

# Molasses Festival Schedule of Events

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Lauren Roush will reign over the 2021 W.Va. Molasses Festival as queen.

## Molasses Festival Announces Royalty

Lauren Roush, 18, the 2021 W.Va. Molasses Festival Queen, will reign over the 53rd and 54th festivals, Oct. 21-23. She is the daughter of Jason and Lesley Roush of Ripley, and is a student at University of Charleston studying biology-premed.

Teen Queen is Raegan Sisk, 14, of Fairmont. She is the daughter of Breein and Grant Sisk. She is in 9th grade at Fairmont Senior High School.

The 2021 Jr. Royalty Court includes Emma Waugaman, Eliana White, Libby Dawson, Reagan Kimbler, Aubriana Ray, Hadley Starcher, Harley Nester, Nora Cunningham, and Ms. W.Va. Molasses Festival Queen, Megan Harper of Spencer.

The pageant was held at Arnoldsburg Community Building on Aug. 28, with Kelli Collins as pageant director.

Queen Roush and her court will be featured on the queen's float in the

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## Molasses Festival Starts Thursday

The 53rd and 54th West Virginia Molasses Festival gets underway Thursday at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg, with the theme, "It's Time to Stick Together Again."

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, exhibits can be submitted from 2 to 7 p.m. Judging begins at 7:30 p.m. and continues from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday. It will be closed to the public.

The opening ceremony will be at 5 p.m., with raising of the flag by Boy Scout Troop 430.

Coronation of Molasses Festival King and

Queen will take place at 6 p.m. Molasses Festival Pretty Baby Contest will be held on Thursday at 7 p.m., with registration from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the community building (additional information on Pages 6, 7 and 8).

Numerous vendors will be operating on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and a variety of concessions will be available starting at 9 a.m. Molasses making demonstrations will be held each day.

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Cleston and Kay Fox Garrett of Arnoldsburg will serve as parade marshals for the 53rd and 54th W.Va. Molasses Festival on Saturday, Oct. 23.

The Garretts have been lifelong residents of Calhoun County, and will celebrate 50 years of marriage in January. Cleston is the son of the late Willard and Louie Garrett. Kay is the daughter of the late Warren and Orpha Fox.

Cleston retired from the pipeline industry in 1988 and soon opened his own business. Garrett's Used Cars & Trucks is still in business, having served the county for 33 years. Kay is secretary for the family business and a homemaker.

They have five children: Dawayne Garrett and Lori of Millstone, Jackie Boatright and Rick of Parkersburg, and Denise Carter and Timmy, Julie Garrett, and Denny Fox, all of Arnoldsburg.

They enjoy preaching the gospel and spending time with their 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

## CCHS Homecoming Week Starts Monday

The annual homecoming week at Calhoun/Middle High School will be celebrated Monday-Friday, Oct. 25-29.

Spirit dress is as follows:

--Merica Monday: Wear red, white and blue.

--Terror Tuesday: Wear Halloween costume.

--WhiteLie Wednesday: Wear a white shirt with a white lie about yourself on it.

--Spirit Day Thursday: Wear red, white, and black in support of the football team.

Other events include: Tuesday: Powder puff football game after school.

Wednesday: Homecoming thuse for student

body.

Thursday: Homecoming parade in Grantsville; lineup, 2 p.m. at fire department to prepare for the parade at 2:30. Parade will travel Rt. 16 by Gino's, NAPA, around the courthouse, past the senior center, and return to the fire department.

Arnoldsburg, Pleasant Hill and CM/HS students will attend.

Entry form for the parade (see Page 11) must be completed and returned to Kayla Falls by 3 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 25. Email to Kayla.falls@k12.wv.us. For information, call Kayla Falls or Kevin Boak, 354-6148.

Friday: 6:30 p.m., tailgating activities in the

back parking lot; 7:00, on football field.

homecoming game against Saturday: 8 to 11 p.m., Clay-Battelle; halftime, homecoming dance for homecoming ceremony (Continued on Page 11)



Calhoun County Historical Society member Stephen Gainer is prepared to share some spooky stories with guests on Saturday evening.

The event will have much to offer--nothing bloody or nasty, just a little eerie elegance. A fun time for you and your family with a touch of mystery and a flavor of the unexpected.

Main Street Scoops will help the society celebrate the evening with a gift of discount tickets for a sweet treat at the shop on Main St..

Tour times are 6 p.m., 7 p.m., and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in advance by calling 354-7507.



Calhoun's Joselynn Yeager (16) gets high off the court while blocking a shot at the net in a win over South Harrison on Monday night. Volleyball stories on Page 4.

# OBITUARIES

## TIFFANY HUFFMAN

Tiffany Necole Huffman, 36, of Grantsville, died Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021, at Genesis Health Care, Glenville Center, after a battle with breast cancer.

She was the daughter of Ronald Huffman and the late Anna Starkey Huffman. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are two children, Hanna Knight and Scotty Knight; one brother, Brian Huffman; one sister, Amber Huffman; her grandmother, Madilene Starkey; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Patricia Huffman, and her grandfather, Willard Starkey.

Tiffany's request for cremation has been honored. The family will have a private service at a later date.



## JERRY JONES

Jerry V. Jones, 79, of Millstone, died Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021.

He was born in Big Springs, the son of the late Vohn and Hallie Collins Jones. He was a surveyor and longtime employ of J.F. Allen.

Surviving are two sons, Jerry Dewayne Jones of Millstone and Kenny Jones of Grantsville; one daughter, Beverly Metz of Millstone; three granddaughters, Emily McCune, Hailey Metz and Madison Jones; and two sisters, Janis Slone of Lorain, Ohio, and Sherry Wilson of Big Springs.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Judy McGuire Jones; one sister, JoAnn Collins; and one brother, Henry "Bucky" Jones.

Services were held at Stump Funeral Home, Grantsville, with Pastor Melissa Cunningham officiating. Burial was in Swisher Cemetery, Cisco.

## JUDY DIANE GROVES

Judy Diane Groves, 64, of Orma, died Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021, at home.

She was born at Charleston, the daughter of the late Rex and Lucille Smith Drake. Judy was a retired nurse's aide and former employee of CAMC, Memorial Hospital, Charleston, RGH Home Health, Spencer, and G.C. Murphy Co., Spencer.

Surviving are her husband, James E. Groves; two children, James Matheney of Sheridan, Wyoming, and Sarah Whiting of Parkersburg; four grandchildren, Nicholas Matheney, Natalie Matheney, Colby Whiting and Chelsea Whiting; and one sister, Karen Hicks of Parkersburg.

She was preceded in death by two step-sons, Jeffery Groves and an infant; and one brother, Rex "Buddy" Drake.

Graveside service was held at Clover Cemetery, with Rev. Rick Metheney officiating.

## KENNETH 'Kenny' EARL BAILEY, JR.

Kenneth "Kenny" Earl Bailey, Jr., 36, of Barnesville, Ohio, died Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021.

He was born in Grantsville, the son of Kenneth E. Bailey, Sr., and Phyllis Angely. He was a union roofer.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his wife of four years, Tara Hudson Bailey; three children, Caleb Bailey, Mackenzie Bailey and Hayden Treadway; and one brother, Matthew Bailey.

Graveside service was held at Crestview Cemetery, Barnesville, with Johnny Woods officiating.

## EUGENE 'Gene' COLLINS

Eugene W. "Gene" Collins, 81, of Kanawha Dr., near Glenville, died Friday, Oct. 15, 2021, at his residence.

He was born in Gilmer County, the son of the late Ola and Opal Sponaugle Collins. He was a 1958 graduate of Normantown High School and worked as a foreman for Kinney Shoe Co., Glenville, and as a quality control manager for Flying W Plastics. He was a Christian and attended services at Glenville First Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret Bucher Collins, whom he married on Mar. 19, 1961; two children, Wes Collins and wife Amy of Parkersburg and Tammy Webb and husband Rick of Big Springs; four grandchildren, Evan Collins, Lindsey Boldery, Laura Webb and Akeara Webb; one sister, Mary Pritt of Canton, Ohio; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by four siblings, Evelyn Hardman, Harley Collins, Donald Collins and Ruth Southall.

Services were held at Ellyson Mortuary, Glenville, with Rev. Ronzel Roberts officiating. Burial was in Lewis County Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Weston.

## TEDDY DARRELL ADKINS

Teddy Darrell Adkins, 90, of Spencer, formerly of Arnoldsburg, died Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021, at Agape Care, Summerville, S.C.

He was born in Winslow, the son of the late Frank and Cassie Lester Adkins. He was a Korean War veteran and was a retired oil and gas producer with Adco Well Service Co.

Surviving are his wife, Eileen Hines Adkins; one son, Phil Adkins of Huntington; two daughters, Teresa Flower of Kenneth City, Fla., and Jill Taylor of Lavalette; eight grandchildren, Shawn Adkins, Jessica McKinney, Jarrad Flower, Brandon Adkins, Lindsay Clark, Taylor Moore, Jordan Taylor and Jenna Taylor; five great-grandchildren, Parker and Camden Adkins, Knox Clark, Marisa McKinney and Jacklynn Mullarky; and one brother, Franklin Adkins of Ona.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Chris Adkins; five sisters; and five brothers.

Graveside service was held at Morrison Cemetery, Winslow, with Rev. Randall Whited officiating.



## WILLIAM PAUL LANE

William Paul Lane, 84, of Laurel Fork, Va., formerly of Nicut, died Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021, at Heritage Hall Laurel Meadows.

He was born in Calhoun County, the son of the late Ralph and Arlie H. Lane. He was a United States Army veteran, stationed stateside and in Germany.

Surviving are one daughter, Pamela McDonald and husband Christopher of Bassett, Va.; two grandchildren, Gregory McDonald of West Virginia and Christalyn Oakes of Ohio; one step-grandson, John McDonald of Colorado; eight great-grandchildren; four brothers; and three sisters.

He was preceded in death by four brothers and one sister.

Services will be held Thursday, 2 p.m., at Vaughan-Guynn-McGrady Chapel, Hillsville, Va., with Pastor John Leek officiating. Burial will be in Wilkinson Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be held Thursday, 1 to 2 p.m., at the funeral service. Condolences may be sent to www.vaughanguynnandmcgrady.com.

## Social Security Increase

Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for approximately 70 million Americans will increase 5.9 percent in 2022, according to the Social Security Administration.

The cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits payable to more than 64 million Social Security beneficiaries in January 2022. Increased payments to approximately eight million SSI beneficiaries will begin on Dec. 30, 2021.

The Social Security Act ties the annual COLA to the increase in the Consumer Price Index as determined by the Dept. of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Some other adjustments that take effect in January of each year are based on the increase in average wages. Based on that increase, the maximum amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax (taxable maximum) will increase to \$147,000 from \$142,800.

beneficiaries are normally notified by mail starting in early December about their new benefit amount.

Most people who receive Social Security payments will be able to view their COLA notice online through their personal my Social Security account.

People may create or access their my Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount.

Information about Medicare changes for 2022, when announced, will be available at www.medicare.gov.

For Social Security beneficiaries receiving Medicare, Social Security will not be able to compute their new benefit amount until after the Medicare premium amounts for 2022 are announced.

Final 2022 benefit amounts will be communicated to beneficiaries in December through the mailed COLA notice and my Social Security's Message Center. To read more, visit www.socialsecurity.gov/cola.

# Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

We are now fully engulfed in Autumn. The mornings are refreshingly crisp, with temperatures below 40 at daylight and barely reaching 70 by late afternoon.

The leaves are becoming more and more colorful and beautiful each day, and the Hunter's Moon shines so bright every night that I understand why the owls have been happily hooting all week long.

I still have visions of the copperhead snake when I go out at night with little Shiloh, but I don't worry much about snake movements when the temperature is below 40, since reptiles are cold-blooded, they are almost in torpor when it gets cold.

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Jeanne and I have been noticing a trend that I have evidently overlooked in the past. We have been seeing crows hanging out on White Pine Road, beneath a black walnut tree, eating the meat of walnuts that have fallen overnight and then been crushed by cars.

We see the crows there almost every morning, picking through the detritus in the road beneath the tree, while waiting until the last minute to spring into the air to avoid being run over, then landing back in the road after we have passed by.

The crows must have fought off every other bird and squirrel close to that walnut tree, as we have never seen any other critters sitting there in the road.

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The Molasses Festival will return to Arnoldsburg this week. Due to COVID-19, it was not held last year, and it was looking pretty grim for the event this year at its scheduled date--too much

COVID-19 going around. Things have improved slightly in the last few weeks, but I recommend that everybody still keep COVID-19 protocols in mind and in practice.

