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Ian Persinger (29) drags a pair of Webster County tacklers for additional yardage during Friday's scrimmage. Calhoun outscored the visitors two touchdowns to none. The Red Devils are scheduled to travel to Morgantown to scrimmage Trinity Christian on Friday at 6:30 p.m. (See additional photos and story on Page 5).

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, August 18

First day of school for kindergarten, 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th and 11 grades.

Thursday, August 19

First day of school for 1st, 3rd, 7th, 8th, 10th and 12th grades.

Welfare of Animals Group will be trapping stray and feral cats in the Big Springs area to have them spayed/neutered.

Friday, August 20

All grades except pre-school attend school.

CCHS varsity football (Continued on Page 2)

Board Members Approve Optional Masks In 3-2 Vote

Calhoun County superintendent of schools Kelli Whysell offered board members three options for opening schools at the board's 5:30 p.m. meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 11.

The primary differences in the three options were as follows:

Option 1: Calhoun County students and staff will not be required to wear a mask. We will continue to socially distance as much as possible. Parents and Staff can choose to wear a mask if they are more comfortable in doing so. If we have incidents of COVID-19 in one or more

schools, students and/or staff test positive for COVID-19, that school or schools may be required to wear a mask until the exposure and positive tests are negative. The requirement to wear a mask will be for all students and staff regardless of being vaccinated.

Option 2: Calhoun County students, staff and community will be required to wear a mask in all buildings and at all school functions. The requirement to wear a mask will be for all students and staff regardless of being vaccinated.

Option 3: Calhoun County students and staff will not be required to wear a mask. We will continue to socially distance as much as possible. Parents and staff can choose to wear a mask if they are more comfortable in doing so; however, if the DHHR COVID-19 map has Calhoun County in Orange or Red on the Thursday evening map, Calhoun County students, staff, and community will be required to wear a mask for the next week in school and extracurricular activities. The requirement to wear a mask will be for all students and staff regardless of being vaccinated.

After a lengthy discussion, three board members, Kevin Cunningham, Jimmy Gregory and Horst Motz, voted in favor of Option 3, with changes. Board members Jenna Jett and Tammy Yoak were opposed. (The option approved is included in the "opening school information" printed on Page 2.)

The superintendent's original recommendation had included information in Option 3, plus the following: In order to maintain the health and safety of our students and staff (Continued on Page 2)

County Parks Need Funds; Possible Levy?

by Bill Bailey

The Calhoun county commission met on Monday at 9 a. m.

Donnie Pitts spoke about Calhoun County

Park, and the other parks in the county. Looking around the little courtroom, it was determined that all of the parks in the county had representation

at the meeting.

Although the topic had not been discussed by all of the park representatives, he said, "My personal feeling is that, at

some point in time, and I know this a dirty word, but I really think the county needs to consider some kind of a levy to support our parks."

Pitts spoke about the West Virginia tourism website, on which Calhoun County is represented. If you go to "things to do," you will see that there is a stargazing category.

Looking further into the category, it says to "begin your road trip at Calhoun County Park. It is a coveted stargazing location among astronomers and photographers, thanks to the fact

that it is a rather hidden gem, with hundreds of acres of forests and meadows and beautiful surroundings from all angles. On clear nights, you can spot the Milky Way, etc."

Pitts said that it is good advertising for the county. He reported that the weekend before last, there were stargazers here from the Philadelphia area, who brought nearly \$70,000 worth of astronomical equipment.

Even though the skies did not cooperate completely (Continued on Page 6)



Josh Hardbarger (32) makes one of his 15 tackles during the C team's 27-0 win over St. Marys. He also had three touchdown runs on three carries for 139 yards. Teammates are Justin Cunningham (84) and Quintin Parkin (60).

Calhoun Has Net Of Five COVID Cases; Area, 126

It was a rollercoaster week for Calhoun.

After DHHR credited the county with six COVID-19 cases on its Aug. 10 report and two more on Aug. 11, the agency took four cases away on Aug. 12 because they were positive cases of residents outside of the county.

Another four cases were reported on Monday

and two more on Tuesday, it left the county a net of five cases in the past week.

The DHHR map had the county with a color change for six straight reports, until Tuesday when it stayed yellow:

- Aug. 9, green
- Aug. 10, yellow
- Aug. 11, orange
- Aug. 12, yellow
- Aug. 13, green
- Aug. 16, yellow
- Aug. 17, yellow

Since the pandemic began, Calhoun has now had 422 cases, which remains the lowest county total in the State.

The number of new COVID-19 cases in Calhoun and surrounding counties for the week increased from 102 to 126, the most since May 12-18 when there were 135 cases.

New cases in addition to Calhoun (and total): Clay, 33 (591); Roane, 25 (724); Braxton, 25 (1,101); Gilmer, 21 (948); Ritchie, 14 (800); and Wirt, 3 (482).

On Tuesday, DHHR reported three counties in green, six as yellow, 10 in gold, 29 orange and seven red.

Calhoun had all five colors in surrounding counties: Clay, red;

Roane, orange; Braxton and Ritchie, gold; Gilmer, yellow; and Wirt, green.

In West Virginia, Calhoun's 422 cases is followed by Wirt, 482; Clay, 591; Tucker, 587, and Webster, 641.

The percent positivity for Calhoun is now at 3.18, with infection rate at 12.06.

West Virginia cases increased by 4,162, compared to 2,708 the previous week (up 53.7%). The number of deaths was 18, the same as the previous week.

The daily percent positivity for West Virginia on Tuesday was 11.3 percent, the highest since it was 12.2 on Jan. 5.

The number of new cases in the United States in the past week was 956,881, up from 882,899 the previous week.

Worldwide totals showed 4,606,344 new cases, up from 4,521,662 the previous week. Since the pandemic began, worldwide cases reported total 208,948,917.

According to DHHR, 49.9% of West Virginia's population has been fully vaccinated.

In Calhoun, 2,706 doses have been administered, including 35 in the past week.



Calhoun Youth football Little Red Devils B team (grades 3-4) won its game on Sunday, 45-6, over visiting St. Marys. Members of the team are, left to right, first row, Silas Cunningham, Payden Yeager, Kyler Starcher, Liam Yeager, Greyson Laughlin, Chandler Cottrell, Cooper Summers; second row, Mason Cunningham, Marky Plumby, Carter Thompson, Bentley Snodgrass, Tyler Mayle, Kason Stamper, Tristian Rogers; third row, coaches Kevin Yeager, Jr., Scott Laughlin, Travis Mayle, Shaun Snodgrass and Brandon Cottrell. Story and photos on Page 10.

OBITUARIES

RITA CLARA KEVAK

Rita Clara Kevak, 88, of Palestine, died Saturday, July 31, 2021, at Minnie Hamilton Health System. She was born in Pittston, Pa., the daughter of the late Joseph and Eleanor Poplowski Brody. Surviving are three children, Rudy Kevak, Dennis Kevak and Rita Ftorkowski; two grandchildren, Rita Lynn Fink and Jackie Ftorkowski; and four great-grandchildren, Lacey and Stanton Kevak and McKenzie and Mattie Fink. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rudolph Michael Kevak, and one grandson, Rudy Kevak. Funeral mass was held at Sacred Heart of Jesus, Dupont, Pa., with Father Thomas Petro officiating. Burial was in Sacred Heart of Jesus Cemetery, Dupont.

GHASSEM DAVE RAMEZAN

Ghassem Dave Ramezan, 67, of Sand Fork, died Thursday, Aug. 12, 2021, at his residence.



He was born in Tehran, Iran, the son of the late Javad and Mohteram Morezagholi Ramezan. He was a graduate of Kharazmi High School, Tehran, and a graduate of West Virginia University, where he received multiple degrees. He was owner/operator of Ramco Technologies, Glenville, and Gilmer Free Press. He was vice president of Gilmer County Board of Education, former professor at Fairmont State University, and teacher at Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center. He held an FCC registered amateur radio license, was instrumental in bringing internet to Gilmer County, and wrote a lot of grants to help bring technology to the Gilmer County school system. He was a Christian. Surviving are his wife, Hazel Janette Sprouse Ramezan, whom he married July 20, 1974; eight children, Daniel Ramezan of Charleston, Jonathan Ramezan of Flemington, Andrea Ramezan-Jackson of Washington, D.C., Anthony Ramezan of Fairmont, Sarah Walker of Mt. Zion, Benjamin Ramezan of Glenville, Rachel Ramezan of Morgantown and Emily Ramezan of Sand Fork; 10 grandchildren, Oliver, Isla, Greyson, Zander, Finnegan, Isabella, Jude, Nyla, Ellis and Ivan; three siblings, Hamid Ramezan of Tehran and Nahid Motlagh, both of Tehran, and Amir Ramezan of Bruceton Mills; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousin. Services were held at Ellyson Mortuary, Glenville, with Pastor Kenny Fisher officiating. Burial was in Turner Cemetery, near Lockney.

LOLA JEAN HICKS JARVIS

Lola Jean Hicks Jarvis, 89, of Wallback, died Monday, Aug. 9, 2021. She was the daughter of the late Joseph Hicks and Myrtle Samples of Prociuous. She was a homemaker. Surviving are four sons, Robert Jarvis, Charles Jarvis, Victor Jarvis and Willie Jarvis; six daughters, Martha, Mary, Norma, Wilma King, Linda, and Janet O'Dell; 12 grandchildren, Robert, Racheal Nelson, Victor, Amber, John, Erica, Roger, Dana, Tanya, Travis, Joshua and Jessica; 16 great-grandchildren, Quentin, Joseph, Isaac, Mason, C.J., Austin, Katelyn, Shyann, Hailey, Johnny, Abbigail, Toby, Cloey, Zoey, Joey and Raelynn. She was preceded in death by her husband, Willis Jarvis; one grandson, Robert; and one great-grandson, Quentin Nelson. Services were held at Stump Funeral Home, Arnoldsburg, with Pastor Clifford Samples officiating. Burial was in Hicks Cemetery, White Oak.

2021-2022 Opening School Information

Calhoun County Schools has submitted the following opening school information for 2021-2022: *(This fluid document may need to be added to and updated as more information becomes available.)* Calhoun County students and staff will not be required to wear a mask. We will continue to socially distance as much as possible. Parents and staff can choose to wear a mask if they are more comfortable in doing so. If the DHHR COVID-19 map has Calhoun County in the Orange or Red on the Thursday map [first time the map will be checked will be on Thursday, Aug. 19, for the week of Aug. 23], Calhoun County students, staff, and community will be required to wear a mask for the next week in school and extracurricular activities. Calhoun County Schools will make the announcement each Friday in our schools and on our web page, social media pages, and through the call system. The requirement to wear a mask will be for all students and staff, regardless of being vaccinated. Calhoun County Schools will follow all of the West Virginia Dept. of Education and the W.Va. Health and Human Resources requirements in the Re-Entry document. Anyone who has symptoms of COVID-19 should not report to any school location until cleared by a medical professional. Any person who has traveled to an identified hot spot or traveled outside the United States will be required to notify Trudi Anderson, school nurse, for instructions. Anyone at Calhoun County Schools showing any of the signs of COVID-19 will be asked to leave immediately and seek medical assistance. If this is a student, they will be placed in a specific location to be monitored until a parent can pick the student up and seek medical attention. If necessary, Calhoun County Schools will seek medical attention for the student. If you have kept your child home due to illness, you can contact Nurse Trudi to see if your child needs to be seen by a doctor or if Nurse Trudi can provide you a school excuse. To maintain the health and safety of our students, Calhoun County Schools will be offering testing on a random sample weekly of at least 10% of students, who are not fully vaccinated and have returned parental permission to participate in the random testing. The only students who will be tested are the ones that have turned in a permission form.

