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SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, Nov. 17
Solid Waste Authority meets, Mom's Place Too, Grantsville, 4 p.m.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry drop-off, Mt. Zion U.M. Church, 5 to 7 p.m. through Friday, Nov. 19.

Thursday, Nov. 18
Mobile pantry food giveaway, 45 Pool St. Grantsville, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; sponsored by Mountaineer Food Bank.

CMS boys and girls basketball teams scrimmage at Clay, 6 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 19
Deadline to enter a light display in December's Community Christmas Light Display at Calhoun County Park; call 354-7981 or 532-0854.

Tire collection at Cabot Recycling Station, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CCHS girls basketball

team hosts Wahama for scrimmage, 7 p.m.; JV, 5:45.

Saturday, Nov. 20
Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry drop-off, Mt. Zion U.M. Church, 10 a.m. to noon.

Basket bingo, Arnoldsburg Community Building, 6 p.m.; proceeds for Carlton "Jim" Wilson.

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

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

Sunday, Nov. 21
Thanksgiving Dinner, Chapel Baptist Church, noon, after morning services.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry drop-off, Mt. Zion U.M. Church, 2 to 4 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 22
Thanksgiving break

begins for Calhoun County students.

Last day for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry drop-off, Mt. Zion U.M. Church, 10 a.m. to noon.

Grantsville Order of Eastern Star meets, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 23
Celebrating Christian Heritage Week, in front of courthouse, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 24
CCHS girls basketball team hosts Parkersburg Catholic for scrimmage, 7 p.m.; JV, 5:45.

Thursday, Nov. 25
THANKSGIVING.

Saturday, Nov. 27
Christmas in the Village, Heritage Village, Calhoun County Park, 2 to 5 p.m.; sponsored by Calhoun Historical Society.

'Christmas In the Village,' Nov. 27

by Maricia Mlynek
We are counting down the days until Christmas in the Village with an article each week about Heritage Village.

We thought it would be fitting to recap the history

of some of our buildings. We begin this week with the Charlie Starcher Blacksmith Shop, Freed Post Office, and Stevens School.

Charlie Starcher opened his blacksmith shop in

the 1920s. It was located at Hur, part way down the hill on the road to the Left Hand Fork of Barnes Run.

Starcher closed his shop in the 1950s. In the

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14.2% Of Residents (or 16.2%?)

County Goes Over 1,000 COVID-19 Cases After 29 Confirmed/Probable

Calhoun became the 54th county to pass the 1,000 mark in COVID-19 cases, as reported by the Dept. of Health and Human Services.

Four cases on Saturday gave the county 1,002. By Tuesday, the total had reached 1,011, although only 533 are confirmed cases, with 478 listed as probable.

Calhoun's total for the last week was 29, the same number it has averaged over the past eight weeks.

There have been five deaths of county residents reported since the pandemic began.

According to data used by DHHR, 1,011 cases would mean that 14.2% of the county's 7,109 residents have had the coronavirus.

If the Census' 2020 population is correct for Calhoun, there are 6,229 residents, which would mean that 16.2% of residents have contracted the virus--approximately one

in six. The county moved from the lower "yellow alert" to gold on Wednesday, where it has remained for seven days.

Calhoun is surrounded by two yellow (Gilmer and Ritchie), two gold (Wirt and Roane), and two orange (Clay and Braxton).

The county's infection rate on Tuesday was 30.14 (per 100,000), up from 25.12, with a percent positivity rate of 4.62, up from 3.70.

Cases in the seven-county area were 229, down from 251 and 269 the past two weeks, and going over 10,000 (10,143).

New cases in area counties, in addition to Calhoun, in the last week (and county totals/deaths) are:

Roane, 63 (1,705/24); Braxton, 48 (2,281/23); Clay, 37 (1,330/20); Wirt, 21 (879/14); Ritchie, 18 (1,508/21); and Gilmer,

13 (1,429/14).

The only county in the state with under 1,000 cases is Wirt (633 confirmed, 246 probable).

New West Virginia cases were 4,983, continuing a downward trend of eight weeks from a high of 12,593. Total cases during the pandemic are 283,561.

The number of deaths reported was 88, down from 93, 159 and 171 the previous three weeks. Total deaths in West Virginia are 4,636.

The number of new cases in the United States was 579,613, up considerably from last week's 512,639. Total cases since the pandemic began are 47,916,190.

Deaths in the U.S. were reported as 8,347, down from 8,918, 9,937 and 11,816 the past three weeks. Total deaths are 783,565.

New weekly worldwide cases were 3,462,775, up (Continued on Page 2)



Stevens School at Heritage Village decorated for Christmas.



Freed Post Office at Heritage Village.



Pleasant Hill School students, staff and community members collected 281 pounds of cat food to help the Welfare of Animals Group feed cats this winter. Special thanks were expressed to secretary Sierra McCormick for keeping things organized. (Some of the students were not allowed to be named, so identifications of those in photo were not submitted.)

OBITUARIES

JAMES ARTHUR BELL

James Arthur Bell, 93, of Grantsville, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021, at W.Va. Caring Hospice, Elkins.



He was the son of the late Holly and Arldia Stump Bell. He worked for Consolidated Gas (Dominion) for 43 years, retiring as a crew foreman. He was known for his Christmas light displays, fish fry events, and contributions to the community. He was honored for the years of dedication and hard work he put into making Heritage Village at Calhoun County Park a reality with lifelong friend, Ducky Stevens.

Surviving are his wife of 72 years, Juanita Nichols Bell, whom he married in 1949; three sons, Holly Dennis Bell, James Arthur Bell II and Robert Alan Bell; two brothers, George Bell and Michael Bell; one half-sister, Dorothy Fowler; six grandchildren, Christopher Bell, Vanessa Hinkle, Andy Bell, Jen Mounts, Wesley Bell and Kelly Bell; and eight great-grandchildren, Samantha Cantu, Cody Hinkle, Shaker Bell, Clayton Mounts, Hanley Mounts, Kyrian Mounts, Dakota Mounts and Rowen Bell.

He was preceded in death by one grandson, Denny Bell; one sister-in-law, Susan Bell; and one brother-in-law, Glen Fowler.

Services were held at Stump Funeral Home, Grantsville, with Rev. David Weaver officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church Cemetery.

RUTH LEE LEPKE FITZWATER

Ruth Lee Lepke Fitzwater, 79, of Grantsville, died at Camden Clark Medical Center.

She was born in Richfield, Ohio, the daughter of the late Harold and Virginia Jacobs Lepke. She raised her family in Millersburg, Ohio, and retired to Grantsville. She worked as a machine operator for Bell & Howell and was a member of Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church.

Surviving are two brothers, Terry Lepke and Jerry Lepke; three children, Bill Fitzwater, Lori Fitzwater and Dan Fitzwater; five grandchildren, Travis, Samantha, Reed, Grace and Emilee Fitzwater; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert "Boots" Fitzwater; two sisters, June Lepke Milton and Betty Lepke Maggazen; and one brother-in-law, Frank Maggazen.

Per her wishes, she was cremated and a celebration of her life will be held later.

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

GEORGE EDWARD MARTIN

George Edward Martin, 74, of Knoxville, Tenn., died Monday, Nov. 8, 2021, at Parkwest Medical Center, Knoxville.

He was born in Parkersburg, the son of the late Floyd Richard and Justine Campbell Martin. He was a member of Boilermakers International Union Local 85 and was a field construction boilermaker. In his 40-year career, he worked in over 30 states, from New York to California and Wisconsin to Oklahoma, including Hawaii and Alberta, Canada. He was a United States Air Force veteran, having served in Vietnam. After he retired and moved to Tennessee, he was an active member of Tennessee Bear and Boar Association.

Surviving are his wife, Linda Jarrell Dominion, whom he married in 1972; three step-children, Tina, Jo Ann and Jeffrey; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, James Pierce Martin and Michael Martin.

Graveside service was scheduled Wednesday, 1 p.m., at McCray Cemetery, with military honors, and Rev. Tim Davis officiating. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com.

County Goes Over--

(Continued from Page 1) from 3,159,697, 3,029,167 and 2,970,052, the past three weeks. Since the pandemic began, worldwide cases reported total 254,187,872.

Worldwide deaths in the last week were 50,563 up slightly from 50,021 the previous week. Total deaths are 5,123,407.

DHHR reported that 51.9% (930,239) of West Virginia's population has been fully vaccinated, up from the previous 51.7%. There have been 51,024 boosters administered.

The number of doses administered in Calhoun is reported as 3,066, 16 more than previously announced.

Christmas In the Village--

(Continued from Page 1) mid-1990s, Louis and Dottie Slider donated the building and its contents to Calhoun County Historical Society.

Perhaps the humblest of buildings on the Heritage Village grounds, it will fittingly serve as the site of the Nativity. It is our intention and deepest hope that throughout the day, we will all be drawn closer to the manger and the reason for the season.

Freed Post Office is our next featured building. Originally located on Leading Creek, it was built in the early 20th century by Seth Collins. His wife, Ivy, was postmistress.

The building survived the disastrous 1933 fire that destroyed much of the town of Freed. After the post office was closed in 1954, the building was used for storage.

In 2005, society member Larry Freed was able to acquire the post office for Heritage Village. Marguerite Hardman, Seth and Ivy's daughter, donated the building.

Vintage Christmas postcards will be on display, and a proper place for mailing dear Old Saint Nick a letter will be provided for the little apple dumplings visiting the village.

The post office will be bustling with Santa stationery, sharpened pencils, and free postage directly to the North Pole.

One of the most beloved buildings in the village is Stevens School. The feel of nostalgia and the memories of a simpler time cannot be missed in

this structure.

Add Christmas decorations, the scent of pine, and the laughter of children, and the recipe for the perfect holiday scene is complete.

Stevens School has a long history and is one of our oldest buildings on site. On Apr. 19, 1883, Samuel G. and Margaret Stevens deeded a lot on Pine Creek Hill, approximately one mile from Grantsville, to the Center District board of education.

It has been called Lower Pine Creek School and Stevens School. The building was constructed by 1885. In 1995, the owners of the school sold it to an individual who wanted it for the lumber.

As the school was being torn down, a society member, who wished to remain anonymous, volunteered to donate sufficient funds to purchase, move, and restore it.

Most of the framing lumber and walls, ceiling, and floor boards are original--dating from the mid-1880s. The school is of mortise and tenon construction. The framing is hand hewn poplar and oak, put together with hickory pegs.

