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Calhoun's Quintin Parkin (60) tackles a Clay County running back during the C team's 33-0 win on Sunday. Teammates are Haygan Houchin (2) and Raines Riddel (75). Story and photos on Page 10.

Annual Ox Roast Is Saturday At Mt. Zion Community Park

The 61st annual Mt. Zion Ox Roast will be held Saturday at Mt. Zion Community Park. Serving begins at 11 a.m. and continues until an auction at 5 p.m.

Pit roasted beef sandwich, with baked beans, coleslaw, tomato, cake and drink, is \$8. Beef sandwich is \$5. To go orders are welcome.

There will also be a country fair with exhibits and produce, pies, canned goods, and crafts, plus local non-food vendors.

Music will be by David Bowen.

A cornhole tournament will be held. For information, call Sandy Weaver, 354-6217 or message her on Facebook.

According to the history of the event, the annual Ox Roast began in 1959, and through the event's success, the community action program and the park blossomed to become a force of beauty, recreation, education and development for Mt. Zion.

That year, the Ox Roast

drew 1,000 people and 800 pounds of beef were roasted and served out of the community building for the first time. The crowd enjoyed horseshoe pitching, badminton, pony rides, and playing in the freshly-painted playground.

Funds raised that year built a nice entrance for the park, and brought a gas line to the building.

Families and friends donated cookies, pies, bread and cakes for the auction.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, August 25
Calhoun County Solid Waste meets, Mom's Place Too, 4 p.m.

Free concert, with Extreme Tours Events, Wayne Underwood Field, Grantsville, 6 p.m.

Thursday, August 26
Grantsville Farmer's (Continued on Page 2)

MHHS Strengthens Specialty Services, New Care Locations

Minnie Hamilton Health System has announced the upcoming addition of specialty services offered at its locations, including gastroenterology, urology, women's health, and surgery.

Aligned with Mon Health Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital, MHHS clinical affiliation agreement with Mon Health System increases access to specialized medical and innovative care services for residents.

The affiliation furthers our promise to the citizens of Calhoun and Gilmer counties to continue to have independent health care choice close to home.

"Our team is committed to serving patients when and where they need it most," said Mon Health president and CEO David Goldberg.

"Mon Health is proud to work collaboratively to ensure that the local community receives the highest-quality, most comprehensive care close to home through our clinical affiliation with Minnie Hamilton Health System, like we have done at Grafton City Hospital and our other Mon Health hospitals."

According to Goldberg, in the decades that Mon Health System has served the region, it has expanded to become nationally recognized for excellence.

It leads the state in treatments for conditions that most affect West Virginians with heart care, urology, robotic surgery, and gynecologic care.

Mon Health Medical Center has been recognized as a "Center of Excellence in Robotic Surgery" for its minimally invasive expertise with two master surgeons of note.

In urology, Mon Health Urologist is designated a UroLift® Center of Excellence.

Both Mon Health Medical Center and Mon Health Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital were recently awarded an "A" grade for patient safety for Spring 2021 from The Leapfrog Group, the only hospitals in West Virginia to achieve the distinction.

Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital is a CMS 5-Star hospital and Mon Health Medical Center is a CMS 4-Star hospital, and has also been named a Top (Continued on Page 3)

12 Cases In Two Days

After returning to green with two cases reported from Wednesday-Friday, DHHR credited Calhoun with six COVID-19 cases on both Monday and Tuesday, returning the county to yellow--and

only slightly less than gold.

Since the pandemic began, Calhoun has now had 436 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 126 to 181, only the second time since Jan. 26 that the area had that many cases.

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The Calhoun County High School volleyball team is scheduled to open its season by hosting St. Marys on Monday, Aug. 30, at 6 p.m. Members include, left to right, first row, Brealle Arthur, Laina Kelley, Abigail Waldron, Nyla Warner, Emily Dennison; second row, Lauren Lovejoy, Zoey Kute, Cheyanne Tingler, Christee Craddock, Mia Houchin, Karlee Garrett; third row, Madison Bell, Kameryn Toney, Ashlyn Boak, Chelsea McCumbers, Joselynn Yeager and Marlee Hall. Not pictured - Lexi Gregory, Maycee Carter.



Calhoun Youth football A team (grades 5-6) evened its record at 1-1 with a 14-0 shutout of visiting Clay County on Sunday. Members include, left to right, first row, Sam Bailey, Avery Wood, Michael Richards, Jace Lemon, Ezra Anderson, Coby Staples, Zac Smith, Braedyn Warner, Trevor Mayle; second row, Evan Collins, Tucker Sampson, Camden Carpenter, Nic Butler, Wattson Nichols, Cohen Blankenship, Gavin Hicks, Evan Burch and Clayton Foster (not pictured - Duke Persinger); third row, coaches Kevin Cunningham, Tommy Collins, Casey Staples and Josh Nichols (not pictured - Scott Hicks). Story and photos on Page 10.

Building Rental

Rental information for Arnoldsburg Community Building: \$150 per day, with a \$100 refundable cleaning deposit. For rental information, call Denise Carter, 377-9441, or Miranda Nelson, 655-8604. For other information, call Patty Hall, 588-6189, and Janet Marks, 655-7270.

Free Food

Calhoun FRN will sponsor a mobile food pantry on Thursday, Aug. 26, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Grantsville municipal park. Line up will not start before 10:50 at old high school.

OBITUARIES

ROSEANN TURNER

Roseann Turner, 83, of Glenville, formerly of Grantsville, died Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, at Genesis Heath Care, Glenville Center.

She was born in Shock, the daughter of the late Nathan and Missouri Bishop Cottrill. She was a 1956 graduate of Normantown High School and worked as a secretary for 32 years at Glenville State College, having retired in 2000. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Glenville since 1961, a member of Order of Eastern Star, Rebekahs, Gilmer County Senior Citizens, and International Association of Lady's Auxiliary, Patriarch Militant, where she was past president and held the title of secretary emeritus. She was united in marriage to Harless Arthur Turner on Dec. 24, 1954, and they were together for 66 years.

Surviving are two children, Angelina Gamblin of Front Royal, Va., and Reginald A. Turner of Edmond, Okla.; four grandchildren, Jamie and Joseph Turner, Crystal Christman and Amanda Robinson; and six great-grandchildren, Seren, Cole, Tristan, Hayes, Rhett and Brianna.

She was preceded in death by seven siblings, Mona Skidmore, Elinor Carr, baby Pina Cottrill, Burl Cottrill, Ralph Cottrill, Frank Cottrill and Hugh Cottrill.

Roseann's request for cremation has been honored and a celebration of life will be held at a later date.

WALTER MINNEY, SR.

Rev. Walter D. Minney, Sr., 90, of Parkersburg, died Sunday, Aug. 15, 2021.

He was born in Glenville, the son of the late Rev. Leslie V. and Rennie Adams Minney. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War and had preached the gospel for over 50 years, including recently at Full Gospel Church in Christ, Parkersburg.