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

I check the W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources COVID-19 report page on the internet each week day. I used to check it every day, until they decided to not provide an update on weekends. I do my best to stay on top of any developments in the state concerning this dread disease, especially as it pertains to Calhoun County. I have been on the lookout for the Delta variant since it was first reported, and I have been glad to see that it had not yet been reported in Calhoun. As of the Tuesday's report, one case of the Delta variant showed up for Calhoun. So far, there have been five Delta variant cases in Braxton, two in Gilmer, one in Roane, and none in Clay, Ritchie and Wirt. We must all remember that the only person looking out for your family's health, as if it is the only thing that mattered, is you. Consider this as the same wake-up call that we had last year--follow all of the protocols you followed then. We can get through this, if we stick together and remember that this is now a pandemic of the unvaccinated. If you know an unvaccinated person, be it family, friend or acquaintance, see if there is any way to convince them to join the ranks of the vaccinated. You just might save their life. * * * * Jeanne and I went out on the deck last Wednesday night to sit in our comfortable, plastic Adirondack chairs for a while, looking upwards for the streaks of light across the night sky that signify that a Perseid meteor had just entered our atmosphere. Jeanne saw the first one, and while we were waiting for the next one to appear, I decided to see if there were any barred owls within hearing distance. I do a very poor imitation of a barred owl, but it seems to be good enough to get the crows to leave them alone while they fly over my head to see why I sound like a dying owl. At times, I can get the owls to join me in a conversation or even a hootenanny. Surprisingly, not only did I get an immediate reply from an owl down the holler, but one started hooting that was somewhere up the holler. I shut up at that point and let the two of them converse for a while, as Jeanne laughed at both me and the owls. I used to be able to call in screech owls during the springtime to the trees right beside our deck, but that was then. I no longer can whistle a tune, let alone fool a screech owl. Oh well, C'est la vie.

LETTER BOX

We are back, and it is Ox Roast time. We will be celebrating 61 years of memories and looking forward to the future when the Ox Roast is held on Saturday, Aug. 28, at Mt. Zion Community Park. We will start the week off on Monday, Aug. 23, at 9 a.m., to clean the pit. On Friday, Aug. 27, we will meet to start the fire at 6 a.m., and it will need tended and stoked throughout the day. Between 5 and 6 p.m., we will meet to cut and wrap the meat and place it in the pit. We cheerfully welcome all volunteers to come and join us. On Saturday, Aug. 28, the work starts around 9 a.m., with set up of the serving line and getting things ready to go. We start serving at 11 a.m. and continue until 5 p.m., when we will close out the day with our annual auction. We invite all crafters, at no charge, to come and set up a table/canopy to sell local non-food items. All we ask is for an item to be donated to the fair and auction. As in years past, we need cakes to serve, tomatoes to slice, and your fair exhibits (garden vegetables, canned goods, craft items, and miscellaneous), Fair items will be judged and a grand prize ribbon will be awarded, along with a roast from the pit. We will have music by David Bowen. Cornhole tournament is back this year. For information on the tournament, call Sandy Weaver, 354-6217, or message her on Facebook. Most of all, we need your help! Please come join us for your Ox Roast. Invite your family, neighbors and friends. Help spread the word. This is our major fundraiser for the year and the upkeep and improvements of your community park depend on your participation. For information, call Donald and Pat Little, 354-7025, or David and Sandy Weaver, 354-6217.

SPECIAL EVENTS

(Continued from Page 1) Free concert, with Extreme Tours Events, Wayne Underwood Field, Grantsville, 6 p.m. **Saturday, August 21** Bingo, Grantsville Lions Club, 103 Stump St., 6 p.m. Sing, Upper West Fork Park, Chloe, 7 p.m. **Sunday, August 22** Calhoun Youth football teams host Clay, 1 p.m. **Sunday, August 22** Homecoming, Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Stumptown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; preaching service, 11 a.m.; covered dish dinner, noon; and singing, 1 p.m. Calhoun Youth football teams host Clay, 1 p.m. **Wednesday, August 25** Calhoun County Solid Waste meets, Mom's Place Too, 4 p.m. **Friday, August 27** CCHS football team hosts Wirt County in season opener, 7 p.m. **Saturday, August 28** Propst Family Reunion (Wesley and Millie/Wesley and Susie families), Calhoun County Park, Herb Smith Community Building; doors open, 10:30 a.m.; covered dish lunch, noon. 61st annual Mt. Zion Ox Roast, Mt. Zion Community Park, 11 a.m.; auction, 5 p.m. Wesley and Barbara Richards Family Reunion, shelter by baseball field, Calhoun County Park; meal at noon. Sing, Upper West Fork Park, Chloe, 7 p.m.

Board Members Approve--

(Continued from Page 1) PHS staff, Calhoun County Schools will be offering testing on a random sample of at least 10% of students and staff who are not fully vaccinated and all students who are participating in sports and extracurricular activities. The only students that will be tested are the one who have turned in a permission form. Among other items approved were: --Contracts: Integrated Speech Solutions. --Surplus Equipment Inventory: ice machine, coolers, student desks, lunch tables, piano. --Homeschool requests: parent Terra Mckay, 4th grade; parent Teresa Siers, 5th grade; parent Michelle Wagoner, 5th and 8th grades; parent Brooklyn Dye, K and 1st grades. Personnel items approved: --Resignations: professional, Anita Stephenson, substitute teacher; Brandi Richards, technology integration specialist. --Extracurricular: Wiley Raines, assistant CMS football coach. --Employment: professional, Casey Hill, Katelyn Hardway, substitute teachers, county; Julie Summers, program coordinator/interventionist, STC, AES; Melissa Jarvis, mathematics teacher, CMS; Andrea Bailey - AES, Patty Mangus Kight - CM/HS, Lee Kimble - PHS, Sarah Harper - PHS (SC), long term substitute multi-cat special education teachers; Michelle Jones, pre-school teacher, PHS; Katelyn Hardway, long term substitute teacher, 4th grade, PHS. Service, Holly McKown, multi-classified aide II/supervisory aide/bus, AES; Lorie Bailey - PHS 1st grade, Brittney Simmons, multi-classified aide II/supervisory aide/bus, specialized healthcare procedures; Terry Marks, substitute cook, county (pending background check); Anthony Oldham, substitute custodian, county (pending background check); Debra Goff, mentor to secretary, PHS. Extracurricular, Hayden Richards, assistant CMS football coach; Tanya Cunningham, CMS cheerleading coach (pending certification). The meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 15, 5:30 p.m., at the Mt. Zion board office.

Free Concert

There will be a free concert with The Extreme Tours Events on Wednesday, Aug. 25, 6 p.m., at Wayne Underwood Field, Grantsville. There will be approximately 25 musicians with several bands. For information, call Judy Powell, 488-7579.

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

"Helen of the Old House," Harold Bell Wright's latest book, will be on sale at the Chronicle Bookstore on Aug. 20. Place your order now, as the demand for this latest work of the popular author will be great.

Jesse Erlewine of near Henrietta was here on Monday, attending to business affairs. He recently returned from Glenville, where he attended the summer term of the normal school there. He will teach at Oak Hill this winter.

Justice J.A. Jackson, Jr., and county clerk S.T. Waldo returned this week from Martinsburg, where they were summoned to testify in Federal Court against James R. Brannon of near Arnoldsburg, who was under indictment on a charge of white slavery. Brannon confessed to the charge and threw himself on the mercy of the court. He was sentenced to one year and a day in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., and will be removed to that institution in a few days.

Brannon was charged with transporting Mrs. Freda Croft from Akron, Ohio, to Arnoldsburg for immoral purposes. Upon their arrival in this county, they secured a marriage license and were married. In a few days, the husband of the Croft woman came to this place and had the couple arrested. Brannon was held on a white slavery charge and the woman was held on a charge of bigamy. At the last term of court, Mrs. Croft pled guilty to the bigamy charge and was paroled by the court. She returned to Akron with her husband.

W.H. Stockwell of near Annamoriah, who is charged with transporting Ada Kirby, a 16-year-old of Joker, from her home to Texas for immoral purposes, confessed to practically everything he is charged with when confronted by an agent of the federal department of justice on Friday.

It will be remembered that Stockwell and the young girl departed from their homes last August, leaving no trace of where they intended to go. An unsuccessful attempt was made by the parents of the girl to locate her, but nothing was learned of the couple until Sunday of last week, when Stockwell returned to his home. He was immediately arrested and lodged in the county jail here to await a hearing on the charge of white slavery. His preliminary hearing was delayed from day-to-day until the arrival of the federal agent, when he waived a hearing and was taken by the agent to the Parkersburg jail to await the action of the federal grand jury. It is said that Stockwell confessed to the agent fully and freely, telling all the details of the trip across several states.

Stockwell is about 40 years of age, is married, and has several small children. He has heretofore borne a good name in the community where he resided, and his friends are at a loss to explain his conduct. The young girl is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kirby and is a member of a good and prominent family.

1946, 75 years ago

Calhoun County children returned on Saturday morning from the Roane County, where they have been holding a joint camp with Roane County 4-H Club members. All reported having a grand time.

Calhoun had 64 children enrolled. Adults in attendance included Miss Imogene Morgan and Miss Ruth Edwards, leaders of the Arnoldsburg 4-H Club; Mrs. Ruby Edgell, leader of the Beech Grove 4-H Club; county agent B.A. Hensley; county home demonstration agent, Abbie M. Russell; and camp cooks, Mrs. Holly Perkins of the Apple Farm Farm Women's Club and Mrs. Lorena Kelly of the Phillips Run Farm Women's Club. James McFadden, Calhoun representative of Monongahela Power Co., taught a class each day.

At the final council circle on Friday night, Calhoun County children received the following awards:

All first year campers, Lucky Pennies; Lucky Nickels, Cora Duffield, Lorena Miller and Richard Miller of Little White Oak Club; Jacklene Gainer of Apple Farm Club; Barbara Hays of Arnoldsburg Club; Ernest Arnold of Beech Grove Club; William Paul Snider of Brohard Club; Charles Hathaway of Phillips Run Club; Edna Yoak and Carlay McMillin of Pleasant Hill Club; and Dorothy Brannon of Orma Club.

Tribal Loyalty, Betty Knotts of Arnoldsburg Club, Buddy Kelley of Phillips Run and Eugene Wease of Pleasant Hill; Green and White Emblem, Evadeen Yoak of Pleasant Hill and Tommy Van Horn of Phillips Run; Heart H, Betty Dawson of Brohard; Health H, James Bell of Phillips Run; and 4-H Pin, Betty Dawson of Brohard.

Honorable mention was given to the following: George Bell, James Bell, Gail Hayhurst and Tommy Van Horn of Phillips Run; Cora Duffield and Lorena Miller of Little White Oak; Gwendolyn McCray and Ava Robinson of Brohard; and Evadeen Yoak of Pleasant Hill. During the week, Bonel Poling of Mt. Zion, acted as Chief of the Cherokee Tribe. Doris Brannon was Sagamore for the Delawares; George Bell held the same place in the Mingo Tribe; and Loretta Poling was the Seneca Sagamore.