We are certain that it will be one of your favorite stops during Christmas in the Village on Saturday, Nov. 27, from 2 to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5, with preschool children free.

Plan to stay into the evening for the Tree Lighting Ceremony at 5:00.

For information, call Bob Bonar, president, 354-7507.

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

The annual holiday known locally as deer season begins on Monday, but, unlike other years, there was not much shooting going on over the last weekend, as hunters in the past, when folks would shoot their rifles to ensure that they are still sighted-in and in good working order.

Something tells me that the current shortage of ammunition is the likely cause of this phenomena, but there is still the upcoming weekend for the hunter who wants to make certain of his, and his rifle's ability, to make just one shot bring down the big one.

Over the last few years, there has not seemed to be as many hunters opening up the season on Monday morning of day one with a fusillade of gunfire.

That, to me, always sounded like the beginning of a skirmish during World War I.

You could have been sitting deep in the woods in your favorite spot, perhaps even taking a short nap, while you awaited the rising of the sun, so that you were given enough light to see whether or not a deer had horns.

All of the other hunters sitting in their favorite hunting spot, wide awake, could wake you up, even from a deep sleep, when the sound of high-powered rifles began to echo through the valleys, as the big bucks found themselves in the crosshairs of a savvy hunter.

Whenever I hunt nowadays, my weapon of choice makes very little sound, since it is a digital camera with a powerful zoom lens mounted into it.

It is very light, very quiet, and it makes it incredibly easy to carry as many deer, squirrels or other critters out of the woods in just one hand. After all, it is only a Canon, not a cannon.

Some of the trees on the hillsides of Calhoun County waited until this week, the third week of November, to allow their leaves to turn. I, for one, am very glad that they did. Right now, this beautiful fall foliage has no competition.

Many of the pretty colors that we have enjoyed over the last few weeks have been blown off the trees by the wind and rain, and frost, making these last hold-outs even more striking against the dull hills bereft of color.

Some of our trees in the holler, up towards the top of the ridge, changed

to the most beautiful over the weekend, and we love traveling through our kaleidoscope of fall colors as we drive in and out of the holler.

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COVID-19 is still an ongoing pandemic, both here and around the planet. It has not gone away simply because we now have vaccines, as there are those who are still holding to the misinformation campaigns that have marginalized and divided our country with untruths.

We must do our utmost best to avoid becoming infected or, even worse, infecting any of our loved ones or friends.

If you feel like you are coming down with something, it will be better for all if you stay at home this year, so that you may be able to gather along with everyone at the dinner table for the next Thanksgiving feast.

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There will be a partial eclipse of the full moon on Nov. 19. A partial lunar eclipse will reward patient and lucky sky observers with a view of a subtly changing moon. It is a must-see event, as it is the last lunar eclipse of the year. The moon may even take on a reddish hue.

Lunar eclipses occur when the moon passes into the Earth's shadow. In this case, the partial eclipse phase will last three hours, 28 minutes and 24 seconds, and the full eclipse for six hours and one minute, making it the longest partial eclipse in 580 years.

Lunar eclipses are long events. This one will last about six hours and peak at 4:02 a.m. EST (0902 GMT). The event will be visible from North and South America, Australia, and parts of Europe and Asia.

The eclipse will take place in four main phases, according to NASA. At 1:02 a.m. EST, the moon will enter the penumbra, or the lighter part of the moon's shadow.

This phase is usually hard to spot without special equipment, because the darkening is so slight.

The moon will then arrive at the umbra, or the darker part of the shadow, at 2:18 a.m. EST. Here, you will get to enjoy about 3.5 hours of the moon passing through the deep shadow, until it exits the umbra at 5:47 a.m. The eclipse will end at 6:03 a.m. EST.

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At maximum eclipse, the moon's face will be 97% covered by the deepest part of the Earth's shadow.

November's full moon is traditional known as the Beaver Moon, as beavers are preparing for winter, hence this month's Beaver Moon eclipse moniker.

Christmas Market Set

Calhoun Christmas Market will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 3-5, in and on the grounds of Calhoun County Community Center (former high school in Grantsville).

The main and top floors will be filled with Christmas crafts, gifts and food.

More than 25 crafters/vendors have registered for booth space during the three-day event, which will allow shoppers to get an early start on the season, support local artisans, and get a glimpse of renovations.

There is space available for vendors, with registration forms avail-

able by calling Shari Johnson, 377-6036.

Vendors are required to pay the vendor fee prior to the show, and provide a door prize to be given away during the event.

Vendors who have not paid need to make sure their applications are in and payment made. No-body will be placed on the floor plan until payment is made.

Thanksgiving
Chapel Baptist Church will have Thanksgiving Dinner at noon on Sunday, Nov. 21, after morning services. Everyone is welcome.



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Basket Bingo

At Arnoldsburg Park Nov. 20, starting at 6 p.m. for Carlton (Jim) Wilson, son of Randy (Shortie) Wilson and Ruth Wilson Morris.

Carlton suffered two massive heart attacks and underwent open heart surgery.

Kitchen will be open.

All donations greatly appreciated.

Please come to the park and participate in a fun and helpful Bingo Experience.



This Week In History

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

1921, 100 years ago

Niagara Falls, N.Y. -- Police are searching for the perpetrators of a holdup in which four robbers escaped with loot valued at \$40,000. Two employees of American Express Co. were moving the money from their office to the train shed when the robbers dashed up, took a gun from one of the men, placed the boxes in their machine, and drove away. Bystanders did not interfere, thinking it was a practical joke.

Abilene, Tex. -- Four babies in less than a year is the record of a Taylor County family. Early this year a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. N.N. Young of near Abilene. A few days ago three more baby boys arrived simultaneously. The mother is age 30 and now has 10 children.

Washington, D.C. -- Secretary of War John W. Weeks has issued an order directing the withdrawal of all federal troops from West Virginia. The troops were sent into West Virginia in September to restore order during the march of miners in Logan and Boone counties.

Effect of Laughter On Your health -- Most happy is the effect of laughter on the circulation. A good laugh is virtually a series of spasmodic expirations. These forcible chest movements cause a partial closing of the glottis, which increases the pressure within the thorax, and impedes the entry of blood from the veins into the heart. This effect is discerned in the turgidity of the head and neck. In the second place, the exceptionally deep inspirations tend to expand the lungs with air and to draw off the blood from veins of the heart.

The proverbial "camel through the eye of a needle" difficulty in getting into Heaven may disturb some rich men, but others are encouraged by the thought that their lawyers have dragged them through some pretty small loopholes.

1946, 75 years ago

Gwendolyn McCray, 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.B. McCray of Brohard, has been selected by the State 4-H Dept. as the most outstanding contestant in the 4-H food preservation project for 1946.

As a state winner in this project, she will receive an all-expense paid trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago during the first week in December. She will be one of the six girls and three boys who are 4-H winners to attend from West Virginia. These young people will be accompanied on the trip by Florence Howard, State Girls' Club agent, and Harley Cutlip, 4-H Club agent in Braxton County.

During the three years in which McCray has carried the food preservation project, she has canned 1,057 quarts of fruit, vegetables and meats, besides helping her mother can 321 additional quarts. In other methods of food preservation, she has dried 13½ bushels and stored 101 bushels of fruit and vegetables, as well as make 269 pounds of butter, 84 pounds of cottage cheese and hard cheese, and preserving 20 dozen eggs by the water glass and mineral oil methods.

For the past three years, she has raised the family garden as a project, and has canned the produce from it. In her canning, she has learned to use a pressure cooker and has helped other persons to learn to use it.

In the eight years that she has been a 4-H club member, she has completed three years of food preservation, three years of gardening, two years of foods for fun, and one year each of baking, meal planning, and clothing. She estimates that the combined value of her projects has been \$1,245.

For the past three years, she has won a \$25 war bond for being one of the eight best 4-H gardeners in the state. At the same time, she has been the top ranking club member in food preservation in the county.

Gwendolyn has taken a good deal of responsibility in her local club, serving at various times in all the club offices and committees. She has given demonstrations and has judged project work at club and district meetings. During the five county camps that she has attended, she has been chief and sagamore, and has earned various emblems. This past year, she attended State 4-H Girls Camp.

In her school work, she has been prominent in Junior Red Cross, Library Club, and West Virginia Club, in which she was honored as a Knight of the Golden Horseshoe.

Not many club members earn a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress, yet the opportunity to do so is a very real possibility to those who stay in the club, work over a considerable period of years, completing one or more projects each year, and who give generously of their time and talents to the development of their local clubs, communities, and counties.

Participation in the National 4-H Club Congress is an education in itself, as the young people meet others from every state in the union and Canada. The city of Chicago entertains these young people royally through dinners, tours, concerts, exhibits, etc.

1971, 50 years ago

Hazards that accompany hunting have not yet been eradicated, although great strides have been made in reducing the morbidity and mortality rates due to this favorite pastime of American men.

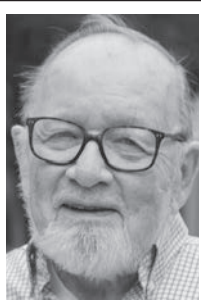
Accidents are not the only risk in hunting. Many heart attacks are suffered during hunting expeditions. Often, these are caused by overexertion of individuals who are not in good physical condition, according to West Virginia Heart Association.

Some of the more common mistakes made by those who do not routinely participate in strenuous activities are:

- Climbing hills too rapidly.
- Carrying large heavy game from the woods alone.
- Becoming overtired from long days in the woods.
- Going into the woods alone.
- Take warm clothes, not weighty ones.
- Getting into condition for the normal demands of the hunt is imperative, if the hunter doesn't want to wind up among the statistics that report more hunters

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



Safety warning of serious health hazards associated with the chemical substance dihydrogen monoxide (DHMO)

Dihydrogen monoxide is colorless, odorless, and tasteless, and kills hundreds of people every year. Most of these deaths are caused by accidental inhalation of DHMO, but the dangers of dihydrogen monoxide do not stop there.

Prolonged exposure to its solid form can cause severe tissue damage. Symptoms of DHMO ingestion may include excessive sweating and urination, and possibly a bloating feeling, nausea, and body electrolyte imbalance.

- Dihydrogen oxide:
 - may cause severe burns.
 - contributes to the erosion of our natural landscape.
 - accelerates corrosion and rusting of many metals.
 - may cause electrical failures and decrease effectiveness of automobile brakes.