Surviving are six children, Chip Minney, Mitchell Minney and Nancy Cunningham, all of Parkersburg, Terry Minney of Smithville, John Minney of Belleville and Joann Polland of Cutler, Ohio; 11 grandchildren, Janine, Misty, Jacob, Amber, Priscilla, Nathan, Ethan, Tara, Farrah, Johnny and Eden; several great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Betty Jo Holt Minney, on July 28, 2021; one grandson, Luther "Aaron" Weatherholt; one daughter-in-law, Lena Rae Minney; one son-in-law, Stan Polland; one sister, Gilda San Roman; and one brother, Randall Minney.

Services were at Full Gospel Church in Christ, with burial in Elihue-Stump Cemetery, Stumptown.



LAUNA 'Eddie' DAWSON LAW

Launa "Eddie" Dawson Law, 98, died Thursday, Aug. 19, 2021, at Danbury Senior Living, Tallmadge, Ohio.

She was born in Calhoun County, the daughter of the late Jack and Georgia Kelley Dawson. She was a 1940 graduate of Calhoun County High School, a majorette in the marching band, and the 1939 Homecoming Queen. She married James A. "Jim" Law in 1948 and they moved to the Ellet area of Akron, Ohio. She began her career in the Accounting Dept. and was executive assistant to the president of Goodyear Aerospace Corp., when she retired in 1983 with 35 years of service.

Surviving are two sisters, Betty Nelson and Glenna Wilson, and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and great-great nieces and great-great-nephews.

Eddie was preceded in death by her husband, James, in 2010 after 62 years of marriage; three sisters, Louie Pearl Snider, Leota "Jo" Hall and Mary Belle Dawson; and one brother, James Lewis Dawson.

In order to honor Eddie's wishes, cremation has taken place. There will be a private family burial in West Virginia at a later date.



JOSHUA ROBERT HARDMAN

Joshua Robert Hardman, 32, of Grantsville, died Sunday, Aug. 22, 2021.

He was born in Buckhannon, the son of the late Douglas Hardman and Tammi Sue Roberts Hardman. He was a 2007 graduate of Gilmer County High School and worked as a rig hand for Shock Water Well and Septic Services.

Surviving are three children, Ryleigh and Jaxson Hardman of Big Springs and Kinsleigh Hardman of Parkersburg; two brothers, Tony Hardman and companion Bridgette Campbell of Trace Fork and Bryan Hardman of Buckhannon; one sister, Brandy Hardman and companion Mark Wells of Buckhannon; four aunts, Jennifer Siverson and Terri Jarlinski, both of Florida, Debbie Shiflet of Normantown and Tena Jones of Stouts Mills; his fiancée, Logan Miller of Parkersburg; maternal grandmother, Mary Sue Roberts of Trace Fork; and several nieces, nephews and cousin.

The family's request for cremation has been honored and a memorial service will be held Thursday, 5 p.m., at Ellyson Mortuary, 2 Vanhorn Drive, Glenville, with Pastor Bryan Groves officiating. Visitation will be held Thursday, 3 to 5 p.m., at the mortuary.



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.

LETTER BOX

Calhoun County Schools
August 23, 2021

In an effort to be transparent with the community and also respect the privacy of our employees and students, we want to inform you that Calhoun County Schools has had one student test positive for COVID-19. This is not a school-related exposure; however, additional students are being quarantined due to possible exposure.

As soon as we were notified of the positive students, Nurse Trudi [Anderson] started contact tracing and contacting involved students and staff. If you are involved, you will be notified by her. We are in touch with Mid-Ohio Valley Health Dept. and will be following the health department's guidance.

As a school system, our employees do the COVID-19 screeners and sanitize daily. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families at this time.

We are a close school family and will continue to provide whatever assistance we can safely provide to them during this time. Thank you so much for supporting Calhoun County Schools, our students, and the school community.

Together, we can get through these challenging times by continuing to support each other.
Kelli Whytsell, Superintendent

We are getting excited in Arnoldsburg about the Molasses Festival on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 23-25. Our theme this year is, "It's Time to Stick Together Again."

New this year is a carnival, a cake, pie and cookie bake off (must have molasses in the recipe). There will also be some old time favorites like pretty baby contest, car show, cornhole tournament, and step back in time with Heritage Days, and so much more.

Entertainment will include Johnny Staats Project, John Richards, The Kowboyz, Karaoke with Sherry Wade, Stephanie Cunningham, Bluegrass/Gospel by The Putnam Family & Friends, Buck McCumbers & Friends, Rick Falls and Bear Fork Friends.

Bring your own chair, because the entertainment will be performed outside by our pavilion.

Quilts will be accepted on Tuesday, Sept. 21. Best of show in the quilts exhibit will receive a \$100 cash prize. Our Pancake Supper is on Friday and our Chicken BBQ is on Saturday. Watch for updates in the coming weeks.

Festival contact information: commercial vendor, pretty baby contest, car show, Kelli Coon Collins, 481-0213; parade information and entry form, Michelle Fitzwater, 588-7049 (\$5 entry fee); country store, Barb Jarvis, 655-7248, or Patti Hicks, 655-8515; volunteer or general questions, Patty Hall, 588-6189; exhibits, Norma Collins and Crystal Conley, 655-8167.

West Fork Community Action

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

Since I usually begin right away to avoid going this missive with the latest news of what COVID-19 is doing to the unvaccinated, and even the fully vaccinated, I thought that perhaps I should let it rest for a paragraph or two.

Last week, while I was in the post office mailing out newspapers to our subscribers, I heard of yet another despicable scam perpetrated on a local resident involving the "grandchild in trouble" approach.

I simply cannot understand how anyone can take advantage of the love that one has for family to scam them out of what little money that they have access to. There must be a special hole under Hell where these horrible souls can be tortured for all of eternity.

Phone security company Pindrop Security does an annual "State of Phone Fraud" report, and it found some disturbing things. For example, there are more than 86 million scam calls every month, and that is just in the U.S.

To put it another way, one in every 2,200 phone calls made in the U.S. is a scam call. That's up 30 percent from 2013, which means it's only going to get worse. If you haven't gotten a scam call yet, it's almost certain you will.

The first thing you should do is to put your phone number on the Federal Trade Commission's "Do Not Call" registry by calling 1-888-382-1222 from the phone number you want to register. You will get fewer telemarketing calls within 31 days of registering your number.

Part of the problem with detecting phone scams is that there are so many. It could be an automated robocall telling you that you won a prize and need to call a number and give them personal information to claim it, or it could be the "IRS" saying that there was a problem with your taxes and you need to pay

right away to avoid going to jail.

Another common one is the phone tech-support scam. This is where someone calls you pretending to be from Microsoft, Apple or even "Windows," and claims you have viruses on your computer. If you allow them on your computer to "clean" it, they will install viruses and charge you a bunch of money.

Scammers can also "spoof" phone numbers to make it appear that they are calling from legitimate places. For example, they might call you pretending to be the police and their number will be similar or the same as the one for your local police.

I have seen my own phone number pop up on my caller ID, and I really give these folks an earful when I answer the phone.

Fortunately, there are some rules you can follow to avoid being tricked in a phone scam. If you have older family members or friends, be sure to share this article with them.

Never let yourself be rushed into anything, especially if the person is taking great pains to rush you. Take a few deep breaths and approach the situation calmly. Most scams will unravel with a little scrutiny.

