourney

Jude Walker has earned enough points during the Mid-Ohio Valley Under Armor Junior Tour to qualify for a national tournament.

It will be a 36-hole event on July 17-18 at the Magnolia and Palm Course at Walt Disney Golf Resort, Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

He is the nine-year-old son of Matt and Sarah Walker of Mt. Zion and will be entering fifth grade at Little Kanawha Valley Christian School.



Jude Walker

## Farmer's Market

Grantsville Farmer's Market will be open at Wayne Underwood Field on Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items include lettuce, kale, honey, eggs, pies, baked goods, onions, dips, and crafts. Now taking EBT cards.

## Mt. Zion Meeting

Mt. Zion Community Park meeting will be held on Monday, June 7, at 6:30 p.m.

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