Contamination reaches epidemic proportions. Quantities of dihydrogen monoxide have been found in every stream, lake, and reservoir in America today, but the pollution is global, and the contaminant has even been found in Antarctic ice. DHMO has caused millions of dollars of property damage in the Midwest and California.

Despite the danger, dihydrogen monoxide is often used:

- as an industrial solvent and coolant.
 - in nuclear power plants.
 - as a fire retardant.
- Even after washing, produce remains contaminated by this chemical.

Companies dump waste DHMO into rivers and the oceans, and nothing can be done to stop them, because this practice is still legal. The impact on wildlife is extreme, and we cannot afford to ignore it any longer!

Just having a little fun today. DHMO is a synonym for H2O. Dihydrogen . . . two hydrogen (H2) and monoxide . . . one oxygen (O).

Replace every DHMO or dihydrogen monoxide in the message above with "water" and you'll get the joke (if you haven't already). The warning is part of a joke/hoax that has been around on the internet for some time . . . back as far as 1990. It is thought to be authored by a couple of college students, who evidently had some time on their hands.

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): Keep your head above DHMO.

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

LETTER BOX

This letter is concerning the alley on High St. I have tried many times to get something done about the water and mold running in front of my sidewalk. I've had to wade water just to get out of my car. My tires have frozen to the ice coming down the street from a drain above my house. My attempts fell through.

On Friday, Nov. 12, mayor Bob Petrovsky and his crew were out early with all their equipment on High St., repairing what needed to be done with the problem about the drain. The mayor and his crew worked throughout the day to make sure that the drain was working properly.

This is a letter to thank the mayor for fixing this problem--one of many that you have done since you have taken office as mayor. Everything is looking wonderful and I think I can speak for everyone. You are doing a wonderful job as being our mayor of Grantsville.

Garnett Husk

dying of heart attacks than of gunshot accidents. If you haven't hunted for a few years or haven't been involved in physical activities, take it easy during the first few hunting trips, building your strength up gradually.

The hunter is advised to go to his doctor weeks before he plans the trip. The recovered heart victim should tell his doctor exactly where he plans to go and under what conditions he will hunt. One thing is important: the man with a heart condition must not hunt alone. Any hunter who gets winded should never hesitate to call a time out. If companions insist on going ahead, he should let them go, take a load off his feet, and take an overload off his heart.

Even if all precautions are met, hunting emergencies will happen, and how you handle them may save a life. The West Virginia Heart Association says hunters should remember these points in handling heart attack victims:

- Keep the stricken hunter absolutely still.
- Get him immediate medical attention. Leave him alone if you must go for help.
- Never let the victim walk or ride a horse. If he must be moved, a stretcher can be improvised by using two poles and a blanket, according to first aid methods.
- Keep the patient warm, but not so bundled that he will perspire.
- Make him comfortable. Usually, a position between lying down and sitting up makes breathing easier. Loosen collar, belt, and any restrictive clothing.
- Administer no liquids or stimulants. An unconscious victim may choke on liquids. If he has medication prescribed by his physician that he can swallow, give him the prescribed dosage.



This Week In West Virginia History

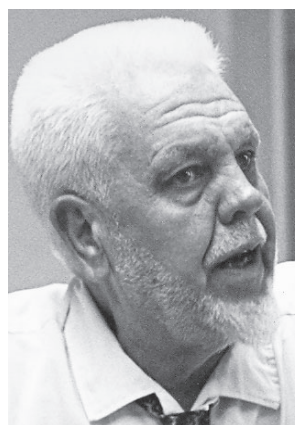
The following events happened from Nov. 18-24 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.



Nov. 18, 2007: Country singer Chickie Williams died. As wife of musician Doc Williams, she performed with his Border Riders band and appeared on the Wheeling Jamboree radio show.

Nov. 19, 1854: Poet Danske Dandridge was born in Copenhagen. The daughter of an American ambassador, she lived in Shepherdstown from age 19, where her work was published in "Harper's" and "The Century." Both of her homes, The Bower and Rosebrake, are Jefferson County landmarks.

Nov. 19, 1899: Sculptor Gladys Tuke was born in Linwood, Pocahontas County. She was a member of the original artist colony at The Greenbrier. During World War II, she taught at Ashford General Hospital, and later established a pottery and sculpture studio in White Sulphur Springs.



Nov. 19, 1900: William Page Pitt was born in New York City. In 1926, he joined the faculty of what was then Marshall College. In his 45-year career at Marshall, he built its journalism program into one with dozens of classes and hundreds of students. Marshall University's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications is named in his honor.

Nov. 19, 1909: The Lincoln County courthouse was burned. With coal, oil and gas, and timber booming, the arson was suspected to have been done to destroy land records and confuse titles.

Nov. 19, 1921: The USS West Virginia was christened. It was one of the six battleships at Pearl Harbor on the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, suffering massive damage from torpedoes and bombs in the surprise attack. The USS West Virginia was rebuilt and joined the Seventh Fleet for the invasion of the Philippines.

Nov. 20, 1894: Eight

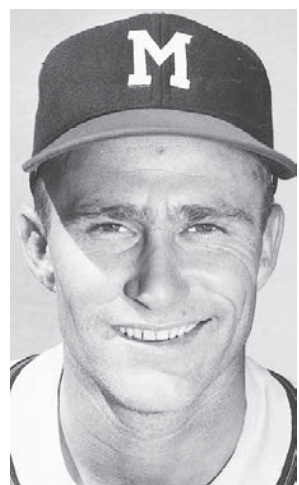
men were killed in a coal mine disaster near Colliers, Brooke County. They were using a dangerous method called "shooting from the solid," meaning that they blasted the coal loose without first undercutting it.

Nov. 20, 1917: Robert C. Byrd was born in North Wilkesboro, N.C. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1958 and remained in office until his death in 2010.

Nov. 20, 1968: An explosion at Consolidation Coal Company's No. 9 mine, near Farmington, killed 78 men. The disaster brought national attention to the issue of mine safety.

Nov. 21, 1810: Allen Taylor Caperton was born in Monroe County. He served in the Confederate Senate during the Civil War and in the U.S. Senate from 1875 to 1876.

Nov. 22, 1910: Fire destroyed the academic building at Concord College. By the next morning, community leaders arranged for teaching the 300 students in rooms throughout the town.



Nov. 22, 1926: Selva Lewis "Lew" Burdette, Jr., was born in Nitro. He was an outstanding major league baseball player, who spent most of his career with the Milwaukee Braves.

Nov. 23, 1962: Roman Catholic Bishop John Joseph Swint died. He was a great builder of religious institutions in the Diocese of Wheeling.

Nov. 24, 2008: Former Gov. Cecil Underwood died in Charleston. As West Virginia's 25th and 32nd governor, he had the distinction of having served as the state's youngest and oldest chief executive.



Nov. 24, 2015: For her accomplishments in the field of mathematics and science, Katherine Johnson received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from Barack Obama. She worked for NASA, calculating trajectories for manned space flights.

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My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



Another week has come and gone, and, as usual, I am enjoying every minute of November. Maybe it has something to do with the time change. The shorter days seem to give us a good reason to slow down a bit and relax more. Even though this is a busy time of year, or maybe because it is, I seem to find myself on my couch under a blanket just resting a lot more these days.

I guess when the days are long and the sun is still high in the sky, I feel guilty about slowing down and just enjoying some down time. When November rolls around, that guilt seems to roll away too. As the candles in my windows start to twinkle, I pull the curtains closed and cuddle up on the couch. It certainly doesn't hurt that Hallmark is running Christmas movies pretty much nonstop these days. Even when I have school work to do, I can follow the plotline as I plan and grade.

November also means comfort foods, like soups, cookies and casseroles. I find myself pulling out the family recipes to make potato soup, chowder, chili, and cookies.

I refuse to feel guilty about these decadent treats, simply because they are one of my favorite parts of fall. They bring back sweet childhood memories and make me feel close once again to loved ones who are no longer with us.

I love how unpredictable the weather is at this time of the year too. Last week, the temperatures were in the '70s, and on Saturday morning I woke up and looked out the window to discover snow flurries. I will not deny that I squealed with joy and called my mom and sister to make sure that they weren't missing the first snow of the season.

Now that those first snowflakes have flown, I think it's time to get out mom's hot chocolate recipe and make up a big batch. That hot chocolate and the snow go hand in hand.

It may sound like I am settling in for a long winter's nap, but in reality, I am as busy as a bee these days. This week, I had a board meeting at the library, a historical society meeting, a professional development day, and work is in full swing for Christmas in the Village.

Thankfully, I had Thursday off for Veteran's Day. I was on the go all day, but at least I got to sleep-in a bit before I hit the ground running.

We have been working pretty much non-stop to get ready for Christmas in the Village. I am happy to say that our to-do list is getting smaller and smaller every day, and we are right where we should be at this point. This is a good thing, because I need to start focusing my attention on getting my home among the hills ready for Thanksgiving, and my houseful of company.

While one to-do list is getting shorter, another is getting longer by the minute. Thankfully, I have the whole week off for Thanksgiving to get ready.

I will admit that I am tempted to pull out all of my Christmas decorations while I am organizing and cleaning. I am going to resist the temptation, but the fight will be real. This might be because of this weekend's snow flurries, or it might be because of all the talk on Facebook about the Christmas festivities happening in town this year. Of course, all those Hallmark movies that I have been watching haven't hurt either. Whatever the reason, I am thrilled that everyone seems to be getting in the holiday mood this year.

I am looking forward to watching our little town begin to deck its halls over the next few weeks. Soon, the town snowflakes will be dangling from their poles, businesses will be hanging their holiday decorations, and families will be gathering at events like Christmas in the Village, the town parade, and the brand-new Calhoun County Community Center tree lighting and Christmas Market.

Hallmark has nothing on Grantsville these days. We even have Christmas music playing in town. Maricia and I were working at the museum one night this past week and were delighted to discover that Alice's Attic was playing holiday tunes for all to hear! We loved it!

I know that the next few weeks will fly by, but I am determined to savor each and every moment of them. They will be full of fun, food, family and friends, all of my favorite things. I've said it before, and I'll say it again, I love this time of year!

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)

February 4th 1864
Noon, twelve o'clock
Thursday
Dear Mother

I have just dismissed my pupils for dinner. By tomorrow night my school will be half finished.