1971, 50 years ago

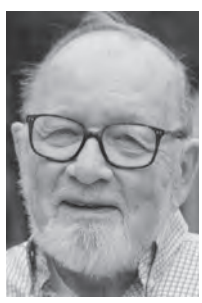
White Oak Baptist Church was organized in 1876 in a log schoolhouse on White Oak Creek, close to the farm of Charley Witt. The present building, and the only one owned by the church, was built in 1902 on land donated by the late Claudius Jarvis. The lumber was sawed in 1901 by C.A. Witt and Eddie Shawver. The logs were cut from the land owned by C.A.'s father, Lemuel S. Witt. The land was on Little White Oak, and near the place the Little White Oak Methodist Church now stands.

A dry kiln was built on the church lot for drying the timber prior to planing and building. The writer does not know just who the main carpenter was for the construction of the building. Some of the Witts were carpenters, especially Theodore, who built many houses on White Oak and Walker. Other names in the church were Shawver, Truman, Hall, Jarvis, Siers, Parsons, Miller and Mollohan.

A traveling painter came along and did the

CURIOSITY CORNER

by Dr. Jerry D. Wilson,
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Question: Why are there different electrical voltages in the U.S. (110 V) and in Europe (220 V)?

Answer: Many travelers to Europe have difficulty with their electrical appliances, because the United States and a handful of other countries in the Americas use 110 V/60 Hz electricity, whereas Europe and most other countries of the world use a 220 V/50 Hz system. (The 60 Hz and the 50 Hz are frequencies of the alternating voltages.)

As a result, using appliances in Europe designed to run on U.S. voltage can cause some real problems. For example, a 110-V hairdryer used in a 220-V European outlet could quickly burn up because of the higher voltage.

Why different voltages? There is a historical explanation. In 1879, Thomas Edison invented an improved incandescent light bulb. He realized the need for an electrical distribution system to provide power for lighting and built a 110-V DC (direct current) system that initially provided power in Manhattan, N.Y. The DC system, with large wire conductors and big voltage drops was somewhat cumbersome, with limited distance distribution.

George Westinghouse introduced a distribution system based on 110-V AC (alternating current). AC allows the voltage to be changed through the use of transformers. This allowed transmission at higher voltages and less current, thereby reducing line losses due to conductor resistance (joule heat), and making for greater transmission distances. AC voltage generation took over from DC voltage generation with the use of 110 V/60 Hz. There was some variation, from 110 V to 115 V, as there still is today.

By the time most European countries got around to developing electrical distribution systems, engineers had figured out how to make 220-V light bulbs. These bulbs did not burn out as quickly at 110-V bulbs, making them more economical. So, around the beginning of the 20th century in Germany, 220 V/50 Hz generation was adopted and spread throughout Europe. The U.S. stayed with 110 V/60 Hz because of the big investment in 110-V equipment. Voltage between 220 V and 240 V is available on the U.S. three-wire system.

Because of the voltage difference, travelers to Europe usually need to take a voltage converter with them. Nowadays, some devices, such as hair dryers and curlers, are designed to operate on either 110 V/60 Hz or 220 V/50 Hz by switching from one to the other. Equipment rated at 50 Hz or 60 Hz will usually operate on either cycle. Some devices, such as electric plug-in clocks that use AC frequency for timing, will not function well.

One final note. Various countries use different plugs for normal outlets. For example, in North America and South America, plugs have vertical prongs (like ours). In Europe, they have round prongs. In Great Britain, they use three prongs. In Australia, they use slanted prongs. When going abroad, think about taking a plug adapter kit for connecting to foreign outlets.

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "Don't worry about the world coming to an end today. It's already tomorrow in Australia." --Charles Schulz.

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

WAG To Trap In Big Springs Area

Welfare of Animals Group will be humanely trapping stray and feral cats in the Big Springs area on Thursday, Aug. 19, to have them spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and ear tipped (the universal sign that a cat has been part of a Trap-Neuter-Return program).

According to the news release, "We would appreciate if you would not put food out for them on Wednesday, Aug. 18, as we will be trapping on Aug. 19.

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

"So far, we have spayed and neutered 542 community cats (305 females and 237 males).

"Please keep your personal cats indoors or put a collar on them Thursday, Aug. 19. If you have questions, call Linda Buchanan, 354-7506.

"If you are aware of a feral cat colony in your area, let us know. Female kittens can begin breeding at four months old, so the best time to spay/neuter a colony is when there are only five or six cats.

Trap-Neuter-Return is provided to county residents at no cost to the caretaker."

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

unique painting, but no one knows for sure what his name was. He was given \$30 and his board for doing all that painting. The name was something like McClosky. Some very similar painting was done in the house of Joseph Jarvis, where Paris Parsons now lives, and some, too, was in a house then owned by C.A. and Phoebe Duffield on Little White Oak. Pet Hicks owns this place now. The painting in these two houses has long since been painted over.

Some say that the church building was not dedicated in the year that it was built, but when the dedication was held, it was attended by a large crowd, in the hundreds.

This brief history was supplied by Rev. Harry Miller of Wadestown.



This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from Aug. 19-25 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.

ratified a new state constitution by a vote of 42,344 to 37,777. In the same election, the voters rejected a controversial convention proposition that would have restricted office-holding to whites.

Aug. 23, 1970: The Mormon Church established its first "stake," or congregation, in West Virginia. The stake was organized in Charleston with a membership of nearly 4,000 people.



Aug. 19, 1863: Union cavalry under Brig. Gen. William Woods Averell destroyed the Confederate saltpeter works near Franklin.

Aug. 19, 1997: Fiddler Curly Ray Cline died. Born in Logan County, he was a member of Lonesome Pine Fiddlers and Ralph Stanley's Clinch Mountain Boys.



Aug. 24, 1918: Louis Bennett, Jr., died of injuries sustained when his plane was shot down by German anti-aircraft fire. With 12 combat kills, he was West Virginia's only World War I fighter ace.



Aug. 20, 1851: The oldest statue in West Virginia, a nine-foot wood carving of Patrick Henry, was dedicated at the county courthouse in Morgantown.

Aug. 21, 1861: Confederate troops under Gen. John B. Floyd crossed the Gauley River at Carnifex Ferry, Nicholas County, and began to entrench their position. It was the beginning of what became known as the Battle of Keslers Cross Lanes.

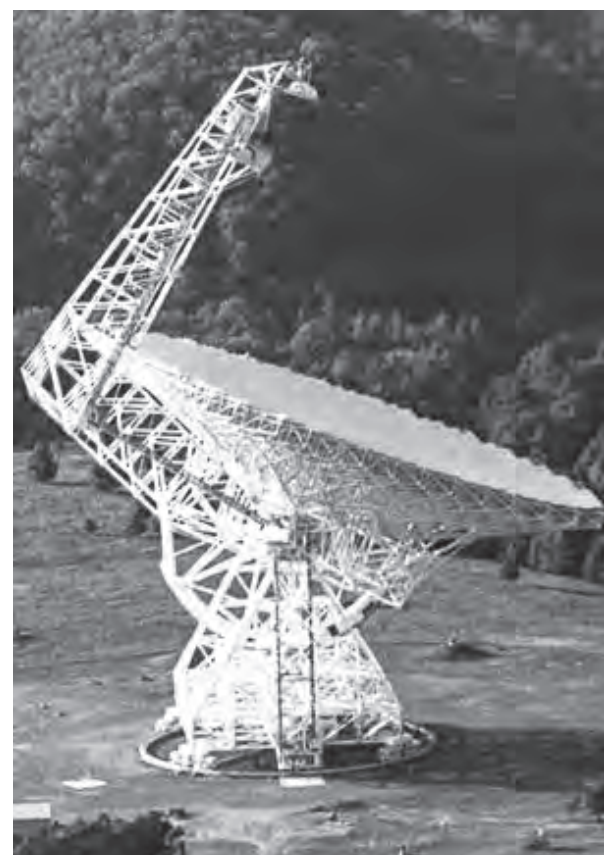
Aug. 22, 1872: Following the Constitutional Convention of 1872, the West Virginia electorate

August 25, 1903: Soprano Susanne Fisher was born in Sutton. Fisher was the first West Virginian to sing at the Metropolitan Opera.

Aug. 25, 1921: Miners began to arrive at Blair Mountain near the border of Logan and Boone counties. Sheriff Don Chafin, a hated symbol of anti-unionism in southern West Virginia, met them with a combined force of deputies, mine guards, civilian volunteers, and others.

Aug. 25, 2000: The Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope was dedicated. It is the world's largest fully steerable radio telescope.

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My Home Among the Hills

by Mellody Walburn



Well, here we are halfway through August, and boy has it been hot and humid. I heard someone use the phrase dog days of summer for this time of year, and wondered what it meant. Thanks to the worldwide web, I no longer have to wonder.

According to farmersalmanac.com, "Some say that it signifies hot sultry days "not fit for a dog," while others suggest it's the weather in which dogs go mad. The Dog Days of Summer describes the most oppressive period of summer, between July 3 and Aug. 11 each year.

The phrase is actually a reference to the fact that, during this time, the Sun occupies the same region of the sky as Sirius, the brightest star visible from any part of Earth, and part of the constellation Canis Major, the Greater Dog. This is why Sirius is sometimes called the Dog Star. Thus, the term Dog Days of Summer came to mean the 20 days before and 20 days after this alignment of Sirius with the Sun--July 3 to Aug. 11 each year."

That being said, I can honestly say that I am ready for fall. The dogs have had their day and need to make way for something new. I am tired of the heat, humidity, and lack of rain. I'm ready for cool, crisp weather, sweatshirts, football, and fall decorations. Now that school has started, I am ready for the season to change.

In the midst of all the heat and humidity, I had a busy week. On Monday, I had a dentist appointment. I had missed my last two cleanings, so I was a little nervous. I felt better when I found out that Caitlin was going to be my dental hygienist. While teeth cleaning would never be described as fun, I enjoy chatting with her as she works. Thankfully, I got a good report--no cavities or problems.

I got home in time to meet with my contractor to talk about my bathroom remodel. He gave me an estimate and a tentative start date. Hopefully, by the end of November, I will have a newly remodeled bathroom.

On Tuesday, I did a little work around the house and finished the library book that I was reading. I wanted to finish it so that I could take it back when I went to the library for the board meeting that evening. I enjoy serving on this board and am so grateful that we have such a nice library in our community. I have made myself a promise to return to the library for at least a book or two once it has later hours again.

Wednesday was the one day this past week that I had nothing on my calendar. I was determined to just rest, relax, and do nothing. On the whole, I managed to do just that. On Thursday, I took my dad to Parkersburg for an appointment. He had scheduled his dog, Rascal, for a long overdue grooming. I had no idea that a grooming appointment would take four hours. Thank heavens, I never go anywhere without a book. We left at 9:30 and got home at 4:30. I made it back just in time to eat a quick dinner and head to the monthly historical society meeting. I always look forward to these meetings. We are planning some exciting events for this fall.

Friday was my first day back at school. We spent most of the day in professional development meetings, but I did manage to get a little work done in my classroom. It will take me a little time to get back in the rhythm and routine, but every day will get easier.