Remember: There is no crisis so big that waiting a few extra minutes, or even a few hours, is going to make a difference.

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The following information is from the Center for Disease Control's COVID-19 website:

The U.S. COVID-19 Vaccination Program began Dec. 14, 2020. As of Aug. 19, 359.6 million vaccine doses have been administered. About 199.9 million people, or 60.2% of the total U.S. population, have received at least one dose of vaccine.

About 169.6 million people, or 51.1% of the total U.S. population, have been fully vaccinated. As of Aug. 19, the seven-day average number of

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SPECIAL EVENTS

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Market, Wayne Underwood Field, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Calhoun FRN mobile food pantry, Grantsville municipal park, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; line up will not start before 10:50 at old high school.

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.

Monday, August 30

CCHS volleyball team hosts St. Marys in season opener, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, August 31

CCHS volleyball team plays at Ritchie County, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 2

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

CMS football team plays at Ravenswood, 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3

CCHS football team hosts Valley (Wetzel), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 4

CCHS volleyball team plays at Doddridge County, 10 a.m.

Cal Jarvis Reunion, Upper West Fork Park. registration begins at 11 a.m.; covered dish lunch at noon.

Open house celebration in honor of Cleston Nicholas' 95th birthday, First Baptist Church, Grantsville, 2 to 4 p.m.

Bingo, Grantsville Lions Club, 103 Stump St., 6 p.m.

Sing, Upper West Fork Park, Chloe, 7 p.m.



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This Week In History

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

1921, 100 years ago

A.T. Yoak, one of Ayers' leading citizens, was here on Wednesday for business. He informs us that his son, James, who has been very low with typhoid, is some better, but still very sick.

Dr. J.A. Morford was called to Mt. Zion on Thursday to reduce a fracture of the arm for a small son of Lewis Little. The young man was quite painfully injured, but is now resting nicely.

L.L. Booher of Daniels Run was a visitor in town on Tuesday. He recently returned from Richwood, where he had been for several weeks. While in that city, he witnessed the big fire that burned down a large part of the business portion of the town, entailing a damage of probably a quarter of a million dollars.

Work on the Masonic Temple is progressing nicely. The foundations and basement walls are about completed, and it will only be a matter of a few days before the building is ready for the laying of the cornerstone, which will be laid by the Grand Lodge of Masons, with the usual ceremonies.

It is expected to make the occasion a great one for Masons, as the cornerstone will mark the beginning of an important era for the local lodge. The date of the ceremony will be announced in the next few days.

George Hays and Wheeler Chenoweth of Arnoldsburg and E.W. McKown of Spencer, were here on Monday enroute to Weston to attend a meeting held in the interest of the Clarksburg-Charleston state road project. Some of the interior counties are making a fight to turn the road from Weston across to Sutton and thence down the Elk River.

This would be a blow to Gilmer, Calhoun and Roane counties, and the meeting at Weston was called for the purpose of protesting against the change. At the meeting, resolutions favoring the Gilmer-Roane route were adopted and an organization formed to fight for the project.

1946, 75 years ago

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ferrell, who are enrolled this year in the Calhoun County Farming for Better Living program, are conducting a general farming operation of 300 acres in the Big Bend section of Sheridan District, which provides amply for the family needs, with a surplus for marketing. The farm is Mr. Ferrell's home place, and his father, B.B. Ferrell, who is 87 years old, but remains quite active for his age, makes his home there and helps with such farm work as he is able to handle.

In addition to the family garden, which supplies vegetables for table use and for canning, there are raspberries, peaches, plums, cherries and apples for summer use and preserving, and yields some fine cobbles. There is also a half-acre of potatoes that were well fertilized and manured

The family laying-flock had been culled to two-thirds its winter size at the time of the Farming for Better Living reporter's visit, but Mrs. Ferrell was prepared with replacements, and was very proud of her feat of hatching 36 young White Leghorns in front of the fire with the aid of a hot water bottle. Two January pigs were being fed for next winter's family meat supply.

Mr. Ferrell devotes much of his attention to beef cattle. There were 16 head of Herefords on the place this summer, and one cow, a calf, and two yearlings had been sold. The Ferrells have three spring calves, and sell about 14 quarts of milk daily to a local store. They also have a stand of bees.

Mr. Ferrell used his own yellow dent seed for three acres of corn. He also had about 45 acres of meadow in which clover and timothy predominate. Seven acres of the timothy is seeded with lespedeza. The use of lime and fertilizer in previous years has brought his meadows into a stage of excellent production. Except for woodland, the rest of the farm is in pasture, some of which has been treated. There is some virgin timber on the place, with quite a bit of second growth.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell have two daughters. The elder, Wanda Lee, is a graduate of Calhoun County High School and was active in 4-H Club work during her grade school years. She expects to enter Morris Harvey College in Charleston this fall. The younger daughter, Martha Lou, who is six years old, will enter the local grade school this year.

Mr. Ferrell is a veteran of World War I and is a member of American Legion.

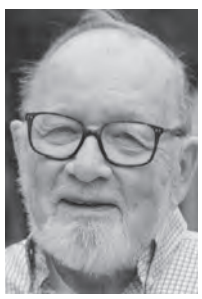
1971, 50 years ago

Lloyd Parsons and Joe Law are two people who are really trying to do something about the current housing shortage in the area. They have started a mobile home business on Rt. 5, about two miles out of Grantsville on the Glenville road.

One of the first things that happened was that Joe broke his arm in a tractor accident while preparing the ground for their display. This hasn't stopped him from going right ahead in the pursuit of business. They are handling three brands of mobile homes on their lot.

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



A few more Conceptual Questions and Answers from "An Introduction to Physical Science," 15th edition, Cengage Learning.

Question: Microwave oven glass doors have a metal mesh with holes. What is the purpose of this mesh?

Answer: The oven glass door is easy for viewing, but the window has a perforated metal mesh over it for safety. Because the size of the perforations (holes) in the mesh are much less than microwave wavelengths (on the order of 12 cm, or 4.7 in), most of the microwave radiation cannot pass through the door, whereas light with wavelengths (on the order of 10-11 cm) can. For microwaves, the mesh behaves like a continuous metal sheet that reflects radiation back into the oven.

Question: Why do onions make you cry?

Answer: Cutting into an onion breaks the cells of the onion, producing sulfenic acids from the contents that are released. Enzymes from the cells mix with the sulfenic acids to produce the propanetriol S-oxide, a gaseous sulfur compound. Upon getting into your eyes, the gas reacts with the water in your eyes to form sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄). The acid burns, causing the eyes to release tears to wash the irritant away. (Chilling the onion first helps to reduce these reaction rates.)

Question: What is the time and date at the North Pole?

Answer: Since all the meridians of the time zone boundaries converge at the North Pole (and South Pole, too), many answers would seem possible. To solve this conundrum, it was internationally agreed upon that Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)--that is, the time and date of Greenwich, England (previously called Greenwich Mean Time)--would be used. It is the same time and date at both the top and bottom of the world.

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "The first time I sang in the church choir, two hundred people changed their religion." --Fred A. Allen.

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.

MHHS Strengthens--

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100 Safety Net Hospital by the Lown Institute.