This pandemic is not over yet, and it would not be good to contract the virus at this late stage and suffer--and perhaps even die.

Take care of yourself and your loved ones by taking precautions to avoid becoming a statistic.

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For all of you who feel that masks cannot work, I have a scenario for you to think about.

You are wheeled into an operating room for heart surgery. The procedure will take a few hours, if all goes well. When you are on the operating table, you look up at all of the surgical staff in place to save your life, and you notice something; no one is wearing a mask!

It really shouldn't bother you a bit, after all, masks are useless anyway, right?

There is a difference between being stubborn and being stupid, although there are times when it seems that they are one and the same.

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There are still many days to get the family together for a walk in the woods for leaf peeping and wildlife observation.

This is also a good time of the year to fish. The fish can taste the brackishness of the water and they know that winter is near. Even fish like to fatten up before the snow flies, and they will hit whatever comes their way.

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Enjoy the Molasses Festival. If nothing else, COVID-19 has taught us that we should take nothing for granted. Everything can change with the snap of a finger.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Wednesday, Oct. 20

Exhibits and country store items accepted for Molasses Festival, West Fork Park, 2 to 7 p.m.

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

### Thursday, Oct. 21

West Virginia Molasses Festival opens at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg (see schedule inside this issue).

### Friday, Oct. 22

West Virginia Molasses Festival continues at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg (see schedule inside this issue).

Sign-ups for Christmas Angel Tree end; call 354-7177 or 354-9265 for appointment.

### Saturday, Oct. 23

West Virginia Molasses Festival ends at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg (see schedule inside this issue).

CCHS varsity football team plays at Wahama, 11 a.m.

"Harrowing Tales and Local Lore," Stump House Hotel, 6 p.m., 7 p.m., and 8 p.m.; sponsored by Calhoun Historical Society.

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

### Sunday, Oct. 24

Calhoun Youth C team plays Tyler at Wirt County High School in LKC playoffs, noon.

### Monday, Oct. 25

Homecoming Spirit week begins at CM/HS.

CCHS volleyball team hosts Wahama, 6 p.m.

### Tuesday, Oct. 26

CCHS volleyball team plays at Wahama, 6 p.m.

### Wednesday, Oct. 27

Pumpkin Patch, Calhoun Middle/High School baseball field, 5 to 7 p.m.; wear costume, pick and decorate a pumpkin; sponsored by Save The Children Early Steps Program.

CCHS volleyball team hosts Clay County, 6 p.m.; senior night.

### Thursday, Oct. 28

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

Homecoming parade in Grantsville, 2:30 p.m.; line up at fire department, 2 p.m.

### Friday, Oct. 29

Dip and donate for Dennis Spaur, West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg, 4 to 8 p.m.

CCHS varsity football team hosts Clay-Battelle, 7 p.m.; homecoming ceremony at halftime.

### Saturday, Oct. 30

Calhoun County drive-thru Halloween Party, West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg, 3 to 5 p.m.

Trick or treat on Rowels Run Road, 6 to 8 p.m.

Special Halloween bingo, Lions Club, Grantsville, 6 to 8 p.m.

Homecoming dance for 9th-12th grade students, CM/HS, 8 to 11 p.m.

### Sunday, October 31

HALLOWEEN.



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# This Week In History

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

## 1921, 100 years ago

Mrs. Ray C. Morford is at Huntington this week to attend the Grand Lodge of Rebekahs.

We have just received a shipment of 350 copies of Popular Fiction. All titles, any author. Ninety cents per volume; by parcel post, seven cents extra.

Truselow Waldo, the handsome and accommodating counter-jumper in the MacDonald Store, returned on Thursday from a short vacation spent in Palestine, Cool Springs, Long Run, Salem, and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Davis of Palestine spent a few days last week visiting relatives in the Annamoriah country. On Tuesday, Mr. Davis paid this place a very pleasant call and was astonished to see how the place had grown and progressed. It was his first visit here in several years.

Ezra Stump and Harry Smith of Grantsville made the trip through to Parkersburg in three hours today and caught the train to Akron, called there by the serious illness of Miss Naomi Smith, daughter of J.B. Smith, formerly of Creston, who underwent an operation for appendicitis in Akron on Friday.

Mrs. M.J. Duffield and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Duffield of Minnora are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Jarvis this week. The latter part of the week, they will go on to Parkersburg to visit relatives, and Mr. Duffield will appear before the Clean-Up Squad of the Veterans Bureau.

Below is listed the Institute Program for Lee District Teachers' Institute to be held Friday:

The Aim and Purpose Teaching Arithmetic - Holly Nester.

Grading a Rural School - Shirley Wayne.

How I Teach English - Commodore Nutter, Icy Brannon.

Correlating and Alternating Subjects - Hazel McCoy, Daniel Duskey.

The Teacher's Work In the Community - Co. Supt. Cain.

"Busy Work" for Small Pupils - Lelah Keith.

The Use of the School Library - Fred Bennington, Sylvester Kerby.

How I Teach 7th and 8th Grade History - Selima Nutter, Fenton Stalnaker.

How To Deal With Dull and Bright Pupils in the Same Grade - Ernest McCoy, Orletta Miller.

Some Games I Teach My Pupils - Ocie Parsons.

## 1946, 75 years ago

Among the most important business transacted by the Calhoun County board of education at the regular meeting on Tuesday of last week was the hiring of additional teachers for the ensuing school term. The schools concerned that they were hired for and the teachers are:

Cottrell, Freddie Hicks; Oka, Naomi Stalnaker; Upper White Oak, Murlene Hamrick; Wayne, Emma Bailey; Big Leatherbark, Vonda Sturm; Cedar Grove, J.E. Kerby; Little Creek, A.P. Walker; Pine Grove (lower room), Alicia S. Summers; Upper Crummies Creek, Wilma A. Witte; Fairview, Bernice Riddle; Knight, Harrison Marks; Nobe, Elias Yoak; Russett (lower room), Jerrine Marks; Beech Valley (lower room), Grace Yoak; Broomstick, Irene Johnson; Kenna, Pearl Betts; Stevens, J.A. Francis; Bell, Ella Belle Wilson; Brooksville (lower room), Garnette Hensley; Lemuels Run, Everett Cain; O'Brien, William Collins.

Transfers recommended and approved were:

Wilma Stump, White Pine to Grantsville Graded; Tessa T. Poling, Beech Valley upper room to White Pine upper room; Henry Kight, Broomstick to Beech Valley upper room; Earl Harris, Little Creek to Pine Alley; Delbert Lynch, Big Leatherbark to Millstone upper room; Lenore Everson, Knight to Hathaway; Alma Hall, Russett lower room to Russett upper room; Cecil Wolverton, Lemuels Run to Hog Knob.

## 1971, 50 years ago

There was quite a bit of excitement around Grantsville on Saturday evening, when it was discovered that a small airplane was circling above the town, looking for a place to land in the dark.

With the aid of car lights hastily dispatched to provide guidance, the plane finally landed in a field near Rt. 5, behind Bethlehem Cemetery and the Harry Bryner Place.

John Ellish, Jr., of Wheeling, Ill., pilot of the plane, suffered facial cuts in the crash. He was treated at Calhoun General Hospital, then sent on to a Parkersburg hospital, where he was released the next day.

The plane, which had no radio, was a 1968 Citibria, a small tandem two-place aircraft made by Champion Aircraft Corp. Ellish had left a New Jersey airport about 11 o'clock on Saturday morning to take the plane to Illinois for his employer, who was owner of the plane. He had previously landed in another spot further east before crash landing here.

When his circling actions were noticed around Grantsville, first attempts were made to get him in contact by radio, to tell him that he was only seven minutes time away from Spencer airport. Duane Davis, a local pilot, called Spencer and had the lights there turned on, and radio contact tried from there, while Dwight Lowther requested Wood County airport to try radio contact with instructions on getting to Spencer. All of this was to no avail, as the plane had no radio.

Thereafter, the various vehicles were dispatched to the nearby field to provide illumination for the landing which occurred about 6 p.m.

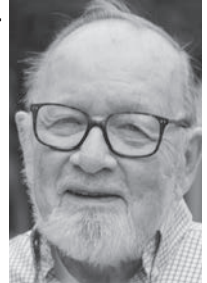
The plane was damaged rather severely on the left side, but will be salvaged.

The field on which the plane landed has been used as an emergency landing site on several occasions. At one time, an Air Force bomber landed there, and light planes have made emergency use of the field, although it is far from ideal as a landing site.

Quite a number of persons went up to view the plane on Sunday.

# CURIOSITY CORNER

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



**Question:** Why do paintings of Adam and Eve have belly buttons? (Asked by a student interested in art.)

**Reply:** This has biblical connotations, for which I get into trouble by mixing things up. I have a lady column reader in Clinton who reads the Bible every day and keeps me straight. Besides, the Curiosity Corner boldly goes where no column has gone before. (I know, split infinitive.)

As we all know, the umbilicus (a.k.a. navel or belly button) is the normal depression that eventually forms as a result of the removal of the umbilical cord from a newborn. The umbilical cord is the life line of the fetus, with the umbilical vein supplying oxygenated, nutrient-rich blood from the mother. Conversely, deoxygenated and nutrient-deleted blood is pumped back through a couple of arteries. On being born, this exchange is no longer normally needed in natural childbirth.

So, the question is, did Adam and Eve have natural childbirth (and get belly buttons as depicted in various paintings)?

Biblically, the answer would appear to be no: (Gen. 2.7, KJV), "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."

Eve came along a couple verses later (Gen. 2-22): "And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept; and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man." No natural childbirth here for either, so no biblical belly buttons.

(Incidentally, Adam's rib must have grown back . . . men don't have one less rib as sometimes believed. Both men and women have 24 ribs.)

Yet, artists depict otherwise. In Michelangelo's painting, *The Creation of Adam*, on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, God is holding out his finger to Adam, who has an obvious navel. Similarly, Adam and Eve have navels in other famous paintings, such as those by Rubens and Düere. Why is this? I don't know. Maybe they were using models and overlooked the biblical interpretation. I read where some theologians were a bit upset because of this.

In any case, this column reminded me of a poem by my favorite poet. Robert Service (1874-1958) wrote such thrilling Yukon verses as "The Shooting of Dan McGrew" and "The Cremation of Sam McGee." (I like him because he rhymes.) Service bridged the biblical and artistic gap in his poem, "A Sourdough Story." Basically, an old Sourdough goes to heaven and has to solve a riddle to get in.

In short, St. Peter said that there "is one whose name is known to Fame--it's Adam, first of mortals . . . Well there's the gate. --To crash it straight, just spy the guy that's Adam."

The old Sourdough went down the row of greybeards ruminatin'.

With optics dim they peered at him, and pressed against the gratin'.

In every face he sought some trace of our ancestral father;

But though he stared, he soon despaired the faintest clue to gather.

Then suddenly he whooped with glee: "Ha! Ha! An inspiration."

And to and fro along the row he ran with animation.

To Peter, bold he cried: "Behold, all told there are eleven.

Suppose I fix on Number Six! How's that for Heaven?"

"By gosh you win," said Pete. "Step in. But tell me how you chose him.

They're like as pins, all might be twins. There's nothing to disclose him.

The Sourdough said: "Twas hard; my head was seething with commotion.

I felt a dunce; then all at once I had a gorgeous notion.

I stoop and peered beneath each beard that dropped like fleece of mutton.

My search was crowned . . . That bird I found--ain't got no belly button."

**C.P.S. (Curious Postscript):** "Conversation between Adam and Eve must have been difficult at times because they had nobody to talk about." --Agnes Repplier.

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



# This Week In West Virginia History

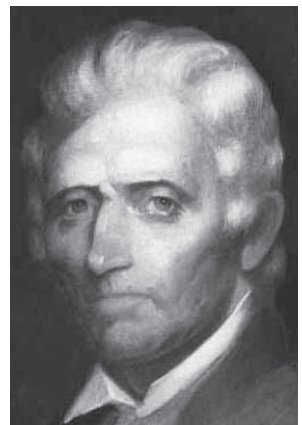
The following events happened from Oct. 21-27 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit [www.wvencyclopedia.org](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

Oct. 21, 1865: Bishop Matthew Wesley Clair, Sr., was born in Union. He was one of the first African-Americans elected as a bishop in the predominantly white Methodist Episcopal Church.