On Saturday, Maricia and I attended a prayer meeting at the middle/high school. Mr. Gaul, our new principal, invited local pastors and the community to come pray over and for our school. As someone who believes in the power of prayer, I was thrilled to join this group. We were divided into groups and split up to cover the whole building. Maricia and I joined Rick Metheny's group, and I led them around the building as we prayed for students, staff, and the year in general. It was a great way to begin the year!

I will need to get back into my Sunday school night routine. This means that I need to write my article a little earlier in the day so that I will have time to work on lesson plans and grading. I also need to get back into the habit of packing a lunch and laying out my clothes for the next day. Bedtime is now a firm 10:00 since 5:30 comes way too soon the next day.

Goodbye dog days of summer; hello Miss Walburn and a new school year! I'm all prepped up and ready to go.

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)

When George's father¹ moved, they came past here, & they brought me about three bushels of nice peaches.

I got a dollar's worth of sugar & made it up in peach preserves for myself, & the other day George brought me another dollar's worth of sugar which I intend making into tomato preserves. I dried me a few nice peaches. I intend to put away considerable pickle.

We have had a good deal of rain since last Tuesday. How is your corn & sugar cane? I hope you will have sufficient grain to render you comfortable. When do Jane & Allan² expect to start for Arnoldsburg. I want to see them here as soon as possible. It will seem more like home then, and I fancy we should have you & Almira here sometime. I hope we shall.

I am in a considerable hurry to night. I will try to write you a longer letter next time. I want to write you soon & often. Tell me about your meetings, & everything else. I am well & happy. Yet I feel I cannot wait until Spring before I see home again. George sends his love to you & Almira. Have you made any more cheese since I left?

I hope you are all well & happy. Good night.

Your ever affectionate daughter
Amie E. Silcott

We have a great deal of company here nearly all the time. I think often of you & Almira's kindness to me when I was at home. We have had great nice water melons & mus-melons here. I wish you could have had some.

A.E.S.

Amie has been married for five months.

Arnoldsburg, Va
Nov 10th 1859

Thursday eve.

My Dear Mother

I will write you a few lines to night, & only a few, for I have just got up out of bed to write, & my head aches too severely to permit my sitting up long. I suppose that Richard³ told you I was sick when he left. I think I am on the mend now. I think it has been something like the bilious fever, but my fever has been more difficult to get rid of than usual when I have such attacks.

I expect to be right well again in a few days. Jane is well, & seems to be enjoying herself very much, at least she says she does. She says to tell Uncle Festus she will write next week. They have not got moved themselves yet, but will in a few days.

Tell Almira I am very thankful indeed for the beautiful dress & bonnet she sent me. I do not know how I will ever repay her. I should like to be at home, yet I do not know when I shall come. How are you all getting along? Are times hard with you all? Will pa teach this winter?

Please write soon. I can write no more to night.

Yours affectionately
Amie Eva

Amie has been married for six months.

Arnoldsburg, Dec 15th 1859

Dear Sister

As I did not get an opportunity to write to you to day, I thought I would write to you this evening.

I have been spending the day with Mrs Stevenson⁴ at Jane George's. We went by special invitation. On our return home just as we crossed the river we heard a heavy splash in the water & looking quickly around we spied a deer which had just sprang into the water.

The black boys saw it in a few moments & in a very few minutes it lay dead on the river bank. Allan got a nice piece of it. Deer are very plenty here at present, perhaps more so than ever before. We have had considerable nice venison to eat lately, & it is very nice eating indeed.

This is a season of great plenty in this region of the country. We have a great abundance of corn, wheat, &c. I suppose we have over sixty bushels of fine, large potatoes at present time, & have been using any quantity all the season. We have some green apples yet & a plenty of dried ones.

We have plenty of turnips, cabbage, pork & beef. I hope times are easy with you. I think Allan & Jane are very well pleased with this place. Florence⁵ is growing finely. I want you should come see us in the spring.

George says tell you he is very sorry that he cannot fulfil of making you a call at Christmas. But court sets here the Tuesday after Christmas & he cannot leave here. He says he will come up there soon after, but I will write before he does go. I wanted to go up with him the last time he went up but Perry persuaded me out of the notion. I will come some of these times perhaps.

¹George's father: Peyton and Pandora Silcott of Fauquier Co., Va., lived in Glenville. Pandora died in 1851 and is buried in the old Glenville Cemetery.

²Jane and Allan: Jane Young, daughter of Festus, cousin of Amie, married Thomas Allan George of Greenbrier Co. They moved to Arnoldsburg, but returned to Upshur Co. when the Civil War began. Allan served in the Union Army, Battery E, 1st Light Artillery.

³Richard P. Young, son of Festus, cousin of Amie; married Leanati Simmons; served in Union Army, Co. E, 1st light Artillery. He was wounded when General Jenkins (CSA) made his raid on Buckhannon on Aug. 30, 1862. He died in 1915. She died in 1924.

⁴Mrs Stevenson: Elizabeth Sleeth Stevenson, wife of William, who was first prosecuting attorney of Calhoun County; married Feb. 26, 1856, in Gilmer County. Both are buried in Old Glenville Cemetery.

⁵Florence, infant daughter of Jane and Allen George.

(Continued Next Week)

Senior Citizens Menu

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

Thursday, Aug. 19: sloppy joe, whole wheat bun, raw vegetable salad, peaches.

Friday, Aug. 20: baked beans and wieners, mixed vegetables, kale, fruit, cornbread.

Monday, Aug. 23: cook's choice.

Tuesday, Aug. 24: hamburger patty, potatoes, fruit, bun.

Wednesday, Aug. 35: cabbage roll, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll.

Thursday, Aug. 26:

salisbury steak, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, oranges, whole wheat bread.

Friday, Aug. 27: baked chicken, scalloped potatoes, carrots, roll.

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.

New Round Of Vaccines

DHHR, Bureau for Public Health, has issued a health alert to health providers and other partners with recommendations for an additional dose of mRNA COVID-19 vaccines for immunocompromised individuals.

The additional doses are not considered booster doses, but are additional doses of the vaccine intended to increase the protection for individuals who are immunocompromised and may need that additional dose to be protected from COVID-19.

Guidance follows the advisory committee on immunization practices' interim recommendation to use an additional dose of Pfizer for those 12 and older, or Moderna for those 18 and older, who are severely immunocompromised. This does not apply to those who received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends an additional dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine be administered, at the earliest, four weeks after a person's second dose, and that people should not receive more than a total of three mRNA doses.

The additional dose should be the same product as the initial two doses; however, if the mRNA COVID-19 vaccine given for the first two doses is not available, the other mRNA COVID-19 vaccine product may be administered.

The specific list of eligible conditions includes:

--Active treatment for solid tumor and hematologic malignancies.

--Receipt of solid-organ transplant and taking immunosuppressive therapy.

--Receipt of CAR-T-cell or hematopoietic stem cell transplant (within 2 years of transplantation or taking immunosuppression therapy).

--Moderate to severe primary immunodeficiency (examples include DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome).

--Advanced or untreated HIV infection.

--Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids, alkylating agents, antimetabolites, transplant-related immunosuppressive drugs, cancer chemotherapeutic agents classified as severely immunosuppressive, tumor-necrosis blockers, and other biologic agents that are immunosuppressive or immunomodulatory.

Historical Society Meets

Calhoun County Historical Society held its monthly meeting on Thursday, Aug. 12.

President Bob Bonar brought the meeting to order and began with discussion of new acquisitions that the society received as gifts from the former owners of the old high school.

The society is now the owner of the devil mascot from the old gym floor and one of the school signs.

Next on the agenda was upcoming events and programs. Maricia Mlynek reported that she and Mellody Walburn had attended the August Calhoun County Park board meeting.

Members of the

board are eager to work in collaboration with the historical society to ensure the success of both organizations' activities.

Dates were announced for September and October park events, with Heritage Village open during these dates.

The historical society is planning a program that will take place at Stump Hotel on Saturday, Oct. 23. Plans are still in the works.

Work for Christmas in the Village has begun. It will be held on Saturday, Nov. 27.

The next meeting of the historical society will be on Thursday, Sept. 9, 6 p.m., at Family History Museum on Main St., Grantsville.

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CCHS running back Grant Sterns (7) eludes Webster County tacklers during Friday's scrimmage.

Red Devils Shutout Webster In Scrimmage, 2TDs To Zero

The CCHS varsity football team took another step toward the start of the 2021 season by hosting Webster County in a scrimmage on Friday evening.

2021 Calhoun Varsity Football Schedule

All games listed at 7 p.m.
 August
 27 Wirt County Home
 September
 3 Valley (Wetzel) . Home
 10 Doddridge Co. ... Away
 17 Tyler Con. Away
 24 St. Marys Home
 October
 1 Paden City Away
 8 Open
 15 Gilmer County .. Home (Homecoming)
 22 Wahama Away
 29 Clay-Battelle Home
 November
 5 Ritchie County . Home (Senior Night)

The Red Devils scored twice and held the Highlanders out of the endzone. On the second series of plays in the controlled scrimmage, Calhoun faced a 2nd-and-7 at the Webster 23. CCHS quarterback Owen Taylor found Ian Richards open down the sideline for the touchdown, and Kade Swearingen caught a two-point conversion pass.

Late in the scrimmage, the Red Devils' second score came on a 45-yard run by Ian Persinger, who had 126 yards on 12 carries for the game. Calhoun totaled 193 yards on 34 carries, with

another 23 yards on 1-of-4 passing. Webster County was held to 109 yards on 29 carries, while picking up 53 yards through the air on 3-of-7 passing.

As of noon on Tuesday, a roster of Calhoun players was not available. Calhoun will travel to Trinity Christian, near Morgantown, for another scrimmage on Friday at 6:30 p.m. The team will open the season by hosting Wirt County on Friday, Aug. 27, at 7 p.m.



Calhoun County High School varsity volleyball team captains are, left to right, juniors Chelsea McCumbers, Joselynn Yeager and Christee Craddock.

Volleyball Begins Aug. 30

The CCHS volleyball team will open the season by hosting St. Marys on Monday, Aug. 30, at 6:30 p.m.

Coach Angie Hersman lost four players to graduation, but the roster shows nine returning from last year's 6-13 team.

They include senior Cheyanne Tingler; juniors Christee Craddock, Marlee Hall, Chelsea McCumbers, Joselynn Yeager; and sophomores Emily Dennison, Karlee Garrett, Mia Houchin and Nyla Warner.

The remaining 10 players are senior Lexi Gregory, sophomores Zoey Kute and Kameryn Toney, and freshmen Brealle Arthur, Madison Bell, Ashlyn Boak, May-

cee Carter, Laina Kelley, Lauren Lovejoy and Abigail Waldron.

2021 ROSTER

(and jersey number)
 Lexi Gregory (17), Cheyanne Tingler (10).
 Juniors: Christee Craddock (22), Marlee Hall (19), Chelsea McCumbers (12), Joselynn Yeager (16).
 Sophomores: Emily Dennison (5), Karlee Garrett (1), Mia Houchin (15), Zoey Kute (4), Kameryn Toney (24), Nyla Warner (13).
 Freshmen: Brealle Arthur (17), Madison Bell (20), Ashlyn Boak (18), Maycee Carter (3), Laina Kelley (14), Lauren Lovejoy (8), Abigail Waldron (11).