Mon Health Heart & Vascular Center is West Virginia's leader in cardiovascular care as the first and only hospital in West Virginia to earn an Atrial Fibrillation (AFib) Accreditation.

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Mon Health Medical Center has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report, and is the only regional hospital and 24th in the country to receive HeartCARE Center Designation by the American College of Cardiology.

"We are committed to the communities that we serve," said MHHS CEO Stephen Whited. "Collaborating with Mon Health System aligns with our long-term commitment, and so does ensuring clinical locations nearby for our residents to access this high-quality care close to home."

"Losing our long-term lease at WACO Center certainly brought frustration in many aspects to our staff and the community."

"Despite the fact that Braxton Memorial Hospital, owned and operated by WVU Medicine, withdrew its Certificate Of Need application for WACO Center, Minnie Hamilton remains committed to ensuring the services that the communities depend on will be available."

"We have secured temporary locations in which we will be moving our services. These locations will serve as a staging point, as we continue the development of our long-term, permanent facility plans and continual investment in our community."

MHHS renewed the agreement with GSC to provide medical services for students and staff, which continues to show its support and commitment to Gilmer County.

According to MHHS, it continues to provide School-Based Health Services to Gilmer County Elementary and Gilmer County High School.

Minnie Hamilton's ongoing commitment and its willingness to collaborate with multiple organizations, shows that it is committed to doing what is best for patients and community members.

The specialty services are a continuation of promises made and the ability to secure alternate locations, while developing long-term facility plans, and is a testament to its staff, patients, community members, and all that it serves.



This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from Aug. 26-Sept. 1 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Aug. 26, 1863: Union and Confederate forces collided in what became known as the Battle of White Sulphur Springs. The next morning, with ammunition nearly depleted, Union Gen. William Averell decided to retreat to his base without accomplishing any of his objectives.



Aug. 26, 1918: Mathematician Katherine Johnson was born in White Sulphur Springs. For 33 years, she worked for NASA doing calculations for manned space flight, including the Apollo 11 moon landing. In 2015, she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom.



Aug. 27, 1902: Mary McClain was born Mary Smith in Huntington. She was a blues legend, who performed at Carnegie Hall, White House, Apollo Theatre, and Cotton Club.



Aug. 28, 1900: Harrison H. Ferrell, Jr., was born in

Chicago. Known as "the Dean" to generations of students, he was professor of German, 1928-66, at West Virginia State College (now University), and served as dean and in other capacities from 1930 until 1970.

Aug. 29, 1952: A groundbreaking ceremony was held in Mercer County to mark the beginning of construction of the West Virginia Turnpike (shown below). Initially, most of the turnpike was just two lanes, because officials believed revenues would be too low to finance four lanes.

Aug. 30, 1862: Confederate raiders under the command of Gen. Albert G. Jenkins attacked and occupied Buckhannon, where they captured 20 prisoners and 5,000 stands of small arms.

Aug. 31, 1945: The USS West Virginia led American battleships into Tokyo Bay two days before the formal surrender of Japan on Sept. 2, 1945.

Sept. 1, 1777: Ft. Henry, located at what is now Wheeling, was attacked by Indians for the first time. Nearly half the militia were lured outside the post and killed.



Sept. 1, 1907: Walter Phillips Reuther was born to German immigrant parents in Wheeling. He was a founder of the modern labor movement and long-time president of United Auto Workers.

Sept. 1, 1921: By this date during the Battle of Blair Mountain, miners had captured half of the 25-mile mountain ridge and were ready to descend upon Logan. President Warren Harding placed the strike zone under martial law, and ordered federal troops and a squadron of bomber aircraft into the state.

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Groundbreaking ceremony was held Aug. 29, 1952, in Mercer County to mark the beginning of construction of the West Virginia Turnpike.

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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.



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My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



The first week of school has been completed. I had the beginning of the week to work on my classroom, and I must say that I am pleased with how it turned out. Since I spend the majority of my time there, I want the space to be warm, welcoming, and bright. If I feel at home there, it is my hope that my students will too.

We had a staggered start again this year, so on Wednesday, the 9th and 11 graders started their school year. I teach mostly 10th graders, but I have an 11th grade homeroom. The staggered start provided us with the chance to assist the 9th graders as they began their high school careers. The hope is that having only 50% of the students in the building will make that first day less intimidating. It also gives the homeroom teachers needed time to pass out paperwork, and go over new policies and procedures for the school year.

On Thursday, the 10th and 12th graders roamed the halls once again. The sophomores are a little more confident than last year, and the seniors are delighted to be starting their final year of high school. This was a much busier day for me because, as I said before, I teach mostly 10th graders. This year, I have two sophomore English classes and one 10th honors English. We have returned to a seven-period schedule, so I also have a creative writing class, and a new elective that I am really excited about. This year, I will be leading a small staff of students who hope to resurrect a school newspaper.

If you were counting my classes, you probably thought I forgot a few. I have a planning period every day, which I couldn't live without, and then one period that I spend in the library. I am thrilled to say that it looks like the library will be up and running again this year. Our circulation system is active, and some of our staff actually have offices in the library. I am looking forward to spending my seventh period there. It will be a great way to end my day.

On Friday, the whole high school was in attendance, and I had all of my students in every class for the first time. First period is my new school newspaper class. I have mostly 10th graders in this group, but there is also a freshman and a junior. We are small, but the students seem excited about bringing back something that our school has been missing for quite some time.

We spent some time on Friday researching the history of Calhoun County High School's newspapers and brainstorming ideas for our new paper. The students came up with five possible names, and will let the student body vote for their favorite choice. I will be sure to share with you what name wins. The class also talked about what they would like to see in the paper and what format we will use. I am really excited to see what our new school newspaper staff creates this year.

Second period is my creative writing class, and I can already tell that I am going to love this class! It is small and made up of students who actually enjoy writing. I have already talked with them about being contributing writers for the school paper and possibly letting me submit some of their work to the Chronicle.

Third period is my honors English class, and though I am going to sound like a broken record, I must say that I am already looking forward to spending the year with this group. Mrs. Smith, their English teacher last year, told me this was a special class, and I can already tell that she was right.

Fourth period is my biggest class of the day, and this group is going to keep me on my toes. I love a good challenge and look forward to convincing these 10th graders that English is not as bad as some of them think. Fifth period is my planning period. This year, all of the high school English teachers have planning together. This excites me because we can collaborate and plan as a unit. We are a strong team, and common planning will only make us stronger.

Sixth period is my other 10th grade English class. This is a smaller group, and they seem willing and able to follow me wherever I take them. Seventh period, as I said before, I will end my day in the school library. In addition to my library duties, I will also be overseeing students who are taking online classes and college courses.

I have high hopes for this new school year. We started off strong, and I believe that we will stay that way!

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)

How are you pleased with Mr Lawson's wife? It is late, & I must close. We have had some cold weather recently. Write me a long letter soon, write about everything.

Your affectionate sister
Amie E. Silcott²

[The following paragraph was on reverse.]

We are very well pleased with Mary thus far, & she appears to be well pleased with her situation. I thank you very much for the beautiful beads you sent me, thread, &c. Candlesticks came safe. What did Jane say about my things. No harm to tell me.

A.E.S.