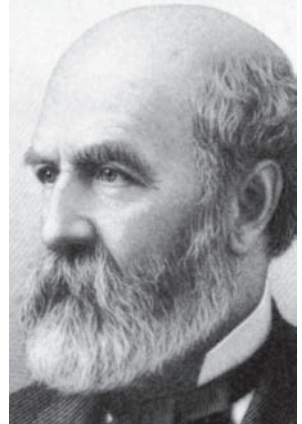


Oct. 21, 1918: Hulet Smith was born in Beckley. In the 1964 gubernatorial primary, he carried 53 of the state's 55 counties, receiving more votes than his three opponents combined.

Oct. 22, 1693: Lord Thomas Fairfax was born in Kent, England. He inherited five million acres in Virginia, land that included much of the present Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.



Oct. 22, 1734: Frontiersman Daniel Boone was born in Pennsylvania. In 1788, he and his family settled near the mouth of the Kanawha River. He represented Kanawha County in the Virginia General Assembly in 1791.



Oct. 22, 1821: Collis P. Huntington was born in Harwinton, Conn. In 1869, he purchased the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway and set about extending its tracks from Richmond across southern West Virginia to the Ohio River. There, in 1871, he established a new city

bearing his name. Oct. 22, 1977: Construction of New River Gorge Bridge (shown below) was completed after three years of work. The bridge in Fayette County is one of West Virginia's best-known landmarks. It is the third-highest bridge in the United States.

Oct. 23, 1943: German prisoners arrived at Camp Ashford in White Sulphur Springs. Built by the U.S. War Dept., it was one of two camps in West Virginia that housed prisoners of war during World War II.

Oct. 24, 1929: Composer George Crumb was born in Charleston. In 1968, he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for "Echoes of Time and the River: Four Processionals for Orchestra."

Oct. 25, 1918: Athlete Marshall "Biggie" Goldberg was born in Elkins. He led the Chicago Cardinals to the NFL championship in 1947, and was elected to the NFL Hall of Fame in 1958.

Oct. 25, 1951: Writer Denise Giardina was born in Bluefield and raised in neighboring McDowell County. She is best known as a novelist and also has a long history of community activism, including a run for governor.

Oct. 26, 1801: Jefferson County was established from a portion of Berkeley County by the Virginia General Assembly and named for Thomas Jefferson.



Oct. 26, 1934: Athlete Rodney Clark "Hot Rod" Hundley was born in Charleston. He earned first team All-American recognition his senior year at West Virginia University. He averaged 24.5 points per game and scored 2,180 points over his college career, ranking second in WVU history.

Oct. 27, 1879: Howard B. Lee was born in Wirt County. He was elected state attorney general in 1924, and served for eight challenging years. His term saw the impeachment of a state auditor, the lawlessness of Prohibition, and labor troubles in the coalfields.

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# My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



I made it through the October heat wave of 2021, and I am happy to say it seems to be over. I am truly ready to say goodbye to temperatures above 80. Give me a week or two, and I will be ready to say goodbye to 70s too. I absolutely loved the weather this weekend. It finally looked and felt like fall. I even liked the rain on Saturday.

As weeks go, this was a pretty typical one. I took Monday off for a personal day. While I love days off, they require a lot of preparation--and catching up when you return. I want my students to be on their best behavior while I am away, so I always offer an incentive. If the substitute has a good day, I make my homemade chocolate chip cookies for all my classes as a reward. Thankfully, my classes rose to the challenge.

On Tuesday, I caught up on everything I missed on Monday. The nine weeks ended on Thursday, and I wanted all of my paperwork to be in order so that I could close grades on Friday. After school, I headed to the Mlynks for dinner. I couldn't linger because I had a Zoom meeting at 6:00 and had to bake cookies as promised. Thankfully, I have baked so many cookies over the years, I can practically complete the process in my sleep. I was able to attend my meeting, make 100 cookies, and still be in bed by 10:00.

Wednesday was another warm day, but the weatherman promised me a change was coming on Saturday. I looked longingly at my fall clothes, as I pulled another short-sleeved shirt out of the closet and slipped on a pair of sandals. I turned off the air-conditioning unit and fan in my bedroom, and headed off for another day of school.

Thursday evening, I ate dinner with the family at my parents' house before Maricia and I went up town to attend the historical society meeting. We have a big event coming up this weekend, so we had a lot to talk about.

This Saturday, we will be presenting a new program that I affectionately call "A Night at the Museum." After our meeting, those taking part in the program spent some time running through the plans for the evening. It's going to be a great night! If you haven't gotten your tickets yet, you really should. There will be three shows on Saturday evening; one at six, seven, and eight.

Friday was a faculty senate day at school, so there were no students in the building. We spent the morning looking over data and taking part in the faculty senate meeting. This was perfect timing, because this day without students also gave the teachers time to work on finalizing grades and planning for the second nine weeks. We also had time to collaborate with our departments and other colleagues. I left the building on Friday afternoon feeling like I had accomplished quite a bit. It was a great way to start the weekend.

The stars finally aligned for us to be able to take the pontoon boat out of the water. My brother-in-law borrowed a truck, and my nephew was able to come in for the evening to help us with the process. The last time I tried to take the boat out of the water, we somehow got in the middle of the end of a fishing tournament. I was trying desperately to line the boat correctly up on the trailer while being surrounded by angry fishermen who just wanted me to get out of their way. So, when Michael was willing to come and drive the boat up on the trailer, I gladly accepted the offer.

Andy had to work late on Friday, which meant that we would be taking the boat out in the dark. At least there would be no angry fishermen this time. We were ready when Andy arrived and hit the road. The very detailed prayer that I sent up was answered, because, on the whole, the process went smoothly. The boat started right up, there was no one around, and Michael drove the pontoon right on the trailer.

We had to do a little strapping down and securing, and then we were on the road again. We made a quick stop to put air in the tires and then headed to Grantsville. The boat was parked in my backyard, and I was in bed by 11:00. I said another prayer of thanks for the process being completed and for family members who were willing to help.

The weatherman was right, and fall weather arrived on Saturday. I gleefully wore sweatshirts and jeans, and spent some time out at the park working on a project in the village. Let's hope this weather is here to stay!

# 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)

G.P. Blankenship is living on his father in laws farm. I believe George has bought it. H. Jones is still living at Spencer the past season.

Mary Hoskins is still single, & pretty as ever. I think I am acquainted with the two gentlemen you named slightly. Mr Hays is in North Carolina trading in goods &c. The other gentlemen is very well & hearty when I last heard from him.

I have not heard from Ed for some time. He is with Tom Jackson if alive. I have not heard from Lovina since I saw you.

I cannot write much this time as the bearer of this letter starts for Glenville in a few minutes. I hope you will write me again & soon. Without jesting your letter gave me great happiness. I was so glad to hear from you all.

Louisa & Almira send love to you & all the family. Remember me to Uncle & Aunt. I am glad that you are still the Bob of other days. May you ever prove unflinching & unchanging. And when your race is run, may true friends weep your exit from time to time, & may you reap an endless reward in that city where sun nor moon are needed.

Your loving cousin  
Amie E. Silcott

## Amie writes to her mother three months before West Virginia becomes a state.

Arnoldsburg, Va.  
March 5th 1863  
My Dear Mother

It is rather late at night to commence a letter, yet I did not know until late in the day that I should have an opportunity of sending this tomorrow to Glen. & if I lose the opportunity I do not know when it will be convenient to send you a letter again. Louisa expects to go to Glenville tomorrow unless the weather is bad.

This has been a very pleasant day, only pretty cold. My school of three months ended yesterday, & I am not at all sorry. I do not think teaching the past winter has injured my health in the least. Almira & I are both quite well. I have a slight cold to day, causing me to feel rather stupid, & not much like writing a letter.

I have been spending this afternoon at Louisa's in company with our new neighbor Mrs Short, who called & insisted I should accompany her. I like Mrs Short very well. I think we shall like her much for a neighbor. They live in the Stevenson house.

We expect Mr Haverty to move shortly into the Allan George house. He is waiting for his wife to be able to come. She has a young babe.

Mother, why don't you write to us? It has been a long time since I have heard from you. It does us so much good to get a letter from you. I feel more anxious all the time about you than if one of your daughters were at home. I hope Louisa will find a letter at Glenville from you, but I am afraid I shall be disappointed.

Have you heard the news? Captain Bukey is now Major Bukey<sup>1</sup> in the place of Major Trimble<sup>2</sup> who has been dismissed in disgrace from the army. In my last letter to you I spoke of Captain Bukey's being under arrest at Parkersburg.

Well, it was all the work of Major Trimble, but Bukey succeeded in turning the table upon him, & got Major Trimble dismissed in disgrace.

Colonel Rathbone<sup>3</sup> has also been dismissed in disgrace. Dan Frost<sup>4</sup> is now Colonel, & Captn Myers<sup>5</sup> is promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. I believe the change of officers has been quite an improvement.

I received a letter from George<sup>6</sup> not too long since dated "Lewisburg, Greenbriar Co. Feb. 18th." He was very well & in fine spirits. Perry was well. Perry<sup>7</sup> is over the age, & will not go in the army. George is in business. I do not know what he is making. I should like to write you a good many things, but cannot.

How do you get along these times? Every thing is dear in this country. I am able to live quite comfortably. I hope you are all getting along well, & blessed with good health, that greatest of earthly blessings. Louisa is taking the Baltimore Sun. I look forward every week anxiously for the news. I think with the Democrats that it is time for peace. Whenever peace is made you may look for me & Ella to make you a good long visit.

Mother do write soon & often. I do hope you are well. Do not work too hard, better let things go than make yourself sick at hard work. My paper is full, & I must close. Give my love to Freeman's & W's families. Tell them all to write. Give my love to Jane George. Tell her I want her to write to me. Where is Allan, Jim, & Dick? Write soon to your ever loving daughter.

Amie Eva

<sup>1</sup>Major Bukey: Van H. Bickey, later Col.; Co. D, 11th Virginia Inf.; promoted to Major in March 1863.

<sup>2</sup>Major Trimble: George C. Trimble of Wheeling, 11th (W) Va. Inf.; dismissed from service in 1863.

<sup>3</sup>Colonel Rathbone: John C. Rathbone; 11th (W) Va. Inf.; discharged in 1863.

<sup>4</sup>Dan Frost: 11th (W) Va. Inf. (USA); killed at Snickers Ferry, Va.

<sup>5</sup>Captn Myers: Jones W. Myers, Capt., Co. B., 11th (W) Va. Inf.; dismissed from service in November 1864.

<sup>6</sup>George: George W. Silcott joined 19th Va. Cal. (CSA), in March 1863.

<sup>7</sup>Perry: Peregrine Hays, after release from Camp Chase, went to Monroe Co. Confederate government instituted a draft, but Perry was over the age and did not have to serve. He was a purchasing agent for Confederate States Quarter Master Dept.

(Continued Next Week)

## Senior Citizens Menu

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

(Dining hall is open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.)

Thursday, Oct. 21: chicken patty, potatoes, vegetable medley, orange pineapple gelatin, whole wheat bread.

Friday, Oct. 22: bean soup with ham, greens, fruit salad, cornbread.

Monday, Oct. 25: baked pork chop, mashed potatoes, mustard greens, whole wheat bread.

Tuesday, Oct. 26: baked steak with mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit.

Wednesday, Oct. 27:

hamburger patty, potatoes, sweet corn, fruit, whole wheat bun.

Thursday, Oct. 28: beef and vegetable stew, spinach, chocolate pudding, cornbread.

Friday, Oct. 29: broccoli soup, fried apples, jello.

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.

## Volleyball Record, 7-5

The CCHS varsity volleyball team has a season record of 7-5, after going 3-2 last week.

The Lady Red Devils defeated Braxton, Clay and South Harrison, and lost to Roane and Ritchie.

Leading scorers in the five games were Christee Craddock 69, Mia Houchin 65, Marlee Hall 49, Chelsea McCumbers 44, Karlee Garrett 42, and Joselynn Yeager 38.

Craddock totaled 58 assists and 59 digs, Yeager had 47 digs, and Karlee Garrett had 33 digs.

Calhoun varsity and JV were scheduled to play at Roane on Wednesday, Oct. 20. Little Kanawha Conference playoff placement was not known at presstime.

### Monday, Oct. 11 Calhoun defeats Braxton, 25-7, 25-27, 25-15

Calhoun scoring: Mia Houchin 18 points (5 aces), 1 kill, 2 digs, 3 assists; Christee Craddock 14 (2), 2 kills, 13 digs, 13 assists; Karlee Garrett 14 (4), 4 kills, 7 digs; Chelsea McCumbers 11 (1), 3 kills, 6 digs, 2 assists; Joselynn Yeager 8 (2), 8 kills, 1 block, 13 digs; Marlee Hall 6, 1 kill, 1 block, 2 assists; Lauren Lovejoy 4; Abi Waldron 5 digs; Lexi Gregory 4 digs.