This is a very pleasant day. We had extremely severe weather the first two weeks in January. Since the weather here has been unusually mild & pleasant, it would not be at all difficult to imagine that Spring is already here.

I think a great deal about visiting you in the Spring, & am anxious for the time to come around. How are Freeman & Worthington & their families getting along? How are all my old friends on F. Creek? When you write please to give me all the news.

What does Jane George¹ call her baby, & where is Allan², & James³ & Richard, & James Sexton⁴? Tell me of every person & every thing. Has pa good health this winter?

I have no news which would interest you. We are all getting along well. There are no troops stationed nearer here than Spencer, & only a few home guard there. Have you many soldiers with you.

Perry & George⁵ are not either in the army. George is in partnership with Perry in the Cotton business.

I am in haste, as it is necessary for me to write a few lines quickly by Mr Short to Mittie Silcott⁶, & my hour at noon passes quickly.

Nellie is pretty well, & fond of fun. She says she wants to go to French Creek & see Grand ma & cousins.

Louisa & Almira send love to all. In haste.

Your affectionate daughter
Amie E. Silcott

Feb 18th 1864
My Dear Mother

Your good, long & very kind epistle, dated Jan. reached me in about two weeks from the date. Words can but inadequately express the pleasure I derived from its perusal.

You need not ever become uneasy, even though an unusual length of silence occurs between our letters to you, as I am entirely dependant on persons passing in going to Glenville, through whom my letters are transmitted to & from the Post Office. And as the travel is very irregular, at times quite an interval elapses without having any opportunity of communicating with the Office.

We are all enjoying good health, with the exception of colds, which are all quite the fashion here just at present. For a few days we have been visited by extremely cold weather.

I believe this day has been nearly as cold as any weather that we have had during the winter. It requires large fires to keep warm, & tight houses too.

We have had an abundance of wood so far this winter, & you know my house is very comfortable. Yet if the weather continues so extremely cold very long I think it will be necessary for me to make another small wood chopping. Indeed some of the boys around here urge me to make another, & invite in some of the girls to spend the evening.

Mr. Lambert⁷ is talking of moving his family next month down near the Ohio river, about ten miles below Parkersburg. John Brannan talks of moving his family this spring into Ohio State. Some of the rest of our neighbors talk of leaving this Spring, yet I doubt if they go.

Louisa received a letter last Sabbath from Mr Fordham⁸, who left here last Spring & went to Illinois. He & every member of his family are very anxious to get back to the West fork, & intend to come back in time to put in a crop. They are not pleased with Illinois.

They write prices of everything is very high there, & none of them have had good health since they arrived there. Mr Fordham says all they desire now is to get back their old place, which they hope to do soon.

Mrs Fordham has now two children, John & Mary Ellen. Louisa and I are delighted to have them return. They are excellent neighbors, & both are very intelligent.

I was very proud & very much pleased when I heard of my little namesake Eva E. George⁹. I hope I shall have a kiss when I go up to F. Creek next Spring.

I do not know how early I can come. I think Louisa will go to see you first, & then I shall quit housekeeping & Almira & I may come together.

However, I cannot tell at present what arrangements I shall make in the Spring. You need not look for any of us until I write you word, for we cannot come for some time yet.

We are all getting along very well.

¹Jane George called her baby Emma E.

²Allan George was in the Union Army.

³James Young was also in the Union Army.

⁴Jamie Sexton, son of George and Jane Sexton, was also in the Union Army.

⁵Perry and George: Perry was not in the Army, but George was. May have joined army in 1863.

⁶Millie Silcott, sister of George. She lived in Glenville. She died in 1917 and is buried in the old Glenville Cemetery.

⁷Possibly John Lambert.

⁸Mr. Fordham: Not known.

⁹Eva E. George: Daughter of Jane George.

(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, Nov. 18: Thanksgiving dinner.
 Friday, Nov. 19: chicken tenders, mac and cheese, carrots, fruit.
 Monday, Nov. 22: fish, mac and cheese, mustard greens, fruit, bun.
 Tuesday, Nov. 23: spaghetti with meat sauce, vegetable salad, apple-sauce, garlic toast.
 Wednesday, Nov. 24: chicken salad, veggie pasta, fruit.
 Thursday, Nov. 25: closed.
 Friday, Nov. 26: closed.
 Suggested donation scale for meals: Individual monthly income, \$700 or less, \$1.25 per meal; \$701 to \$800, \$1.50; \$801 to \$900, \$1.75; \$901 or above, \$2. Guests under age 60, \$5.25.
 You may drive-by and pick-up meals from 11 to 11:30 a.m., Monday-Friday, by calling Calhoun County Committee on Aging, 354-7017, to be placed on a list.

From the PSC

by Charlotte Lane,
Chairman of Public Service Commission

Utility Scam Awareness Day

Wednesday, Nov. 17, is National Utility Scam Awareness Day. The observance may only last one day, but awareness of utility scams must be all year long.

Thousands of utility scams happen every day all over the country, including in West Virginia. Scammers often target the elderly, but anyone can be a victim.

The Public Service Commission frequently takes calls from utility scam victims, but, unfortunately, there is not much we can do to help. We can help you recognize a scam and report it properly.

There are three main elements to most utility scams. Usually someone will contact you to say that your utility bill is seriously past due, and demanding a large sum of money--at least several hundred dollars. They will threaten to disconnect your service, if you don't pay.

The second indication of a scam is the request for a prepaid debit card or gift card. No legitimate utility will ever ask you to pay by this method. Once you give them the card number, the scammer has immediate access to the funds you put on the card.

That money cannot be traced or refunded, it is simply gone. Do not give scammers your bank or credit card information. That is a gateway to identity theft, which can cost you far more than just cash. It can ruin your credit for years.

The third hint that you are talking to a scammer is a demand that you pay immediately. The scammer will give you a short amount of time in which to arrange payment. Often, they will threaten to disconnect your service, if you don't meet their demands in less than an hour.

Scammers are extremely aggressive. They may call you on the phone or come to your door. There are internet and email scams, but most utility scammers seem to prefer in-person contact, because it is much easier to pressure their victims.

If someone threatens you on the phone, hang up immediately. If they come to your home, shut and lock the door, and call the police. Never let anyone who is being pushy or threatening into your home.

If you believe that you have been targeted by a utility scam, immediately report it to the police and contact your utility company.

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Winner Is 6-3

With the Pittsburgh vs. Detroit game thrown out, because nobody predicted a tie, Week 2 of the Mini Football Prognostication Contest had five contestants finish with 6-3 records.

In the tie breaker, William Duskey guessed that Alabama would defeat New Mexico State, 63-7, eight points off the exact winning score of 59-3. He wins a \$10 gift certificate from Grantsville Foodland.

Also at 6-3 were Angie Slider (52-6, 10 off), Lou Hanes (49-7, 14 off), Jim Erlewine (52-14, 18 off) and Louise Wolverton (35-10, 31 off).

Leading contestants after Week 2 are Jim Erlewine, 14-5; William Duskey, Mike Propst and Angie Slider, 13-6; and Shara Arison, Lou Hanes and Brenton Slider, 12-7.

The Mini Football Prognostication Contest entry for Week 3 is on page five. Weekly winners receive a \$10 gift certificate from Grantsville Foodland. The contestant with the best accumulated record after seven weeks will receive a \$25 gift certificate from Foodland.

Four Named To All-LKC Volleyball Teams

Four members of the 2021 Calhoun County High School volleyball squad have been named to All-Little Kanawha Conference teams, as voted on by LKC coaches.

Christee Craddock was named to the First Team. She led the Lady Red Devils in assists (235) and digs (277).

Joselynn Yeager was named Special Honorable Mention. She led CCHS in aces (52) and kills (137).

Chelsea McCumbers (65 kills, 165 digs) and Karlee Garrett (47 aces, 71 kills, 201 digs) each earned Honorable Mention.

Final statistics for the 11-13 team are listed. Lexi Gregory is the only senior.

Calhoun Varsity Volleyball - Final Statistics - 11-13						
Player	Year	Aces	Kills	Assists	Digs	Blocks
Christee Craddock	11	48	85	235	277	3
Karlee Garrett	10	47	71	19	201	0
Lexi Gregory	12	0	3	8	99	0
Marlee Hall	11	35	57	18	45	10
Mia Houchin	10	35	24	21	102	1
Lauren Lovejoy	9	11	14	6	12	1
Chelsea McCumbers	11	30	65	21	165	0
Abi Waldron	9	0	0	3	9	0
Joselynn Yeager	11	52	137	22	208	18

Winter Weather Awareness

Gov. Jim Justice, along with W.Va. Emergency Management Division and the National Weather Service, have designated Nov. 15-19 as Winter Weather Awareness Week in West Virginia.

In his proclamation, Justice recognized that the risk to life and property during winter weather can be greatly reduced if West Virginians take appropriate preparedness measures before, during, and after winter weather strikes.

"The Winter Weather Awareness Week gives us the opportunity to understand the importance of preparing for the threats that we face each year," said Justice. "I encourage everyone to take time now to prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for winter weather of all types."

"The extreme winter weather--ice storms, snow and flooding--we faced in early 2021 is a reminder of just how dangerous and unpredictable winter can be," said GE McCabe, director of W.Va. Emergency Management Division.

"Take time during Winter Awareness Week to stock your emergency kits, have your vehicles serviced and check your furnace, fireplace, or chimney to make sure that you are ready for winter."

Assembling a basic emergency kit is one of the best ways to prepare for the winter ahead. It should have a three-day supply of food, water, and medicine, along with the essential supplies that your family would need in the event of a prolonged power outage when travel is not possible.

More on what to include in your family's emergency kit can be found at ready.gov/build-a-kit.

Other winter weather preparedness advice:

--Know the weather risks your community and area faces.

--Monitor weather forecasts.

--When a winter storm is in the forecast, communicate with family members to know their location and travel plans.

--Make sure that all family members can receive emergency alerts.

--The best idea is to stay home during winter storms, but sometimes that's not possible. So, winterize your vehicle. Keep an emergency kit in your car.

W.Va. Dept. of Transportation urges you to "know before you go" by checking traffic and road closure information at wv511.org before heading out the door.

"It is not unusual for conditions to vary from no snow and clear driving in the valleys to piles of snow and treacherous travel conditions in the mountains," said Tony Edwards, warning co-ordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Charleston.