Jan 5th 1860

My Dear Mother

It is night, silence & peace reign around. Busy day with its care & turmoil is over, & it is pleasant indeed to gather around the blazing fires to our home occupations, sometimes sewing or knitting, sometimes reading or writing. The weather for nearly a week has been extremely cold. I do not know how you all get along on French Creek where the climate is considerably colder than ours. This morning the thermometer stood here eight degrees below zero. It is seldom indeed that the weather becomes that cold here. I think this might well be still colder.

Christmas has made us a call since I last wrote you. We were very busy all day on Saturday cooking for our Christmas dinner. Jane & Allan³ took dinner with us. Louisa said she did not think it wrong to invite them if it was Sunday as they are the only relatives we have here. George's father & sister reached here that day just before dinner on their return home. I have not heard from them since they got settled down at home. I presume they are getting along well.

Uncle Jimmy is sitting by me, he says tell you Louisa is up to her elbows in grease. Louisa says that is the very reason that she does not write to you this week, she is so busy in the pork & lard, & sausage business. Last week & this week they have killed upwards of six thousand pounds of pork, besides all they have sold Allan & Mrs Jones.

Allan has bought of Perry the house & lot upon which they are living. Jane & Allan seem to feel very happy and contented. I wish you would write more frequently. You do not write half often enough. Tell me what you are all doing. How is your health, & how is Almira? What is she doing? I am enjoying my usual health. I would like much to be with you for a season. It is too cold to write much. The children are well. Give my love to friends & relatives.

Your affectionate daughter,
Amie Eva

Arnoldsburg, March 1st 1860

My Dear Sister

If you were here this evening I would not be at any loss for subjects for conversation--their name would be legion. But whenever I take up my pen all ideas fly, & immediately I become dull & prosy.

I wish you could step in very often, for instance this evening. You would find Louisa in her room cutting her out some pieces for a quilt. Sissie is engaged in sewing on her own quilt, which is nearly finished. She is joining it with red calico, & her tongue flies almost as fast as her needle.

She is as great a talker as of old, & says as many amusing things as ever. She is a great reader. She will take the "Youth's Companion" which grandma sends, & sit down & read off the stories almost as well as I can. Warrie, & Sis⁴, & Floyd make a great fuss over the papers which Grandma sends them, are quite elated every time they arrive.

Floyd was equally delighted with the rest on the reception of his. He thinks he ought to have one as much as the rest. Even French when he gets hold of a paper will read--i.e. j.k. &c.

You would find Floyd⁵ here this evening with his hatchet cutting sticks & singing to himself. I heard him awhile ago singing "Oh! George Silcott, is a pretty little Silcott," &c. Floydie is a case.

But Polie French--! I think there was never another! He says everything, & such amusing things too. He keeps us laughing much of the time. But I dont know what we would do without him. The last cheese mother sent us is almost gone, & French begs & cries for it many times every day. He will go to the press & cry she, she, & wont take sugar, pie, or cake in the place of it. He would eat a great deal rather have it than candy. I dont know what he will do without it.

Perry & Warren rode out to day in company with Lawyer Linn, & John E. Hays. They will return this evening. Court closed here last night. It only lasted two days. Allen was over here this morning. His family is well. I see Jane quite often. French thinks a great deal of Forry as he calls her. Perry & I walked over last Saturday evening to Allen's & sat awhile. I have been too busy to go over since.

¹Mr Lawson: Orr Lawson, pastor of French Creek Presbyterian Church.

²Amie signed her name Sexton and then changed it to Silcott.

³Amie's cousin, Jane Sexton, married Allan George and moved to Arnoldsburg. It is not clear what Amie meant by saying it was not wrong to invite them over for Christmas dinner. It likely pertained to the contentions of the time. When the Civil War broke out, Jane and Allan moved back to Upshur County and Allan joined the Union Army.

⁴Sissie Amy Hays, who was 5 years old at the time. daughter of Perry and Louisa. Children in those days learned early to be productive.

⁵Floyd was 4 yrs. old at the time and was already learning to use tools.

(Continued Next Week)

Senior Citizens Menu

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

Thursday, Aug. 26: salisbury steak with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, oranges, whole wheat bread.

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

Monday, Aug. 30: oven fried fish, potatoes, buttered carrots, fruit salad, wheat bread.

Tuesday, Aug. 31: cook's choice.

Sept. 1-3: not announced.

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.

Senior Updates

Deb Miller, JD, W.Va. Senior Legal Aid Volunteer

Some people mistakenly view a quitclaim deed as a cure-all.

The traditional purpose is to allow a person who is unsure of what ownership rights, if any, they hold in a property, to transfer all of those unknown rights to one or more recipients, known as grantees.

The owner, called the grantor, transfers the property with no guarantee that the title is clear and free of defects.

A quitclaim deed is the opposite of a general warranty deed in which the grantor does guarantee that he is conveying a clear title. Although it is an incorrect name, this type of deed is called a quick claim deed by some. There is no such deed.

Some view a quitclaim deed as a document to be used for any type of transfer, whether they know what their ownership rights are or not.

They also think that they can prepare it themselves, because it appears to be a relatively simple deed. That is generally a mistake. Every property is unique, and treating the transfer in a generic way is not appropriate.

Having a lawyer prepare the deed correctly avoids a defect in the chain of title that can be created by an amateur's hit-or-miss deed.

In every deed, the wording is crucial and even every comma counts.

The cost of a new deed on a residential or non-business property will generally be in the hundreds of dollars, not the thousands. Paying this amount protects current and future legal rights.

When a quitclaim deed is involved, the grantee(s) of the property should be especially interested in making sure everything is correct. Through a title search, a lawyer can explain what property and rights they will be receiving. A grantee might be willing to pay for the deed and title search to avoid later issues that can cost a lot more.

When considering any type of property transfer, consult with an attorney, or if you are at least 60 years old, you can call West Virginia Senior Legal Aid, 1-800-229-5068, to discuss the situation for free.

A recent example of a quitclaim deed gone bad involved a woman who thought she deeded partial ownership in her home to her new husband via a homemade quitclaim deed that she prepared after reading information on the Internet, but she did not do that.

A quitclaim deed transfers to the grantee all of the ownership rights the grantor holds, just as many other types of deeds do. Unaware of what she had done, she learned after her husband died that her stepchildren had inherited the property from their father. The unhappy wife had not intended that result. She no longer had any ownership rights in her home, because of the deed that she had drawn up on her own.

In addition to getting property ownership messed up, there can be other unintended consequences from handling a deed on a do-it-yourself basis without fully understanding the legal situation.

Future Medicaid eligibility for long term care and loan arrangements with financial institutions can be negatively impacted by such homemade deeds, among other things.

Also, the transfer may be totally ineffective, causing the owner to retain the property after all.

Real estate is an important asset to own and having it dealt with professionally saves time, effort and money today and in the future.

For assistance with legal issues, state residents age 60 and over may contact Senior Legal Aid, 1-800-229-5068, to speak with a staff attorney for free.

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Varsity Football Opens Season With Wirt County At Home

The Calhoun County High School varsity football team will open its 2021 season by hosting Wirt County on Friday at 7 p.m.

According to head coach John Persinger, final decisions on a starting line-up were being made at Monday's practice.