### Calhoun loses to Roane, 25-16, 25-18

Calhoun scoring: Mia Houchin 11 points (1 ace), 1 kill, 1 dig; Christee Craddock 7, 4 kills, 8 digs, 8 assists; Marlee Hall 7 (1), 4 kills, 1 dig, 1 assist; Karlee Garrett 4, 3 kills, 4 digs, 1 assist; Joselynn Yeager 2, 3 kills, 1 dig, 1 assist; Chelsea McCumbers 1, 1 kill, 6 digs, 2 assists; Lexi Gregory 2 digs, 2 assists; Abi Waldron 1 assist, 1 dig.

### Tuesday, Oct. 12 Calhoun defeats Clay, 20-25, 25-20, 25-15, 25-22

Calhoun scoring: Christee Craddock 28 points (8 aces), 23 digs, 8 kills, 25 assists; Marlee Hall 15 (2), 5 digs, 8 kills, 2 blocks, 2 assists; Mia Houchin 15 (2), 14 digs, 7 kills, 2 blocks, 1 assist; Chelsea McCumbers 15 (3), 4 digs, 3 kills; Karlee Garrett 14, 7 digs, 8 kills, 2 assists; Joselynn Yeager 8 points (2), 14 digs, 7 kills, 2

## LATE NOTE

**The CCHS varsity volleyball team finished third of eight teams in the LKC East Division. The Lady Red Devils will play for 5th and 6th place at the West Division's third place team, Tyler Consolidated, on Thursday at 6 p.m. The JV team will also play.**

blocks, 1 assist; Lexi Gregory 3 digs, 3 assists.

### Wednesday, Oct. 13 Calhoun loses to Ritchie 25-12, 25-12, 25-10

Calhoun scoring: Christee Craddock 9 points (2 aces), 1 kill, 7 digs, 1 block, 5 assists; Joselynn Yeager 7 (2), 1 kill, 1 block, 8 digs; Marlee Hall 6 (1), 1 kill, 3 digs, 1 assist; Karlee Garrett 4 (2), 3 kills, 5 digs; Mia Houchin 4, 1 dig; Chelsea McCumbers 4 (1), 1 kill, 2 digs; Lexi Gregory 6 digs, 1 assist; Abi Waldron 1 dig.

### Thursday, Oct. 14 Calhoun defeats South Harrison, 25-16, 25-16, 25-17

Calhoun scoring: Mia Houchin 17 points (3 aces), 2 kills, 1 assist, 6 digs; Marlee Hall 15 (5), 4 kills, 2 assists; Chelsea McCumbers 13 (3), 3 kills, 3 assists, 9 digs; Joselynn Yeager 13 (6), 8 kills, 1 block, 2 assists, 4 digs; Christee Craddock 11 (3), 5 kills, 16 assists, 8 digs; Karlee Garrett 6, 2 kills, 10 digs; Lexi Gregory 1 assist, 7 digs.

## 2021

### Calhoun Varsity Volleyball Schedule

September	
21	3-0 Doddridge ..... W
28	2-0 Ravenswood .... W
	2-0 Poca ..... W
	0-2 Wood Christian L
October	
4	3-2 Webster Co. .... W
5	0-3 St. Marys ..... L
6	0-3 Gilmer Co. .... L
11	0-2 Roane Co. .... L
11	2-1 Braxton Co. .... W
12	3-1 Clay Co. .... W
13	0-3 Ritchie Co. .... L
14	3-0 So. Harrison .... W
18	2-0 So. Harrison .... W
18	0-2 Wirt ..... L
19	Tri.at Gilmer A 6 p.m.
20	Roane Co. .... A 6 p.m.
21	Tyler Consolidated for LKC 5th/6th. A 6 p.m.
25	Wahama ..... H 6 p.m.
26	Wahama ..... A 6 p.m.
27	Clay Co. .... H 6 p.m. (Senior Night)

## \$41,075 Grant

Sen. Joe Manchin has announced \$12,760,030 in grants from American Rescue Plan for 19 West Virginia schools and libraries as part of the second round of the Emergency Connectivity Fund. The funding includes \$41,075 for Calhoun County Schools.

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## JV Volleyball

### Wednesday, Oct. 13 CCHS JV lose to Ritchie JV, 25-8, 25-12

CCHS JV scoring: Lauren Lovejoy 4 points, Abi Waldron 4, Emily Dennison 4, Cheyanne Tingler 3 (2 aces), Maycee Carter 2, Brealle Arthur 2, Madison Bell 1.

### Thursday, Oct. 14 CCHS JV defeats South Harrison JV, 25-12, 24-26, 25-17

CCHS JV scoring: Lauren Lovejoy 29 points (17 aces), Nyla Warner 15 (8), Ashlyn Boak 8 (3), Emily Dennison 6, Cheyanne Tingler 5, Abi Waldron 5, Brealle Arthur 3, Madison Bell 3.

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Calhoun quarterback Owen Taylor (11) hands off to running back Steven Rogers (23) during a loss to Gilmer, 46-0, on Monday night.

## Calhoun At Wahama, Saturday, 11 a.m. Red Devils Fall To Titans

by Robert F. Bonar  
Calhoun County hosted the Gilmer County Titans on Monday night at Mt. Zion in a game postponed from last Friday. The Red Devils, missing multiple starters due to COVID protocols, were unable to stop the Titans and lost 46-0.

Gilmer scored twice in each of the first three quarters and tacked on a seventh touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Calhoun's offense was unable to get inside Gilmer County's 25-yard line during the game, and never mounted a serious scoring threat.

### TEAM STATISTICS

Calhoun	Gilmer
5	15
31-76	23-211
58	245
6-14-1	15-24-0
0	0
6-27.7	1-33.0
1-0	2-2
12-69	13-145

The team had several good plays on defense, as Trevor Collins and Owen Grose had fumble recoveries. Collins' came on an alert play after a Red Devil punt grazed a Titan player.

Kade Swearingen registered a sack of the Gilmer quarterback, and several defensive backs knocked down passes.

The game was a very ugly affair, marred by numerous penalties by both sides and a scuffle in the fourth quarter that resulted in ejections for each team.

The two teams combined for 25 penalties and 214 yards. Calhoun was mostly guilty of procedure penalties and holding, while Gilmer committed six holding penalties and five personal fouls.

The Titans had 70 yards in penalties in the third quarter. This doesn't count penalties for kick-offs going out of bounds, an offside penalty on a point after try, and the offsetting penalties that accompanied the ejections.

This weekend, Calhoun will travel to Mason to

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### CMS Volleyball

The Calhoun Middle School volleyball team is 4-6 on the season.

The B team lost to Wirt County, 25-20, 26-24, and Gilmer County, 25-14, 25-15. The A team lost to Wirt, 25-11, 25-11, and Gilmer, 20-25, 25-12, 25-21.

CMS B team totals: Whitney Rogers 21 points (4 aces), 7 digs, 2 kills, 1 block; Kayleigh Cunningham 18 (3), 5 digs; Remedy Riddel 12 (3), 12 digs; Madison Cunningham 10, 5 digs; Gabi Smith 4, 2 digs, 1 kill, 0/1 set; Cheyenne Moore 4; Kole Persinger 2, 3 digs; Madison Jones 2.

CMS A team totals: Faith McClain 17 points (6 aces), 3 digs, 1 touch, 7/7 sets; Paige Sterns 16 (4), 9 digs, 1 kill, 1 touch; Brylie Wilson 14 (2), 3 digs, 1 kill, 1/1 set; Summer Rogers 12, 9 digs, 2 kills, 1 block; Kylie Caudill 10 (1), 4 digs, 3 blocks, 1 touch; Kyla Myer 7 (1), 6 digs, 1 kill; Tiara Rogers 3, 1 kill, 1 touch; Kendall Snodgrass 6 digs; Addie Collins 4 digs.

The team is scheduled to play at Gilmer on Wednesday, Oct. 20, and will host Wirt for 8th grade night on Oct. 27. Tournament play will begin next week.

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### Calhoun Varsity Football Schedule

August  
28 0 Wirt Co. 53 ..... L  
September  
3 28 Valley 6 ..... W  
20 14 Tyler Con. 46 ..... L  
24 0 St. Marys 48 ..... L  
October  
1 44 Paden City 13 ... W  
18 0 Gilmer Co. 46 .... L  
23 Wahama 11 a.m. Away  
29 Clay-Battelle .... Home  
7 p.m. (Homecoming)  
November  
5 Ritchie County . Home  
7 p.m. (Senior Night)

### OFFENSE

Calhoun rushing -- Ian Persinger 19-54, Steven Rogers 3-12, Owen Taylor 7-6, Ian Richards 1-2, Owen Grose 1-2. Total 31-76.  
Calhoun passing -- Owen Taylor 6-12-1, 58 yds., Ian Persinger 0-2-0. Total 6-14-1, 58 yds.  
Calhoun receiving -- Kade Swearingen 2-20, Ian Persinger 3-23, Ian Richards 1-15. Total 6-58.

take on the Wahama White Falcons. The game, originally scheduled for Friday night, has been moved to Saturday at 11 a.m.

**Gilmer 13 13 13 7--46**  
**Calhoun 0 0 0 0-- 0**  
G--Avery Chapman, 49 pass from Ean Hamrick (kick failed), 8:57, 1st  
G--Colton Hall, 25 run (Chapman kick), 5:32, 1st  
G--Cole Cogar, 10 pass from Hamrick (kick failed), 11:39, 2nd  
G--Elijah Facemire, 3 pass from Hamrick (Chapman kick) 5:38, 2nd  
G--Maximus Hulse, 1 run (Chapman kick), 8:42, 3rd  
G--Garrett Butler, 21 pass from Hamrick (kick failed), 3:08, 3rd  
G--Hulse, 6 run (kick good) 9:46 4th

### DEFENSE

Calhoun tackles, furnished by coaches -- Not submitted.  
Interceptions (yds. returned) -- None.  
Fumble recoveries (yds. returned) -- Trevor Collins 1-0, Owen Grose 1-0.



Hunter Schoolcraft (56) gets by an offensive lineman to make a tackle on the Gilmer quarterback in Monday night's varsity game.

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Jessa Ferrell  
Levi Ferrell  
Angie Slider  
Ona Ulderich  
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  - ~~Williamstown~~ -- Tyler Con.
  - Wahama -- ~~Wirt~~
  - BYU -- ~~Baylor~~
  - Florida -- ~~LSU~~
  - Kentucky -- ~~Georgia~~
  - ~~Auburn~~ -- Arkansas
  - ~~Oklahoma State~~ -- Texas
  - ~~GSC~~ -- Alderson-Broadus
  - ~~Marshall~~ -- North Texas
  - ~~Cincinnati~~ -- Detroit
  - L.A. Chargers -- ~~Baltimore~~
  - Seattle -- ~~Pittsburgh~~
- Tie Breaker Score  
Purdue 24 Iowa 7

## Winner Is 11-2

Kason Hupp was the only contestant to pick 11-of-13 winners in Week 8 of the 2021 Football Prognostication Contest. He receives 30 bonus points and wins a \$25 gift certificate from Grantsville Foodland.

Five contestants were 10-3, but none picked the correct winner in the tie breaker (Purdue defeated Iowa, 24-7). Rick Blankenship, Jessa Ferrell, Levi Ferrell, Angie Slider and Ona Ulderich split second, third and fourth place points and receive 5.6 bonus points each.

Three contestants, Kason Hupp (49.3), Angie Slider (48.3) and Brenton Slider (45.8), are within 3.5 points as the current top three players.

Weekly winners receive a \$25 gift certificate from Grantsville Foodland. The contestant with the most points after 10 weeks will receive a \$50 gift certificate from Foodland. Entry for Week 9 is on page five.