"Travelers should make sure to check the forecast and road conditions all along their route, not just at their destination."

The Winter Weather Awareness Week is a perfect time for families, communities, schools, and businesses to review their plans and to build or resupply their emergency kits.

To help that effort, EMD and NWS offices that serve West Virginia will share winter weather preparedness information throughout the week via the web, Facebook, and Twitter.

Partner organizations and the media are also encouraged to participate. The NWS has made various winter weather preparedness articles, infographics, and social media plans available for

use on the West Virginia Winter Awareness webpage.

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Calhoun Varsity Volleyball Final Results 11-13

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 0-2 Ritchie Co. L
19 0-2 Gilmer L
20 1-3 Roane Co. L
21 0-3 Tyler Consolidated for LKC 5th/6th L
25 3-1 Wahama W
26 0-3 Wahama L
27 3-0 Clay Co. W

November
Sectional at Ravenswood
1 3-0 Hannan W
1 1-3 Wirt L
2 2-3 Wahama L

Tire Collection

Tire collection will be held on the third Friday of each month, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Cabot Recycling Station, two miles west of Grantsville on Rt. 5.

Tires will be accepted free of charge. Tires on wheels will not be accepted. Only car, ATV, and light truck tires, 16-inches or less, will be accepted. A limit of 10 tires per person will be accepted.

Tire round up is for residents of Calhoun County only. Bring valid W.Va. ID (such as driver's license). It is sponsored by W.Va. Dept. of Environmental Protection and Calhoun Co. Solid Waste Authority.

P.O. Drawing

Grantsville Post Office is celebrating Thanksgiving.

Buy a book of stamps for \$11.60 or mail a package in the same amount or more, and get your name entered into a drawing for a Thanksgiving feast, including turkey, potatoes, green beans, corn, dressing, cranberry sauce, rolls and dessert.

The drawing on Tuesday, Nov. 23, is sponsored by postmaster Denise Pollock, clerks Robin Bourn and MaryAnn Patterson, rural carriers Penny Stanley, Jennifer Peters and Amie Carper, and HCR carriers Kevin and Ronda Rose.

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Mini Football Prognostication contest

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ELECTRONIC GAME CHECK

According to Division of Natural Resources, hunters and trappers may check game by one of the following three methods:

--Go online to wvhunt.com.

--Call 1-844-982-4325 (1-844-WV Check). You must be registered in the system and know your unique DNR ID number to use the telephone check option. To obtain your ID number, see the information below.

--Stop at a hunting and fishing license agent. For a list of license agents, visit www.wvdnr.gov. Note: You are not required to bring the animal to the license agent. If you are not required to buy a license (e.g., landowner, underage, etc.), you may visit wvhunt.com or a license agent to obtain your ID number.

If you are a lifetime license holder (AB-L, A-L, XS, etc.), you will already be assigned a number in the system. If you buy your base license each year, your ID number will be printed on the upper left hand corner of the license. No matter what classification of hunter or trapper you are, your ID number will be valid for your lifetime and will be used in all future game checking transactions with DNR. If you are a landowner who checks game both as a landowner and on a license, you will have only one DNR ID number.

Upon finishing the electronic game check process, you will be given a 13-digit game check confirmation number that will serve as verification that you have completed the game checking process. This unique

number must be written down on a sheet of paper with your name and address, or on your completed field tag, and attached to the animal or parts thereof and remain affixed until it is dressed for consumption or processed into commercial fur.

It will let Natural Resources officers know that the animal has been officially checked. You may view your game checking history at wvhunt.com.

For the first time, hunters can check-in their game from their phone or computer. The goWILD licensing system was developed in-house by DNR in 2002. The new electronic licensing system has been in effect since Jan. 1, 2015. Most hunters have adapted to the system. Those who still like to talk directly to someone about their hunting experiences will be able to stop by one of the approximately 180 official license agents to check in their game. Hunters and trappers will still have to follow the time and transportation restrictions, as listed in the regulations.

Electronic game check provides several benefits. Hunters can hunt later into the day without worrying about driving around to find an open check station after dark, which will save hunters time, gas and wear-and-tear on their vehicle. If a hunter has cell phone coverage in the woods, he or she can check the game in over the phone and immediately quarter and chill the deer, helping to preserve the freshness of the meat.

DNR will benefit by having all license purchases recorded on the same system, allowing the agency to more easily account for purchases and making the system more efficient. In the past, records of online purchases, paper license purchases and point-of-sale agent purchases were separate, which made compiling license purchase records difficult. It will also make collection of license fees by DNR more efficient.

Biologists will be able to monitor big game kills each day, instead of waiting until they visited more than 600 check stations to pick up check tags. From a law enforcement perspective, Natural Resources police officers will be able to see if the person they are talking with in the field has checked in their game.



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Purchasing a License In 2021-2022

Licenses may be obtained as follows:

1. At approximately 175 retail agent locations throughout the state and designated county clerk offices. (\$3 issuing free for first purchase and \$1 for subsequent purchases.)

2. www.Wvhunt.com (Official DNR website - \$2 fee per transaction.)

3. Directly from the Hunting and Fishing License Unit by phoning 558-2758. (\$2 fee per transaction.)

For additional information, contact: Hunting and Fishing License Unit, W.Va. Division of Natural Resources, 324 4th Ave., South Charleston, WV 25303; 558-2758; wvdnrcustomerservice@wv.gov.

2021-2022 Hunting and Trapping Fees/Licenses

Residents

Under The Age Of 15 -- May hunt or trap without a license when accompanied by a licensed adult who remains in a position near enough to render advice and assistance.

Licenses required:

--To hunt antlerless deer: Class N

--To hunt additional deer: Class RG (buck), RM (muzzleloader season), RB (archery and crossbow)

65 Years Of Age Or Older -- Who Have Attained That Age Prior To Jan. 1, 2012, must carry a West Virginia driver's license or photo ID card issued by the DMV to hunt, trap or fish.

Licenses required:

--To hunt antlerless deer: Class N

--To hunt additional deer: Class RG (buck), RM (muzzleloader season), RB (archery and crossbow)

--To hunt with a handgun: Class A1

--To hunt waterfowl: Federal Migratory Waterfowl Stamp

--To hunt waterfowl or migratory birds: free HIP card

65 Years Of Age Or Older -- Who Have Attained That Age On Or After Jan. 1, 2012

Licenses required:

--To hunt or trap: Class XS

--To hunt antlerless deer: Class N*

--To hunt additional deer: Class RG (buck), RM (muzzleloader season), RB (archery and crossbow)

--To hunt with a handgun: Class A1

--To hunt waterfowl: Federal Migratory Water-

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fowl Stamp
 --To hunt waterfowl or migratory birds: free HIP card
 *Not required during the Special Split Youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS antlerless deer season.

Hunting, trapping and fishing licenses are good for the calendar year. You must purchase new licenses at the beginning of each year. All licensed hunters must carry a valid form of identification while hunting/trapping.

Resident Licenses

- Conservation Stamp** (Class CS) \$5
 Required for licensed hunters and anglers except holders of Class X, X3, XP, XJ, XS, AHJ, A-L, B-L, and AB-L licenses.
- Hunting and Trapping** (Class A) \$19
- Apprentice Hunting and Trapping License** (Class AH) \$19
 Same privileges as Class A, but completion of hunter safety course not required.
- Sportsman Hunting/Fishing/Trapping** (Class X) \$35
 For ages 18 through 64. Includes privileges of Conservation Stamp, Class A, B and BG licenses.
- Sportsman Hunting/Fishing/Trapping Plus** (Class XP) \$45
 Annual license that also includes the trout stamp.
- Sportsman Hunting/Fishing/Trapping 3-year** (Class X3) \$105
 A three-year Sportsman license.
- Sportsman Hunting/Fishing/Trapping Plus 3-year** (Class XP3) \$135
 A three-year Sportsman license that also includes the trout stamp.
- Junior Sportsman Hunting/Fishing/Trapping** (Class XJ) \$16
 Similar to Class X, but for ages 15 through 17.
- Apprentice Junior Hunting/Trapping/Fishing** (Class AHJ) \$16
 Same privileges as Class XJ, for ages 15-17 and completion of hunter safety course not required.
- Antlerless Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class N) \$10
 Must be accompanied by a Class A, AH, AHJ, A-L, AB-L, X, X3, XP, XS, XJ or free license.
- Additional Archery Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class RB) \$21
 Must be accompanied by a Class A+BG, AH+BG, AHJ, A-L, AB-L, X, X3, XP, XS, XJ or free license. Required by crossbow hunters for an additional deer. The Class RB stamp must be purchased prior to the opening of the statewide archery season.
- Additional Firearms Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class RG) \$21
 Must be accompanied by a Class A, AH, AHJ, A-L, AB-L, X, X3, XP, XS, XJ or free license. The Class RG stamp must be purchased prior to the opening of buck firearms season.
- Additional Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class RM) \$16
 Must be accompanied by a Class A+BG, AH+BG, AHJ, A-L, ABL, X, X3, XP, XS, XJ or free license. The Class RM stamp must be purchased prior to the opening of the muzzleloader season.
- Resident Big Game Stamp** (Class BG) \$10
 Required of Class A or AH license holders to hunt deer during the archery, crossbow and muzzleloader deer seasons, and to hunt bear (must also have Class DS), wild turkey and wild boar.

Lifetime Licenses

Resident lifetime hunting, trapping and fishing licenses serve in lieu of the equivalent annual license; applications are available at DNR offices, license agents and online at WVdnr.gov.

Resident seniors who previously have made a resident purchase through a license agent or at a DNR office may buy a senior lifetime license online at WVdnr.gov. Non-resident, full-time students of any West Virginia college or university are eligible to purchase lifetime licenses.

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 Age 5 to under 10 \$603.75
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 Age 1 to under 5 \$430.10
 Age 5 to under 10 \$586.50
 Age 10 to under 15 \$703.80
- Senior Hunting/Trapping/Fishing License** (Class XS) \$25
 Required for resident hunters and anglers who have reached 65 years of age on or after Jan. 1, 2012, except holders of Class A-L and AB-L licenses, which still require other stamp purchases (for example, bear damage and trout stamps).
- Small Arms Hunting** (Class A1-L) \$75
 For ages 21 and older.
 Class BG License and Conservation Stamp not required with the Class AB-L, A-L and XS Lifetime Licenses.

*The above lifetime license fee schedule for a child under 15 also applies to children who have been legally adopted or legally placed in foster care. Conservation Stamp not required.