He said that most positions on offense and defense are set, but several players were in the running for offensive left guard and a defensive end position.

Kickoff, extra point, and punting finals were also being conducted at Monday's workout.

yards (3.6) and scored four times.

Sterns is the returning leader in receiving with 12 catches, 83 yards, and a touchdown.

Persinger (30), Taylor (24) and Sterns (20) scored 74 of the Red Devils' 92 points from last year's 0-8 team.

Returning and expected to be two-way starters on the line are sophomore Levi Stump and junior Trevor Collins. Senior Hunter Schoolcraft will be at center.

Other starters on both offense and defense are

Taylor, Persinger, Grant, seniors Jett Sampson, Ian Richards and Isiah Bell, and sophomore Tyler Nelson.

According to coach Persinger, last Friday's scrimmage with Trinity ended with CCHS being outscored four to two in touchdowns.

CMS will scrimmage at Wirt on Thursday, Aug. 26, at 6 p.m.

2021 Calhoun Middle School Football Schedule

September	
2 Ravenswood	A 6:00
9 Summersville	H 6:00
16 Spencer	H 6:00
23 Ritchie	H 6:00
30 Wetzel	A 6:00
October	
7 Webster	A 6:00
14 Braxton	H 6:00
28 Playoff	H TBA

2021 Calhoun Varsity Volleyball Schedule

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

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)

Possible Red Devil Starting Line Ups

OFFENSE				
Position	Player	Year	Ht.	Wt.
Receiver	Jett Sampson	Sr.	5'11	140
Left Tackle	Tyler Nelson	So.	5'9	210
Left Guard	To be determined			
Center	Hunter Schoolcraft	Sr.	6'	250
Right Guard	Trevor Collins	Jr.	6'	215
Right Tackle	Isiah Bell	Sr.	6'4	300
Tight End	Levi Stump	So.	5'10	250
Receiver	Ian Richards	Sr.	5'10	140
Quarterback	Owen Taylor	So.	6'	140
Running Back	Ian Persinger	Jr.	5'6	165
Running Back	Grant Sterns	Sr.	6'1	165
Kicker	To be determined			

DEFENSE				
Position	Player	Year	Ht.	Wt.
End	Levi Stump	So.	5'10	250
Tackle	Isiah Bell	Sr.	6'4	300
Tackle	Trenton Nelson	So.	5'10	250
End	To be determined			
Linebacker	Tyler Nelson	So.	5'9	210
Linebacker	Trevor Collins	Jr.	6'	215
Linebacker	Ian Persinger	Jr.	5'6	165
Linebacker	Grant Sterns	Sr.	6'1	165
Corner	Jett Sampson	Sr.	5'11	140
Corner	Ian Richards	Sr.	5'10	140
Free Safety	Owen Taylor	So.	6'	140
Punter	To be determined	Sr.	6'	180

Remaining Roster

Thor Miller	Sr.	5'10	165
Isaiah Boggs	Jr.	5'10	135
Jordan Collins	Jr.	6'1	290
Shane Dooley	Jr.	5'8	240
Kolton Garrett	Jr.	5'10	325
Hunter Seubert	Jr.	5'10	155
Jayton Gibson	So.	5'9	170
Adam Hughes	So.	5'9	138
Caden Jones	So.	6'3	180
Preston McCumbers	So.	5'10	165
Dakota Quick	So.	5'9	180
Steven Rogers	So.	5'6	140
Kade Swearingen	So.	6'	200
Noah Butler	Fr.	5'4	130
Leland Collins	Fr.	5'8	240
Landon Richards	Fr.	5'11	230
Logan Tingler	Fr.	5'9	165

Prognostication Contest Begins

The annual Football Prognostication Contest, sponsored by Grantsville Foodland Deli and The Calhoun Chronicle, begins this week.

The contestant who picks the most winners of 13 games each week wins a \$25 gift certificate from Grantsville Foodland. The top four entries each week receive bonus points, ranging from three to 20 points the first week and eight to 40 points the 10th week.

The player who accumulates the most bonus points during the 10-week contest receives a \$50 gift certificate.

In this second COVID-19 season, games not played by Sunday night will not count in that week's contest. Rules and entry form are printed at the right.

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.

Part 4: Calhoun Football History in Little Kanawha Conference

Single Game Records

Points			Passing Yards		
62	Jeff Swisher, Sistersville vs. Frontier (OH)	1986	440	Dave Parks, Pennsboro vs. Frontier (OH)	1971
54	Ralph Batey, Wahama vs. Eastern (OH)	1967	407	Doug Stanley, Williamstown vs. Pennsboro	1962
44	Jimmy White, Calhoun County vs. Burnsville	1948	405	Steve Godfrey, Gilmer County vs. Cameron	1990
	Tyler May, Roane County vs. Ravenswood	2015	381	William Ratliff, Gilmer vs. Parkersburg Catholic	1991
42	Rick Petty, Williamstown vs. Frontier (OH)	1970		Heath Cottrill, Braxton County vs. Lewis County	2016
	Tracy Haight, Calhoun County vs. Doddridge	1984	359	Rick Glover, Sistersville vs. Tyler County	1981
	Hunter America, Doddridge County vs. Tyler	2018	355	Dustan Fox, Gilmer County vs. Meadow Bridge	2004
40	Matt Haley, Braxton County vs. Calhoun County	1994	338	Joey Frashure, Gilmer vs. Parkersburg Catholic	1997
	Justin Price, Calhoun County vs. Doddridge	2004	333	Ryan Smith, Saint Marys vs. Grafton	1998
38	Dave Cunningham, Tyler County vs. Valley (W)	1969	325	Pat Morrison, Gilmer County vs. Williamstown	1999

Rushing Yards			Receiving Yards		
460	Hunter America, Doddridge County vs. Tyler	2018	313	Jason Fisher, Gilmer vs. Parkersburg Catholic	1991
452	Joe Duffelmyer, Doddridge County vs. Gilmer	2004	251	Jamie Dove, Williamstown vs. Parkersburg Cath.	1998
448	Jeff Swisher, Sistersville vs. Frontier (OH)	1986	241	Alex Doak, Tyler Cons. vs. South Harrison	2012
431	Kipp Bodnar, Williamstown vs. Gilmer County	1999	238	Matt McCully, Spencer vs. Webster County	1991
428	Tyler May, Roane County vs. Ravenswood	2015	229	Erik Butler, Gilmer vs. Parkersburg Catholic	1997
383	Matt Haley, Braxton County vs. Calhoun County	1994	226	Nathan Allison, Gilmer vs. South Harrison	2012
376	Ryan Life, Parkersburg Catholic vs. Marsh Fork	1998	220	Mark Hess, Tyler County vs. South Harrison	1978
374	Andy Perkins, Pennsboro vs. Gilmer County	1983	219	Erik Butler, Gilmer County vs. Williamstown	1997
373	Hunter America, Doddridge County vs. Ritchie	2018	211	Jason Fisher, Gilmer County vs. Cameron	1990
368	Cam Nelson, Wirt County vs. Parkersburg Cath.	2015	205	Mike Bailey, Ritchie County vs. Wirt County	1991