Bonus points after Week 8 are as follows:

Kason Hupp .....	49.3	Rick Blankenship ..	10.6
Angie Slider .....	48.3	Joe Dennison .....	10
Brenton Slider .....	45.8	Jerry Ulderich, Jr. ..	9.3
Samuel Dennison ..	30	William Duskey ....	6
Levi Ferrell .....	20.6	Ona Ulderich .....	5.6
Alice Cottrell .....	20	Jesse Davis .....	5
Mike Propst .....	20	Lou Hanes .....	5
Louise Wolverson ..	20	Kyla Myer .....	3
Shirley Hupp .....	19.7	Gary Sturm .....	3
Jessa Ferrell .....	18.8	Missy Cunningham	1
Shara Arison .....	13		

### OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Games played after Sunday will not count.

- Calhoun -- Wahama
- Roane -- Doddridge
- Wirt -- Ritchie
- Wake Forest -- Army
- Wisconsin -- Purdue
- Oregon -- UCLA
- Clemson -- Pittsburgh
- San Diego State -- Air Force
- Notre Dame -- Glenville State
- WVU -- TCU
- Carolina -- N.Y. Giants
- Kansas City -- Tennessee
- Cincinnati -- Baltimore

Tie Breaker Score

Oklahoma \_\_\_\_\_ Kansas \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# Welcome to the 53rd and 54th

*Oct. 21, 22 and 23, 2021*

**Theme: "It's Time To Stick Together Again"**

## *Schedule of Events*

### Wednesday, Oct. 20

2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. ... Exhibits and Country Store items accepted (exhibits must remain on display until 3 p.m. on Saturday)

7:30 p.m. .... Closed judging of exhibits

### Thursday, Oct. 21

9 a.m. - Noon ..... Judging of exhibits completed

9 a.m. .... Country Store, kitchen and vendors open  
Molasses making

10:00 a.m. .... Cake, Pie and Cookie Bake Off (must contain molasses), sponsored by Atty. Michael Hicks

11:00 a.m. .... Little kitchen opens

5:00 p.m. .... Opening Ceremony, raising of the flag by Boy Scout Troop 430

6:00 p.m. .... Crowning of King and Queen, sponsored by AES PTO

7:00 p.m. .... Pretty baby contest

### Friday, Oct. 22

8:00 a.m. .... Big kitchen opens, Big Breakfast

9:00 a.m. .... Country Store and vendors open, Molasses making and Dime Toss

9:00 a.m. .... Heritage Day (Civil War soldiers, basket weaving, goat milking, trapping, timbering, rug making, wood engraving, leather works, small engines, string instruments, bouncy house/inflatable, games and more

10:00 a.m. .... Little kitchen opens

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# **Molasses Festival**

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# **Molasses Festival**

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# West Virginia Molasses Festival

*West Fork Community Park, Arnoldsburg*

## Schedule of Events

10:00 a.m. .... Music by Stephanie Cunningham  
 2:00 p.m. .... Music by John Richards  
 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. ... Pancake Supper, sponsored by Minnie Hamilton Health System  
 5:30 p.m. .... Bluegrass Gospel by Rick Falls and Friends, David Bowen Family, Stephanie Cunningham, and others

### Saturday, Oct. 23

8:00 a.m. .... Kitchens open  
 9:00 a.m. .... Country Store, vendors and Dime Toss open  
 10:00 a.m. .... Music by Stephanie Cunningham  
 10:00 a.m. .... Pumpkin Carving Contest  
 11:00 a.m. .... Lions Club bingo  
 11:00 a.m. .... Parade line-up at Arnoldsburg Elementary  
 11:00 a.m. .... Barbecue chicken dinners, sponsored by Calhoun Banks  
 1:00 p.m. .... Molasses Festival parade, sponsored by assessor Jason Nettles  
 After parade ..... Tractor Hoe-down, behind Community Building  
 1:30 p.m. .... Music by Kowboyz  
 3:00 p.m. .... Skillet Toss, sponsored by Mom's Place Too  
 4:00 p.m. .... Cornhole Tournament  
 5:30 p.m. .... Music by Johnny Staats Project  
 6:45 p.m. .... Final prize and raffle drawings

### King and Queen Candidates


Students at Arnoldsburg Elementary help to raise money for the PTO. Candidates for Molasses Festival king and queen earn votes a penny at a time. Molasses king and queen candidates are as follows:  
 Preschool: King, Dakota Johnson and Paxton Hughes; Queen, Alex Bracewell.  
 Kindergarten: King, Kyson Sampson and Noah Knicely; Queen, Brianna Nichols and Laken Bracewell.  
 First grade: King, Brysten Sampson; Queen, Kinsley Parsons.  
 Second grade: King, Aaron Langford and Jace Morgan; Queen, Elana Harris and Jaselynn Adams.  
 Third grade: King, Isaiah Jones; Queen, Mandy Johnson.  
 Fourth grade: King, Kaleb Fletcher; Queen, Eliana White.



**Minnie Hamilton Health System**

**We hope that you have a safe and enjoyable visit at our Annual Molasses Festival!**

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*Hopes you have a sweet time at the Molasses Festival!*

## Molasses Festival Starts Thursday--

(Continued from Page 1) Bake Off (must contain molasses) is at 10 a.m.

Heritage Day will be held on Friday. Elementary students will attend and have an opportunity to see more than a dozen demonstrations.

Entertainment will include music by Stephanie Cunningham at 10 a.m., John Richards at 2 p.m., and Bluegrass Gospel by Rick Falls and Friends, David Bowen Family, and others, at 5:30 p.m.

Another Friday highlight is a pancake supper from 3:30 to 6 p.m.

On Saturday, kitchens will open at 8 a.m. and Country Store, vendors, and dime toss will open at 9 a.m.

Pumpkin Carving Contest will begin at 10:00. Bring your pre-carved pumpkins. Age divisions

are 4-8 years, 9-12, 13-17, and 18-adult. Pumpkins will be judged on overall appearance, originality, and creativity.

Also at 10:00, Stephanie Cunningham will perform, and the Lions Club will have bingo at 11:00.

Chicken barbecue dinners will be available at 11 a.m., sponsored by Calhoun Banks.

Parade line-up will begin at 11 a.m. at Arnolds-

burg Elementary. The parade starts at 1 p.m.

Tractor Hoe Down show and judging will be held behind the community building after the parade.

Kowboyz will perform at 1:30. Skillet toss will be held at 3 p.m. and Cornhole tournament begins at 4 p.m. Music by Johnny Staats Project is at 5:30.

Final prize and raffle drawings will be at 6:45.

## Festival Royalty--

(Continued from Page 1) Molasses Festival Parade on Saturday at 1 p.m.

Pageant sponsors included Stump Funeral Home, Melissa's Hair Salon, Amazing Acrylics, Oliverio's Bridal & Prom Boutique, A+ Photography, Calhoun Auto Care, J&B Drug Store, Country

Escapes, State Farm, Stinson Grocery, Holbert's Store, Burkett's Auto Body, Foodland, Calhoun Insurance Agency, Dodd's Sporting Goods, Minigh Family Dentistry, Jen's Thrift Store, Old Fences Realty, Erlewine Concrete, Calhoun Banks, Hupp Surveying and Mapping, Jack Garrett Ford, NuLook, Houchin Construction, Leslie White Photography, Calhoun Realty, and Gretchen Pingley Photography.

Roush will also represent the festival in Charleston on Jan. 13-15 at the W.Va. Association of Fairs and Festivals Convention.

## Tractor Hoe-down

The Molasses Festival Committee will have a Tractor Hoe-down on Saturday, Oct. 23, with three categories to be judged:

--Grandpa's Old Putt Putt, a best of show for an old tractor that can still get around.

--Farmer's Work Horse, a tractor that gets the job done.

--The Mowing Machine, lawn tractors that start mowing and just keep going.

You may dress your tractors up in some fancy decorations or just show off their natural beauty.

To enter your tractor into the parade, show up at the old Arnoldsburg School before noon and meet with Michelle Fitzwater.

At the end of the parade, tractors will be parked together behind Arnoldsburg Community Building for judging.

## Pumpkin Carving Contest

The Molasses Festival Pageant will host a Pumpkin Carving Contest on Saturday, Oct. 23, at Arnoldsburg Community Building during the festival.

Bring your pre-carved pumpkins to the 10 a.m. registration. Age divisions are: 4-8 years, 9-12, 13-17, and 18-adult. Pumpkins will be judged on overall appearance, originality, and creativity.

One entry per person, with \$5 entry fee; no artificial pumpkins, batteryoperated lights only. Judging begins at 11 a.m. Winners will be announced following judging.

Entries can be picked up after judging is announced. Pumpkins remaining by 3 p.m. will be discarded.

## Pretty Baby Contest

W.Va. Molasses Festival Pretty Baby Contest will be held on Thursday at 7 p.m., with registration from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the community building.

Girls and boys will compete in separate categories, with age divisions as follows: 0-6 months, 7-11 months, 1 year old, 2 year old, 3 year old, and 4 year old.

Each girls division will have a queen, 1st alternate, and 2nd alternate. Each boys division will have a king, 1st alternate, and 2nd alternate.

Entry fee is \$15 per child. Call Kelli Collins, 481-0213, for information.

## Heritage Day Activities

Heritage Day activities on Friday, Oct. 22, at the Molasses Festival will include the following:

Inflatables, Civil War soldiers, rug making, music/string instruments, goat milking, leather works, molasses making, vendors and store, wood burning, trapping, timbering, and more.

## Bluegrass Gospel Music

Bluegrass gospel music will be held at the Molasses Festival on Friday, Oct. 22, at 5:30.

It will feature Rick Falls and Friends, David Bowen and Family, Stephanie Cunningham, and other local talent.

## Governor's Updates

During a briefing last week, Gov. Jim Justice announced that he has amended his recent Special Session call to include a bill that would clarify that any government or private business that wishes to mandate the COVID-19 vaccine must also allow exemptions to that mandate for medical or religious reasons.

"I've stood rock solid that I'm against mandates," said Justice. "I firmly believe that this country is founded upon our rights and freedoms. That's really the ingredient that makes America great.

"Now, I stand behind the rights of our private businesses, but at the same time, they need to comply with the law of the land. This is a common sense bill, because federal law already says you have to allow for these exemptions.

"Our military has mandated vaccines; however, they are allowing these exemptions to be claimed. Our own attorney general, Patrick Morrisey, has written a legal opinion which confirms that we must offer these exemptions."

The governor went on to clarify that this bill would still allow businesses to mandate COVID-19 vaccines, so long as the appropriate exemptions are available.

"We're joining many other states that are clarifying this law, but we are not joining other states in restricting businesses from choosing what is best for them," said Justice.

"This bill does not affect any of the other vaccines that are currently mandated in our public schools, like the vaccines for mumps, measles and rubella, all of which have been around for a long time. This is only for the COVID-19 vaccine.

"Even though I wholeheartedly support the COVID vaccine, and I will continue to encourage people to take the COVID vaccine, because I truly believe in my heart that it is very safe, it should not be mandated when it hasn't even been approved for children ages 5 to 11 yet.

"We've all heard the stories, recently, about West Virginians being fired from their jobs for not taking the COVID vaccine, and that's not right."

The amendment to the special session call also includes a bill to provide a supplemental appropriation of \$4 million to backfill the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grants, which go toward providing direct services, such as counseling, personal advocacy, court advocacy, client transportation, and support services, to victims of crimes, including domestic violence, sexual violence, child abuse, and elder abuse.

## Broadband

On Friday, Justice unveiled a billion-dollar strategy to bring broadband availability to 200,000 more West Virginia homes and businesses. The plan will combine funding from federal, state and local governments, along with matching investments from private-sector partners, to accelerate the expansion of high-speed internet to underserved areas of the state. The plan represents the largest investment in broadband in the state's history.

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## Molasses Festival Contacts

Molasses Festival Chairpersons	
Patty Hall .....	655-8527/588-6189
Denise Carter .....	377-9441
Lori Garrett .....	655-8583
WFCA Chairperson ...	Patty Hall 655-8527/588-6189
Little Kitchen .....	Kevin Carr 655-8616
Big Kitchen .....	Patty Hall 655-8527/588-6189
Exhibits	Norma Collins & Crystal Conley 655-8167
Juvenile Exhibits .....	Andrea Bailey 655-8616
Non-Commercial Exhibits	
and Outside Vendors ....	Kelli Collins 481-0213
Pretty Baby Contest .....	Kelli Collins 481-0213
Parade .....	Michelle Fitzwater, 588-7049
King & Queen Contest ..	Arnoldsburg PTO 655-8616

**COUNTRY STORE**  
The Country Store will be open and will sell items for a 10% commission. Items can be handcrafted, fruit, produce, jams, jellies, honey, etc. Those items will be accepted in the blue building on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 19-20, from 2 to 7 p.m. Unsold items and proceeds will need to be picked up Sunday, Oct. 24, at 1 p.m. Call Barb Jarvis, 655-7248, or Patti Hicks, 655-8515, for information or if you would like to volunteer to work a shift in the store.