2021 Calhoun Varsity Volleyball Schedule

August
 30 St. Marys H 6 p.m.
 31 Ritchie Co. ... A 6 p.m.
 September
 2 Clay Co. A 6 p.m.
 4 Doddridge ... A TBA
 7 So. Harrison H 6 p.m.
 8 Wahama H 6 p.m.
 13 Roane Co. ... H 6 p.m.
 15 Clay Co. H 6 p.m.
 21 Doddridge .. H 6 p.m.
 28 Ravenswood A TBA
 29 Webster Co. . A 6 p.m.
 October
 4 Webster Co. H 6 p.m.
 5 St. Marys A 6 p.m.
 7 Gilmer Co. .. H 6 p.m.
 11 Braxton Co. . A 6 p.m.
 14 So. Harrison A 6 p.m.
 19 Gilmer Co. ... A 6 p.m.
 20 Roane Co. A 6 p.m.
 21 LKC Placement... TBA
 23 LKC Champ. TBA
 26 Wahama A 6 p.m.

Golf Results

Thursday, Aug. 12 St. Marys Invitational at St. Marys Golf Course (par 64)

Team results: St. Marys 303, Ritchie 332, Roane 333, Frontier 333, Gilmer 354, Calhoun 366 (6th), Tyler Consolidated 381, Williamstown 399, Wirt 445, Webster non-scoring.

Calhoun individual results: Landon Bennett 81, Chase Blair 82, Josie Montgomery 94, Drue Goad 109, Trista Arnold 111.

Friday, Aug. 13 Wirt County Invitational at Mingo Bottom (par 72)

Team results: St. Marys 323, Wheeling Central 351, Ritchie 356, Williamstown 363, Calhoun 372 (5th), Roane 380, Gilmer 394, Tyler Consolidated 402, Webster 400, Wirt 494.

Calhoun individual results: Josie Montgomery 88, Landon Bennett 92, Chase Blair 93, Drue Goad 99, Trista Arnold 108, Ella Hess 129.

2021 Calhoun Varsity Golf Schedule

(All contests on the road)
 August
 3 Roane County (3rd of 4)
 4 LKC Scramble at North Bend (9th of 10)
 5 Edgewood (21st of 23)
 9 Sistersville (4th of 5)
 12 St. Marys (6th of 9)
 13 Wirt County(5th of 10)
 16 Greenhills (Ravenswood, Gilmer, Wirt), 4 p.m.
 19 Roane (Gilmer, Buffalo, St. Joseph, Sherman), 4 p.m.
 24 Mingo Bottom (Wirt, Roane, Gilmer, Ravenswood), 4 p.m.
 September
 1 Glenville (Gilmer, Roane, Braxton, Ritchie), 4 p.m.
 8 Glenville (Gilmer, St. Marys, Braxton, Wirt), 4 p.m.
 9 Mingo Bottom (Wirt, Gilmer), 4 p.m.
 14 Riverside (Wahama, Wirt, Pt. Plea.), 4 p.m.
 15 Glenville (Gilmer, Braxton, Webster), 4 p.m.
 18 Riverside (LKC vs. TVC Invit.), 1 p.m.
 20 Mingo Bottom, LKC Tournament, 10 a.m.
 22 Glenville (Gilmer, Braxton, Webster), 4 p.m.
 27 Riverside, Regional, 9 a.m.

Part 3: Calhoun Football History in Little Kanawha Conference

Career Leaders			
250+ Points			
642	Nate Black, Parkersburg Catholic	2001-02-03-04	
530	Jeff Swisher, Sistersville	1984-85-86	
492	Hunter America, Doddridge County	2016-17-18-19	
486	Ryan Life, Parkersburg Catholic	1995-96-97-98	
438	Rick Petty, Williamstown	1968-69-70-71	
410	Jaiden Smith, Saint Marys	2015-16-17	
406	Mark Rucker, Tyler Consolidated	2016-17-18	
392	Dalton Brindo, Wirt County	2009-10-11	
374	Trenton Tallman, Williamstown	2014-15-16	
365	Doug Stanley, Williamstown	1959-60-61-62	
356	Austin Ratliff, Gilmer County	2011-12-13-14	
346	Tracy Haight, Calhoun County	1982-83-84	
346	Matt Haley, Braxton County	1993-94-95	
302	Rhys Jelich, Ravenswood	2011-12-13-14	
298	Brian Evans, Calhoun County	1988-89-90-91	
290	Tyler May, Roane County	2013-14-15	
278	Wyatt Ford, Doddridge County	2011-14	
274	Justin Price, Calhoun County	2001-02-03-04	
268	Jace Reed, Tyler Consolidated	2014-15-16	
265	Andrew Tanner, Braxton County	2001-02-03-04	
264	Tyler Anderson, Tyler Consolidated	2014-15-16	
260	David Gray, Saint Marys	2011-12-13	
256	Mike Cox, Saint Marys	1983-84-85	
254	Nate Taylor, Tyler Consolidated	2008-09	
253	David Hathaway, Calhoun County	1957-58	
252	Randy Fluharty, Calhoun County	2006-07-08-09	
3000+ Rushing Yards			
6011	Hunter America, Doddridge County	2016-17-18-19	
5994	Ryan Life, Parkersburg Catholic	1995-96-97-98	
5036	Rick Petty, Williamstown	1968-69-70-71	
4852	Jeff Swisher, Sistersville	1984-85-86	
4470	Mark Rucker, Tyler Consolidated	2016-17-18-19	
4291	Tracy Haight, Calhoun County	1982-83-84	
4249	Wyatt Ford, Doddridge County	2011-12-13-14	
4126	Joel Wilson, Sistersville	1982-83-84	
3960	Trenton Tallman, Williamstown	2015-16	
3941	Tyler Lowers, Williamstown	2004-05	
3940	Cole Starcher, Ravenswood	2007-08-09-10	
3781	Matt Haley, Braxton County	1993-94-95	
3552	Rhys Jelich, Ravenswood	2011-12-13-14	
3517	Jaiden Smith, Saint Marys	2015-16-17	
3461	David White, Williamstown	1988-89-90	
3457	Brian Stump, Calhoun County	1988-89-90-91	
3438	Dave Kemp, Wirt County	1986-87-88-89	
3437	Tommy Brunoni, Parkersburg Catholic	2005-06-07-08	
3387	Randy Fluharty, Calhoun County	2006-07-08-09	
3301	Jordan Lucas, Clay County	2011-13	
3289	Mike Cox, Saint Marys	1983-85	
3288	Austin Ratliff, Gilmer County	2011-14	
3199	Donathan Taylor, Williamstown	2016-17-18	
3121	Jacob Lilly, Gilmer County	2000-02-03	
3084	Tyler May, Roane County	2014-15	
3035	Rob Wilson, Saint Marys	1993-94-95	
2500+ Passing Yards			
5105	Ron Stalnaker, Gilmer County	1983-84-85-86	
4920	Patrick Morrison, Gilmer County	1997-98-99	
4868	Joey Frashure, Gilmer County	1994-95-96-97	
4706	Heath Cottrill, Braxton County	2014-15-16-17	
4533	Jason Williams, Parkersburg Catholic	2006-07-08-09	
4467	Brett Rector, Ravenswood	2000-01-02	
4327	Austin Cunningham, Gilmer County	2011-12-13	
4253	Josh Valentine, Wirt County	2005-06-07-08	
3978	Trey Shuff, Gilmer County	2014-15-16	
3928	Griffin Phillips, Tyler Consolidated	2015-16-17-18	
3812	Will Billeter, Saint Marys	2014-15-16	
3696	Craig Eddy, Saint Marys	1992-93-94	
3490	Jake Tracewell, Williamstown	2010-11-12-13	
3405	Jordan Smith, Tyler Consolidated	2008-09-10	
3290	Chris Griffin, Clay County	1996-97	
3143	Jordan Laey, Braxton County	2008-09-10-11	
3027	Cole Starcher, Ravenswood	2007-08-09-10	
3027	Jason Tucker, Clay County	1998-99-00	
2989	Matt Houchin, Calhoun County	2004-05-06-07	
2987	Dustan Fox, Gilmer County	2003-04-06	
2947	Carter Haynes, Williamstown	2015-16-17-18	
2928	Taylor Campbell, Wirt County	2009-10-11	
2890	Brian Barrett, Parkersburg Catholic	1991-92-93	
2879	Greg Perkins, Ritchie County	1991-92-93	
2791	Brandon Roberts, Williamstown	2005-06	
2765	Logan Moore, Calhoun County	2010-11-12-13	
2761	Gavan Renner, Saint Marys	2003-04-05	
2729	Brennan Boron, Saint Marys	2017-18-19	
2696	Tyler Stewart, Clay County	2011-12-13	
2659	Jay Hamric, Spencer	1990-91	
1200+ Receiving Yards			
2214	Griffin Devericks, Doddridge County	2016-17-18-19	
2169	Tayton Stout, Braxton County	2015-16-17	
2158	Eric Butler, Gilmer County	1996-97	
2114	Matt McCully, Spencer	1990-91	
2035	Cole Cwynar, Parkersburg Catholic	2006-07-08-09	
1983	Dylan Gray, Saint Marys	2014-15-16-17	
1978	Dusty Ellyson, Gilmer County	1998-99	
1900	Dalton Brindo, Wirt County	2009-10-11	
1592	Ethyn Miller, Calhoun County	2012-13-14-15	
1565	Jeff Sole, Saint Marys	2000-01-02	
1549	Dan Page, Gilmer County	1998-99	
1503	Zach Chevront, Wirt County	2008-09	
1490	Tommy Hamric, Gilmer County	1997-98	
1460	Austin Ratliff, Gilmer County	2011-12-13-14	
1434	John Underwood, Spencer, Roane	1992-93-94	
1432	Nathan Allison, Gilmer County	2011-12-13	
1367	Jarod Douglas, Clay County	1999-00-01	
1358	J.T. Nemeth, Wirt County	2010-11	
1297	James Taylor, Saint Marys	1993-94-95	
1279	Steve Casto, Braxton County	1995-96-97	
1249	Joey Myers, Clay County	1996-97	
1245	Dylan Brizendine, Saint Marys	2007-08-09-10	
1214	Bradren Barnhart, Saint Marys	2014-15-16	
1202	Brett Greene, Ravenswood	2002-03	

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County Parks Need--

(Continued from Page 1) pletely, the stargazers had a really good time, and said that they would be back for the star party being held at the park in October. There is a possibility that about 50 astronomers will show up for the event.

Pitts said that Calhoun County Park, Upper West Fork, and Mt. Zion and Arnoldsburg parks are all involved in activities that are supporting not only people in the county, but people from outside the county, who spend money here when they are enjoying the events held at the parks.

Anita West said, "The Upper West Fork Park is a place that is visited everyday by a lot of people. The walking trail, playground, camping out, using it for reunions, and we have weekly music events that are well attended by (local residents and other counties).

"We are in this together, all supporting each other. We do have a roof that is leaking, and has been leaking. We thought we had it repaired, but it is still leaking.

"I have requested funds from Parkersburg Area Community Foundation, and we got funds for gravel and things like that. We asked for funds for a lawnmower twice and got turned down.

"We all have lost funds because we were shut down by the pandemic, and park income was reduced to a bare minimum. Just enough to pay the bills and that was it. I guess I am asking for funds for the roof repair, but I don't even have a quote for that yet, but I am expecting it shortly.