Single Play Records

Play	Yards	Player	School	Opponent	Year
Run:	99	Jimmy White	Calhoun County	Burnsville	1948
		Don Hardman	Spencer	Walton	1955
		Tim Lemasters	Tyler County	Williamstown	1983
		Chuck Shafer	Walton	Hannan	1988
		Michael Davis	Wirt County	Valley Wetzel	2007
		Alex Casto	Ravenswood	Tyler Consolidated	2016
Pass:	99	Walker Rose to Chase Rose	Webster County	Braxton County	2014
Fumble Return:	98	Dan Hutchinson	Wirt County	Sistersville	1964
		Wayne Jarvis	Spencer	Saint Marys	1983
Interception Return:	105	John Linville	Ritchie County	Gilmer County	1988
Kickoff Return:	100	Bob Gorrell	Ravenswood	Buffalo Putnam	1948
Punt Return:	96	Zach Ahart	Clay County	Roane County	2015
Blocked Punt Return:	57	Gene Dillon	Tyler County	Valley Wetzel	1981
Blocked Field Goal Return:	90	Virgil Seese	Pennsboro	Calhoun County	1981
Field Goal:	47	Brad Kiger	Williamstown	Belpre (OH)	1989
		Ryan Cunningham	Ravenswood	Ritchie County	2017

FOOTBALL Prognostication CONTEST

Pick the most winners each week and win a **\$25** gift certificate

Season champion wins a **\$50** gift certificate

Drop off your entry at

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Entry Deadline is 4 p.m. Friday

CONTEST RULES

Circle the winning teams on the entry printed below. Persons playing the FOOTBALL PROGNOSTICATION CONTEST must submit their entries on the official entry form only. No other entry forms will be accepted. Entries will be judged by members of the newspaper staff who are ineligible to enter the contest. All decisions are final. A tie breaker is used only in the event of a tie. Weekly entries must be submitted to Grantsville Foodland Deli or the Chronicle office by 4 p.m. Friday. Only one entry per person.

A PROGNOSTICATION PRIZE of \$25 gift certificate will be awarded for the best entry each week. \$50 gift certificate will be awarded at the end of the season to the person who earns the most bonus points after 10 weeks. Bonus points will be awarded as follows:

Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1st place	20	20	20	20	20	30	30	30	30	40
2nd place	10	10	10	10	10	15	15	15	15	20
3rd place	5	5	5	5	5	8	8	8	8	12
4th place	3	3	3	3	3	5	5	5	5	8

Games played after Sunday will not count.

Wirt -- Calhoun

Federal Hocking -- Clay-Battelle

South Harrison -- Doddridge

East Hardy -- Gilmer

Paden City -- Frontier

Tyler Consolidated -- Ritchie

Roane -- St. Marys

Valley (Wetzel) -- Tygarts Valley

Wahama -- Racine

Ravenswood -- Magnolia

Richwood -- Webster

Waterford -- Williamstown

Midland Trail -- Clay

Tie Breaker Score

Braxton _____ Lincoln _____

Name _____

Phone _____

Watch For Winners In this Space Next Week

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

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.

12 Cases In Two Days--

(Continued from Page 1)
New cases in addition to Calhoun (and total): Roane, 42 (766); Braxton, 41 (1,142); Clay, 31 (622); Gilmer, 19 (967); Ritchie, 18 (818); and Wirt, 16 (498).
On Tuesday, Pocahontas was the only county in green, with Gilmer, Doddridge and Tucker joining Calhoun in yellow. There were three in gold, 30 in orange, and 17 in red (up from seven last week).
The other five counties surrounding Calhoun were orange.
Calhoun's 436 cases is followed by Wirt, 498; Tucker, 613; Clay, 622; and Webster, 667.
The percent positivity for Calhoun is now at 3.90, with infection rate at 17.08.
West Virginia cases increased by 5,986, compared to 4,162 and 2,708

the previous two weeks. The number of deaths was 27, with 18 each of the previous two weeks.
The daily percent positivity for West Virginia on Tuesday was 12.8 percent, the highest since it was 13.8 on Jan. 4.
The number of new cases in the United States in the past week was 1,077,598, up from 956,881 and 882,899 the previous two weeks.
Worldwide totals show 4,630,122 new cases, up from 4,606,344 and 4,521,662 the previous two weeks. Since the pandemic began, worldwide cases reported total 213,579,039.
According to DHHR, 50.5% of West Virginia's population has been fully vaccinated, up from 49.9%. In Calhoun, 2,771 doses have been administered, including 65 in the past week.

Around Calhoun--

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administered vaccine doses reported to CDC per day was 823,355, a 17.8% increase from the previous week.

As of Aug. 19, 91.1% of people ages 65 years or older have received at least one dose of vaccine and 81% are fully vaccinated; 72.5% of ages 18 years or older have received at least one dose of vaccine and 62% are fully vaccinated; and for ages 12 or older, 70.4% have received at least one dose of vaccine and 59.8% are fully vaccinated.

Why are we seeing a frightening increase in cases of COVID-19 in West Virginia when a proven vaccination is available without charge?

The Pfizer vaccine was approved for use in ages 16 and up on Monday. Anyone who thought the vaccine was not approved by the FDA, and was only for emergency use, no longer has that crutch to lean on.

We have been very lucky here in Calhoun County to somehow have the lowest number of cases in the state and suffering only one death, so far, and as anyone who has ever played poker will tell you, luck is very fickle and can change in an instant.

Our luck holds out and, if anything, only improves because you cared enough to make an unvaccinated person care about their family, friends and co-workers enough to get the shot and help end this pandemic.

According to DHHR website, as of Tuesday morning, Calhoun has 7,109 residents with 2,743 vaccines administered, which is 38.4%.
Certainly, we can do better than that. If folks

in 1918 had had an opportunity to get vaccinated, do you honestly think that they would have tuned it down?

The recent rains have brought more lightning bugs out in the evening, but this will not last. They are definitely on the decline.

Hummingbirds are still swarming our feeders and being much more compatible with one another. I feel sure that some of the chumminess of the little guys is their upcoming annual vacation trip to South America.

They will begin their migration very soon, and their numbers will start to decline. Even when mid-September rolls around, and hummers are visiting the feeders infrequently, I still keep at least one feeder out with fresh nectar to top off the tanks of our feathered friends, who stop by here from up north on their way to their vacation.

We usually see a dozen or more stop by from time to time after our hummers have left, but they never stay around for more than a day or two to rest up.

I took Shiloh out for his morning constitutional, and we got to see one of the barred owls fly off, up the holler, from its perch on our basketball backboard in the middle of the yard. I thought it was nice, Shiloh gave it one short bark.

Leaves are beginning to decorate our car and our road every morning. Cooler weather cannot be too far away, I hope. I detest hot, muggy days and nights. Give me some frost on the pumpkin any day soon.

Creston News



by Alvin Engelke
Phone 275-3578

The Creston area received enough rain to put water in the streams and make grass grow. Mike McFee's corn should now make nice ears. Those who were doing outside work got to work in the mud for a change.

Sonny Burdette helped Marty deVries replace the culvert under his driveway. The bottom had rusted out of the old culvert.

Donations are needed for the upkeep of the Stutler graveyard.