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Nonresident Licenses

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- Statewide Hunting/Trapping License** (Class E) \$119
- Apprentice Hunting/Trapping License** (Class AAH) \$119
 Same privileges as Class E, but completion of hunter safety course not required.
- Junior Sportsman Hunting/Trapping/Fishing License** (Class XXI) \$16
 Ages 8-17 (not required for fishing under age 15). Includes privileges of Class I, UU, VV and WW stamps.
- Apprentice Junior Hunting/Trapping License** (Class AAHJ) \$16
 Same privileges as Class XXI, for youths under 18 years old; and completion of hunter safety course not required.

- Bear Hunting License** (Class EE):..... \$162
- Small Game Hunting License** (Class H) \$27
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- Antlerless Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class NN) \$27
 Must be accompanied by a Class E, AAH, AAHJ or XXJ license.
- Additional Archery Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class RRB) \$37
 Must be accompanied by a Class E+UU, AAH+UU, AAHJ or XXJ license. Required by crossbow hunters for an additional deer. The Class RRB stamp must be purchased prior to the opening of the statewide archery season.
- Additional Firearms Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class RRG) \$43
 Must be accompanied by a Class E, AAH, AAHJ or XXJ license. The Class RRG stamp must be purchased prior to the opening of buck firearms season.
- Additional Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class RRM) \$37
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- Archery Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class UU) \$32
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- Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Stamp** (Class VV) \$32
 Must be accompanied by a Class E or AAH license.
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 Must be accompanied by a Class E or AAH license.
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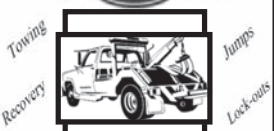
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Governor's Updates

During a briefing last week, Gov. Jim Justice and medical experts once again stressed the importance of booster shots of the COVID-19 vaccine for West Virginians who were initially vaccinated several months ago.

"If you've gotten two shots, and you're six months out from when you got your last shot, it's almost of no value. Your immunity level has dropped way, way, way down," said Justice. "So we need folks to get their booster shot."

State coronavirus czar Dr. Clay Marsh noted that the substantial gap between the number of West Virginians who have only received their initial series of COVID-19 vaccination shots versus those who have more recently received a booster shot:

"When we look at our highest vulnerable group--West Virginians over 50 years old, which account for 97% of our deaths--we see that there are about 550,000 that are fully vaccinated, yet we've only given out about 48,000 boosters.

"We know that boosting is critically important for us to have current immune status, not only for protection against death or hospitalization, which is really important, but to stop COVID from

spreading, so that we can get back to our normal lives.

"Given the criteria that the CDC has released, we believe that every West Virginian who wants a vaccine booster is eligible to get one."

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Want to Help Feed West Virginia's Hungry?

Generous hunters are donating deer to the Hunters Helping the Hungry (HHH) program, which provides thousands of pounds of venison to needy families across the state.

The 2021 season will mark the 30th consecutive year that the Division of Natural Resources' Wildlife Resources Section has sponsored the HHH program.

Since the inception of the program, hunters, financial contributors and participating processors have enabled the processing of 27,566 deer.

With their generosity and the assistance of two area food banks, 1,046,697 pounds of highly nutritious meat has been provided to needy families and individuals throughout West Virginia.

Hunters who decide to participate in the program take their deer to a participating meat processor, where the processor grinds, packages and freezes the venison.

The Mountaineer Food Bank (Gassaway) and Facing Hunger Foodbank (Huntington), both members of Feeding America, pick up the venison and distribute it to the needy through their statewide network of 600 charitable food pantries, soup kitchens, senior centers, shelters, community centers, orphanages, missions, and churches.

West Virginia is fortunate to have the generous support of its hunting community. The HHH Program has the potential to donate thousands of pounds of venison to the needy on an annual basis, making it a worthwhile program.

The total cost of this program has averaged \$42,953 over the past seven years. There is considerable interest in the program, but DNR is restricted from using sportsmen's license dollars to fund the program.

Therefore, DNR must rely on the generosity of concerned individuals, businesses, conservation organizations, foundations, and churches.

Two of the largest sources of fundraising include the annual "Governor's One-Shot Hunt," and the annual "Share the Harvest Sunday" fundraiser.

The Governor's One-Shot Hunt, an antlerless deer hunt that began in 2007, provides a source of venison and funding to the program.

West Virginia Council of Churches holds an annual "Share the Harvest Sunday" during the first Sunday in November. On that day, approximately 3,000 participating churches ask their congregations to donate \$1, \$5, or any amount that they can afford to the HHH program.

Any church that wishes to join in this effort can contact Mountaineer Food Bank, 364-5518, or DNR District 3 office, 924-6211.

Interested individuals, churches, organizations and businesses can help to insure the perpetuation of the Program through a generous monetary donation that can be made at any time.

Checks and money orders should be made out to Hunters Helping the Hungry, and mailed to: Hunters Helping the Hungry, W.Va. Division of Natural Resources, 163 Wildlife Road, French Creek, WV 26218. For information regarding the HHH program, call Trevor Moore, 924-6211, email Trevor.M.Moore@wv.gov.

Cedar Creek

Cedar Creek State Park Gift Shop, 2947 Cedar Creek Road, off Rt. 33/119 in Gilmer County, will be open for holiday shopping on Saturdays and Sundays through Dec. 9, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. It is accepting phone orders, plus shipping, at 462-8517 or 462-4806.

Santa will be there on Saturdays, Dec. 11 and 18, 2 to 5 p.m. You can get your picture with Santa put into a water snow globe for \$8.

Adopt an Angel

The annual Adopt an Angel is available at Minnie Hamilton Long Term Care.

If you would like to sponsor a resident for Christmas by adopting an angel, call Cheryl Cain, 354-9700, ext. 5165. On the back of the angel is a list of needs and wants.

All gifts are due back to Cain by Wednesday, Dec. 15. Thank you for helping give residents the best Christmas possible.

WVDE To Pilot New Student Assessment

A new resource to help families support their children's learning will soon be available. W.Va. Dept. of Education is conducting a statewide pilot of new student assessment video score reports, designed to make it easier to understand annual assessment data.

The individual student video reports are customized for each public-school student in grades 3-8, who took the W.Va. General Summative Assessment (WVGSA), and for each grade 11 student who took the SAT School Day in spring 2021.

Each year, after a student takes the WVGSA and the SAT School Day, their family receives a printed report detailing performance on the exam, along with a list of data sets that may be difficult to understand.

The video reports provide information about the child's academic performance on the exams and resources that pinpoint gaps in learning. This empowers families with solutions to address their children's academic challenges.

"We are very excited about these new student assessment video score reports, and we encourage all districts to distribute them to their students and their families as soon as it is feasible," said State superintendent of schools Clayton Burch.

"The printed data families receive can be intimidating, difficult to understand, and eventually lead to frustration if scores reflect learning deficits.

"We believe students and parents will find these video reports informative, engaging, and an important building block of a successful academic journey."

The video reports provide a visual representation of each student's performance, including a comparison of the student's scores in each content area to previous year's scores, as well as challenging areas that the student may have based on the scores. The video also shows how the student's scores compare to those of other students in the state, district, and school.

The SAT School Day video reports also show how students' scores compare to average scores in the state, district, and school, and includes an explanation of the difference between the college board's college- and career-readiness benchmarks, and the state's grade 11 achievement levels set by a panel of West Virginia educators.

Links to the video score reports are expected to be provided to county school systems this week for distribution. Each video report is unique to each student, based on their spring 2021 assessment results.

The method for distributing the video reports is up to each county. Once students receive the secure link to their respective videos, they will need to log in to access the videos, as well as links to various supporting resources.

"Although we are piloting this year's distribution of the new video reports now, we plan to have the video reports released next year at the same time as the printed score reports," said Burch.

The WVGSA video reports include links to the new West Virginia Student Progress Explorer website, complete with resources and suggested next steps for students and families to address any challenging areas identified in the results.

"We hope families take the opportunity to view the video reports and discuss the results with their students and their students' teachers," said Burch. "The reports present the perfect opportunity to connect to children's learning and to promote further conversations with educators."

The WVDE encourages students and their families to provide feedback on the new video score reports to help make improvements on future reports. If families have questions about the video report, they may contact their child's school. To view a sample video, visit wvde.us/assessment/learn-more-about-testing/ and click the WVGSA or SAT School Day tab.

Eastern Star

Order of Eastern Star will have its regular meeting in Grantsville on Monday, Nov. 22, at 7:30 p.m.

Vaccinations

Free COVID-19 vaccinations are available to all West Virginians ages 5 and older.

Anyone interested in being vaccinated is urged to visit Vaccinate.wv.gov or call the West Virginia Vaccine Info Line, 1-833-734-0965, which is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Shoebx Ministry

Operation Christmas Child Shoebx Ministry will have a drop-off location at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church on the following schedule:

Wednesday-Friday, Nov. 17-19, 5 to 7 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 20, 10 a.m. to noon; Sunday, Nov. 21, 2 to 4 p.m.; and Monday, Nov. 22, 10 a.m. to noon.

For information, call Sandy Weaver, 354-6217.

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.):

Nov. 20, Ruff Cut; Nov. 27, Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner; Dec. 4, Dixie Highway; Dec. 18, Ruff Cut; Dec. 25, closed.

Calhoun County Magistrate Court Case Disposition Oct. 1 to Oct. 31

Case 21-M07F-00036, Amanda Noel Rinehart, Administrative Violation; Mandatory disposal, provide proper proof of proper disposal; no contest pleas.

Case 21-M07F-00037, Page L. Forth, Manufacture/deliver/possess with intent to manufacture/deliver, schedule I, II, III; preliminary hearing waived.

Case 21-M07F-00038, Steven Haugeto, Manufacture/deliver/possess with intent to manufacture/deliver, schedule I, II, III, 3 offenses; probable cause found.

Case 21-M07F-00039, Tracy Shane Johnson, Manufacture/deliver/possess with intent to manufacture/deliver, schedule I, II, III, 2 offenses; probable cause found.

Case 21-M07F-00041, Andrew David Woodring, Manufacture/deliver/possess with intent to manufacture/deliver, schedule I, II, III, 1 offense; schedule IV, 1 offense; Gross neglect of a child creating a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury, 1 offense; preliminary hearings waived.