"We did get funds from the commission previously

for our toy drive and for our Halloween activities, and we are graciously appreciative of that."

Judy Powell wanted to ensure that the commissioners did not forget that Wayne Underwood Field is also owned by the county, and is also in dire need of funding.

A representative of Mt. Zion Community Park reminded the commissioners that the park's annual fundraiser, the Ox Roast, is scheduled Saturday, Aug. 28, and that the pandemic has reduced their funds greatly, and funds from the commission would be appreciated.

Two representatives of West Fork Community Park spoke about its fundraiser, the Molasses Festival, which was not held last year due to the pandemic, but is on track to return.

They said that many of the volunteers have either died or are no longer in physical condition to help with the workload. They reminded the commission that the ambulance volunteers are down to three.

Last year, they had to replace the roof on the main building at a cost of \$30,000, which depleted their funds. Now, some of the older structures need work and they have no money left to do it. There are many things that the park needs done, and if any funds come available, they would appreciate whatever they can get.

Commissioners suggested that all of the parks come up with a plan and set up a meeting this fall with the commissioners to discuss what can be done in the future.

Commissioner Michael Hicks said that 4-H held a basket bingo fundraiser at

Arnoldsburg, which was a success. He said that it was his understanding that the main purpose of those funds was to help send kids to 4-H camp at no charge to the families.

Julie Sears gave the E-911 report: Sheriff's Dept., 63 calls (22 for traffic stops); State Police, 73 (9); DNR, 2; Grantsville VFD, 18 (9 for landing zone); Upper West Fork VFD, 1; Arnoldsburg VFD, 6; Calhoun EMS, 46; Calhoun E-911, 350.

Sears reported that Angela Bailey has just finished her first course for becoming a dispatcher, which entitles her, according to the handbook, to a \$1 per hour raise. Commissioners agreed.

Sears said that upgrades to the center were coming along fast, with two new desks installed, and work underway on a new storage building. The ground is being leveled in preparation for the pouring of the concrete floor, and it may be finished in the next couple of weeks.

The old storage room will be used to house the new CAD system.

As for the ambulance service, Sears said that everything is going well. There is some routine maintenance happening to the ambulances and for getting the four-wheel drive ready for fall and winter.

Another ambulance that was purchased almost a year and a half ago has been in Clay County to have the engine rebuilt, and it is almost ready to return to service. After the vehicle is painted, it can be loaded with all of the equipment necessary.

Various training classes that are essential for EMS personnel have been completed, including a driving course, CPR course, HAZMAT, etc.

Commissioner Matt Walker reported that Family Resource Network is fully open in its new location, with the Thrift Store on Mill St., and the office, apartments for rent, and food distribution on Main St.

A new home confinement officer has been hired and is in training. There are only four or five people on the program, and in order to be cost effective, there needs to be more people using the program.

In the sheriff's report, the old cruisers are said to be constantly breaking down and needing expensive repairs that could lead to the sheriff's budget being depleted before the end of the calendar year.

Shelia Burch, director of Little Kanawha Area Development Corp., said that she had worked with four new businesses, helping them get registered with secretary of state's office.

She said that if anyone is receiving letters from the state about the registration of their business, they should contact her, 354-7797, for assistance.

She said she is working with WVU School of Law to get seminars to help new businesses get where they need to be for the long run.

Burch commended the 11-woman team at FRN for the hard work that they put in while moving everything from their old location to their new place. She said that anyone who has not stopped by FRN lately should see what they have accomplished.

When the commissioners asked Burch about broadband, they were told that there is not much new, but commissioner Kevin Helmick did note that Frontier Communications is putting fiber cable in areas of the county in preparation for providing "true" broadband.

Pitts said that the stargazers were very disappointed that their expensive astronomical equipment had no wi-fi or Bluetooth to connect to whenever they come to Calhoun County Park, unlike other areas of the country that they visit. He called the installation of true broadband a "foundation for the future."

There were four appointments to boards and authorities: Lori Garrett to Mt. Zion PSD board, Ronald Blankenship to LKADC as a member-at-large, and re-appointments of Mellody Walburn to the library board, and Jean Simers to the Little Kanawha Transit board.

Representatives from Dunn Engineers, Inc., Steptoe & Johnson, and other organizations concerned with the Infrastructure Study Final Report, were on hand to deliver the news that the consolidation or merging of all or some of our local Public Service Districts would be in the best interests of the county.

It was decided that there should be a meeting of all of the concerned parties, as well as concerned citizens, set up this fall to discuss how this might be accomplished.

Commissioners announced that last month's jail bill was around \$12,000, and they were able to pay \$50,000 to cover that and help pay down the balance due.

Commissioners conducted a canvass of the recent "Alcohol for Sale" election. The voting changed from 273 to 238 in favor to an official 277 to 239 in favor.

The next county commission will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 9 a.m.

Vaccinations

Free COVID-19 vaccinations remain available to all West Virginians ages 12 and older.

Anyone interested in being vaccinated is urged to visit Vaccinate.wv.gov or call the West 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.

Lions Club Bingo

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

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke
Phone 275-3578



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

Marilyn Tucker decided that she was not going to take any more medicine for her cancer. She has been sick for a very long time.

While Connie Boggs has the pneumonia fever, the doctor advised that she now has no cancer.

There was just a little excitement down on the old W.T. Petty place, when folks installing the new water line hit the gas line. Someone said, "Call 911!"

As a result, the fire department showed up with at least two trucks from Mountaineer Gas, the local gas utility. It was said that the line was "marked" after calling 811, but the service line was off about 10 feet.

The big Ergon cat fish fry that was scheduled Aug. 17 was postponed because of the spread of the new strain of the virus.

The New York Times advised that the Big Eared One's birthday bash for several hundred was okay, since those attending were "sophisticated" and wouldn't spread disease.

Of course, those oil and gas men and women (including some from the Creston area) who would be at a catfish fry would likely be described otherwise by "our elite ruling class."

Now, the senile fellow has suggested that one should have a COVID passport to cross state lines, and, true to form, the Customs and Border Patrol have intercepted thousands of "fake" passports that were shipped here from China.

Using a "fake" COVID passport is said now to be a crime and a reason to spend five years in the federal slammer. Perhaps that is why so many felons were turned loose to make room for political prisoners.

The U.S. military is said to be recruiting folks for "internment and resettlement specialists." Recently, the new definition for "enemy of the state" was found written down and, it would seem that many local folks would fit the definition.

Later in the month, the cost of a "first class" letter will go up to 58 cents. In the Federal Register, USPS announced that "to provide more reliable service," the delivery of first class mail will "extend from the current 1-3 days to 1-5 days."

David Smith, 54, died. His wife is the former Becky Boggs, formerly from Creston.

The Creston area received some rain, but it is still dry. Elsewhere, there were downpours.

Nancy Engelke went off to the flatlands to visit her brother and sister and their families. Wouldn't you know, a bunch of naked ladies showed up to "entertain" me while she was gone.

More details continue to be released about the so-called "infrastructure bill" that Shelly Moore Capito and Broadway Joe

backed. Earlier, Joe's little wife Gayle was named co-chair of the Appalachian Regional Commission, an outfit that hands out federal largesse for "worthy" projects in 13 states.

In the bill, the ARC got an additional \$1 billion to spend. There is more \$\$ for broadband. To promote "digital equity," there are guidelines involving minority and illegal alien populations.

Also, there is a requirement for motor vehicles to have tracking devices, so that "big brother" will know where everyone is, what speed we are traveling, and how many miles we traveled, so that a mileage tax can be assessed.

Such would, of course, impact those making less than \$400,000/year.

The new taxes on petrochemicals would, of course, negatively impact the Shale Crescent, which includes this part of West Virginia, eastern Ohio, and western Pennsylvania. Not to worry, it is all "flyover country."

Some had hoped that before leaving Afghanistan, a mixture of 2,4,5-T and Tordon 10-K would be sprayed on the poppy fields (from which come opium and heroin), but such was not done, and now it looks like a repeat of the escape from Saigon after spending a \$trillion or more.

Chairman Xi will now have more opium in which to mix the fentanyl that he makes to kill American youths.

To promote the "green new deal," pipelines, drilling, and producing oil and gas in America is frowned upon "because the world is about to end," and the price of gasoline, like everything else, has gone up.

Since high gasoline prices are not good politically (remember when "they" said Bush and Cheney were getting a cut), so the ruling junta has begged OPEC to increase oil production to bring down the gas price before next year's election.

Meanwhile, elsewhere in the world, more new coal-fired power plants are being built, but we are not supposed to notice.

Some folks watched the entire three days of the symposium showing the various ways that bad things were done in the last election, especially using voting machines that actually were connected to the internet.

It was also learned that government agencies have immediate access to big tech to request shutdown and banning of "misinformation" and "disinformation."

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WEST VIRGINIA CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Statistics:

In West Virginia (condensed dashboard)
Each Monday since Mar. 16, 2020, plus last seven weekdays (last complete daily list on July 30, 2020, issue). Last Monday in month, plus last daily DHHR reports (last complete weekly list in July 8, 2021, issue).

	Positive Cases	Negative Cases	Deaths	Percentage Positive	Accum. Daily
Mar. 30	145	3,682	1	4.4	6.0
Apr. 27	1,063	41,976*	36	2.5	3.4
May 25	1,774	84,551#	72	2.1	1.2
June 29	2,849	165,233	93	1.7	1.4
July 27	5,999	257,670	106	2.3	2.6
Aug. 31	10,250	425,613	214	2.4	6.8
Sept. 28	15,512	537,332	337	2.8	4.2
Oct. 26	22,223	712,744	424	3.0	3.7
Nov. 30	47,842	1,083,114	735+	4.2	6.5
Dec. 28	81,436	1,375,189	1,263	5.6	11.3
Jan. 25	115,839	1,726,886	1,899	6.3	7.3
Feb. 22	129,854	1,989,304	2,263	6.1	3.9
Mar. 29	140,991	2,288,383	2,638~	5.8	3.9
Apr. 26	151,671	2,526,409>	2,821`	5.7	3.7
DHHR stopped updating on weekends and holidays.					
May 24	160,354	2,724,689	2,775	5.6	5.7
June 30	164,041	2,844,286	2,891	5.5	1.5
July 30	167,016	2,953,133	2,946	5.4	6.4
Aug. 2	167,681	2,966,022	2,949	5.4	7.3
Aug. 3	167,948	2,969,516	2,954	5.4	5.7
Aug. 4	168,330	2,975,912	2,956	5.4	6.0
Aug. 5	168,733	2,982,205	2,961	5.4	5.7
Aug. 6	169,162	2,989,197	2,965	5.4	8.1
Aug. 9	170,199	3,006,006	2,972	5.4	9.9
Aug. 10	170,656	3,010,198	2,972	5.4	6.4
Aug. 11	171,202	3,018,145	2,974	5.4	5.3
Aug. 12	171,707	3,027,184	2,975	5.4	1.4
Aug. 13	171,950	3,035,784	2,976	5.4	9.1
Aug. 16	173,479	3,056,977	2,978	5.4	11.3
Aug. 17	174,818	3,061,060	2,990	5.4	8.4

*Laboratory duplicate results removed.
In alignment with updated definitions, statistics include probable cases that are individuals who have symptoms and either serologic (antibody) or epidemiologic (a link to a confirmed case) evidence of disease, but no confirmatory test.
+Office of Epidemiology and Prevention Services added 27 deaths from Vital Registration Office.
~Includes 168 COVID-19 related deaths that were not properly reported to DHHR.
^Includes extra 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.
>29,531 non-COVID-related lab results were removed.