## Kitchen Help Needed

We are looking for people to help in the kitchens with this year's Molasses Festival.

Below are the days and times that the "Little Kitchen" and "Big Kitchen" are open and we need help serving:

Little Kitchen: Thursday, 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.

The normal rotation is four-hour shifts, but we would be happy to work with you on any time you could help out. There needs to be at least two people a shift, so grab a friend.

Big Kitchen: Thursday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

For the Little Kitchen, contact Kevin Carr, 655-8616 (Arnoldsburg Elementary).

For the Big Kitchen, contact Patty Hall, 655-8527, or 588-6189.

## Molasses Festival Parade

The 53rd-54th Molasses Festival parade will begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 23, at Arnoldsburg Elementary School. Parade line up begins at 9 a.m.

All entries must be at the school with a completed entry form turned in by noon on Oct. 23 to be registered for the parade. Entry fee is \$5. Please have exact amount. Parade lineup will be first come, first serve, beginning at 11 a.m. You must have your float, automobile, horse, etc., ready for the lineup when you register. All horse entries must present a negative Coggins certificate.

For information, call Michelle Fitzwater, 588-7049.

### WEST VIRGINIA MOLASSES FESTIVAL

### PARADE ENTRY FORM

Saturday, Oct. 23; line up, 11 a.m.; parade, 1 p.m.

Name of Applicant/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Entry (float, auto, horse, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ Float size \_\_\_\_\_

Float Category  
school/church/civic \_\_\_\_\_ factory design \_\_\_\_\_ local design \_\_\_\_\_

Give a complete description of entry and what it depicts or message you wish to convey. Include facts about the float or entry, such as theme, persons riding, model/make of vehicle, length of float, etc. This is the information the announcer will read.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I agree that I will accept full and total responsibility for my/our actions and activities during the course of the parade.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

West Fork Community Action, Inc./W.Va. Molasses Festival will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries or losses resulting from participating in festival events. You participate at your own risk.

Return this application prior to Oct. 23 or bring with you to the parade line up. Entry fee is \$5.

WFCA, P.O. Box 32, Arnoldsburg, WV 25234, or fax 304-655-8871

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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. 31 189,690 3,203,536 3,084 5.6 9.5  
Sept. 30 240,459 3,623,522 3,670 6.2 10.6  
Oct. 1 242,104 3,636,904 3,722^ 6.2 13.6  
Oct. 4 245,544 3,659,742 3,769 6.3 12.0  
Oct. 5 246,408 3,677,563 3,774 6.3 11.4  
Oct. 6 247,806 3,686,946 3,839 6.3 8.7  
Oct. 7 249,331 3,707,018 3,866 6.3 9.7  
Oct. 8 250,800 3,720,727 3,935^ 6.3 11.5  
Oct. 11 253,895 3,751,157 3,976 6.3 10.1  
Oct. 12 254,648 3,757,801 3,995 6.3 8.2  
Oct. 13 255,778 3,770,141 3,998 6.4 9.0  
Oct. 14 257,042 3,783,051 4,048 6.4 7.9  
Oct. 15 258,413 3,798,362 4,108^ 6.4 8.1  
Oct. 18 261,133 3,832,490 4,134 6.4 8.7  
Oct. 19 261,890 3,839,799 4,145 6.4 7.9

\*Laboratory duplicate results removed.  
# In alignment with updated definitions, statistics include probable cases that are individuals who have symptoms and either serologic (antibody) or epidemiologic (a link to a confirmed case) evidence of disease, but no confirmatory test.  
+Office of Epidemiology and Prevention Services added 27 deaths from Vital Registration Office.  
~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.

As of Sept. 20, total cases by county are not listed by DHHR. Each county must be totaled separately; therefore the following numbers are as of Monday, instead of the usual Tuesday total:

Cases by county (case confirmed by lab test/probable case): Barbour (2,596), Berkeley (17,987), Boone (3,425), Braxton (2,072), Brooke (2,991), Cabell (14,541), Calhoun (881), Clay (1,187), Doddridge (1,179), Fayette (5,968), Gilmer (1,321), Grant (2,090), Greenbrier (4,765), Hampshire (3,089), Hancock (4,062), Hardy (2,336), Harrison (10,765), Jackson (3,836), Jefferson (6,660), Kanawha (23,859), Lewis (2,933), Lincoln (2,688), Logan (5,194), Marion (7,780), Marshall (5,202), Mason (3,537), McDowell (2,847), Mercer (8,443), Mineral (4,512), Mingo (4,453), Monongalia (12,612), Monroe (2,050), Morgan (2,035), Nicholas (3,511), Ohio (5,975), Pendleton (1,079), Pleasants (1,382), Pocahontas (1,109), Preston (4,966), Putnam (8,519), Raleigh (10,986), Randolph (4,956), Ritchie (1,430), Roane (1,420), Summers (1,375), Taylor (2,132), Tucker (1,055), Tyler (1,341), Upshur (3,844), Wayne (5,527), Webster (1,096), Wetzel (2,462), Wirt (821), Wood (12,730), Wyoming (3,521); 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; last to reach 500 positive cases on Sept. 1; reached 600 positive cases on Sept. 6; reached 700 positive cases on Sept. 13; reached 800 positive cases on Sept. 27. Calhoun's first COVID-19 death reported on May 26, 2021, as a 74-year-old woman. Calhoun's second death was reported on Sept. 15, 2021, as a 73-year-old woman. Calhoun's third death was reported on

Sept. 29, 2021, as a 79-year-old man. Calhoun's fourth death was reported on Sept. 30, 2021, as a 73-year old man.

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.31	39,946,708	656,393	218,104,333	4,531,744
Sept.30	44,200,421	713,953	234,173,044	4,795,746
Oct. 1	44,315,162	716,849	234,708,030	4,805,838
Oct. 2	44,444,146	718,986	235,175,083	4,813,462
Oct. 3	44,490,897	719,674	235,516,432	4,818,660
Oct. 4	44,518,437	719,933	235,812,662	4,823,255
Oct. 5	44,682,886	722,268	236,260,799	4,830,633
Oct. 6	44,781,200	724,728	236,711,032	4,839,032
Oct. 7	44,918,565	727,710	237,204,493	4,848,553
Oct. 8	45,021,734	730,210	237,660,883	4,857,214
Oct. 9	45,135,620	732,477	238,102,731	4,865,253
Oct.10	45,179,209	733,058	238,446,100	4,870,071
Oct.11	45,204,373	733,575	238,740,008	4,874,746
Oct.12	45,313,353	734,611	239,131,298	4,880,678
Oct.13	45,431,167	737,589	239,597,275	4,889,854
Oct.14	45,548,719	739,783	240,068,706	4,897,524
Oct.15	45,639,563	741,898	240,505,943	4,905,310
Oct.16	45,738,585	743,880	240,937,205	4,912,560
Oct.17	45,774,175	744,385	241,276,347	4,917,629
Oct.18	45,792,532	744,546	241,566,181	4,921,633
Oct.19	45,908,212	746,509	241,997,224	4,928,899

Cases by states and territories: California 4,824,734, Texas 4,181,419, Florida 3,664,097, New York 2,506,247, Illinois 1,671,271, Georgia 1,615,699, Pennsylvania 1,513,332, Ohio 1,499,485, North Carolina 1,453,814, Tennessee 1,263,068, Michigan 1,219,715, New Jersey 1,182,051, Arizona 1,131,976, Indiana 1,000,163, Virginia 907,882, South Carolina 887,535, Wisconsin 855,207, Missouri 847,201, Massachusetts 833,311, Alabama 814,363, Minnesota 758,252, Louisiana 752,951, Kentucky 723,889, Colorado 704,839, Washington 695,016, Oklahoma 635,443, Maryland 551,264, Utah 529,147, Arkansas 506,956, Mississippi 497,790, Iowa 469,519, Nevada 431,999, Kansas 425,520, Connecticut 397,123, Oregon 348,766, Idaho 277,167, Nebraska 276,817, New Mexico 263,755, West Virginia 261,133, Puerto Rico 183,921, Rhode Island 176,405, Montana 164,669, South Dakota 149,996, North Dakota 141,683, Delaware 139,874, New Hampshire 128,047, Alaska 127,767, Maine 97,724, Wyoming 97,137, Hawaii 82,394, D.C. 62,976, Vermont 37,519; West Virginia was last state to record a case.

## COVID Cases Increase--

(Continued from Page 1) Worldwide totals showed 2,865,926 new cases, down slightly from last week's 2,870,499, but also down for the fifth straight week, when it was 4,092,364. Since the pandemic began, worldwide cases reported total 241,997,224.

Worldwide deaths in the last week were 48,221, down from 50,015, 53,145, 55,615, 61,190 and 62,641 in previous weeks. Total deaths was listed as 4,928,899.

DHHR reported that 50.5% of West Virginia's population has been fully vaccinated, up from the previous 50.0%.

The number of doses administered in Calhoun is reported as 2,970, six more than previously announced.

## Halloween Party

The annual Calhoun County Halloween Party will be held on Saturday, Oct. 30, 3 to 5 p.m. at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg.

In the interest of public safety, it will be a drive-thru event. The costume contest will be online. Submissions may be sent to calhounhalloweencostume@gmail.com. Include age and name on the submission.

Tim Shockey will be there with the Green Goblin head from the movie "Maximum Overdrive," and you may have photos taken with it.

## Fire Season

During fall fire season, burning is prohibited from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. If burning has occurred during permitted hours, the fire must be completely extinguished by 7 a.m.

# Creston News



by Alvin Engelke  
Phone 275-3578

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

Freddie Bush is cutting timber on the Bessie Arthur property.

Wilma Mowrey visited family at Arnoldsburg.

The Creston area that gets electric from Grantsville lost power the other evening and service was not restored until morning. The electric outage also impacted internet and telephone service, which took longer to come back on.

Some Creston folks went to the Black Walnut Festival in Spencer, which was much reduced from the virus.

One local bank couldn't open the lobby the other day until noon, as two of the workers were called to the school to have their children tested for the virus.

Some who have been very sick in the hospitals are now going to rehab facilities. Some of the local oil truck drivers were laid up with Dr. Fauci's creation that he said was "worth the risk."

The senile guy said that President Trump had "failed" with the virus, but now more have died since the junta assumed power than did in all of 2020.

"Our leaders" finally had to admit that the present virus will never go away and that we will just have to go on with our lives, just like we have done with the influenza viruses that come most years, although last winter it seems that there was none--strange.

Norma Davis, who now resides in Alaska, noted that she had been staying where they bring one breakfast in bed as a result of the plague that was unleashed upon the world.

Those who tend toward being dictators want to have mandates making all the peasants do as they are told by their rulers. Such apparently caused some concern at the recent legislative session, where some do not like to be told to "mind or else."

Many professional people, doctors, nurses, nuclear scientists, etc., are going to quit before they take the mandated virus that was better known previously as "gene therapy."

The firing of medical staff that worked treating the sick when there was no vaccine could be considered a "low blow," and perhaps the real reason for firing all these folks, including police and firemen, is to create a bad situation and then say, "See, free enterprise does not work; we must have socialism or communism."

Some folks from the area went to the West Virginia Farm Bureau resolutions committee meeting at Flatwoods, and folks from the Romney area noted that the orchards were having problems finding people to pick the apples. As they say, why work when one can draw "Biden bucks" and have free "Obama phones," use Medicaid for health care, get extra food stamps, Section 8 free housing, etc.

Creston is now in a House of Delegates district with Roane County, while other parts of Wirt County are still in the district presently held

by Shannon Kimes. It was made clear that "the powers that be" want him gone, as he does not answer to them.

A preliminary map shows that Roane County was taken from Donna Boley's district, and Ritchie County was added.

Folks "in the smoke filled rooms" want a lobbyist for the Rockefeller empire who lives there as the new state senator, it would seem.

At last glance, Wirt County remains in the "northern" congressional district, where Alex Mooney, the present congressman will have to run against McKinley, who presently represents the northern panhandle and the Morgantown-Fairmont-Clarksburg area.

McKinley is a friend of Ohio ex-gov Kasich, who turned out to be somewhat of a reptile. The big boys want McKinley to take out Mooney, so they say, because, unlike the Creston correspondent, his family hasn't been in what is now West Virginia since the 1700s.

These are the same folks who had no problem with the most famous carpet bagger of all time, little Johnny D. Rockefeller IV. Apparently, the swamp does not like folks who stand up for ordinary citizens.

The Creston food pantry was on Friday.