A group of migratory dragonflies stopped at Creston Space Dock. Perhaps they were considering galactic transport to take them to the sunny south. The space dock has an infestation of yellow jackets that came in through a hole that was drilled to install insulation several years ago.

There were 58 families at the Creston food pantry on Friday. One of the items was packages of chicken feet. Not very many folks were interested. Packing houses have been sending them to China for a long time, where such is considered a delicacy. Nellie Engelke always fixed them for her family.

The State Republican Executive Committee summer meeting will be held Saturday, Aug. 28, at Bridgeport.

Some local folks attended the Wood County picnic at Fuzzy Dils' park in Vienna. The main speaker was W.Va. secretary of state Mac Warner, who spent five years in Afghanistan.

Many, like Lara Logan, feel that the current "withdrawal" leaving U.S. citizens behind, along with military equipment that is now going to our enemies worldwide, was deliberate, as some of the ruling junta (those who tell the old guy what to say) may answer to Chairman Xi.

The fracas over forced vaccination continues, apparently worldwide, with many people with advanced degrees leading those who have serious questions about what is in the needle, etc.

The problem with youth and heart problems is now real. Most young folks do not get very sick from the virus, but some have serious complications from the vaccine.

One entire department

in one West Virginia hospital has refused to take the shot, and there really isn't much way to force them, for if they all quit or are fired, the medical facility is in a "bad fix."

W. Harrison Schenerlein IV contracted the flu. There are at least two treatments that work well for those who are sick, although such was "verboden," since an experimental vaccine could not be used if there was treatment for the disease.

The contractor applied berm stone on the five-mile paving job between Creston and Burning Springs. The heavy maintenance crew had to dig up a place in the last paving job near the Holly Parsons residence before one gets to the Munday road.

Kathleen Cervone and "Bing" Boggs attended to business in Pettyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Marks and Thomas, Mike McFee and Cap'n Spock were among those attending the sing at the senior center in Elizabeth.

The buck with the big rack is nursing an injured foot, but seems to be doing well. Young turkeys are now getting some size.

The new W.Va. Farm Bureau magazine has an excellent article about oil and gas leasing. Those who represent out-of-state and foreign oil and gas companies likely are not happy.

The Creston ATV poker run is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 25.

Farm use reports are due in the assessor's office by the end of the month. The wise ones down at the Mouth of Elk note that there are no extensions or exceptions. Without the report, farm land becomes prime development land, even land in the flood plain. Terry Valentine is back working in the Wirt County assessor's office.

Price of local Pennsylvania grade crude oil dropped to \$61.32/bbl., with condensate, \$47.32, Marcellus and Utica light, \$52.32, and medium, \$61.32.

Henry Hub (Louisiana) gas fetched \$4.14/mcf, while gas on the Warren Buffett (DTI) system fetched \$2.983/mcf and TCO (Columbia/TransCanada) gas was \$3.280. Y grade natural gas liquids sold for \$36.691/bbl.

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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.

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

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

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

839 Lovada Road | 25 Acres +/- | **UNDER CONTRACT** | \$92,000

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

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821 Reedyville Road | 155 Acres +/- | **SALE PENDING** | \$200,000

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

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Calhoun Youth Teams Sweep Clay Co., 4-0

All four Calhoun Youth football teams won games against their Clay County opponents on Sunday at Mt. Zion.

Flag football (ages 3 to 5) started off the day with a 6 touchdown to 5 victory. Thorin Gungle led the way with three scores, Scarlett Probasco added two TDs, and Braxton Carter had one.

Calhoun's C team (K-2nd) earned a 33-0 shutout. The team was led by Josh Hardbarger, as he had four carries for a total of 186 rushing yards--all for touchdowns (38, 45, 74, 29).

Kyle Shook added a TD and Haygan Houchin (2) and Shook scored extra points. Hardbarger also paced the defense with 16 tackles and a fumble recovery.

C team statistics: offense, rushing, Josh Hardbarger 4-186 (4 TDs), Haygan Houchin 5-32 (1 XP), Kyle Shook 318 (1TD, 2XPs); defense, tackles, Josh Hardbarger 16, Haygan Houchin 5, Justin Cunningham 2, Jase Farley 2, Quinten Parkin 2, Kyle Shook 1; fumble recoveries, Josh Hardbarger.

B team (3th-4th) defeated Clay, 24-20. Grayson Laughlin (43, 3) and Bentley Snodgrass (2, 1) had two touchdowns each. Laughlin led the team with 14 tackles, and Snodgrass and Chandler

Cottrell had fumble recoveries.

B team statistics: offense, rushing, Grayson Laughlin 9-86 (2TDs), Tyler Mayle 9-96, Bentley Snodgrass 13-28 (2TDs); defense, tackles, Grayson Laughlin 14, Tyler Mayle 7, Kason Stamper 6, Kyler Starcher 5, Bentley Snodgrass 3, Chandler Cottrell 3, Silas Cunningham 2, Carter Thompson 2, Tristan Rogers 2, Liam Yeager 1; fumble recoveries, Bentley Snodgrass, Chandler Cottrell.

Calhoun's A team (5th-6th) finished off the day with a 12-0 shutout. The offense was led by Gavin Hicks, as he had 190 rushing yards and had two TDs (55, 16). Evan Collins led the defense with nine tackles and Tucker Sampson, Trevor Mayle and Hicks had fumble recoveries.

Calhoun teams will play at Gilmer County against the Little Pioneers on Sunday, Aug. 29.

A team statistics: offense, rushing, Gavin Hicks 19-190 (2TDs), Coby Staples 9-28, Wattson Nichols 6-10, Evan Collins 3-16; defense, tackles, Evan Collins 9, Nic Butler 6, Gavin Hicks 6, Michael Richards 6, Wattson Nichols 5, Coby Staples 5, Trevor Mayle 4, Evan Burch 3, Tucker Sampson 1, Jace Lemon 1, Clayton Foster 1, Cohen Blankenship 1; fumble recoveries, Tucker Sampson, Trevor Mayle, Gavin Hicks.



Josh Hardbarger (42) not only had four TD runs, but also led the team with 16 tackles, including this diving one against Clay on Sunday. Teammates are Ryder Simmons (43) and Jace Farley (16).

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
- C 2-0, B 2-0, A 1-1, Flag, 1-0
- 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.

Solid Waste

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

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.

Memorial Service

Memorial service will be held to honor Olen Siers on Saturday, Sept. 11, 11 a.m., at Mt. Zion Community Park. Lunch will be served after the service. Everyone is welcome.



One of several Clay C team fumbles, this one was forced by Jace Farley (16). Teammates Justin Cunningham (84) is in the background.



Cleston Nicholas will be 95 on Thursday, Sept. 2. An open house celebration will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4, 2 to 4 p.m., at First Baptist Church, Grantsville. Stop by to wish him a happy birthday. No gifts, please.

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A team cheerleaders include, left to right, first row, Gwen Sampson, Lilly Falls, Karlee Nelson, Addison Collins; second row, Ellie Tawney, Riley Hupp, Nevaeh Nichols and Mollie Parkin (not pictured - Eliana White and Emma Frail); third row, coaches Whitney Butler and Britiney Richards.