Cases by county (case confirmed by lab test/probable case): Barbour (1,648), Berkeley (13,645), Boone (2,282), Braxton (1,101), Brooke (2,316), Cabell (9,710), Calhoun (422), Clay (591), Doddridge (673), Fayette (3,832), Gilmer (948), Grant (1,360), Greenbrier (2,991), Hampshire (2,008), Hancock (2,940), Hardy (1,647), Harrison (6,580), Jackson (2,394), Jefferson (5,042), Kanawha (16,294), Lewis (1,521), Lincoln (1,707), Logan (3,508), Marion (4,963), Marshall (3,829), Mason (2,261), McDowell (1,746), Mercer (5,534), Mineral (3,084), Mingo (2,922), Monongalia (9,791), Monroe (1,286), Morgan (1,343), Nicholas (2,043), Ohio (4,584), Pendleton (737), Pleasants (1,001), Pocahontas (741), Preston (3,045), Putnam (5,748), Raleigh (7,535), Randolph (3,093), Ritchie (800), Roane (724), Summers (897), Taylor (1,416), Tucker (587), Tyler (806), Upshur (2,299), Wayne (3,486), Webster (641), Wetzel (1,573), Wirt (482), Wood (8,432), Wyoming (2,229); Calhoun was 53rd of 55 counties to record a case; Calhoun and Webster last counties to hit 100 positive cases, Dec. 10; last county to 200 positive cases, Jan. 23; last to reach 300 positive cases, May 6; last to reach 400 positive cases, July 22. Calhoun's first COVID-19 death reported on May 26, 2021, as 74-year-old woman.

In United States: Each Monday since Mar. 16, 2020, plus last nine days since July 28, 2020. Last Monday of each month since Mar. 30, 2020, plus daily totals in last month. Last daily list in July 28, 2020, issue. Last weekly list in July 8, 2021, issue.

	Positive	Deaths	Positive	Deaths
Mar. 30	164,610	3,170	800,049	38,714
Apr. 27	987,916	55,425	3,014,808	207,904
May 25	1,688,739	99,356	5,482,990	347,162
June 29	2,637,909	128,452	10,234,889	505,144
July 27	4,373,561	149,856	16,429,464	653,266
Aug. 31	6,175,600	187,232	25,417,858	852,100
Sept.28	7,321,465	209,454	33,332,536	1,003,542
Oct. 26	8,890,481	230,512	43,383,433	1,160,977
Nov.30	13,755,039	273,130	63,236,339	1,468,737
Dec.28	19,579,987	341,187	81,293,122	1,775,977
Jan. 25	25,705,299	429,511	99,917,297	2,142,799
Feb.22	28,767,835	511,302	112,093,051	2,481,796
Mar.29	30,966,974	562,551	127,963,064	2,799,992
Apr.26	32,824,618	586,152	148,006,342	3,127,343
May31	34,043,110	609,544	171,180,032	3,563,041
June28	34,494,690	619,424	182,010,787	3,945,739
July 31	35,688,506	629,064	198,207,725	4,232,644
Aug. 1	35,731,464	629,196	198,708,121	4,240,223
Aug. 2	35,769,612	629,381	199,201,342	4,248,762
Aug. 3	35,897,581	629,868	199,820,911	4,257,496
Aug. 4	36,051,139	630,506	200,510,916	4,267,991
Aug. 5	36,179,572	631,309	201,213,756	4,278,759
Aug. 6	36,303,589	631,891	201,939,314	4,289,796
Aug. 7	36,449,535	632,647	202,624,038	4,299,441
Aug. 8	36,518,948	632,987	203,183,166	4,308,538
Aug. 9	36,543,338	633,116	203,641,427	4,315,833
Aug.10	36,780,480	633,799	204,342,573	4,325,174
Aug.11	36,892,215	634,662	205,016,692	4,336,576
Aug.12	37,060,454	635,219	205,715,688	4,346,268
Aug.13	37,203,649	636,298	206,480,420	4,357,331
Aug.14	37,364,700	637,161	207,175,766	4,366,935
Aug.15	37,435,835	637,439	207,721,858	4,376,000
Aug.16	37,466,718	637,561	208,200,095	4,383,401
Aug.17	37,737,361	638,801	208,948,917	4,393,123

Cases by states and territories: California 4,148,367, Texas 3,356,406, Florida 2,920,749, New York 2,209,767, Illinois 1,466,813, Georgia 1,272,014, Pennsylvania 1,256,689, Ohio 1,161,573, North Carolina 1,122,412, New Jersey 1,062,238, Michigan 1,032,520, Arizona 967,862, Tennessee 954,610, Indiana 803,403, Massachusetts 737,579, Missouri 730,766, Virginia 723,727, Wisconsin 707,327, South Carolina 667,352, Alabama 637,363, Louisiana 628,146, Minnesota 626,310, Colorado 592,372, Kentucky 518,987, Oklahoma 515,801, Washington 514,884, Maryland 480,718, Utah 446,808, Arkansas 420,663, Mississippi 388,986, Iowa 387,273, Nevada 373,649, Connecticut 363,417, Kansas 351,356, Oregon 242,843, Nebraska 232,399, New Mexico 220,340, Idaho 209,411, West Virginia 173,479, Puerto Rico 158,824, Rhode Island 158,283, South Dakota 126,927, Montana 120,325, Delaware 114,770, North Dakota 113,404, New Hampshire 103,462, Alaska 80,885, Maine 72,522, Wyoming 68,944, D.C. 52,777, Hawaii 51,739, Vermont 26,040; West Virginia was last state to record a case.

Car Show

Creston Food Pantry's 1st Car Show will be held at Calhoun County Park on Saturday, Sept. 11, from noon to 2 p.m. Registration will be from 9 a.m. to noon, with cost of \$15.

All proceeds go to Creston Food Pantry. Food Pantry Choice and Top 20 awards will be announced at 3 p.m. Refreshments will be sold.

There will also be 50/50 drawing, door prizes, raffle, dime pitch, and flea market table. For information, call Lanny Meadows, 275-3388. Rain date is Sept. 25.

Clay County

The annual alumni gathering for Clay County High School and Widen High School graduates will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18, 5 to 8 p.m., in the Clay County school cafeteria, in conjunction with the Golden Delicious Apple Festival (Sept. 16-19).

Cost is by donation, with proceeds going to the alumni scholarship fund. Dinner will be served at 5 p.m.

The Clay County High School Class of 1961 will hold its 60th reunion on Sept. 18, 3 to 5 p.m., in the school's band room.

State Board Approves GPA Limited Waiver

W.Va. Board of Education has approved a limited waiver to WVBE Policy 2436.10 during its August meeting.

The waiver of the 2.0 grade point average eligibility requirement allows all students to practice with athletic teams, the band and club activities for the first nine weeks of the fall 2021 semester.

The State board action provides children who may have faced increased challenges during COVID-19 interruptions last school year additional time to improve their academic standing.

According to the State board, over the past 18 months, many students experienced school delays and inconsistent access to in-person instruction because of the pandemic. From the onset of the 2020-21 school year, many counties struggled to offer consistent, in-person instruction, because the state relied on transmission rates to determine if students could return physically to the school building.

Likewise, students had limited access to athletics and extracurriculars for the same reason.

Upon the return to full, five-day in-person learning in the spring, interruptions continued due to exposure to the virus and contact tracing. These unprecedented occurrences led many students to not only face academic losses, but also social-emotional struggles.

"We do not see this limited waiver as an excuse for low academic performance, but instead an avenue for students to re-establish consistent engagement with their schools and benefit from the social-emotional, academic and extracurricular supports schools offer," said WVBE president Miller Hall.

"These children have had so much taken away from them, and it is important that we look for ways to keep them connected so that they can learn and thrive."

The limited waiver provides the following: All students' grades

will be evaluated after six weeks from the start of school. If the student has obtained a 2.0 GPA, and thus achieved academic eligibility, the student will then be permitted to participate in contests, performances and competitions.

Students who have not obtained a 2.0 GPA will continue to be permitted to practice under this limited waiver until the nine-week evaluation.

Additionally, students' grades will be evaluated after nine weeks from the start of school. If the student has obtained a 2.0 GPA, and thus achieved academic eligibility, the student will then be permitted to participate in contests, performances and competitions.

Students gaining full eligibility at six weeks must also maintain academic eligibility at the nine-week evaluation. The limited waiver does not extend past the nine-week evaluation point. Students who fail to become academically eligible at the nine-week evaluation point will not be permitted to continue practicing, and academic eligibility will thereafter be determined under the existing provisions of Policy 2436.10.

"Our students and teachers are working hard to recover from the loss of instruction, engagement and time, because it is all reflected in those indicators of child success that we watch so closely," said State superintendent of schools Clayton Burch. "Returning to school this year will require that we move forward collectively, cautiously and compassionately, because the needs of our children will be significant, as we address learning, social-emotional well-being and the need to acclimate to the ever-changing face of COVID-19."

Results released by W.Va. Dept. of Education showed that 40% of West Virginia students were proficient in English language arts, while 28% were proficient in mathematics and 27% were proficient in science.



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

5260 Leading Creek Road | 23 Acres +/- | Mobile Home | \$59,500 **MAKE AN OFFER!**

Leading Creek Road | 60 Acres +/- | 70 Acre Tracts | Reported FREE GAS | Perfect Hunting Camp fronting on creek | \$69,500 **MAKE AN OFFER!**

4654 North Calhoun Highway | 3 BR - 1 BA | 2 Car Garage | If this sounds interesting then add 22 acres that fronts North Calhoun Highway and Road Fork to make it more appealing. **REduced TO \$49,500!**

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

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

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

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

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

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

839 Lovada Road | 25 Acres +/- | **UNDER CONTRACT** | \$19,000

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** | \$1,000,000

STARTER HOMES

22 Poplar Lane (off of Pine Creek) | 4 Acres +/- | 2 or 3 BR - 1BA | 2 Car 2 Story Detached Garage, Wood Working Shop, and Cellar | \$59,500 - **REDUCED!**

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

1685 Ripley Road | 1 Acre +/- | 3 BR - 1 BA | 1100 Sq. Ft. | Backup Solar Power | 3 Outbuildings | \$98,500

45 Blackberry Lane | 1.67 Acres +/- | Beautiful WEL MAINTAINED Home | High Speed Internet | All One Level Living | 2 Car Garage | \$209,900

848 Laurel Run Road | 3 BR - 2BA | Creekside Retreat | Great Starter Home - \$49,500

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407 High Street | 4 BR - 3 BA | 2 Master Suites | Central Heating and Cooling | BEAUTIFUL HISTORIC HOME HIDDEN IN THE MIDDLE OF GRANTSVILLE | \$95,000 - **REDUCED!**

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

2418 Sassafras Ridge Road | House | 4 BR - 3 BA | 3,000 Sq. Ft. | \$65,000 **PRICE REDUCED!**

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

307 Peaceful Drive | 5 BR - 3 BA | 2,700 Sq. Ft. | 7.22 Acres +/- | In-Town! | \$224,900

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CALHOUN County Library is looking for part-time help, approximately 10 hours per week. Must be willing to work flexible hours. Need to be able to assist in daily running of the library, provide customer support, and have ample computer skills. Applications are available at the library. Please stop in or call the library for more information. Will be taking applications until Friday, Sept. 3. 2tc/8/19-26

Sales

GARAGE SALE -- 11410 S. Calhoun Hwy. at Millstone, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 19-21, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Lots of new items. 1tp/8/19

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Personals

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LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY, a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing increased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 220,000 customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2021, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will increase revenue approximately \$31,500,000 annually, an increase of approximately 34.3%.