Teddy Adkins, 90, sometimes known as the "Gas Typhoon," died at a rest home in South Carolina. Before marrying Eileen Hines, he was a long time resident in the Arnoldsburg area.

Lenna Haught, wife of Ritchie oilman Warren Haught, died. Among other things, she was the winner of a Golden Horseshoe and was a 4-H All Star.

Creston had rain again over the weekend and leaves remain green for the most part. So far, Jacques Frost has not called locally.

Rusty Hutson's Diversified Energy continues to buy oil and gas fields beyond the Appalachian Basin. Recent acquisitions include Barnett shale wells in Texas and more Cotton Valley and Haynesville shale wells.

Antero is building a new well pad in Doddridge County. The company has many permits that have not been drilled there.

A lawsuit over deductions taken by the firm from royalty checks is now on its way to the appeals court in Richmond.

There will be no Creston Halloween party this year. In the past, such was the "social event," as it was a chance when everyone could dress up and "be somebody."

The break in Rt. 5 at the red cut (just past Monday road) is now worse, so those going eastbound should be careful at the first flashing light.

Price of local Pennsylvania grade crude rose to \$81.28/bbl., with condensate, \$57.28, Marcellus and Utica light, \$72.28, and medium, \$81.28.

Charlie Burd told the legislators that 95% of the gas presently produced in West Virginia is from Marcellus and Utica wells.

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### Personals

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

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 21-0658-E-ENEC  
MONONGAHELA POWER COMPANY and  
THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY

Petition and General Investigation to determine reasonable rates and charges on and after January 1, 2022

**NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING**

On August 27, 2021, Monongahela Power Company and The Potomac Edison Company (collectively, Companies) requested that the Commission initiate its annual review of Expanded Net Energy Costs (ENEC) for the review period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, and to establish new rates to go into effect on January 1, 2022. The Companies request that the Commission approve a decrease of \$1,179,183, or 0.2% for residential customers and a total increase of \$20,750,872 for all other customers, for a net overall increase of \$19,571,689.

The proposed decrease and increases by rate schedule and customer class are:

Rate Schedule	Class	2022 ENEC Incr/(Deer)	% Change
A & R	Residential	\$ (1,179,183)	-0.2%
B & G	General Svc	947,410	1.2%
C & E	General Svc	3,415,423	1.5%
CSH	Church & School	62,470	2.2%
D & PH	Large General Svc	1,656,399	2.4%
K & PP	Large Power Svc	14,578,474	3.8%
AGS	Alt Generation	19,726	5.3%
Street Lighting	St Lighting	70,970	0.7%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 19,571,689</b>	<b>1.5%</b>

This matter is scheduled for an evidentiary hearing on Friday, December 3, 2021. The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene not later than November 2, 2021. All petitions to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments and petitions to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Connie Graley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public Comments may also be filed online at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm> by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

MONONGAHELA POWER COMPANY and  
THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY

**Pumpkin Patch**

Pumpkin Patch will be held Wednesday, Oct. 27, 5 to 7 p.m., at Calhoun Middle/High School's baseball field.

Wear your costumes and come join the fun. Pick a pumpkin from the Pumpkin Patch, and have fun at the Decoration Station, enjoy Spookley the Square Pumpkin Story Walk, and create memories.

The event is hosted by Save The Children Early Steps Program, in collaboration with Communities In Schools. Social distancing guidelines will be followed.

**Halloween Bingo**

Special Halloween bingo will be held on Saturday, Oct. 30, 6 to 8 p.m., at the Lions Club, Grantsville. You are invited to attend in costume.

**LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CALHOUN COUNTY,  
WEST VIRGINIA  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
v.  
ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS (\$1,653.00) IN UNITED STATES CURRENCY  
Petition No.: 21-P-13  
Hon. Anita H. Ashley

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

**TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**  
On September 28, 2021, Officers of the Calhoun County Sheriff's Department seized one thousand six hundred fifty-three dollars (\$1,653.00) in U.S. Currency at or near Klipstine Rd., Calhoun County, West Virginia. Said one thousand six hundred fifty-three dollars (\$1,653.00) in U.S. Currency constitutes monies furnished or intended to be furnished, in violation of West Virginia Code, Chapter 60A by any person in exchange for a controlled substance and/or proceeds traceable to such an exchange, and/or moneys used, or which have been used, or which are intended to be used to facilitate any violation of West Virginia Code, Chapter 60A, and/or the laws of the State of West Virginia one thousand six hundred fifty-three dollars (\$1,653.00) in U.S. currency, was found in the possession and/or control of Zachary Ryan Bell and at the time of the seizure, and the same claimed ownership of said property.

The State of West Virginia has filed a *Forfeiture Petition* wherein it has asked the Circuit Court of Calhoun County, West Virginia to forfeit the one thousand six hundred fifty-three dollars (\$1,653.00) in U.S. currency, to the State and to vest title to ownership of the in the State of West Virginia.

A copy of said *Forfeiture Petition* can be obtained from the Calhoun County Clerk's Office. Any person having a claim upon the above-described one thousand six hundred fifty-three dollars (\$1,653.00) in U.S. currency, shall make a claim on said property on or before the passing of thirty (30) days from the first publication of this legal publication.

Any claim must clearly identify the claimant and the address at which legal process can be served upon the claimant.

All claims shall be delivered to Nigel E. Jeffries, Prosecuting Attorney, P.O. Box 337, Grantsville, West Virginia 26147.  
Entered by the Clerk of said Court this 12th day of October 2021.

*Sheila R. Garretson*  
Sheila Garretson, Circuit Clerk  
Calhoun County, West Virginia

**LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CALHOUN COUNTY,  
WEST VIRGINIA  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
v.  
2003 JEEP CHEROKEE  
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO. 1J4GW48S03C571639  
PETITION NO.: 21-P-14  
HON. ANITA H. ASHLEY

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

**TO:** Amanda Noel Rinehart  
33 Knight Lane  
Big Bend WV 26136  
On September 28, 2021, Officers of the Calhoun County Sheriff's Department arrested an occupant of a 2003 Jeep Cherokee, Vehicle Identification No.: 1J4GW48S03C571639, for possession with the intent to distribute a controlled substance at or near Klipstine Rd., Calhoun County, West Virginia. Said 2003 Jeep Cherokee is a conveyance which was used, has been used, or is intended for use, to transport, or in any manner to facilitate the transportation, sale, receipt, possession, or concealment of a controlled substance in violation of West Virginia Code, Chapter 60A and was therefore used to facilitate a violation of West Virginia Code, Chapter 60A, and/or the laws of the State of West Virginia. The 2003 Jeep Cherokee was in the possession and/or control of Amanda Noel Rinehart and the same claimed ownership of said property at that time.

The State of West Virginia has filed a *Forfeiture Petition* wherein it has asked the Circuit Court of Calhoun County, West Virginia to forfeit the 2003 Jeep Cherokee to the State and to vest title to the 2003 Jeep Cherokee in the Calhoun County Sheriff's Department.

A copy of said *Forfeiture Petition* can be obtained from the Calhoun County Clerk's Office. Any person having a claim upon the above-described 2003 Jeep Cherokee, shall make a claim on said property on or before the passing of thirty (30) days from the first publication of this legal publication.

Any claim must clearly identify the claimant and the address at which legal process can be served upon the claimant.

All claims shall be delivered to Nigel E. Jeffries, Prosecuting Attorney, P.O. Box 337, Grantsville, West Virginia 26147.  
Entered by the Clerk of said Court this 15th day of October 2021.

*Sheila R. Garretson*  
Sheila Garretson, Circuit Clerk  
Calhoun County, West Virginia

**Calhoun County High School Homecoming Parade**  
**Thursday, Oct. 28, 2:30 p.m.**

**Entry Form**

Entry form for the parade must be completed and returned to Kayla Falls by 3 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 25. Email to [Kayla.falls@k12.wv.us](mailto:Kayla.falls@k12.wv.us). For information, call Kayla Falls or Kevin Boak, 354-6148.

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Entry (float, car, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's name (Driver must be an adult) \_\_\_\_\_

Identify the owner of the vehicle \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of everyone who will be riding the float/car \_\_\_\_\_

- School rules and Regulations apply to all school related activities.
- There must be an adult driver for all vehicles or entries in the parade.
- All entries must keep the safety of parade participants and spectator's paramount.
- No trucks or vehicles carrying students in the bed; unless a chaperone is riding with the students in the bed of the vehicle.

**CCHS Homecoming--**

(Continued from Page 1)  
9th-12th grade students.

Homecoming Royalty includes (princesses and escorts):

--Lauren Lovejoy, 9th grade, daughter of Wes and Marsha Lovejoy of Chloe; escorted by Camron Jarvis, son of Eric and Julie Jarvis of Chloe.

--Abigail Waldron, 9th grade, daughter of James and Shannon Waldron of Grantsville; escorted by Landon Church, son of Craig and Kelly Church of Big Springs.

--Trista Arnold, 10th grade, daughter of Jason and Teresa Arnold of Orma; escorted by Jayton Gibson, son of Shannon and Amanda Nelson of Stinson.

--Marissa Brannon, 10th grade, daughter of Daniel Brannon of Chloe; escorted by Landon Winkler, son of Ashley and Megan Winkler of Big Bend.

--Marlee Hall, 11th grade, daughter of Roger and Cathy Hall of Mt. Zion; escorted by Trevor Collins, son of Thomas Collins of Grantsville.

--Belen Jaquete, 11th grade, daughter of Pablo and Belen Jaquete of Madrid, Spain (host family, Robert and Sandra Siers of Grantsville); escorted by Joel Basnett, son of Jeff and Teresa Basnett of Big Springs.

--Katey Bever, 12th grade, granddaughter of Marshall and Virginia Bever and daughter of Agnes Bever of Grantsville; escorted by Ian Richards, son of Brittney Richards and Jeff Blair of Creston.

--Lexi Gregory, 12th grade, daughter of James Gregory of Big Springs and Lelia Gregory of Arnoldsburg; escorted by Grant Sterns, son of

Bryan and Teresa Sterns of Grantsville.

--Abigail White, Homecoming Queen, daughter of Jeff White and Sherri Anderson of Chloe; escorted by Homecoming King Drue Goad, son of Heith Goad and Michelle Stump of Chloe.

--Flower girl, Danica Arnold, six-year-old daughter of Caden and Brooklynn Arnold of Ripley. Crown bearer, Zion Coleman, five-year-old son of Amanda Slider of Millstone.

**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.):

Oct. 23, Tygart Junction; Oct. 30, Halloween Party; Nov. 6, Dixie Highway; Nov. 13, Sincerely Country; Nov. 20, Ruff Cut; Nov. 27, Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner.

**Dip & Donate For Dennis Spaur**

There will be a dip and donate held for Dennis Spaur on Friday, Oct. 29, 4 to 8 p.m., West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg.

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**Pumpkin Decorating**

During the week of Oct. 18, bring in your decorated pumpkin to Calhoun County Library (you must supply your own pumpkin).

Decorate it any way you like, carved, painted, etc.

They will be placed on display during the week of Oct. 25, and the public can vote for their favorite.

The winner will receive a \$25 WalMart gift card, donated by Calhoun Banks. It is open to all ages.

**Trick or Treat**

Trick or treat will be held on Rowels Run Road, Saturday, Oct. 30, from 6 to 8 p.m. For information, call Eula Murphy, 354-6971.



**Elected officials are looking to make big changes**

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

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## Youth C Team Advances In Playoffs

The Calhoun Youth A, B and C football teams played in the first round of LKC playoffs over the weekend.

The C team advanced to the next round, while the A and B teams did not.

The C team defeated St. Marys, 38-6, Josh Hardbarger led the team with 144 rushing yards and four touchdowns (2, 60, 44 and 28). Haygan Houchin added a 30-yard rushing TD and Jace Farley had a 40-yard score.

C team statistics: Offense, rushing, Josh Hardbarger 144 yards (4 TDs, 2, 60, 44, 28), Haygan Houchin 88 yards (1 TD, 30, 1EP), Jace Farley 63 yards (1 TD, 40, 1EP).

Defense, tackles, Hardbarger 14, Farley 7, Justin Cunningham 5, Houchin

3, Raines Riddel 1; fumble recoveries, Farley 1, Cunningham 1.

**B team** played a tight defensive battle with Williamstown, but ended up falling short, 14-0. Both Williamstown TDs were scored by former Calhoun student Landry Bunch.

B team statistics: Offense, rushing, Bentley Snodgrass 39 yards, Grayson Laughlin 23, Tyler Mayle 9, Liam Yeager 3.