Case 21-M07F-00042, Brandon Michael Tallhammer, Fleeing from officer; penalties; definitions; vehicle - reckless indifference; preliminary hearing waived.

Case 21-M07M-00261, Sam Begay III, Domestic Battery, Unlawful physical contact of insulting/provoking nature, family/house; guilty, plea agreement.

Case 21-M07M-00323, Thomas Ray Jones, DUI 1st; guilty, plea agreement.

Case 21-M07M-00372, Brandon Foster Welch, Solid Waste Management, Administrative Violation; Failure to safely strip around a fire; guilty verdicts.

Case 21-M07M-00373, Jason Powell, Improper passing; guilty plea.

Case 21-M07M-00374, John Rhondal Posey, Jr., Prohibitions, Open dumps; no contest plea.

Case 21-M07M-00375, Judith Witt Houston, Solid Waste Management,

Administrative Violation; Mandatory disposal, provide proper proof of proper disposal; no contest pleas.

Case 21-M07M-00376, Eddie Dean Greathouse, Persons prohibited possessing firearms, >1 year conviction; guilty, plea agreement.

Case 21-M07M-00377, Ian T. Sands, Expired inspection; guilty plea.

Case 21-M07M-00379, Carmine Frank Defeo, Operation without cert. inspection or failure to produce certificate; penalty for misdemeanor; no contest plea.

Case 21-M07M-00384, Sam S. Schrader, Impersonation of law enforcement officer or official; penalty; guilty, plea agreement.

Case 21-M07M-00387, Crystal Mounts, Driving while license suspended or revoked, General; no contest plea.

Case 21-M07M-00388, Crystal Mounts, Speeding in town; Driving while license suspended or revoked, General; no contest pleas.

Case 21-M07M-00400, Richard Allen Rogers, Knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid prescription; guilty plea.

Case 21-M07M-00402, Mancel Lee McGuire, Hunt closed season; Illegal Possession of Wildlife; Additional power, regulatory violations; Tagging, transporting and reporting bear, bobcat, deer, wild boar and wild turkey; guilty pleas.

Case 21-M07M-00411, Ronzel D. Lynch, No safety belt worn; no contest plea.

Case 21-M07M-00415, Kayla Dawn Butler, Speeding, 60/55; no contest plea.

Case 21-M07M-00418, Richard Allen Thomas, Unlawful acts of licenses, beer sales under 21; guilty plea.

Case 21-M07M-00422, Charles A. Hatfield, Simple possession, marijuana; guilty plea.

Case 21-M07M-00423, Andrew L. Anderson, Speeding, 30/25; no contest plea.

Friends Sponsor Dove Tree

Friends of Minnie Hamilton would like to announce the return of its Dove Tree fundraiser. A tree is placed in the lobby at Minnie Hamilton Health System and individuals are honored or memorialized with their names on doves.

The dove-covered tree is set up in December and left through the end of January. The suggested donation is \$5 (the form is below). Funds collected are used to provide equipment and other needs within MHHS. Mail your completed form and donation to Carol Sloane, c/o FOMH, 186 Hospital Dr., Grantsville, WV 26147. For information, call Sloane, 354-9484.



Friends of Minnie Hamilton Dove Tree

Name: _____
(Please Print)

In Memory _____ In Honor _____
Cash _____ Check _____

(Please include check no.)

Donation \$5.00 per Dove

Name of Person Donating | Date
(Please Print)

Chronicle Christmas Contest

Find the Christmas images hidden in the Nov. 25, Dec. 2, and Dec. 9 issues of The Calhoun Chronicle and you could win . . .

\$75 ~ \$50 ~ \$25

Chronicle staff will "hide" a Christmas graphic image somewhere in the newspaper each week. Find the image displayed on the entry form in an ad in each issue, clip it, and attach it to the entry form. Each submission received will be entered in the drawing and winners will be listed in the December 16 issue. All entries must be received by December 11 2021.

Entry forms must be dropped off at the Chronicle office or mailed to: The Calhoun Chronicle, P.O. Box 400, Grantsville, WV 26147.

Prizes for the drawing include:

One Drawing for \$75

One Drawing for \$50

One Drawing for \$25

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	6.5
Oct. 20	262,902	3,853,242	4,219^	6.4	6.6
Oct. 21	264,002	3,867,921	4,238	6.4	7.4
Oct. 22	265,006	3,880,816	4,263	6.4	7.5
Oct. 25	267,398	3,911,580	4,292	6.4	7.0
Oct. 26	268,112	3,919,899	4,316^	6.4	7.9
Oct. 27	269,131	3,931,442	4,346	6.4	6.1
Oct. 28	270,082	3,945,334	4,409^	6.4	7.1
Oct. 29	270,984	3,957,070	4,426	6.4	10.8
Nov. 1	273,030	3,984,084	4,450	6.4	8.8
Nov. 2	273,659	3,990,044	4,475	6.4	6.3
Nov. 3	274,508	4,001,726	4,490	6.4	6.9
Nov. 4	275,396	4,013,475	4,511^	6.4	6.6
Nov. 5	276,267	4,025,899	4,518	6.4	9.2
Nov. 8	278,578	4,050,697	4,548	6.4	16.2
Nov. 9	278,837	4,054,068	4,568^	6.4	6.7
Nov. 10	279,694	4,068,613	4,592	6.4	6.5
Nov. 11	280,727	4,082,607	4,610	6.4	7.6
Nov. 12	281,865	4,373,684	4,610	6.4	10.1
Nov. 15	283,561	4,116,455	4,636	6.4	9.0
Nov. 16	284,165	4,122,348	4,676^	6.4	8.6

*Laboratory duplicate results removed.
In alignment with updated definitions, statistics include probable cases that are individuals who have symptoms and either serologic (antibody) or epidemiologic (a link to a confirmed case) evidence of disease, but no confirmatory test.
+Office of Epidemiology and Prevention Services added 27 deaths from Vital Registration Office.
~Includes 168 COVID-19 related deaths that were not properly reported to DHHR.
^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 (2,871), Berkeley (19,421), Boone (3,818), Braxton (2,280), Brooke (3,199), Cabell (15,538), Calhoun (1,008), Clay (1,330), Doddridge (1,386), Fayette (6,487), Gilmer (1,427), Grant (2,326), Greenbrier (5,106), Hampshire (3,438), Hancock (4,408), Hardy (2,574), Harrison (11,752), Jackson (4,132), Jefferson (7,073), Kanawha (25,824), Lewis (3,155), Lincoln (3,119), Logan (5,532), Marion (8,652), Marshall (5,479), Mason (3,758), McDowell (3,039), Mercer (9,196), Mineral (4,824), Mingo (4,747), Monongalia (13,949), Monroe (2,178), Morgan (2,209), Nicholas (4,019), Ohio (6,353), Pendleton (1,143), Pleasants (1,436), Pocahontas (1,200), Preston (5,555), Putnam (9,340), Raleigh (11,914), Randolph (5,309), Ritchie (1,505), Roane (1,696), Summers (1,484), Taylor (2,481), Tucker (1,202), Tyler (1,389), Upshur (4,266), Wayne (5,832), Webster (1,262), Wetzel (2,676), Wirt (874), Wood (13,576), Wyoming (3,814); 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 cases,

Jan. 23; last to reach 300 cases, May 6; last to reach 400 cases, July 22; last to reach 500 cases on Sept. 1; reached 600 cases on Sept. 6; reached 700 cases on Sept. 13; reached 800 cases on Sept. 27; reached 900 cases on Oct. 21; 54th county to reach 1,000 cases on Nov. 13. Calhoun's first COVID-19 death reported on May 26, 2021, as a 74-year-old woman; second death on Sept. 15, 2021, 73-year-old woman; third death on Sept. 29, 2021, 79-year-old man; fourth death on Sept. 30, 2021, 73-year-old man; fifth death on Nov. 1, 2021, 73-year-old woman.

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

	Positive	Deaths	Positive	Deaths
Mar. 30	164,610	3,170	800,049	38,714
Apr. 27	987,916	55,425	3,014,808	207,904
May 25	1,688,739	99,356	5,482,990	347,162
June 29	2,637,909	128,452	10,234,889	505,144
July 27	4,373,561	149,856	16,429,464	653,266
Aug. 31	6,175,600	187,232	25,417,858	852,100
Sept. 28	7,321,465	209,454	33,332,536	1,003,542
Oct. 26	8,890,481	230,512	43,383,433	1,160,977
Nov. 30	13,755,039	273,130	63,236,339	1,468,737
Dec. 28	19,579,987	341,187	81,293,122	1,775,977
Jan. 25	25,705,299	429,511	99,917,297	2,142,799
Feb. 22	28,767,835	511,302	112,093,051	2,481,796
Mar. 29	30,966,974	562,551	127,963,064	2,799,992
Apr. 26	32,824,618	586,152	148,006,342	3,127,343
May 31	34,043,110	609,544	171,180,032	3,563,041
June 28	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
Oct. 20	45,996,507	748,652	242,466,703	4,936,766
Oct. 21	46,092,913	751,815	242,945,457	4,945,926
Oct. 22	46,175,122	753,749	243,411,617	4,953,520
Oct. 23	46,264,596	755,721	243,874,391	4,961,404
Oct. 24	46,294,210	756,205	244,230,149	4,967,005
Oct. 25	46,312,782	756,362	244,536,233	4,971,575
Oct. 26	46,417,525	757,849	244,975,063	4,978,768
Oct. 27	46,498,339	759,939	245,448,646	4,987,734
Oct. 28	46,597,003	761,856	245,970,478	4,997,053
Oct. 29	46,685,145	763,784	246,442,116	5,004,791
Oct. 30	46,771,979	765,722	246,910,005	5,013,065
Oct. 31	46,799,970	766,117	247,382,939	5,018,389
Nov. 1	46,823,938	766,299	247,565,400	5,022,823
Nov. 2	46,889,795	767,056	247,774,889	5,025,088
Nov. 3	46,999,771	768,847	248,429,613	5,037,430
Nov. 4	47,105,468	770,854	248,991,759	5,045,990
Nov. 5	47,187,256	772,315	249,506,102	5,053,716
Nov. 6	47,280,449	774,673	250,008,462	5,062,487
Nov. 7	47,313,412	775,095	250,385,227	5,068,146
Nov. 8	47,336,577	775,218	250,725,097	5,072,844
Nov. 9	47,453,950	776,311	251,230,529	5,086,408
Nov. 10	47,536,536	778,316	251,740,414	5,094,913
Nov. 11	47,647,745	780,236	252,337,529	5,097,498
Nov. 12	47,693,516	780,775	252,069,501	5,104,277
Nov. 13	47,834,810	782,933	253,371,697	5,113,139
Nov. 14	47,896,749	783,481	253,807,052	5,118,702
Nov. 15	47,916,190	783,565	254,187,872	5,123,407
Nov. 16	48,072,898	784,779	254,754,543	5,131,094