The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY will be changed as follows:

	INCREASE	INCREASE
Residential	\$ 8.70	14.03%
Commercial	\$ 43.50	17.54%
Industrial	\$ 3,807.96	19.06%
Resale	\$ 834.19	24.37%

Resale customers of MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY include Canaan Valley Gas Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company Northern Division (formerly known as Lumberport-Shinnston Gas Company and Blacksburg Oil & Gas Company, Inc.), Consumers Gas Utility Co., Dominion Energy WV, Megan Oil and Gas, City of Philippi, and Southern Public Service.

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive an increase greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested increased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. If a hearing is conducted, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:

Mountaineer Gas Company Office
• 501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Rule 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate increases and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All interventions must be mailed or hand-delivered and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Protests may be filed online through the Commission website using the "Submit a Comment" link or may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

CALHOUN COUNTY BANK, INC.,
Plaintiff
vs. TRAVIS D. NICHOLAS and JENNA M. NICHOLAS, Defendants.
Civil Action No. CC-07-2021-C-8

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

To: The above-named Defendants, their unknown heirs, devisees, successors or assigns if any.

The object of the above-styled action is to seek judgment for the balance of the remaining debt owed after the Trustee's Sale of the property pursuant to a Deed of Trust.

It appearing that the whereabouts of the above-named Defendants, and their unknown heirs, devisees, successors or assigns, if any, are unknown and/or that such individuals or entities are nonresidents of the State of West Virginia, and the Plaintiff having made diligent efforts to locate said Defendants without effect, it is accordingly ORDERED that each of them do appear and serve upon Leslie L. Maze, Attorney At Law, whose address is P.O. Box 279, Elizabeth, West Virginia 26143, and Answer or other defense to the Complaint filed in this action within thirty (30) days of the date of the first publication of this Order of Publication. Otherwise, judgment by default will be taken against the Defendants at any time thereafter.

A copy of said Complaint can be obtained from the undersigned Circuit Clerk at the Circuit Clerk's Office located in the Calhoun County Courthouse in Grantsville, West Virginia.

ENTERED this 10th day of August, 2021.

Shirley R. Burdette
Calhoun County Circuit Clerk

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New at Library

Calhoun County Library has the following new items:

Juvenile Fiction: The Hidden Oracle, by Rick Riordan; Where We Used to Roam, by Jenn Bishop; Almost There and Almost Not, by Linda Urban; Leonard (My Life as a Cat), by Carlie Sorosiak.

Children's: Turtle in a Tree, by Neesha Hudson; Theo Thesaurus: The Dinosaur Who Loved Big Words, by Shelli R. Johannes; Wonder Walkers, by Micha Archer; Sunrise Summer, by Matthew Swanson; Those Are Not My Underpants, by Melissa Martin; Too Much Stuff!, by Emily Gravett; How to Apologize, by David LaRochelle; Thao, by Thao Lam; Thank You, Dr. Salk!, by Dean Robbins.

Mt. Pisgah

Homecoming will be held at Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Stumptown, on Sunday, Aug. 22, with Sunday School at 10 a.m.; preaching service, 11 a.m.; covered dish dinner, noon; and congregational singing and Randy White Trio, 1 p.m. Pastor is Tim Underwood. Everyone is welcome.

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.

Library Hotspots

The Calhoun County Library has take-home Mobile Hotspots that work anywhere a Sprint signal is available, connect to multiple devices, and have unlimited data. Stop in or call 354-6300 for information.

Food Pantry

CRI, Inc., operates a food pantry. Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., providing free USDA commodities to those who qualify (food pantry only) at 309 Court St., Grantsville.

Solid Waste

Calhoun County Solid Waste will have its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 25, 4 p.m., at Mom's Place Too.

LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

Tariff Form No. 8-C

(Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C))

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Hope Gas, Inc., dba Dominion Energy West Virginia (the "Company"), a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing increased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to all of its customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Boone, Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Jackson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mingo, Monongalia, Nicholas, Pleasants, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Taylor, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood and Wyoming.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2021, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will increase revenues approximately \$6.3 million annually, an increase of 6.01%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

TYPE OF CUSTOMER	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$3	5%
Commercial	Various	Various
Industrial	Various	Various
Resale	\$2,182	9%

Resale customers of the Company include Standard Gas Co., Consumers Gas Utility Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company - Northern Division (Lumberport), Mountaineer Gas Co., Southern Public Service Co., Cardinal Natural Gas Company Northern Division (Blacksburg), and Peoples Gas WV LLC.

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A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the Bridgeport office of the Company, 102 Cambridge Place, Bridgeport, West Virginia.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

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Reunions

Richards

Wesley and Barbara Richards will have a family reunion on Saturday, Aug. 28, under the shelter by the baseball field at Calhoun County Park. Bring a covered dish and a lawn chair. Meal will be at noon.

Propst

Propst Family Reunion (Wesley and Millie/Wesley and Susie families) will be held on Saturday, Aug. 28, at Calhoun County Park's Herb Smith Community Building.

The building will open at 10:30 a.m., with covered dish lunch at noon. Share your favorite recipe of meat, vegetable, salad or dessert. Eating utensils, plates, cups, napkins, dinner rolls, condiments, sodas, water, and coffee will be provided. Cornhole and Blokus tournaments will be held, with recognition for different categories. Events will be available for the smaller children. Bring a folding chair for outside activities.

Cal Jarvis

Cal Jarvis Reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 4, at Upper West Fork Park. Registration begins at 11 a.m., with a covered dish lunch at noon.

Parks-Elliott

The 94th (1927-2021) Parks-Elliott reunion will be held on Sunday, Sept. 5, 10 a.m., at shelter 10, City Park, Parkersburg. Bring chairs, covered dish, and non-alcoholic drinks. Plates, etc., will be furnished.

61st Annual Mt. Zion Ox Roast
Saturday, August 28
Mt. Zion Community Park
Mt. Zion, W.Va.
Serving from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Pit-Roasted Beef Sandwich, Cole slaw, baked beans, tomato, cake & drink



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Calhoun Youth Teams Win Two Of Three

Calhoun Youth football teams hosted St. Marys in the season opener on Sunday, with Calhoun winning two of three games.

C team (grades K-2) pulled out a 27-0 victory behind three touchdown runs by Josh Hardbarger (32, 75, 32) and one by Jace Farley (35).

C team statistics: offense, Josh Hardbarger 3-139 (3TD), Haygan Houchin 4-68 (3XP), Jace Farley 1-35 (1TD); defense, tackles, Josh Hardbarger 15, Haygan Houchin 3, Justin Cunningham 2, Jace Farley 2, Carper Summers 1, Kyle Shook 1; fumble recoveries, Justin Cunningham 3.

B team (grades 3-4) won 45-6 as Tyler Mayle had five rushing TDs (26, 10, 1, 8, 11) and Grayson Laughlin added two (55, 27).

B team statistics: offense, rushing, Tyler Mayle 9-173 (5TD), Grayson Laughlin 6-140 (2TD, 1XP), Bentley Snodgress 7-59 (2XP), Liam Yeager 3-40; defense, tackles, Grayson Laughlin 7, Carter Thompson 6, Bentley Snodgress 4, Tristian Rogers 3, Chandler Cottrell 3, Liam Yeager 2, Silas Cunningham

2, Tyler Mayle 1, Payden Yeager 1, Kason Stamper 1; sack, Bentley Snodgress 1; interception, Tyler Mayle 1.

A team (grades 5-6) fell to St. Marys, 34-6, with Gavin Hicks scoring from 65 yards out.

A team statistics: offense, rushing, Gavin Hicks 5-96 (1TD), Coby Staples 5-27, Wattson Nichols 6-26, Evan Collins 3-30, Trevor Mayle 1-7; defense, tackles, Wattson Nichols 5, Coby Staples 5, Trevor Mayle 4, Nic Butler 4, Tucker Sampson 3, Gavin Hicks 2, Evan Collins 1, Ezra Anderson 1, Jace Lemon 1, Evan Burch 1, Sam Bailey 1, Avery Wood 1; fumble recovery, Michael Richards 1.

Calhoun Youth Football Schedule

Sunday, Aug. 15, 1 p.m., host St. Marys

C 1-0, B 1-0, A 0-1 Sunday, Aug. 22, 1 p.m., host Clay

Sunday, Aug. 29, noon, play at Gilmer.

Sunday, Sept. 12, 1 p.m., host Braxton.

Saturday Sept. 18, 1 p.m., play at Roane.

Sunday, Oct. 3, noon, play at Webster.

Sunday, Oct. 10, 1 p.m., host Ravenswood.



B team cheerleaders include, left to right, first row, Sadie McGlothlin, Stormie Cunningham, Bella Staples, Catelynn Foster; second row, Ari Bremar, Chiara Brenneman, Alayna Wolford, Melanie Ferrell, Rylyn Ross; third row, Grace Turner, Karlie Simmons, Lillian McCumbers, Elizabeth Collins, Mandy Johnson; fourth row, coaches Breeann Ford, Samantha Hanlon and Emily Nichols. Not pictured - Addison Caudill and Allianna Hill.



Calhoun's Grayson Laughlin (2) sacks the St. Marys quarterback for an eight-yard loss. He also had two touchdown runs in the B team's win, and led the team in tackles with seven.



The B team's Bentley Snodgress (44) splits the defenders to score one of his two extra points during Sunday's victory.



Brittany Bonnett (left) of Genesis, Glenville Center, accepts donation of Kleenex tissues on behalf of residents from VFW Post 5959 Auxiliary treasurer Cheryl Cheesbrew.



Haygan Houchin (2) runs for a gain of 46 yards during the C team's 27-0 shutout of St. Marys. He also scored three extra points.



Calhoun's Trevor Collins (54) and Kade Swearingen (33) pressure the Webster County quarterback during Friday's scrimmage.

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 of 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.

The 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.

Upper West Fork

The following Upper West Fork Park events will be held on Saturdays from 7 to 10 p.m., unless otherwise noted (doors open at 4:30 p.m., kitchen opens at 5 p.m.):

Aug. 21, Jack Dunlap & \$2 Short; Aug. 28, Dixie Highway; Sept. 4, Dixie Highway; Sept. 11, County Line; Sept. 18, Jack Dunlap & \$2 Short; Sept. 25, Frank Conn & Co.

Crema's 104th



Crema Community Church will celebrate its 104th year with a Homecoming Service on Sunday, Aug. 22 (time not announced). Preaching services will be held, with dinner on the grounds.



The Calhoun County High School varsity's Kade Swearingen (33) is wide-open for a successful two-point conversion pass from Red Devil quarterback Owen Taylor against the visiting Webster County Highlanders.

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