Defense, tackles, Grayson Laughlin 12, Chandler Cottrell 5, Kason Stamper 5, Bentley Snodgrass 4, Tristan Rogers 4, Tyler Mayle 3, Silas Cunningham 3, Liam Yeager 2, Carter Thompson 2.

Calhoun **A team** lost to Williamstown, 55-12. Gavin Hicks scored

both Calhoun TDs--one on a 55-yard rush and the second on a 56-yard pass reception from Evan Collins.

Team statistics: Offense rushing, Gavin Hicks 55 yards (1 TD, 55), Evan Collins 7 yards; passing, Collins 66 yards (1 TD, 56); receiving, Hicks 56 yards (1 TD, 56); Michael Richards- 10 yards

Defense, tackles, Hicks 11, Coby Staples 7, Tucker Sampson 5, Collins 5, Trevor Mayle 4, Nic Butler 3, Ezra Anderson 2, Avery Wood 2, Wattson Nichols 2, Evan Burch 1, Richards 1.

C team has advanced to the second round of playoffs, and will play Tyler on Sunday, Oct. 24, noon, at Wirt County High School.



Lacy Whytsell



Paige Persinger



Marissa King

## Students Join Program At GSC

Three Calhoun County students, Marissa King, Paige Persinger and Lacy Whytsell, are completing their first semester at Glenville State College as part of the Home Grown Program.

The program is focused on prospective teacher identification in the county schools partnered with scholarship support for candidate attendance at GSC, practical experiences, and mentoring during teacher preparation into the start of full-time teaching.

The goal is for those students to return to their home counties to student teach and, if available, be able to apply for open positions in their home district.

Marissa King of Chloe is majoring in English Education (5-adult). She is the daughter of Robert and Melissa King.

"My teachers are who inspired me to become an educator . . . I saw how much they touched other peoples' lives. Getting the Home Grown

Scholarship means a lot to me. The money is greatly appreciated, because it lifts some of the stress from me and my family," said King.

Paige Persinger of Grantsville is majoring in English Education (5-adult). She is also a member of GSC's Student Government Association. She is the daughter of John and Alisha Persinger.

"I've always wanted to educate others and have an impact on their lives. It's an amazing opportunity to receive the Home Grown Scholarship, so that I can further my dreams of impacting young lives," said Persinger.

Lacy Whytsell of Grantsville is majoring in Early Education (PreK-K) and Elementary Education (K-6). She is also a member of the Early Education Student Group. She is the daughter of Sean Whytsell and Sabrina Wager.

"When I think about who inspired me to teach, I want to say either Jennifer Sang or Wendy Batton. They both pushed

me in school to do my best, even when I felt like I couldn't do it," said Whytsell. "It is a great honor to be selected for this scholarship. I cannot wait to impact the young lives of West Virginia."

"Students who receive the Home Grown Scholarship from Glenville State College are dedicated to their home communities," said Dr. Jeff Hunter, Dean of Education at GSC.

"They represent the next generation of highly qualified, skilled, exceptional teachers graduating from our education programs, and we are Pioneer Proud of every one of them!"

Students who are interested in applying for the 2022-23 class of Home Grown Scholars should contact their high school guidance counselor or principal.

For information about earning a degree in education from GSC, contact the admissions office staff at admissions@glenville.edu or 1-800-924-2010.

## Board Meets At Arnoldsburg

The Calhoun County board of education held its regular monthly meeting with Arnoldsburg Elementary's Local School Improvement Council (LSIC) on Oct. 13.

The AES LSIC gave a presentation about the school.

Goals are: Student achievement will show a 10% increase from the beginning benchmark to the ending benchmark. Support the community in the development of our students through communication and engagement activities, with 95% satisfaction. Increase the school's attendance rate to 94%.

Including a \$1,000 First Energy high tunnel grant, the school's greenhouse income was \$3,189, with a profit of \$2,626. The school is able to offer fresh vegetables and salads to students almost every day, even through the winter.

The school is also using a \$9,000 grant from Sisters Health Foundation to expand the playground facilities.

During the regular meeting, the board recognized the following:

--Trudi Anderson, National Board-Certified school nurse.

--Chase Blair, Landon Bennett, Josie Montgomery, Drue Goad, Ella Hess, Trista Arnold, regional golf team champions.

--Chase Blair, All-LKC golf team.

--Braden McCumbers, Whitney Nettles, Jaelyn Jett, Gunner Helmic, Jlynn Helmic, Kelsey Snider, Lindsey Schoolcraft, Hoyt Helmick, Cyrus Helmick, grand champion and reserve grand champion winners at the Calhoun Youth livestock show and sale.

Superintendent Kelli

Whytsell reported that 26 students were enrolled in full time virtual schooling.

School enrollment on Oct. 1 state-funding dates was as follows:

	2020	2021
AES	175.5	160
PHS	179	171
CM/HS	524.5	523
Total	879	854

Board members voted unanimously to keep the mask policy in place. Whytsell said that "Reconsideration of Mask Policy" would be on the agenda for discussion at each meeting.

New business items approved:

--Finance FY2021-22: General fund invoices, \$856,470; supplements, \$603,852; September financial statement.

--Finance Publication File, Fiscal Year 2021.

--Calhoun County Schools audit committee: Ryan Jarvis, chief financial officer; Kelli Whytsell, superintendent; Sarah Tingler, payroll supervisor.

--Fyffe Jones Group, Auditor.

--Policies out for comment: Chapter, Personnel; Title, Transportation Employees Alcohol and Controlled Substance.

--Surplus equipment inventory: water cooler.

--Homeschool requests: parent Christina Green, 4th grade; parent Anita Stephenson, K and 1st; parent Judy McCumbers, 2nd.

Personnel items approved:

--Resignations: professional, Arlene Sampson, John Bugby, substitute teachers; Sonja Hartshorn, elementary teacher, 3rd grade, AES; service, Saundra Ballengee, aide II/supervisory/bus/specialized healthcare procedures, 1st Grade, AES;

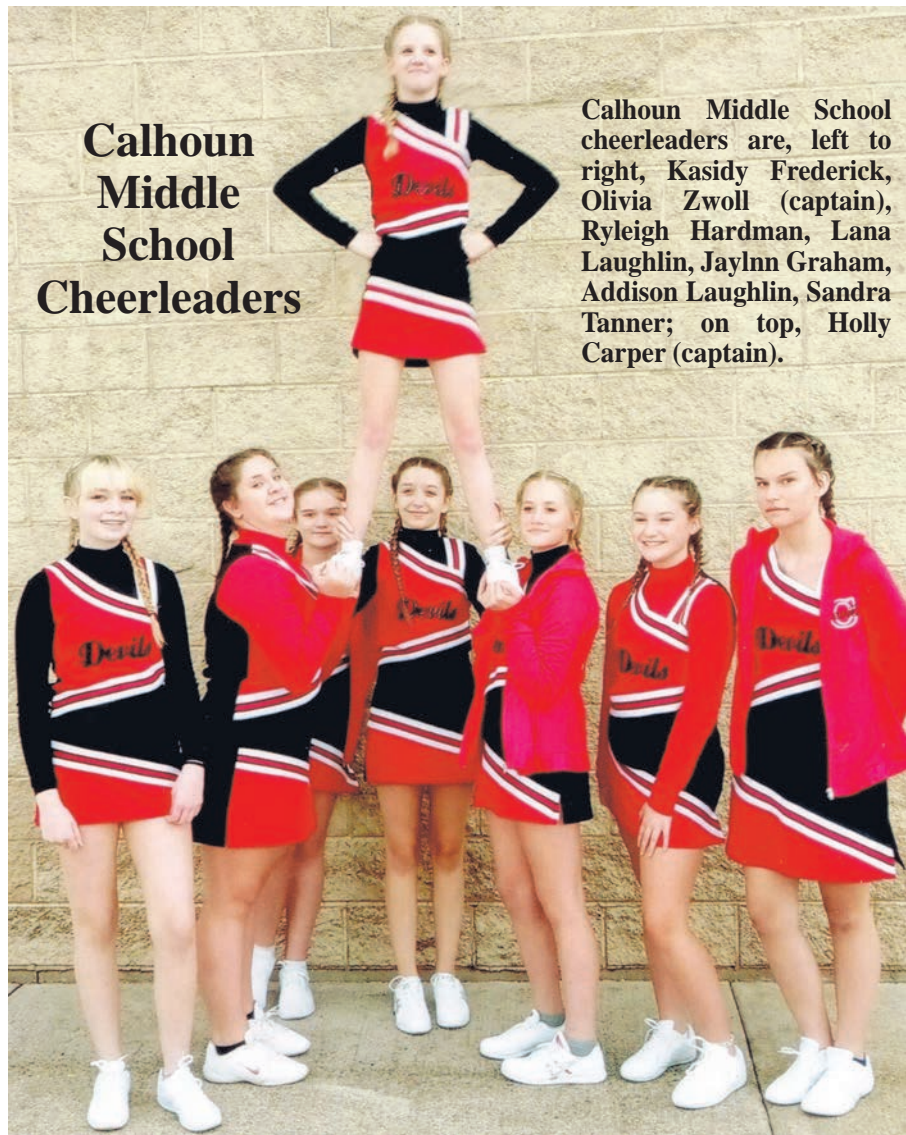
Adam Parsons, substitute custodian; Kenneth McCumbers, bus operator, activity run south, After-School; extra-curricular, Matt Walker, head golf coach.

--Employment: professional, After-School, Amanda Morris, Lori Taylor, Melissa Belcher, substitute tutor teachers; Mary Hoskins, tutor teacher, AES; Sarah Harper, tutor teacher, PHS; Adam O'Harrow, fitness and health training teacher, CM/HS; Katelyn Hardway, elementary teacher, PHS; Talonne Gungle, mentor for new teachers, CM/HS; Scott Clarkson, long term substitute, multi-cat spec. ed teacher, gifted/ELL, CM/HS.

--Service, After-School, Kenny McCumbers, alternate bus operator; Chris Lacy, bus operator, south route; Christina Jones, Tiffany Oldham, Beth Stull, alternate cooks, county itinerant; Michelle Stehman, Daniel Laughlin, substitute cooks, county; Tina Marks, Michelle Stehman, Michelle Goad, substitute MC aides II, supervisory aide, bus (spec HC procedures); Barbara Tingler, after school cook, PHS; Rhonda Deweese, after school cook, AES; Cathy Dickey, mentor for secretary, CM/HS; Mikayla Toney (AES, 1st grade), Melinda McCumbers (PHS), multi-classified aides II/supervisory aide/bus (spec HC procedures).

--Extracurricular, Rex Yoak, assistant varsity girls basketball coach; Kelsey Jett, student council, co-curricular, CM/HS.

The board is scheduled to return to Mondays for its regular meetings. The next meeting will be held on Nov. 15, 5:30 p.m., at Calhoun Middle/High School with LSIC. A board work session will be held at 4:15.



Calhoun Middle School Cheerleaders

Calhoun Middle School cheerleaders are, left to right, Kasidy Frederick, Olivia Zwoll (captain), Ryleigh Hardman, Lana Laughlin, Jaylenn Graham, Addison Laughlin, Sandra Tanner; on top, Holly Carper (captain).

## WAG To Be In Big Springs, Big Bend, Grantsville Areas

Welfare of Animals Group will be humanely trapping stray and feral cats in the Big Springs, Big Bend and Grantsville areas on Thursday, Oct. 28, 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, Oct. 27, as we will be trapping on Oct. 28.

"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 572 community cats (322 females and 252 males).

"Please keep your

personal cats indoors or put a collar on them Thursday, Oct. 28. 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 The Bernard McDonough Foundation, The Oakland Foundation, and W.Va. Dept. of Agriculture.

### VA Flu Shots

Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center will hold Saturday and evening flu vaccine clinics for veterans only as follows:

Thursday, Oct. 28, 4 to 6 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 30, 8 a.m. to noon.

Locations include: Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center, Clarksburg; Braxton County CBOC, Gassaway; Monongalia County CBOC, Westover; Tucker County CBOC, Parsons; Wood County CBOC, Parkersburg.

### Bluegrass Concert

The annual Glenville State College Bluegrass Concert will be held on Friday, Oct. 22, 7 p.m., at the Glenville City Square Park.

The outdoor concert is open to everyone--bring a lawn chair, blanket, or listen from your car. Admission is by donation, with proceeds benefiting bluegrass certificate students at GSC. Community jam will follow the concert. Everyone is invited to bring their instrument.



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