Cases by states and territories: California 5,005,192, Texas 4,284,611, Florida 3,711,612, New York 2,629,344, Illinois 1,735,586, Pennsylvania 1,647,653, Georgia 1,647,653, Ohio 1,604,488, North Carolina 1,506,576, Michigan 1,346,868, Tennessee 1,294,801, New Jersey 1,219,768, Arizona 1,214,419, Indiana 1,049,575, Virginia 942,837, Wisconsin 921,221, South Carolina 906,945, Missouri 878,269, Massachusetts 873,281, Minnesota 841,625, Alabama 839,953, Colorado 781,960, Louisiana 764,354, Kentucky 759,935, Washington 750,477, Oklahoma 652,731, Maryland 572,342, Utah 571,507, Arkansas 519,760, Mississippi 508,469, Iowa 503,564, Nevada 448,652, Kansas 447,746, Connecticut 407,750, Oregon 378,174, Idaho 299,849, Nebraska 297,214, New Mexico 292,078, West Virginia 283,561, Puerto Rico 187,044, Rhode Island 184,394, Montana 183,257, South Dakota 160,088, North Dakota 155,340, Delaware 147,875, Alaska 145,167, New Hampshire 144,626, Maine 111,144, Wyoming 107,483, Hawaii 85,790, D.C. 65,371, Vermont 45,024; West Virginia was last state to record a case.

Blood Drive

American Red Cross blood drive will be held in the Glenville State College Mollohan Building, 200 High St., Glenville, on Tuesday, Nov. 30, from noon to 5 p.m. Visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) for an appointment.

Building Rental

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

WEDNESDAY'S POOL TOURNAMENT 8PM LADIES NIGHT 241 FREE PIZZA BUFFET FRIDAYS...KARAOKE SATURDAYS...LIVE MUSIC HOTSPOT OPEN 9AM-3AM DAILY

21 AND OVER ONLY MUST HAVE ID

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Creston News

by Alvin Engelke
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After the killing frost, the area enjoyed what used to be called Indian summer, with great weather and some mowed their lawns.

The main problem were the swarms of Asiatic beetles (government lady-bugs) and government stink bugs.

The Clintons turned the beetles loose to "control the aphids on the pecan trees."

Perhaps there are five pecan trees in the Creston area, so it never was a serious problem, but there was a "donation," so the taxpayers purchased the pests, and there is no getting rid of them.

Once government programs start, the consequences never end.

Speaking of government programs, West Virginia congress critter David McKinley is trying to cover his behind for selling out West Virginia on the \$trillion "infrastructure" bill.

Part of the legislation is a mileage tax and a study to see if our roads have "equity" and do not "abuse" minority populations.

No doubt, it is time for him to be retired by Congressman Mooney, who stood up for West Virginia.

There is now lots of taxpayer money to buy the venal. The ones directing the senile one have named Saule Omarova, a graduate of University of Moscow, to be comptroller of the currency, a very powerful position over all banks and much of the commerce.

She has made it clear that she wants to abolish all "community banks," such as the ones that service the local area, and take their deposits to a federal agency.

She said that the oil and gas companies should all go bankrupt, following in the wake of the coal mining firms.

Speaking of such, Abarta, a firm that has wells in Gilmer County, just filed for Chapter 11.

John Kerry, husband of the ketchup widow that has Chinese investments that use slave labor in concentration camps, said that all coal use in America must stop, and not to worry about the 41,000 workers who would lose their livelihoods.

Of course, China continues to build more coal-fired power plants, and likely Dictator Xi has told the haughty Kerry to save the U.S. coal for when the Peoples Liberation Army takes over here.

Even though coal is on the top of the "bad list" the W.Va. State Tax Department, in its wisdom, has made major increases in the values of coal properties, some of which have never been mined or near any mines, railroads, etc.

An older lady lost her natural gas, and folks walked gas lines and searched for the problem.

After two days, it was determined that a timberman had allegedly cut a gas line to an out-building, and did not report the incident. She had to stay with a daughter until the leak was found and fixed.

The furor over mandates, masks and virus treatments continues. The cheap drug treatments are now "verboten,"

although some are buying the animal medicine and calculating the dose, as medical doctors have been told that their licenses will be jerked if they go against Dr. Fauci and his high dollar friends, including Bill Gates, who finally admitted that the vaccine does not stop the spread.

At the Boley breakfast, there was a heated discussion

Scouting Boy Scouts

Boy Scout Camp Kootaga will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2022.

Kootaga District, Buckskin Council, recently held a design contest for the 100th anniversary logo to be used throughout 2022 for all items related to Camp Kootaga.

A blind judging was held, and Lance Gordon, an alumni of Troop 16 in Parkersburg, was the winner of the contest.

Don B. Lowe purchased the property known as Camp Kootaga in 1922. The first long-term summer camp was held that year on the banks of the Hughes River. It consisted of one or two troops from the Parkersburg area, with Lowe as the camp director.

In 1929, Col. R.L. Cole brought a Kiowa Indian named J. Dougannah to help with the camp program. He named the Boy Scout camp "Kootaga," which means "Good Friends."

Surrounded on three sides by the Hughes

River, the 500-acre Camp Kootaga is nearly an island in the rugged wilderness of Wirt County. Each Scout who spends a week at Kootaga will have the opportunity to experience swimming, canoeing, hiking, archery, nature trails, and more.

Summer residential camping for troops from around the country and off season camping for those closer to home or traveling, numerous events are hosted throughout the year.

Camp Kootaga has gone through many changes, but one thing has remained constant: helping develop young people into upstanding citizens and outstanding individuals.

For information on

camping, visit the Buckskin Council website.

Girl Scouts

Girls in kindergarten through 12th grade are invited to attend "Outdoor Adventure Day" at Cedar Creek State Park on Saturday, Nov. 20.

Hosted by the Girl Scouts of Black Diamond, the event is open and free to all interested girls, who will enjoy an assortment of crafts and adventures.

Girls in kindergarten through fifth grade will work to complete an outdoor art project, while girls in grades six through 12 will enjoy working on their Hiking and Trail Adventure badges, practicing "Leave No Trace" camping techniques, and learning outdoor cooking skills.

Upon completion of the latter tasks, the girls will earn a Girl Scout Trailblazer pin. Future trailblazer activities will include ziplining, rock climbing, and more.

If you are interested in attending, email Natalie. Huggins@bdgsc.org or call 488-8184 to register by Nov. 18.

Caregivers are invited to accompany their girls to Cedar Creek State Park, 2947 Cedar Creek Road, Glenville, on the day of the event.

Food Giveaway

Mountaineer Food Bank will have a mobile pantry food giveaway on Thursday, Nov. 18, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., while supplies last, at 45 Pool St. (old pool site), Grantsville.

Food Pantry

Calhoun FRN Food Pantry and Thrift Store hours are Monday-Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It will be closed on Fridays until further notice.

Foundation Week

For more than 30 years, Parkersburg Area Community Foundation and regional affiliates have joined peers nationwide to celebrate Nov. 12-18 as National Community Foundations Week.

Created in 1989 by President George H.W. Bush, the week recognizes the work of community foundations across America, and coincides with National Philanthropy Day, Nov. 15.

PACF is a permanent charitable foundation founded in 1963 that serves the citizens of 11 counties, including Calhoun.

"The PACF's deep knowledge of local needs, paired with the many wonderful partnerships that we have with generous area citizens and businesses, provides a giving and granting infrastructure for our community that is built to last," said Judy Sjostedt Ritchie, PACF executive director.

"We work daily with good people who want to make a difference in the lives of their fellow citizens through their giving."

Community foundations are independent public charities. This past year, PACF granted more than \$3 million for a wide array of causes and programs.

While PACF is best known for partnering with citizens to build long-term charitable funds for the betterment of Mid-Ohio Valley, it is positioned to serve as a strong community leader.

Since the spring of 2020, PACF has been addressing the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

With many families facing financial and food insecurity as unemployment rose, and the region's non-profits experiencing increasing demand for services, PACF and its donors stepped up with leadership and support.

PACF enlisted help from local individuals, other funders, and area businesses and nonprofits to determine how to best allocate resources among regional needs and raise additional funds for community concerns.

To date, PACF's efforts have delivered more than \$450,000 to address its four identified COVID-19 Relief community priorities: essential services, financial hardship relief, access to food, and health services.

"Our region is home to some of the most generous and caring people," said Ritchie.

"The PACF does its best to provide area citizens with the greatest value for their support and to return as much as possible for the good of the region.

"We are very grateful for the support of our region's citizens--everything we've ever done and all we can ever do is the direct result of their generous support."

For information about the PACF, call 428-4438 or visit www.pacfwv.com.

Pleasant Hill

In order to maintain upkeep of Pleasant Hill Church Cemetery, it is accepting donations at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, P.O. Box 651, Grantsville, WV 26147. Make checks payable to Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

For information, contact Cheryl Greathouse, 354-9513 or cherylgreat@citlink.net.



Welfare of Animals Group would like to thank Clara and Vada Barnhart for their donation of \$106 to WAG and for setting the examples of caring, compassion, and citizenship. The girls held a bake sale for the food pantry and also sold bracelets for WAG.

Emotion Helpline

Are you or your loved ones feeling anxious, overwhelmed or emotionally exhausted?

First Choice Services has launched a 24/7 emotional strength helpline called HELP304 to help navigate these uncertain and unprecedented times.

Available via phone, text, or online chat, professional crisis counselors are trained to listen and help you find the way forward with stress-management strategies, as well as community resources and referrals. Talk to someone who cares and can help.

Call the helpline via phone or text at 877-HELP304 (877-435-7304) or online chat at www.help304.com.

New at Library

Calhoun County Library has the following new items:

Adult Fiction: The Sentence, by Louise Erdrich; The Nameless Ones, by John Connolly.

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Juvenile Fiction: Tips for Magicians, by Celesta Rimington; Rosetown Summer, by Cynthia Rylant.



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